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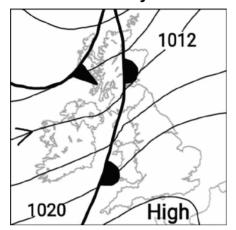
West Highlands

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 Wednesday, 26 November, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 26 November, 2025

Scotland: Southerly gales with hill fog extend east to become very extensive with rain and drizzle; transient snow upper slopes. England and Wales: Strengthening southerly winds with hills filling in with low cloud with patchy rain and drizzle.

Headline for West Highlands

Very extensive hill fog with frequent rain and drizzle, temporarily snow tops. Gales for a time.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 26 November, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	South to south-westerly 40 to 55mph morning. Will veer west and ease, perhaps to or below 30mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Some easing through afternoon, but extensively difficult walking where exposed with powerful gusts and considerable wind chill
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle most or all day Rain and drizzle (snow above 800m temporarily). The rain rarely ceasing; although least heavy and sometimes easing near and north of
Cloud on the hills?	Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean. Becoming less wet afternoon. Very extensive
	Some higher slopes particularly well inland may initially be cloud free. Will deteriorate on all mountains as cloud forms from lowest slopes up. Highest cloud base near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean where typically dropping to 500 to 800m.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Soon almost nil
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine unlikely: extensively dull and misty as visibility drops in rain.
How Cold? (at 900m)	-1C rising to 4C through daylight. Will feel as cold as minus 14C directly in the wind.
Freezing Level	800m at first; rising abruptly above the summits, initially near the coast.

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West Highlands - Looking Ahead

Thursday 27 November	Friday 28 November
South to southwesterly, strengthening quickly with height to widely 60mph where exposed on higher summits. Severe wind chill and walking difficult. Where exposed on higher areas, generally mobility a struggle.	Southwesterly 50 to 70mph. Winds at peak strength early in the morning across Lochaber. Extensively difficult or very difficult conditions with severe wind chill and buffeting. Strong gusts into glens.
Frequent or constant rain Rain and drizzle most of the day - probably easing or clearing only late in day. Least rain near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean.	Frequent showers, snow higher slopes. Showers frequent and falling as snow above 700-900m. May merge into more prolonged rain and snow as a trough moves in from the west. Risk thunder.
Mountains persistently foggy. Persistent cloud from 200 to 450m most mountains. Cloud base 500 to 700m near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean There may be an improvement - but only late in day.	Extensive upper slopes, bases varying. Bases varying rapidly, but generally around 700-900m. Lowest bases coastal hills where at times in showers patches down to 500m.
Almost nil	20%
Rare glimpses of weak sun near/north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean. Visibility widely poor.	Fleeting bursts of sun, mainly in the east. Visibility often poor due to rain, or on upper slopes snow.
6C. Will feel as cold as minus 9C directly in the wind. Above the summits.	Around freezing, perhaps just below inland, or just above near west coast. 800-1000m, highest near west coast.
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Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 27 November, 2025

A long series of Atlantic lows passing north of or across Britain will bring high rainfall to western mountains together with frequent upland gales (sometimes stormy) and low cloud. Temperatures on higher tops sometimes below freezing point, particularly at the weekend in Scotland, but elsewhere fresh snow transient.

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