

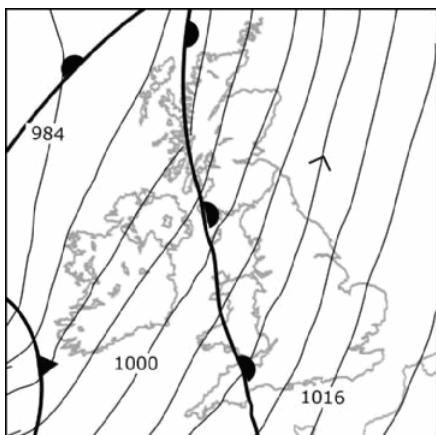
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Sunday, 11 January, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 11 January, 2026

Widely very difficult mountain conditions in severe or storm force upland winds. From west, rapid snow melt commencing and extensive fog - giving whiteout in some areas. Underfoot areas of ice, in some areas on lower slopes.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Storm force upland wind; snow turning to rain.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 11 January, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly, 50mph, at times 60mph high Pennines. Powerful gusts.
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging conditions with very considerable buffeting particularly in powerful gusts - reaching some lower slopes. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Snow turning to rain, heavy west Snow before dawn. Turning to rain morning, rarely ceasing Yorkshire dales north to A66 (road to Scotch Corner); on and off elsewhere.
Cloud on the hills?	Persistent fog on almost all summits Shrouding most fells all day, to lowest slopes western dales in Yorkshire, highest bases N Pennines, where rarely 600-700m.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Less than 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine not expected; widely dull and misty.
How Cold? (at 700m)	-1C early morning, rising toward +2 to 4C, small variation of temperature with height. Will feel as cold as minus 13C directly in wind.
And in the valleys	Near freezing at dawn, rising to 2C during daytime, reaching 4 or 5C toward evening - but most terrain frozen and areas of ice.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Monday 12 January	Tuesday 13 January
How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 45mph, strongest tops above 650m.	Low confidence in forecast: Generally southerly 30 to 40mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Walking widely difficult on higher areas, frequent buffeting even lower elevations. Significant wind chill.	Walking on higher areas may well be arduous most or all day and wind chill considerable.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent rain west Rain on and off, frequent in western areas, particularly Yorks Dales NP up to Tebay, some showery bursts mixed in. Very wet underfoot due to previous rain and where snow melts.	Rain may become incessant Rain may well fall most or all day.
Cloud on the hills?	Mostly higher tops Often covering higher terrain above 700-800m, more frequent to 600m around Ingleborough. Some breaks best toward eastern side of Pennines.	Blanket of low cloud probable Cloud may well fill in or have filled in across the hills, and persist all day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun mostly eastern dales. Slight haze, visibility reduced to poor in rain.	Sunshine not expected. Widely misty or murky in rain.
How Cold? (at 700m)	4C. Wind chill feeling around -10C where directly exposed on tops.	5C
And in the valleys	Mild from dawn, small variation night and day, typically 9C.	Between 6 and 8C

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 12 January, 2026**

High rainfall and intermittently windy across most mountains areas next week as a series of Atlantic lows cross Britain .

From Tuesday day to day confidence very low due to uncertainty in timing and tracking of lows .

Over England and Wales, temperatures on higher summits will intermittently be below freezing point: snow may accumulate on highest summits. Freeze thaw cycles will occur on the Scottish Highlands, although above 900m periods of thaw may well be brief, with progressive enhancement of the snowpack likely.

Forecast issued at 12:34 on Saturday, 10 January, 2026

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