

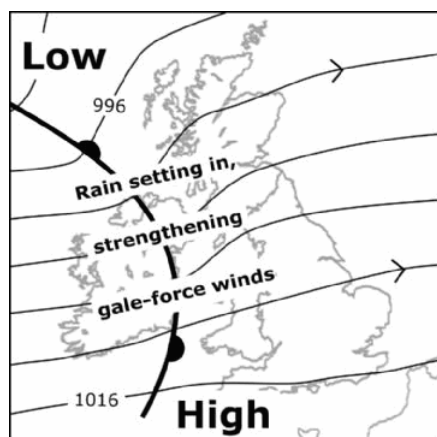
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

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, 18 September, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 18 September, 2026

Already windy with light showery rain over western hills early in the day, but conditions will worsen from the west as gales strengthen and rain / drizzle becomes persistent, some heavier rain; cloud bases lower to widely blanket hills, lowest in west.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Windy, strengthening gales; persistent rain develops, heavy west.

Detailed Forecast for Friday, 18 September, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Westerly 30-40mph in morning, shifting southwesterly, strengthening rapidly into afternoon to 50mph, or 60mph in places higher areas, especially North Pennines.
Effect of wind on you?	Generally strenuous in exposure, deteriorating during day to make walking arduous, later in places difficult with considerable wind chill; powerful gusts giving buffeting toward some lower slopes.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Rain sets in afternoon, increasingly heavy western Yorks Dales A few spots of drizzly rain on west fells from Howgills to Ingleton, but largely dry through to middle of day, then patchy rain arrives from the west, steadier rain setting in with time, heavier in western Dales. Rain and drizzle continues into evening.
Cloud on the hills?	Breaking above summits, later returning and lowering more widely Cloud banks over most high fells early morning, more extensive to the west at first, but lifting and breaking up above summits. Later, cloud returns to summits, filling in with time, bases to 500-600m widely, or lower on west fells up to Tebay later in day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%, lowering to 50%, further deteriorating later in day to 10%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Patchy sunshine, high cloud thickening, trending overcast with time, later dull. Hazy at best, visibility deteriorating later to poor as cloud and rain arrive.
How Cold? (at 700m)	7 or 8C, rising in afternoon to reach 12C toward evening, little change after dark. Feeling close to 0C in direct wind.
And in the valleys	9C at dawn, rising to 14C afternoon or slightly milder into evening, only slight drop (if any) into night, feeling more humid.

Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines - Looking Ahead

	Saturday 19 September	Sunday 20 September
How windy? (On the summits) Effect of wind on you?	Southwesterly 35 to 45mph, strongest on higher North Pennines. Strenuous-to-arduous walking conditions, frequent buffeting on high exposed terrain. Considerable wind chill.	Westerly 40mph in morning, stronger gusts N Pennines; tending to lessen gradually to 25mph, slightly less later in day. Challenging conditions moderating, but still blustery and affecting comfortable walking on exposed tops. Marked wind chill.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Showers Showery rain most common over western Yorks Dales south of Tebay. Elsewhere a scattering of mostly brief showers in the wind.	Little or no rain Local drizzly showers possible over western side of Dales and Pennines early in day, but mostly dry.
Cloud on the hills? Chance of cloud free summits?	Lifting toward or above tops Banks of cloud mostly higher and western tops in the morning, lifting mostly above 700-800m with breaks to many tops forming into middle of day. 50% rising to 80%	Lifting above the tops Patchy cloud grazing higher slopes above 700-800m in the morning. Lifting and clearing above most or all hills. 80%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Glimpses of sun west, longer periods of sun eastern dales. Visibility good where dry, slight haze especially west, reduced in showers.	Broken cloud and sunshine; thin high cloud may thicken later. Visibility very good, early slight haze west.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	8 to 10C, trending slightly cooler later in the daytime. Feeling like 0 to -3C directly in the wind. 12C at dawn, up to 16C afternoon.	7 or 8C, little change all day, then tending to rise onward into night. Feeling sub-zero in the stronger wind. 11C at dawn, rising to 15C afternoon.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Saturday, 19 September, 2026

Gale-force southwesterly winds continue extensively on the mountains into Saturday and early Sunday. Frequent rain over western hills, showers passing eastwards, tending to fade during Sunday as higher pressure begins to build from the south, allowing wind speeds to lessen too over England & Wales. Warmer into early next week, though higher humidity brings more cloud some drizzly rain to the west. A generally more promising forecast for late September as high pressure nearby offers drier and warmer weather for more places. Weather systems grazing past Scotland to the north still bring locally stronger winds and occasional rain mainly to the northwest.

Forecast issued at 16:22 on Thursday, 17 September, 2026

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