

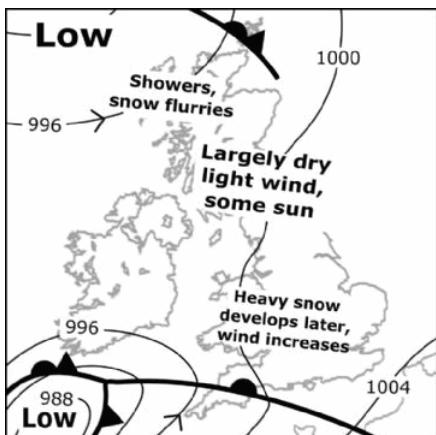
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Thursday, 8 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 January, 2026

Fairly benign conditions, breezier in northern Scotland. Local snow flurries, patchy cloud and some sun. A developing system to the southwest moves into Wales with heavy snow setting in increasingly widely later, extending into the Peak District by evening, accompanied by gales.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Light wind. Rare flurries, patchy cloud.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 8 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Variable direction mostly 10mph or less. Strengthening E-NE'ly 30mph evening-night.
Effect of wind on you?	Mostly small during daytime.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rare light snow Often dry, but possible snow flurries mostly western hills, sleet or rain low-mid slopes. Later evening into night, risk of snow becoming persistent, mainly southern areas.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly little, patchy fog Patchy cloud may drift onto some higher tops, possible fog some valleys also, mainly southern areas.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Varied cloud and sun, likely better east; a veil of high cloud. Visibility very good in places, but risk misty or hazy some lower areas.
How Cold? (at 700m)	-1 or -2C.
And in the valleys	Frost many valleys, all day out of sunlight, starting around -1C to local -3C. Rising to max 2 or 3C. Back to 0C after dark.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Friday 9 January	Saturday 10 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly 20 to 35mph, likely strongest early in day.	Variable or northerly 10 to 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	May make walking uncomfortable with considerable wind chill on high terrain.	Fairly small, but risk noticeable wind chill in exposure on hills.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Flurries mostly morning Patchy snow from overnight continuing into morning - a fresh covering to some lower elevations; sleet lower slopes, tending to fade to flurries and gradually fade out.	Rare if any flurries Substantially dry, chance of an odd snow flurry, light rain spots lower slopes.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, may improve Shrouding most fells in the morning, banks of cloud mid-slopes up in eastern areas. Tending to thin and break in western areas, gradually may lift more widely.	Mostly little Fragments of cloud around some slopes and tops, but many hills often clear. Some mist possible into valleys.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast, may gradually become brighter, but high cloud likely obscures sun. Difficult navigation if in fog over snow cover, visibility may improve with time.	Mix of cloud and sun. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 700m)	-1 or -2C. Feeling near/below -10C if exposed to stronger winds.	-1 or -2C.
And in the valleys	0C from dawn, up to 2C afternoon.	Much terrain frozen into valleys. Sub-zero from dawn, rising to 1 or 2C afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 9 January, 2026**

Terrain remaining widely frozen into the weekend, extensive deep snow cover for Highlands, less nearer the central belt. A fresh good covering for Wales and south Pennines from Thursday night too. Quiet weather for Saturday daytime. Then into Sunday, southerly winds strengthen to gales - as a frontal system approaches, snow then freezing rain is likely. A rise of freezing level from the southwest - some thawing develops, rising just above freezing toward higher slopes; more pronounced thawing in England and Wales to the tops. Uncertain patterns next week, colder air may return across Scotland, whilst further south often generally milder. Some further hill snow mainly in Scotland.

Forecast issued at 16:16 on Wednesday, 7 January, 2026

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