

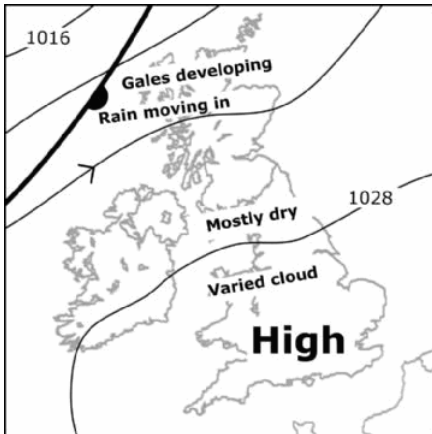
# Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Cairngorms National Park and Monadhliath. Also includes the Ben Alder area hills between Loch Ericht and Loch Laggan.



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## General Summary for Wednesday, 8 May, 2024



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 8 May, 2024

Thickening cloud toward northwest Scotland will see patchy rain develop, later persistent near Skye. SW'ly winds reaching gale force on coastal mountains in northwest, increasingly windy elsewhere too. By evening, a little rain spills eastwards across the Highlands. England and Wales dry with broken cloud and sun.

#### Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Wind strengthening, later gales on tops. Dry, a little rain by dusk.

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 8 May, 2024

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	South to southwesterly 20 to 25mph, speeds strengthening to 30-35mph higher Cairngorms summits, by evening gusts may approach 50mph on high tops.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Feeling increasingly breezy, starting to affect comfortable walking and balance on exposed ridges and summits. More challenging on high tops late in day.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Rain unlikely until late</b> Dry most of all daytime. A little light rain moving in from the west toward and after dusk.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Many tops clearing</b> Banks of cloud around some slopes in the morning, plus local mist some glens at first. Lifting toward higher tops with breaks forming to most summits. Lowering cloud may cap tops near Ben Alder later.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Patchwork of sun, some high cloud builds from west, thickening later. Visibility very good.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	6 to 9C. Feeling near freezing on tops in increasing wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits

**Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead**

	<b>Thursday 9 May</b>	<b>Friday 10 May</b>
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	West or southwesterly 15 to 25mph, or 30mph for a time early in the day.  <b>Fairly small, but blustery for a time on higher terrain.</b>	South to southwesterly 10 to 20mph. Possible occasional gusts up to 30mph in the afternoon on the highest summits. <b>Fairly small in places, may affect walking on higher terrain.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Little or no rain</b> Risk of a little light rain or drizzle overnight and into morning, fading out. Chance of an isolated afternoon shower.	<b>Small risk afternoon showers.</b> Most of the day dry, remote risk for isolated showers in the afternoon.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Mostly western areas, lifting</b>  Covering higher terrain most extensively toward western Cairngorms NP in the morning, patchier cloud over tops toward Deeside. Cloud bases tending to break toward many tops, may linger near the A9.  <b>50%</b>	<b>Little if any.</b>  Brief fragments on higher slopes soon lifting.  <b>90%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun through high cloud. Visibility mostly good.	Sunny at the start, patches of clouds developing in the afternoon. Good visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	8 to 10C.  Above the summits	8 to 11C.  Above the summits.

**Planning Outlook**

**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 9 May, 2024**

High pressure centred over England and Wales during the second half of this week, whilst weak fronts drift past northwest Scotland, giving some patchy rain or drizzle, but improving toward the end of the week and weekend here. Most places dry and increasingly warm with southerly breezes. A greater risk of some rain or showers by Sunday in the west. Low pressure then moving toward the south of Britain by early next week is likely to strengthen an easterly wind and may bring some rain or showers for a time.

**Forecast issued at 16:30 on Tuesday, 7 May, 2024**

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