

Southeastern Highlands

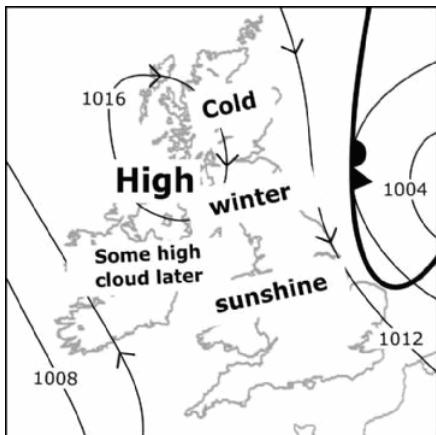
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Ericht, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 17 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 February, 2026

Early snow showers in northern Scotland and north Wales, these easing to dry and sunny conditions across the country. Lying snow remains on most slopes above 700-800m, locally lower. A blustery morning, particularly eastern areas where powerful gusts will reach gale force, but easing to fairly small effects widely.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Cold winter sunshine over lying snow, windy early

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 17 February, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northerly 30 to 40mph early morning, stronger before dawn and staying strong in east of the A9 for a time, powerful downslope gusts to the south. Steadily easing to 15-20mph, perhaps less, and shifting NE'ly.
Effect of wind on you?	Prepare for significant wind chill and challenging walking in exposure early in day, but improving with time to fairly small effects.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Likely dry during daylight Around and before dawn, showery snow affecting mountains near Glenshee, this precipitation fading for a dry day.
Cloud on the hills?	Increasingly clearing Patchy cloud on higher slopes in the morning, mostly above 750m. By afternoon mountains widely free of cloud.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90% by afternoon
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine. Superb visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-5 or -6C to start the day, rising slightly, locally to -4C. Early in day, feeling like -15C directly in the wind, near -20C high tops, easing.
Freezing Level	Terrain widely frozen; partial thawing on low sunlit slopes, but refreezing again after sunset.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 18 February	Thursday 19 February
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly 20-30mph. Very gusty, and not just on high terrain.	Generally southerly, some variability, 35-45mph, strong gusts, approaching 55mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking often strenuous, including on lower terrain due to chaotic, buffeting gusts. Significant wind chill.	Walking arduous with severe wind chill; buffeting in exposure making it challenging to stay on your feet.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation unlikely	Precipitation unlikely A small chance of some snow approaching the central highlands late in the day but likely entirely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Likely little Cloud caps graze the high tops from time to time but most mountains clear of cloud. The risk of cloud increases with time, possibly to mid-slopes near the east lowlands later.	Cloud banks near and east of A9 Cloud banks cling to the high slopes of the Munros near and east of the A9, some high summits may be above the cloud layer but the wind pushing ragged patches up the hill towards the tops as well.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%, reducing later in the day.	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, some high cloud, later a risk of less sun on high terrain under hill cloud. Excellent visibility.	Often sunny but weakened by high cloud. Very good visibility, some haze near the Central Belt.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-4 or -5C. Only little change with added height. Feeling as cold as -20C in strongest wind.	-3 or -2C, some local variability.
Freezing Level	Terrain likely widely frozen.	Terrain widely frozen, some thaws on low sun-exposed slopes.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 18 February, 2026

Much terrain frozen midweek, frost into valleys and glens. Strengthening wind on Wednesday with considerable gustiness, gales likely in Wales; possible snow moving into Wales as well, which may move further north but detail is uncertain. Late in the week and through next weekend, a switch to southwesterly winds is expected, bringing a change to milder conditions - lifting above freezing to tops in England and Wales, and generally higher freezing levels in Scotland; periods of thawing likely to Munro summits, though some further snowfall at times on higher Munros during periods of cooler northwesterly wind. Rain most frequent over western hills. Generally windy with upland gales.

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