

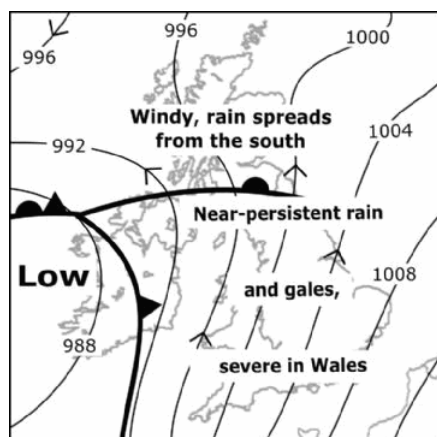
West Highlands

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 Tuesday, 11 November, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 November, 2025

Rain from dawn in Wales soon spreads widely into England and southern Scotland, setting in for several hours; nearly constant all day for Lakeland and Galloway hills. Widespread gales as well, severe in Wales. A drier start for Scottish Highlands, though rain will spread from the south afternoon with strengthening wind.

Headline for West Highlands

Rain sets in from the south; winds increasing, risk gales later

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 11 November, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly or southeasterly 15-30mph, strongest winds in the south; a possible lull in Lochaber briefly. Strengthening to 30-45mph, strongest and soonest south, risk up to 50mph into nighttime. Blustery, buffeting gusts affecting balance with wind chill, particularly southern coastal mountains. Will become more difficult from the south later in the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain slowly develops widely, heaviest south Light patchy rain near the coast at dawn, then rain spreading in from the south, setting in from Islay to the Trossachs and slowly setting in further north. Rain may only be patchy west of Loch Linnhe until later afternoon. Heavier rain with time Arran to Loch Lomond NP.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Increasingly extensive, lowest south Low cloud soon widespread south, persistent blanket fog from lower elevations upward as rain sets in. Northward across Lochaber, bases higher and well-broken early, but likely to fill in above 600-800m, higher breaks near Glen Spean. 30% north early, below 10% south.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and increasingly murky especially southern areas. Some brighter skies and good visibility if dry early in day in Lochaber.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	3C, soon rising in the south and then further north towards 5 to 7C, always warmest south and near the coast. Further rising into night to become broadly 7C. Feeling like -5C directly in the wind. 1300m prior to dawn, soon well above the tops.

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 12 November	Thursday 13 November
How windy? (On the Munros)	SW'ly 25-35mph mostly morning, becoming variable in speed and direction; may reorient NE'ly later.	Detail uncertain: northeasterly 35-45mph at dawn with stronger gusts possible; may ease later towards 30-35mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Beware quickly changing conditions: may become mostly small, but risk more blustery at least early in the day.	Walking arduous most of the day, may improve later - expect considerable buffeting and wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain may linger toward north Very wet underfoot with streams in spate and flooding following ongoing overnight rain, which may persist into the daytime in Lochaber, but becoming patchy and drizzly in southern areas, may fade out.	Pockets of rain/snow, mostly south Detail uncertain: raining widely southernmost areas, more showery Mull and northward - snow on higher ground. Tending to ease, particularly Lochaber; showery rain may linger south.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive Shrouding the mountains widely, banks of cloud at varied elevations, in places to some lower slopes. Into the afternoon, some breaks forming, mostly south towards the coast.	Breaks possible near coast, though high tops shrouded High tops shrouded most of the day. High ground south of Mull likely shrouded well into the day as well though may begin to break; best of breaks to higher terrain on Mull and western slopes of Lochaber.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, a little weak sun mainly toward south. Misty areas, some improving visibility may develop.	Overcast, some brighter breaks may form near the coast later. Very poor visibility in rain/snow, though improving.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	3 to 5C, coolest near Great Glen; tending to drop slightly from the north. Feeling like -5C if in stronger wind. Above the summits, but tending to lower onto highest tops in Lochaber just as dusk arrives.	0 or +1C, starting warmest in the south, possibly up to 2C. Lowering to -1C. Feeling like -13C in direct wind. 900-1000m at dawn, lowering slightly through the day.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 12 November, 2025

Periods of heavy rain for many over several day; further flooding for Wales, the Lakes and southwest Scotland. Cooler than recently in Scotland with freezing levels lowering to most high terrain, snow showers falling on high terrain from the north; remaining generally mild England and Wales by day and night.

Later in the week and into the weekend, high pressure draws colder air into Scotland and progressively further south into England and Wales over the weekend. Strong easterlies are likely over England and Wales and conditions will be largely dry with some clear hills and sunny bursts; overnight frosts likely widespread in Scotland. The weather regime the following week is uncertain but first indications suggest more unsettled weather.

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