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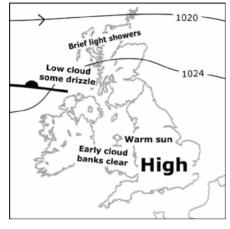
The Northwest Highlands

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 Wednesday, 18 June, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 18 June, 2025

West to southwest breezes will feel cool over Scottish mountains, strongest toward the north. Cloud will be drawn onto western hills, some drizzly rain or brief showers. Higher cloud eastwards, often above tops. England & Wales dry and mostly sunny, warmest south.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Cool, rather windy. Cloud capping tops, light showers.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 18 June, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	West to southwesterly 25mph, but for periods 30-35mph, mainly northern tops - most sustained in the morning.		
Effect of wind on you?	Affecting comfortable walking and balance where exposed on some higher tops and ridges, particularly morning. Feeling noticeably chilly.		
How wet?	Brief showers		
(Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional light showers passing west to east, but often dry.		
Cloud on the hills?	on the hills? Varied patches tops, most frequent west		
	Patches of cloud above 700 to 900m, may often cover west coastal tops, most frequent Skye; bases rising a little during day to be often above 900-1000m, breaks forming inland and east toward the tops.		
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40% west coast, to 60% inland/east.		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	High cloud fairly extensive, glimpses of sun further north and east, visibility good inland below cloud, some haze near coast.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	4 or 5C, marginal rise inland and east into afternoon. Feeling like -5C in exposure to stronger wind.		
Freezing Level	Above the summits		

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The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 19 June	Friday 20 June
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	South to southwesterly 10 to 20mph, strongest near to west coast, increasing a little later in day. Fairly small	Southerly 15 to 20mph, to 25mph in places coastal hills, especially Skye where rather gusty around ridges. Fairly small, but may start to affect comfortable walking and balance on some exposed western ridges, mainly Cuillin.
How wet?	No rain expected	Rain unlikely
(Precipitation and its impact)	Misty drizzle possible if in cloud on Skye, mainly morning.	Possibly an odd spot from high cloud, small risk a brief burst of rain inland afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Some low cloud mostly Skye	None expected
	Cloud banks around coastal slopes mainly on and near Skye, may cover southern Cuillin for a few hours, then dispersing during afternoon. Very little elsewhere.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%, to 50% Skye.	Above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Varied high cloud, sun best toward the north and east in morning, cloudier more often Skye, misty on some coastal slopes. Visibility very good away from cloud.	Sunshine and high cloud, which may sometimes obscure the sun. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5 to 8C from dawn, coolest north, rising to 10 to 13C, staying coolest where in cloud; then little change into evening and night.	14C from dawn, rising to 17C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 19 June, 2025

High pressure centred to the east draws very warm air in on southerly breezes through the rest of this week. Dry conditions, sunshine and fair-weather cloud, some patchy coastal cloud at times in west, locally gustier winds too. A more uncertain outlook into the weekend and early next week, a good deal of fine and warm weather possible, but risk of some rain or showery bursts at times.

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