

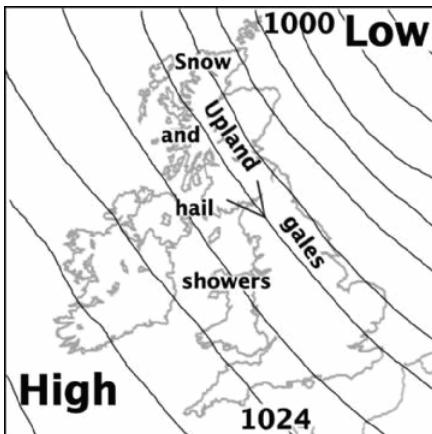
Southeastern Highlands

Hills accessed from Callander, Loch Tay and Loch Rannoch areas. Areas east of Loch Ericht, and south of Dalwhinnie, upper Glen Feshie and the River Dee (includes southernmost Cairngorm NP).



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General Summary for Friday, 8 December, 2017



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 December, 2017

Widespread upland northwesterly gales will bring bitterly cold air to all mountain areas. Snow will be frequent many western mountains and in northern Scotland. Elsewhere, only a few flurries.

Nearly all terrain will be frozen, although not lower slopes in Wales.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Upland gales or severe gales. Snow showers or flurries. Terrain frozen.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 8 December, 2017

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northwesterly 45-55mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking widely difficult across the hills. Sudden gusts on lower slopes near precipitation. Severe wind chill.
How wet?	Frequent snow and hail showers Snow and hail showers, may give whiteout temporarily north Perthshire and Angus, but periods when showers are few. Progressively south toward Central Belt, only a few showers or most likely flurries.
Cloud on the hills?	Varying rapidly in and out of showers Cloud rare below 600m N Perthshire and Angus or 900m elsewhere. Otherwise, frequently confined above 900 to 1100m highest south of Loch Tay.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	50% N Perthshire to 90% elsewhere
Sunshine and air clarity?	Intermittent bright sun between showers, widely toward central belt. The air very clear, but visibility rapidly deteriorating in snow and cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-7C
Freezing Level	Almost all terrain frozen from valleys or just above valleys up.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 9 December	Sunday 10 December
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 35 to 45mph, generally strongest near/east of Glenshee. Marginal decrease in speed during daylight. Considerable buffeting on higher areas, particularly near showers. Significant wind chill.	Northeasterly 15mph or less. Negligible
How wet?	Snow showers or flurries Snow showers although very few south of Loch Tay and Pitlochry, where perhaps only flurries.	Risk snow showers Snow showers over the sea may drift across Angus and Ochils. Otherwise, isolated if any flurries.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Often clearing higher areas Continually changing cloud base: near showers, shafts of cloud below 600 or 700m, but otherwise breaks to higher summits - extensive south of Loch Tay and Pitlochry and across Angus. 60%	Summits extensively free of cloud Patches, mainly Angus and Ochils, near showers above 600m, but most cloud here above 900 to 1100m. Elsewhere, apart from fragments persisting here and there, mainly corries, many summits will be free of cloud. 70%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Bright sunshine, most frequently south of Loch Tay and Pitlochry. The air very clear - but sudden poor visibility in snow and cloud.	Areas of bright sunshine; most widely west of A9. Excellent or superb visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-6C Almost all terrain frozen. Only slight thawing lowest sunlit slopes.	-6C Terrain frozen from valleys up.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 9 December, 2017**

Cold throughout the next 10 days, although across mainly Wales, incursions of warmer air will bring freeze thaw cycles to higher areas. Elsewhere, upland areas substantially frozen. Centres of low pressure will track across Britain bringing bouts of sustained upland snowfall (although not all areas will get these). Between, often fine with clear air and light winds.

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