

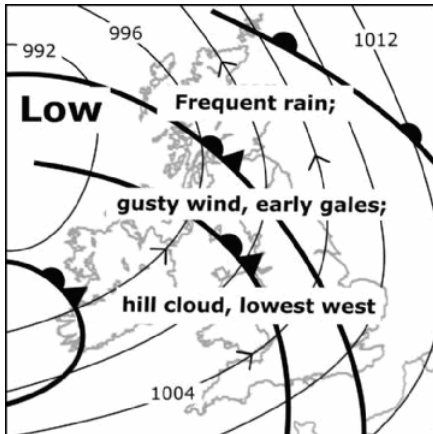
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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 Tuesday, 19 May, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 19 May, 2026

Frequent rain nearly everywhere all day, the rain most persistent west where hill-cloud fills in to low slopes with little improvement. A risk of localised hail and thunder in afternoon showery rain, increasingly wet underfoot, and with slippery rock surfaces. Very windy, gusty gales early including downslope.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Often raining; windy, gale force in the morning

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 19 May, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Southerly 35-45mph and gusty early over tops and downslope to the north; shifting southwesterly, easing for a time to 25-30mph, later nearer 30-35mph.
Effect of wind on you?	Arduous walking with buffeting and wind chill in exposure early; balance will be challenged for a few hours. An easing trend with time, but walking remains at least impeded in exposure all day.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Often raining Frequent showers affect the fells most of the day, at times merging into broader areas of rain, the rain quite persistent on high western slopes, and perhaps more widely persistent early hours. risk isolated hail and lightning.
Cloud on the hills?	Fairly extensive, some improvement Cloud shrouds the fells to the low slopes in the morning. Cloud base tending to lift, highest bases may clear the hills north of Teesdale, but most western slopes will see only slight improvement with occasional higher breaks between rain.
Chance of cloud free summits?	10% rising to 40%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	A few glimpses of sun break out with time. Largely poor visibility, some better moments to the north and east as cloud lifts and during dry windows.
How Cold? (at 700m)	6C rising to 10C; may stay cooler western slopes, particularly Cross Fell group where as low as 8C. Temperature varies a few degrees in and out of rain. Feeling like -5 to -7C in direct wind.
And in the valleys	6 or 7C at dawn, rising to 13C.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Wednesday 20 May	Thursday 21 May
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	West-southwesterly 25-35mph; risk of a swathe of stronger wind afternoon, up to 45mph. Blustery in exposure most of the day, moments of strenuous walking and feeling chilly; risk deteriorating for a few hours.	Southwesterly 25-35mph. Gusty, particularly early with powerful gusts downslope to the east approaching 40mph. Walking impeded in exposure and feeling cool. Buffeting gusts will affect stability, particularly early and not just high terrain.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Periods of rain Rain will come and go for much of the day, feeling humid during drier windows and a lingering drizzle on the summits of Three Peaks towards Tebay. An easing tendency later afternoon.	Morning rain, lingering drizzle Several hours of patchy rain in the morning, some extended falls early. The rain tends to break by midday or earlier, but a lingering drizzle on high western terrain, particularly Cross Fell group.
Cloud on the hills?	Lifting to tops with breaks Extensive at dawn, to the low slopes from Tebay to Three Peaks. Bases lift, clearing most eastern hills by afternoon. High western summits slower to clear cloud, though during dry windows summits may see clear windows.	Extensive, improving south A sheet of cloud shrouds the fells from at least 300-500m upward, lowest bases western fells. As rain breaks from the south, bases will rise to or above the high tops of Yorks Dales NP. N Pennines slow to improve, if at all.
Chance of cloud free summits?	Rising to 50%	10%, rising to 50% south
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun. Variable visibility, starting mostly poor but improving during dry windows, best east.	Overcast and dull with poor visibility from dawn. Glimpses of sun begin breaking out over Yorks Dales NP, better visibility.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	6 or 7C rising to 10C. Feeling near or below freezing in strongest direct wind. 8C from dawn, rising to 14C.	9C rising to 12C. Feeling just above freezing in direct wind. 10C at dawn, rising to 17C, though may stay a degree or two cooler western dales.

Planning Outlook**All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 20 May, 2026**

Damp southwesterlies establish by mid-week; regular periods of rain with only glimpses of sunshine. Wettest on western hills where drizzle may persist between rain and low cloud clings to the hills. Expect slippery exposed rock surfaces and rare (if any) exposed tops in Scotland before the weekend.

Indications of rising pressure later in the week, bringing milder and drier conditions to England and Wales. However, some drizzle and low cloud may continue to affect western hills, outbreaks of rain as well, but rising chances of clear hills.

Pressure may continue to rise into the weekend, allowing for warmer and sunnier conditions, but some fronts and lingering humidity will continue to bring cloud and rain here and there.

Forecast issued at 15:56 on Monday, 18 May, 2026

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