

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

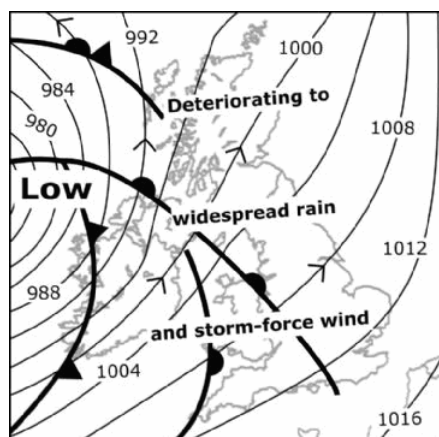
The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.



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General Summary for Friday, 3 October, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 3 October, 2025

Mostly dry conditions early with modest wind effects, deteriorating as Storm Amy arrives. Winds reach gale-force around midday, further deteriorating through afternoon, reaching hurricane-force over high Scotland tops later. Rain becomes widespread with sustained heavy falls on western mountains; local flooding is likely.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Moderate conditions deteriorate to heavy rain and storm-force wind

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 3 October, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 30-35mph or briefly less in morning early; some stronger winds before dawn. Shifting southerly and rising to 40-50mph after midday, returning SW'ly and rising further to a gusty 60-75mph into evening.
Effect of wind on you?	Some uncomfortable winds in the morning, then a rapid deterioration through afternoon to storm-force winds. Any mobility will likely require crawling by evening.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Some early showers; heavy rain develops Overnight rain clearing to showers by dawn, mostly fading to often dry for a few hours in morning, though may linger longer west Yorks Dales NP. Rain then develops from southwest, setting in widely and heavy through afternoon. Very wet underfoot west.
Cloud on the hills?	Patches with breaks for a time; filling in Banks of cloud over the fells from dawn, most persistent western Three Peaks area up to Tebay. Breaks to many eastern tops for a few hours. Lowering as rain develops, increasingly filling in widely
Chance of cloud free summits?	50% reducing to 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sun through high cloud through morning, becoming overcast through afternoon. Visibility very good, then hazier, later poor in rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	8 to 10C. Rising to 13C for several hours later in the day, then a sharp drop overnight. Feeling near freezing as wind speeds increase, later colder into evening.
And in the valleys	10C much of the morning, rising to 14C for several hours afternoon.

	Saturday 4 October	Sunday 5 October
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwest soon westerly, 50 to 65mph, up to 70mph higher North Pennines with stronger gusts mainly morning.	Northwesterly 40-50mph from dawn, shifting westerly and easing to 30-40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging mobility over higher terrain all day, gusts could knock you over. The most difficult conditions likely early in day.	Arduous conditions early, easing though remaining strenuous with considerable buffeting. Notable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain most persistent western Dales Rain on and off, but frequent to near-constant for periods western areas, particularly Three Peaks, at times heavy. May set in more widely for several midday hours. Fast-flowing streams, expect flooding.	Pulses of rain and drizzle Occasional drizzle drifts over high fells around the Three Peaks and Cross Fell group. Pulses of light rain come and go from the west, may set in for several hours.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly higher western tops Cloud mostly confined above 600m, most common on tops south of Tebay. Further east and north, mostly above 700m, often above eastern tops.	Increasingly shrouding high fells Many fells clear from dawn, some cloud banks drift over summits of Three Peaks and Cross Fells groups. Becoming more extensive over high terrain with some lower patches on western fells.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%	60%, lowering to 20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun mostly toward east. Quite hazy, visibility poor where in rain.	Patchy sunshine in the morning becoming shrouded by cloud. Good visibility at first, deteriorating with the arrival of cloud and rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	5 or 6C, locally cooler at dawn. Wind chill making it feel like -5 to -8C.	6 to 8C. Feeling near or just below freezing in direct wind.
And in the valleys	7 to 9C, small change all day.	7C at dawn, rising to 10C. Temperatures stay elevated into evening.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 4 October, 2025

Storm Amy clears to the northeast on Saturday, behind which temperatures drop much cooler, to freezing on higher Scottish summits. Showery and windy conditions prevail through the day easing only gradually into Sunday as another mild and humid westerly brings cloud and drizzle to high tops and western slopes. Changeable westerlies continue into the week with frontal boundaries in northern England and Scotland: frequent rain and cloud on western mountains, rain at times passing eastward. Rain and cloud slip south through England and Wales around midweek, though weakening as it goes. Early indications of several days of northerly winds late in the week, which will bring cool, showery conditions to many with a mix of sunny and rainy spells with snow on northernmost tops.

Forecast issued at 16:09 on Thursday, 2 October, 2025

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