

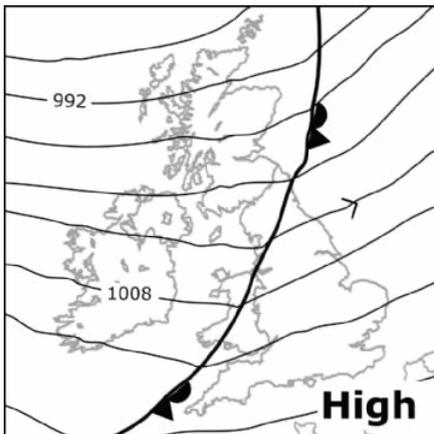
# Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 15 March, 2026



**British Mountain Summary:  
Based on forecast chart for noon 15 March, 2026**

Widespread rain - snow higher areas Scotland and finishing as snow higher summits elsewhere, will from the west clear (as temperatures drop) to squally hail and snow showers. Upland winds will be close to gale force, and although improving, still extensive low cloud.

**Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines**

Upland wind near gale; rain, snow and fog.

## Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 15 March, 2026

<p><b>How windy? (On the summits)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p>	<p>Southwest 50 to occasionally 60mph on higher tops until late morning or midday. Then veering westerly, a slight lull, then 35 to on higher tops 40mph - very gusty near precipitation.</p> <p><b>Continued difficult walking and wind chill significant on exposed higher areas. Expect balance, and in places general mobility to be difficult.</b></p>
<p><b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p><b>Rain morning; clearing to showers</b></p> <p>Morning and middle of day: Periods of rain &amp; drizzle, heaviest western Yorkshire dales.</p> <p>Early afternoon: Rain clearing from west, but finishing as snow above 600m.</p> <p>Later afternoon: Occasional rain, hail and above 600m snow showers.</p>
<p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p> <p><b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b></p>	<p><b>Fells covered morning; then cloud base rising markedly</b></p> <p>Morning and perhaps early afternoon: Blanket of fog across the fells, breaks to 600m north Pennines and more eastern dales.</p> <p>Into afternoon: Improving, cloud base rising to between 500m near precipitation but mostly above 750m.</p> <p><b>Less than 10% morning; later 70%</b></p>
<p><b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Dull and misty morning and probably into afternoon.</p> <p>Later patchy sun and mostly good visibility (temporarily poor in precipitation).</p>
<p><b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b></p> <p><b>And in the valleys</b></p>	<p>4C dropping to 1C.</p> <p>Will feel as cold as minus 10C where exposed to the wind.</p> <p>Around 9 Celsius most of day - although may drop a degree or so into afternoon.</p>

## Yorkshire Dales &amp; North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Monday 16 March	Tuesday 17 March
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	Westerly; easing through morning from 35-45 to 30-35mph, strongest higher tops. Strengthening again toward dusk. <b>Significant wind chill and arduous or at times difficult walking. Balance may well be a struggle higher areas in morning.</b>	Southerly 40 to sometimes 50mph N Pennines and highest tops Yorkshire. Elsewhere, 25 to 35mph. <b>Significant wind chill and in gales walking sometimes difficult. Balance very tricky in sudden gusts.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Frequent hail and snow</b> Showers; perhaps very frequent morning - the precipitation possibly almost constant for an hour or so. Expect hail and above 350, later 650m snow. More widespread precipitation probable before dusk.	<b>Risk drizzle, mainly western Yorkshire dales</b> Frequently dry although chance of a little drizzle. Risk of the drizzle frequent western dales between Tebay and Ingleton.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>May clear temporarily: highest cloud base middle of day - later deteriorating</b> Cloud base varying: near precipitation below 450m, perhaps 300m morning. Otherwise, cloud base 600m perhaps above nearly all tops into the afternoon. Fog may well fill in across the hills, particularly Yorkshire dales late in day.	<b>May be extensive western Yorkshire dales</b> Confidence low: broadly extensive low cloud may well widely break up and lift to clear most summits. But western Yorkshire dales between Tebay and Ingleton may have persistent fog, cloud base 200m or so.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>30%, but 70% for a few hours</b>	<b>Rising to 60% by afternoon</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine coming through over a few hours from later morning - cloud thickening later in day. Persistent haze - and very poor visibility in precipitation.	Western dales Tebay to Ingleton: Dull and murky - perhaps most or all day although may clear. Otherwise: Fog probably clearing to give sunshine and excellent visibility.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b> <b>And in the valleys</b>	-1C, rising toward 2C. Will feel as cold as minus 14C due to wind chill. Will reach around 7C in the afternoon.	6C.  As high as 11 to perhaps 14C in the afternoon.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 16 March, 2026**

An abrupt transition will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday. Areas of low cloud, drizzly rain and strong winds will continue to affect mainly western mountains until Wednesday. But then as pressure builds north of Britain it will become extensively fine; cloud often clearing, particularly western Britain, and temperature levels more varied - fairly warm some afternoons but frost widely at night.

**Forecast issued at 12:29 on Saturday, 14 March, 2026**

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