

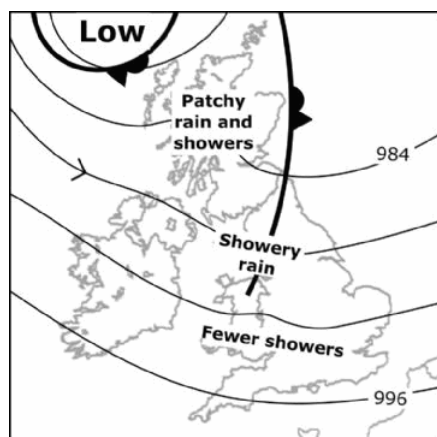
West Highlands

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 Tuesday, 21 October, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 October, 2025

Patchy rain drifts east across the Highlands, breaking up into showers. Staying showery all day toward west coast, locally more frequent rain. Showery rain throughout the day for England and Wales, occasionally heavy. Low cloud most persistent west. Increasingly windy, feeling cold.

Headline for West Highlands

Wind strengthening. Rain fairly persistent, then showers; low cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 21 October, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly 15-25mph early morning, or less for a time well inland. Abrupt switch westerly and increasing, near coast late morning, afternoon inland, 30-35mph, squally gusts 40mph high tops. By evening-night, widely 45-50mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small at first, but blustery higher tops. Becoming more arduous over the hills with time, significant wind chill, soonest coastal areas. Continuing to deteriorate into evening.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off, some showery bursts Areas of rain affecting the region all day, sometimes more persistent with heavier bursts, particularly hills nearer to the coast morning into middle of day. May break up a little into afternoon, but showers come and go.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, rising a little Shrouding the mountains widely in the morning, bases typically 600-700m, lower on some coastal slopes. Tending to rise a little in afternoon to be mostly above 800m, some higher breaks forming inland.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, rare glimpses of sun mostly well inland. Visibility often reduced around rain, briefly good well inland.
How Cold? (at 900m)	5 or 6C, dropping through afternoon to 3C. Feeling like -5C in exposure to the wind, dropping toward -10C on higher tops.
Freezing Level	Above the summits, then dropping near to Ben Nevis top later in day, more widely to 1200-1300m into night.

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 22 October, 2025

A complex weather situation through midweek, with various centres of low pressure drifting around slowly. Areas of rain and showers, but also drier moments - Wednesday and possibly Thursday often dry in eastern Scotland and northern England - beware of a deterioration from the northwest during Thursday with gales and rain setting in. Significantly colder later in the week as winds turn northerly. Freezing level dropping to 800-1000m into the weekend, lowest in northern Scotland. A mix of sunshine and showers falling as snow on high terrain, most frequent in north-facing areas.

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