

Southeastern Highlands

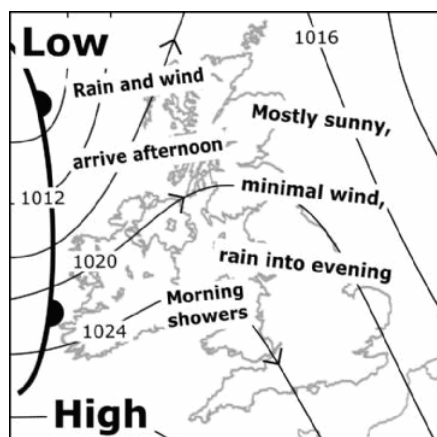
The southern Highlands as far west as the Callander area and north to Loch Ericht, Drumochter and summits near Glenshee ski-centre (summits within the historic county of Perthshire). Also Ochils and Angus hills.



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General Summary for Thursday, 8 October, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 October, 2026

Early showers in north Scotland and Wales will fade, widely dry and bright conditions for several midday/afternoon hours. Cool-to-chilly, little wind. High cloud builds west, wind and rain arriving to west Scotland afternoon, spreading east and into England and Wales as evening approaches, deteriorating into night.

Headline for Southeastern Highlands

Mostly sunny and chilly, rain arrives late in the day

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 8 October, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Northwesterly 25mph, though some powerful gusts approaching 35mph downslopes near and east of Glenshee. Shifting westerly then southwesterly, 10-15mph, later restrengthening, finishing near 30mph and rising further into night. Strenuous walking with buffeting gusts early and late in the day, but a long window of fairly small effects. Conditions significantly deteriorate into night.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Substantially dry until later Small risk an odd early shower, but more likely dry through morning into afternoon. Rain arrives from the west as afternoon goes, spreading widely and setting in fairly persistently as evening turns to night.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Little expected A little patchy cloud at varied heights in the morning, a few broader patches around Loch Ericht, but soon lifting and breaking for clear Munros well into the day. Cloud lowers onto high tops as evening approaches, filling in extensively into night. 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensive sun through morning, high cloud gradually builds from the west, increasingly thickening, the sun fairly weak later in the day. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	2 or 3C, may lower slightly around evening but then sharply rising overnight, several hours around 9C or higher. Feeling like -3 to -5C in direct wind. May just graze the high summits at dawn, frosts in sheltered glens. Soon lifting above summits.

Southeastern Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 9 October	Saturday 10 October
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Westerly sustained 35-45mph, perhaps stronger just at dawn. Quite gusty, top speeds approaching 55mph. Arduous walking in exposure, powerful gusts challenging balance, bracing necessary at times. Significant wind chill.	Northwesterly 40-50mph, very gusty. Speeds may lessen but confidence is low. Challenging conditions, stability requiring constant effort, gusts knocking you around. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers Showers come and go from the west all day, perhaps more frequent with heavier falls in the afternoon, particularly in the west. Some hail mixed in, and perhaps some snowflake on highest tops.	Frequent showers A steady stream of showers from the west most of the day, more scattered east of the A9, but rain also likely setting in for several hours. Some sleet/snow likely mixed in on the high tops.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Variably covering tops, mostly afternoon During showers, shafts of cloud lower towards 900m, but many hills largely clear of cloud through morning, notably east of the A9. Afternoon brings increased risk of longer cloudy periods, with lower bases in heaviest showers. 80% lowering to 40%	Fairly extensive high terrain Most terrain above 900m stays in cloud, a few break possible east of Glenshee during dry windows. Cloud will regularly lower in showers, locally to 500-600m central highlands, and extensively to middle slopes when rain sets in. 30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchwork of cloud and sun. Very good visibility but suddenly poor in showers.	Best of patchy sun east, sometimes more widely cloudy. Visibility varied, often poor but sometimes good east during dry windows.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	3 or 4C, though several degrees warmer just around dawn. Feeling like -5 to -10C in direct wind. Above the summits.	3 or 4C, will vary somewhat in rain. Feeling like -10C or colder direct wind. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 9 October, 2026

Rain, low cloud and strong upland winds across Britain overnight into Friday morning. Friday and Saturday are windy and showery with bright breaks, a risk of severe gales on many summits. Sunday sees a more settled day as a small ridge of high pressure builds from the west; wind eases, plenty of bright breaks, cool temperatures.

Next week sees continued mixed weather: bands of rain coming and going, temperatures similarly fluctuating: generally mild, but sometimes chilly in Scotland with freezing levels lowering onto high Munros where rain turns to snow; any accumulating snow soon thaws. Westerly wind will be dominant, often quite strong, gales at times, but this allows for drier, brighter windows on eastern hill groups between weather systems.

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