

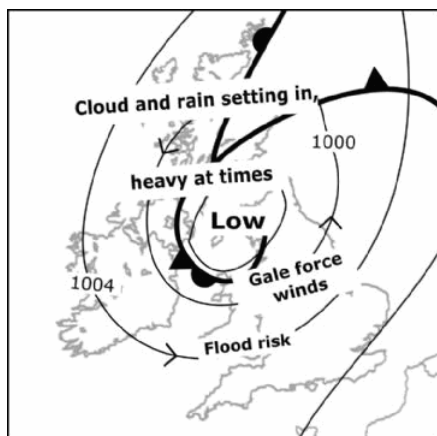
# West Highlands

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 Wednesday, 16 April, 2025



### British Mountain Summary:

#### Based on forecast chart for noon 16 April, 2025

Patchy morning rain in Scotland becomes widespread with heavy moments, falling as snow across the Munros. Patchy rain with heavy bursts in north England, strong winds here too with risk of gales. Gales force winds for a time in the Peak District and Wales. Frequent showery rain here with risk of flooding around the Brecon Beacons.

### Headline for West Highlands

Morning rain south spreads north. Cloud filling in and breezy.

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 16 April, 2025

<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>	Northwesterly 20-30mph. A gradual northerly shift in winds through the day. Chance of a lull around Creag Meagaidh around dusk. Winds along the coast may rise to 35mph after dark with a westerly shift.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Comfortable walking affected and gradually becoming more impeded. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Morning rain/hill snow south, drifting north</b> Morning rain on and off Arran and Clyde sea lochs, some light rain around Mull and Glencoe. Deteriorating here as rain becomes more frequent with heavy moments, rapidly spreading northward through the afternoon. Falling as snow on high terrain.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Patches on tops, becoming extensive</b> Occasional cloud banks on upper slopes in the morning, some bases down to 900m around southern coastal hills. Becoming extensive through the afternoon with most bases down to 900m, lower near the coast.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>50%, lowering to 10%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Few glimpses of sun in the morning, then overcast. Visibility often very good at first, becoming very poor.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>	-1 to +1C. If stronger winds occur, chill factor feeling near to -10C.
<b>Freezing Level</b>	800 to 1000m most of the day, some variability.

## West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 17 April	Friday 18 April
<b>How windy? (On the Munros)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Westerly 10-20mph. Shifting southerly through the day.  <b>Fairly small</b>	Easterly 20-35mph. Winds always strongest Mull and southward, tending towards southeasterly here. <b>Walking impeded at times, notably south where balance will be challenged on exposed terrain. Notable wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Showers with hail moving inland</b> A few sleet/snow showers drift onto mountains most proximal to the coast in the morning, some hail mixed in. Showers forming increasingly inland middle of day into afternoon.	<b>Frequent rain coastal slopes</b> Frequent rain along the coastal slopes with some heavy moments around Islay and Mull. Light and patchy inland, though chance more frequent. Sleet or wet snow on higher tops in morning.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Frequent coastal cloud, patchy inland</b>  Passing banks capping high tops with plenty of breaks. Increasing patchy cloud over high terrain through the afternoon. Frequent banks of low cloud around the Clyde sea lochs and along the coast towards Mull.	<b>High coastal terrain often shrouded.</b>  High coastal terrain from Mull southward often shrouded. Bases lowering to 700-800m in heavy rain. To the north and inland, cloud caps frequent over high terrain, though breaks to high tops will occur.
<b>Chance of cloud free Munros?</b>	<b>60% inland, 40% along the coast</b>	<b>30% near the coast, 70% inland</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Some morning glimpses of sun but lots of high cloud around. Good visibility but very poor in sleet/snow.	No sun expected. Visibility good away from rain, possible haze, poorer toward coast.
<b>How Cold? (at 900m)</b>  <b>Freezing Level</b>	0C, rising to 2C  800-900m, rising towards 1100m through the afternoon	2 to 3C, rising slightly. Wind chill -5 to -8C, near -10C in places.  1000-1100m at dawn. Gradually rising and lifting off summits in the afternoon.

## Planning Outlook

## All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 17 April, 2025

A complex weather situation ahead as areas of low pressure circulate slowly near the British Isles. A mix of showers with hail and snow on hills, at times more persistent and widespread rain and hill snow, most notably in western areas on Friday in the near term. Easter looks to be a showery day with some larger bands of rain around southern England and Wales. Occasional windows of dry and clear conditions locally. Winds will gradually turn southeasterly-to-easterly next week and becoming quite strong with risk of gales for most. Temperatures staying on the cool side, risk feeling very cold in wind chill.

## Forecast issued at 16:30 on Tuesday, 15 April, 2025

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