

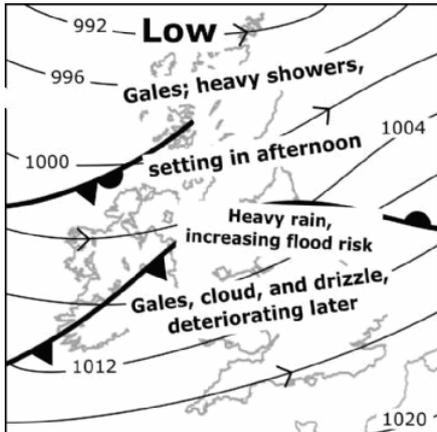
Southeastern Highlands

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, 24 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 24 March, 2026

Widespread gales, severe early in Scotland. Showers in west Scotland, pushing east, turning snowy and setting in for a time. Near constant rain for Lakeland and Yorks Dales, becoming heavy with a rising flood risk. Rain spreads widely across England and Wales later, wind strengthens in Wales.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Gales, severe early; showers, increasingly as snow

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 24 March, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	West to southwesterly 45 to 60mph, peak speeds in morning over high tops up to 70mph. A general easing trend, possibly to 20-30mph for a time afternoon, but always the risk of powerful gusts and returning higher speeds.
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult conditions widely in the morning, mobility very challenging on higher terrain in exposure with severe wind chill. Effects will ease, though walking remains impeded in exposure; always the risk of powerful gusts.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow and hail showers, most frequent west A scattering of showers spreading from the west, becoming more frequent and heavy during afternoon, falling as snow toward lowering elevations, some hail may mix in too. Snow falls persistently for several afternoon hours over central highlands and towards Ochils too (rain below 600m).
Cloud on the hills?	Varied over tops Cloud base varying above 700-900m, base tending to rise, but then lowering again more often capping tops in showers. Clearer tops more often toward east.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Brief glimpses of sun develop. Visibility very poor at times, appalling in snow and cloud; intermittently good.
How Cold? (at 900m)	+1C at first, lowering to -2C late afternoon, lowering another degree or two overnight. Feeling like -15 to -18C in the wind.
Freezing Level	1000m or above around dawn, soon dropping from northwest, to 800m before noon, 500-600m later.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 25 March	Thursday 26 March
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 35 to 45mph, varying speeds with squally gusts around showers. Challenging walking conditions, frequent buffeting, often arduous over higher exposed terrain. Severe wind chill.	Northwesterly 25-35mph, strongest wind east. Easing, shifting westerly, 15mph later afternoon. Strenuous walking in exposure with wind chill, stability challenged in the east. Effects easing to fairly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Hail and snow showers Showery snow and hail falling to lower slopes, well scattered in the morning, but developing more widely with time. Chance of isolated thunder & lightning.	Little or no precipitation Likely entirely dry well into the day. Later, , some snow/re-frozen rain arrives to westernmost mountains, turning to rain and spreading eastward into night.
Cloud on the hills?	Varying over tops, good breaks Cloud base changing regularly, for periods confined to patches on highest tops with breaks above summits, but around showers forming to 700-800m.	Little cloud expected A few odd patches on the high tops early, but soon clear well into the day. Late in the day into night, cloud will lower to the tops again, further lowering.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sunshine, most widely morning. Visibility often very good, but occasionally appalling in showers with brief whiteout over tops.	Bright sunshine in the morning, gradually weakened by high cloud, overcast by evening. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-3C, slight rise into afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -17 to -20C on tops. 500m from dawn, lifting to 700m, slightly higher away from showers.	-5C, rising to -3 or -2C, then to several degrees above freezing overnight. Feeling like -15C in early wind. 300-400m, some lower frosts likely too. A slight rise, then sharply lifting above the summits for several overnight hours.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 25 March, 2026

Cold, wintry conditions across all mountains into midweek - significant chill factor from gale force west then northwesterly winds. Hail and snow showers extend southwards into Wednesday, by then below freezing on all tops above 600-700m. Fewer showers by Thursday for many, though further snow then rain moves into western Scotland. Temperature and freezing level then varying as changeable westerlies prevail for Scotland through the weekend into early next week with periods of upland gales widely, accompanied by spells of rain, hill snow and hail showers; some windows of drier weather more often affect England & Wales.

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