

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

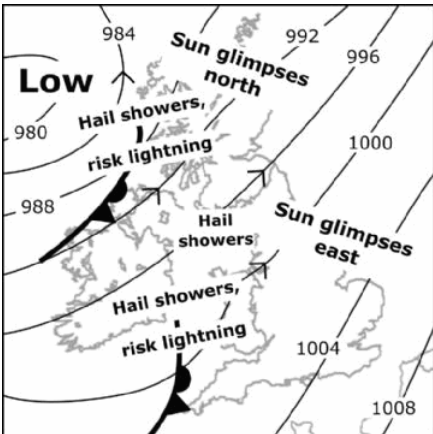
The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 2 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 2 December, 2025

Hail showers will frequent west coast hills fairly widely; snow on the highest tops with risk of isolated lightning. Drier inland, particularly northeast Scotland where sunny bursts will occur. Chilly, feeling cold in a brisk southwesterly wind; this easing in Wales and south Pennines afternoon.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Blustery in exposure; most cloud and some showers west

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 2 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25-30mph, at times 35mph higher North Pennines; risk stronger gusts at and before dawn. An easing trend from the south to 25mph more widely.
Effect of wind on you?	Breezy over the fells, blustery on higher exposed tops early, affecting comfortable walking. A trend towards fairly small effects but noticeable in exposure. Marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rare showers mostly west Much of the region often dry. Local showers may feed inland from Morecambe Bay into the westernmost Dales around the Howgills. Fast-flowing streams after previous rain.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied cloud, mostly western Dales Banks of cloud most frequent western fells up to Tebay, more patchy over high terrain of North Pennines. Lifting above 600-700m, but may linger lower around Howgills. Clearer northeast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% western dales, to 60% northeast.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun mostly eastern dales. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 700m)	3C. Wind chill feeling like -5C.
And in the valleys	4C from dawn, up to 6C afternoon, locally warmer in south-facing dales in the east.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 3 December	Thursday 4 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30-35mph; some gustiness over the high fells.	Southeasterly 35-40mph, trending westerly 25-30mph through afternoon though may stay southerly for longer.
Effect of wind on you?	Comfort of walking affected; more strenuous in exposure with buffeting gusts; feeling chilly.	Arduous morning conditions will start to ease, though may remain strenuous in exposure. Notable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers near Tebay and Three Peaks A few sparse showers near Tebay in the morning. Showers increase in frequency though remain scattered; these reaching towards the Three Peaks.	Outbreaks of rain Often raining at and before dawn, soon beginning to break into patchy rain. A general drying trend is expected, though outbreaks of rain may return.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly high tops, variable lower banks Often capping the Three Peaks northward to Cross Fell; a chance of low fog patches on middle slopes and in the dales early. Some variability, odd breaks to tops but also lower banks around rain.	Fairly extensive Cloud shrouds high terrain from dawn with bases as low as 500-600m in many areas. A general lifting and breaking trend, bases rising to or locally above 700m, but lowering again where rain occurs.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Frequent busts of sunshine for periods, mostly early, though at times more overcast. Very good visibility.	Little sun expected. Very good or excellent visibility out of cloud/rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	2 to 3C, rising slightly afternoon. Feeling like -8C in the wind.	2 or 3C. Feeling like -10C in the wind early, -5C later.
And in the valleys	2C at dawn, though locally cooler towards Teesdale with chance of a light frost. Rising to 5C.	Variable, between 3 to 5C most of the day.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 3 December, 2025

Low pressure circulating to the west and north will dominate the weather for the next 7 to 10 days, bringing generally unsettled weather. A brief period of slack pressure on Thursday into Friday will ease winds for a time though patchy rain will linger in several areas. Strong southwesterly winds return over the weekend bringing cloud and rain to many mountains, most persistent on southwestern slopes. Several low pressure systems will continue crossing the British Isles through the week; often showery and cloudy in the west with broader bands of rain regularly passing east. Wind speed likely to vary though often quite strong with risk of gales coming and going. Brighter, drier periods will punctuate the unsettled weather next week but these likely short-lived.

Forecast issued at 16:10 on Monday, 1 December, 2025

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