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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 Friday, 10 May, 2024



#### British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 10 May, 2024

Extensively dry across much of the country with any morning cloud, if any, soon evaporating. Light winds except in the West and Northwest Highlands, where it will be locally gusty. Widespread sunshine developing through high cloud; summits feeling mild.

## Headline for West Highlands

Locally gusty. Any morning cloud soon clearing.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 10 May, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	South to southwesterly 15 to 25mph, locally on coastal mountains up to 30mph in gusts.	
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small in places, may affect walking and balance on the highest ridges.	
How wet?	Rain unlikely, low risk of showers	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Chance of an odd spot of rain.	
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly very little, possible at dawn	
	Patches on higher slopes before noon, soon lifting.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Becoming 90%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, patches of clouds developing in the afternoon. Good visibility.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	9 to 11C. Feeling 5C or below in the wind.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	

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#### West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 11 May	Sunday 12 May
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 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.	Gusty southerly 15 to 20mph. Beware powerful gusts before afternoon showers, especially Arran and S. Loch Lomond NP. Balance affected during gusts. Southern regions: Powerful gusts before afternoon showers may knock you off balance.
How wet?	Chance of isolated shower afternoon	Increasing risk of localised thunderstorms.
(Precipitation and its impact)	Mostly dry. In Loch Lomond area low risk of showers in the late afternoon.	Spots of rain falling from high level cloud from early morning. Increasing risk of local showers and possibly even torrential thunderstorms by late afternoon in southern regions. Persistent rain overnight as front moves in from evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Hills clear	Tops clearing after morning until rain
	Any morning mist on higher slopes will soon evaporate.	Morning mist on many mountains and in the glens will clear. Cloud re-forming and enveloping summits and mid-slopes during any showers.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	At dawn some higher clouds, later mostly sunny, good visibility. Loch Lomond area possible more clouds in the afternoon.	Pockets of sunshine fading as high cloud thickens through day. Morning haze mostly washed out by afternoon showers.
How Cold? (at 900m)	10 to 12C. Feeling around 7C in the wind, especially when not in direct sunshine.	8C. Feeling as cold as 0C in the wind.
	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

## Planning Outlook

#### All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 11 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 showers or thunderstorms by Sunday. Low pressure bringing wet and windier weather for a day or two Monday onwards. Becoming showery from Tuesday or Wednesday with varying cloud banks across many mountain areas. Temperatures remaining mild.

#### Forecast issued at 16:30 on Thursday, 9 May, 2024

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