

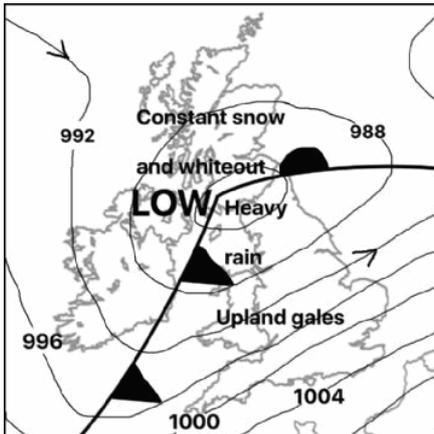
# Southeastern Highlands

The southern highlands as far west as the central highlands and north to Ben Alder, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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## General Summary for Saturday, 16 March, 2019



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 16 March, 2019**

Scotland: Widespread snow spreading north with sustained whiteout developing and significant accumulations. Snow turning to rain to high tops in far south for a time.

England/Wales: Severe gales, heavy rain and low cloud. Snow for a time across N Pennines/Lakes at first and again by evening.

### Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Heavy snow/hill fog setting in. Sustained periods of whiteout.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 16 March, 2019

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Variable winds at first 10-15mph or less. Becoming easterly 15-25mph by midday; strongest in south. Becoming northerly 20-30mph in the afternoon.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Will impede walking at times across higher areas with significant wind chill developing.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Snow soon setting in; sustained whiteout.</b> Persistent and widespread snowfall will soon spread across all parts. Will then rarely abate through the day with near constant snowfall giving sustained whiteout conditions. Snow will increasingly fall and lie into the glens.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Very extensive in snow</b> May be very little at first in the north, bar some patches over higher tops, but as snow sets in, cloud will become very extensive across the hills and widely forming down to lowest slopes. Hills will then remain foggy throughout the day.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Little or no sun. Visibility good at first, but becoming widely appalling in snow with sustained whiteout.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-4C, but feeling closer to -17C in direct exposure to the strongest winds.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	200-400m.

## Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 17 March	Monday 18 March
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Northwest later northerly in the range 30-40mph.  <b>Walking arduous at times across higher areas with significant wind chill and buffeting.</b>	Northwesterly 25-30mph at first, perhaps 35mph, will soon become westerly and ease to 20mph into the afternoon.  <b>Will impede walking occasionally across higher areas with marked wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Occasional snow showers</b> Occasional snow and hail showers through the day, perhaps frequent for a time across northern areas.	<b>No precipitation expected.</b>
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Breaks to tops, lowering in snow.</b>  Cloud bases varying through the day: briefly below 500-600m near precipitation, but generally scattered cloud with bases more typically around 900 to 1200m with occasional breaks to, or above, the tops.  <b>60%</b>	<b>Generally very little</b>  A few patches will come and go across higher tops at times, mainly in the morning across hills east of Glenshee. Otherwise, hills largely clear.  <b>70%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional bursts of bright sun between the showers. Visibility very good, but becoming very poor in snow showers with risk of temporary whiteout in the north.	Occasional sunshine, clouding over from west later.  Visibility very good or excellent.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	-2 to -4C, highest around middle of the day.  400-600m, highest around middle of the day.	-4C lifting to -1C  400m lifting to 800m in afternoon.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 17 March, 2019**

On Sunday, north to northwesterly winds will bring hail and snow showers across many hills, increasingly rain to lower slopes through day, with risk of local thunder. Largely fine on Monday, but low cloud and patchy rain/summit snow will reach western Scotland late on. This will then herald a change to milder, cloudier and at times damp conditions across Scotland with a period of sustained thaw. Higher pressure across England and Wales into the middle of the week will result in largely dry conditions here with lighter winds, although low cloud will affect western hills at times.

**Forecast issued at 16:37 on Friday, 15 March, 2019**

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