

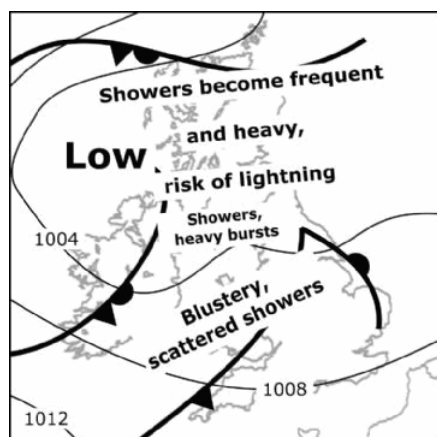
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 19 August, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 19 August, 2026

Slow-moving showers across Scotland, trending more frequent and heavy afternoon with thundery downpours; light wind but gusty around showers. Showers in England, most frequent and heavy early and into night in northern areas with thunder risk. Scattered showers and sun in Wales on a westerly wind.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Showers much of the day, most frequent and heavy early

Detailed Forecast for Wednesday, 19 August, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	West-southwesterly 20 to 25mph, gusty in rain. Strongest winds around Yorkshire Dales NP, and a tendency towards lighter speeds later in the day.
Effect of wind on you?	Gusty conditions at times affecting ease of walking in exposure, feeling rather cool.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers, some heavy Showery rain from early morning in western Dales, but forming increasingly widely, some heavy bursts tending to drift eastwards afternoon with chance of thunder. Rain may be more extensive in the early morning.
Cloud on the hills?	Varying mostly on higher tops Patchy cloud around higher slopes mostly toward west in the morning, fairly extensively covering the tops. Base tending to rise but will vary in and out of showers, sometimes capping tops, but good breaks.
Chance of cloud free summits?	70%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Sunshine mostly east in the morning, clouding over. Visibility good when dry, but poor in showers.
How Cold? (at 700m)	10 or 11C, may rise very slightly in far south and eastern areas. Feeling like 3 to 5C directly in the wind.
And in the valleys	10C at dawn, rising to 16C afternoon.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Thursday 20 August	Friday 21 August
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Northeasterly 20 to 30mph, at times 35mph higher North Pennines. Starting lighter early, particularly Yorks Dales NP. Feeling noticeably cool on exposed high terrain. Breezy over hills, in places may affect comfortable walking.	Northerly 10mph and sometimes less; some gusts may form around later showers. Negligible.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Frequent rain, some heavy Areas of rain from dawn, frequent or persistent with heavy bursts on and off, risk a rumble of thunder; beware sudden, rapid rise of streams. Showers become scattered afternoon, drifting from the north.	Showers breaking out Only an odd shower here and there in the morning but substantially dry, a rising risk of showers through the afternoon, these tending to move south.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Lifting, some breaks to tops Shrouding most high terrain in the morning, to mid-slopes in rain, and perhaps more widely extensive for a few hours. Tending to rise, first in the N Pennines, some breaks forming toward tops. 40%	Little expected until later Varied patches of cloud in the morning, soon lifting and dissipating for clear fells. Some local mist may linger in the N Pennines slightly longer. Through afternoon, cloud banks lower onto high tops where rain occurs. 90% lowering to 60%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Mostly cloudy, occasional sun mainly later. Visibility poor in rain, then good at times.	Patchy sunshine, clouding over for periods. Very good visibility, deteriorating with arrival of rain.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	8 to 11C, coolest north Pennines, notably cooling into night. Feeling like 0 to 3C in stronger wind. 9C at dawn, rising to 15C early afternoon, soon cooling again.	7C rising to 10 or 11C, greatest rise Yorks Dales NP. 6C rising to 15 or 16C.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Thursday, 20 August, 2026

As the weekend approaches, wind will shift northerly, moving showers and afternoon thundery downpours further south with time. Generally lighter wind but gusts will be common around showers. Temperature lowering later this week too, dropping close to freezing on high Scottish tops on Friday morning (chance of sleet/snow here) and frost may occur in Highland glens over a couple of nights. More often dry with few lighter showers over the weekend as higher pressure builds into the southwest. Conditions remain on the drier, brighter side early next week, pressure dropping again as the week goes: periods of cloud and rain for most hill groups, and perhaps some stronger wind at times. Detail beyond the weekend is uncertain, and there may well be windows of better weather through the week too.

Forecast issued at 16:28 on Tuesday, 18 August, 2026

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