

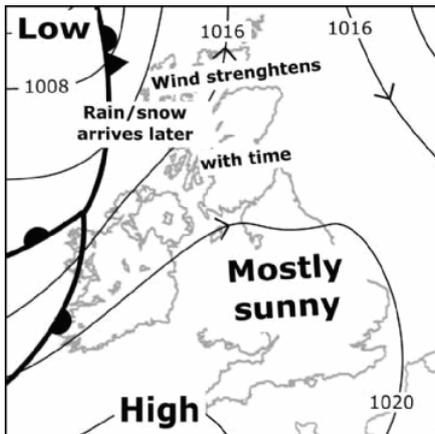
# Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 2 April, 2026



### British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 2 April, 2026

Patchy cloud lingering on upper hills at dawn, clearing for several hours of sunshine and light wind. Wind begins strengthening from the west in Scotland, high cloud builds, with rain and snow arriving and spreading into central Scotland by evening. England and Wales stay dry, small increase in wind and high cloud later.

### Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Mostly sunny with generally light wind

## Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 2 April, 2026

<p><b>How windy? (On the summits)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p>	<p>Variable: northerly 10-20 mph early, soon easing to variable 10mph or less several hours, reorienting southwesterly later afternoon and restrengthening, speeds approaching 25mph over high tops.</p> <p><b>Mostly small, some nuisance wind on exposed terrain early and late in the day.</b></p>
<p><b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p><b>No precipitation expected</b></p>
<p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p> <p><b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b></p>	<p><b>Patchy early fog soon clears for cloud-free fells</b></p> <p>Patchy cloud clinging to some higher fells in the morning, tending to lift and drift away, the fells clear for much of the day, but with a risk of occasional banks of cloud drifting over the Three Peaks summits.</p> <p><b>90%</b></p>
<p><b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Mostly sunny, some local cloud patches drifting around from time to time. Very good visibility.</p>
<p><b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b></p> <p><b>And in the valleys</b></p>	<p>-1C at dawn, lifting to +2 or 3C.</p> <p>0 or +1C at dawn, greatest chance of frosts in N Pennines, though some in Yorks Dales NP too. Lifting to 6 or 7C, locally 8C eastern Yorks Dales.</p>

## Yorkshire Dales &amp; North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Friday 3 April	Saturday 4 April
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>  <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Southwesterly 30-40mph, powerful gusts, including downslope to the east; stronger early and late, up to 50mph.  <b>Conditions often arduous in exposure, feeling chilly despite mild temperatures, mobility may become challenging later.</b>	Soon southerly, briefly below 20mph early in day, but rapid increase to 40-50mph afternoon, later 60-70mph+ higher fells.  <b>Small early in day, but likely deteriorating during daytime - walking challenging then later any mobility increasingly difficult.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Periods of rain</b> Rain will come and go across the fells, generally patchy in nature, though may set in for periods on western fells with heavy bursts. A few drier windows may appear here and there.	<b>Rain setting in</b> Likely dry start, perhaps for a few hours in morning, but patchy rain developing to become increasingly persistent for a time, then leaving drizzly conditions at least over more western areas. Further heavy rain likely later, may be evening.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>   <b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>Fairly extensive, some breaks</b>  During periods of rain, cloud will shroud the fells widely to middle slopes, down to lower slopes on western aspects. Breaks up towards 700m towards Teesdale during cessations in the rain, and some chance of higher breaks for a few hours.  <b>30%</b>	<b>Lowering, particularly west</b>  Patchy cloud around some slopes mainly in west in the morning, many fells clear for a time. Increasingly lowering across the fells as rain develops, filling in lowest for western areas up to Tebay.  <b>60% dropping to 20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Often overcast, but a few brighter windows with glimpses of sun are possible. Mixed visibility, often poor in rain (particularly west), but occasionally good.	Any weak early sun soon giving way to overcast skies. Visibility starts very good, then reducing to be poor.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b>  <b>And in the valleys</b>	3 or 4C early, rising slightly though substantial variability, up to 7C south. Feeling as cold as -10C in strongest wind.  2 or 3C at dawn, lifting up to 11 or 12C.	-1C at first, rising to +4C afternoon, then dropping to again into night to 0C. Feeling like -10C or below as wind strengthens.  Slight frost some valleys up to dawn, rising to 13C afternoon.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 3 April, 2026

Atlantic weather patterns and generally westerly wind will be dominant in the foreseeable future. The weekend ahead is increasingly unsettled, widespread gales on Easter with storm-force wind in Scotland, cooler temperatures, and showers west. Into next week, temperature and wind will be variable, periods of gales and possibly often cold over the mountains with snow and hail showers at times to lower elevations at least in Scotland, sometimes more widely. Precipitation generally most frequent west and northwest, though bands of heavy rain will sweep east at times. Some brief windows of drier and brighter conditions, as well as milder days in England and Wales, occasionally milder Scotland too, but soon followed by more Atlantic low pressure systems.

### Forecast issued at 16:15 on Wednesday, 1 April, 2026

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