

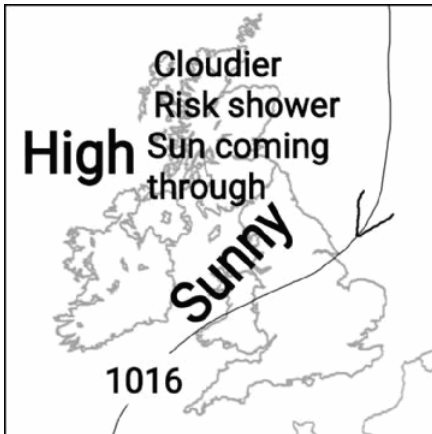
The Northwest Highlands

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 Sunday, 19 May, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 19 May, 2024

Early areas of low cloud and fog will burn away through the morning to leave most mountains clear of cloud with periods of warm sunshine, most extensive for southwestern Scotland, as well as England and Wales. Cloud banks may persist for northern Scotland where it will be cooler. Risk isolated inland showers.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Cloudier and cooler. Misty low cloud, slowly lifting off hills, may linger coast.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 19 May, 2024

How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable 5 to 15mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry A little fine drizzle possible if in cloud. Then risk of an isolated shower afternoon, well inland.
Cloud on the hills?	Low cloud tending to lift and clear. Extensive banks of cloud around some slopes for a few hours, areas of fog near to coasts, but dispersing or cloud bases generally lifting above the tops into the afternoon. May linger near coasts.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40% to 70%, highest inland afternoon.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy for periods, breaking up at times to give patchy sun, especially in south. Visibility very good away from cloud banks, but poor in fog banks.
How Cold? (at 900m)	Ben Hope to Ben Wyvis: 4 to 7C. Skye to Great Glen: 7 to 10C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 20 May	Tuesday 21 May
How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable or southeasterly, 5 to 15mph.	Easterly 5 to 15mph, may reach 20mph in the north later.
Effect of wind on you?	Small	Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Risk of a shower Risk localised showers forming by the late afternoon, mainly just inland from the west coast. Chance of an isolated heavy burst.	Risk of isolated heavy showers late on. Very likely dry, perhaps all day, but later in the afternoon and evening, scope for a zone of instability to move in from the east, bringing isolated heavy shower risk.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly little Local banks of cloud mainly eastern hills in the morning, some low-level fog toward North Sea coast for a time. Likely to all disperse. Fragments if showers form.	Clear Mountains clear.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Variable cloud and sun, best near to coasts in afternoon. Visibility very good.	Extensive sunshine, but cloud bubbling up through the afternoon. Visibility very good or excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	6C rising to 8 to 10C, locally warmer western areas in afternoon.	7C at dawn, lifting to 10 to 12C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 20 May, 2024**

Pressure stays fairly high early next week. Mostly dry and quite warm for many places, but feeling cooler toward the north and east for a few days as air circulates around from the north. Easterly breezes will remain most common. Low cloud eastern hills at times, western mountains more often clear. Localised showers forming in the afternoons. Risk of more widespread rain developing by midweek with lower pressure likely, but much uncertainty about the position of developing weather systems by this stage.

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