Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

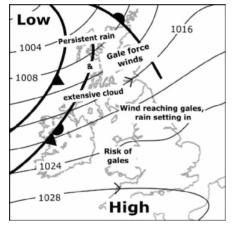
The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.





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General Summary for Friday, 4 July, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 4 July, 2025

Gales and rain setting in across Scotland. Rain will be persistent and heavy in the west - beware risk of local flooding. Clear fells for a time in England, rain and cloud setting in later afternoon. The Pennines from Yorkshire Dales southward mostly dry and free of cloud. A fair but windy day in Wales, rain only arriving later in north Wales.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Wind increasing to gale force; mostly dry until later

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 4 July, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	West to southwesterly 30-40mph in the morning, increasing as afternoon arrives up to or above 50mph, risk reaching 60mph for a time over N Pennines tops.	
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking conditions over the fells, may become difficult on high tops. Considerable wind chill.	
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Substantially dry until later afternoon, then rain setting in Substantially dry much of the day, only isolated spots of light rain in the north. Later afternoon, rain develops from the west, increasingly heavy and persistent. Rain more patchy in eastern areas, driest in southeast Yorks Dales NP.	
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting above hills, then dropping later	
	Patches on some higher slopes in morning, mostly lifting above the fells for much of the day. Later where rain develops, lowering over higher areas more widely, lowest bases over N Pennines and Three Peaks.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%, lowering to 40% later in the day, 20% N Pennines and Three Peaks	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy, glimpses of sun in east; cloud thickening from west with time. Visibility good, later reducing in rain.	
How Cold? (at 700m)	9 or 10C in the morning, rising to 11C, locally warmer southern Yorks Dales NP. Feeling below freezing in the wind.	
And in the valleys	13C at dawn, rising to 16C afternoon, locally 18C southernmost Dales.	

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Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 5 July	Sunday 6 July
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25 to 30mph, at times 35mph higher tops. In the morning, westerly largely near 35mph.	West to northwesterly 20-25mph. Rising through afternoon, risk 35mph over high fells.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery across the fells, affecting ease of walking on exposed terrain; risk of sudden gusts on lower slopes early. Feeling cool.	Fairly small, though increasingly uncomfortable through afternoon; feeling cool.
How wet?	Showery rain	Occasional showers
(Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off, may be more frequent for periods, particularly western areas. Low risk of showery bursts later.	Occasional showers, increasing risk on eastern slopes later in the day with heavy bursts possible.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive higher and western tops	Intermittent high terrain, increasingly clear
	Often covering higher terrain above 600-700m, lowest toward west and in rain, at times 500m; higher breaks eastwards.	Fairly extensive over high terrain in the morning. Becoming patchy with breaks to and above tops, though intermittently filling in, particularly around rain. Increasingly clear later, notably Yorks Dales.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	Becoming 70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy, a little sun in east morning. Visibility often very good, but poor during rain.	Glimpses of sun, may improve somewhat later. Good visibility, at times poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	10 to 12C, locally up to 13C eastern Dales. Feeling near freezing directly in the wind.	9C rising to 10C Feeling just above freezing in the wind.
And in the valleys	12C at dawn, rising to 18C afternoon.	10C at dawn, locally cooler N Pennines. Rising to 14C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 5 July, 2025

The weekend ahead will be generally unsettled: windy and feeling cool with low pressure bringing heavy showery rain widely. High pressure to the southwest will extend to the Isles early next week, settling the weather and allowing sun to break through Monday and Tuesday. Into the week, a mixed westerly regime dominates with greatest risk of rain toward northwest Scotland, drier and warmer further south and east. Several fronts will drift towards Britain from the northwest but high pressure to the southwest will prevent extended unsettled periods. England and Wales may only see occasional rain.

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