

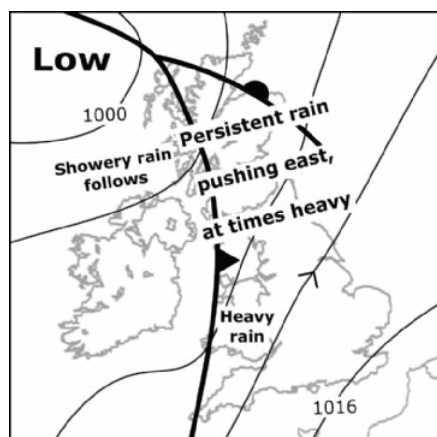
West Highlands

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, 9 November, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 9 November, 2025

A swathe of rain advances eastwards across all regions during the day, heaviest over south-facing hill groups, patchier northwards across the Highlands, breaking up with time in the west, leaving a few showers, rising cloud bases. Windy, up to gale force high tops, most sustained in Wales.

Headline for West Highlands

Strongest winds in morning. Wet morning, drier afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 9 November, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	South to southwesterly 35-40mph for a few hours during the morning, up to 45mph coastal tops in south at first. Easing to 25mph into afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking in morning with considerable buffeting and wind chill in gusts. Improving afternoon, but still blustery in exposure.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Heavy rain in morning, especially south; showers afternoon Intermittent rain from dawn, soon more frequent and setting in for several hours, heaviest sustained falls from Loch Lomond to Glencoe in morning. Then easing and clearing eastwards, leaving patchy showery rain in afternoon. Wet underfoot, streams in spate.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive, some improvement afternoon Hills likely shrouded much of the day from 500-600m up, lower bases along the coast, locally down to coastal cliffs, mostly 600-800m inland Lochaber. Cloud bases rising from west afternoon to 700-900m, some breaks higher up.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	10%, up to 30% afternoon.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast. Mostly poor visibility though improving during afternoon as rain clears.
How Cold? (at 900m)	6C, dropping a little into the afternoon to 4 or 5C. Feeling like -3 to -5C in direct wind.
Freezing Level	Above the summits

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Monday 10 November	Tuesday 11 November
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Southeast then southerly but variable, 15mph or less. A risk of stronger gusty periods, varied during day. Often small	Southeast then southerly, a lull overnight soon giving way to be 30-45mph, strongest south, gusty; may increase further. Blustery, buffeting gusts affecting balance, particularly southern coastal mountains, risk more difficult on some slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Early rain clears to the north Showery rain broadly from dawn soon clears southern hills and progressively clearing north. Odd showers follow.	Rain likely widespread, heaviest south Rain spreading in from the south, possibly already persistent from dawn around southern coastal areas, becoming widespread. Risk heavier rain with time in Arran to Loch Lomond NP.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Well-broken banks at various heights Extensive from 700m up, lower bases southern coastal areas. Cloud will break from the south into banks clinging to slopes at various heights, mostly above 800m. Highest tops and the southern islands more often in cloud. Rising to 50%	Increasingly extensive, lowest south Lowest cloud toward the south, persistent blanket fog from lower elevations upward as rain sets in. Northward across Lochaber, bases higher, but likely to fill in above 600-800m, higher breaks near Glen Spean. 20% north, below 10% south.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast at first, sunny bursts increasingly breaking out and increasingly excellent visibility - some haze near the Central Belt.	Overcast, increasingly murky especially southern areas. Some brighter skies and good visibility if dry for a period in Lochaber.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	4C Above the summits	3C rising into afternoon to 5C, then from dusk 7C; only small fall with height. Feeling like -5C directly in the wind. 1300m prior to dawn, soon well above the tops.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 10 November, 2025

A cloudy and wet week ahead as several low pressure cores draw frontal systems across the British Isles. Rain at times extensive and heavy, streams in spate with a risk of flooding, primarily western mountains. Winds start fairly light but soon increase with gales becoming widespread by Tuesday, which may persist for several days. Temperatures remain mild until later in the week when cold air begins pushing into northern Scotland - timing and extent of the arrival of cold air remains uncertain but high terrain of Scotland and possibly northern England may start to see more snow around or after next weekend.

Forecast issued at 8:04 on Sunday, 9 November, 2025

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