

Southeastern Highlands

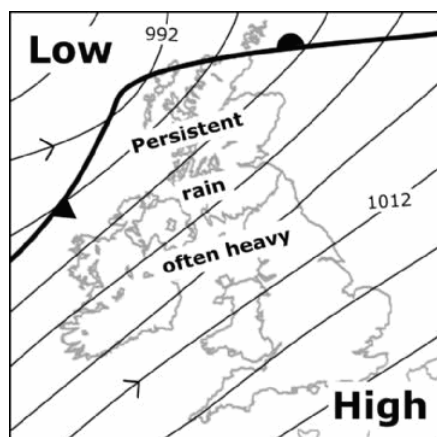
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Ericht, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Sunday, 14 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 December, 2025

Extensive rain, sustained heavy falls over many western mountains, expect flooding. Smaller amounts of rain toward the N/E Cairngorms, also S/E Wales and Peak District. Widespread gales, powerful gusts around high tops, locally downslope to east. Blanket cloud across hills, lowest in west.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Gales, severe in places. Wettest central areas, low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 14 December, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly, 40-55mph, local 60mph with powerful gusts downslope from higher mountains. Tending to strengthen up to dusk, reaching 70mph for a time. Easing only well into night to 30mph or less. Arduous conditions over the mountains. Strong gusty winds will challenge balance and stability all day, including less exposed slopes. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Most rain west, persistently heavy at times Often raining all day west of the A9 with some heavy falls increasingly setting in. Further east, rain frequent and still occasionally heavier, but sometimes fading to drizzly patches, smallest amounts toward Angus glens.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Extensive low cloud Blanket cloud across the mountains, fairly widespread above 600-700m, locally often lower near Callander. Some brief breaks above 800-900m, mainly in east toward Lochnagar. 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	No sun expected, mostly dull. Visibility generally poor central highlands, widely in rain, some occasional improvements in east.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	6 or 7C, small variation with altitude; then lowering rapidly into night to 1 or 2C. Feeling like -5 to -8C in the wind. Above the summits, but then into night dropping from west to 1000-1100m.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 15 December	Tuesday 16 December
How windy? (On the Munros)	Some uncertainty, speed may vary; southwesterly 15 to 25mph.	Southwesterly 20 to 30mph. Strengthening onward into night to gales.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, though occasional gusty areas may feel uncomfortable in exposure.	Blustery, may start to affect comfortable walking and balance on higher exposed tops and ridges, marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no rain Rain from overnight fading out to be substantially dry or only occasional patches of light rain. Very wet underfoot, streams in spate, flooding of larger rivers.	Local showers west Risk of occasional showers mostly toward western central highlands, falling as snow flurries above 800-900m. More likely substantially dry toward and particularly east of the A9.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly high tops, lowest west of A9 Variable: banks of cloud drifting over high tops, most widely in central highlands, some variable lower banks as well.	Most common central areas Cloud banks at various levels particularly in the morning, some fog lower down for a time in places. May drift over higher slopes above 800m frequently in central highlands, more breaks eastward.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little sun expected, a veil of high cloud. Very good visibility, some haze.	Glimpses of sun, more frequent eastward. Visibility excellent out of cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m)	2C, slightly warmer eastern areas. Feeling like -5C in direct wind.	0 to 1C. Feeling like -8C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	1100 to 1200m.	900 to 1000m. Slight frost sheltered glens in morning.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 15 December, 2025

Prolonged rain will leave flooding of streams and rivers in many mountain areas early in the new week, with the exception of northeastern Scotland. A frontal system will eventually pass eastwards Monday-Tuesday, wind easing; dropping to freezing above 900m, beware of ice forming on higher Scottish mountains. Drier conditions for many on Tuesday, though showery near west coast of Scotland. By Wednesday, another system sweeps in from the Atlantic bringing further rain and gales. A risk of more heavy rain particularly England and Wales later in the week. A change of weather pattern is likely in the run up to Christmas, as high pressure builds northward, bringing drier weather, possibly chillier with time.

Forecast issued at 16:16 on Saturday, 13 December, 2025

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