

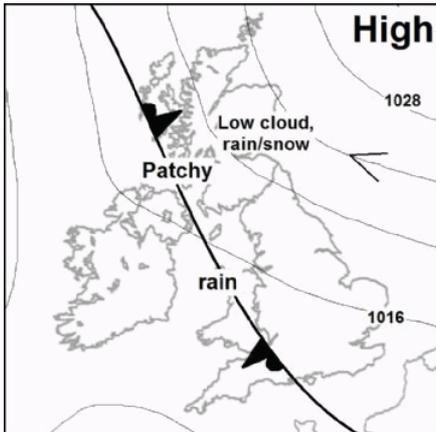
# Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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 Tuesday, 16 April, 2019



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 16 April, 2019**

A slow-moving front draped across western Britain brings a zone of patchy rain and drizzle, which locally may persist over many hours. Low cloud affects most hills, but good breaks in N Scotland, also Pennines. Brisk winds, feeling cold where exposed.

### Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Chilly, windy. Patchy rain/snow. Low cloud focused south/east.

## Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 16 April, 2019

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southeasterly 25 to 35mph, or 40mph early in day; gusty near/west of major summits.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Walking impeded, locally arduous on higher areas. Sudden gusts lower slopes near/west of major ridges. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Occasional rain south/west, very little north.</b> The northern Cairngorms substantially dry all day, perhaps local patches of rain or drizzle. Toward Ben Alder & southern Cairngorms NP, rain may come and go (snow or sleet above 700-800m), risk persistent over a few hours.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Nearly all confined to higher tops</b> Fog likely to have enveloped southern Cairngorms up to Ben Alder above 650m and persist all day. Elsewhere, cloud most likely extensive above 800 to 1050m, breaks best toward Monadhliath.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>20% south/east, to 60% Monadhliath.</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	A little sun mostly Strathspey, weak due to high cloud. General haze, risk murky southern Cairngorms.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	Between 0 and 2C, highest west of the A9. In the wind, feeling close to -12C, or colder at first.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	900 to 1200m.

## Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 17 April	Thursday 18 April
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southeasterly, 15 to 25mph.	Southeasterly, 20 to 25mph, in places risk 35mph near/west of major summits/ridges.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Fairly small, but locally gusty to lower slopes. Chilly in exposure.</b>	<b>Varied; local buffeting, very gusty through passes, cols and to some lower slopes.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain unlikely</b> Rare patches of drizzly rain around low cloud, but fading.	<b>Rain not expected</b>
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive, breaks forming</b>  A risk of low cloud covering many hills from dawn, to low levels east & southern Cairngorms NP; bases tending to lift. Breaks forming toward tops around Strathspey.	<b>Soon very little</b>  Banks of cloud may cover some slopes for a few hours from dawn, mostly eastern Cairngorms NP (higher tops above cloud), but likely to all break up.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine breaking through, mostly near/west of A9. Visibility good, but rather hazy, or murky SE Cairngorms for several hours.	Generally sunny. Visibility good, but a slight haze.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-1C rising to 3C.	4C rising to 6C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Starting around 800-900m, but lifting gradually above most summits; may stay around 1100-1200m eastern Cairngorms.	Above the summits.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 17 April, 2019**

High pressure stays positioned to the east, and a warmer southeasterly flow prevails toward the Easter period. Temperatures rising day-on-day and it will be dry into the first part of the long weekend at least. Some low cloud, focused on eastern hills. Gusty winds at times to lower slopes, but likely dropping lighter for a day or two. By Sunday into Monday, fronts may approach from the Atlantic as winds turn southwesterly, with indications looking more unsettled next week. The ground very dry underfoot - beware of grass fires. Snow patches on higher tops, mainly Lakes and Scottish Highlands.

**Forecast issued at 15:44 on Monday, 15 April, 2019**

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