

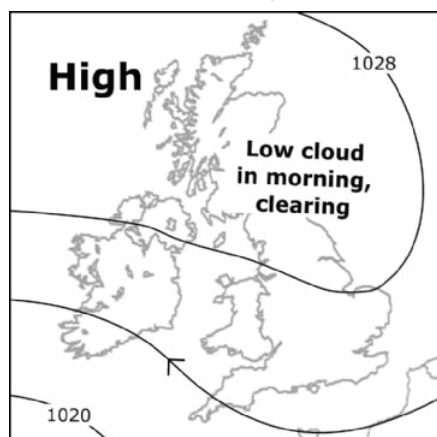
Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

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, 16 August, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 16 August, 2025

An increasingly fine, sunny and warm day as early low cloud breaks up - some places may take much of the morning to improve, and locally fine drizzle is possible for a time, mainly eastern areas. Light winds overall, an easterly breeze for Wales

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Low cloud clearing, warm sun increasingly; light wind.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 16 August, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Direction varied; almost calm on some summits, rarely more than 10mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain very unlikely Risk isolated fine drizzle morning. East of about Braemar low chance of a heavier shower in the afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Very extensive morning, but clearing Varied after dawn: Patchy or extensive fog valleys and lower slopes after dawn, and also areas of cloud higher up. Will improve, by late morning as nearly all cloud lifts above the summits.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30% rising above 90% by middle of day
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Cloud breaking slowly later morning to widespread bright sunshine. Excellent or superb visibility once the fog and mist clears.
How Cold? (at 900m)	Ranging between 6 and 10C after dawn to 12 to 17C afternoon, generally warmest S Cairngorms NP west toward Ben Alder.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 17 August	Monday 18 August
How windy? (On the Munros)	Direction varied 10mph or less.	Easterly or variable 5 to 10mph or less, occasionally gusty 15mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible	Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain not expected	Rain not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Mountains clear Fog a few lower slopes and valleys after dawn will all clear.	Mountains clear Fog some glens and lower slopes mainly areas toward north and east from dawn, all dispersing in morning. Into evening, risk a low cloud sheet enveloping lower hills from northeast.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Above 90%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive or unbroken bright sunshine. Superb visibility after fog some valleys at first.	Mostly sunny, a little fair-weather cloud afternoon. Excellent visibility; local mistier start in east.
How Cold? (at 900m)	11C post dawn; as high as 19C mid to late afternoon.	14C from dawn, small rise, but some slopes rising to 18C afternoon, less likely in east.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 17 August, 2025

High pressure dominates most or all next week, becoming centred toward the north. Easterly breezes prevailing over England, Wales and southern Scotland, gusty for periods. Extensively dry, warm and sunny, although sometimes low cloud will affect more eastern mountains. Some early morning fog, hills warmer than most valleys at dawn. In southwest Wales, small chance of a local showery burst of rain early in the new week. The final week of August suggests some breakdown to the settled weather, but timing of any change is very uncertain.

Very dry again underfoot with significant fire risk.

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