

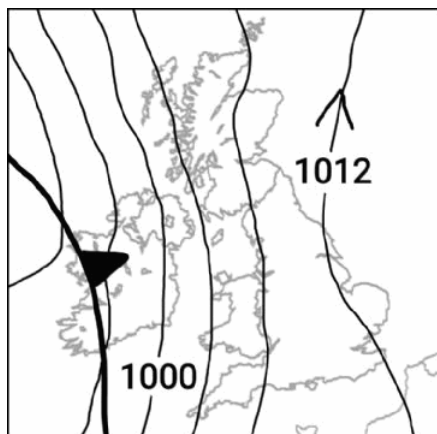
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Saturday, 20 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 20 December, 2025

South to south-easterly winds, reaching gale force for western hills, local drizzly showers southwestern Scotland as well as Wales, with rain into Pembrokeshire later. Elsewhere, areas of weak sun and low cloud. Low cloud focused on eastern side of Pennines and also southern and eastern Highlands.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Mostly dry, varied low cloud, most extensive in east. Strong, gusty winds.

Detailed Forecast for Saturday, 20 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	South to south-easterly 25 to 35mph, perhaps exceeding 40mph for a time westernmost hills.
Effect of wind on you?	A very blustery and gusty airflow, arduous towards west coast especially, with considerable buffeting and wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Mostly dry Generally dry, bar isolated spots of light rain or drizzle from the low cloud.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, best breaks west coast. Fairly extensive banks of low cloud. More broken cloud bases at times in the west where mainly just capping tops at times with the best breaks.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30% in the east, 60% in the west.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A little weak sun possible should cloud layers thin, mostly likely in the west. Visibility good or very good, but poor in any local drizzle.
How Cold? (at 700m)	3 or 4C. Directly in the wind feeling like -7C.
And in the valleys	5 to 7C

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Sunday 21 December	Monday 22 December
How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 20 to 30mph, may increase to 30 to 40mph	Southeasterly 15 to 25mph
Effect of wind on you?	Very blustery, gusty winds, with sudden, strong gusts running downslope from ridges and passes. Significant wind chill.	Blustery at times with marked wind chill where exposed to the wind.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain on and off, may set in later. Patches of rain or drizzle. Likely to become frequent or constant, as the day wears on, from the south.	Early rain and drizzle, then drying up A warm front and its widespread rain clears early, but further patches of rain or drizzle may follow, mainly to eastern fells. Otherwise drying up.
Cloud on the hills?	Widespread Hill fog will very likely be extensive across the hills through the day. Best of any breaks will be toward the west coast.	Fairly extensive, but breaks west coast. Fairly extensive banks at varying heights in rain. As rain clears, very disorganised cloud banks, some hills in fog, whilst others clear, with best breaks west coast.
Chance of cloud free summits?	20%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Extensively dull. Visibility perhaps good at times, but marked haze and poor when in rain.	Little or no sun. Visibility poor in rain, but tending to become good, despite a slight haze.
How Cold? (at 700m)	Around 2 or 3C	4C
And in the valleys	Maximum temperature 5 to 7C	Up to 7C in the valleys

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Sunday, 21 December, 2025

A much drier and chiller theme develops into the Christmas period and perhaps into the New Year, as high pressure builds to the north and northeast and maybe later in the period overhead over Scotland when inversion conditions would be in place. An extensive cloud sheet will likely come in from the North Sea over many days with light snow showers or flurries likely, rain to lower slopes, but many areas dry. Best breaks in the west.

Forecast issued at 19:02 on Friday, 19 December, 2025

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