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Southeastern Highlands

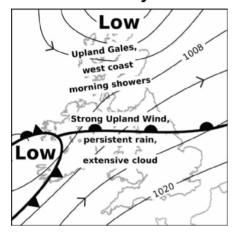
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Ericht, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Thursday, 18 September, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 18 September, 2025

Strong upland wind or gales across the mountains. Frontal wave bringing persistent, heavy rain and extensive cloud from North Wales to the Southern Uplands. Highlands drier, especially east of A9, but showery near the west and north-west coast in the morning. Temperatures mild but with notable wind chill.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Upland gales but dry. Patchy cloud clearing.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 18 September, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 45 to 55mph in the morning. Easing a little in the afternoon to around 40mph, initially near Loch Tay. Very gusty.	
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult walking conditions will make progress challenging. Very powerful gusts may easily blow you over. Easing to arduous conditions later. Significant wind chill.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little or no rain Small chance of isolated light showers, particularly Ben Lawers to Ben Alder and hills near Blair Atholl.	
Cloud on the hills?	Clearing Patchy cloud on high ground will lift and mostly clear in the afternoon.	
Chance of cloud free Munros?	60% becoming 80%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Widespread sunshine through high cloud. Excellent visibility inland; hazy over the North Sea.	
How Cold? (at 900m)	8C. Feeling around -5C in the wind.	
Freezing Level	Well above the summits.	

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Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 19 September	Saturday 20 September
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 25 to 35mph, speeds may fluctuate through day, generally strongest in morning, may reach 40mph high tops. Feeling blustery with balance affected at times over higher terrain, especially morning. Considerable wind chill.	Forecast details uncertain. North or northeasterly, probably 15 to 25mph, but risk of 50mph+ late in the day. Small at first, comfort of walking affected in the afternoon. Risk of difficult conditions later. Marked wind chill.
How wet?	A little rain mostly morning	Probably little or no rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off most likely in the morning, amounts mostly small, tending to fade, may become largely dry. Small risk a little light rain may linger.	Occasional light rain at times, but overall feeling dry. Any precipitation will fall as snow flurries on high ground in the afternoon. Chance of more persistent, heavy rain if position of front shifts north.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly higher areas, some breaks	Widespread on high ground
	Cloud shrouding slopes from mid-slopes up on mountains nearer the Central Belt in morning, base rising toward higher slopes, mostly above 900-1000m. Best chance of breaks near Mount Keen.	Widespread patchy cloud at various levels through the day. Should heavier rain arrive, these will merge, lower and become more extensive.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun may break through. Poor visibility in rain, then becoming good below cloud.	Little or no sunshine, possibly completely overcast. Good visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	7C. Feeling below -5C in the wind.	5C, dropping to 2C through the day. Higher summits likely to be below freezing in the afternoon. Afternoon wind chill: -5 to -10C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.	Above the summits in the morning, dropping to 1200-1100m by the afternoon and further into evening.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 19 September, 2025

Weather remains mixed into and through the weekend, often with high winds, regions of persistent rain and extensive cloud. Temperatures falling through Saturday across the UK with the higher Scottish summits dropping below freezing and frosts in some glens. Looking increasingly likely that high pressure will take hold from the north on Sunday evening, bringing a period of more settled weather across the country for a couple of days at least, perhaps longer.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Wednesday, 17 September, 2025

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