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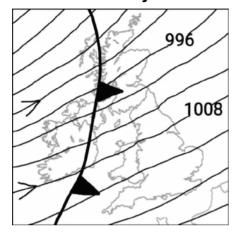
# **West Highlands**

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 Thursday, 27 November, 2025



# British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 27 November, 2025

Powerful south to south-westerly winds, bringing widespread upland gales with rain on and off, frequent or constant for western mountains, and persistent fog across the hills. Later a cold front will move in, clearing to squally showers Scotland around dusk.

#### **Headline for West Highlands**

Gales or severe gales with severe wind chill. Frequent rain and extensive hill fog.

# Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 27 November, 2025

How windy? (On the Munros)	Southwesterly, strengthening quickly with height to widely 60mph where exposed on higher summits. May exceed 70mph west coast later.		
Effect of wind on you?	Severe wind chill and walking difficult or very difficult later. Where exposed on higher areas, generally mobility a struggle.		
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent or constant rain  Rain and drizzle most of the day - clearing to squally showers from dusk on passage of cold front, with snow returning to tops.  Least rain near and north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean.		
Cloud on the hills?	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.		
Chance of cloud free Munros?	Almost nil		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rare glimpses of weak sun near/north of Lochs Treig, Ossian and Glen Spean. Visibility widely poor.		
How Cold? (at 900m)	6C. Will feel as cold as minus 9C directly in the wind.		
Freezing Level	Above the summits.		

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### West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Friday 28 November	Saturday 29 November
How windy? (On the Munros)  Effect of wind on you?	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.	Low confidence in forecast: Most likely northerly, 15 to 25mph, may increase to 30 to 45mph through day.  Be prepared for significant wind chill in the north wind and some buffeting. May become fairly arduous later.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent showers, snow higher slopes.	Mostly dry
	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.	Likely dry, bar snow flurries west coast for a time. Small risk, should an small area of low pressure track further north, of prolonged snow into south for a time.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive upper slopes, bases varying.	Varying, mainly confined to tops.
	Bases varying rapidly, but generally around 700-900m. Lowest bases coastal hills where at times in showers patches down to 500m.	Cloud cover variable across area, but tending to come and go across higher tops from Lochaber and down the west coast.  Low risk extensive in south later.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fleeting bursts of sun, mainly in the east.  Visibility often poor due to rain, or on upper slopes snow.	Variable cloud and occasional sun. Veil of cloud may edge up from south. Visibility mostly very good, but poor should rain/snow develop in south.
How Cold? (at 900m)	Around freezing, perhaps just below inland, or just above near west coast.	Around -2C
Freezing Level	800-1000m, highest near west coast.	Around 600m

## **Planning Outlook**

#### All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 28 November, 2025

Colder over the weekend again, but much uncertainty on the track of a small scale low on Saturday which would bring rain, upland snow and a core of strong winds for a time, most likely England and Wales. Sunday then mostly dry, bright and cold. Next week,. 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. Freeze-thaw cycles, with periods of fresh snow for Scottish hills especially.

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