

The Northwest Highlands

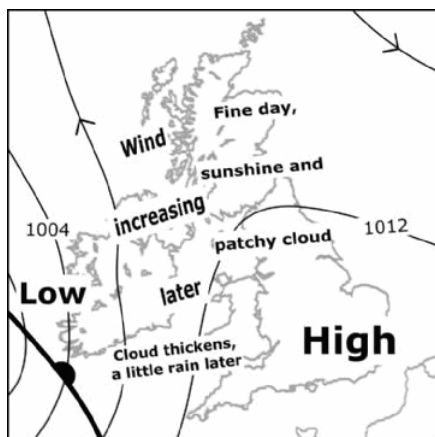
Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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General Summary for Sunday, 11 October, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 October, 2026

A fine day overall with light winds, sunshine and just patchy cloud around some mountain slopes. Isolated brief showers around coastal fringes at first will fade. Southerly winds tend to strengthen later in the day in western areas. Some patchy rain reaches southwest Wales.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Odd coastal showers otherwise dry, a lull in wind, plenty of sun.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 11 October, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 15-20mph from dawn, brief 25mph far north, but soon during morning widely 10mph or less. Turning southerly afternoon, starting to rise, to 20-25mph soonest Skye, then inland toward dusk; 35-45mph into night. Mostly small though feeling chilly at first on some tops. Later in day tending to become more blustery over coastal tops. Worsening conditions into night.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Early light showers fade Brief scattered showers in the morning, mostly near coast, of snow above 900m. Fading to be largely dry. Rain pushes in from southwest well into night.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Clearing most tops Patchy cloud around higher slopes mostly above 800m by mid morning, lifting and dispersing more with time to leave most mountains free of cloud in afternoon. 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of cloud and sun; high cloud may start to build from west later. Visibility excellent away from early showers.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	2 or 3C much of day, then lifting slightly higher onward into evening-night. Feeling like -5C if exposed to stronger breeze early and late. Slight frost some inland glens at dawn. Close to highest summits near 1100m in the morning, then above all tops.

	Monday 12 October	Tuesday 13 October
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	South-southwesterly, speed likely to vary considerably, risk 50mph at first, then a marked lull, later rising again 50mph+. Possibly a window where mostly small during daytime, but beware changing conditions, more difficult early and late.	West-southwesterly, overnight gales ease for a brief early lull to 25mph or less, but rise again during day to 40-50mph+. A possible window of fairly small effects, but beware of deteriorating again quickly during the day to become challenging.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain becomes patchy, locally drier Rain and drizzle fairly widely from dawn, most persistent Skye and Torridon area, soon patchier elsewhere. A little rain may linger in the west, but some drier periods north. Late in day, rain may return heavier.	Heavy showers set in again west Heavy overnight rain sweeps away eastward by dawn, but leaves a legacy of showers. Bursts of rain likely cluster to become frequent or more constant again in west, with hail, chance of thunder.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, local breaks north Shrouding many hills all day, from low-mid elevations upward from Skye to Wester Ross, higher cloud bases northward. Some breaks forming to upper slopes in afternoon away from rain.	Changing rapidly, extensive in rain Varied cloud banks from dawn, but for a few hours may break well toward upper slopes especially inland and east. Often capping western tops, but in showers then varying, lowering and filling in widely.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Generally overcast, murky west, some brighter moments develop toward north and perhaps more widely afternoon, visibility then good out of cloud.	Intermittent sun for a few hours mainly inland and east, but then often cloudier. Visibility at times very good where dry, but then suddenly poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	7 to 9C, tending to fall a little during daytime, then rise again into night. Feeling below freezing if in stronger wind. Above the summits.	Mild 10C overnight but dropping to 6C by dawn, lowering further during day to 3C. Feeling later like -10C as wind increases. Above the summits, but may drop close to highest tops later in day.

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 12 October, 2026

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Saturday, 10 October, 2026

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