

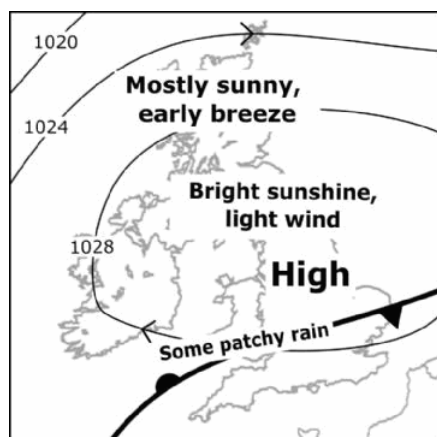
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 3 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 3 March, 2026

A breezy start in Scotland, particularly in the north, the wind easing to fairly small effects; light wind England and Wales. Dry and sunny for most hills, chilly temperatures. Some light rain affecting south Wales through the day, the associated cloud drifting into north Wales and the south Pennines with time.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Bright sunshine and light wind

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 3 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	North-northwesterly 15-20mph from dawn, soon easing to 10mph or less with variable direction (perhaps a lull) N Pennines for several hours. 10mph likely over Yorks Dales with easterly wind. Orienting more widely southeasterly with time, 10-15mph. Small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Little or none Some varied cloud patches in the morning, plus patchy mist around sheltered valleys, soon lifting and dissipating after sunrise for clear fells. 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly sunny, some high cloud lingers in the distance to the south. Visibility very good, a light haze or mist early in day.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	2 or 3C. +1 to 3C from dawn, though frosts likely in sheltered valleys of the N Pennines. Lifting to 7 or 8C afternoon.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 4 March	Thursday 5 March
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 20 to 25mph, in places gusty 30mph higher North Pennines.	Southerly 25-30mph from dawn, gradually easing, 15-20mph by evening, may lower further for a time.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery over higher terrain, affecting ease of walking in some exposed spots. Marked wind chill.	Strenuous walking and feeling chilly in exposure early; improving, may become fairly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation unlikely Some odd patchy rain/drizzle in the N Pennines in the morning, this soon passing north for dry fells.	Risk afternoon rain The morning will be substantially dry, a few light spots of rain may drift onto westernmost fells. A risk of showers afternoon and possibly a broader area of rain with time.
Cloud on the hills?	Local cloud covering tops Some banks of cloud over higher slopes, mostly southern areas above 600-700m, ragged patches to lower slopes too; tending to lift and break above hills into afternoon.	Variable banks early, improving From dawn, ribbons of cloud will cling to the slopes in a few layers. As the day gets going, the cloud will tend to lift and dissipate, leaving many hills free of cloud.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% rising to 70%	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine most common northern areas, glimpses elsewhere, but fairly cloudy. Some haze especially morning, but visibility generally good out of cloud.	Some patchy weak sun. Visibility will be limited by haze.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	3 to 5C, coolest early in N Pennines, rising to 5 or 6C. Directly in the wind feeling like -3 to -5C. Patchy frost some N Pennine valleys at dawn, nearer 3C Yorks Dales. Rising to 10C afternoon.	6C, rising a degree or two, locally to 9C east Yorks Dales. Feeling just below freezing at dawn in direct wind. 4 or 5C from dawn, lifting to 11 or 12C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 4 March, 2026

Varying conditions over the next couple of weeks as areas of high pressure build across the British Isles then slip eastwards. Some dry and bright days with light winds mixed with periods of strengthening southerly winds bringing occasional rain coming in from the west - Thursday this week sees rain move increasingly onto northwestern hills. Temperatures will vary, often lifting just above freezing to higher tops, but occasionally dropping back below freezing - chillier air briefly later this week. Some frosts into valleys during clear-sky nights. Remaining old snow cover on Scottish mountains stays largely consolidated with little change, only patchy around highest tops in England and Wales with little impact on walking.

Forecast issued at 15:57 on Monday, 2 March, 2026

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