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# **Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines**

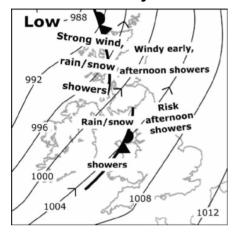
The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.





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# General Summary for Wednesday, 3 December, 2025



## British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 3 December, 2025

Widely breezy, strongest northern England and Scotland, early gales over high Munros; easing but staying blustery northwest Scotland. Showery rain onto west coast slopes down to Wales (snow on high terrain) most of the day, some reaching further east afternoon. Greatest chance of dry weather south Pennines.

#### **Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines**

Blustery over the tops; risk showery rain afternoon

## Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 3 December, 2025

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How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 25-30mph from dawn, rising slightly for a time around midday with gusts reaching 35mph or higher over highest tops. Speeds settle near 30mph most of afternoon.		
Effect of wind on you?	Comfort of walking affected; more strenuous in exposure with buffeting gusts, notably for a few hours around midday. Notably chilly.		
How wet?	Risk of afternoon showery rain  A few sparse showers near Tebay in the morning. Afternoon brings a greater risk of showery rain from the west, though several fells may remain dry.		
(Precipitation and its impact)			
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly high tops, variable lower banks		
	Often capping the Three Peaks northward to Cross Fell; a chance of low fog patches on middle slopes and in the dales early. Some variability, odd breaks to tops but also lower banks around rain, greatest risk low cloud afternoon.		
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%		
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Frequent busts of sunshine for periods, mostly early, more often cloudy afternoon.  Very good visibility.		
How Cold? (at 700m)	2C early, becoming 3C. Feeling like -8C in the wind.		
And in the valleys	2C at dawn, though locally cooler towards Teesdale with chance of a light frost. Rising to 5C.		

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#### Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 4 December	Friday 5 December
How windy? (On the summits)  Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 35-40mph, shifting westerly 20-25mph; shift likely by afternoon but timing uncertain.  Arduous morning conditions will start to ease, though may remain strenuous in exposure. Notable wind chill.	Southerly 25-35mph, trending southeasterly and rising to 40mph, further deteriorating into night.  Comfortable walking affected from dawn, blustery in exposure.  Deteriorating into night. Significant wind chill.
How wet?	Outbreaks of rain	Many areas dry before late afternoon rain
(Precipitation and its impact)	Often raining from dawn for several hours. A trend towards patchy rain is expected, though outbreaks of rain may return most likely east.	Local patches of rain drift from the west but many fells substantially dry well into the day. Rain arrives from the west afternoon, spreading widely and setting in heavy for a few hours into night.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive	Some breaks for a time, deteriorating later
	Cloud shrouds high terrain from dawn with bases as low as 500-600m in many areas. A general lifting and breaking trend, bases rising to or locally above 700m, but lowering again where rain occurs.	Cloud banks cover the high fells in the morning with lower patches, mostly on western Yorks Dales. A rising trend with breaks to and above the high fells, then returning more widely to high terrain afternoon.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	Rising to 50% for several hours
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Little sun expected. Very good or excellent visibility out of cloud/rain.	A bright sunrise in the east, soon overcast. Very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 700m)	2C Feeling like -10C in the wind early, -5C later.	1 or 2C, rising several degrees after nightfall. Feeling like -10C in the wind.
And in the valleys	Variable, around 3 or 4C most of the day.	Frost in the dales at dawn, slowly rising to 4C then rapidly higher after dark.

### **Planning Outlook**

#### All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 4 December, 2025

Low pressure circulating to the west and north will dominate the weather for the next 7 to 10 days, bringing generally unsettled weather. A brief period of slack pressure on Thursday into Friday will ease winds for a time though patchy rain will linger in several areas. Strong southwesterly winds return over the weekend bringing cloud and rain to many mountains, most persistent on southwestern slopes. Temperatures and freezing level will vary, but staying chilly with highest terrain likely near or below 0C. Several low pressure systems with then pass through next week, brining frequent periods of cloud, rain, and strong wind, likely gale force on high terrain at times. Occasional windows of dry, brighter weather will occur, best chance east.

#### Forecast issued at 16:11 on Tuesday, 2 December, 2025

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