

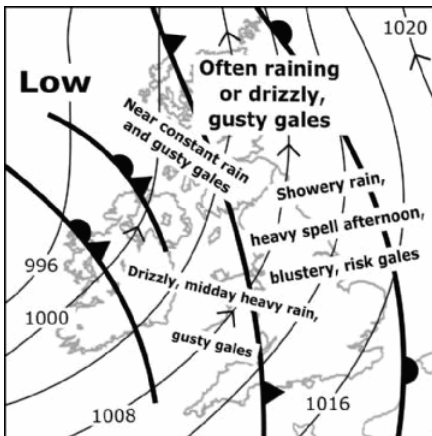
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Wednesday, 15 April, 2026



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

Widespread gales, powerful gusts over tops and down northern slopes, severe at times in Scotland, particularly west. Persistent rain for many, brief dry windows east (notably Pennines), then heavy rain sweeps east afternoon, followed by showers, only easing late in the day. Mild air, but feeling cold in wind.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Showery rain, heaviest afternoon; windy in exposure

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 15 April, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>South-southwesterly 30-35mph; very gusty, including downslope to the east, often approaching 40mph. Speed will be variable, and may deteriorate late in the day, tops speeds possibly reaching 50mph overnight and southwesterly direction.</p> <p>Strenuous walking with notable wind chill all day, arduous for periods over the high tops, and buffeting gusts often affecting stability. A risk of more challenging conditions over the high southern fells later in the day.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Patchy rain and drizzle, persistent and heavy later</p> <p>Showery rain often affecting the fells, likely drizzly over the high summits much of the morning, even between showers. Later, setting in persistent and heavier for a few hours, a risk of very heavy falls.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>Fairly extensive, improving, some summit breaks</p> <p>Cloud shrouds high terrain early, to middle western slopes, lower slopes Three Peaks to Tebay. A lifting trend, mostly high terrain, afternoon breaks to or above summits; variable, and returning extensively for a few hours later.</p> <p>20% rising to 50%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Glimpses of sun in the afternoon, though often cloudy.</p> <p>Visibility improving afternoon, locally very good when out of cloud and rain, but deteriorating when rain returns.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 700m)</p> <p>And in the valleys</p>	<p>7 or 8C, rising to 9 or 10C, mildest north of Teesdale.</p> <p>Feeling at or below freezing in strongest direct wind.</p> <p>7 or 8C, mildest start eastern N Pennines. Rising to 14C.</p>

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 16 April	Friday 17 April
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 35-40mph dawn, stronger high N Pennines tops, 45mph. Easing from midday, 20-30mph later. Blustery in exposure most of the day, notably early where walking more strenuous and feeling chilly.	Southerly 25-30mph, gradually strengthening, 40mph N Pennine tops later, and a southwesterly trend. Locally fairly small at first, but increasingly blustery in exposure, later strenuous walking with considerable wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Some drizzle and showers Drizzly over the high summits through morning, most notably Three Peaks area, but dissipating as cloud lifts. Scattered showers, risk of a heavy bursts, but dry periods too, driest later.	Patchy rain, setting in heavy for a time Patchy rain through the morning, most frequent western fells, gradually setting in, widely persistent for several hours with heavy falls. Breaking into scattered showers later.
Cloud on the hills?	Early cloud substantially clears From dawn, terrain above 600-700m mostly in cloud, to 500m westernmost slopes or lower around Three Peaks. Lifting with time to largely clear the high summits, occasional banks grazing the highest western summits.	Fairly extensive for a time, early and late breaks Fog banks on the high tops from before dawn, variably lowering towards 700m in morning rain, then more extensive to middle slopes as rain sets in. Lifting and breaking later, some summit breaks probably.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Rising to 80%	20%, rising to 50% later
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine breaking out with time for a patchwork of sun and cloud afternoon. Visibility very good.	Mostly cloudy, dull for several hours as rain sets in with poor visibility. Glimpses of sun later with good visibility.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	4C rising to 6C, or 7C easternmost fells. Feeling like -5C in morning wind. 5C at dawn, rising to 12C.	5 or 6C, rising to 8C. Increasingly feeling chilly in wind, as cold as -5C later. 7C at dawn, rising to 12C.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 16 April, 2026**

Unsettled conditions as the weekend approaches: showery on Thursday (local hail and lightning in Scotland), more rain and often heavy on Friday, accompanied by gusty winds, gales over mountains for periods; some bright spells on Thursday and later Friday too. Temperatures will tend to rise several degrees during daylight, even when cloudy, and often becoming warm in the valleys; slopes north of major hill groups often milder too. Saturday sees continued showers, mostly north and west where staying blustery, but a trend towards higher pressure building through late weekend into early next week. Confidence in detail for oncoming high pressure remains very low: a risk of chilly easterly wind for a time with showers, mostly east and southern areas.

Forecast issued at 16:25 on Tuesday, 14 April, 2026

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