

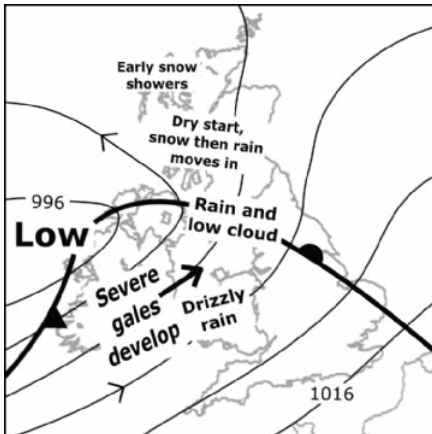
Southeastern Highlands

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 Saturday, 4 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 4 April, 2026

A fine start for much of Highlands, a lull in wind, but snow moving in from south, setting in widely afternoon; snow to low elevations, then abruptly rain to tops in southern Highlands later. Rapidly strengthening gales for England & Wales, becoming stormy, extending across Scotland afternoon into evening.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Snow develops, cloud fills in; rapidly severe gales later.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 4 April, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the Munros)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Westerly at first, easing from 30mph at dawn, to 20mph or less for a few hours in morning. Then south-southeasterly, rapid increase afternoon to 50-70mph. Varying in evening, but suddenly west-northwesterly 70-90mph+ into night.</p> <p>Small early in day, but deteriorating significantly during daytime - later any mobility increasingly difficult. Significant wind chill. Damaging gusts to lower slopes onward into night.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Snow developing, setting in heavy afternoon, later rain</p> <p>Largely dry most or all morning, perhaps an odd snow flurry. Into afternoon, snow developing quickly to be widely persistent and heavy with whiteout. Later in day, an quick switch to heavy rain up to tops. Then further snow into night.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free Munros?</p>	<p>Little in morning, then lowering widely</p> <p>Patchy cloud around some slopes, but the mountains remain substantially clear for half the day or more. Later as snow develops, cloud lowering over the hills, soonest in south, forming to lower slopes.</p> <p>60% in morning, dropping below 10% afternoon.</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Early weak sun through high cloud giving way to more overcast skies into afternoon. Visibility very good, then reducing, to be very poor, or appalling in snow.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 900m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>-3C, rising to +2C afternoon-evening, then dropping again into night. Feeling like -15C as wind strengthens, colder later.</p> <p>Frost in many glens from dawn, 600-700m mid-morning. Varying in snow 300-600m. Abrupt rise from south later above all tops. Rapid drop into night to 400-600m.</p>

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 5 April	Monday 6 April
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Stormy conditions overnight lessen, but still near 70mph up to dawn in east, then westerly 40 to 50mph, squally gusts. Frequent buffeting, walking challenging on higher exposed terrain. Possibly still severe at first. Severe wind chill.	Southwest turning southerly, 20 to 35mph, tending to strengthen during day, stronger gusts may develop higher central tops. Increasingly affecting ease of walking on higher exposed terrain; notably gusty in places north of higher mountains.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showery hail and snow; risk lightning Clusters of heavy showers, hail and snow to lower elevations for a few hours, most frequent central highlands, becoming rain or hail below 400-500m with time. Isolated thunder & lightning.	Rare if any light rain Substantially or completely dry. Chance of odd spots from thickening high cloud, mostly western central highlands.
Cloud on the hills?	Varying on high tops Cloud banks frequently moving across upper slopes, mostly above 900-1000m, briefly lower in precipitation. At times clearing higher up, most often in east.	Some patches, mostly little Patchy cloud occasionally drifting over some slopes, mostly central highlands, tending to lift and break above most tops.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sunshine and very good visibility, but briefly suddenly appalling in cloud and snow or hail.	Sunshine and a veil of high cloud, which may cover the sky more with time in west. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-2 to -4C, rising slightly afternoon. Feeling like -15 to -18C in the wind. 400 to 600m in morning, rising to 700-800m afternoon, but lowering briefly again around showers.	-1C from dawn, rising to +2C or locally slightly warmer afternoon. Feeling like -7 to -10C directly in wind. Frost in glens in morning, much mountain terrain frozen all day, but air temperature rising above freezing to tops by late in day.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 5 April, 2026**

Winter mountain conditions for Easter Sunday - all mountain tops sub-zero all day, above 600-700m in Scotland, 800m in England and Wales - hail and snow showers with gales bringing severe chill factor. Milder southerlies develop during Monday, dry and many hills clear with hazy sun, but gusty wind, risk of gales mainly west coastal mountains of Scotland. Quite warm by Tuesday, but strong to gale force south-southeasterly winds; dry for many, rain encroaching into western Scotland, thawing of recent snow. Scotland likely remains changeable, often windy later in the week, rain at times, varying temperatures, at times below freezing on higher Munros. Often drier and lighter winds for England and Wales.

Forecast issued at 16:24 on Friday, 3 April, 2026

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