

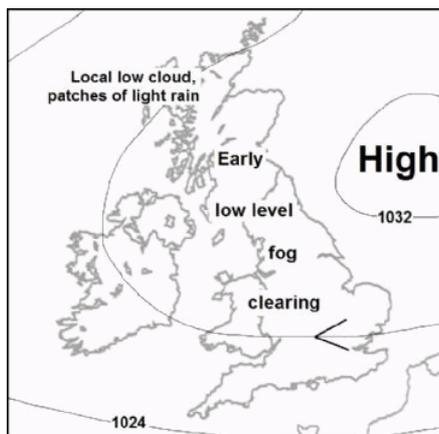
West Highlands

Western Highlands accessible from, and south of, Glenfinnan (Road to the Isles) and Glen Spean (includes Creag Meagaidh). This area includes Ben Nevis and the mountains around Glencoe. In the east, includes Ben Alder south to Loch Lomond and Trossachs NP. Includes Arran and Mull.



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General Summary for Thursday, 17 September, 2020



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 September, 2020

High pressure brings a quiet day with mostly light winds, although an easterly breeze affects Wales and the Peak District, plus a locally gusty southwesterly in NW Scotland - here low cloud and a little rain on coastal hills. Otherwise hills clear, patchy fog soon clearing.

Headline for West Highlands

Dry, hills clear. Wind mostly light.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 17 September, 2020

How windy? (On the Munros)	South to southwesterly, 5-10mph well inland, up to locally 15-20mph Mull and west of Loch Linnhe.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any Local low-level fog patches from dawn, and cloud banks briefly on some slopes. Otherwise most hills clear.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny. Visibility excellent; early fog patches in or just above some glens leaving slight low-level haze.
How Cold? (at 900m)	9C, rising locally to 12C; small variation night into day.
Freezing Level	Above the summits; grass frost some glens well inland at dawn.

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 18 September	Saturday 19 September
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Variable 5-10mph or less. Negligible	Direction varied, 10mph or less, sometimes windless. Perhaps easterly 15-20mph on/near Arran. Negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no rain Patches of rain or drizzle occasionally near west coast mostly around Mull and west of Loch Linnhe.	Rain unlikely
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Mostly very little Patchy low level fog or local cloud banks from dawn. Otherwise the mountains generally clear. Coasts around Mull may hold onto local fog banks through day. 80%	Mostly very little Local banks of low level cloud may linger for a few hours, with higher slopes above or between cloud layers. Many hills often free of cloud. 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun sometimes weak due to layers of high cloud, particularly in Lochaber. Visibility mostly very good, but risk murky near west coast around Mull. Mist some glens post-dawn.	Some areas often cloudy. Southern areas typically sunnier. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	10 to 12C with little change night into day; hills warmer than some glens post-dawn. Above the summits.	Staying around 10C, but locally a degree or so higher by afternoon; cooler in some glens post-dawn. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 18 September, 2020**

Commonly dry through the weekend into early next week as high pressure resides across northern Britain. Mostly light winds in Scotland, but gusty easterlies England & Wales into the weekend. Many mountains often clear, but areas of lingering low cloud will vary across Britain from day to day. Fairly warm by day overall, but cool in and around low cloud. Slight frost some nights, mainly Highland glens. Some low-level fog in mornings. A shift back to southwesterlies and frontal systems moving in from the Atlantic through next week.

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