

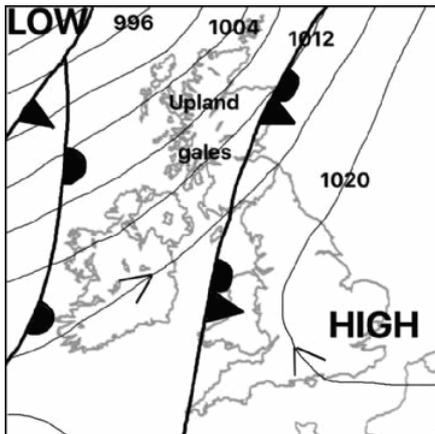
Southeastern Highlands

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 Sunday, 14 January, 2018



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 January, 2018

Upland gales soon developing across Scotland with heavy rain/upland snow arriving across the west/northwest Highlands in the afternoon. Elsewhere, a weak front will lie from eastern/southern Scotland into west Wales, bringing low cloud and patchy rain/snow. Eastern Wales and the southern Pennines, many hills clear above valley fog.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Extensive hill fog and patchy snow. Upland gales/wind chill developing.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 14 January, 2018

How windy? (On the Munros)	South to southwesterly, soon strengthening from 35 to 50mph; perhaps in Perthshire 60mph during daylight.
Effect of wind on you?	Rapid increase of speed with height: walking increasingly difficult where exposed. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	A little snow Patchy light snow, or rain lower slopes below about 600m. Will deteriorate into the night: rain and upland snow. Although, snow will likely turn to rain for a time to all but the very highest tops.
Cloud on the hills?	Blanket fog across even lower hills Fog across the hills, from lower slopes up much of region.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%
Sunshine and air clarity?	No sun. Murky, misty or foggy.
How Cold? (at 900m)	Around -2C, but may rise a degree or so from west. Wind chill will make it feel closer to -16C by afternoon.
Freezing Level	700m.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 15 January	Tuesday 16 January
How windy? (On the Munros)	Westerly 30-35mph. Becoming gusty near showers.	Westerly in the range 35-50mph. Sudden gustiness/squalls to glen level near showers.
Effect of wind on you?	Expect significant buffeting, sometimes from lower slopes up, by afternoon. Significant wind chill.	Walking will be arduous, to at times difficult, with significant buffeting and severe wind chill.
How wet?	Snow and hail showers Overnight precipitation (very briefly rain to higher tops) will have cleared. During daylight increasingly showery, although few showers in morning. The showers of snow, and particularly west of A9, frequent in afternoon.	Snow and hail showers Snow and hail showers; these most frequent across hills west of the A9 where they may give near constant precipitation over an hour or two. Risk thunder. Least snow showers across Angus. Snow will fall and lie into the glens.
Cloud on the hills?	Often shrouding higher areas Most cloud soon confined above 900 to 1100m, highest near and east of Glenshee. Brief breaks to higher tops. As showers develop so fragments of cloud will form to around 550m.	Occasionally shrouding higher tops Rapid fluctuations in cloud bases through the day. Shafts briefly from lower slopes up near precipitation, but often cloud above 900 to 1100m, highest bases eastern hills, with summits occasionally clearing.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%	50%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Sunshine, most widely morning east of the A9; increasingly cloudy afternoon. Away from precipitation, the air clear - but very poor visibility due in snow.	Bursts of sun between the showers. The air very clear, but visibility suddenly deteriorating to near zero in snow and cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-3C; will tend to drop slowly through day.	-5C
Freezing Level	500m, dropping slowly through day.	Around 200m

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 15 January, 2018**

Almost constant strong cold westerly winds, frequently gale force on the mountains next week, will bring copious snowfall to western mountains, concentrated on the W & NW Highlands. The snow and often hail, will be showery in character, and accumulations will drop progressively eastwards. Temperatures only marginally above freezing point lower slopes Scotland, and frequently below freezing above about 600m England and Wales.

Winds will then veer northerly later in the week, maintaining the low freezing levels.

Forecast issued at 14:37 on Saturday, 13 January, 2018

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