

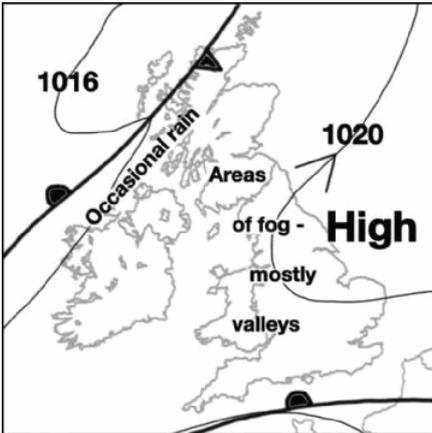
# West Highlands

Western Highlands accessible from, and south of, Glenfinnan (Road to the Isles) and Glen Spean (includes Creag Meagaidh). This area include Ben Nevis and the mountains around Glencoe. In the east, includes Ben Alder south to Loch Lomond and Trossachs NP. Includes Arran and Mull.



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## General Summary for Friday, 27 November, 2020



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 27 November, 2020**

A little rain Scottish Highlands, and mainly near the west coast low cloud. Elsewhere, dry, but fog wise very varied conditions. Fog in many valleys thins only slowly - if at all. On the hills, cloud often covering higher tops near N Irish Sea, otherwise tops often cloud free.

### Headline for West Highlands

Occasional rain; wind dropping. Extensive low cloud.

## Detailed Forecast for Friday, 27 November, 2020

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Starting southwesterly 20 to 30mph. Will drop progressively, by midday, widely 10mph, perhaps still 20mph Arran and Loch Lomond NP.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Becoming small or negligible</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Patches of rain, mainly western hills</b> Rain and drizzle, rarely heavy, on and off western mountains, but will amount to very little central highlands and also Arran. By afternoon, the rain increasingly patchy.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Extensive, particularly western hills</b> Extensive fog on the hills all day most areas, sometimes forming lower slopes up near the coast. Elsewhere, patches below 500m at times in rain, particularly Loch Lomond NP, but north of Rannoch Moor cloud base mostly 700-1000m.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sun. Visibility poor in precipitation, but often very good.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	2C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	1150m.

## West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	<b>Saturday 28 November</b>	<b>Sunday 29 November</b>
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Southerly, 10 to locally 20mph, but some areas little wind.  <b>Small.</b>	Westerly 15 to 25-30mph, strongest higher tops in Lochaber; least wind Arran and near Arrochar.  <b>Mostly small, although noticeable buffeting probable higher tops Lochaber.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Little or no precipitation</b> Mainly around coastal mountains, risk of local patches of rain, snow higher slopes, perhaps an isolated shower.	<b>Little or no rain.</b> Occasional rain may spread to coastal areas north from Mull; and possibly the odd patch of rain or drizzle near Clyde sea lochs.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>  <b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>Very extensive but slowly thinning</b>  Confidence in the detail low: Very likely fog, in places from lowest slopes, likely to shroud the mountains most or all morning. The fog may never clear Loch Lomond NP and coastal mountains up to Mull but elsewhere, breaks will develop to perhaps 900m, locally to highest tops.  <b>30%</b>	<b>Extensive, particularly western tops</b>  Cloud base will tend to rise progressively inland: typically between 600 and 800m near the coast (including near Clyde sea lochs), but dropping toward 300m in rain. Well inland, most cloud above 900m, most higher tops may be cloud free for several hours.  <b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine breaking through in places, and visibility good, but a general slight haze.	Patches of sun, mostly well inland. Mostly excellent visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	0C rising slowly toward 2C.  Tending to rise from around 900m to 1250m during the day. Frost some glens after dawn.	3C  Just above highest summits, although slight frost some valleys after dawn.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 28 November, 2020**

Very much drier over the coming week, although weakening fronts will bring a little rain and pulses of strong winds, mainly to the NW Highlands. Elsewhere, winds light and although extensively dry, fog will be widespread in and above valleys whilst higher up many summits become cloud free.

Temperature wise, the odd brief incursion of sub-freezing air onto higher summits Scottish Highlands, but any sustained cold at least a week off. Frost in valleys mostly confined to England and particularly Wales.

**Forecast issued at 14:53 on Thursday, 26 November, 2020**

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