

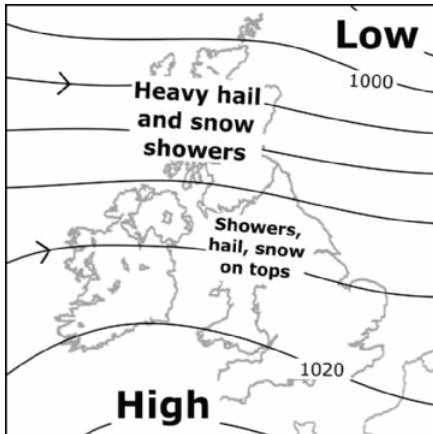
# Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 5 April, 2026



### British Mountain Summary:

**Based on forecast chart for noon 5 April, 2026**

Notably cold for Easter Sunday, sub-zero across Scottish mountains and high tops in England & Wales, severe chill factor where exposed to gale-force westerly winds over hills. Heavy, squally showers with hail, also snow falling at times to lower elevations; chance of isolated thunder.

### Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Upland gales, bitterly cold on tops; hail and snow showers.

## Detailed Forecast for Sunday, 5 April, 2026

<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Stormy conditions overnight lessen up to dawn, then westerly 35 to 50mph during daytime, squally gusts, easing a little afternoon, dropping further from dusk.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Frequent buffeting, walking arduous over higher terrain, sudden powerful gusts affect balance; some gradual improvement. Beware possible tree damage from previous storm. Significant wind chill.</b>
<b>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</b>	<b>Showery hail and snow</b> Generally showery, heavy bursts with hail, and snow falling to 300m for a time, becoming mostly rain or hail to 500m afternoon. Chance isolated thunder & lightning. Showers fading toward evening.
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Varying, breaks above tops</b> Patchy cloud drifting over higher slopes, most often in western Three Peaks around 700m, briefly lower in showers. More often clearing eastwards.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</b>	Bursts of bright sunshine and very good visibility, but briefly very poor in showers.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b>	-1C rising to +1 or 2C afternoon. Feeling like -10 to -13C in the wind.
<b>And in the valleys</b>	3C at dawn, rising to 7 or 8C afternoon, dropping a couple of degrees in showers.

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

	Monday 6 April	Tuesday 7 April
<b>How windy? (On the summits)</b>	Southwest turning southerly, 15 to 25mph.	Southeasterly 20 to 30mph, very gusty in places around some tops.
<b>Effect of wind on you?</b>	<b>Fairly small, but gusty in places around higher summits.</b>	<b>Variable, in places fairly small, but sudden buffeting gusts around some tops will affect comfortable walking and balance.</b>
<b>How wet?</b> (Precipitation and its impact)	<b>Rain not expected</b>	<b>Rain not expected</b>
<b>Cloud on the hills?</b>	<b>Little if any</b>  Rare patches over western tops near Ingleborough in morning, otherwise the fells largely clear.	<b>Hills clear</b>  Patchy mist some valleys at first. The fells very likely clear all day.
<b>Chance of cloud free summits?</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>Above 90%</b>
<b>Sunshine?</b> Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine and a veil of high cloud. Visibility very good, slight haze may develop.	Sunshine and thin high cloud, gradually tending to thicken across the sky. Visibility good, but some haze.
<b>How Cold? (at 700m)</b>  <b>And in the valleys</b>	0C at dawn, rising to 6C afternoon. Feeling like -5C directly in wind early in day, then around 0C afternoon.  Frost in valleys around dawn. Rising to 12C afternoon.	7 to 10C. Directly in the stronger wind, feeling close to freezing despite warm air.  3C at dawn, slight frost sheltered spots. Soon rising in morning, reaching 16C afternoon.

## Planning Outlook

### All mountain areas of Britain from Monday, 6 April, 2026

A cold frosty start to Monday, but milder southerly air arrives - dry and many hills clear with hazy sun, but gusty wind, risk of local gales west coastal mountains of Scotland. Quite warm by Tuesday, but strong to gale force southerly winds more widely; dry for many, rain encroaching into western Scotland, thawing of recent snow. Staying warm on Wednesday for many, but likely becoming cooler later in the week. Scotland likely remains changeable, often windy later in the week, rain at times, varying temperatures, at times below freezing on higher Munros. England and Wales sees occasional rain or showers late week, but some drier days and lighter winds.

### Forecast issued at 16:00 on Saturday, 4 April, 2026

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