

# The Northwest Highlands

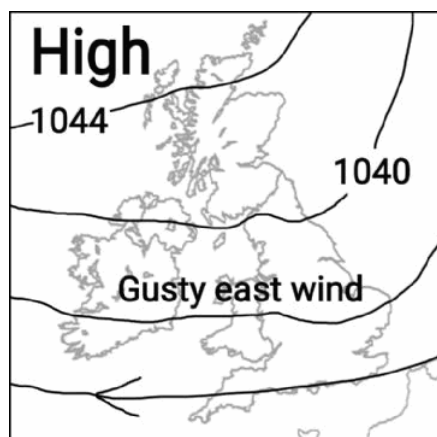
Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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## General Summary for Saturday, 27 December, 2025



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 27 December, 2025**

Chilly easterly winds, strongest and gustiest Wales, with extensive cloud sheet eastern and into central areas, with some patchy light precipitation. Sun best western hills, and also where tops breaks above an inversion around 1000m. Terrain partly frozen, morning frost valleys; but up to plus 5C western tops above inversion.

### Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Chilly east wind. Cloud banks in north and east, may break. Sunniest in west.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 27 December, 2025

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	East to northeasterly 20 to 25mph, but local stronger gusts around some slopes, not just highest tops.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Blustery in places, may start to feel noticeable and giving a distinct chill.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Rare light precipitation</b> Largely dry; a few brief spots of light rain, or snow grains on some slopes, mainly in the morning; unlikely toward Skye.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive morning, then breaking, tops above cloud.</b> Cloud banks of low cloud mostly between 500 and 1000m, most extensive areas from Ben Hope to Ben Wyvis in morning, patchier westward toward Skye; may break up more widely in to afternoon.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>30% morning, lifting to 60%, up to 70% Skye &amp; Wester Ross</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sun, most common toward coast near Skye. Visibility excellent away from cloud.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-1 to 2C, but up to 5C upper slopes on and near Skye above an inversion. Feeling like -5 to -8C in stronger wind.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	Varied partly frozen terrain, including frost inland glens, but above freezing on most west coastal slopes and some tops.

	Sunday 28 December	Monday 29 December
How windy? (On the Munros)	North to northeasterly or variable, 10mph or less.	Northeast 15 to 25mph, may be calm over tops early in day above inversion, before wind picks up as inversion breaks down.
Effect of wind on you?	Small	<b>Mostly small, but considerable wind chill where exposed to the wind.</b>
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry all day	A little patchy precipitation from cloud Mostly dry, but scope for a little patchy spots of light rain or snow grains from the banks of low cloud.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any  Fog patches some glens. Possible thin cloud banks drifting onto coastal slopes in north and west around 600-700m, high tops likely remain clear.	Cloud banks, tops initially clear above.  Cloud banks from 500-1000m, highest tops may be clear for a time, before banks lift onto all higher terrain above 700m. Clearer Skye/Wester Ross.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%	70% on and near Skye. 30% elsewhere.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, partly cloudy coastal areas. Visibility excellent.	Cloudiest in north and east, clearer with sunshine in southwest. Visibility mostly very good, away from any precipitation.
How Cold? (at 900m)  Freezing Level	3C, inversion conditions - hills warmer than lower slopes all day - up to 5C highest summits.  Frost in glens and lower slopes, also in some upland hollows and corries, all day out of sunlight; above freezing on tops.	Around 0C  Morning frost in glens/corries and initially tops above inversion, plus 2C, but turning colder on tops as freezing level stabilises

**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 28 December, 2025**

**Forecast issued at 16:22 on Friday, 26 December, 2025**

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