

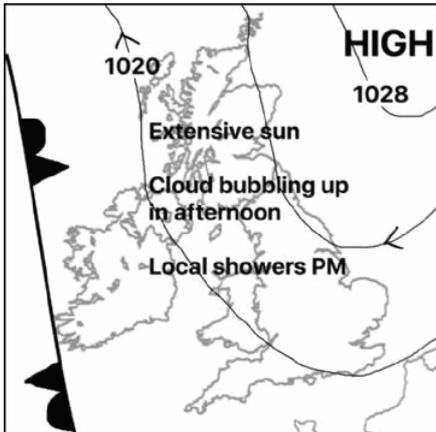
# The Northwest Highlands

Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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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 The Northwest Highlands

Another largely fine and sunny day. Risk of local afternoon showers.

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 16 May, 2019

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southeasterly 10 to locally 20mph
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Small
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Isolated showers developing</b> Risk of isolated bursts of rain developing in the afternoon and evening; but most of the NW Highlands will be dry.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Little or none</b> Isolated fragments across some slopes around dawn, mainly in the east. Otherwise, hills widely clear.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Greater than 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>	11C
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits

## The Northwest Highlands - 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 very unlikely</b> Small risk isolated bursts of rain afternoon and evening.	<b>Patches of rain, mainly in east.</b> Low confidence: A few patches of rain will likely drift in from the east through the day; perhaps fairly persistent over a few hours towards Ben Wyvis.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>          <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Little if any</b>          <b>70%</b>	<b>Areas of low cloud, mainly in the east.</b>  Low confidence in precise detail: Banks of low cloud will shroud some hills from dawn, most extensively across eastern hills where it may linger on high slopes most of the day. Across western hills, bases will lift and likely often clear the tops in the afternoon.  <b>50%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine, mainly morning. Cloud will tend to fill in during afternoon. Excellent visibility.	Some patches of sun, mostly across western hills.  Visibility mostly very good, but at times poor in patchy rain; mainly in the east.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	10C  Above the summits.	4 to 8C, lowest in morning in the east.  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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