

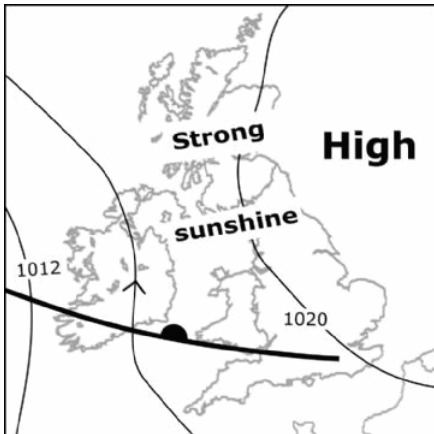
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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 Sunday, 11 August, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 August, 2024

A fine, warm and sunny day for most places. Early light showers in northwest Scotland fading. Increasingly humid Wales and south Pennines. Light winds in the morning, strengthening southeasterlies in afternoon; toward dusk reaching gale-force near west coast of Scotland - bursts of rain arriving here into the night.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Mostly light wind until late. Strong sunshine.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 11 August, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwest turning southeasterly 10 to 20mph, starting to increase toward evening. Reaching 40-50mph on higher tops into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Small most of the day, but later feeling breezier on higher Cairngorms; deteriorating further after dark to become very gusty.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills?	Hills largely clear Any early cloud or fog banks soon dispersing to leave the hills clear.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, high UV; thin high cloud building late afternoon/evening. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	10C rising to 13C, or warmer and more humid air into evening, but offset by the strengthening winds.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Monday 12 August	Tuesday 13 August
<p>How windy? (On the Munros)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Southerly, very gusty 40 to 50mph+ from before dawn into morning. Later southwesterly, 15 to 30mph.</p> <p>Challenging turbulent conditions in the morning, likely to moderate during the day.</p>	<p>South to southwesterly, 25 to 40mph, but risk over 50mph for a few hours on higher Cairngorm plateau.</p> <p>Buffeting across most higher terrain all day, but beware of more difficult conditions for at least part of the day.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Thundery rain for a time</p> <p>Extensive rain likely for a few hours in the morning, some embedded heavy and thundery bursts tracking northeastwards into middle of day. Likely to clear into afternoon to leave just rare drizzly showers.</p>	<p>Local drizzle west</p> <p>Occasional drizzly showers, mainly areas near and west of the M74, but amounts small. Areas toward north and east of Cairngorms more often dry all day.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free Munros?</p>	<p>Improving after rain clears</p> <p>During and just after rain, varied but fairly extensive low cloud from forest canopies upwards. Gradually lifting and thinning with breaks increasingly forming toward higher slopes during afternoon.</p> <p>30% rising to 70%</p>	<p>Mostly higher tops, breaks north</p> <p>Banks of cloud drifting over higher slopes in areas near Drumochter, may drop below 800m for periods if rain develops. Further northeastwards, cloud mostly above 1000m, breaks to highest tops.</p> <p>40%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Overcast, some sun developing later as high cloud thins. Misty around rain; visibility improving later to become good.</p>	<p>Some sun through high cloud, best in north in the morning, becoming more overcast. Visibility good.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 900m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>Humid 13C from before dawn into morning, but falling during day as a cold front passes, to between 7 and 10C. Above the summits</p>	<p>8 to 11C. Feeling sub-zero where exposed to stronger winds on higher tops. Above the summits</p>

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 12 August, 2024

West to southwesterly winds will prevail during the week ahead, maintaining generally unsettled weather patterns coming in from the Atlantic. Frequent and at times heavy rainfall concentrated over western mountains, where ground conditions increasingly saturated. Often extensive low cloud. Periods of strong to gale-force winds are likely midweek onward. Generally cool and unsettled toward next weekend.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Saturday, 10 August, 2024

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