

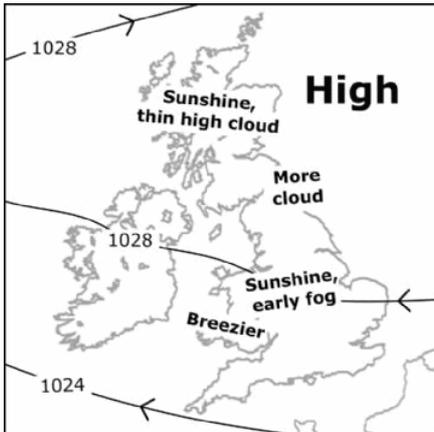
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Thursday, 19 March, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 19 March, 2026

Dry overall, clear hills and sunny, thin high cloud for Scotland. A zone of cloudier skies and some varied fog from the Borders to northeast Pennines. Warmer further southwards, sunny but hazy views, some early valley fog in Wales & Peak District. Light winds for most places, breezier in south Wales.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Varied cloud / fog banks, breaking south/west. Light wind.

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 19 March, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	East-southeasterly though variable, 10mph or less, occasional local gusts 10-15mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Little if any precipitation Small chance of a few spots of drizzly rain in the eastern North Pennines. Most places dry all day.
Cloud on the hills?	Most extensive north and east Valley fog in the morning, the fog thicker to the north and east, more widely shrouding east North Pennines; broken banks towards Cross Fell. Fog lifts after sunrise, largely to above 600m, tending to dissipate over Yorks Dales. Best clearing on middle slopes to the west.
Chance of cloud free summits?	40%, lifting to 80% western Yorks Dales.
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Best chance of sun on lower western slopes but weakened by high cloud, particularly N Pennines. Visibility will be limited by a haze.
How Cold? (at 700m)	6 to 8C, mildest south and southwest.
And in the valleys	5C from dawn, lifting to 11C eastern dales, up to locally 15C westernmost Yorks Dales during afternoon.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Friday 20 March	Saturday 21 March
How windy? (On the summits)	Variable 10mph or less.	West to southwesterly 10 to 15mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Small.	Small.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected	Precipitation not expected
Cloud on the hills?	Covering some hill slopes for a time Fog in some valleys from dawn, perhaps low cloud more widely over eastern Pennines in particular for a few hours. Tending to disperse or lift above most tops into afternoon.	Early low-level fog clearing Fog mostly in valleys in the morning, some patches briefly rising upslope, may drift over western tops for a time, but then all dispersing to leave clear hills by middle of day or sooner.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%	80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sun best toward west; cloudier in east. Visibility very good, some haze lower down.	Mostly sunny, thin high cloud. Some haze particularly morning, better visibility afternoon.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	Around 7C, some cooler spots at first, then some slightly warmer spots by afternoon. Slight frost some valleys particularly in west at dawn. Rising to 11 to 13C afternoon, warmest west.	7 or 8C, rising slightly into afternoon. Patchy slight frost in sheltered valleys around dawn. Rising to 14C afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 20 March, 2026**

High pressure stays nearby toward the weekend, although retreats to allow west-southwesterly winds to move into Scotland, bringing more cloud to the northwest and some drizzle on Saturday, though most places remain dry. By Sunday, stronger westerly winds and a front passing eastwards with a spell of rain followed by lowering temperatures and showers with snow and hail over the hills in Scotland. A chilly start to the new week, near or below freezing over higher mountains, particularly Scotland. Changeable westerlies during next week, windy for all at times, showery conditions most common in western Scotland. High pressure to the south may rebuild to settle things again.

Forecast issued at 16:16 on Wednesday, 18 March, 2026

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