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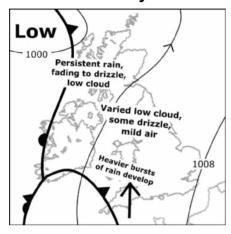
## **West Highlands**

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, 6 November, 2025



# British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 6 November, 2025

Mild and damp southerly air - lowest cloud on south-facing hills. Morning rain and drizzle in the Highlands easing off, some rise of cloud base. Gusty in places, strongest wind western Scotland. England sees little more than patchy rain or drizzle, whilst Wales has some pulses of heavier rain moving up from the south.

#### **Headline for West Highlands**

Gusty wind. Rain / drizzle mostly morning, low cloud across hills.

### Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 6 November, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly 25 to 35mph, strongest typically around coastal mountains, but some gusty spots near and north of major summits inland at times.	
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery in places, some buffeting gusts over higher terrain. Feeling cool in exposure despite mild air.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle fading	
	Rain and drizzle fairly widely from dawn into the morning, tending to ease off, but pockets of drizzle likely to linger for a few hours. Becoming drier overall afternoon. Some patchy rain mainly in south by evening.  Wet underfoot, streams in spate, local flooding.	
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive	
	Within a humid atmosphere, cloud banks will cover hills widely, but to varying levels. Scope for inland Lochaber hills to see breaks, perhaps between cloud layers. Base generally rising afternoon.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%	
Sunshine?	Mostly overcast.	
Air clarity (below cloud)	Visibility rather hazy, and poor in drizzle.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	8C. Feeling close to freezing directly in the wind.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits	

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#### West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 7 November	Saturday 8 November
How windy? (On the Munros)  Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 20-25mph. Higher speeds on coastal slopes, up to 40mph at times over Mull and Lochaber and not just tops.  Fairly small, though uncomfortable winds near the coast; strongest wind will challenge balance.	Southeast trending southerly, 20 to 30mph, strongest toward coasts and on islands, speeds may rise a little during day.  Feeling breezy over higher terrain, in places starting to affect comfortable walking and balance in gustier locations.
How wet?	Rain on-and-off near coast	Some patchy rain mostly southwest
(Precipitation and its impact)	Bursts of rain drifting onto coastal slopes, extended dry periods between bursts. Some drizzle over high terrain in fog inland though little rain until later.	Drizzly patches most common over southern hills, locally some showery rain near to coasts. More often dry inland and north across Lochaber.
Cloud on the hills?	Variable, at times extensive	Fairly extensive, local breaks Lochaber
	Fairly extensive from dawn with fog locally into the glens. Fog may be mostly below high terrain north of Glencoe at first. Bases will rise with some breaks forming, though variably filling in too around rain.	Covering many hills all day, most persistent low cloud in southern areas, shrouding hills from 400-600m upward. In Lochaber, mostly above 600-800m, some breaks near Glen Spean, but local fog patches inland glens in morning.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some glimpses of sun north in the morning, turning overcast. Excellent visibility.	Rare if any weak sun, mostly Lochaber. Misty at varied levels, locally better visibility inland Lochaber.
How Cold? (at 900m)	7 to 8C.	5 or 6C. Feeling below freezing if exposed to stronger sustained wind on high tops.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

#### **Planning Outlook**

#### All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 7 November, 2025

Staying mild with low cloud, drizzle and rain at times through into next week. Areas northeast of major hill groups seeing least rain and highest cloud breaks. Southerly winds of varied strengths, sometimes more blustery, approaching gale-force in exposed western areas. Some drier areas into the weekend, then a risk of heavier rain returning from the west, soonest into Wales and southwest Scotland on Sunday.

Further into next week, easterly winds are likely to develop for Scotland, bringing drier weather to the west, and potentially much colder with time. England & Wales may remain frequently wet under slow-moving low pressure.

#### Forecast issued at 16:31 on Wednesday, 5 November, 2025

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