

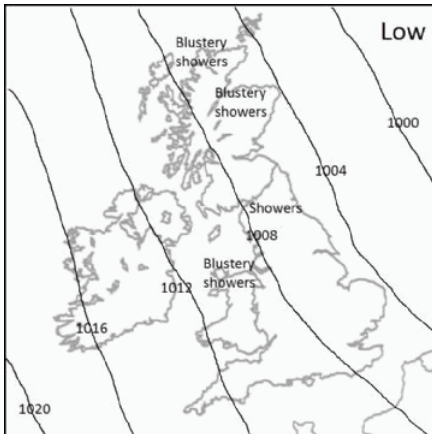
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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, 14 September, 2017



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 September, 2017

A cold north-northwesterly flow will cover the UK during the day. Cairngorms, NW Highlands and Snowdonia will remain mainly cloudy with the showers most frequent here. Further south and east hills often clear and dry, with some excellent visibility and just the risk a few showers by afternoon. Significant windchill all areas.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Blustery wintry showers higher slopes

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 14 September, 2017

How windy? (On the Munros)	North or northwesterly; 30 to 40mph occasionally 50mph later
Effect of wind on you?	Walking often arduous on higher areas. Significant windchill.
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.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Cairngorms. Cairngorms and Deeside: Fog extensive across higher areas, bases typically between 700 and 900m. Elsewhere, especially S.Cairngorms cloud rare below 750m and particularly afternoon, higher summits may well intermittently clear.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Occasional sunshine. Excellent visibility, but mainly poor N.Cairngorms and Deeside in hill fog.
How Cold? (at 900m)	3C but feeling well below zero in the wind
Freezing Level	1300m

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Friday 15 September	Saturday 16 September
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Northerly 30-40mph occasionally 50mph Walking often arduous and at times difficult on higher areas with marked wind chill.	Northerly or northeasterly 30-40mph perhaps 45mph morning and across N.Cairngorms and Deeside. Walking often arduous perhaps difficult morning across higher areas with marked wind chill.
How wet?	Showers developing Showers will persist for much of the day over the N.Cairngorms and Deeside. Elsewhere will develop from mid morning and become more numerous and heavier into the afternoon. Sleet and wet snow possible across the highest tops.	Showers developing northern hills After a largely dry start, showers will develop from mid to late morning. Most frequent across Deeside hills and N.Cairngorms. Some will be heavy with risk of thunder and hail and falling as snow across the highest tops.
Cloud on the hills?	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.	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?	40%	40%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Occasional glimpses of sun between the showers. Visibility very good between the showers and outside hill fog.	Occasional glimpses of sun between the showers. Visibility very good between the showers and outside hill fog.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	4C Just above the tops	4C Just above the tops

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 15 September, 2017**

Cold and showery across all mountain areas through the remainder of this week. On highest Scottish summits showers will fall as sleet and wet snow. By Sunday and through the early days of next week, as pressure builds from the south, winds will back more westerly. It will become warmer with drier conditions than of late, but with spells of patchy rain mainly over western half of the Highlands.

Forecast issued at 16:38 on Wednesday, 13 September, 2017

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