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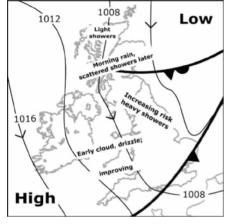
West Highlands

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 Sunday, 6 July, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 6 July, 2025

Cloud on higher hills with patchy rain for many areas in the morning. Later, a band of showers forms from central highlands southward into England, drifting down the Pennines; showers will give heavy bursts with a risk of few lightning flashes southern Scotland. Damp in Wales early, gradually improving.

Headline for West Highlands

Morning rain and fog; improving, clearing tops inland

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 6 July, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Northerly 15-25mph, nearer 30mph at times across the islands and immediate coastal slopes. Well inland may see lower wind speeds for a time afternoon.		
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small inland; walking impeded near the coast, balance at times challenged in exposure; feeling cool.		
How wet?	Morning showery rain, then showers well inland later		
(Precipitation and its impact)	Morning showery rain most areas. Generally fading along the coast, only a few drizzly showers onto slopes Mull northward. Risk of showers reemerging inland later in the day with heavy bursts.		
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive at dawn, improving for often clear tops later		
	Fairly extensive over terrain above 800m in the morning, some lower bases on coastal slopes Mull and northward. Tending to break and lift as midday approaches from north to south - tops often exposed. Showers may drop bases to tops later.		
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10% at dawn, becoming 70% well inland		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little sun in the morning, becoming patchy as cloud clears later. Visibility poor for a time early, then becoming very good.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	7 to 8C in the morning, rising to 10C well inland. Islands and coastal slopes may see little change all day. Feeling near freezing in strongest winds.		
Freezing Level	Above the summits		

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 7 July	Tuesday 8 July
How windy? (On the Munros)	Northwesterly 25-30mph, gusty over tops and down eastern slope. Strengthening Mull to Trossachs/Arran later.	Northwesterly shifting westerly, 15-20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Often buffeting gusts over high terrain and downslope, may challenge stability at times. Feeling cool.	Fairly small most of the day, some buffeting gusts over tops later.
How wet?	Few showers coastal Lochaber	Afternoon rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Few showers drifting onto coastal Lochaber, an odd spot possible from Mull to Islay as well, fading. Chance of some showers later in the day well inland.	Patchy rain arrives onto island hills midday, drifting to the coast and inland. Could become persistently drizzly on high slopes for a time. Inland from Glencoe southward may only see local spots.
Cloud on the hills?	Increasingly clear to tops, best inland	Well broken for a time, later deteriorating
	At dawn, fairly extensive over high coastal terrain from Islay northward, as well as Ben Nevis group and Glencoe; banks may reach well down north/west slopes. Gradually lifting and breaking for often clear summits later, though coastal summits may be more frequently capped.	Banks cling to upper slopes from morning, particularly north/west aspects. Tending to lift, often clearing summits for a time around midday. Patchy cloud reforming over high ground as rain starts, filling in through afternoon from the west.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	30%, rising to 70% inland	Improving to 80%, the reducing to 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun early improving to frequent sun, best inland. Good visibility though a haze.	Patchy sun through high cloud on low slopes, deteriorating to mostly cloudy. Very good visibility before rain sets in.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5 or 6C, rising to 8C well inland. Coastal slopes in direct wind may rise very little. Feeling like 3C in the wind.	6 or 7C, rising to 10C coastal slopes. Well inland areas rising up to 12C or warmer central highlands.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 7 July, 2025

A generally settled start to the week as high pressure will become dominant across England and Wales Monday and Tuesday. Expect substantially dry conditions here through much of the week with good periods of sunshine. In Scotland, low pressure to the north will facilitate a consistent west-southwesterly wind, driving several weak fronts onto northwestern coasts as the week goes - often cloudy here with periods of rain, tending to be drier with sunny spells in east Scotland. Temperatures will be near average. Some uncertainty about next weekend - fronts are likely to continue drifting towards Scotland and north England, though possibly interrupted by dry and warm air from the continent.

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