

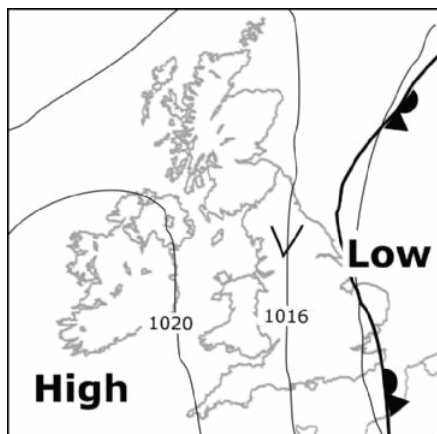
West Highlands

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, 25 November, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 25 November, 2025

Higher areas, mainly Scottish Highlands frozen, and frost some valleys at first.

Otherwise, benign as from the west the northerly wind drops and snow and hail showers become isolated.

Headline for West Highlands

Higher areas frozen. Bright sunshine. Wind dropping.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 25 November, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northerly gradually backing west or southwesterly. A prolonged lull to 10mph after 25mph toward central highlands at dawn.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Varied; some higher tops clearing, others remaining in cloud. Generally, cloud base 900 to 1200m. The cloud will lift off many higher summits, particularly south of Lochaber but 'hang' on some slopes and corries most or all day. Cloud may begin to shroud west coastal slopes at 300-450m after dusk.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	50% Lochaber to 80% elsewhere by afternoon
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine, unbroken Loch Lomond NP and Arran. The air very clear so excellent visibility, but fog some valleys and higher slopes.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1C
Freezing Level	750m, rising slowly through day. Some frozen ground lower slopes after frost in valleys.

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 26 November	Thursday 27 November
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly 40 to 55mph morning. Will veer west and ease, perhaps to or below 30mph.	South to southwesterly, strengthening quickly with height to widely 60mph where exposed on higher summits.
Effect of wind on you?	Some easing through day, but extensively difficult walking where exposed with powerful gusts and considerable wind chill	Severe wind chill and walking difficult. Where exposed on higher areas, generally mobility a struggle.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle most or all day Rain and drizzle (snow above 800m temporarily). The rain rarely ceasing; although least heavy and sometimes easing near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean. Becoming less wet afternoon.	Frequent or constant rain Rain and drizzle most of the day - probably easing or clearing only late in day. Least rain near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean.
Cloud on the hills?	Very extensive Some higher slopes particularly wet inland may initially be cloud free. Will deteriorate, on most mountains, as cloud forms from lower slopes up. Highest cloud base near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean where typically dropping to 500 to 800m.	Mountains persistently foggy. Persistent cloud from 200 to 450m most mountains. Cloud base 500 to 700m near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean There may be an improvement - but only late in day.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Soon almost nil	Almost nil
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine unlikely: extensively dull and misty as visibility drops in rain.	Rare glimpses of weak sun near/north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean. Visibility widely poor.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-1C rising to 4C through daylight. Will feel as cold as minus 14C directly in the wind. 800m at first; rising abruptly above the summits, initially near the coast.	6C. Will feel as cold as minus 9C directly in the wind. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 26 November, 2025

A long series of Atlantic lows passing north of or across Britain will bring high rainfall to western mountains together with frequent upland gales (sometimes storm force) and low cloud. Temperatures on higher tops sometimes below freezing point, particularly at the weekend in Scotland, but elsewhere fresh snow transient.

Forecast issued at 12:16 on Monday, 24 November, 2025

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