

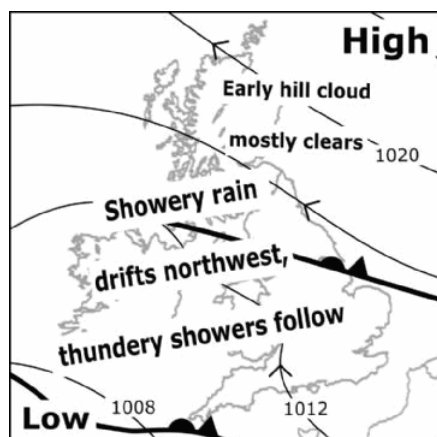
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Wednesday, 26 August, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 26 August, 2026

East Scotland, the Pennines, and Wales start cloudy, this lifting, dissipating over much of Scotland. Early showery rain and cloud in Wales migrates to England and southwest Scotland, thundery showers following over Wales and England; driest/clearest northwest Scotland. Warm, humid, and breezy.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Breezy, gusty; showery rain soon arrives, risk thunder later

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 26 August, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	East-southeasterly 25 to 30mph, some stronger gusts in the morning. May lessen somewhat for a time.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery with notable gusts early in day including to some lower slopes west of Pennines. Becoming smaller with time but wind remains inconvenient in exposure much of the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Periods of rain, some longer falls, risk thundery later A mix of spots from high cloud and drizzle, some steadier rain arriving from the south lasting for an hour or so, most rain to the east. Particularly later, risk of heavier bursts of rain and possible thunder.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly early, clearing for several hours Cloud fairly widely shrouding fells above 400-600m in morning, lower banks more persistent in south and east. Rising and tending to dissipate, fells perhaps clear of cloud for several hours, then banks returning to graze high terrain during rain.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Rising to 80% for a time
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional weak sun through high cloud, best over N Pennines in the morning, trending more overcast. Visibility good at times, but reduced in rain, and a haze around.
How Cold? (at 700m)	12C rising to 15C, and perhaps warmer later in the western Yorks Dales NP. Feeling like 5C in the early wind.
And in the valleys	13 or 14C at dawn, rising to 20 to 22C afternoon, coolest in eastern Dales. Quite humid as well.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 27 August	Friday 28 August
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southeasterly 15-20mph, notable early gusts approach 30-35mph; later trending southerly and lessening, 10-15mph. Fairly small, though blustery in the early hours.	Southwesterly, some variability, 10-20mph. May strengthen, risk strongest gusts up to 30mph. Mostly small, though may become quite blustery in exposure late in the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain sets in with thundery bursts Bursts of rain increasingly forming from the south, setting in for several hours with heavy, thundery falls. Breaking into showers later, but a risk of thunderstorms remains. Beware rapidly rising streams and local flood risk.	Often raining A broad area of rain slowly drifts around the N Pennines for extended falls, occasionally heavy. Patchier falls Yorks Dales NP, but clustering for longer falls too. Fast-flowing streams, risk local flooding.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Fairly extensive Most high terrain begins shrouded, lowest banks of cloud on eastern slopes, and becoming extensive from middle slopes upward as rain sets in, ragged patches increasingly forming to valleys. May begin to break from the south later. 20%	Extensive Most fells shrouded above 500m much of the day, bases often lower to the west, and patches forming to valley level during heaviest rain (most often N Pennines). Some local higher breaks in Yorks Dales NP. 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull for several hours, poor visibility much of the day on high terrain in cloud and rain. May improve from the south later.	A few glimpses of weak sun. Largely poor visibility in fog and rain, local improvements on lower terrain.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	13 to 16C, tending to vary through the day, though coolest temperatures likely in the morning; humid. 13C at dawn, rising to 18 to 20C afternoon, beginning to cool again as rain arrives.	12 to 14C, may rise slightly higher on some eastern fells. 13C at dawn rising to 17 to 19C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 27 August, 2026

Heavy, thundery rain likely affects England, Wales & southern Scotland on Thursday and Friday, potentially prolonged heavy falls bringing a risk of local flooding. A westerly wind will establish into the weekend, drawing cloud and drizzle onto western high terrain, several frontal systems sweeping more broadly across the country. The strongest wind and heavy rain may pass mostly across England and Wales, with the lightest rain in west Scotland. Best chance of cloud base rising towards higher terrain in western areas, perhaps briefly to higher summits, but the hills more often shrouded, patches to low slopes around heaviest rain. A west-southwesterly weather track prevails next week: cloud and drizzle on western hill groups (particularly west Scotland), breezy, areas of rain regularly spreading more widely.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Tuesday, 25 August, 2026

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