

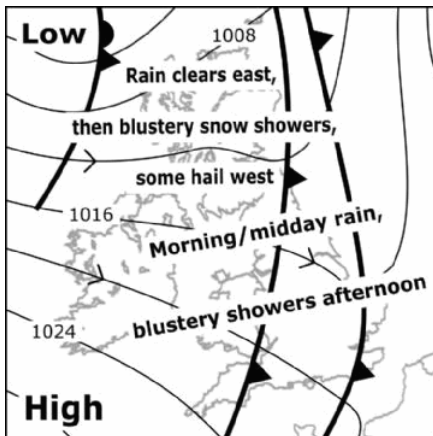
Southeastern Highlands

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, 9 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 9 April, 2026

Rain passes east through Scotland from dawn, followed by colder air and heavy showers with snow on high terrain. The rain passes northwest parts of England and Wales through morning, reaching the Pennines and south Wales midday, clearing east for afternoon showers. Blustery, strong gusts around showers.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Rain then snow showers; blustery, strong gusts later

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 9 April, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	West-southwesterly 20-30mph, quite gusty around showers, approaching 40mph high tops later in the day; trending westerly later too.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking inconvenienced in exposure all day, strong buffeting gusts in afternoon showers will challenge balance for periods and bring significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Morning rain, afternoon showers, increasingly as snow, hail A band of rain passes east across all areas through the morning, falling as snow on the high tops, breaking afternoon into scattered showers, most frequent near and west of the A9, the snowfall level increasingly lowering, to 600m evening; also hail, later chance isolated thunder.
Cloud on the hills?	Early cloud, lifting to high terrain with breaks Extensive over high terrain into morning, bases to many middle slopes. Lifting and breaking from the west to mostly above 1000m by afternoon, the summits often clear, but caps returning to summits in showers. Summits may be substantially clear for several hours later in the day.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10% early, gradually rising to 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast early with poor visibility in rain, bursts of bright sunshine breaking out afternoon with very good visibility, though suddenly deteriorating again in showers.
How Cold? (at 900m)	3 or 4C at dawn, mildest Angus hills and near Glenshee, soon cooling from the west to 0C. Hills east of Glenshee slow to cool, lingering around +1C before dusk. Feeling like -10C in direct wind.
Freezing Level	Just above the summits at dawn, soon lowering from the west, to 900m afternoon/evening, locally higher east.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 10 April	Saturday 11 April
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly 10-15mph early, shifting southerly and strengthening, towards 45-55mph over high Cairngorms by dusk. Fairly small in the east at first, but walking increasingly challenging through afternoon with severe wind chill.	Southerly 25-35mph, quite variable, and stronger at dawn, 45-50mph over high tops. Walking inconvenienced all day, a chilly feel in exposure; more challenging conditions at first.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry until later Patchy precipitation arrives late afternoon, greatest risk in the central highlands, snow falling above 600-700m	Snow showers Snow at dawn, rain below 500m, tending to break into showers through morning, likely quite frequent, at times persistent. A breaking trend afternoon, a window of dry weather possible later.
Cloud on the hills?	Cloud on high terrain afternoon Some patchy mist in glens/corries in the morning, this soon lifting and dissipating for cloud-free hills well into the day. Through later afternoon, cloud returns to high terrain from the south, lowest bases to 900m, but remaining broken.	Most extensive early, breaks afternoon Fairly extensive at dawn with cloud to middle slopes, soon beginning to break from the west. Bases lifting too, often clearing summits between showers, but also returning to summits around showers, occasional lower banks too.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%, reducing to 40% through afternoon	20% rising to 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny through morning, high cloud building afternoon, more often cloudy by dusk. Good visibility.	A cloudy dawn, bursts of sun soon breaking from the west. Variable visibility, poor in showers but very good where dry.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-2 or -3C, rising to +1C. Later, feeling like -13 to -15C in wind. 400-500m from dawn, lowest central highlands, light frosts likely in glens too. Gradually lifting to 900-1000m.	Variable between -1 to +1C. Feeling like -10 to -12C in direct wind. Around 900m, though locally variable, and tending to rise slightly.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 10 April, 2026**

An unsettled weekend with rain, showers, and wind temperatures, though a few bright spells will break out. Variable weather regimes next week: Atlantic west-southwesterly winds likely dominant, with low pressure to the northwest of the country, bringing cloud, rain, and mild temperatures, often followed by sun, showers, and cooler temperatures; rain will be increasingly common to the high Munros, but the snowfall level will lower too during periods of cooler weather, and perhaps to high Lakeland fells, though any snow unlikely to accumulate here.

In the longer term, indications of high pressure increasingly building, bringing drier and brighter conditions with mild days to England and Wales and occasionally Scotland too, though the risk remains of occasional rain and cooler temperatures.

Forecast issued at 7:12 on Thursday, 9 April, 2026

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