

The Northwest Highlands

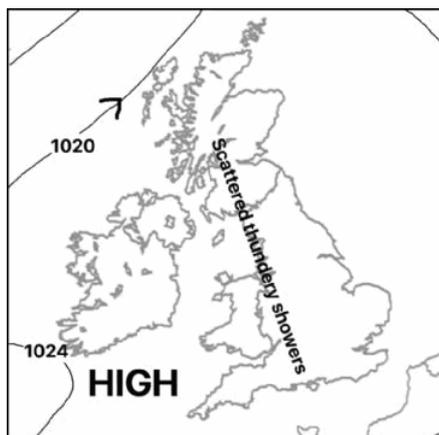
Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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General Summary for Friday, 13 July, 2018



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 13 July, 2018

A fairly humid day with little wind. Isolated patches of rain or drizzle in the morning will develop into scattered showers by afternoon. These will be heaviest from southern Scotland southwards with some isolated thunderstorms. Areas of low cloud in the morning will lift to higher tops into the afternoon. Best conditions in the northwest Highlands.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Largely dry with cloud lifting to clear most hills. Breezy along coast later.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 13 July, 2018

How windy? (On the Munros)	Direction variable, little wind much of day. Becoming southwesterly 15-25mph western coastal hills by evening.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no rain A few drizzly outbreaks or even a local burst of rain possible from early morning, but most of the region generally dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Becoming confined to high tops Patches of cloud at various levels from lower slopes up post-dawn, particularly hills towards the Great Glen. However, the cloud will soon lift and break with many hills becoming clear of cloud by midday or perhaps sooner. A few patches lingering here and there; mainly western hills.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine breaking through, most widely coastal hills by afternoon. Visibility typically very good; locally murky early in day.
How Cold? (at 900m)	9 rising to 12C
Freezing Level	Above the summits

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 14 July	Sunday 15 July
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 20-35 mph; strongest across western coastal hills. Will impede walking at times across higher areas, locally arduous in the west.	Southwest 15-30mph; strongest western coastal hills where perhaps reaching locally 35mph. Will impede walking at times across higher areas; particularly across western coastal hills where walking locally arduous.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Drizzly rain edging eastwards Drizzly rain will arrive across the west coast by late morning, and then spread to all areas through the afternoon. Amounts generally small; with very little reaching easternmost hills.	Rain 'on and off' A damp day with rain and drizzle 'on and off'. The rain will be most persistent and heaviest across western hills in the morning. Rainfall very patchy and light across easternmost hills.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Becoming fairly extensive in rain A few patches of cloud across higher areas from dawn will tend to clear. Eastern hills then clear for many hours. However, as rain arrives, cloud will lower onto the hills and become extensive in the west where down to lowest slopes later. 30% in west, 60% east.	Extensive, lifting to higher tops Extensive; from lowest slopes up western hills. However, bases will lift in the afternoon and become confined above 700-900m; although a few patches will linger on lower slopes near west coast. However, eastern hills becoming largely clear. 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A few glimpses of weak sun in morning, mainly well inland. Overcast by afternoon. Visibility very good at first, but deteriorating with onset of drizzly rain.	Generally overcast, but glimpses of sun developing across eastern hills into afternoon. Visibility often poor in the west; but becoming good or very good in the east.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	11 or 12C Above the summits	12 or 13C Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 14 July, 2018**

Over the weekend, weak fronts to edge east across Scotland bringing a little drizzly rain and low cloud; mainly across western hills. It will remain largely dry and warm across England and Wales with occasional sunshine. A fairly slack pressure pattern into the start of next week, and with a warm and quite humid airmass in place, showers will develop; these locally thundery, and perhaps more widespread later in the week. Areas of low cloud will shroud the hills at times.

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