

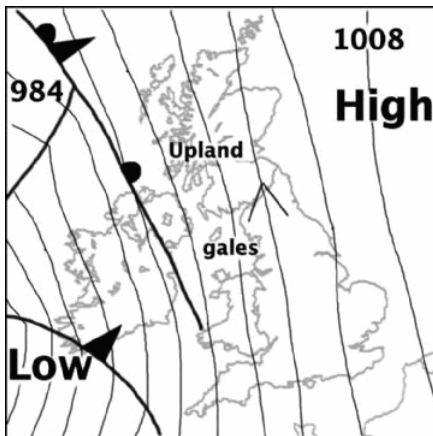
Southeastern Highlands

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 Wednesday, 14 March, 2018



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 March, 2018

Widespread upland gales.
 Extensively cloudy but much of the cloud well above the summits.
 Here and there a little rain.
 Thaw of lying snow, except highest summits Scottish Highlands.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Upland gales, local sudden gusts lower slopes. Rain unlikely, many summits cloud free.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 14 March, 2018

How windy? (On the Munros)	South or southeasterly; in the range 40-55mph. Generally strongest afternoon. Will increase rapidly with height, although expect sudden gusts some lower slopes northwest of major ridges and summits.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking widely very difficult on higher areas, in particularly through some passes and cols. Significant, sometimes sudden buffeting some lower slopes. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Rain unlikely Here and there briefly a few spots of rain, refrozen rain or snow flurries.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive on higher areas, although cloud base will lift After dawn, extensive cloud above 500 to 700m, generally highest toward central highlands. The base will lift through morning, with the fog mostly confined above 1000m afternoon, although fog may persist below 750m Angus.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20% rising to 40%
Sunshine and air clarity?	A few glimpses of sun here and there. Otherwise, overcast. Visibility good, but marked haze.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2C rising to 1C. Will feel as cold as minus 14 Celsius directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	500 to 750m at dawn; will rise to 1050m.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 15 March	Friday 16 March
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southeasterly 50 to 70mph. Local sudden gusts reaching lower slopes through cols and NW of major ridges and summits. Widely very difficult walking on higher areas, and also intermittently lower slopes mainly NW of major ridges and summits. Severe wind chill.	Easterly in the range 40 to 55mph. Sudden gusts reaching some lower slopes west of major ridges. Difficult walking and significant wind chill where exposed on the hills. Sudden buffeting even on some lower slopes.
How wet?	Snow nearly all day; rain lower slopes Snow, or rain below 400-650m, may rarely cease afternoon. Least rainfall central highlands, where there may be none at all morning, and the precipitation mostly light.	Snow; widely incessant Incessant snow giving whiteout most or all daylight much of region. The snow intermittent toward central highlands. Rain lower slopes morning - will progressively turn to snow into valleys by dusk.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive; widely very low indeed Blanket of fog over North Sea will envelop much of region all day from lower slopes up. Base of the cloud will rise to 500 to 700m central highlands.	Never lifting all day Persistent fog above 500-700m, but patches below 350m Angus and Ochils.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%	10%
Sunshine and air clarity?	No sunshine. Very hazy at best - widely foggy even lower slopes.	No sunshine. Very hazy lower slopes and persistent fog higher areas.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	-1C or -2C. 650 to 800m	0 to -2C dropping from east to -3 to -5C. Progressively dropping from east from 700-900m at dawn to 200-400m before dusk.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 15 March, 2018**

Turning progressively colder toward and through the weekend. Extensive low cloud and rain, increasingly turning to snow concentrated more eastern mountains toward the weekend (considerable snowfall SE highlands). By the weekend, the snow lying on lower slopes, but very little will fall on western mountains.

Widespread upland gales will ease over the weekend, initially over the Scottish Highlands, to give a period of cold dry weather early next week.

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