

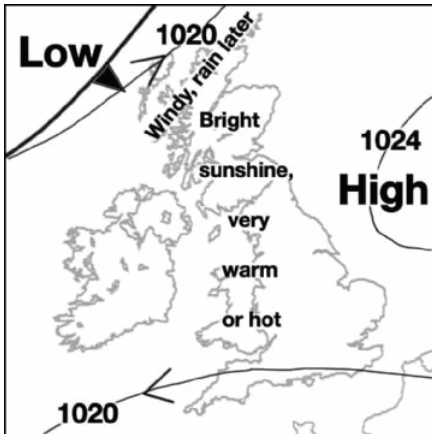
The Northwest Highlands

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 Thursday, 11 August, 2022



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 August, 2022

A front will continue to meander off NW Scotland, continuing to bring gusty winds and later in the day rain (mainly near the coast north from Skye). Elsewhere, very warm or hot and sunny. Beware of dehydration and sunburn and of widely exceptionally dry conditions underfoot.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Windy higher areas. Rain, mainly western hills later in day.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 11 August, 2022

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 30 to locally 40mph, near the coast, although may ease toward evening. Elsewhere, 20 to sometimes 30mph on higher tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Marked increase of wind with height will result in widely arduous walking where exposed near the coast, although the wind impact mostly small well inland.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Increasingly risk rain afternoon; but little if any well inland (from west coast) Extensively dry morning, although here and there along the coast pockets of fine drizzle. Pockets of drizzle and from northwest periods of steady rain will then gradually envelop western hills, albeit little rain at all will reach more eastern slopes, particularly Ben Wyvis.
Cloud on the hills?	Very little away from west coast. Near the west coast, patches of cloud on both lower and higher slopes most of day, but some breaks to 900m. Will deteriorate afternoon: cloud filling in from lower slopes up. Elsewhere, hills cloud will clear most summits although through afternoon and evening, cloud may well fill in above 700 to 900m.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20% near the coast to 80%, later 40% eastern summits
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine, mainly toward Great Glen, but overall extensive high level cloud (also low cloud near the coast) will extend slowly southeast. Visibility excellent, but haze near coast.
How Cold? (at 900m)	10C coastal summits through the day. Will rise well inland, perhaps to 14C on easternmost summits.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 12 August	Saturday 13 August
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 10 to for periods, mainly morning 20mph.	South or southwesterly, speeds light although uncertain, possibly up to 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Bocming negligible	Small or negligible
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk rain on and off Rain, mostly light probable from time to time south of a weak front, this most likely in the far north during the morning. Total rainfall small.	Little or no rain Remnants of a front may bring a burst of rain and possibly drizzle from time to time coastal hills, although overall substantially dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly or all clearing Fog in some glens and also patches on higher slopes, notably in corries will almost all clear by mid or late morning. However, Skye and nearby coastal slopes may be in persistent cloud, although some slopes between cloud layers.	Many summits cloud free The remnants of a front may bring low cloud to west coastal hills, perhaps shrouding coastal cliffs. Some higher area could be above the cloud. Otherwise, cloud may shroud some higher areas at times, but overall hills cloud free.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70%	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little sunshine due to high level cloud layers. Mostly excellent or superb visibility.	Patches of sun will probably come through, most widely well inland, where sunshine could be extensive. Visibility mostly excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	11C.	Typically 12C coastal hills, possibly 9C far north. Elsewhere, from midday up to 16C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 12 August, 2022**

The very warm or hot weather with extensive sunshine will last through the weekend, albeit on Sunday cloud will build, with risk of bursts of rain, possibly thunder later. The NW Highlands will often be cloudy and until the weekend less hot.

Away from the W & NW Highlands, terrain is very dry or exceptionally dry - significant risk of fire.

Indications are of it being less hot next week, with rain (including thunderstorms) from time to time within a general area of low pressure that will envelop Britain.

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