

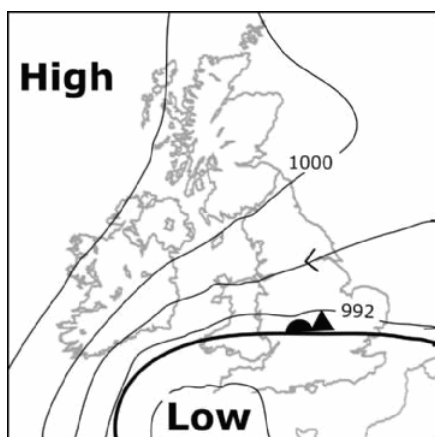
# West Highlands

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 Friday, 13 February, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 13 February, 2026

A change in the pattern as cold air will have extended south overnight. Nearly all mountain terrain frozen in Scotland whilst further south, particularly higher terrain progressively freezes. Patches of snow, at times persistent Wales, but otherwise total precipitation small.

### Headline for West Highlands

Risk snow showers. Nearly all terrain frozen.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 13 February, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Northerly 20mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Small;.
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rare snow flurries</b> A few snow or hail flurries, mainly afternoon Lochaber and Mull.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>All or nearly all clearing</b> Well scattered cloud, by midday rare patches below 900m and most summits often clearing. Higher tops in Lochaber may only occasionally or fleetingly clear.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine, most extensive near central belt (although here probably a cloudy start). Superb visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-5C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Nearly all terrain frozen although partial thawing lower, mainly sunlit slopes.

## West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 14 February	Sunday 15 February
How windy? (On the Munros)	West later southerly, initially 20mph before a prolonged lull of 10-15mph. Strengthening quickly toward dusk.	Mostly westerly 30 to sometimes 40mph. But at first, a very gusty 55mph, then a temporary slight lull.
Effect of wind on you?	<b>Small by day - but very difficult conditions quickly developing into the night.</b>	<b>Significant wind chill and widely arduous walking on higher areas. Particularly difficult conditions near precipitation.</b>
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Likely dry during daylight</b> Most mountain areas dry. But a few brief snow showers or flurries within 10 or 20 miles of the coast.	<b>Frequent hail and snow</b> Persistent snow before dawn soon easing. Then succession of sudden, sometimes heavy, hail and snow showers - in places precipitation rarely ceasing over an hour or two giving whiteout. Small risk lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	<b>Many mountains free of cloud</b>  Most hills free of cloud,. Here and there, cloud persisting higher slopes and corries, whilst near showers cloud will come in at around 600m.	<b>Almost persistently covering the mountains; rapid cloud base changes.</b>  Sometimes breaking to near or above 900m at least fleetingly, but overall extensive cloud above 600m, and sometimes forming on lower slopes near precipitation.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	<b>80%</b>	<b>Less than 10%</b>
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine, particularly toward central mountains, before high level cloud spreads east afternoon. Excellent or superb visibility.	Bursts of sunshine, mainly lower slopes toward central highlands. Fleetingly excellent visibility, but abruptly appalling or near zero in snow.
How Cold? (at 900m)  Freezing Level	-3 or -4C. With time, feeling as cold as -15 to 18C in wind.  All terrain frozen from dawn. Near the coast, lifting to 300-400m. Some sun-exposed low slopes to thaw as well.	-1C. Will feel as close to minus 12C where exposed to the wind.  Nearly all terrain frozen, albeit freezing level rising erratically toward 800 or 900m.

## Planning Outlook

**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 14 February, 2026**

Widespread snow and severe upland gales Saturday night followed by very blustery showery conditions on Sunday - although a temporary thaw at least on lower slopes. Otherwise very much drier over the coming week. Bright sunshine and excellent visibility frequently on many mountain areas, although hail and snow showers in some areas with most upland areas frequently frozen.

**Forecast issued at 7:58 on Friday, 13 February, 2026**

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