

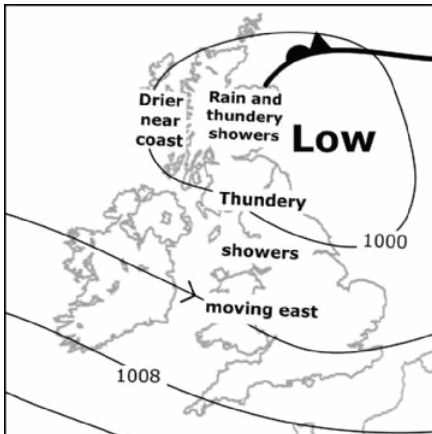
The Northwest Highlands

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 Tuesday, 2 June, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 2 June, 2026

Heavy showery bursts of rain with thunder and lightning, moving eastwards over England, Wales and south-central Scotland. A zone of more persistent rain affects the Cairngorms, heavy bursts mixed in. Drier toward west coast of Scotland, improving in western England & Wales in afternoon as the breeze freshens.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Mostly light wind. Showery bursts mainly in inland and east.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 2 June, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the Munros)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Variable 10mph or less, little wind for periods inland. Trending westerly, increasing around Skye 15mph afternoon 10-15mph elsewhere; by evening southwesterly 20mph, then 25mph from dusk, soonest Skye.</p> <p>Mostly small, then later in day feeling breezier around Skye.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Showers, locally heavy east; drier west</p> <p>Showery rain, some heavy bursts possible, becoming concentrated on the east of the region into the afternoon and evening, chance of thunder. Coastal areas in west become generally dry.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free Munros?</p>	<p>Varied over tops, lifting higher</p> <p>Banks of cloud at varied heights becoming confined above 800m during the morning, lifting higher into afternoon with some breaks to tops. Lower patches in showers and may continue to cap tops near Skye.</p> <p>50%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Glimpses of sun. Visibility very good, reduced in showers.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 900m)</p> <p>Freezing Level</p>	<p>8C, slightly higher inland afternoon.</p> <p>Above the summits.</p>

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 3 June	Thursday 4 June
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	South-southeasterly 20 to 35mph, strongest sustained speeds on Skye, risk 40mph, local strong gusts elsewhere. Blustery, strenuous walking in exposure, especially Cuillin, buffeting gusts on ridges and tops. Considerable wind chill.	Southerly 15 to 25mph, but locally variable and less in morning mainly north. Turning westerly 25-35mph, strongest Skye. Fairly small, but some gustier areas, then more widely blustery, affecting comfortable walking Skye. Marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain most persistent west Patchy rain extends in from the southwest from dawn, becoming fairly persistent much of day over western mountains around Skye, some heavier rain. Drier at times Sutherland, but odd heavy bursts.	Bursts of rain on and off, risk lightning Showery rain merging in places into more constant falls, some heavy bursts particularly inland and eastward by afternoon, risk of thunder. Showers may fade for a time near west coast through afternoon into evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly persistent Skye and west Covering mountains around Skye most or all day, ragged patches to lower slopes in rain. Higher bases northward, possible breaks to above some tops if dry.	Fairly extensive, varied Often covering the higher mountains all day, but varying in extent and height, some ragged patches from forest canopies up during and after rain. Base rising afternoon, some breaks in west if drier.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20% west, to 50% north.	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun. Visibility good below cloud inland and north, but hazy in west, misty coastal hills.	Sun breaking through mainly west coastal areas during afternoon. Visibility occasionally good when dry, but poor in rain; improving in west.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	6C, slight rise inland afternoon. Wind chill feeling like -5C. Above the summits.	5 or 6C, then tending to drop into night. Feeling below freezing in wind, then near -5C if exposed to stronger speeds. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 3 June, 2026

An unsettled spell this week and next, as low pressure over the north Atlantic and west-southwesterly winds dominate. Periods of rain mixed with showery days widely - the most constant rain over western mountains with low cloud often shrouding the hills. Wind speed will vary, but up to gale-force for periods over the hills this week, then typically less windy next week. Temperatures near average, cooler at times. Briefly higher pressure by Saturday with fewer showers, but a further area of rain likely returns from the west during Sunday. Mid June onward shows signs of drier and warmer weather as higher pressure then expands northward with time.

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