

The Northwest Highlands

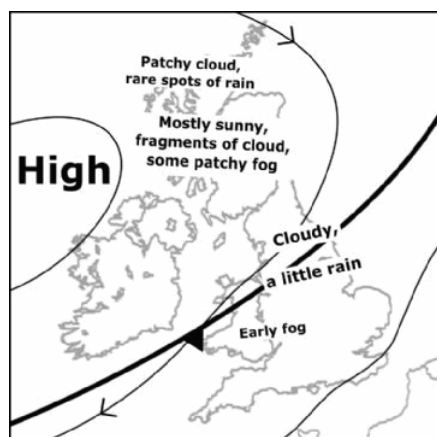
Areas north from Knoydart in the west, and the Great Glen towards the east (NB. Does not include Mull and areas west of Loch Linnhe, these are found in the West Highlands forecast.)



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General Summary for Sunday, 1 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 1 November, 2026

A fine day for the Highlands, with sunshine and just patchy cloud around some tops. One or two light showers in northern areas. A weakening front drifts south over England & Wales giving cloudy skies and a little rain for a time, mainly more eastern hills. Light-moderate winds overall, but feeling chilly.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Light-moderate breeze, patchy cloud, some light showers.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 1 November, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	West to northwesterly 15 to 20mph, locally 25mph far north summits at times.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small, but breezier on northern mountains and feeling chilly in exposure on all higher tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Largely dry, local brief showers An odd light shower mostly northern areas, but most places dry for much of the day.
Cloud on the hills?	Capping higher tops, breaks eastward Cloud banks drifting onto western and far north mountains mostly above 800-900m, some breaks, best inland and eastward, clearing tops for periods. Some patchy mist inland glens early in day.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy west coastal areas, patchy sunshine inland and east. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 900m)	1 or 2C, small variation with height from glens up early morning. Feeling like -5 to 7C in breeze on tops.
Freezing Level	Close to freezing on higher slopes all day, plus patchy frost in glens early morning.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 2 November	Tuesday 3 November
How windy? (On the Munros)	North to northwesterly 10 to 20mph, locally 25mph at times around northern tops.	Southeasterly or variable, 10mph or less most places, locally 10-15mph Skye.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small, but locally more noticeable and feeling chilly on higher northern hills.	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no rain Patchy drizzle around cloud banks or an odd light shower near to coasts.	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills?	Capping some tops Banks of cloud drifting over higher slopes, most frequently toward north, and for periods near west coast, may often cap some tops above 800m. Patchy fog banks also some glens inland.	Little west, some low cloud east Cloud banks mostly around eastern hills, but higher slopes may poke out above the cloud. Very little cloud for most western mountains, local patches drifting around.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun mostly toward Great Glen. Visibility very good out of cloud.	Sunshine fairly widely, but some eastern hills cloudier. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 900m)	2 to 4C. Feeling like -5C in stronger wind.	4 or 5C, little change with added height; some lower terrain starts colder.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits, but pockets of frost both higher and lower slopes at dawn.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 2 November, 2026

A settled start to November as high pressure resides toward the north. Largely dry weather throughout the week ahead. Variable cloud will be drawn in from the North Sea on easterly winds, at times some light showers mainly for Pennine areas. Best chance for inversion conditions will be on higher tops in Scotland, emerging above cloud at times. Sunshine typically best toward western coasts. Temperatures mostly above freezing on high terrain, but some frost overnight in glens and some upland hollows. Quiet weather may continue into next weekend, then a trend toward more unsettled conditions into mid-month, possibly colder patterns too.

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