

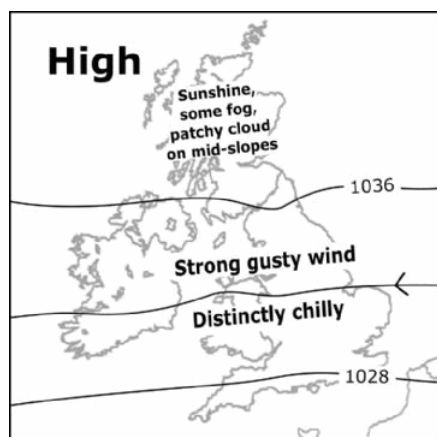
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 26 December, 2025



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 26 December, 2025

Generally dry, apart from chance of odd light showers eastern Scotland. Sunshine over most Scottish mountains - the tops warmer than glens above an inversion; patchy low-level fog or cloud banks some slopes. Easterly winds remain strong and gusty England and Wales, feeling bitterly cold in exposure despite plenty of sun.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Gusty wind, chilly. Mix of cloud and some sun, best west.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 26 December, 2025

How windy? (On the summits)	Easterly 20 to 30mph, sustained speeds typically strongest toward the south, but widely gusts 35mph around some high tops; locally also gusty downslope western side of Pennines.
Effect of wind on you?	Blustery with considerable wind chill in exposure over the fells, in places sudden buffeting gusts not just on the summits.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation rare if any Chance of brief snow grains mainly eastern North Pennines, light rain spots lower down. Otherwise dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Often above hills, mostly northern tops Patchy cloud coming in from the east grazing higher slopes in North Pennines, above 600-700m. Well broken patches drifting west and southwest to clip high tops at times, but often above many tops.
Chance of cloud free summits?	60% northeast, to 80% elsewhere.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Fairly cloudy all day toward northeast, dull but visibility good below cloud. Some sun breaking through elsewhere, best in west, visibility excellent here.
How Cold? (at 700m)	0C, small variation with height. Feeling like -10C directly in the stronger wind.
And in the valleys	Near 0C from dawn, frost in sheltered spots. Reaching max 3 or 4C.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 27 December	Sunday 28 December
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Easterly 25 to 35mph, stronger gusts around some slopes near high tops and downslope to the west. Starting to affect comfortable walking and balance in exposure, sudden buffeting gusts in places; considerable wind chill.	Easterly 10 to 20mph. Fairly small, some gustiness near and west of high tops.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	A little rain northeast Occasional spots of light rain east and mainly northeastern Pennines, snow grains higher slopes. Largely dry western areas.	Dry all day
Cloud on the hills?	Most common N Pennines tops Cloud banks mostly above 700m, may be frequent over higher North Pennines; patchier toward western Yorks Dales.	Patches some tops Much cloud above the hills, but may graze some higher slopes above 700m, mainly east and north Pennines - Cross Fell summit may be near top of this cloud.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40% N/E Pennines, 60% Three Peaks.	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Rather cloudy overall, some brighter breaks western Dales. Visibility very good, some haze east.	Sun mostly western dales, cloudier east. Visibility excellent, though duller east.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	0 to 2C, coolest eastern North Pennines; may rise slightly higher western Dales. Feeling like -8 to -10C in stronger wind. 3 to 5C, locally rising to 7C western Yorkshire Dales.	0C. 3 to 6C.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 27 December, 2025**

Dry weather continues into the weekend as a strong area of high pressure resides near or north of Scotland. Inversion conditions Scottish mountains, high tops generally above freezing and above most patchy cloud, some frost and fog in glens. Gusty east-northeasterly wind increasing for Scotland by Saturday, easing again for Sunday. Strong and gusty winds prevail for England and Wales, often cloudy, a little light rain occasionally Pennines; some sun toward west.

Forecast issued at 16:21 on Thursday, 25 December, 2025

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