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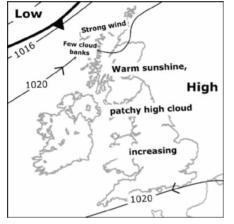
West Highlands

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 Friday, 9 May, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 9 May, 2025

In Scotland, thin mist in the glens and isolated cloud caps over highest tops at dawn will soon clear for cloud free hills. Isolated low morning fog in eastern valleys of England and Wales as well, also soon clearing. A patchwork of sun for most as high fair-weather cloud builds, feeling warm in direct sun. Mostly light winds.

Headline for West Highlands

Dry with patchy high cloud; feeling warm in the sun

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 9 May, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	At dawn, southwesterly 10-15mph, some 20mph breezes north of Mull. Lowest winds around Arran.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any on highest tops at dawn, then cloud-free
	Chance of isolated cloud caps over highest summits in and near Lochaber at dawn. Thin local mists in inland glens at dawn as well. Cloud soon lifts and dissipates for cloud-free mountains.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Above 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine and patchy fair-weather cloud. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	7C in the morning, warming only a degree if at all along the coast. Warming to 9 or 10C inland, up to 11C around Creag Meagaidh.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 10 May	Sunday 11 May
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	South to southwesterly 15 to 20mph, at times 25mph mainly near coast and west of Loch Linnhe. Fairly small many areas, but may feel blustery in places near the coast.	Southerly 15-25mph, up to 30mph over high tops and near the coast north of Mull. Chance of a lull after noon. Fairly small, walking becoming impeded on higher terrain.
		Feeling chilly in highest wind.
How wet?	Little or no rain	Odd spots north of Mull after noon
(Precipitation and its impact)	Possibly a few spots of light rain from high cloud, greatest risk west of Loch Linnhe.	Chance of an odd spot of rain around Lochaber/Mull. Increasing chance for spots of coastal rain north of Mull after noon.
Cloud on the hills?	Risk coastal cloud	Some caps over high tops later
	Possible patchy cloud banks drifting on Mull and nearby coastal hills perhaps to some mid-slopes at dawn. Coastal cloud dissipating through the morning. Inland mountains generally clear.	Mountains mostly clear. Cloud caps may drift over high tops later afternoon, most likely near the coast north of Mull.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	80%, rising to above 90%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, but possibly locally mistier toward coast near Mull. Some fair weather cloud building after noon. Visibility excellent.	A patchwork of sun, cloud gradually filling in through afternoon to become overcast. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5C from dawn, rising to 8C coasts near Mull, to 11C well inland by afternoon.	7 or 8C, only a slight rise inland. A degree warmer on and around Arran at dawn. Feeling near freezing in highest wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits	Above the summits

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 10 May, 2025

Low pressure south and west of the British Isles will facilitate bursts of rain into Wales though the weekend into next week. High pressure to the east keeps most eastern areas settled during this time. The continental wind track will keep most cloud above the summits, with eastern areas often sunny. Generally settled conditions prevail next week as high pressure reestablishes just north of the British Isles, though odd bursts of rain come and go in Wales. A mix of cloud and sun with light winds, generally easterly though variable. Slight frosts at dawn in sheltered spots, mostly warm by day. Very dry ground conditions, beware high risk of fire.

Forecast issued at 15:30 on Thursday, 8 May, 2025

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