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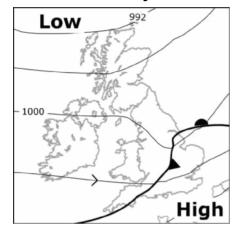
West Highlands

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, 5 June, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 5 June, 2025

Still cold, particularly Scottish Highlands where in morning higher summits below freezing point. Here showery, particularly NW - hail, and snow higher tops. Further south rain on and off morning before improving to sunshine and scattered showers. Much less windy - still strongest N Scotland.

Headline for West Highlands

Wind slowly easing. Showers; frequent Lochaber; hail and sleet higher up.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 5 June, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Between west and southwest, dropping from 25 to 30mph (strongest Lochaber); to by mid afternoon 20mph southern hills. 20, tending to ease toward 15mph Arran.		
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small by midday, although likely to impede ease of walking at first - mainly Lochaber.		
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers all day; driest Loch Lomond NP. Rain unlikely near Clyde sea lochs. North from Rannoch Moor & A85/railway Tyndrum to Oban: Continuing showery; sometimes the rain constant for an hour or so. Loch Lomond NP: progressively fewer showers southward. Largely or completely dry near Clyde sea lochs, especially Arran. Hail, and sleet/snow above 800m at first, in afternoon 1200m.		
Cloud on the hills?	Persistent most higher areas; lowest cloud base near west coast		
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Cloud base will tend to rise morning, particularly well inland and near central belt. From midday, near the coast cloud base ranging between 450 and 700m (highest near Clyde sea lochs), lowest near showers, whilst well inland between 650 and 950m - perhaps higher east Loch Lomond NP. 10%, but 30% afternoon Loch Lomond NP		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare sunshine and hazy within a few miles of the west coast Lochaber to patches of sun (mainly lower slopes) and very good visibility elsewhere. Poor visibility in precipitation.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	3 or 4C. Will feel near or below -5C in the wind.		
Freezing Level	1150m at first; just above highest summits by afternoon.		

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West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 6 June	Saturday 7 June
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	West backing southwesterly 10 to 15mph Small or negligible	Direction varied, 10mph or less morning. From the west becoming northwesterly 10 to perhaps in evening 20mph or 25mpht. Small or negligible until late in day.
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How wet?	Continuing showery. Hail, snow.	Heavy slow moving showers; thunder
(Precipitation and its impact)	Widespread showers - relatively few more central highlands morning, then through afternoon and evening showers become isolated western hills, initially the improvement near the coast. Hail, and snow above about 1050m.	Showers or drizzly rain here and there until late morning. Then dry coastal areas, but inland heavy showers forming and drifting about only slowly. Hail and on highest tops sleet. Small risk thunder.
Cloud on the hills?	Clearing most, perhaps nearly all summits by afternoon	Summits cloud free for periods, but forming widely in heavy rain.
	Coastal slopes, mostly cloud covered above 600 to 800m, although in afternoon base may rise above 900m. Elsewhere, cloud base rising; by late morning most cloud above or well above 1000m, particularly central highlands.	Confidence in detail low: Many summits probably clearing for periods as through morning cloud base rises. But in rain, very varied as patches form from lower slopes up, particularly above forest canopies - whilst in other areas breaks persist to higher slopes.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	60% by midday	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patches of sunshine, although particularly morning mostly cloudy western mountains. Excellent visibility - temporarily poor in precipitation.	Sunshine coming through only rarely. Excellent or superb visibility in very clear air, but expect areas of very poor visibility in and after rain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	3C near the coast, rising to 7C well inland.	3C rising to 5 to 7C away from coastal areas.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Just above highest tops.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 6 June, 2025

Remaining chilly until Sunday night (intermittently near freezing point highest Scottish summits). Rainfall and low cloud will remain frequent across particularly western mountains until well into next week. Intermittently windy.

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