

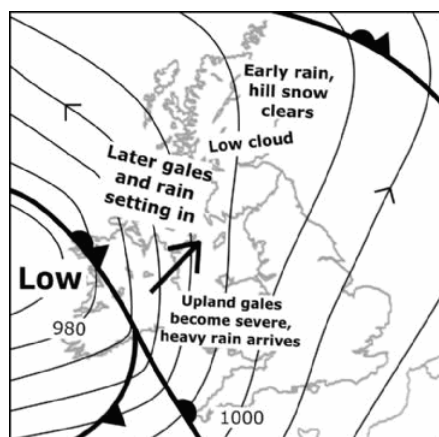
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 5 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 5 December, 2025

South-southeasterly winds strengthen, reaching gale-force afternoon many areas, sooner Wales, here becoming severe. Some rain / hill snow NE Scotland fades, patchy rain west coasts, otherwise dry, then rain sweeps in from southwest later, snow inland mountains into evening. Best cloud breaks NW Scotland.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Windy, gales develop. Largely dry, patchy cloud, rain evening.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 5 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 25-35mph, trending southeasterly and rising towards 40mph afternoon, further deteriorating soon after dark to 50-60mph. Then starting to drop further into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Comfortable walking affected from dawn, increasingly strenuous with buffeting gusts in exposure, deteriorating to become difficult dusk onward. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Many areas dry, rain soon into evening Local patches of rain drift from the west but many fells substantially dry most or all of daylight. Rain arrives from the west from dusk, spreading widely and setting in heavy for a few hours into night.
Cloud on the hills?	Some breaks for a time, deteriorating later 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 from dusk as rain arrives.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Rising to 60% for several hours
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A bright sunrise in the east, soon overcast, high cloud thickening to cover the sky. Very good visibility.
How Cold? (at 700m)	1 or 2C, rising several degrees after nightfall. Feeling like -10C in the wind, colder as speeds increase up to dusk.
And in the valleys	Frost in the dales at dawn, slowly rising to 4C then rapidly higher after dark.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 6 December	Sunday 7 December
How windy? (On the summits)	South to southwesterly 20 to 30mph, may strengthen further later.	Very uncertain speeds: South turning southwesterly, 20 to 30mph, but risk increasing to 40mph+.
Effect of wind on you?	Feeling blustery over higher exposed terrain, risk of becoming more challenging walking conditions.	Expect blustery conditions, beware potential for more arduous conditions for much of the day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Often raining west, patchy north/east Rain on and off at least, a mix of steady rain and frequent drizzle in western areas in Yorks Dales up to Tebay. Smaller amounts much of North Pennines and eastern dales, but damp in cloud.	Possible spell of heavy rain Risk setting in for steady or heavy rain for a few hours. Chance of only small patchy amounts.
Cloud on the hills?	Most persistent western hills Covering many fells all day, fairly extensive above 400-500m in areas from Kirkby Stephen southward. Further east and northeast, bases higher, more often above 600m with some breaks.	Fairly extensive Shrouding the fells widely, with banks of cloud from low to mid elevations upward western Dales. Higher bases northeast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun eastern areas. Visibility often reduced in west, poor in cloud and rain; better northeastward, good below cloud.	Generally cloudy and misty, poor visibility likely most hills, locally better northeast.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	5C. Wind chill feeling like -5C in stronger speeds on tops. 7 or 8C, little variation night and day.	5C, small variation with added height. Feeling like -5C or possibly colder if exposed to stronger wind. 7 to 9C, small change night into day.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 6 December, 2025

Generally unsettled through the weekend and into next week with areas of low pressure circulating near to the British Isles. Day-to-day detail will be uncertain even in short-range as complex systems move around slowly - a series of frontal systems bringing spells of rain and some high-level snow, mixed with showers with hail mostly near western coasts. Temperatures often on the milder side compared to recently, with typically only higher tops in the Highlands intermittently just below freezing point, expect periods of thawing up to these tops. Wind speeds will also vary, often south to southwesterlies, at times reaching gale force on tops, but intermittent lulls.

Forecast issued at 15:25 on Thursday, 4 December, 2025

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