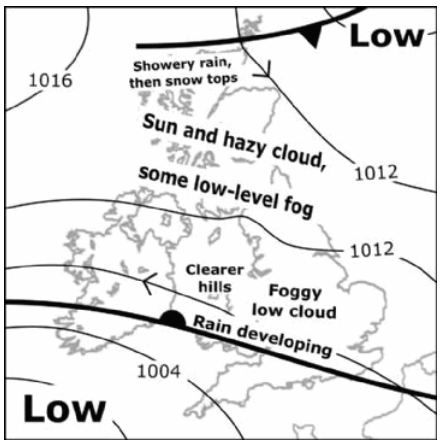
The Northwest Highlands

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, 10 November, 2026



British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 10 November, 2026

Much of Scotland dry with sunshine; areas of low-level fog and frost. Some showers toward the far north. Fog from lower elevations upward for Pennines and east Wales, but much of northwest Wales and the Lakes have clearer hills. Rain moves into south Wales. Strong easterly winds for Wales.

Headline for The Northwest Highlands

Largely dry, clear hills; local showers, cloud and breeze north.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 10 November, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	Variable 10mph or less most areas. In far north, north-northwesterly 15-20mph. Tending to increase northerly 10-15mph more widely with time, local 20mph Skye late afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	**Small, more noticeable northernmost tops and more widely later.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Showery rain northern areas** A little showery rain or snow high tops on mountains near to north coast, brief showers extend inland into Sutherland mainly afternoon. An odd shower may reach Skye. Largely dry Kintail area.
Cloud on the hills?	**Mostly little, at times capping north tops** Odd patches around some slopes, most mountains often clear. Toward Ben Hope, cloud drifting over tops around 800m upward more often.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	**80% most areas, 60% Ben Hope.**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine and hazy high cloud, but cloudier far northern areas. Visibility excellent, reduced locally in showers in north.
How Cold? (at 900m)	1 or 2C, later 0C in north, or slightly colder into night.
Freezing Level	Close to freezing on tops above 1000m all day and frost widely inlandglens early morning. Dropping later to 900m north.

The Northwest Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 11 November	Thursday 12 November
How windy? (On the Munros)	North to northwesterly, 15 to 30mph, speed tending to rise from the north into middle of day onward. Risk 40mph+ into	Northerly 30 to 40mph, strongest areas from Ben Hope to Ben Wyvis.
Effect of wind on you?	**May start small, but expect increasingly blustery conditions and considerable wind chill on high terrain.**	**Strenuous walking in exposure, more arduous north and eastern areas, frequent buffeting. Significant wind chill.**
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	**Showery upland snow** A band of showery rain arrives in north in morning, snow on tops increasingly to 600-700m, moving southwards during middle of day, patchier near Great Glen. A scattering of brief showers follow, by evening of snow to 500m or lower.	**Snow and hail showers** A feed of snow showers coming in from the north, locally frequent at times, some hail mixed in; rain lower slopes, to 600-700m near coast. Fewer toward the Great Glen.
Cloud on the hills?	**Covering tops for periods** Variable banks of cloud mostly above 800m, but patches to 600m for a time in precipitation - filling in for a time on high terrain, but then lifting with breaks again toward the summits.	**Varying over higher tops** Banks of cloud drifting across high terrain, mostly above 800-900m, briefly lower in showers near to coasts, but breaking toward or above many tops for periods too, best toward Kintail.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	**40%**	**40%**
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sunshine, but clouding over widely for a couple of hours at least. Visibility very good when dry, but poor if in snow and cloud on top for a time.	Sunshine mostly toward Great Glen, but breaking through at times elsewhere. Some coastal haze, but visibility excellent inland; suddenly poor in snow showers.
How Cold? (at 900m)	0 or -1C, dropping to -3C into evening. Feeling like -7 to -10C as wind increases, coldest soonest on northern Munros.	0 to -2C. Feeling like -10 to -15C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	800-900m, or slightly lower in showers; dropping further into evening. Also frost inland glens in morning.	700-800m, or 900m Skye and nearby coastal tops. Frost widely in glens early morning, all day out of sunlight.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 11 November, 2026

Dropping colder across all mountains during midweek as the wind shifts northerly and strengthens. Some showery snowfall across the Highlands on Wednesday, otherwise plenty of sunshine and very clear air late this week, for all areas - clearing away fog from early in the week. Into the weekend, as the wind shifts west then southwesterly, less cold air drifts in from the Atlantic bringing more cloud onto western hills - an increasing risk of rain in the west. A changeable outlook into next week with varying temperatures, stronger wind at times, rain and some upland snow possible. Unsettled patterns are more likely to prevail beyond mid-month.

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