

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 03 Apr 2024 until 23:59 on Thursday 04 Apr 2024

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 02 Apr 2024 at 15:52 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for the unsettled conditions throughout the forecast period. Low confidence for precipitation timings and extent from Wednesday onwards.

Headline for Wednesday 03 Apr 2024: Overcast with rain and drizzle, occasionally heavy and falling as snow above 700m.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 03 Apr 2024

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Sleet	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow				
Precipitation probability							
80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%

Forecast for Wednesday 03 Apr 2024

Weather: Overcast with rain, heavy at times especially across eastern areas and falling as snow above 700m. Strong east or northeasterly summit winds.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Less than 10%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud bases 500-600m, occasionally falling to 300m on eastern upslopes and in heavy rain. Good or moderate visibility in light rain, poor at times in heavy rain or snow.

Forecast for Wednesday 03 Apr 2024

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	19/24 E	23/29 E	26/33 E	26/34 E	28/36 E	27/35 NE	28/36 NE	28/36 NE	25/33 NE
900	14/19 E	16/21 E	19/25 E	20/28 E	22/30 E	21/29 NE	21/29 NE	20/29 NE	18/26 NE
600	10/18 E	10/18 E	13/22 E	14/24 E	16/26 E	15/25 NE	14/24 NE	13/24 NE	11/21 NE
300	9/18 NE	10/21 NE	10/20 NE	13/25 NE	13/25 E	12/25 NE	12/25 NE	10/22 NE	9/19 NE
Glen	9/17 NE	10/21 NE	10/21 NE	13/25 NE	13/25 E	13/25 NE	12/25 NE	12/24 NE	10/21 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-2/-8	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-11	-3/-11	-3/-12	-4/-13	-4/-13
900	0/-5	0/-6	-0/-7	-0/-7	-1/-8	-1/-8	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-9
600	2/-2	2/-3	1/-4	1/-4	1/-5	1/-5	0/-5	-0/-6	-1/-6
300	4/1	4/0	3/-1	3/-1	3/-1	3/-1	3/-2	2/-2	1/-3
Glen	5/2	4/1	4/0	4/-0	4/-0	4/-0	4/-1	3/-1	2/-2
Freezing Level*	900m	800m	800m	700m	700m	700m	600m	500m	500m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Strong summit winds will make for fairly arduous walking on exposed terrain. Note significant wind chill.

Forecast for Thursday 04 Apr 2024

Weather: Rather cloudy at first with patchy rain, falling as snow above 600m. Becoming generally drier and brighter through the day, albeit with a few showers possible at times. Low confidence on detail.

Maximum wind: 25-35mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%, then increasing through the day.

Low Cloud and visibility: Good visibility, but occasionally moderate in rain and summit snow at first.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 C becoming Plus 9 C
At 800m: Minus 1 C.
Freezing level: 700m.