

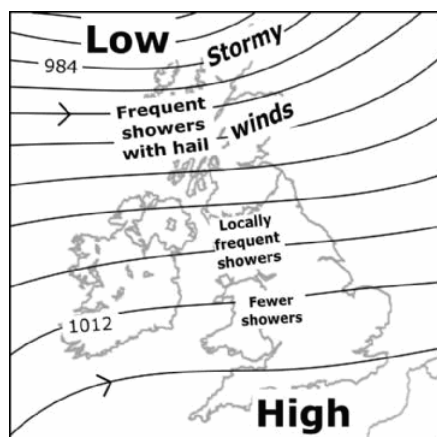
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 10 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 10 December, 2025

Storm-force winds continue over Scottish mountains, beware of storm damage and blocked routes. Gales remain severe over high terrain in northern England and tops in north Wales. Showery rain, hail and on higher tops snow in the Highlands, near-constant in the west. Bands of showers northern England, fewer for Wales.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Upland gales, severe high tops. Rain frequent, wettest west.

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 10 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 40 to 55mph, risk at times over 60mph on higher fells, particularly North Pennines, with stronger gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking conditions from mid elevations upward, difficult over higher terrain, gusts knocking you off balance; significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers Occasional showery rain, most common toward the western Yorks Dales NP, possible hail mainly morning. Wet underfoot, streams in spate.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly western tops Cloud base varying, mostly confined to upper slopes, most common in western Yorks Dales NP, breaks north/eastward.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Occasional sun mostly eastern dales. Slight haze, visibility at times reduced further in showers in west.
How Cold? (at 700m)	4 or 5C, rising slightly into evening-night. Wind chill feeling like -10C.
And in the valleys	7C from dawn, up to 9C early afternoon.

	Thursday 11 December	Friday 12 December
How windy? (On the summits)	South-southwesterly 35 to 50mph, risk 60mph higher fells mainly North Pennines.	Gusty southwesterly 35-45mph at dawn soon sharply drops to westerly 20-25mph well into the day. Strengthening into night.
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging walking conditions, remaining difficult over higher tops.	Effects soon fairly small; strenuous walking with considerable buffeting and wind chill at dawn.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain unlikely Rare if any brief drizzly spots, mainly west. Rain may then develop from west onward into night.	Morning rain, dry afternoon A band of rain sweeps east through morning, first clearing the North Pennines then the Yorkshire Dales. Likely no rain afternoon.
Cloud on the hills?	Patchy cloud mostly southwest Some cloud banks may drift onto southern slopes, greater risk around western Yorks Dales up to Howgills. Further north the hills may be often clear.	Extensive early, mostly clear afternoon High fells shrouded at dawn with banks down to middle slopes. Cloud starts to break through morning as rain clears, though variable ragged patches will linger for a time with some caps over the high fells of Yorks Dales NP.
Chance of cloud free summits?	50%	20% rising to 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun best toward north. Risk misty some southern areas, otherwise good visibility.	Overcast morning with poor visibility breaks into afternoon sunshine with very good visibility, though some haze will form.
How Cold? (at 700m)	4C, may start to drop into night. Feeling like -7 to -10C in the wind.	5C early, lowering to 3 or 4C.
And in the valleys	6C at dawn, rising to 9C early afternoon.	7C from dawn, little change before dropping afternoon to 4C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 11 December, 2025

Staying unsettled as southwesterly winds prevail and low pressure systems pass to the northwest of Scotland; sustained gales over the mountains, severe or stormy for periods. Temperatures only just below freezing intermittently on higher Scottish tops, even here will experience spells above freezing with thawing, any lying snow patchy, but beware some icy surfaces on the very highest tops where some refreezing occurs. Driest in eastern areas on Thursday, otherwise 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 16:06 on Tuesday, 9 December, 2025

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