

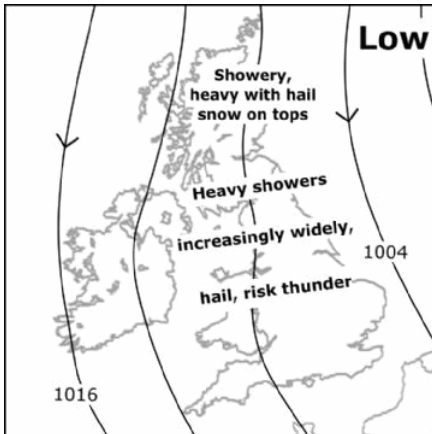
# Southeastern Highlands

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, 14 May, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 14 May, 2026**

Another cold day for May with considerable chill factor in exposure to brisk northerly winds. Showers focused on north-facing areas in the morning, but forming increasingly widely, falling as snow on Scottish Munros, at times higher tops elsewhere; heavy bursts with hail, isolated thunder.

### Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Cold and windy. Showery with hail, snow on tops.

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 14 May, 2026

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| <b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>              | North-northwesterly 25 to 35mph, at times 40mph at least in gusts, mainly eastern hills. Increasing widely during afternoon into evening, gusts over 50mph more eastern mountains.  |
| <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>                  | <b>Considerable wind chill for mid-May. Ease of walking and sometimes balance affected on exposed high terrain. Becoming more challenging later in day, especially east.</b>  |
| <b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b> | <b>Showers, increasingly widespread.</b><br>Largely dry start toward central belt. Scattered showers developing during morning, more widely into the afternoon; some hail with snow above 700-900m, briefly heavy.  |
| <b>Cloud on the hills?</b>                     | <b>Varied cloud bases, capping tops at times.</b><br>Varied cloud bases in and out of showers. Some early breaks to tops, but as showers form banks will likely cap the tops for periods. Rising higher above many tops more often away from showers later. |
| <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>            | <b>60% rising to 80% afternoon.</b>   |
| <b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>     | Best of the sun early on, before skies fill in with cloud, limiting the sun to glimpses. Visibility excellent, but poor in showers.   |
| <b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>                     | 0 to 2C, slight rise afternoon.<br>Feeling like -10C directly in wind.  |
| <b>Freezing Level</b>                          | 900-1100m, rising slightly higher afternoon, then dropping toward 800m from dusk.   |

**Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead**

|   | <b>Friday 15 May</b>   | <b>Saturday 16 May</b>   |
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| <p><b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p> | <p>Northwesterly 25 to 40mph at dawn, strongest easternmost hills, easing 20-25mph afternoon, later 15mph.</p> <p><b>Arduous start with significant wind chill and buffeting, but hour by hour easing down, gradually becoming mostly small.</b></p> | <p>May be NW'ly 20mph at first in north, otherwise variable below 10mph for several hours. Later SW'ly 15-20mph.</p> <p><b>Mostly small, but feeling rather chilly if exposed to breeze on high terrain.</b></p> |
| <p><b>How wet?</b><br/>(Precipitation and its impact)</p>                     | <p><b>Isolated snow and hail showers</b></p> <p>Often dry, but local mostly brief showers through the day, more likely afternoon. Snow falling above 500m initially, rising to 900-1000m.</p>  | <p><b>Risk a little rain later west</b></p> <p>Dry much of the daytime. Into evening, risk of patchy rain extending into the central highlands from the west.</p>  |
| <p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p> <p><b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b></p>  | <p><b>Lifting and clearing</b></p> <p>Patchy coverage across the tops in the morning, but good breaks and bases rising to lift above many summits into afternoon.</p> <p><b>60% rising to 90%</b></p>  | <p><b>Little if any</b></p> <p>Brief fragments form around upper slopes in morning, lifting and clearing. Up to dusk, some patches may drift onto western tops.</p> <p><b>90%</b></p>                            |
| <p><b>Sunshine?</b><br/>Air clarity (below cloud)</p>                         | <p>Patchy sun best in morning, then cloudier skies and occasional sun. Visibility excellent.</p>   | <p>Sunshine best early in day in east, high cloud tends to thicken from west to cover the sky. Visibility excellent.</p>   |
| <p><b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b></p> <p><b>Freezing Level</b></p>                | <p>-1 or -2C at dawn, but lifting to +2 or 3C into afternoon. Feeling like -10 to -15C in early wind.</p> <p>700-800m at dawn, will lift to 1100-1200m.</p>  | <p>-1C rising to 4C afternoon. Feeling nearer -5C if exposed to wind.</p> <p>700m plus frost in glens at dawn. Rising to be just above freezing to highest summits during afternoon.</p>                         |

**Planning Outlook**

**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 15 May, 2026**

Becoming gradually less cold into the weekend as northerly winds ease and then switch toward west-southwesterly. Fewer showers by Friday with sunny spells. A dry start to Saturday, frost at dawn where skies are clear. Rain and lowering cloud moves onto west coast areas during Saturday, persistent rain later western Scotland. By Sunday and Monday, areas of showery rain will pass eastwards during the daytimes, leaving western areas generally drier with cloud breaks afternoon-evenings. South-southwesterlies then prevail for a few days next week, with rain at times Tuesday and Wednesday on western hills, particularly Scotland. A drier and warmer theme later in the week as higher pressure builds.

**Forecast issued at 16:30 on Wednesday, 13 May, 2026**

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