

The Northwest Highlands

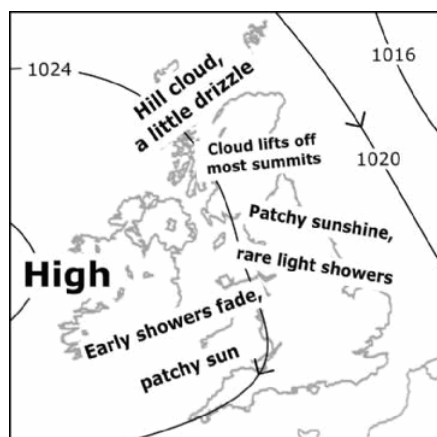
Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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General Summary for Saturday, 22 August, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 22 August, 2026

Cloud clings to northwest Scotland slopes, a little drizzle. Cloud clears most other Munros, varied banks over highest summits. Rare showers in England but most hills dry, morning cloud lifting off summits with patchy sunshine. Early showers in north and west Wales will clear for patchy sun as well.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Cloud and some drizzle, most west; chilly breeze far north

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 22 August, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northwesterly 15-25mph, notably stronger speeds over high terrain northern terrain with some gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small in places; strongest wind over tops affecting ease of walking with a distinct chilly feeling in the north.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Some drizzle and light rain Fine drizzle affects high terrain on-and-off, mostly towards the west coast. A few light spots of rain may drift from off the sea as well, but infrequently. Substantially dry towards the east.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive Most hills shrouded from 700-800m up in the morning, lowest bases west coast, locally below 500m Skye and nearby. A slight lifting trend, a few breaks towards summit height around Easter Ross; breaks above 700m rare along the west coast.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A few sunny glimpses in the east, and sometimes on low slopes towards the west, but more often overcast, poor visibility on high terrain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	4 or 5C rising to 7C. Feeling below freezing on exposed northern tops in the morning.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

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All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 23 August, 2026

A core of high pressure drifts over the country on Sunday, bringing light and varied wind, dry weather, and minimal hill cloud fairly widely. Northwest Scotland will see a westerly breeze with a little drizzle and lingering hill cloud. It will feel warm in England and Wales in the sunshine, but fair weather cloud will tend to build in the afternoon. Monday is settled too, but high pressure slips away to the northwest, facilitating a southeasterly wind into Wales, later more widely. Tuesday sees a return of low pressure from the south: temperatures will rise and patchy rain will increasingly spread northward with some local stronger wind. Conditions likely continue to unsettle as next weekend approaches with bands of heavy rain forming, varied conditions continuing through the weekend, and likely staying warm and somewhat humid.

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