

# West Highlands

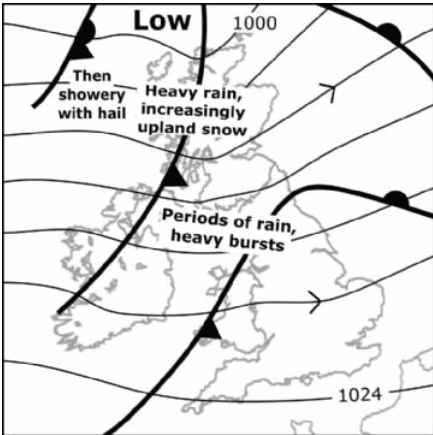
Western Highlands accessible from, and south of, Glenfinnan (Road to the Isles) and Glen Spean (includes Creag Meagaidh). This area includes Ben Nevis and the mountains around Glencoe. In the east, from Ben Alder south to Loch Lomond and Trossachs NP. Also Arran and Mull.



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## General Summary for Saturday, 13 April, 2024



**British Mountain Summary:**  
**Based on forecast chart for noon 13 April, 2024**  
Gales across most mountains, increasingly widespread England and Wales. Heavy bursts of rain and showers passing eastwards. Increasingly snow and hail on Scottish mountains as temperatures fall during the daytime.

**Headline for West Highlands**  
Upland gales, squally. Rain then hail and snow showers.

## Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 13 April, 2024

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| <b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b><br><br><b>Effect of wind on you?</b> | Southwest turning westerly, speeds changing quickly, but mostly in the range 40 to 70mph, sudden powerful squally gusts especially in showers and as a front passes in the morning.<br><br><b>Often difficult conditions over higher mountains all day, significant wind chill. Gusts may knock you over where exposed. Very blustery with sudden buffeting gusts even lower down.</b> |
| <b>How wet?</b><br>(Precipitation and its impact)                      | <b>Rain then heavy showers, hail, snow; risk thunder.</b><br>Dry start inland. Soon persistent and at times heavy rain during morning, sleet or snow on highest tops. Breaking up into showers, heavy bursts with hail and increasingly snow above 700m in the afternoon. Risk isolated thunder.   |
| <b>Cloud on the hills?</b><br><br><b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>  | <b>Extensive across upper slopes</b><br>Whilst cloud bases will vary markedly, they will shroud upper slopes in fog for much of the day. Near and north of Glen Spean, hill fog mainly above 1000m. Bases tending to lift during afternoon away from showers.<br><br><b>20%</b>  |
| <b>Sunshine?</b><br>Air clarity (below cloud)                          | Little if any sun.<br>Visibility ranging from good or very good, to poor in showers. Very poor in snow on tops.  |
| <b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b><br><br><b>Freezing Level</b>                | 2C, lowering to -1C from midday.<br>Feeling close to -12C in direct exposure to the strongest winds.<br><br>Around 1200m at first, briefly higher, but lowering abruptly to 800m in afternoon.   |

**All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 14 April, 2024**

Cold northwesterly winds will bring significant chill factor across the mountains during the week ahead. Air temperature near or below freezing across higher terrain; lowest temperatures and freezing level for Scottish Highlands. Showery conditions, clustering into locally more frequent precipitation; a mix of snow over the hills plus hail falling to lower slopes, chance of isolated thunder especially afternoons. Indications favour higher pressure and improving conditions into late April.

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