

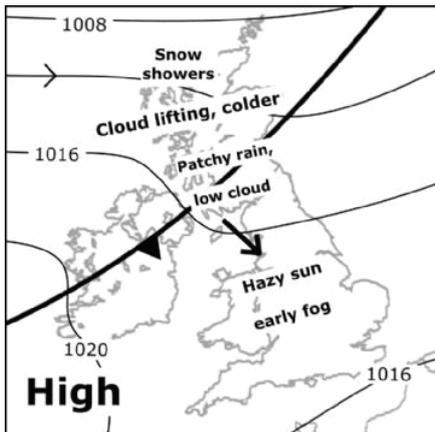
# Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 March, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 22 March, 2026**

A band of patchy rain and low cloud moves southeastwards, improving with rising cloud bases across the Highlands, but brisk winds and below freezing on higher terrain - snow showers mostly in northwest. England & Wales start with low-level fog, hazy sun then cloud lowering, a little rain develops.

### Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Patchy fog, then cloudier, some tops capped, a little rain.

## Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 22 March, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Southwest soon becoming westerly, later northwesterly, 20mph to at times 25mph exposed tops, up to gusty 30mph around higher North Pennines.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Fairly small, but starting to affect ease of walking at times where exposed on high tops. Feeling chilly.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Local rain briefly</b> A little patchy light rain develops from northwest over an hour or so middle of day, briefly an odd light shower of rain, amounts small, some areas remain dry.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Local early fog, cloud some tops for a time</b> Patchy fog around some valleys and cloud banks on hill slopes mostly western dales up to Tebay in the morning. Tending to mostly lift and break, but occasional cloud caps may drift over higher tops afternoon, may briefly fill in above 700-800m west.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Early weak sun giving way to thickening high cloud, more overcast with time. Visibility mostly good, but some haze.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b>	5 or 6C, tending to lower from north by dusk onward, toward 0C later evening. Feeling like -2C during day in wind on tops.
<b>And in the valleys</b>	2C at dawn, slight frost in sheltered spots; rising to 11C afternoon. Dropping quickly cooler into evening.

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

	Monday 23 March	Tuesday 24 March
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b> <b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	West soon southwesterly 15-20mph or less in morning. Then increasing afternoon, later 35 to 45mph. <b>Fairly small up to early afternoon, but expect increasingly blustery conditions, and deteriorating further into evening.</b>	Southwesterly 45 to 60mph, risk 70mph high N Pennines for a few hours; peak speeds may moderate a little during day. <b>Difficult conditions across the fells, any mobility challenging in exposure. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Precipitation not expected until night</b> A little rain possible northernmost areas up to dusk.	<b>Heavy rain likely sets in, later snow</b> Patchy rain or drizzle at first, becoming persistent and increasingly heavy rain setting in over several hours, most likely through middle of day, may continue into afternoon, snow on tops later in day.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Little if any</b>	<b>Fairly extensive, lowest west</b>  Shrouding the fells widely, from lower elevations upward western areas up to Tebay. Mostly above 600-700m further north and east, lower for a time in rain.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine tending to weaken as high cloud thickens, may become obscured afternoon. Visibility excellent.	Largely cloudy, dull then murky in rain. Visibility increasingly very poor.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b> <b>And in the valleys</b>	0C rising to 3C by late afternoon. As wind increases, chill factor later feeling like -10C in exposure.  2C around dawn, frost in sheltered spots. Rising to 10C into afternoon.	4C in morning, lowering to 0C up to dusk. Feeling like -12 to -15C in the wind.  8 to 10C in morning up to mid-afternoon, then dropping later in day.

**Planning Outlook****All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 23 March, 2026**

A fine start to the week for many places, but strengthening winds and a spell of heavy rain arriving from the northwest during Monday advances southwards into Tuesday. Cold, wintry conditions follow across the mountains into midweek, falling sub-zero across all hills of Britain above 600-700 m later Tuesday into Wednesday. Significant chill factor from gale force west then northwesterly winds. Showery hail and snow falling toward lower elevations. High pressure to the southwest then likely rebuilds to settle things again toward next weekend and temperatures will tend to recover. A mixed west to southwesterly flow likely continues to bring more changeable conditions to west and northwest Scotland.

**Forecast issued at 16:00 on Saturday, 21 March, 2026**

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