

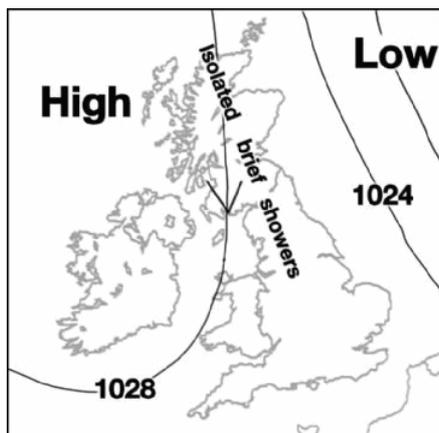
# The Northwest Highlands

Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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## General Summary for Saturday, 28 May, 2022



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 28 May, 2022**

Extensively dry with patches of sun, although a few brief showers. However, it will remain chilly, particularly near the coast of NW Scotland, where higher areas will be below freezing point.

### Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Cold, especially far north. Risk of a shower - of hail or snow.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 28 May, 2022

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Northerly, 15 to 20mph, perhaps 25mph higher northern tops.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Fairly small; but considerable wind chill on higher areas.
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Little or no precipitation</b> Many areas dry all day, but here and there a shower, of hail, or snow higher tops.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Nearly all summits clearing. Most likely to persist coastal summits.</b> Overall cloud base will rise through morning. By late morning most cloud above 1000m allowing most summits to clear. Near coasts open to the north, the fog may well persist much of the day above 750m, although some breaks to higher summits.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>20% rising to 80%, although 40% Wester Ross and Cuillin.</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of bright sun. Visibility very good or excellent.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	1 to 3C near the coast (coldest far north); elsewhere by afternoon 4 to 7C (warmest south from Torridon). Will feel much colder directly in the wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	1000m near the coast far north all day; elsewhere above the summits by late morning.

## The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 29 May	Monday 30 May
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Northerly, 20 to 25mph.  <b>Fairly small</b>	Direction may well vary, mostly less than 15mph, perhaps calm on some summits. But locally gusts 25mph in precipitation. <b>Mostly negligible, although temporary sudden buffeting near precipitation in the afternoon.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Showers or flurries</b> Occasional showers or flurries, mostly brief, of hail or above 800m snow. Coastal summits may well have very few showers afternoon.	<b>Areas of heavy precipitation developing</b> Patches of rain, or above 800m snow, from dawn, mainly north of Torridon. Will deteriorate from later morning as precipitation becomes widespread and heavy with risk thunder. Some coastal areas, particularly Skye may become dry.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Often covering higher tops, particularly far north</b> Sutherland and coastal summits elsewhere: cloud base 650 to 800m rising for periods to 900m. Elsewhere: Cloud base will rise, by late morning, higher tops frequently cloud free, but cloud will form on higher tops again near showers. <b>30%</b>	<b>Will come and go, sometimes extensive and shrouding lower slopes</b> Considerable variation, particularly afternoon. Broadly, cloud base will rise from 450 to 700m (lowest near coast) after dawn toward 800 to 1100m by late morning. But in precipitation expect fog widely on higher slopes and in some areas on lower slopes as well. <b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy, brief bursts of sun. Sunnier afternoon some coastal summits. Visibility excellent, but reduced around showers.	Patches of sunshine (mainly south from Torridon) will tend to give way to occasional bursts of sun, although some coasts will become sunnier. Very poor visibility in snow, but often excellent.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	0C rising to 3C.  850m rising marginally far north, but to above the summits by midday elsewhere. Slight frost at first some valleys & corries.	2C, but up to 4C afternoon inland south from Torridon.  1050m, but 1250m away from precipitation south from Torridon by afternoon. Frost at first some valleys and upland dips.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 29 May, 2022

Relatively low temperatures on the mountains much of next week; particularly on the Scottish highlands where higher tops will frequently be near freezing point. Showers, some heavy and thundery, giving hail and on higher tops snow, will be widespread, particularly in the afternoons, when in some areas they will merge to give a few hours of precipitation.

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