

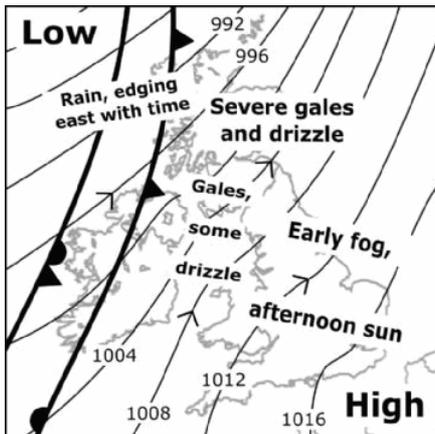
# Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Tuesday, 17 March, 2026



### British Mountain Summary: Based on forecast chart for noon 17 March, 2026

Widely windy, severe gales in Scotland. Rain in the western Scottish highlands edges into central highlands with time; early drizzle over many high slopes, lingering in Scotland, Lakeland, and Snowdonia. Sun breaking out afternoon over Wales and the Pennines with milder temperatures, though a chill in wind.

### Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Gales, most persistent north; early fog and drizzle improves

## Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 17 March, 2026

<p><b>How windy? (On the summits)</b></p> <p><b>Effect of wind on you?</b></p>	<p>South-southwesterly 35-45mph, to sometimes 50mph N Pennines and highest tops near Tebay, in the morning. An easing trend with time, notably in the south where speeds may drop to or below 30mph for periods, more widely easing overnight.</p> <p><b>Strenuous walking with significant wind chill, most difficult mobility high N Pennines where strongest gusts will require bracing to maintain balance. Some improvement is expected south but walking remains strenuous in exposure.</b></p>
<p><b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p><b>Drizzle on high western fells</b></p> <p>In the morning, drizzly over the high western fells, fading but lingering for longer from Tebay to Ingleton, as well as the Cross Fell group. The fells likely dry by mid afternoon.</p>
<p><b>Cloud on the hills?</b></p> <p><b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b></p>	<p><b>Extensive early, improving, clinging to high west fells</b></p> <p>Broadly extensive low cloud early, tending to lift and break, particularly east areas. Western Yorkshire Dales between Tebay and Ingleton may have persistent fog clinging to the higher tops, as well as the Cross Fell group.</p> <p><b>Rising to 80% by afternoon, though 60% high west fells</b></p>
<p><b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>An overcast and dull start, skies brightening with sun breaking out afternoon, best east fells. Where visibility will be good. Fewer sun breaks on western fells.</p>
<p><b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b></p> <p><b>And in the valleys</b></p>	<p>5 or 6C, eastern Yorks Dales NP may reach 7C. Feeling as cold as -8C in strongest wind over high N Pennines.</p> <p>7 or 8C from dawn, rising to 11C N Pennines, to perhaps 14C eastern Yorks Dales NP.</p>

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

	Wednesday 18 March	Thursday 19 March
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	West-southwesterly 10-15mph, easing to less than 10mph southerly or variable.	East-southeasterly 10mph or less.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Negligible</b>	<b>Negligible.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Precipitation unlikely</b>	<b>Little or none</b> Small chance of a few spots of drizzle rain in the eastern N Pennines, likely entirely dry.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Banks lift to high fells, may clear for periods</b> Banks of cloud at various heights in the morning, lifting after sunrise, largely to just the high western fells, and often lifting off the fells, particularly to the south.	<b>Most extensive north and east</b> Valley fog in the morning, the fog thicker to the north and east, perhaps widely shrouding east N Pennines; broken banks towards Cross Fell. Fog lifts after sunrise, largely to above 600m, may dissipate over Yorks Dales. Best clearing on middle slopes to the west.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>40%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Some sunshine but often shrouded by high cloud and perhaps some lower cloud in the west. Good visibility.	Best chance of sun on lower western slopes but weakened by high cloud, particularly N Pennines. Good visibility but some haze.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b>	5C rising to 9C N Pennines, 10C Yorks Dales.	6 to 8C, mildest south, trending towards 6C more widely.
<b>And in the valleys</b>	4 to 6C from dawn, rising to 14 to 16C, mildest Yorks Dales.	5C, lifting to 11C.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 18 March, 2026

Pressure begins to rise on Wednesday, bringing fairly widely settled conditions across the country. Some cloud and spotty light rain lingers in north England/south Scotland for a few days, elsewhere becoming mostly sunny; valley fog in many lowland areas early, lifting and dissipating after sunrise for clear hills. Generally milder temperatures and light wind but the occasional stronger gust. East Scotland stays cooler for a time, some overnight frosts possible under clear-sky nights. Over the weekend, first indications of a cool easterly wind building, perhaps some patchy rain here and there. Into next week, detail is uncertain; low pressure may occasionally unsettle the weather, bringing cooler, wetter, and windier periods.

### Forecast issued at 15:16 on Monday, 16 March, 2026

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