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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, 16 July, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 16 July, 2025

Fine much of the day for many areas, cloud covering some hill slopes in the morning, tending to lift above many summits. A little patchy rain mostly southern Scotland and northern England in the morning, tending to fade. Isolated showers into afternoon. Mostly light winds.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

A little rain occasionally, cloud lifting. Breezy morning.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 16 July, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly 15-20mph in morning, local 25mph at dawn; turning northeasterly and easing slightly, to 10mph or less through afternoon. Fairly small, though feeling breezier and cool early in day.	
Effect of wind on you?		
How wet? (Precipitation and its	Patchy rain locally, isolated showers A little light rain mainly North Pennines in the morning.	
impact)	Isolated light showers forming and drifting around slowly, though many areas staying substantially dry.	
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting and clearing	
	Covering many higher slopes from dawn into early morning, varied cloud banks. Lifting to higher slopes, then mostly above the hills by late morning.	
Chance of cloud free summits?	50% rising to 90%	
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy, some sun breaking through. Visibility excellent, though locally dull toward north and east in morning.	
How Cold? (at 700m)	11C rising to 15C. Feeling like 5C in early breeze.	
And in the valleys	11C at dawn, rising to 21C afternoon.	

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Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 17 July	Friday 18 July
How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 10 to 15mph, may increase a little, to 20mph at times high tops.	Southerly 15 to 20mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Fairly small	Fairly small
How wet?	Some drizzly rain developing west	Rain at times heavy, may fade
(Precipitation and its impact)	Feeling damp where in cloud toward west, may become more drizzly with time. Little if any toward east and northeast Pennines.	Rain and drizzle, some heavier pulses of rain moving northeastwards. Risk of local thundery bursts forming toward northeast afternoon into evening, but tending to improve from southwest.
Cloud on the hills?	Risk often covering western Dales tops	Extensive, rising slowly, some breaks
	Cloud banks may often cover western Three Peaks area, filling in to lower heights in drizzle. Higher cloud bases north and eastwards from Kirkby Stephen above tops for perhaps much of day.	Covering the fells widely in the morning, to 400-600m, lowest in western Yorks Dales up to Tebay, mostly higher tops further north. Bases tending to lift to upper slopes afternoon, gradually some breaks forming as rain clears.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% western Dales, to 80% north/east	20% rising to 50% afternoon.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun mostly eastern Dales, cloudier west. Visibility good below cloud.	A little weak sun through cloud. Visibility good below cloud, but poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	12C where in cloud, up to 15C north/east Pennines, increasingly humid.	12 to 15C, quite humid.
And in the valleys	12C at dawn, rising to 19 to 22C, warmest eastern Dales.	15C from dawn, rising to 22C afternoon.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 17 July, 2025

Humid air moves in from the southwest on Thursday with drizzly rain and low cloud particularly in western regions. A mixed outlook, as slack low pressure drifts slowly over the British Isles, giving slow-moving showers and increasingly thundery downpours, these most extensive over England and Wales into the weekend. Staying fairly warm, quite humid. Often low wind speeds, but south-southeasterlies may increase at times. By next week, west to southwesterlies likely to prevail, with some rain or drizzle at times mostly western Scotland, often dry further south and east.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Tuesday, 15 July, 2025

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