

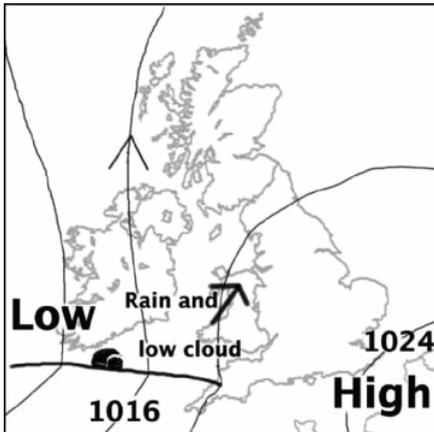
West Highlands

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 Saturday, 11 August, 2018



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 August, 2018

Fine with little wind almost all day almost all of Scotland under a ridge of high pressure. From the south across Wales and later N England and by dusk S Scotland, windier, increasingly wet and foggy.

Headline for West Highlands

Fine; little wind and very clear air. Starting to deteriorate evening.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 11 August, 2018

How windy? (On the Munros)	West backing south to southeasterly, 10mph most of daylight. Will strengthen toward 20mph evening, and perhaps 25mph from Arran to Mull by dusk.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible most of daylight
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely until nearly dusk Risk of the odd shower after dawn. Increasing risk of rain late afternoon or evening Arran, and perhaps reaching Loch Lomond NP by dusk.
Cloud on the hills?	Hills substantially cloud free Many summits free of cloud most of daylight. But over a few hours after dawn, cloud frequently above 800m, albeit the base will rise to clear the summits mid to late morning. Fog will return to higher top in rain, evening onwards.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Greater than 90% by late morning
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine in and out, although cloud will fill in and later thicken. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5 rising to 10C
Freezing Level	Above the summits

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 12 August	Monday 13 August
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Low confidence in this forecast. East veering southerly; 30-40mph before from south easing to 15mph or less. Mostly small; although particularly Lochaber expect considerable buffeting from lower slopes morning.	Westerly 10mph, increasing to 20mph. Small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Band of rain clearing northwards A band of rain will clear slowly north, probably during the morning Loch Lomond NP west to Arran to Mull. Further north, the rain, most persistent central highlands, may not clear until afternoon. Scattered heavy showers will follow.	Showers Showers, will tend to migrate inland after being concentrated on coastal areas morning.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Intermittently clearing Fog widespread after dawn; will lift to or above higher tops following clearance of rain. However, the cloud base likely to lower again near showers. Overall, highest cloud base likely toward and west of Loch Linnhe. 40%	Extensive on higher areas Fog will shroud higher areas extensively after dawn; lowest toward the coast where extensive above 600m. The base will tend to rise, by afternoon, on western hills, most cloud above 800 to 1000m, whilst well inland, higher tops should intermittently clear. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of sunshine will extend northwards following clearance of rain. Frequently excellent visibility following clearance of rain.	Occasional sunshine only. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	10 to perhaps 13C. Above the summits.	9C Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 12 August, 2018**

Colder and wetter countryside over the next week or so. Rain (either as periods of constant rain or just showers) likely at some stage on several days, although some days dry. Cloud will often shroud higher tops, particularly western mountains in the mornings.

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