

Southeastern Highlands

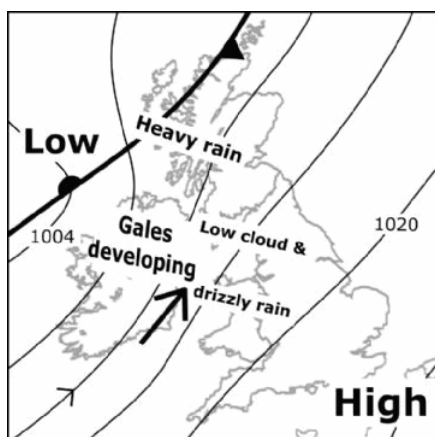
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Erich, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Thursday, 2 October, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 2 October, 2025

A persistently wet day for western Scotland, increasingly sustained heavy falls setting in. Southerly winds strengthen to become widely gale force over the mountains afternoon into evening. Small amounts of rain elsewhere, but drizzly for all. Low cloud blanketing hills, highest bases north of major hill groups.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Increasingly windy, gales develop. Rain most of day, low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 2 October, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly in the range 30 to 50mph, strongest during the second half of the day, then 60mph evening into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Increasingly arduous then difficult conditions with the strongest winds not necessarily on the highest slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle, wettest toward west A damp day with frequent drizzly rain moving in from the west, some steadier rain central highlands, where rain increasingly sets more widely afternoon into evening. Very wet underfoot in west.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Extensive low cloud across the hills through the day with bases varying but often around 600-800m. At times lower toward Callander and Ochils during rain.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun Visibility often poor due to rain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	8 or 9C, fairly humid air, but feeling closer to freezing in the wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 3 October	Saturday 4 October
How windy? (On the Munros)	Overnight gales S-SW'ly 40-50mph easing up to dawn; a lull below 25mph, but then rapid increase, by evening 60-80mph.	Southwest then westerly, 60 to 80mph, gusts likely 90mph+ on higher mountains.
Effect of wind on you?	Rapidly changing conditions, fairly benign for several hours at least, then significant deterioration later in day into evening.	Severe conditions, difficult mobility on hills from lower elevations upward. Damaging gusts possible on low ground.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers, then drier; heavy rain develops Overnight rain easing to showers early morning, becoming drier for a few hours. However, during afternoon, rain developing quickly from the southwest, setting in widely heavy. Very wet underfoot, streams in spate or flood.	Rain most frequent toward west Rain on and off throughout the day, most persistent and heaviest central highlands; smaller amounts near/east of Glenshee. Falling as sleet on highest tops. Fast-flowing streams, river flooding possible.
Cloud on the hills?	Some breaks for a time Varied cloud over the hills from dawn, but lifting and breaking to upper slopes, clearing some tops for a few hours. Lowering as rain develops, soonest in west, filling in later.	Extensive higher areas Cloud fairly persistent on higher slopes, mostly above 700-900m, lowest west of the A9. Some higher breaks to 1000m or above toward Glenshee and Angus.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	50% later 20%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun early in day, but high cloud increasingly covering the sky. Visibility very good, becoming hazier, reducing in rain.	Glimpses of sun mostly toward east. Quite hazy, visibility poor where in rain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5 or 6C. Feeling like -5C, later in day -10C where exposed to higher wind speeds.	3 or 4C. Wind chill making it feel like -10 to -15C.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Just above highest summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 3 October, 2025

Mild and humid southwesterlies bring prolonged heavy rain to western Scotland late this week where streams will be fast-flowing, flooding developing. Wet underfoot most western areas. A couple of fast-moving low pressure systems late this week - gales increasingly during Thursday, then after a brief lull early Friday, a more intense system bringing increasingly stormy conditions by later Friday, continuing into Saturday. Dropping much cooler during Saturday, to freezing on higher Scottish summits. Showery and windy conditions easing only gradually into Sunday. Changeable westerlies continue next week for Scotland, high pressure builds at times further south.

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