Korea

Discover The Beauty of Spring In Korea

Cities Covered: Incheon, Jeju, Busan, Jinhae, Gyeongju, Andong, Jeonju, Yeoju & Seoul

Tour Package Includes

* Direct International airfare from HONOLULU
* Deluxe 5* Hotels: Lotte Seoul & Jeju Lotte Resort
* 27 Meals & Admissions as Stated
* Highlights of Korea – Seoul, Jeju & Busan
* No. 1 Cherry Blossoms City in Korea: Jinhae
* UNESCO World Heritage Sites:
  • Bulguksa Temple
  • Gyeongju Historic Areas
  • Andong Hahoe Village
* Local Flavors: Korean BBQ, Chicken Ginseng Soup, Jaijang-myun, Bulgogi Bibimbap, Black Hair Pig, Abalone Stew, Tteok-Galbi & Andong Jjimdak
* Famous Drama Shooting Location ~ MBC Dramia & KBS Drama Center
* Hands on experience: Korean Paper-Fan Making, DIY Kimchi
* R/T Airfare to Jeju Island
* Jagalchi Fish Market & Seafood Buffet
* Shopping at Namdaemun and Myeongdong
* Lotte Jeju Resort Casino
* Korean Folk Dance Performance

FREE Use of Wireless Tour Guide System

Traveling Dates:
Apr 01 – 12, 2018 (12 Days)

Price per person:
$ 3,888
Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge
Single Supp: $1,200

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We start our vacation by boarding an International flight bound for Seoul, the Capital of South Korea. Meals and snacks will be served on the plane.

We arrive at Incheon International Airport where an Air and Sea Travel representative will greet us and transfer us to our hotel.

**Hotel accommodation: Ramada Incheon or Similar 5* Hotel**

We start our tour by visiting Freedom Park, named on October 3, 1957 when a statue of General McArthur, who led the Incheon Amphibious Landing Operation during the Korean War was erected here. The park offers spectacular views of downtown Incheon and its surrounding mountains, port, and sea. Then, we visit Fairy Tale Village near Chinatown, a renovation project to improve development of the village by painting and decorating classic fairy tales all around. Today’s lunch is Jajang-myun (black bean noodle), one of the most popular noodle dishes in Korea. These noodles are found in every Chinese restaurant and the most common take out meal in Korea. Afterwards, we will fly to Jeju Island, also known as “Island of Gods”. The volcanic island has scenic natural beauty, unique cultural traditions and temperate climate. From 2007, the Jeju Volcanic Island and Lava Tubes were listed on the UNESCO World Heritage Site in South Korea. Tonight, a Welcome Dinner will be a delicious Jeju Black Hair Pig.

**Hotel accommodation: Lotte Jeju Resort or Similar 5* Hotel**

After breakfast, we will visit Seongsan Ilchulbong, also called ‘Sunrise Peak’. It is an archetypal tuff cone formed by hydrovolcanic eruptions upon a shallow seabed about five thousand years ago. This volcanic crater offers some stunning views including one of the best sunrises Korea has to offer. We will then pass by fields of yuchae (yellow canola flowers) and enjoy the blossoms on Flower's Road. Afterwards, we will go to Seopji Koji located at the end of the eastern shore of Jeju Island. On the way, we can enjoy the beautiful view of Sambangsan Mountain. Fresh Abalone stew is one of the best foods in Jeju. We can enjoy Fresh Abalone Stew with Bean Paste Soup for lunch today. We will then transfer back to our luxury hotel, Lotte Jeju Resort, and enjoy our time there. It is a world-class resort that enables one-stop provisions for accommodation, leisure, entertainment, and recreation. There are many facilities such as a flower museum, animal experience farm, sports facility, shopping mall, and sports center. The Casino is also famous as the background to the Korean TV series “All-In”. We can try our luck here.

Today, we will depart for the airport and fly back to Busan, South Korea's second largest city after Seoul. It is also the largest port city in South Korea and the world's fifth busiest seaport by cargo tonnage. Upon arrival, we will be transferred to Jinhae, famous for its annual Cherry Blossom Festival in South Korea and is the only place in the world where visitors can find more than 340,000 cherry blossoms in one city. The neighborhood turns white and pale pink during the annual cherry blossom festival period with the gentle breeze blowing about the petal-snowflakes. Let’s enjoy the spring in Korea and celebrate the Cherry Blossom Festival in Jinhae. Our lunch will feature delicious Bulgogi Stew, a Korean dish that usually consists of grilled, marinated beef. We will then visit Jinhae Naval Academy. The Naval Academy is normally seen only through tours but is open to the public during the festival. We will also visit the United Nations Memorial Cemetery, which is also called Korea War Museum. During the Korean War, Busan was one of only two cities in South Korea not captured by the North Korean army within the first three months.
After breakfast, we will visit the **Yongdusan Dragon Head Park** – it is called Yongdusan because the shape of the mountain resembles a dragon’s head emerging from the sea. Then we will go to **Busan Tower**, a 120 meter tower that provides a stunning bird’s-eye view of the entire city of Busan, including islands and ships dotted in the distant seas. Then, we will visit the **Jagalchi Fish Market**, the largest fish market in Korea and a popular “must-go” site for tourists in Busan. The market is located beside Nampo Port which means the fish can be kept fresh and delivered quickly. A **Buffet Seafood Grill** is arranged here for lunch. Afterwards, we will drive to the century old historical **Gyeongju City**, the 1,000 year old Capital of the Shilla Dynasty. The **Gyeongju Historic Areas** were designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2000. The protected areas encompass the ruins of temples and palaces, outdoor pagodas and statuary, and other cultural artifacts left by the Silla Kingdom. The historic areas are also known as one of the largest outdoor museums in the world. We will start our city tour from **Bulguksa Temple**, also known as “The Buddhist Country Temple”. Alongside the neighboring Seokguram Hermitage, Bulguksa Temple was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1995. Lastly, we will visit **Tumuli Park** which has more than 20 large and small tombs from the Silla Period. Tonight, enjoy Korean famous cuisine – **Chicken Ginseng Soup**.

