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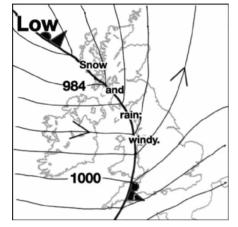
Southeastern Highlands

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 Thursday, 23 January, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 23 January, 2025

The onset of a change as air begins to come in off the Atlantic. There will be extensive low cloud, and as a weakening front comes inland precipitation (snow on the mountains, even lower slopes Scotland) will set in for a couple of hours or so (very little N/NE Scotland). Upland winds will also strengthen markedly.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Snow (rain lowest slopes), spreading east afternoon. Windy.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 23 January, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly 30 strengthening 35mph from west. By dusk near central belt, turning abruptly westerly 30 to 40mph.	
Effect of wind on you?	Significant wind chill and buffeting where exposed on higher areas.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow mainly afternoon Initially just a few flurries. Snow (or rain lower slopes) afternoon, mainly west of A9 and Ochils at first, but a little snow Angus/Glenshee by dusk.	
Cloud on the hills?	Later very extensive; shrouding many lower slopes Some breaks to perhaps 800m, but mountains widely cloud covered: extensively below 500m in snow later in day.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Less than 10%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine. Hazy and visibility becoming very poor or appalling in snow.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1C. Will feel as cold as minus -13C directly in the wind.	
Freezing Level	Poor defined between 400 and 700m (little temperature change with height).	

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Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 24 January	Saturday 25 January
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southeast veering southwest or westerly: temporarily low speeds, but abruptly, 70 to possibly 100mph E of Glenshee & Ochils. Severe wind chill and even on lower slopes mobility at times difficult.	Westerly later southwesterly, typically 40mph, although perhaps 60mph post dawn. Expect significant wind chill and walking to be difficult on higher areas
you:	Progress tortuous higher up.	particularly morning.
How wet?	Frequent heavy snow; whiteout	Hail and snow showers
(Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent or persistent snow, sometimes heavy, although one or two dry interludes. Prolonged whiteout. Sometimes rain lower slopes.	Snow and hail showers; possibly later the precipitation frequent. As the showers move east they will tend to die out: very little expected near and east of Glenshee and Ochils.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied, often extensive	Extensive on higher areas
	Cloud bases fluctuating, at times covering hills from lower slopes up.	Varying cloud base; breaks to 900m, occasionally 1100m (generally highest toward and east of Glenshee) but near precipitation, forming at 650m or sometimes lower.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Less than 10%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine rare if any. Visibility appalling or in heavy/blowing snow, almost zero.	Bursts of sun, most widely near and east of Glenshee Visibility very good or excellent, but abruptly very poor or appalling in snow.
How Cold? (at 900m)	Soon rising to 0C or briefly higher, falling later, by evening to -3C. Will feel as cold as minus 18C directly in the wind.	-3C. Will feel as cold as minus 18C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	200m soon rising to 900 to 1050m. Starting to lower again from south toward dusk.	450m

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 24 January, 2025

An extremely intense Atlantic low will make landfall in Scotland on Friday. In many areas upland winds will approach or reach hurricane force, and widespread precipitation will occur.

Precipitation will then fall most days over the coming week as low pressure continues to dominate, giving further periods of upland gales or storm force winds. On the Scottish Highlands most precipitation will be of snow, whilst further south snow more intermittently and often confined to higher summits.

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