

Southeastern Highlands

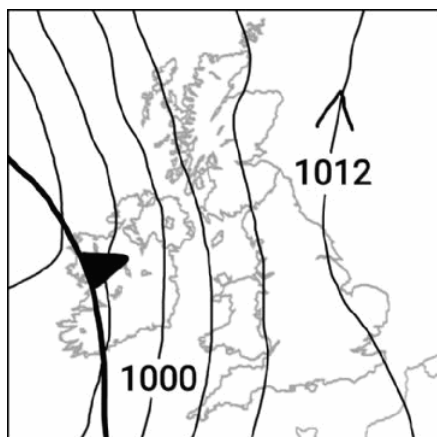
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Erich, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Saturday, 20 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 20 December, 2025

South to south-easterly winds, reaching gale force for western hills, local drizzly showers southwestern Scotland as well as Wales, with rain into Pembrokeshire later. Elsewhere, areas of weak sun and low cloud. Low cloud focused on eastern side of Pennines and also southern and eastern Highlands.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Strong and gusty winds. Fairly extensive low cloud with isolated drizzle.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 20 December, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	South to south-easterly 25 to 40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking fairly arduous for periods with a very gusty and turbulent airflow. Significant wind chill and buffeting.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Scope for spots of drizzle May well be dry, but scope for pockets of drizzle to fall from the fairly extensive low cloud.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive Banks of low cloud are expected to be fairly extensive across the hills through the day with bases generally around 500-800m.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun Visibility good.
How Cold? (at 900m)	2 or 3C, small rate of change in temperature with height. Directly in the wind feeling like -10 to -13C.
Freezing Level	Around 1200m. Some fresh snow coverage over higher mountains.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 21 December	Monday 22 December
How windy? (On the Munros)	South-easterly backing easterly 20 to 30mph, perhaps lifting to 40mph at times.	Southeasterly 30 to 40mph, easing to 20 to 25mph in afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery, turbulent airflow with significant wind chill. Sudden gusts running downslope and reversals in direction.	Fairly arduous conditions for several hours, sudden and strong wind gusts running downslope. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain and summit snow A few patches of rain or summit snow may feed in from the east or south-east at times. Small amounts and may well be dry for several hours.	Rain and drizzle often persistent A warm front and its widespread rain clears early, but further frequent areas of rain and drizzle following are likely to follow. Patchier further west.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Very likely hills shrouded in low cloud for much of the day with bases varying, but often from mid slopes upwards. Patches to lower slopes too.	Extensive, often to lower slopes. Extensive low cloud will shroud the hills throughout the course of the day. Any breaks will be rather fleeting.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly overcast. Visibility good at times, but poor in any rain or snow.	Overcast. Visibility often poor due to rain and drizzle.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	Around 1C, small change in temperature with height. Feeling closer to -10C in the wind. Around 1000m	3C, but feeling closer to -10C where exposed to the strongest winds. Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 21 December, 2025

A much drier and chiller theme develops into the Christmas period and perhaps into the New Year, as high pressure builds to the north and northeast and maybe later in the period overhead over Scotland when inversion conditions would be in place. An extensive cloud sheet will likely come in from the North Sea over many days with light snow showers or flurries likely, rain to lower slopes, but many areas dry. Best breaks in the west.

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