

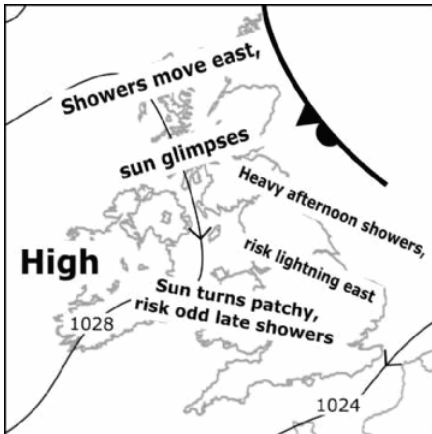
West Highlands

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 Monday, 27 April, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 27 April, 2026

Morning showers and fog Scottish Highlands, showers trending eastward, heavier afternoon. Dry morning England and Wales, little hill cloud, then heavy afternoon showers, frequent and locally torrential over the Pennines with a risk of lightning. Little wind, but gusty around afternoon showers, deteriorating into night.

Headline for West Highlands

Morning showers and fog; improving, glimpses of sun

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 27 April, 2026

How windy? (On the Munros)	North-northwesterly 10-15mph early, some gustiness. Trending northerly and easing to largely 10mph, some stronger breezes Mull to southern islands.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small, though occasional inconvenient gusts over high terrain near the coast, and particularly early.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers and drizzle Frequent showers early in the day, some heavy bursts, and drizzly on high terrain between showers. An easing trend, but some drizzle lingers along the coast where in fog and scattered showers inland, these mostly light by evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Slowly lifting to high terrain, some higher breaks Extensive above 700-800m at dawn, to the lower slopes along west coast; most broken near Loch Lomond. Bases rise through morning, largely above 900-1000m inland afternoon, banks linger on high coastal terrain for longer. Breaks to summits increasing, but only fleeting breaks off highest tops.
Chance of cloud free Munros?	20% rising to 50%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun. Variable visibility, poor in cloud and rain but increasingly excellent.
How Cold? (at 900m)	4C rising to 7C, warmest south/east of Glencoe, locally approaching 8C. Only rising along the coast later in the day.
Freezing Level	Above the summits.

West Highlands - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 28 April	Wednesday 29 April
How windy? (On the Munros) Effect of wind on you?	Variable 10mph or less, but easterly 15mph around Arran. Small.	Southeasterly, some variability, 5-15mph, most notable wind south and may strengthen slight later in the day. Small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No rain expected	No rain expected
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free Munros?	Most cloud south, many tops clear Patchy mist in sheltered inland glens and elevated corries, soon dissipating after sunrise. A thicker layer of low fog south of Glencoe, this rising to high terrain through morning, most tops free of cloud afternoon though some lingering caps around Loch Lomond. 40% rising to 70%	Little or none Valley fog in the morning, the layer locally up to 600-700m well-inland; just patchy mist towards Lochaber/coast. Lifting and dissipating for cloud-free Munros. 90% (summits above morning fog)
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sunshine through high cloud, trending sunnier with time. Excellent visibility.	Widely sunny. Excellent visibility.
How Cold? (at 900m) Freezing Level	5C rising to 9 to 11C, warmest inland, particularly towards Creag Meagaidh. Above the summits.	8C rising to 11C near Loch Linnhe and northward. Little change Loch Lomond to Mull. Above the summits.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 28 April, 2026**

A core of high pressure lingers northeast of Scotland well into the week. The weather will be mostly sunny but also windy, particularly in Wales and the southern Pennines; challenging conditions are likely for several days on high Welsh mountains, powerful gusts over tops and downslope to the west requiring great effort to maintain stability. Despite Monday showers, dry ground conditions, warm temperatures, and wind bring a high risk of wildfire. More settled in Scotland, though breezy in the west, most hill cloud in the east.

Detail becomes uncertain into next weekend, but a rising risk of showers and longer spells of rain as pressure begins to drop.

Forecast issued at 15:59 on Sunday, 26 April, 2026

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