

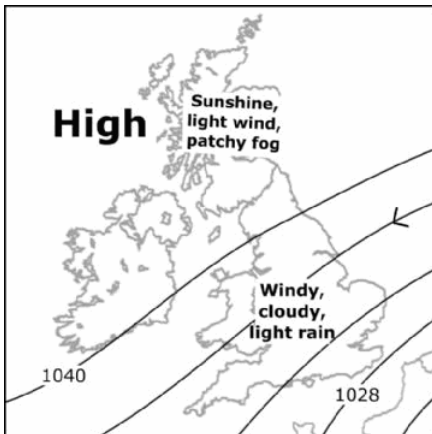
West Highlands

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 Monday, 9 December, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 9 December, 2024

Calm and sunny conditions for the Highlands, some fog in the glens, plus frost. Chilly northeasterly winds for England & Wales, bringing cloud banks onto eastern hills and locally an odd light shower; dry and often sunny western areas.

Headline for West Highlands

Little wind. Dry, sunshine, patchy fog in glens.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 9 December, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Direction varied; 10mph or less.
Effect of wind on you?	Negigible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Almost certain
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine and excellent or superb visibility - above mist/fog in a few valleys.
How Cold? (at 900m)	0C - but above an inversion, warmer air on higher summits will extend downslope, rising to around +3C.
Freezing Level	Poorly defined freezing level: Partly frozen lower slopes after a frost. Above about 600m, terrain frozen.

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 10 December	Wednesday 11 December
How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable direction; less than 10mph.	Variable or westerly 10mph or less.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible	Negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain	Very likely dry Chance of fine drizzle reaching coasts near Mull.
Cloud on the hills?	Mountains clear	Some low cloud coasts, valley fog Possible low cloud affecting coastal hills, most likely north from Mull. Some low cloud banks may filter just inland, but most mountains clear, or above lower level fog banks.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Above 90%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine and superb visibility.	Locally misty coasts and inland valleys. Mountains mainly sunny with excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	6C (lower slopes colder).	5C (warmer than lower slopes).
Freezing Level	Above the summits: but nearly all terrain frozen from valleys up after a frost.	Terrain widely at least partly frozen, with frost in many glens away from the coast.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 10 December, 2024**

High pressure centred over Scotland will dominate the weather until later this week. Winds gradually ease over England and Wales, whilst almost calm across much of Scotland. It will be extensively dry. Frost in valleys and glens most night, plus areas of low-level fog. Higher terrain substantially frozen, although air temperature will be several degrees above freezing above an inversion. Toward next weekend, as the high weakens and moves south, rain bearing fronts and stronger winds will increasingly affect at least northern Britain. Temperatures likely to fluctuate with some periods of thaw, but possibly still often sub-zero at least on Scottish mountains during mid-December.

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