

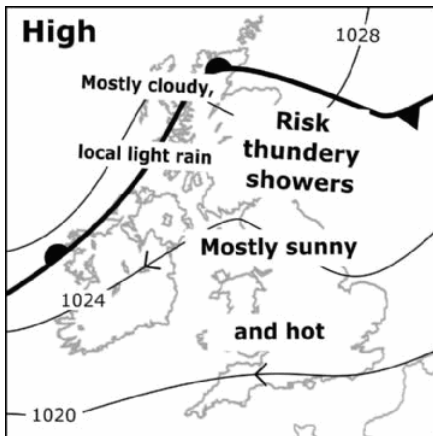
The Northwest Highlands

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, 11 July, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 July, 2026

Fairly cloudy Scottish highlands, drizzly tops east where a risk of thundery showers; drier west, local bright breaks. A rising risk of heavy/thundery showers forming over Southern Uplands. Very warm and sunny in England, but high cloud and a risk of showers far north later. Extensive hot sunshine for Wales.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Warm, mostly cloudy; local light rain east and south

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 11 July, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	Generally easterly but variable, 10mph and sometimes less. Sometimes gusty from Kintail to Munros east of Ullapool.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Some patchy rain In the morning, some patchy rain to the south and east, a lingering drizzle on high tops. Western hills seeing only odd spots of rain, soon entirely dry. Most Munros will become dry, though a fine drizzle lingers over Ben Wyvis.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive Fairly extensive at dawn, to at least middle slopes east coast, or lower near Kintail. A lifting trend in bases, slopes towards the west seeing more varied breaks up to 700-800m, perhaps approaching summit level later; Easter Ross southward rarely breaking above 600m.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Some brighter moments towards the west coast but largely overcast; poor visibility on high terrain; very good below cloud to the west.
How Cold? (at 900m)	9 to 11C, rising a degree and always mildest on western slopes.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 12 July	Monday 13 July
How windy? (On the Munros)	Generally southeasterly but variable, 10mph and often less.	Southeasterly or variable less than 10mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Likely dry A small chance of a few spots of drizzly rain, but the Munros likely entirely dry.	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive early, increasingly broken At dawn, extensive to middle slopes widely, to lower slopes east where fog will reach locally into glens. Through morning, bases rise with breaks beginning to form, soonest west. Fog lingers above 800m Ben Wyvis to Ben Hope. Cloud caps occasionally on west coast tops.	Little expected At dawn, varied thin banks of cloud mostly middle western slopes; summits will be above any banks. Cloud soon dissipates for largely clear Munros; a few varied banks may reform on high terrain to the west, not necessarily covering tops.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%, rising to 50%, to 70% western hills	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and misty east at dawn, sun bursts increasingly common to the west, most extensive low slopes where visibility will be excellent.	Mostly sunny. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	9 to 11C at dawn, rising to 14C near Torridon; coolest north and east, perhaps not rising above 11C here.	10C rising to 14 or 15C; westernmost slopes warmest, locally to 16C. Western sunny glens will approach 25C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 12 July, 2026

Staying very warm late weekend into next week. High pressure north of the country keeps the skies mostly clear and facilitates an easterly flow, pushing the warmest temperatures to western hill groups. Northeastern areas will see early sea fog under the high pressure, this dissipating in the sun through morning. Scottish highlands seeing temperatures often rise into the mid-teens, valley temperatures to the 20s west; warmest Wales where hill temperatures often to 20C or higher. A fairly sustained breeze most of the week in England and Wales, at times stronger and quite gusty. Low pressure south of the country may push cloud and showers into Wales, though confidence remains low, and could remain largely dry. Detail uncertain later next week, but a milder northerly flow may begin to establish.

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