

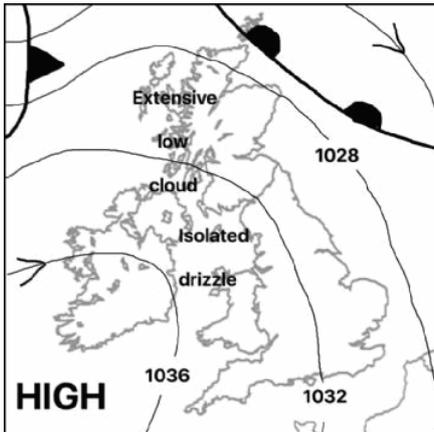
# Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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, 11 January, 2019



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 11 January, 2019**

Moist and blustery westerly winds will result in extensive cloud shrouding many hills with patches of drizzle; especially across western Scotland. However, little if any drizzle will affect the Pennines where cloud will be confined to higher western tops.

### Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Blustery with extensive cloud on higher areas and rare drizzle.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 11 January, 2019

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Westerly 25 to locally 35mph.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Will impede ease of walking on higher areas, although locally walking arduous.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rare drizzle</b> A few patches of drizzle, or snow grains higher slope - mainly west of A9; largely or completely dry hills accessed from Deeside.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive higher areas</b> Covering higher terrain much of the day, above 800 to 1000m, lowest cloud near/west of the A9. Across the eastern Cairngorms NP, breaks, perhaps substantial, to higher tops.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun, most frequent eastern areas. Visibility mostly good, or very good toward east.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	1 or 2C
<b>Freezing Level</b>	1100m or above. Higher terrain widely frozen.

## Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 12 January</b>	<b>Sunday 13 January</b>
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Westerly 40mph	West veering northwest, 45 to 65mph, may ease towards dusk.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Walking likely to be difficult, and wind chill significant, where exposed on higher areas.</b>	<b>Walking difficult across higher areas, and locally at times to lower slopes, with significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Increasing threat rain/snow</b> A band of precipitation, snow above 900m, will advance northeastwards, although may well not reach the region until afternoon - and in Cairngorms NP may remain dry until after dark.	<b>Showery</b> Areas of rain from dawn, mainly across western hills, will ease to the south by mid/late morning. A few showers will follow, these perhaps fairly frequent for a period across the N Cairngorms/Monadhliath. Progressively falling as snow to 600-700m.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>May slowly spread eastwards</b>  Most summits cloud free at least morning. However, slowly cloud will cap higher areas from west, perhaps by dusk from about 650m up west of A9.	<b>Often shrouding higher areas</b>  Cloud often shrouding higher areas above 800-1000m in fog; with patches lowering to 600m in precipitation. Best of the breaks to the tops will be across Deeside.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine will give way as high level cloud thickens. Excellent visibility before dropping from southwest in precipitation.	A few bursts of sunshine developing.  Visibility generally very good outside precipitation, but slight haze.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	1C, may tend to rise a little in afternoon.	Around 3 or 4C at dawn, lowering to 0C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	1050m	Above the summits at dawn, lowering to 900m.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 12 January, 2019**

A gradual change this weekend and into next week as a broad band of generally westerly winds becomes established. Precipitation will fall, mainly on western mountains, as fronts come through and upland gales will be frequent, particularly Scottish Highlands.

Temperature wise, a more typical range with freeze thaw cycles on the Scottish Highlands, allowing some accumulation of snow on the Munros. Elsewhere, higher summits occasionally below freezing point, but lying snow, if any, transient.

**Forecast issued at 15:32 on Thursday, 10 January, 2019**

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