

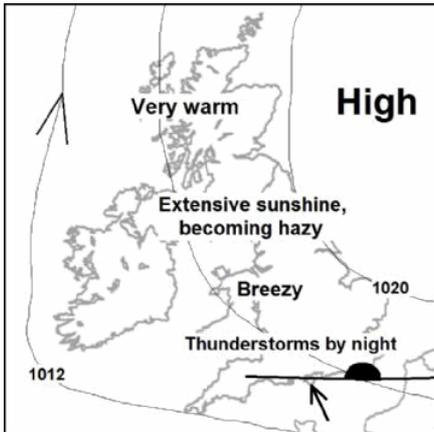
West Highlands

Western Highlands accessible from, and south of, Glenfinnan (Road to the Isles) and Glen Spean (includes Creag Meagaidh). This area include Ben Nevis and the mountains around Glencoe. In the east, includes Ben Alder south to Loch Lomond and Trossachs NP. Includes Arran and Mull.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 18 July, 2017



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 18 July, 2017

A very warm day with extensive strong sunshine, although turning hazy as high cloud thickens from the south. South to southeasterly winds will strengthen. A chance of local late afternoon showers in the Highlands. By nightfall, thunderstorms are likely to spread north into Wales.

Headline for West Highlands

Sunny, very warm. Chance a shower. Wind strengthening.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 18 July, 2017

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly, 15mph morning, increasing through day to 25, later 30, locally 35mph by dusk; strongest near west coast.
Effect of wind on you?	Mainly small, but may result in local buffeting late in day.
How wet?	Chance an afternoon shower Small risk of an isolated late afternoon shower in the central Highlands.
Cloud on the hills?	Largely cloud free Fragments forming around any showers, otherwise cloud free.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Excellent visibility and extensive sunshine, becoming hazy later in day.
How Cold? (at 900m)	11 to 14C; warmest northern Lochaber. In the glens: maximum temperatures topping 25C.
Freezing Level	Above summits

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 19 July	Thursday 20 July
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Detail uncertain in this forecast: East or southeasterly, 30 to 45mph, risk local gusts over 50mph. Walking may be widely arduous or difficult with considerable buffeting where exposed.	South or southwesterly, 15 to 25mph, but risk strengthening later to 40mph, perhaps 50mph west coastal tops. Fairly small much of the day, but later may deteriorate to make walking difficult on exposed ridges.
How wet?	Risk of thunderstorms Pulses of heavy rain and possible thunderstorms spreading from the south, may give local torrential falls - an increasing risk of setting in for several hours.	A few showers, dry periods Overnight rain may leave areas of showers, but should fade, possibly leaving many hours dry. Then later, clusters of showers are likely to spread from the south-west.
Cloud on the hills?	Forming around rain At times cloud may remain above the hills, but risk patches forming from forest canopies up during and following rain.	Extensive but lifting Shrouding most or all hills in the morning, but gradually lifting, and may break above many high tops. Patches forming again later in rain.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	50%	60%
Sunshine and air clarity?	Any sunshine generally hazy. Visibility reduced around rain.	Sunshine breaking through from time to time. General haze, but visibility improving.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	10 to 13C, locally 15C away from rain. Above summits	6 to 10C Above summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 19 July, 2017**

A brief surge of warm and humid air on Wednesday brings areas of heavy rain and thunderstorms, advancing north. Later in the week, and into the weekend, a mix of sunshine and heavy showers, or some longer periods of rain as low pressure resides close to Britain. Blustery winds, gales on the mountains at times. Feeling cool, particularly in Scotland. Next week, a mixed west to north-westerly pattern, with occasional showers, although pressure may slowly build.

Forecast issued at 17:52 on Monday, 17 July, 2017

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