

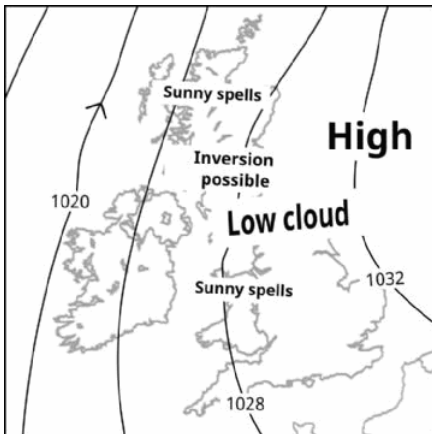
West Highlands

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, 7 November, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 7 November, 2024

Another widely murky day, with hills often in or just below cloud, damp with local drizzle. Windy in Highlands, some upland gales. Best chances for sun in Snowdonia, in north Lake District and in Northwest Highlands and along Strathspey. Generally mild.

Headline for West Highlands

Mostly cloudy, windy, damp and murky, feeling chilly coast

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 7 November, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly, 40 to 50mph near the coast, more like 30-35mph further inland.
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult conditions, foot placement strongly affected. Further inland strenuous with marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely but damp, fine drizzle possible locally Pockets of fine drizzle alongside dry spots.
Cloud on the hills?	Covered extensively, tops likely clear Hills widely covered, cloud on various levels, perhaps down to lowest slopes. Highest tops may stay above the cloud.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly overcast, little to no sun. Perhaps high inland tops may get a few sunny hours. Visibility moderate.
How Cold? (at 900m)	7 or 8C, with wind chill feeling like -5C
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 8 November	Saturday 9 November
<p>How windy? (On the Munros)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Southerly, starting 30 to 35mph along the coast, easing to 25-30mph. Slightly weaker away from the coast.</p> <p>Considerable buffeting, walking arduous, balance hard to maintain on ridges. Significant wind chill effect.</p>	<p>Southerly, 10-15mph, 20mph western Lochaber, Mull and Arran. Risk 25-30mph western areas.</p> <p>Fairly small, blustery in the west with marked wind chill.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>No rain expected</p>	<p>Rain unlikely Odd spot of drizzle possible.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free Munros?</p>	<p>Mostly covered, toward north often clear</p> <p>Low cloud covering the hills for most or all day. In the morning chance for breaks above 1000m, later tops fully covered, but lowest slopes clearing if not in rain. Hills often clear north of Ben Nevis range.</p> <p>40%</p>	<p>Extensive, some tops above cloud</p> <p>Coastal hills likely in cloud, but highest tops inland possibly above the cloud. Cloud may break locally.</p> <p>30%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Cloudy and poor visibility at start, becoming sunnier through the day especially toward Fort William and northwards. Moderate visibility through haze.</p>	<p>Little or no sunshine and mostly poor visibility.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 900m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>Around 6C, if sun comes out 10C.</p> <p>Above the summits.</p>	<p>6 to 8C</p> <p>Above the summits.</p>

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 8 November, 2024

Southerly flow with cloudy and damp weather continues until Sunday, when a cold front from the Atlantic will bring some rain. This passes quickly and will be followed by westerlies bringing more sun beginning of next week. From Monday onward high pressure centres over the UK, sunnier and warmer conditions with hardly any rain are expected until Thursday, when another front will bring some rain and again cooler air. Unclear for next weekend, but high pressure, dry conditions are most likely.

Forecast issued at 15:35 on Wednesday, 6 November, 2024

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