

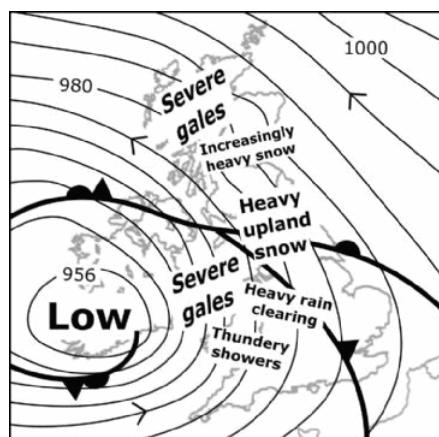
# Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 27 January, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 27 January, 2026**

Severe conditions - storm-force winds on mountains, damaging gusts to some lower terrain. Extensive hill snow for N England & S Scotland, snow setting in heavier with time for southern Highlands; blizzard conditions widely, rain only lower slopes. Showery bursts follow in Wales with risk of hail and thunder.

### Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Severe gales. Heavy upland snow, rain lower down.

## Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 27 January, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	East-southeasterly 45-60mph, though gusty with most powerful winds reaching up to 70mph in morning. Slightly lower speeds by dusk.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Mobility challenged in exposure, at best. Crouching/bracing necessary to maintain stability. Severe wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Heavy hill snow, easing during afternoon</b> Snow falls on the high fells most of the day, heavy at times through the morning. Falling as sleet or rain onto lower slopes, turning wetter to 500-600m or higher afternoon, but fading toward dusk.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive</b> A blanket of cloud shrouds the high fells, likely all day, with bases down to the middle slopes in the east or locally lower slopes during heavier snow falls. The highest bases on westernmost slopes.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Visibility often very poor, appalling on high terrain in blowing snow; whiteout in places over tops.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b>	-1 or 0C, rising from south later to +1C. Feeling like -17 to -20C in direct wind.
<b>And in the valleys</b>	2 to 4C.

	Wednesday 28 January	Thursday 29 January
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Southeasterly 20 to 30mph, strongest gusts toward west and on exposed higher North Pennines.	Southeasterly 30 to 40mph, gusty around higher exposed summits and locally downslope toward west of Pennines.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Starting to affect comfortable walking on exposed higher terrain. Considerable wind chill.</b>	<b>Strenuous walking, challenging where exposed, buffeting gusts in places to lower western areas. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Damp air</b> Fine drizzle where in cloud, snow grains some higher tops.	<b>Snow flurries</b> Mostly light snow flurries, most common eastern side of Pennines, patchy westward; sleet or rain below 400-500m.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive</b>  Covering the hills most or all day, lowest cloud toward south and east. Some higher breaks may form toward Vale of Eden.	<b>Fairly extensive</b>  Cloud banks drifting over tops above 500 to 600m, risk a more extensive sheet across eastern moors in particular.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Misty many hills, locally better visibility western areas.	Largely cloudy, hazy particularly in east, better visibility westward.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b>	1 or 2C. Wind chill feeling like -4 to -7C.	0 or -1C. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -13C.
<b>And in the valleys</b>	2C rising to 5C afternoon.	3 to 5C, small change night into day.

## Planning Outlook

**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 28 January, 2026**

Strong east or southeasterly winds likely to prevail onward into early February. Scottish mountains are expected stay below freezing in the extended range, fresh heavy snowfalls giving substantial depths and drifts across south and eastern areas, much less snow northwestward. Hills in England and Wales will see varying freezing levels, sub-zero for periods to 600m or lower, but intermittently lifting just above the tops - a mix of rain and upland snowfall. A generally unsettled pattern with Atlantic lows continuing to frequently circulate over Britain on a southerly track, whilst high pressure resides away to the north.

**Forecast issued at 16:20 on Monday, 26 January, 2026**

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