

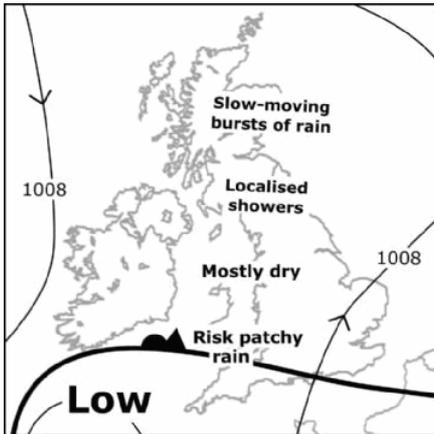
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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 Sunday, 5 May, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 5 May, 2024

A slack weather pattern with light winds and fairly humid air. A lot of cloud around the mountains with patchy drizzle in the morning. Cloud lifting and breaking a little into the afternoon, but local thundery downpours will form, greatest risk for the Cairngorms area. Some rain moves into Wales from the south.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Light winds, varied cloud. Threat of thunderstorms afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 5 May, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable 5-10mph, at times calm. Around heavy bursts of rain, risk sudden gusts 25mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzle, then heavy showers and thunderstorms afternoon-evening. Pockets of drizzle and patchy rain from dawn into morning. By afternoon, will develop into heavy showers, slow-moving torrential bursts and thunderstorms forming, locally rain lasting an hour or more into evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, local breaks as bases slowly rise. Within a humid environment, expect extensive hill fog through the day. Lowest cloud bases in morning, before slow rise of into afternoon with local breaks. Ragged patches returning at various levels in heavy rain.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun. Hazy, or murky in morning also around heavy rain later.
How Cold? (at 900m)	6 to 8C, warmest towards and into afternoon.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Monday 6 May	Tuesday 7 May
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Light and variable, 5 to 10mph or at times calm. Risk local sudden gusts of 25mph around heavy showers. Mostly small	Mostly variable 5-10mph or less. Possibly northerly 15-20mph at first. Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain, then thundery showers. Patches of rain here and there in morning, but some areas dry. Then slow-moving heavy downpours forming, scattered thunderstorms into the afternoon.	Drizzle fades, chance a shower Patchy drizzly rain in the morning, tending to fade out. Chance of localised showers forming into afternoon, mainly southern Cairngorms NP.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Extensive, some local breaks Low cloud very likely widespread from dawn with banks from lower slopes. Slow rise in base, will allow some breaks, but these filling in again in the downpours. 30%	Lifting with increasing breaks Banks of cloud at various heights in the morning, patchy fog in some glens. Will lift toward higher slopes with some breaks forming toward tops, best later in day. 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly overcast with rare glimpses of sun. Hazy, with rather murky conditions, may improve to become good at times, away from rain when visibility will be poor.	Mostly cloudy, glimpses of sun. Misty early in the day, visibility becoming good.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	6 or 7C Above the summits	3 to 6C. Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 6 May, 2024

Weather patterns remain slow-moving, but high pressure tends to build into midweek to bring a fair amount of dry weather which may well last through next weekend. Briefly cooler in northern Scotland early in the week, but mostly fairly warm and winds often light. Some rain-bearing fronts may return to northwestern Scotland at times. Occasional scattered showers in the afternoons elsewhere.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Saturday, 4 May, 2024

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