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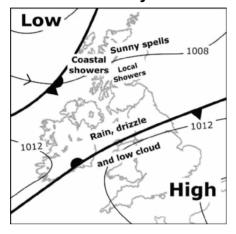
Southeastern Highlands

The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Ben Alder, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 21 January, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 January, 2025

Below freezing on Scottish tops. Noticeably chilly in the breeze. A cluster of showers with hill snow moves across the Highlands early in the day, but clears to be often dry and bright. Showers continue near to western coasts, some moving inland. A slow-moving front over England & north Wales brings grey and damp conditions.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

One or two showers, flurries tops; varied cloud. Moderate breeze.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 21 January, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 15 to 25mph, strongest over tops in the central highlands, at times 30mph on exposed slopes.		
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, but marked wind chill over the mountains. May affect comfortable walking on some higher slopes.		
How wet?	v wet? Occasional showers, snow flurries tops		
(Precipitation and its impact)	Showers passing eastward in the morning, with snow above 700-800m. Soon clearing to be often dry. Local showers or flurries possible into the afternoon, mainly central highlands.		
Cloud on the hills?	Most common western tops, breaks east		
	Varied banks of cloud over higher slopes in the morning. Soon mostly confined above 900m with breaks to tops, best east of the A9. Likely to come and go throughout day over central highlands tops.		
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30% west, 60% east.		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Often cloudy west, occasional sun east, mainly early afternoon. Visibility mostly very good, reduced in showers.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	0C. Wind chill feeling like -10C on high tops.		
Freezing Level	900m or slightly higher eastern areas.		

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Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 22 January	Thursday 23 January
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Variable direction, 10mph and under. Occasionally 15mph on higher terrain. Little to none	Southerly later west-southwesterly; speeds likely increasing 20 to 35mph, risk 45mph by early afternoon, suddenly squally. Walking becoming impeded with increasing buffeting on higher terrain where exposed. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation expected	Snow developing, setting in west A few snow flurries in the morning, but several hours largely dry in east. Increasing risk with time of more persistent snow developing from the southwest, likely heavier by afternoon west of A9, rain lower slopes.
Cloud on the hills?	Often covering higher areas. A few spells of bases reaching lower terrain alongside spells of clearing.	Extensive low cloud, varied banks Banks of cloud covering many hills all day, varied in the morning, most persistent south-facing slopes, risk extensive to lower slopes. As snow develops, cloud filling in and lowering widely from the west.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun. Good visibility.	Mostly cloudy, visibility poor in cloud banks, appalling where snow develops.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1C, some areas several degrees cooler.	-1 or -2C. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -15C.
Freezing Level	800m, possible down to 600m near Glenshee.	Locally varied 600 to 800m, some pockets of near-freezing air some lower slopes.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 22 January, 2025

Deteriorating later this week - a series of storm systems coming in from the Atlantic through late January bringing frequently severe conditions to the mountains. Thursday sees winds reach gale force on many tops with a spell of heavy rain and upland snow developing from the west. By Friday, severe conditions from lower elevations upward, hurricane-force winds over the mountains, plus extensive rain and hill snow. Gales continue into Saturday, severe for the Highlands. Snow is likely to accumulate over Scottish mountains during the next week or so with only brief thawing. More variable temperatures for England and Wales with cycles of freeze and thaw. Atlantic patterns likely prevail into early February.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Monday, 20 January, 2025

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