

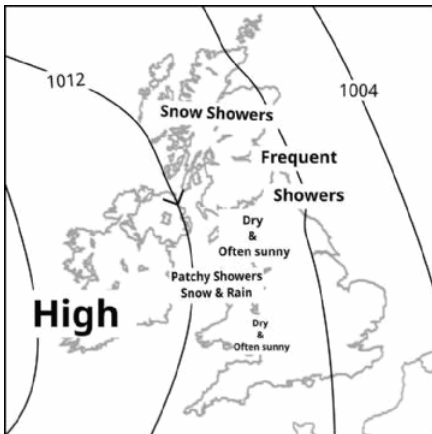
West Highlands

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, from Ben Alder south to Loch Lomond and Trossachs NP. Also Arran and Mull.



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General Summary for Thursday, 10 October, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 10 October, 2024

Cold, on Munros below freezing. Widespread morning frost in the valleys, in Lakes and Snowdonia below freezing in the morning. Snow showers in the Highlands. Snow and rain mix toward the Borders and locally in Snowdonia. Elsewhere likely dry, often sunny, but in places windy through eastern UK.

Headline for West Highlands

Very cold, local snow showers, often sunny

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 10 October, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northerly turning westerly, 10 to 20mph, maybe locally 25mph in the afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Locally snow showers Likely dry toward Loch Lomond, on coastal hills and near Fort William especially in the morning showers, falling as snow below 500m.
Cloud on the hills?	Hills widely clear Hills likely clear, perhaps highest tops getting covered over the course of the day.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun frequent, especially in the morning. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	0 to 1C. Below freezing in the morning.
Freezing Level	600m rising to 1000m.

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 11 October	Saturday 12 October
How windy? (On the Munros)	Westerly, often 40-50mph, 55mph possible on most exposed areas.	Forecast uncertainty high: North to northeasterly, 10 to 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable buffeting, walking difficult on high terrain, stability strongly affected and significant wind chill.	Small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain/snow showers near the coast Showers merging into fairly persistent rain on coastal hills, toward the east showers more scattered. Above around 1000m falling as snow.	In the morning rain and snow Rain first half of the day, snow above 700-1000m. Getting drier afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Especially western hills extensive Very low cloud on western coastal hills, more often toward 1000m especially away from rain in the east.	Variable, tops mostly covered Varying, tops often covered in clouds. High uncertainty for details.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Hardly any sun in the west, periods of sunshine possible toward the east. Poor visibility, hazy.	Little or no sun. Perhaps becoming brighter afternoon. Moderate visibility reducing to poor at times.
How Cold? (at 900m)	2 to 4C. Near freezing in the morning. Feeling near -10C in wind.	0 to 3C
Freezing Level	1100m in the morning, rising to the level of highest summits.	Around 1000m.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 11 October, 2024**

Warm front passing on Friday brings briefly milder temperatures, gales and rain in western Highlands, before flow changes back to northerly for the weekend. Saturday frequently wet in Scotland, snow on the tops, rain lower down. High pressure meaning cool but sunny Sunday, still sunny on Monday but southerly winds increasingly strong on western hills. Warmer next week, any snow soon melting and probably a few dry but windy days in the start of the week. Conditions possibly deteriorating midweek.

Forecast issued at 8:14 on Thursday, 10 October, 2024

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