

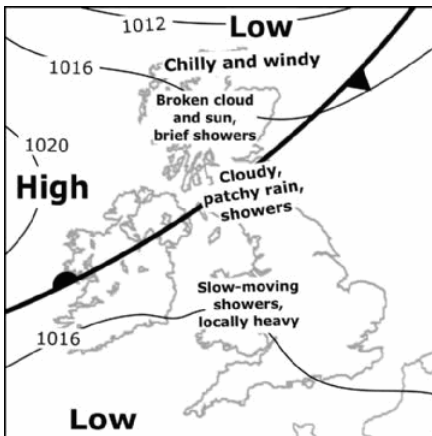
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Friday, 8 May, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 8 May, 2026

Near freezing all day on higher Scottish mountains, considerable chill factor in the north with brisk winds, though tending to ease. A few showers, snow flurries on Scottish tops, but a fair amount of dry weather for the Highlands. Lighter winds England, Wales & southern Scotland, localised heavy bursts of rain forming.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Wind drops light. Patchy rain, local heavy showers form.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 8 May, 2026

<p>How windy? (On the summits)</p> <p>Effect of wind on you?</p>	<p>Southwesterly 15-20mph early morning, briefly 25mph at dawn Cross Fell and north, easing and becoming variable 10mph, local gusts in showers, otherwise low speeds into evening.</p> <p>Mostly small, though an inconvenient breeze over the tops early in the day.</p>
<p>How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)</p>	<p>Showers increasingly, heavy clusters afternoon-evening; chance thunder</p> <p>Showers affect the fells on and off, developing into local clusters of heavier showers afternoon, these moving around slowly, but some places escape dry. Risk of isolated thunder mainly toward northeast Pennines late afternoon-evening.</p>
<p>Cloud on the hills?</p> <p>Chance of cloud free summits?</p>	<p>Lifting off summits, odd ragged patches</p> <p>Fog at various heights in the morning, but well-broken below 600m. Lifting through morning, likely to clear the summits, but some odd banks may return to high terrain fleetingly around heavier showers.</p> <p>90%</p>
<p>Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)</p>	<p>Largely cloudy, glimpses of sun. Variable visibility, very good during drier periods, may be very poor in heavier showers.</p>
<p>How Cold? (at 700m)</p> <p>And in the valleys</p>	<p>5C rising to 7 to 9C, warmest south and eastern tops, but dropping a few degrees if rain is frequent. Feeling near 0C if exposed to early wind.</p> <p>5C at dawn, rising to max 15C afternoon.</p>

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 9 May	Sunday 10 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Northeasterly 20 to 30mph, gusty around higher tops, particularly North Pennines. Feeling rather blustery and chilly over high terrain, noticeable gusty spots, affecting balance in exposure locally.	Likely to vary, may be variable 10-15mph or less much of day. Risk NE'ly 25-30mph at first, then late in day W-NW'ly 20mph. Fairly small possibly much of the daytime, but marked wind chill if blustery at first, and may feel breezier again later.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain slow to fade, heavy showers Rain or drizzle fairly persistent for a few hours, particularly eastern areas, may leave some rain on and off all day. Patchier westwards, but some heavier showers may form afternoon-evening.	Rain unlikely until late Most likely dry much of daytime. Toward evening, possibly some patchy showery rain moving into North Pennines from the northwest.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Varied, may persist eastern areas Cloud covering higher fells fairly widely in the morning, lowest bases toward northeast Pennines where may be to mid-slopes for a few hours, and persisting over tops much of day. Breaks best westward. 50%	Little if any Rare if any brief patches forming onto higher slopes, mainly during morning. 90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Largely cloudy skies. Visibility good where dry, but poor in rain, more particularly northeast areas.	Sunshine most widely in the morning, cloud tending to fill in a little during the day. Visibility excellent.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	3C rising to 6C, though North Pennines tops may stay cooler. Feeling near -5C if exposed to wind. 6 to 8C at dawn, rising to 13C afternoon.	1C rising to 6C afternoon. Risk feeling as cold as -7C directly in the wind early in day, improving. Frost in valleys and sheltered higher areas at dawn, particularly northern areas. Rising to 13C afternoon.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 9 May, 2026**

A chilly outlook into mid-May, with higher Scottish mountains staying near or often below freezing point as northwesterly air prevails. Higher tops in England and Wales also dropping intermittently to freezing point. Wind-speed varying day-to-day, but prepare for often considerable chill-factor on all mountains. Some frost overnight into valleys when skies are clear. Broadly showery weather over the next 10-day period, plus some fronts bringing persistent rain mostly to northwestern Scotland, often falling as snow on mountain tops, sometimes to below 600m. Drier intervals too, some days with fewer showers and broken cloud lifting above the summits, varying locally day-to-day.

Forecast issued at 16:26 on Thursday, 7 May, 2026

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