

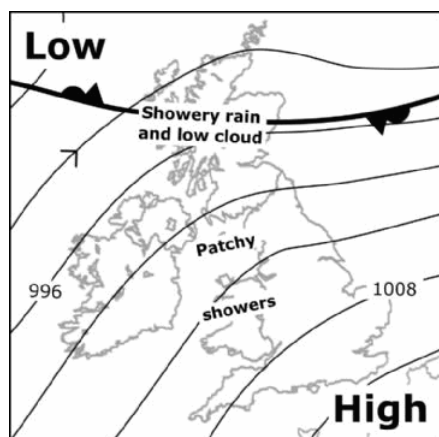
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Monday, 8 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 December, 2025

Southwesterly winds often gale force over most higher terrain of Britain, less strong toward the north of the Highlands. Close to freezing only on higher Scottish tops. Rain frequent over western Scotland, some patchy rain passing eastwards. Showery rain common on some western hills in England and Wales.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Gales on tops. Some showery rain mostly west.

Detailed Forecast for Monday, 8 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 35 to 50mph; speed likely to fluctuate with powerful gusts in places around high tops, strongest over North Pennines; speeds moderating a little after dark for a few hours. Arduous walking conditions in exposure over the fells all day, considerable buffeting and marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Occasional rain Rain heaviest and most widespread for a few hours around dawn. Then patchy showery rain, most common western Yorks Dales Then well into night, heavy rain develops from the south.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Mostly tops western Dales Likely to drift onto higher slopes, most frequently from Ingleborough to Howgills, some patches elsewhere, but more often clearing the tops as the day goes. 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun mostly east and northeast areas. Visibility often good, reduced locally in showers west.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	5C, a slow rise after dark, reaching 8C. If exposed to stronger winds, feeling like -7C on high tops. 8C from dawn, rising to 10C.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Tuesday 9 December	Wednesday 10 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southerly 35-45mph, shifting southwesterly and rising to a gusty 50-60mph, risk stronger gusts over tops. Conditions soon difficult over exposed high terrain, you may struggle to stay on your feet during gusts. Significant wind chill.	Southwesterly 40 to 55mph, risk at times over 60mph on higher fells, particularly North Pennines, with stronger gusts. Arduous walking conditions from mid elevations upward, difficult over higher terrain; significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Morning rain breaks to showers, flood risk Persistent and often heavy rain through morning. Trending towards showery rain afternoon, though remaining quite persistent on western slopes and N Pennines for a time. Beware fast-rising streams, flood risk.	Showers Occasional showery rain, most common toward the western Yorks Dales NP.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Extensive Blanket cloud shrouds the fells from middle slopes upward most of the day, down to some lower slopes in the western Yorks Dales to Tebay. Some variability with lifting bases later in the day but unlikely clearing the summits. 10%	Mostly western tops Cloud base varying, mostly confined to upper slopes, most common in western Yorks Dales NP, breaks north/eastward. 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Overcast and dull. Poor visibility.	Occasional sun mostly eastern dales. Slight haze, visibility at times reduced further in showers in west.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	10 or 11C most of the day. Cooler around dawn and into night with rapid changes. Feeling like -3C where exposed to wind. 7C at and before dawn, rising to 12 or 13C for several hours; a sharp cooling into night.	4 or 5C. Wind chill feeling like -10C. 7C from dawn, up to 9C early afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Tuesday, 9 December, 2025**

A very unsettled spell through the next 10 days as southwesterly winds prevail and low pressure systems move in from the Atlantic. Stormy conditions widely over the mountains on Tuesday, gales remaining severe on high terrain into Wednesday, then potentially intensifying again on Thursday. Temperatures only close to freezing on higher Scottish tops this week, even here will experience spells above freezing with thawing, leaving snow increasingly patchy, but beware some icy surfaces on the very highest tops where some refreezing occurs. Rainfall will be frequent and heavy, sometimes showery with hail. Expect wet ground conditions and further flooding of streams and some rivers.

Forecast issued at 16:24 on Sunday, 7 December, 2025

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