

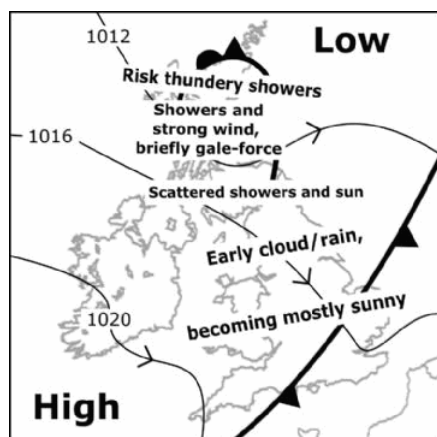
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 30 July, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 30 July, 2026

Cool, windy, and showery in Scotland. Gales and heavy showers pass west-to-east across the highlands, showers most frequent with lightning risk north. Starting breezy with rain over the Pennines and Wales, this clearing east for sun, a few odd showers northwest England. Mild-to-warm England and Wales.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Early rain soon eases to rare showers and sun; blustery north

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 30 July, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly, 20 to 25mph, a strengthening trend over N Pennines, sustained speeds approaching 30-35mph with stronger gusts. Only a slight increase in speed over Yorks Dales NP, if at all.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small at first, but increasingly affecting comfortable walking over N Pennines, buffeting gusts forming and feeling chilly.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional showers Scattered showery rain moving west to east during the day, an odd heavier burst possible, but trending towards drier conditions. Scattered showers may return to western hills around dusk.
Cloud on the hills?	Early cloud lifts, summits substantially clear At dawn, a fairly extensive layer of cloud shrouds terrain above 600m with lower patches, mostly western fells and particularly Yorks Dales NP. Cloud lifts, soon breaking from the north, the fells largely clear by noon except for odd passing caps over high western summits.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Rising to 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy early, notably Yorks Dales with poor visibility in cloud and rain. Sun increasingly breaking out, mostly sunny afternoon with very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 700m)	10 to 12C, warmest Yorks Dales, starting to cool later afternoon into evening back towards 9 or 10C. Feeling like 0C in exposure to wind.
And in the valleys	12C at dawn, rising to 16 to 18C afternoon, warmest eastern dales.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Friday 31 July	Saturday 1 August
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	West-southwesterly 15-20mph, gusts forming and sustained speeds rising, to 25mph north. Fairly small, but becoming gusty with ease of walking impacted on the high tops to the north.	Westerly 15-20mph, regularly gusting 25mph over tops, or stronger northern fells. Fairly small, ease of walking impacted at times over northern fells.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers Showers mostly western areas in the morning, a scattering developing more widely with time. Some heavier bursts mainly afternoon, chance of isolated thunder.	Scattered showers Showers drift from the west from time to time, eastern fells often dry, though a greater risk of more widespread breakouts for several afternoon hours.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Capping some tops early in day Patchy cloudy mostly above 600-700m in the morning, most common toward west. Lifting above most tops, some lowering patches around showers. 70%	Early cloud clears the fells At dawn, may be fairly extensive above 600m N Pennines, lower patches on western fells; higher with more breaks southward, but Three Peaks are likely in cloud. Cloud lifts through morning to clear all hills. 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun mostly morning in east, clouding over from west. Visibility mostly very good.	A patchwork of cloud and sun, tending to push east afternoon for later sun. Very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	9C rising to 12C afternoon. Feeling close to 0C in the wind on tops. 8C at dawn, rising to 18C afternoon; where showers occur, temperatures vary by a few degrees.	9 or 10C at dawn rising to 12C, or slightly warmer southernmost fells. 9C at dawn rising to 17C afternoon.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 31 July, 2026

Cool and showery westerlies into the weekend, windy over high terrain; western hills often capped in cloud. Southern Pennines and Wales likely see only scattered showers and remain warm. Cloud encroaches from the southwest on Sunday, winds turn southerly and warmer air wafts back across England and Wales. A complex area of low pressure is then expected to circulate slowly over Britain early next week, bringing areas of rain and heavy showers, some thundery downpours possible. Winds varying, trending northerly and strengthening, to gales over high summits on Tuesday. A window of improvement from midweek, which may persist into the weekend, but a showery northwesterly persists in Scotland. Beware ongoing fire management restricting access to some mountains.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Wednesday, 29 July, 2026

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