

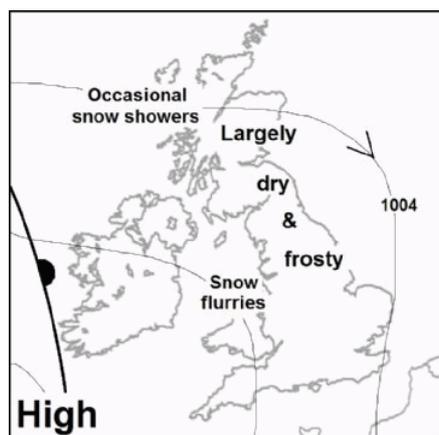
Peak District and Yorkshire Dales

Covers the whole of the southern and central Pennines. Includes Cumbrian fells within the Yorkshire Dales NP extension.



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General Summary for Wednesday, 23 January, 2019



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 23 January, 2019

A cold but generally dry and sunny day for many areas. Terrain widely frozen from valleys upward following some very low night temperatures. Local snow showers or flurries, focused around western coastal hills. Fragments of cloud on some higher slopes. The air very clear.

Headline for Peak District and Yorkshire Dales

Generally dry, sunny. Terrain frozen. Wind fairly light.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 23 January, 2019

How windy? (On the summits)	North backing northwesterly, 15 to 20mph, easing slightly to 10-15mph into afternoon.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Substantially dry Very likely dry. Isolated brief snow showers or flurries.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any The hills generally free of cloud, with rare fragments briefly some higher slopes in morning.
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Frequent bright sunshine. The air extremely clear.
Temperature (at 600m)	-2C. Where exposed to wind, feeling close to -10C.
And in the valleys	Almost all terrain frozen from valleys up after hard frost. Temperature only 2 or 3C in afternoon.

Peak District and Yorkshire Dales - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 24 January	Friday 25 January
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Precise detail uncertain in this forecast: Variable or northwesterly, 10 to 20mph, perhaps often low speeds. Fairly small.	Low confidence in the forecast: Westerly or variable, 15 to 25mph or less, small risk reaching 35-40mph. Risk of buffeting and significant wind chill where exposed across the hills.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation unlikely Small risk of an isolated snow flurry.	Drizzly rain on and off Detail very uncertain: Fronts extending in from the west bring rain or drizzle, perhaps briefly sleet or snow on higher slopes. Most persistent western hills, but amounts small.
Cloud on the hills?	Little if any Patches of cloud may occasionally cap western summits, but many hills often free of low cloud.	Extensive Likely to shroud the hills most of the day, risk extensively from low levels up. Highest bases and best of any breaks toward east.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%	30%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine may weaken as high cloud develops from west. Excellent or superb visibility. Possible local freezing fog patches some valleys.	Rare glimpses of sun. Generally dull, and visibility reduced around precipitation.
Temperature (at 600m) And in the valleys	-1C. Risk of hard frost in valleys at dawn; terrain thawing only slowly in sunlight. Max 2 to 4C.	2 to 4C. 3 to 5C, may rise a degree or so higher.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 24 January, 2019**

Cold conditions are expected to prevail across the mountains over the next week or fortnight - perhaps longer. Mountain temperatures will frequently be sub-freezing, often to lower slopes in Scotland. Wind speeds very varied day-to-day, at times up to gale force with severe chill factor. Over the next 5 days or so, winds will be mostly from the west or northwest, allowing briefly less cold air to affect England & Wales in particular. Whilst there is some uncertainty, indications into next week favour a cyclonic situation, with areas of precipitation circling around a broad area of low pressure, with scope for locally substantial snowfalls on the mountains. A northeasterly flow may well emerge for a few days.

Forecast issued at 14:20 on Tuesday, 22 January, 2019

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