

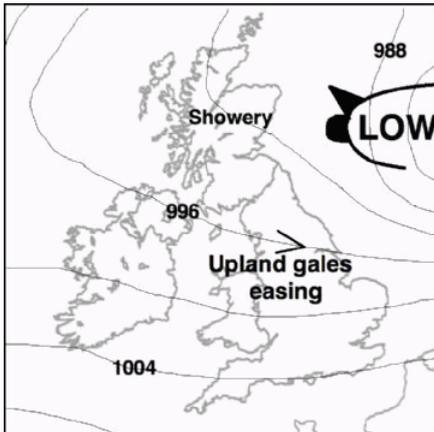
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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 Wednesday, 13 September, 2017



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 13 September, 2017

Low pressure will push out into the North Sea and allow a cold northwesterly, showery airflow to prevail across all mountain areas. Across Scotland showers will merge to give locally prolonged rain over several hours, and over highest tops sleet or wet snow will fall. Upland gales at dawn across England and Wales will soon ease.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Cold day with showery rain on and off, falling as wet snow highest tops.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 13 September, 2017

How windy? (On the Munros)	West or northwesterly: 10 to 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Small
How wet?	Clusters of showers Clusters of showers will give rain on and off through much of the day. Threat of constant rain over several hours: highest risk N Cairngorms and Deeside hills. Wet snow highest tops.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive at first, lifting by afternoon. Extensive low cloud from dawn, in places from lower slopes, will lift and break towards midday. Cloud then frequently confined to or above higher tops. However, bases will temporarily drop below 800m during rain, mainly N Cairngorms and Deeside.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Sunshine rare, only occasional glimpses here and there. Frequently excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	4C
Freezing Level	Just above tops

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 14 September	Friday 15 September
How windy? (On the Munros)	North or northwesterly; 25 to occasionally 35mph.	Northerly 25-35mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking often arduous on higher areas.	Walking often arduous higher areas with marked wind chill.
How wet?	Showers Showers, most widely Cairngorms and Deeside in afternoon where risk of the rain almost constant over a couple of hours. Snow above 1000m; will lie highest tops.	Showers developing After a largely dry start, showers will develop from mid morning and become more numerous into the afternoon. Some will be heavy with sleet and wet snow possible across the highest tops.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Cairngorms. Cairngorms and Deeside: Fog extensive across higher areas. The cloud base typically between 650 and 900m. Elsewhere, cloud rare below 750m and particularly afternoon, higher summits may well intermittently clear.	Extensive higher slopes, breaks in south. N.Cairngorms: Extensive hill fog. However, by afternoon, cloud will become confined above 800m. S.Cairngorms: Early low cloud will lift and break with hills becoming often clear outside showers.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%	40%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Occasional sunshine. Excellent visibility.	Occasional glimpses of sun between the showers. Visibility very good between the showers and outside hill fog.
How Cold? (at 900m)	3C	4C
Freezing Level	1300m	Just above the tops

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 14 September, 2017**

Chilly and showery most mountain areas through the remainder of this week. On highest Scottish summits expect showers to fall as sleet and wet snow, and here and there snow will lie. By Sunday and through the early days of next week, under higher pressure, it will become warmer and although total rainfall will be small, there is uncertainty as to whether there will be showers, and also whether areas of low cloud will continue to shroud some higher areas; most likely over western Scotland.

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