

Southeastern Highlands

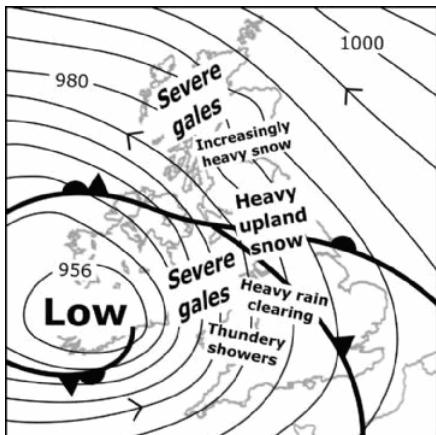
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Ericht, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 27 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 27 January, 2026

Severe conditions - storm-force winds on mountains, damaging gusts to some lower terrain. Extensive hill snow for N England & S Scotland, snow setting in heavier with time for southern Highlands; blizzard conditions widely, rain only lower slopes. Showery bursts follow in Wales with risk of hail and thunder.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Severe gales. Snow setting in heavy; whiteout.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 27 January, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	East-southeasterly 55 to 70mph, speeds may reach up to 80mph higher exposed areas with powerful gusts downslope.
Effect of wind on you?	Widely difficult conditions - stability and mobility likely only achieved with crouching/crawling. Severe wind chill.
How wet?	Snow most of the day, becoming heavy
(Precipitation and its impact)	Persistent snowfall widely above 300-400m, sleet lower slopes, rain toward valleys nearer the central belt; snow setting increasingly heavier widely with time; extensive blizzard conditions from mid-elevations upward.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Shrouding high terrain most or all day with bases to middle slopes near the east lowlands, which may drop lower more widely in heavier snow. Some higher breaks towards Loch Ericht, though unlikely above 800-900m.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Below 10%
Sunshine?	Overcast and dull.
Air clarity (below cloud)	Whiteout conditions on most high terrain in blowing snow, to some mid-elevations.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2C. Feeling like -18 to -23C in strongest wind.
Freezing Level	300-400m; starting to rise variably into the evening, onward into night to around 800m.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 28 January	Thursday 29 January
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly 25 to 40mph.	East to southeasterly 35 to 45mph, gusty in places near and west of major summits.
Effect of wind on you?	Affecting comfortable walking, some buffeting gusts in places. Considerable wind chill.	Challenging walking on exposed higher terrain, buffeting gusts locally lower down. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy snow / rain Snow mostly east of the A9, amounts small, a little rain low-mid slopes up to 600m or higher with time.	Snow flurries Snow fairly persistent, particularly eastern hills, but mostly light. Patchier west of A9. Sleet lower slopes, rain near central belt.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Shrouding the hills most or all day from low to mid-slopes upward. Highest cloud base toward and north of Loch Tay.	Extensive Shrouding hills from many mid heights upward. Higher bases westward, some breaks on western aspects near Loch Tay.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Whiteout if in cloud over snow cover; misty many hill slopes.	Overcast and dull, locally brighter moments further west. Hazy, poor visibility in snow and difficult navigation on hills in fog over snow cover.
How Cold? (at 900m)	0C. Wind chill feeling like -8 to -12C.	-1 or -2C. Wind chill feeling like -15C.
Freezing Level	800m, rising slightly during daytime.	600 to 700m, perhaps slightly higher furthest west around Callander.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 28 January, 2026

Strong east or southeasterly winds likely to prevail onward into early February. Scottish mountains are expected stay below freezing in the extended range, fresh heavy snowfalls giving substantial depths and drifts across south and eastern areas, much less snow northwestward. Hills in England and Wales will see varying freezing levels, sub-zero for periods to 600m or lower, but intermittently lifting just above the tops - a mix of rain and upland snowfall. A generally unsettled pattern with Atlantic lows continuing to frequently circulate over Britain on a southerly track, whilst high pressure resides away to the north.

Forecast issued at 16:20 on Monday, 26 January, 2026

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