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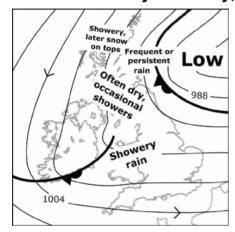
Southeastern Highlands

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 Friday, 24 October, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 24 October, 2025

Cold northerly winds gale force across Scottish mountains.

Showery in the north, most frequent precipitation for the
Cairngorms, turning to snow on higher tops. Drier with some sun
SW Highlands. Areas of rain extend into Borders and northern
England with time. Frequently showery in Wales, particularly south.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Gales strengthen becoming severe on tops. Frequent rain east.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 24 October, 2025

Northerly soon strengthening 30 to 50mph, particularly eastern hills, widely 50mph middle of day into afternoon, reaching 60mph higher tops, by dusk 70mph on eastern high summits.	
Blustery start, with conditions becoming more arduous if not difficult through the afternoon with significant wind chill.	
Frequent rain, more persistent east	
Starting mostly dry toward central lowlands west of Perth, but showery rain toward east becoming more frequent and widespread, merging into more constant rain in east, heavy at times afternoon. Sleet highest tops.	
Fairly extensive	
Whilst bases will vary, increasingly extensive low cloud covering higher slopes, with bases around 600-900m, generally lowest near and east of Glenshee, more widely in rain.	
30%	
Very little if any sun.	
Visibility often poor due to rain.	
2 or 3C (dropping to 0C after dark), feeling like -10 to -15C in the strongest winds.	
Near or just above highest summits most of day, then lowering into night to 900m.	

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Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 25 October	Sunday 26 October
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	North to northwesterly 35 to 55mph, sustained speeds strongest toward east; squally gusts widely in showers. Be prepared for arduous conditions, difficult mobility higher up. Significant wind chill, severe on high tops.	Northwesterly 30-40mph at first, strongest east; easing to 25mph or briefly less. Later risk increasing westerly 40mph. Strenuous walking and significant wind chill early, lessening for a time, but expect worsening conditions again later.
How wet?	Occasional showers, mostly north	Brief flurries, then risk steady rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional showers moving in on the northerly winds, most in north and also east of Glenshee. Snow initially above 500-600m, lifting to 900m. Sometimes hail.	Rare if any light showers, mostly toward west, snow flurries above 700-800m. During afternoon, risk of more constant precipitation, soonest west; turning to sleet possibly rain toward higher tops.
Cloud on the hills?	Capping tops, most widely in north.	Patchy on tops, may lower from west
	Cloud likely to cap tops in fog often, most widely north, and east of Glenshee. Further south, cloud breaking off the tops for periods.	Many hills free of cloud early in day, a few patches above 900-1000m. Into afternoon, risk lowering cloud filling in from the west to cover higher areas increasingly widely. Eastern tops clearer for longest.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30% north, 60% south.	70% later 30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bursts of sun, mostly widely in the south. Visibility very good out of showers, but poor or very poor in precipitation.	Glimpses of sun in morning, soon weak as high cloud thickens; then overcast. Visibility mostly very good, reducing later from west in rain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-2C lifting briefly to 0 or 1C, but feeling like -12 to -15C in the wind.	-1C rising to +1C afternoon. If exposed to stronger winds, feeling like -10C, possibly colder at first high tops.
Freezing Level	700m lifting to 900-1000m afternoon, then lowering again into evening.	800-900m, plus frost in sheltered glens at dawn. Slowly rising, by evening may lift just above high tops; then 1200m into night.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 25 October, 2025

A cold weekend; higher summits close to freezing point in England and Wales and below in Scotland. Substantially dry on many mountains but areas of frequent showers (hail and snow), mainly NW and W Highlands (where wind close to gale on Saturday) and north and west Wales. By Sunday afternoon, increasing threat of rain setting in on many western mountains - ahead of a less cold but often windy and wet few days. Westerly winds prevail, later in week trending southerly.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Thursday, 23 October, 2025

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