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Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

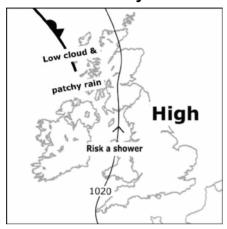
Cairngorms National Park and Monadhliath. Also includes the Ben Alder area hills between Loch Ericht and Loch Laggan.



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General Summary for Saturday, 23 August, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 23 August, 2025

Cloudy skies for many places, varied areas of low cloud on some hill slopes in the morning, largely lifting above the tops, but may continue to cap higher western mountains in Scotland, with a little rain occasionally. An odd shower in north Wales in afternoon. Winds generally light.

Headline for Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath

Largely dry, much cloud above hills; light winds.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 23 August, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable direction or southerly, 5-10mph or less. Occasional gusts may increase afternoon.	
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible	
How wet?	Rare spots or a shower later	
(Precipitation and its impact)	Substantially dry most or all day. Odd spots from high cloud, isolated light showers, mainly afternoon-evening toward the north.	
Cloud on the hills?	loud on the hills? Sometimes capping high tops	
	Fragments of cloud around some slopes and patchy mist some glens at first. Cloud banks drifting onto highest slopes occasionally, mostly southern Cairngorms NP in the morning, tending to clear.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy; occasional sun and mostly thin high cloud. Visibility excellent.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	6 to 8C from dawn. Rising to 12C afternoon.	
Freezing Level	Above the summits. Slight frost possible sheltered glens at dawn.	

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Cairngorms NP and Monadhliath - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 24 August	Monday 25 August
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly or variable 10-15mph or less. Small	Southerly, strengthening, 15-25mph, later 30-35mph; increasingly gusty Cairngorm plateau and downslope to north. Fairly small in morning, but becoming more blustery, starting to affect comfortable walking over exposed terrain.
How wet?	Rain unlikely	Rain not expected until late
(Precipitation and its impact)	Chance of an isolated light shower, mostly toward late afternoon-evening.	Very likely dry all day. Toward dusk, chance of odd spots from thickening high cloud. Possibly steadier rain moving in from southwest into the night.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any	Little if any
	Occasional patches drifting onto some higher slopes, mostly during the morning.	Patchy cloud around some slopes in the morning, lifting and dispersing to leave the mountains clear.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine and some high cloud. Visibility very good.	Sunshine and some high cloud moving in. Visibility good, possible slight haze.
How Cold? (at 900m)	11C from dawn (warmer than glens at first), rising to 13 or 14C by afternoon.	12 to 14C. As the wind increases, feeling below 5C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 24 August, 2025

High pressure drifts slowly east, whilst low pressure over the Atlantic encroaches nearer in the early part of the new week. Southeasterly winds increasing Sunday-Monday, soonest for western regions, becoming much windier by Monday in west, then more widely with time. Areas of rain and showery bursts increasingly widespread as the week progresses as low pressure then rotates slowly over Britain - day-to-day detail becomes very uncertain. Warmer and more humid for a time, then cooler later in week.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Friday, 22 August, 2025

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