

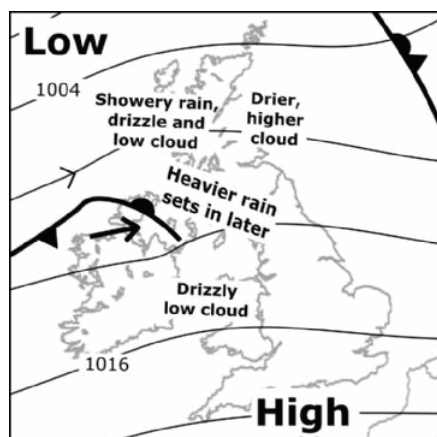
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 3 September, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 3 September, 2026

Strong to gale-force winds over high terrain. A lot of cloud, shrouding all western hills, plus patchy rain and drizzle, becoming heavier persistent falls in the west later; a swathe of more intense rain develops for southwest Scotland into northwest England by evening, later into north Wales.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Windy; cloudy with some rain, heavier later west.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 3 September, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25-35mph, may ease briefly later but followed by a swathe of powerful wind later/into night, above 50mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking impeded in exposure much of the day, more strenuous moments with a chilly feeling; deteriorating late/into night.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A little light rain, wetter by evening An early drizzle on high western tops soon fades, followed by spotty light rain mainly in west, plenty of dry windows on eastern Pennines, for several hours in places. Later afternoon into evening, rain sets in persistent and heavy from west, sustained heavy falls into night.
Cloud on the hills?	Most persistent western Yorks Dales, some breaks north/east. High terrain starts shrouded, fairly extensive fog to at least middle western slopes. Bases will lift to clear some fells well into the day, best toward eastern North Pennines, but high tops from Tebay to Howgills will see varied banks of cloud much of the day. Will later fill in more widely.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% western Dales, rising to 60% northeast.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A few bright glimpses mainly eastern dales, but more often cloudy. Generally good visibility under cloud, some haze and locally poorer visibility west.
How Cold? (at 700m)	11 to 13C, always coolest on western fells, rising further overnight; quite humid. Feeling like 2 to 5C in direct wind.
And in the valleys	14C at dawn, rising to 16 or 17C, and rising slightly further into nighttime.

	Friday 4 September	Saturday 5 September
How windy? (On the summits)	West-southwesterly 35 to 50mph, stronger gusts may reach 60mph especially higher northern Pennines by	Westerly 30mph at dawn, easing during morning, to 15-20mph afternoon, turning SW'ly; rising dusk onward to 40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking conditions, frequent buffeting knocking you off balance on exposed terrain. Considerable wind chill.	Blustery and chilly start, lessening to be fairly small. Then deteriorating late in day onward into night.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A little rain west, showers Overnight heavy rain clears southward by dawn, leaving it wet underfoot and fast-flowing streams. A little patchy rain likely to come and go during day, some heavier showery rain more likely later afternoon.	Rare light showers Well scattered light showers passing eastward. Evening onward, chance of some rain extending in from the southwest.
Cloud on the hills?	Varying but lifting from many tops Patchy cloud likely to come and go over higher areas mostly above 700-800m, most common western Three Peaks in morning. Breaks higher up in afternoon.	Clearing tops Patchy cloud over some slopes above 700m early morning. Lifting above the summits by late morning onward.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% west, 70% east.	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy, occasional sun mostly east. Visibility often good, but reduced at times in rain in west.	Occasional sun, best in east in morning; high cloud tending to thicken afternoon. Visibility very good.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	8 to 10C, coolest west, little change all day. Directly in wind feeling like 0 to -3C. Mild 14C from dawn, but only small rise to 17C into afternoon.	8C rising to 12C afternoon, little change or rising a degree or so higher evening/night. Feeling near/below 0C in wind at first. 10C at dawn, rising to 17C afternoon, staying very mild and increasingly humid evening onward.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 4 September, 2026

A series of weather systems moves in from the Atlantic over the next 10 days to bring spells of rain and showers, accompanied by frequently strong to gale force mountain winds. A window of better weather is likely on Saturday for Scotland and northern England, but further rain is expected to move in from the southwest by Saturday night and Sunday, heaviest western Scotland; a risk of more powerful upland gales developing over Scotland into Sunday. Temperatures will vary, mildest toward the south, but some cooler air moves in from the north at times bringing higher Scottish tops close to freezing point.

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