

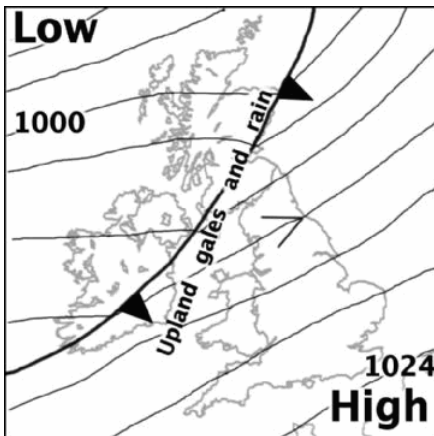
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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 Friday, 13 October, 2017



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 13 October, 2017

Upland gales most mountain areas. Almost constant rain western mountains will clear from the NW across Scottish Highlands. Persistent fog most summits, widely from lower slopes up many west and south facing coastal hills.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Upland gales; rain gradually fizzling out

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 13 October, 2017

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly, 45 to 60mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult walking on higher terrain; severe wind chill.
How wet?	Rain on and off before clearing Ben Alder east to southern hills Cairngorms NP: Rain frequently, most persistent Ben Alder. Rain will cease early afternoon. Monadhliath east to Cairngorms and Deeside: rain occasionally morning, not heavy. Very little Deeside. Dry afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive on higher areas Ben Alder east to southern hills Cairngorms NP: cloud more or less all day above 600m, sometimes lower. Monadhliath east to Cairngorms and Deeside: Often capping summits above 700 to 900, especially west of the A9. Breaks to 1050m toward Deeside.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30% but less than 10% Ben Alder and southern Carngorms NP
Sunshine and air clarity?	Glimpses of weak sun lower slopes near Cairngorms and Deeside. Visibility good below cloud and away from rain, but a general haze.
How Cold? (at 900m)	11C, dropping to 6C, initially toward and west of A9 middle of day onwards.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 14 October	Sunday 15 October
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 40mph, dropping to 30mph.	Southerly in the range 35 to 50mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking arduous across higher areas, particularly morning.	Considerable buffeting across the hills; including sudden strong gusts to lower slopes. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Rain on and off Total rainfall small, and particularly Cairngorms NP, there may be no rain for several hours. But rain, not heavy, may well slowly envelop the region, particularly afternoon.	Little or no rain There may have been rain overnight, most likely west of the A9. This is likely to have cleared, or will soon clear into daylight, leaving isolated, if any bursts of showery rain.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly confined to higher tops Banks of cloud may shroud some higher areas above 900m all day, but apart from Ben Alder area and S Cairngorms NP, summits may clear, perhaps for several hours. In rain, cloud will gradually fill in above 600 to 900m, highest N Cairngorms and Deeside.	Mostly confined to higher tops Most cloud above 600m Ben Alder to southern summits in Cairngorms NP. Northwards, the base will rise further, typically 1000 to 1200m Monadhliath to Cairngorms and Deeside, and sometimes the cloud may clear altogether.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	50%	30%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Little or no sunshine due to veil of high level cloud. Frequently excellent visibility.	Patches of sunshine, mostly Monadhliath to Cairngorms and Deeside. Hazy.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5C	10C
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 14 October, 2017**

A lengthy period of unsettled weather, will give continued high rainfall across western mountains, particularly the W and NW Highlands where widely very wet underfoot.

There will be bouts of upland gales and note on Monday or Monday night threat of storm force winds.

Later next week, on higher Scottish summits, occasionally periods where snow will fall, but lying snow is very likely to be only transient.

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