

Southeastern Highlands

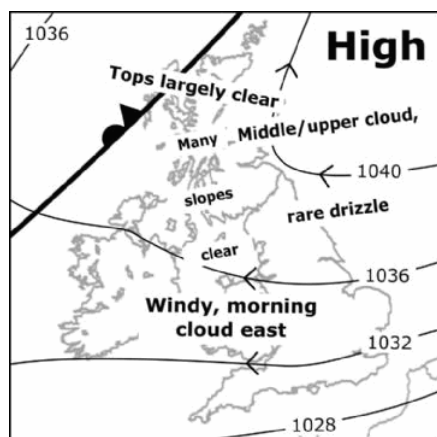
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Erich, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 24 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 24 December, 2025

Patchy cloud on middle and high slopes of central and east Scottish Highlands, clearer west and north; high summits clear too. Most cloud in England stays east of the Pennines, little west including Lakeland where isolated to summits. Gusty wind in Wales, risk gales south; early cloud in the east will break.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Most cloud upper slopes in the east; fairly light wind

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 24 December, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	South-southeasterly 10-15mph, up to 20mph near Callander; gusty in exposure.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small though nuisance gusts will be common, particularly in the east.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Most hills dry Some spots of fine drizzle where in cloud, largely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Most extensive east Cloud often covering the slopes near the eastern lowlands above 700m. The cloud more patchy towards the central highlands with a chance of local breaks. The highest eastern summits may be at or just above the top of the cloud layer.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Most cloud towards the eastern lowlands, patchy breaks towards the central highlands, these increasingly frequent with time. Good visibility though some haze.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1 or 0C most areas. Highest summits may be just a degree warmer, particularly if exposed to sunshine.
Freezing Level	Poorly defined, slopes between 800-1100m generally at or below freezing, though more variable towards central highlands.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 25 December	Friday 26 December
How windy? (On the Munros)	Southeasterly 15-20mph, some gustiness. Locally reaching 25mph near Callander.	Easterly 10 to 20mph, tending to increase a little during daytime, gusty around some higher summits.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small though turbulent gusts likely across upper elevations, may become uncomfortable near the Central Belt.	Fairly small, but in places sudden gusty spots feeling more noticeable and colder.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Most hills dry Some fine drizzle where in cloud on slopes facing the east lowlands.	Precipitation very unlikely Small chance of brief snow grains locally on eastern hills.
Cloud on the hills?	Often on mid and upper slopes, most east A fairly extensive blanket of cloud often cloaks the middle slopes. Lowest bases east of the A9/Angus hills and best of breaks towards central highlands. Highest tops may be at or above the cloud layer.	Risk cloud banks particularly east Uncertain extent of cloud banks coming in from the east, may drift across slopes between 600 and 1000m and persist in east. More broken Loch Tay area, some highest tops may be above cloud.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	40%	50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Best chance of sun breaks towards central highlands, perhaps sunny on the highest tops too. Excellent visibility out of cloud.	Variable cloud and sun, best toward western central highlands. Visibility excellent away from patchy cloud.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1C, little change or a slight rise in temperature with added height.	0 to 2C, small variation with height, some corries and glens stay colder, whilst highest tops may be slightly warmer.
Freezing Level	Poorly defined: freezing on some middle and upper slopes, most widely southern areas; morning frost in glens.	Frost in most glens, terrain at least partly frozen higher up, but air temperature likely above freezing on high tops.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 25 December, 2025

Christmas Day will be dry: easterly winds are dominant, strongest in England and Wales and most cloud east of the high tops: may be fairly sheet-like sometimes, though variably more extensive or broken, best of sun breaks in western areas. Turning cooler too, the coldest air in England and Wales with freezing levels reaching as low as 300-600m in east Wales, though poorly defined.

High pressure stays put to the north into the weekend, maintaining dry weather, easterly winds, and mixed cloud and sunshine, most of the cloud in eastern areas. Temperatures will be variable, becoming milder for a time in England and Wales, with poorly defined freezing levels.

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