

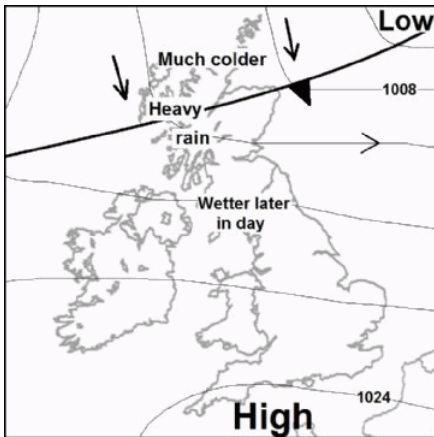
West Highlands

Western Highlands accessible from, and south of, Glenfinnan (Road to the Isles) and Glen Spean (includes Creag Meagaidh). This area include 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, 14 October, 2021



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 October, 2021

Windy, upland gales for Scotland & northern England. Rain for much of Scotland, heaviest in the west. Behind a cold front, the Munros will drop to freezing - showers of snow on northern tops later. Drizzly rain on western hills in England & Wales, wetter later for the Lakes.

Headline for West Highlands

Rain turns heavy. Upland gales. Colder by evening.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 14 October, 2021

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| How windy? (On the Munros) | Westerly 35 to 50mph much of day. Starting to ease later afternoon, veering northerly 25mph up to dusk. |
| Effect of wind on you? | Be prepared for arduous or difficult conditions for much of the day with significant wind chill and buffeting. |
| How wet? (Precipitation and its impact) | Persistent drizzly rain, turning heavy, clearing late on. Persistent drizzly rain for much of the day will give way later to a spell of heavier rain as a front moves south. This front will clear to drier conditions toward evening. A few showers possible for a time, with snow on Munros. |
| Cloud on the hills? | Extensive Cloud will cover the hills extensively for much of the day, and often down to lower slopes in the persistent rain. Bases lifting and breaking into the evening. |
| Chance of cloud free Munros? | Below 10% |
| Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud) | Overcast. Visibility widely poor due to drizzle or rain. |
| How Cold? (at 900m) | 7C, lowering to 3C by evening, then 0 or 1C overnight. Wind chill feeling close to -5C during day where exposed on tops, later nearer -10C. |
| Freezing Level | Above the summits, but lowering from north later in day, to 1200m in Lochaber by dusk, then widely 900-1000m after dark. |

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

| | Friday 15 October | Saturday 16 October |
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| How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you? | West to northwest 5-10mph Negligible | Southwest turning southerly, 15mph or often less in the morning, tending to strengthen, up to 30mph near coast. Mostly small, may deteriorate near west coast later in the day. |
| How wet? (Precipitation and its impact) | No precipitation expected | A little rain locally Occasional rain or drizzle, tending to push in from the southwest through the day. Toward evening, increasing risk of steadier rain developing, soonest near west coast. |
| Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros? | Mostly very little Generally well broken cloud bases with hills mostly clear. Just the odd patch now and again drifting around the tops. 70% | Risk of low cloud pushing inland Varied banks of low cloud, mostly focused near coasts and sea lochs, but risk becoming more extensive from the southwest through the day. Breaks to higher tops best well inland and across Lochaber. 40% |
| Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud) | Fairly sunny, although cloud may increase in afternoon. Visibility excellent. | A little sun mainly in the morning for Lochaber where visibility very good. Otherwise mostly cloudy, dull or murky southern areas. |
| How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level | 0 to 2C 900-1100m, but also frost inland glens and some corries early in morning. | Starting around 0 to 2C, rising slowly from south toward 6C, perhaps even slightly higher into evening and night. Around dawn in Lochaber, close to freezing on higher summits, also frost inland glens. Otherwise above freezing. |

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 15 October, 2021

Chilly Friday into Saturday, near or below freezing on higher Scottish tops, plus frost in many northern valleys. Milder air returns from the southwest over the weekend, with some rain, although a fair amount of dry weather too. Next week looks generally unsettled as southwesterly winds prevail and a series of fronts come in from the Atlantic. Often windy, periods of gales or severe gales on the mountains. Rain heaviest and most persistent in western areas. Mild early in the week, then colder air is likely to return from the northwest later in the week - temperatures falling back to freezing on high tops with showers of snow. Changeable conditions are expected to continue into late October.

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