

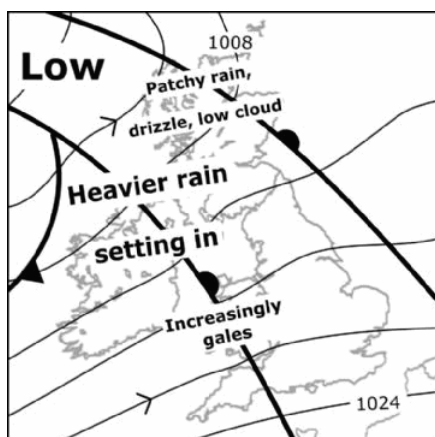
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Saturday, 21 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 21 February, 2026

Southwesterly winds strengthening during the day, becoming upland gales more widely later. Milder overall, soon rising above freezing to the highest summits in Scotland. Rain, drizzle and low cloud extensive, developing into more prolonged heavy rain from the west in the afternoon.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Windy, gales later. Low cloud, drizzle, rain, heavier later.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 21 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30 to 35mph, at times 40mph higher North Pennines. Tending to strengthen further up to dusk, 50mph with stronger gusts into evening.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking conditions, frequent buffeting over exposed higher terrain, becoming widely difficult later.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain and drizzle, heavier later west Rain on and off, persistently drizzly at least over most western areas, most constant rain Tebay southward. Patchier eastern dales. Afternoon into evening, becoming widely persistent rain, heavier in west.
Cloud on the hills?	Extensive Blanketing the hills all day, lowest western Three Peaks area, rarely above 300-400m. Toward eastern dales, and north from Kirkby Stephen, base nearer 500-600m.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull, locally brighter skies for a time eastern areas. Hazy, visibility widely poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	5 or 6C. Where exposed to stronger winds on tops, feeling like -5 to -7C.
And in the valleys	Mild from dawn, little change during day and after dark, 9 or 10C, locally warmer eastern dales.

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 22 February, 2026

West to southwesterly winds prevail during the week ahead as areas of low pressure move toward northwest Scotland whilst ridges of higher pressure occasionally nudge across southern Britain. Sustained gales over the mountains, only brief lulls. Temperatures will fluctuate above and below freezing on higher Scottish mountains, with periods of thaw and refreezing. England and Wales generally above freezing to tops with a substantial thaw of most upland snow. Frequent rainfall, often heavy over western mountains, at times showery with hail, some snow on Scottish Munros. The final days of February favour colder northwesterly air and a drop of freezing level.

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