

Southeastern Highlands

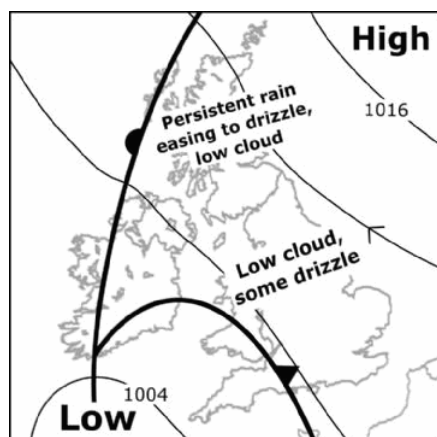
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Ericht, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Monday, 22 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 22 December, 2025

Strong and gusty SE'ly winds. Rain fairly widely across the Highlands in the morning, easing but leaving patchy drizzle and low cloud shrouding the hills. Low cloud and some drizzly rain for England and Wales, but some breaks for the Lakes, also clearing conditions moving into south Wales.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Gusty wind lessens. Rain then drizzle, low cloud persists.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 22 December, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly 30 to 40mph; gusty over the tops and downslope, may reach up to 45mph in exposure at first; speeds lessening a little with time.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly arduous conditions early in day, sudden and strong wind gusts running downslope; improving, but still blustery and marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle, most persistent east Widespread rain from dawn gradually clears to the northeast, leaving behind drizzle and patchy rain on slopes near the east lowlands. A few odd patches reaching towards Loch Ericht.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, often to lower slopes. Extensive low cloud will shroud the hills throughout the day from mid-slope upward, some lower banks. Best chance of bases rising higher around Loch Ericht, but these improvements likely fleeting.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast. Visibility poor due to early rain, or fog over hills, and an increasing haze lower down.
How Cold? (at 900m)	3C, but feeling closer to -10C where exposed to the strongest winds.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 23 December	Wednesday 24 December
How windy? (On the Munros)	East or southeasterly, 15 to 25mph.	East-southeasterly 10-20mph, may be gusty in exposure.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, though some uncomfortable gusty areas around tops and some corries.	Fairly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy light rain Patches of light rain here and there, risk more frequent in the far east. Some mountains may stay substantially dry, but feeling generally damp where in cloud.	Most hills dry Some odd spots of rain drifting onto slopes facing the eastern lowlands/North Sea coast, other hills dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive low cloud Blanket low cloud likely to shroud the hills throughout the day above 500-600m, or lower on some south-facing slopes. Locally higher bases mainly northwest of Loch Tay.	Most extensive east Cloud often covering the slopes near the eastern lowlands from 700m up. The cloud more patchy towards the central highlands with a chance of local breaks.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, misty across the hills widely, dull or hazy below cloud.	Some glimpses of sun near central highlands, likely overcast elsewhere. Good visibility though a haze.
How Cold? (at 900m)	2C, little change with added height.	Around 1C
Freezing Level	Near or just above freezing point on some slopes above 1000m, mainly eastern aspects.	1000-1100m; variable, may lower in southern areas.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 23 December, 2025**

Cloud and patchy rain lingers early this week, then a slow change to drier and chiller weather into the Christmas period as high pressure builds to the north. Easterly winds will be dominant, the strongest winds in England and Wales. Cloud may be fairly sheet-like in the east sometimes, though variably more extensive or broken, best northwest. The coldest air will reach England and Wales on the easterly wind with freezing levels reaching as low as 400-600m in Wales, staying slightly warmer in northern Scotland with some inversion conditions likely over higher terrain; frost into glens.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Sunday, 21 December, 2025

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