

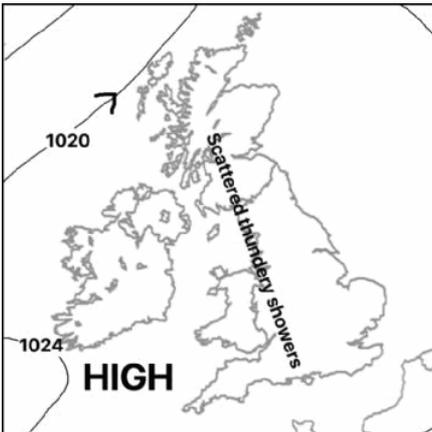
# West Highlands

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 Friday, 13 July, 2018



**British Mountain Summary:**  
**Based on forecast chart for noon 13 July, 2018**

A fairly humid day with little wind. Isolated patches of rain or drizzle in the morning will develop into scattered showers by afternoon. These will be heaviest from southern Scotland southwards with some isolated thunderstorms. Areas of low cloud in the morning will lift to higher tops into the afternoon. Best conditions in the northwest Highlands.

**Headline for West Highlands**

Low cloud lifting; confined to high tops PM. Scattered showers.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 13 July, 2018

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Direction variable, little wind much of day. May become southwesterly 15-20mph on/near Mull by evening.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mostly negligible</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Isolated drizzle, then a few showers</b> A few drizzly outbreaks or even a local burst of rain possible from early morning, but most of the region generally dry. A few showers will develop into the afternoon, locally heavy, before dying out into the evening.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Becoming confined to high tops</b> Banks of cloud at various levels from lower slopes up post-dawn. Most cloud lifting above 700-900m by late morning, and then above 1000m by afternoon with many hills clearing. However, in showers, local pockets of cloud will reform at varying heights.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>20%, but 70% by afternoon</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine breaking through, most widely coastal hills by afternoon. Visibility typically very good; locally murky early in day.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	9 rising to 13C
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits

## West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 14 July</b>	<b>Sunday 15 July</b>
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Southwesterly 20-30 mph; strongest across western coastal hills.	Southwest 15-30mph; strongest western coastal hills.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>May impede walking at times across higher areas.</b>	<b>Will impede walking at times across higher areas; particularly across western coastal hills.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Drizzly rain edging eastwards</b> Drizzly rain will arrive across the west coast by late morning, and then spread to all areas through the afternoon. Amounts generally small.	<b>Rain 'on and off'</b> A damp day with rain and drizzle 'on and off'. The rain will be most persistent and heaviest across hills near and west of Loch Linnhe in the morning. Rainfall very patchy and light across the central Highlands.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Becoming extensive in rain</b>  A few patches of cloud across higher areas from dawn will tend to clear. However, as rain arrives, cloud will lower onto the hills and become extensive; later in the day down to lowest slopes.	<b>Extensive, lifting to higher tops</b>  Extensive; from lowest slopes up western hills. However, bases will lift in the afternoon and become confined above 700-900m; although a few patches will linger on lower slopes near west coast. Best breaks to the tops will be across hills near and north of Glen Spean.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	A few glimpses of weak sun in morning, mainly well inland. Overcast by afternoon.  Visibility very good at first, but deteriorating markedly with onset of rain.	A few glimpses of sun well inland. Otherwise, overcast.  Visibility generally poor, but likely improving into the afternoon.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	11 or 12C	12 or 13C
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Above the summits	Above the summits

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 14 July, 2018**

Over the weekend, weak fronts to edge east across Scotland bringing a little drizzly rain and low cloud; mainly across western hills. It will remain largely dry and warm across England and Wales with occasional sunshine. A fairly slack pressure pattern into the start of next week, and with a warm and quite humid airmass in place, showers will develop; these locally thundery, and perhaps more widespread later in the week. Areas of low cloud will shroud the hills at times.

**Forecast issued at 16:04 on Thursday, 12 July, 2018**

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