

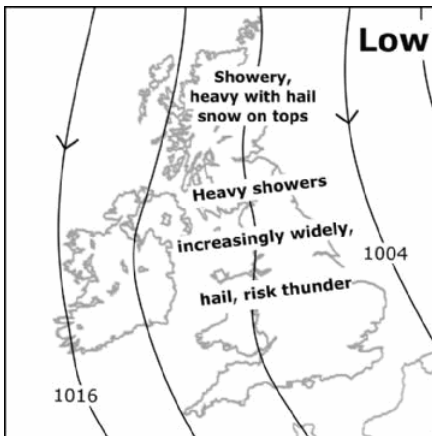
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 14 May, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 14 May, 2026

Another cold day for May with considerable chill factor in exposure to brisk northerly winds. Showers focused on north-facing areas in the morning, but forming increasingly widely, falling as snow on Scottish Munros, at times higher tops elsewhere; heavy bursts with hail, isolated thunder.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Chilly and breezy. Increasingly showery with hail, isolated lightning

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 14 May, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Northwesterly 15 to 25mph, tending to increase in afternoon, some stronger squally gusts around showers.
Effect of wind on you?	Considerable wind chill for mid-May. At times walking becoming uncomfortable in exposure on high tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers forming, some hail, risk thunder A mostly dry and bright start, but clouds will bubble up, with scattered showers forming from late morning. Most widespread afternoon, some heavy with hail, risk of isolated thunder and lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	Varied, but often above tops away from showers. Given flow direction, generally well elevated bases with tops often clear. However, in and around showers, shafts of cloud may lower onto tops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunniest during early part of morning, before skies fill in with cloud. Visibility excellent, but temporarily poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 700m)	2C rising to 4 or 5C afternoon. Feeling like -5C directly in wind.
And in the valleys	5C at dawn rising to 10 to 12C.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Friday 15 May	Saturday 16 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	North to northwesterly 25 to 30mph at dawn, strongest N Pennines, easing down to 15 to 20mph through day. Blustery start to the day, with considerable wind chill and some buffeting, but becoming mostly small.	West later southwesterly 10-15mph, increasing gradually to 15-20mph, later in day 20-25mph. Mostly small, but starting to feeling more noticeably breezy later.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A few brief showers form Largely dry morning. A scattering of showers forming, mainly afternoon toward eastern Dales and North Pennines. Mostly dry further west. Chance of brief hail.	Risk a little rain mainly later Chance of one or two brief showers passing eastwards during day. Later in day, patchy rain moving onto western hills.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any Rare brief patches grazing higher tops.	Little if any until later Rare patchy cloud briefly on western tops in morning, otherwise clear. Later in day, cloud banks form on western tops if rain develops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Skies will often be filled in with cloud limiting the best of the sun to early morning, and again late in the day. Visibility excellent.	Sunshine best early in day in east, high cloud tends to thicken from west to cover the sky. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	Close to 0C at dawn, lifting to +4C. Feeling near -10C directly in early wind. 3C at dawn, locally colder with slight frost in shelter; rising to 11C afternoon.	1C rising to 6C afternoon. Frost in many valleys at dawn. Rising to 12C afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 15 May, 2026**

Becoming gradually less cold into the weekend as northerly winds ease and then switch toward west-southwesterly. Fewer showers by Friday with sunny spells. A dry start to Saturday, frost at dawn where skies are clear. Rain and lowering cloud moves onto west coast areas during Saturday, persistent rain later western Scotland. By Sunday and Monday, areas of showery rain will pass eastwards during the daytimes, leaving western areas generally drier with cloud breaks afternoon-evenings. South-southwesterlies then prevail for a few days next week, with rain at times Tuesday and Wednesday on western hills, particularly Scotland. A drier and warmer theme later in the week as higher pressure builds.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Wednesday, 13 May, 2026

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