

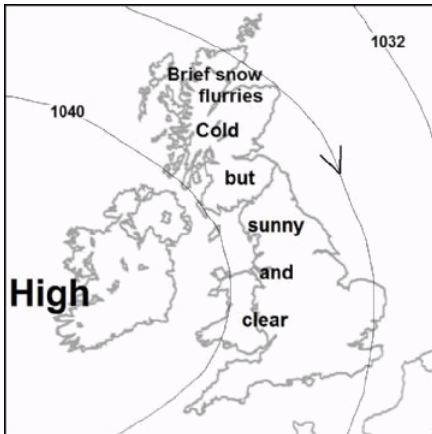
Southeastern Highlands

The southern highlands as far west as the central highlands and north to Ben Alder, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Thursday, 20 January, 2022



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 20 January, 2022

A cold day, much terrain frozen, including frost in sheltered valleys. Brisk N-NW'ly winds, up to gale force on eastern tops in the morning, giving significant chill factor on higher areas. A few snow flurries in northern Scotland, but most places dry with sunshine and most hills free of low cloud.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Cold, blustery. Dry, hills mostly clear, sunshine.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 20 January, 2022

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northwesterly in the range 15 to 30mph, typically strongest near and east of Glenshee.
Effect of wind on you?	May well impede walking occasionally on higher slopes where wind chill will be significant at times.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation unlikely Chance of the odd isolated snow flurry hills east of Glenshee in morning. Otherwise widely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any Perhaps a few patches capping some tops briefly in the morning. Otherwise, hills clear.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly extensive sunshine, but high cloud building from west late in the day. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-5C lifting to -3C by dusk, or slightly higher onward into evening. Wind chill as cold as -16C in the strongest winds.
Freezing Level	Terrain widely frozen from lower slopes upwards; partial daytime thawing where in sunlight up to about 400-500m.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 21 January	Saturday 22 January
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	West to northwest 20mph, but risk in places 35mph; the strongest winds not necessarily on the highest tops. Varied, in places fairly small, but blustery or suddenly gusty, including through passes and to lower eastern slopes.	Westerly, in range 20 to 35mph, strongest winds not just on higher slopes, sudden gusts in places. Varied, in places expect sudden buffeting on higher and some lower slopes, very gusty into passes and some corries.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected	Precipitation unlikely
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Patches some slopes Banks of cloud may drift onto some slopes, mainly west of the A9, although higher summits likely to poke out above cloud. Less cloud further east, perhaps widely clear. 70%	Patchy low cloud Banks of cloud covering hills, varied in extent, but higher tops at times emerging above cloud layers. Breaking up for periods, areas east of the A9 often clearer. 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Areas of sunshine and broken cloud. Visibility mostly excellent.	Intermittent sun, most frequent toward east. Visibility very good away from cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	Some slopes only 2C, but rising locally above 5C, particularly eastern areas. Frost in most glens from dawn. Mountain terrain also at least partly frozen, but air temperature rising above zero.	Typically 3 to 5C, but locally some slopes nearer to 0C if in low cloud. Air temperature mostly above freezing point, but some upland terrain frozen or partly frozen. Also frost some glens.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 21 January, 2022

High pressure extends back across Britain later this week to become centred over England and Wales into the weekend and next week, allowing westerly winds to influence Scotland. Temperatures will drift back above freezing point on most hills from Friday, although some western slopes will stay close to zero where in cloud banks. Inversion conditions varied from day to day, with high tops lying above or sometimes between cloud layers. Frost in some valleys, less so in the north & west. Mostly small amounts of precipitation in the week ahead. Where snow exists on high tops, beware of compacted hard snow and ice. Strongest winds toward the northern Highlands, at times gale force and very gusty.

Forecast issued at 15:18 on Wednesday, 19 January, 2022

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