

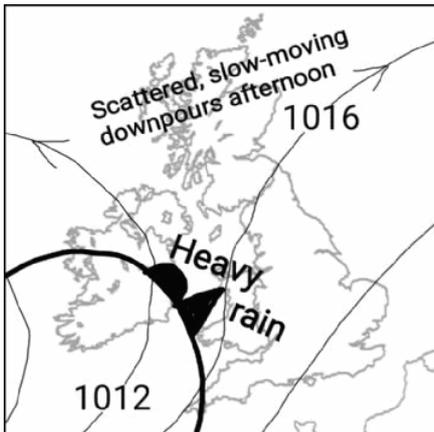
West Highlands

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



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General Summary for Monday, 10 July, 2023



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 10 July, 2023

Scotland: Southerly or variable wind. Some early patchy rain near west coast. Scattered, slow-moving, showers forming, some afternoon downpours with the risk of local thunderstorms.

England and Wales: Blustery southerly wind. Heavy rain, with risk of thunderstorms, edging north through the day.

Headline for West Highlands

Scattered, slow-moving, showers or downpours forming. Hill fog in rain.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 10 July, 2023

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southerly or variable, 10 to 15mph, but often 20mph near coast, nearer 25mph Arran for periods.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, but blustery around coastal tops toward the southwest.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Scattered downpours forming, risk lightning Local patches of rain possible from dawn. Scattered showers forming, some heavy bursts. Risk of more extensive heavier rain moving up from the south afternoon into evening. Risk of isolated thunder and lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	Breaking to tops, but extensive in rain Varied extent of cloud, some patches on lower and middle slopes in the morning, but dispersing. Then tops clear, but if rain fills in, cloud will lower extensively across the hills, patches from forest canopies up.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	70% away from rain, but 40% in rain.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun, but skies filling in with cloud as showers develop. Visibility very good for periods, but poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	8 to 11C, coolest near coast in morning.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 11 July	Wednesday 12 July
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Speed and direction likely to vary, marked lulls, but sudden gusts around rain. Later northwesterly 20-25mph, strongest coasts. Often small, but mountains near coast and on islands may become increasingly blustery, feeling chilly.	West later northwesterly, generally 25 to 40mph, but perhaps periods around showers where lifts up to 50mph. Be prepared for arduous conditions for periods, perhaps even difficult in and around showers. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy bursts, risk lightning Local detail uncertain as areas of rain rotate around a broad centre of low pressure over Scotland. Heavy bursts forming, risk merging into an hour or more of rain. Localised thunderstorms possible. May improve later near coast.	Clusters of showers, frequent at times. Detail uncertain: Clusters of showers from dawn, perhaps more prolonged rain near west coast. Showers developing more widely in afternoon, local thunder inland.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive Shrouding the mountains most or all day, local variations in and out of rain. Ragged patches lower slopes upward during/after heavier rain. If drier, some breaks may form to higher slopes, perhaps between cloud banks.	Fairly extensive Fairly extensive cloud over upper slopes as showers come through. Ragged patches to lower slopes at times, but also away from showers, some breaks to tops.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy, brief glimpses of sun, weak due to high cloud. Visibility good away from rain, but many mountains misty, poor conditions in rain.	Mostly cloudy. Visibility very good at times, but poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	8C, little change all day. If wind strengthens, will feel close to freezing on higher tops. Above the summits	5 or 6C Above the summits

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 11 July, 2023**

Staying unsettled through this week with low pressure dominant. Areas of rain and showers will affect all areas. Heavy bursts with a risk of thunderstorms. Temperatures on the cool side across the mountains. Wind speeds will vary, typically west or southwesterly, some lulls, but at times strong giving marked wind chill.

Indications favour unsettled weather continuing through next weekend into the start of the following week with low pressure close to Scotland. Unlikely to see any very warm weather returning in the next couple of weeks.

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