

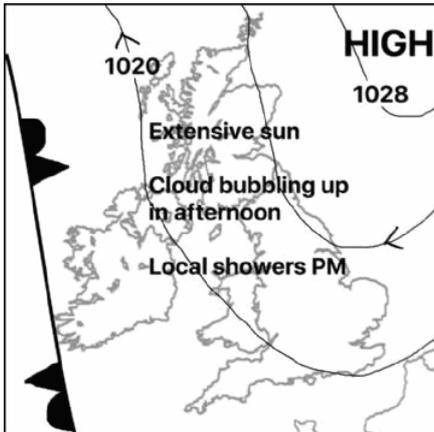
# Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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 Thursday, 16 May, 2019



### British Mountain Summary:

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

High pressure centred across Scandinavia will continue to dominate the weather bringing further fine, warm and sunny conditions to the hills, although cloud will bubble up through the day to produce a few localised afternoon showers; mainly to NW Scotland. Patches of low cloud some hills around dawn will soon disperse.

### Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Patchy cloud clearing. Then largely fine with sunshine. Locally gusty.

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 16 May, 2019

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southeasterly 15 to locally 25mph
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly small, but will impede ease of walking northwest of major summits and Cairngorm plateau. Local sudden gusts lower slopes.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>No rain expected</b>
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Early fog patches soon clearing.</b> Areas of fog may have formed overnight on some slopes, possibly widely above eastern valleys. However, this fog will break up and clear by mid/late morning. Then hills widely clear.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Soon lifting to 90%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Sunshine, although cloud will develop from late morning. Excellent visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	Between 5 and 10C, coldest eastern Cairngorms NP in morning.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits

## Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Friday 17 May	Saturday 18 May
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Easterly 15 to 20mph.  <b>Small</b>	Easterly 15 to 25mph at dawn, becoming 10mph or less, and variable in direction, by the afternoon.  <b>May impede walking on higher areas at first with marked wind chill, but soon becoming negligible.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain unlikely</b> Risk occasional bursts of rain afternoon and evening.	<b>Areas of drizzly rain</b> Low confidence in detail: Areas of drizzly rain will likely run in from the east through the day; most persistent across hills near and east of the A9.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Mostly very little</b>  Patches eastern summits in Cairngorms NP above 500m may have formed overnight. The base is likely to rise to above 750m during morning and most of the fog should disperse - although patches will reform near rain. <b>70%</b>	<b>Extensive</b>  Low confidence in precise detail: Hills are likely to be shrouded in cloud for much of the day. Bases may lift to higher tops at in the afternoon, especially in the west.  <b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine, mainly morning western mountains. Cloud will tend to fill in during afternoon. Excellent visibility.	Little or no sun.  Visibility often poor due to drizzly rain.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	4 to 8C, lowest in morning where in cloud.  Above the summits.	3 to 8C, lowest in morning where in cloud.  Above the summits.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 17 May, 2019

Easterly winds over the weekend will bring banks of cloud in off the North Sea, often breaking over western mountains. The remnants of rain over central Europe will reach Britain, bringing showers, occasionally heavy, and perhaps one or two areas of more persistent rain. Total rainfall generally small, particularly in Scotland. A slack pressure pattern into early next week with little wind and a mix of sunshine and scattered showers, some perhaps heavy. Marked uncertainty in the evolution from midweek onwards as to whether a dry northeasterly winds will develop or whether west winds will become established for a few days with some rain.

### Forecast issued at 15:21 on Wednesday, 15 May, 2019

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