

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 03 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 04 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 03 Mar 2023 at 02:38 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of low cloud on Friday and Saturday. High for a change to much colder weather with snow showers early next week.

Headline for Friday 03 Mar 2023: Dry with sunny intervals and variable cloud cover.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 03 Mar 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms







No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Friday 03 Mar 2023

Weather: A dry day with varying amounts of cloud. Cloud most likely to shroud the summits across Caithness and Sutherland, and perhaps around the Great Glen at first.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, best chance towards the southwest

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 metres, otherwise very good visibility outside of cloud

Forecast for Friday 03 Mar 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/7 NW	6/7 NE	5/7 N	8/11 N	6/10 N	6/8 N	7/9 N
900	5/6 NW	7/8 NE	5/7 N	8/11 N	7/11 N	6/8 N	7/9 N
600	1/2 NW	4/6 NE	4/6 N	7/10 N	5/10 N	4/8 N	3/6 N
300	2/4 NW	2/8 N	1/5 NE	5/9 N	5/11 N	4/8 N	4/8 N
Glen	1/2 N	1/5 NE	2/4 NW	2/5 NW	9/14 N	8/12 NE	4/7 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-4	-2/-6	-2/-4	-2/-6	-3/-6	-3/-6	-2/-6
900	-1/-4	-1/-5	-1/-4	-1/-5	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-6
600	1/-0	0/-2	1/-1	2/-1	0/-2	-0/-2	0/-2
300	0/-2	2/1	4/3	5/4	3/0	2/-0	1/-1
Glen	-0/-2	3/2	6/5	8/7	5/2	4/1	4/2
Freezing Level*	400m	400m	500m	600m	500m	500m	500m

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

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Nothing to add

Forecast for Saturday 04 Mar 2023

Weather: A few wintry showers expected across North Highland where it will be cloudy for most of the day. A lot of dry weather expected across Skye, Lochaber and around the Great Glen with the chance of clearer skies and some sunshine although cloud is likely to invade the summits from the north through the afternoon

Maximum wind: Northerly 15 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%. Best chance in the southwest

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 metres in the north of the area throughout the day, patches down to 300 metres on some upslopes in the northwest at first. Very good underneath the cloud sheet

Temperature: **Glens:** -3 rising to 8 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 600 rising to 900 metres