

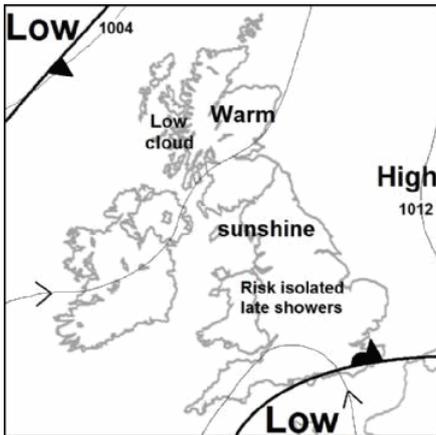
# West Highlands

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, 23 June, 2022



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 23 June, 2022**

Warm and quite humid with strong sunshine for most areas. Light to moderate southerly winds. The west coast of Scotland will hold on to banks of low cloud, but some breaks forming. High cloud builds over Wales and central England, may locally result in a thunderstorm toward evening, drifting northwards.

### Headline for West Highlands

Low cloud and drizzle focused near coast. Breezy some tops.

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 23 June, 2022

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	South to southwesterly, 15 to 25mph, strongest on coastal hills around Mull in the morning.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly fairly small, locally blustery on western coastal mountains early in the day.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>An odd shower, patchy drizzle in far west</b> One or two bursts of rain here and there; total fall small. However, north from Mull, drizzle more frequent over an hour or more.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive very low cloud, gradually lifting inland</b> North from Mull: fog from lower slopes, sometimes coastal cliffs all day. Near the coast (and sea lochs) south from Mull: Fog lower slopes widely morning, but cloud base then 650m. Elsewhere inland: Cloud base progressively lifting to 800m, breaking up.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>20% coasts, rising to 60% inland by afternoon.</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Widely dull and misty, but the sun coming through inland, particularly lower slopes afternoon, when very good visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	6 to 8C near coast, coolest if in fog. 7C rising to 10C inland, locally warmer toward central highlands by afternoon.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits.

## West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 24 June	Saturday 25 June
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	South to southeasterly or variable, 10 to 20mph or sometimes less. May reach 35mph on coastal hills, mainly later. <b>Mostly small, but sudden gusts may form around bursts of rain. Risk increasingly blustery on coastal tops.</b>	South or southeasterly, speeds may vary considerably, inland sometimes little wind, up to 30-40mph, mainly near coast. <b>At times small, but expect periods of buffeting gusts, perhaps frequently arduous walking where exposed in west.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Increasing risk thundery downpours</b> Chance of bursts of rain locally from early morning, but forming increasingly as the day progresses. By afternoon into evening, areas of rain lasting an hour or more. Some heavy downpours, risk hail and thunder.	<b>Risk heavy downpours forming</b> Local areas of rain are possible early in the day, but several hours likely largely dry. Showers then forming increasingly widely into afternoon, some heavy bursts, risk of hail and isolated thunder.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Forming widely in rain</b>  Varied cloud conditions: From dawn, banks of cloud mostly toward coast, patches elsewhere clearing for a time, but where rain occurs, cloud lowering widely, to form extensively at various levels, patches to lowest slopes.  <b>30%</b>	<b>Forming and lowering in rain</b>  Mostly just patches on higher tops in the morning, which will lift and break. Then around showers, cloud will vary, risk forming extensively on higher slopes, and cloud banks in places forming to lowest slopes after downpours.  <b>50%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun fairly weak due to layers of high cloud, becoming overcast. Visibility good, slight haze, reducing where rain develops and murky if it sets in.	Occasional sun, best near to coasts in the afternoon and evening. Visibility often very good, but reduced where rain occurs.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	9C rising to 12 to 14C inland, feeling humid.  Above the summits.	4C rising to 7C, up to 9C inland by afternoon.  Above the summits, although Ben Nevis summit may be close to freezing point around dawn.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 24 June, 2022

Turning more unsettled for several days through the weekend into early next week as a slow-moving area of low pressure affects Britain. Conditions will vary day-to-day, locally escaping dry some days, but expect some areas of persistent rain mixed with heavy or sometimes thundery showers almost anywhere. Wind speed also varied, mostly south or southwesterly, strengthening at times, may reach gale force on the high tops into next week. Feeling warm where sunshine develops, but cool in cloud and rain. Cloud will come and go on the hills, but lowering extensively during rain.

### Forecast issued at 16:30 on Wednesday, 22 June, 2022

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