

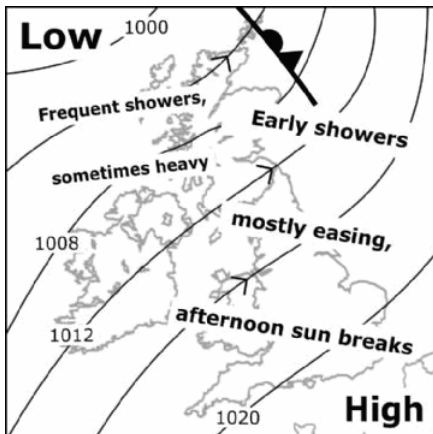
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 16 April, 2026



**British Mountain Summary:
Based on forecast chart for noon 16 April, 2026**

Dawn gales over summits of south Scotland and north England, strongest wind moving north, but staying breezy in northern parts of England and Wales. Showers for many in the morning, soon easing with sun breaks, but remaining frequent with heavy bursts in west Scotland; some rain approaches Wales later afternoon.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Windy early, notably north, easing; few early showers

Detailed Forecast for Thursday, 16 April, 2026

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| How windy? (On the summits) | Southwesterly 35-40mph dawn, to 45mph over the tops of the N Pennines around and before dawn. Easing from midday, 20-30mph later, always strongest in the north. |
| Effect of wind on you? | Blustery in exposure most of the day, notably early where walking more strenuous and feeling chilly. |
| How wet? (Precipitation and its impact) | Early drizzle and showers, soon substantially dry Frequent showers from before dawn with drizzle over the high tops. Showers breaking as the morning goes, only fine drizzle on the high tops for a time, then often dry well into the day though a few afternoon light showers may occur. |
| Cloud on the hills? | Early cloud substantially clears From before dawn, terrain above 600-700m mostly in cloud, to 500m westernmost slopes or lower around Three Peaks. Soon lifting after daybreak to just the high summits and likely off the summits by noon, just occasional cloud patches may drift over highest tops briefly. |
| Chance of cloud free summits? | Rising to 80% |
| Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud) | Sunshine breaking out with time for a patchwork of sun and cloud afternoon. A veil of high cloud arrives from the southwest later. Visibility very good. |
| How Cold? (at 700m) | 4C rising to 6C, or 7C eastern fells. Feeling like -5C in morning wind. |
| And in the valleys | 5C at dawn, rising to 12C. |

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

| | Friday 17 April | Saturday 18 April |
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| How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you? | Southerly 30-35mph, strengthening for a time N Pennines, 40mph over tops. Trending southwesterly with time. Walking often strenuous in exposure with considerable wind chill, more arduous over high tops at times. | Westerly 20 to 30mph, gusty in showers. Feeling blustery over higher terrain, in places affecting ease of walking with noticeable wind chill in exposure on tops. |
| How wet? (Precipitation and its impact) | 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. | Showers, hail Showery rain most common in western areas in the morning, more widely with time, brief heavier bursts with hail. |
| Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits? | Fairly extensive for a time, summit breaks through afternoon 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 afternoon, first in the north, some summit breaks but occasional banks returning at times. 20%, rising to 60% later | Lifting mostly above tops Patchy cloud mostly higher western areas around or above 700m in the morning, may graze tops for periods around showers, but much cloud often above the hills. 60% |
| Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud) | Mostly cloudy, dull for several hours as rain sets in with poor visibility. Sun increasingly breaking out through afternoon with good visibility. | Occasional sun best toward east in the morning, then brief bursts of sun later. Visibility varying, often excellent, but reduced during showers. |
| How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys | 5 or 6C, rising to 8C. Notably cooling into evening by several degrees. Increasingly feeling chilly in wind, as cold as -5C later. 7C at dawn, rising to 12C. | 4 or 5C, marginal rise into afternoon. Feeling like -3 to -6C directly in the wind. 5C at dawn, rising to 13C afternoon. |

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Friday, 17 April, 2026

Friday stays windy with a band of rain passing east across the British Isles. A settling trend begins on Saturday, showers lingering in western areas, then the most settled conditions of the weekend on Sunday. Light or even negligible wind by Sunday with cool-to-mild temperatures, though perhaps on the chillier side in Scotland. The stronger sunshine will feel mild despite chiller temperatures.

More certainty regarding a dominance of high pressure next week: a mix of cloud and sun, often dry, and cool temperatures. Greatest chance of scattered showers in eastern areas, more cloud here, and some low fog in the mornings as well. Easterly wind at times quite blustery and gusty in England and Wales, generally lighter Scotland.

Forecast issued at 16:07 on Wednesday, 15 April, 2026

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