

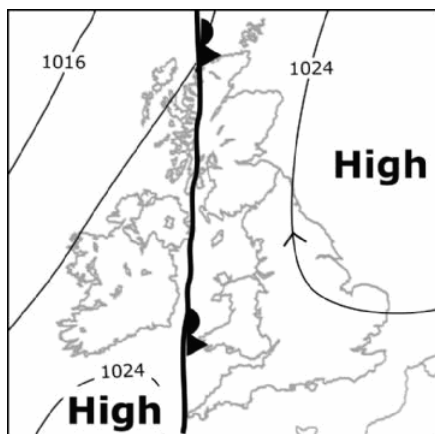
West Highlands

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 Saturday, 26 April, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 26 April, 2025

Rain and low cloud will reach mainly western mountains ahead of a weakening front. Generally a slow improvement through the day as the rain increasingly fizzles out and away from south facing coastal hills, cloud base rises. Blustery Scottish Highlands, particularly NW.

Headline for West Highlands

Slowly improving: Rain tending to ease, cloud base rising.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 26 April, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly 20 to on higher tops 25mph; a little stronger Mull evening.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly fairly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off, mainly morning Rain, rarely heavy, from time to time, although in afternoon only occasional patches.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive on higher areas - slow trend toward higher cloud base Typically cloud base rising from in the range 300 to 600m morning (lowest Mull, Jura and near Clyde sea lochs)/ In Lochaber, particularly near and north of Glen Spean and Lochs Ossian & Treig, there may be breaks to 900m afternoon.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare glimpses of sun into the afternoon mainly lower slopes Lochaber east of Loch Linnhe. Misty, murky in rain, but otherwise visibility often excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	4C
Freezing Level	Above the summits

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 27 April	Monday 28 April
How windy? (On the Munros)	South to southwesterly, in the range 30 to perhaps at times 40mph.	Southwesterly 25 to near major tops and ridges a gusty 40 or 50mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Expect considerable buffeting and wind chill where exposed on higher areas.	Considerable buffeting and wind chill where exposed near higher areas. Sudden gusts could unbalance, or blow you over, even on some lower slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off Confidence low: Periods of, or perhaps persistent rain Loch Lomond NP and northward near the coast (including near Loch/Glen Etive and west of Loch Linnhe). Elsewhere, drizzly occasionally, perhaps very little overall.	Drizzly rain, mainly morning Frequent rain and drizzle, particularly morning. From south will tend to ease or clear - timing of the improvement very uncertain.
Cloud on the hills?	Most summits frequently or persistently covered. Loch Lomond NP and toward the coast (including near Loch/Glen Etive and west of Loch Linnhe): Fog persistent from lower slopes up. Elsewhere: Varied cloud base, tending to rise through day typically 600 to occasionally 900m (most likely near/north of Glen Spean).	Very extensive, particularly near the coast Persistent fog from lowest slopes up near Clyde sea lochs and Mull & Jura. Elsewhere, cloud base tending to rise from 400-600m toward 700-1000m, generally highest bases Lochaber.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare sunshine near and north of Glen Spean and lochs Ossian and Treig, where visibility often very good. Otherwise, generally hazy or misty in rain.	Sunshine rarely lower slopes eastern Lochaber. Frequently misty near the coast; but visibility increasingly good inland.
How Cold? (at 900m)	6C, but will feel as cold as minus 5C directly in the wind.	6C Will feel as cold as minus 5C directly in the wind near the coast,
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 27 April, 2025

Much of Britain will be fine and sunny through much of next week. Temperatures, after being very warm, could well drop markedly on Thursday (Scotland) or Friday (England and Wales). Westerly winds in N Scotland may well maintain more mixed weather here, with occasional rain and cloud across higher summits.

Forecast issued at 14:01 on Friday, 25 April, 2025

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