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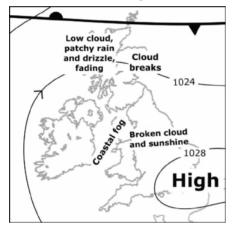
# **West Highlands**

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 Thursday, 9 May, 2024



## British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 9 May, 2024

Scottish west coast may see some denser clouds and rain patches in the first half of the day, while SW winds weaken gradually. Throughout the day conditions improve, bringing some sunshine to most mountains, perhaps excluding western coastal tops. Fine weather with just some clouds in England and Wales.

#### **Headline for West Highlands**

Wind weakening. Rain and cloudy before noon, slightly improving.

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 9 May, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	West or southwesterly 15 to 25mph, in the morning up to 30mph Ben Nevis range northwards.	
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small	
How wet?	A little rain, fading	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle from overnight likely to continue into the morning, mostly light and patchy, but may linger for a few hours, tending to fade to leave drizzly showers.	
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, may improve south	
	Shrouding many mountains much of the day, from low to mid-elevations upward near to coasts. Some improvement with time as bases slowly lift and may break up further in southern areas.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull especially near coast near and west of Loch Linnhe.  A little sun breaking through inland and in southern areas, visibility improving.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	6 to locally 9C.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits	

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#### West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 10 May	Saturday 11 May
How windy? (On the Munros)  Effect of wind on you?	South to southwesterly 15 to 25mph, locally on coastal mountains up to 30mph in gusts.  Fairly small in places, may affect walking and balance on the highest ridges.	Southerly 10 to 20mph, locally up to 25mph in the afternoon, strongest on exposed coastal mountains.  Mostly small, may affect walking on coastal tops in the afternoon.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely, low risk of showers. Chance of an odd spot of rain.	Chance of isolated shower afternoon.  Mostly dry. In Loch Lomond area low risk of showers in the late afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly very little, possible at dawn.  Patches on higher slopes before noon, soon lifting.	Hills clear.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, patches of clouds developing in the afternoon. Good visibility.	At dawn some higher clouds, later mostly sunny, good visibility. Loch Lomond area possible more clouds in the afternoon.
How Cold? (at 900m)	9 to 11C.	10 to 12C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

### **Planning Outlook**

## All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 10 May, 2024

High pressure drifting eastwards during the weekend, whilst southerly breezes brings warmer air and often clear skies, with most places staying dry. 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 the winds and may bring some rain or showers for a time.

#### Forecast issued at 16:27 on Wednesday, 8 May, 2024

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