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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.

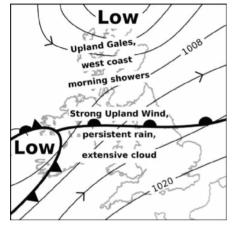




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General Summary for Thursday, 18 September, 2025



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 18 September, 2025

Strong upland wind or gales across the mountains. Frontal wave bringing persistent, heavy rain and extensive cloud from North Wales to the Southern Uplands. Highlands drier, especially east of A9, but showery near the west and north-west coast in the morning. Temperatures mild but with notable wind chill.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Strong upland wind. Rain & extensive cloud afternoon.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 18 September, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 40 to 50mph, the strongest speeds eastern Pennines and Dales. Very gusty.		
Effect of wind on you?	Difficult walking conditions will make progress challenging. Gusts may blow you over. Marked wind chill.		
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Dry morning; persistent rain afternoon A dry morning will give way to persistent, occasionally heavy, rain arriving in the afternoon. Least rain towards eastern dales.		
Cloud on the hills?	Becoming extensive		
	Patchy cloud on higher ground in the morning will in and lower as rain arrives in the afternoon. Cloud may well reach the lowest slopes near the M6 and the Three Peaks region.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	60% becoming 20%		
Sunshine?	Morning: Patchy sunshine through high cloud. Excellent visibility.		
Air clarity (below cloud)	Afternoon: Little or no sun. Poor visibility.		
How Cold? (at 700m)	10C. Feeling 0C or just below in the wind.		
And in the valleys	8 to 10C rising to 14 to 16C, warmest in the eastern Pennines.		

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Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Friday 19 September	Saturday 20 September
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 30 to 40mph, likely strongest in morning, may ease slightly further late in the day. Feeling blustery with balance affected at times, especially morning. Marked wind chill.	Forecast details uncertain. Lull likely in the morning, possibly picking up to northeasterly 20 to 25mph. Negligible initially. May begin to affect the comfort of walking by the afternoon. Marked wind chill later.
How wet?	Rain or drizzle most of the day	Light rain likely turning heavy & persistent
(Precipitation and its impact)	Persistent rain, occasionally heavy western Yorks Dales NP, likely through the day. Rarely fully ceasing, but may ease to become drizzly for periods. Eastern Pennines will receive the lightest rainfall.	Rain on and off in the morning likely to get persistent and heavier in the afternoon. Very wet underfoot conditions developing and rivers in spate. Small chance of drier conditions if position of front shifts.
Cloud on the hills?	Widespread, lowest west Dales	Extensive
	Higher ground will remain shrouded all day, lowest cloud base to mid slopes in western areas up to Tebay. Higher bases toward Teesdale.	Widespread cloud on high ground in the morning will lower and thicken through the day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little or no sunshine Poor visibility, locally better eastern dales if dry.	Sunshine unlikely. Very poor visibility.
How Cold? (at 700m)	12C. Feeling close to 0C in the wind.	7C, dropping a little into the afternoon. Feeling around freezing in the afternoon wind.
And in the valleys	13C from dawn, rising to 16 to 18C, quite humid.	11C, not much change through the day.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 19 September, 2025

Weather remains mixed into and through the weekend, often with high winds, regions of persistent rain and extensive cloud. Temperatures falling through Saturday across the UK with the higher Scottish summits dropping below freezing and frosts in some glens. Looking increasingly likely that high pressure will take hold from the north on Sunday evening, bringing a period of more settled weather across the country for a couple of days at least, perhaps longer.

Forecast issued at 16:30 on Wednesday, 17 September, 2025

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