

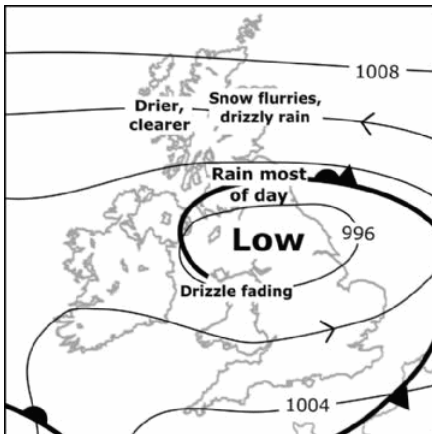
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 3 April, 2024



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 3 April, 2024

Strong easterly winds, sub-zero on Scottish tops, significant chill factor. Persistent rain central & SE Scotland. Snow for E Highlands, mostly flurries. Extensive low cloud. Higher cloud bases, more often dry near west coast N from Mull. Frequent bursts of rain N England. Becoming often dry Wales, but strong westerlies.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Periods of rain or showers, low cloud. Wind often light.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 3 April, 2024

How windy? (On the summits)	Variable 10 to 20mph. Risk easterly 30mph early morning, mainly North Pennines.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small. Possibly more blustery for a time locally early in day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off Periods of steady rain, at times drizzly, may fade out occasionally. Risk more persistent North Pennines. Local heavier showery bursts forming in afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Shrouding higher fells throughout the day, for periods from mid-slopes upward.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, dull or murky. Visibility poor.
How Cold? (at 700m)	2 to 5C, coolest North Pennines. Feeling like -2C to possibly -5C if exposed to stronger wind on high tops.
And in the valleys	4 to 8C.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 4 April	Friday 5 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Variable, mostly east or northeasterly, later turning southeasterly; 10 to 25mph. Strengthening overnight to 40mph+. At times small, but may become blustery for periods on high tops giving considerable wind chill.	Southerly around 30mph, perhaps a brief lull, but risk strengthening further during day, gales developing, especially later. Beware of changing conditions: often blustery, perhaps a brief improvement, but risk deteriorating, later difficult conditions.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A little rain or summit snow, showers Patchy rain, snow flurries on higher tops early in the day. Scattered brief showers forming into afternoon, possible soft hail. Extensive heavy rain late evening into night, starting as snow on tops.	Patchy drizzle or local showers Overnight rain tending to clear northwards by early morning, but leaving a legacy of drizzle, mainly around western Yorks Dales. Occasional showery rain more widely. Further rain into night.
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting toward or above tops Cloud likely to cover higher fells to some mid-slopes in the morning, lifting toward upper slopes with breaks forming toward many tops in Yorks Dales into afternoon.	Fairly extensive, but lifting Covering the hills widely from mid to lower slopes upward in the morning. Bases tending to rise, perhaps lifting toward or above many tops. Patches may come and go especially Howgills area.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy, glimpses of sun at times. Misty start, visibility may improve to become good.	Mostly cloudy, some brighter skies and glimpses of sun northeastern areas. Visibility poor in rain, local improvements.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	0C rising to 3C Yorks Dales; N Pennines staying nearer 0C. Feeling like -7C if exposed to stronger winds in morning. Close to freezing in some valleys at first. Rising to 7 to 10C.	5 to 7C. Wind chill feeling near -5C on high tops. 3 to 5C at first, especially in north; rising to 11 to 14C, warmest eastern Dales.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 4 April, 2024

Complex areas of low pressure continue to circulate over Britain. Chilly easterly winds for Scotland through midweek, eventually turning southwesterly by the weekend with a rise of temperature by this stage. Risk of widespread upland gales Friday into the weekend. The western Highlands will generally see least precipitation and best cloud breaks. Eastern Scottish hills plus much of England and Wales more often affected by low cloud and periods of rain or hill snow. Fresh snow accumulations over the Highlands. England and especially Wales typically above freezing to tops.

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