

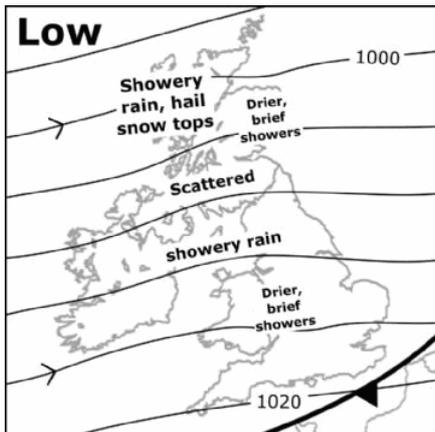
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 22 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 22 February, 2026

Showery southwesterlies, extensively gale force over higher terrain with significant chill factor. Rain and hail, snow falling above 900m in Scotland, most frequent west coastal areas. Fewer showers eastward across Scotland and for England & Wales, with some cloud breaks toward tops.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Windy, gales on tops. Showers mostly west.

Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 22 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southwesterly 35 to 50mph, squally gusts in showers, at times toward 60mph higher North Pennines tops.
Effect of wind on you?	Challenging conditions over higher fells, frequent buffeting making walking arduous in exposure. Significant wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showery rain mostly west Showery rain on and off, some heavier bursts, mostly western Yorks Dales, risk of brief hail. Drier eastwards. From dusk into evening, more frequent heavier showery rain in west.
Cloud on the hills?	Most frequent western tops Often capping the higher Three Peaks above 600-700m, sometimes lower in west in showers. Also likely to come and go above 700-800m in North Pennines. More often above the hills eastward.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun, mostly eastern dales. Visibility at times very good, but reduced to occasionally poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 700m)	3 or 4C. Wind chill feeling like -10 to -13C on tops.
And in the valleys	7C from dawn, up to 9 or 10C afternoon, but lowering slightly in showers.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Monday 23 February	Tuesday 24 February
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 40mph, to 50mph in morning N Pennines, easing to 30mph afternoon. Increasing again into night. Arduous walking conditions over the fells in the morning, moderating during daytime. Significant wind chill early in day.	Southwesterly 35 to 45mph, over 50mph at times on higher tops, mainly N Pennines. Arduous walking over higher exposed terrain, frequent buffeting. Considerable wind chill despite milder air.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Patchy rain, may set in west Rain on and off, most frequent western areas, but small amounts for a few hours at least, drier eastern dales. Risk becoming heavier in west afternoon, and persistent rain more widely.	Drizzle mostly western Dales Patchy drizzle mostly western areas up to Tebay, and feeling damp where in cloud elsewhere. Drier east and northeast Pennines.
Cloud on the hills?	Lowest and most persistent west Covering higher Pennines much of the day above 700m, but more persistent above 500m western Three Peaks area, lowering further all areas in rain.	Fairly extensive, lowest west Covering higher fells much of the day, most persistent to 600m in west, or possibly lower south of Tebay.
Chance of cloud free summits?	30%	20%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy west, some brighter skies east with a little sun breaking through. Visibility fairly good where dry, but reducing to be poor in west in rain.	Largely cloudy, some brighter skies with sun through high cloud north and east Pennines where visibility good. Hazier western Dales, misty around some hills.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	3 or 4C, rising slightly from dusk. Feeling like -10 to -15C directly in the wind. 7C from dawn, rising to 9 or 10C.	5 to 7C. In exposure to wind, feeling like -5 to -7C. Mild 8C from dawn, rising to 12C afternoon.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 23 February, 2026

West to southwesterly winds prevail during the week ahead as areas of low pressure move toward northwest Scotland whilst ridges of higher pressure occasionally nudge across southern Britain. Sustained gales over the mountains, only brief lulls. Temperatures will fluctuate above and below freezing on higher Scottish mountains, with periods of thaw and refreezing. England and Wales generally above freezing to tops with a substantial thaw of most upland snow. Frequent rainfall, often heavy over western mountains, at times showery with hail, some snow on Scottish Munros. The final days of February favour colder northwesterly air and a drop of freezing level.

Forecast issued at 16:00 on Saturday, 21 February, 2026

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