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Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

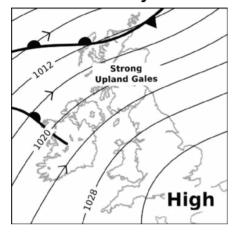
Cairngorms National Park and Monadhliath. Also includes the Ben Alder area hills between Loch Ericht and Loch Laggan.



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General Summary for Saturday, 27 January, 2024



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 27 January, 2024

Upland gales across Scotland and n. England. The Peak District & Wales will have slightly lighter winds. Morning cloud on windward coastal mountains may bring drizzle; cloud base rising inland. Rain and snow showers in w. & nw. Highlands. Temperatures rising through day and freezing level above most Scottish mountains by

evening. **Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath**

Upland gales and broken cloud

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 27 January, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 50 to 60mph. Easing to 40 to 50mph from midday.		
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult or very difficult walking conditions at first; you may be blown over. Beware strong gusts through cols and on down slopes. Severe wind chill.		
How wet?	Little or no precipitation many places		
(Precipitation and its impact)	The Monadhliath and especially Ben Alder may have light precipitation at times.		
Cloud on the hills?	Cloud coming and going on higher summits		
	Higher summits and Cairngorm plateau will be in and out of cloud through the day above around 1000m. Cloud lower and more widespread west of the A9.		
Chance of cloud free Munros?	60%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patches of sunshine. Good visibility.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	1C. Feeling as cold as -15C in the wind.		
Freezing Level	1000m in the morning, rising above summits by afternoon.		

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Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 28 January	Monday 29 January
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 60 to 90mph. Walking very challenging or impossible. Very powerful gusts will occasionally reach lower sheltered slopes. Severe wind chill.	Forecast details uncertain. Probably easterly or northeasterly 10 to 15mph. Mostly small.
How wet?	Mostly dry at first	Risk of snow, especially south
(Precipitation and its impact)	Dry in many places but risk of drizzle on Ben Alder. Rain encroaching in the from the west but northern Cairngorms remaining dry until the evening.	Northern Cairngorms likely to stay dry but risk snow may move in from the south but location of front is uncertain. Snow in Ben Alder/Drumochter is more likely.
Cloud on the hills?	Pockets of cloud	Likely extensive
	Few of banks cloud on higher slopes. In northern Cairngorms may disperse during the day.	Highest cloud base in the northern Cairngorms, but plateau likely to be in cloud much of the day.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	60%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly overcast but bright spells with the best sunshine in the northern Cairngorms. Very hazy.	Overcast. Good visibility if it remains dry.
How Cold? (at 900m)	4C, feeling below -10C in the wind.	-3 to 0C.
Freezing Level	Above summits but lowering to 800m overnight.	600 to 900m.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 28 January, 2024

Total rainfall will be small on Sunday but a front waving across northern England and Scotland on Monday is providing some uncertainty. England and Wales remaining mostly dry with summits above freezing Tuesday onwards. Dry spells in Scotland punctured by a series of fronts moving across bringing bouts of precipitation and freeze thaw cycles to the Highlands.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Friday, 26 January, 2024

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