

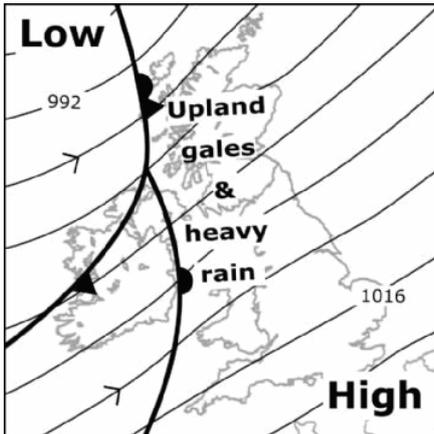
# Southeastern Highlands

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 Thursday, 26 February, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 26 February, 2026**

Gale-force southwesterlies, strengthening to be severe on higher mountains. Rain increasingly persistent from the west, some heavier falls setting in for periods combined with lowering cloud over the hills. Near freezing on higher Scottish tops, where some snow falls for a time.

### Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Upland gales, severe high tops. Rain heaviest west.

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 26 February, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southwesterly 40 to 50mph, strengthening into middle of day to 60mph, gusts 70mph higher mountains onward through afternoon. Slightly lessening toward evening.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Difficult conditions over the mountains, any mobility challenging on exposed terrain into middle of day, gusts could knock you over. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Rain most persistent central highlands, heavier with time.</b> Bands of showery rain sweep west-to-east, snow falling above 900-1000m for a time in morning, then mostly rain. Drier at times in east in morning. More persistent rain develops from west with time, some sustained heavier bursts.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Variable, clear summits during dry periods</b> During pulses of rain, cloud shrouds most high terrain, the lowest bases reaching 700-800m towards central highlands during heaviest rain, filling in widely over the tops. Some breaks mainly easternmost areas.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>30% dropping to 10% central areas.</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Largely cloudy, some brighter moments with glimpses of sun through high cloud in east in morning. Very good visibility, though very poor in precipitation.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	2C, some local variability by a degree, more widely 3C for a time. Feeling like -12 to -15C in direct wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Just the highest tops, rising higher afternoon, but then lowering overnight to around 1100m

## Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 27 February	Saturday 28 February
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Westerly 20 to 30mph, variable, typically strongest toward north.  <b>Blustery wind impedes comfortable walking over higher terrain with marked wind chill.</b>	Southerly, strengthening from west during day from 15-20mph, to 35-40mph afternoon, risk 50mph by dusk in west.  <b>Fairly small early in day, but increasingly blustery, soonest west, during afternoon affecting comfortable walking.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Scattered showers</b> Often dry, but occasional showers, mostly north and western areas, falling as snow above 900m, later lowering.	<b>Precipitation unlikely during day</b> Rare if any brief flurries. Late evening or onward into night, rain preceded by hill snow moving in from west.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Mostly high tops with breaks</b>  Cloud mostly confined to the higher summits, with breaks above the tops at times, best in east.  <b>50%</b>	<b>Lifting, may linger some tops</b>  Cloud banks likely to drift variably over some slopes in morning, tending to lift to tops, increasing breaks forming.  <b>50%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Mix of cloud and occasional sun. Very good visibility.	Some patchy cloud but increasing amounts of sun. High cloud may start to develop from west later. Visibility excellent.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	+1 or +2C from dawn, a lowering trend to 0C, then -2C by night. Feeling near -8C directly in the wind. 1200m or above from dawn, a lowering trend with time to 900-1000m, towards 700m by nighttime.	-1 or -2C. As wind increases, feeling like -10C, risk nearer -15C by dusk. 700 to 800m, plus frost some sheltered lower areas early morning.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 27 February, 2026**

A changeable southwesterly regime continues through the weekend into early next week. Colder for a time with a drop of freezing level Friday into Saturday allowing some refreezing of higher mountain terrain mainly in Scotland, the snowpack on high mountains consolidating following recent thawing. Milder air and thawing returns into Sunday, accompanied by rain and upland gales. During next week, higher pressure is expected to develop around the British Isles, bringing quieter weather, drier for most with lighter winds. Some fronts may continue to graze northwest Scotland with rain and stronger winds locally for a few more days. Temperatures tending to be on the milder side during early March, but some frosts into valleys at times.

**Forecast issued at 16:28 on Wednesday, 25 February, 2026**

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