

# Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

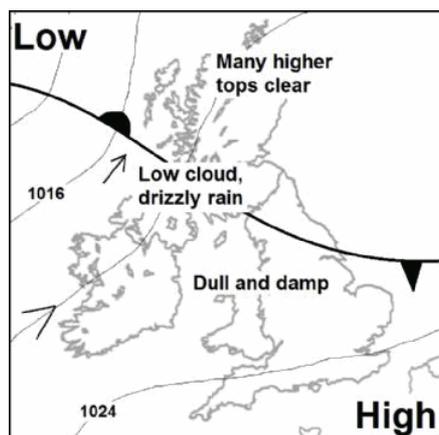
Cairngorms National Park and Monadhliath. Also includes the Ben Alder area hills between Loch Ericht and Loch Laggan.



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## General Summary for Wednesday, 15 November, 2017



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 15 November, 2017**

A warm front will push north, leaving grey and damp conditions in Wales, SW Scotland and some Pennine areas, with fog to low levels, especially around coasts. Brighter in northern Scotland, with many summits free of low cloud. Winds strengthening, later gale force in W & NW Highlands.

### Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Winds mostly light. Dry, cloud above many summits.

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 15 November, 2017

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	West backing southerly by midday, 10-15mph or less, but increasing in afternoon to 25-30mph, then by 40-50mph by dusk or soon after. Storm force winds on the mountains overnight into Thursday.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly small, but likely to impede walking on higher areas later in afternoon, with significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b>	<b>Largely dry</b> Dry most or all day. Risk of a few spots of rain and drizzle arriving towards evening; mainly hills west of A9.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Very little until late</b> For much of the day, most hills clear with just occasional patches forming above 900-1000m. However, toward dusk, risk forming widely on higher areas, perhaps down to 700m west of A9.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>70%, lowering to 30% by dusk.</b>
<b>Sunshine and air clarity?</b>	Hazy sunshine in morning, mainly north; overcast skies becoming more widespread. Visibility generally very good. Early fog patches some glens.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	0C rising slowly to reach 4C by dusk or after dark.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	1000m, then lifting above tops toward end of afternoon. Frost some glens in morning.

## Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 16 November	Friday 17 November
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southwest then westerly, 45 to 60mph, risk 70mph at first.	Westerly, 45 to 60mph, with sudden squalls over 70mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Difficult walking conditions and severe wind chill on higher areas; may ease a little as the day progresses.</b>	<b>Walking difficult on higher terrain, with buffeting from low levels up. Severe wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b>	<b>Snow or hail showers</b> A belt of heavy rain overnight, finishing as snow on higher areas, will clear, but followed by occasional squally showers. Snow falling to 500-600m. Risk hail.	<b>Snow and hail, may be frequent</b> Clusters of showers spreading from the west, may be frequent, especially near & west of the A9. Snow falling above 600m or briefly lower in heavier bursts. Risk of hail.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Varied, breaks to high tops</b>  Cloud base changing quickly; at times may linger above 1000-1200m, especially morning. Shafts of cloud below 700m near showers. Frequent breaks likely to most or all higher summits.	<b>Mostly higher areas</b>  Rapid changes in cloud level: Rarely clearing above 1000-1200m, but at times dropping below 700m in showers. Fleeting breaks to some higher tops, best toward Deeside.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine and air clarity?</b>	Bright sunshine away from showers. The air quite clear, but visibility suddenly reduced when in snow and cloud.	Occasional sun, mostly east. The air quite clear away from showers, but suddenly appalling visibility in snow and cloud.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	Briefly 1 or 2C early morning, but soon dropping to -2C.	0 to -2C
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Perhaps 1000m or above just at first, lowering to 700-800m.	800 or 900m, but may lower from north through day.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 16 November, 2017**

Windy on Thursday with upland gales ahead of a band of heavy rain which will push south-eastwards. Showery and colder conditions will then follow, lasting into Friday and the weekend. Upland gales or sever gales will give severe wind chill, but should ease at least for a time over the weekend. Renewed snow will accumulate over the mountains.

Indications for the later part of November favour generally cold conditions dominating, with further snowfalls possible.

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