**Hotel accommodation: Haeundae Grand Hotel Busan or Similar 5***

**Day 6 (Fri) Apr 6**  
**Busan – Gyeongju**  
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**Hotel accommodation: Gyeongju Hilton Hotel or Similar 5***

**Day 7 (Sat) Apr 7**  
**Gyeongju – Andong – Jeonju**  
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After breakfast, we will transfer to **Andong**, which is famous for mask dance, Hahoe mask and other treasures. Andong was the site of intense fighting during the Korean War in the early 1950’s. Although the city was almost destroyed, it was quickly rebuilt. In 1976 the Andong Dam was built, providing the city with a reliable source of electricity. We will visit **Andong Hahoe Village**, a traditional village from the Joseon Dynasty. It is perhaps the most notable folk village in South Korea. This village and Yangdong Folk Village are listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Then we will visit the **Mask Museum**, which has the only mask in Korea that is designated a national treasure. Today’s lunch features **Andong Jjimdak**, a Korean steamed dish which originated from the city of Andong. Then, we proceed to the most celebrated village of **Jeonju**, an important tourist center famous for its Korean foods and historic traditional buildings. In May 2012, Jeonju was chosen as a Creative City for Gastronomy as part of UNESCO’s Creative Cities Network. This honor recognizes the city’s traditional home cooking handed down through generations over thousands of years, its active public and private food research, and its system for nurturing talented chefs, and its hosting of distinctive local food festivals. Tonight, a dinner will be a delicious **Traditional Korean Full Course Meal**.

**Hotel accommodation: Jeonju Ramada Hotel or Similar Local Best**

**Day 8 (Sun) Apr 8**  
**Jeonju**  
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After breakfast, we will learn about the Korean people’s excellent cultural heritage – their **Musical Instruments**. We will experience the traditional culture and learn about **Hanji Mulberry Paper Craft**. We will also participate and test our creative flair in **Making Traditional Crafts** such as Hapjukseon or Taegukseon (fans) along with sampling the traditional tea shops and restaurants. Then we will visit the memorial where the portrait of King Taejo Yi Seong-gye is enshrined. Jeonju is the birth place of **Bibimbap** (Rice with Vegetables & Meat). In 2011, it was ranked 40th on the World’s 50 most delicious foods readers’ poll compiled by CNN Travel. Today, we will enjoy this excellent food for lunch. Afterwards, we will take a tour to **Hanok Village**, the largest Korean Village with various traditional cultural facilities in the downtown area. Tonight, we will enjoy **Korean Style Beef Short Ribs**.
This morning, we will proceed to Yeoju, the birthplace of Korea’s last queen, Empress Myeongseong. Yeoju and its neighboring city Icheon are a major center of contemporary South Korean ceramics, and hosts the World Ceramic Exposition every year. This morning, we begin our day by visiting Icheon Pottery Village. The Haegang Ceramics Art Center is the only ceramics Art Center in Korea where we can learn about ceramics. Beef Stew is arranged for today’s lunch with a variety of Korean style side dishes. Next, we will visit a famous Kimchi Making Facility and try our hand at Kimchi Making (D.I.Y.). From the olden times, Yeoju rice had been presented to Korean Kings and family because of its high quality. Today’s dinner will highlight Yeoju Rice with a variety of Korean style side dishes.

**Hotel accommodation: Yeoju Sun Valley Hotel or Similar 5***

This morning, we will transfer to Nami Island just 70 kilometers north-east from Seoul. It is a very popular lovely and romantic place among Koreans, and can be seen in most Korean dramas. After a BBQ Chicken lunch, we will transfer to Seoul. Afterwards, we head to Namdaemun Local Market, the largest and oldest wholesale market in Korea, where we can find practically everything here with affordable prices.

**Hotel accommodation: Lotte Hotel Myeongdong or Similar 5***

After breakfast, we will transfer to Dae Jang Geum Theme Park, the former MBC “Dramia” and Korea’s first drama theme park. In this realistic, semi permanent center, a variety of famous dramas have been produced. The center is completely built according to different dynasties and constructed as a functioning village for filming dramas. We may be lucky and run into some actors and actresses. After a Korean Shabu lunch, we will visit KBS Drama Center, a state-of-the-art, indoor/outdoor center that films TV series and mini dramas. A variety of famous dramas have been produced in this realistic, semi-permanent center. Then we will go to Insadong Culture Street, one of the most memorable attractions in Seoul, representing the focal point of traditional Korean culture and crafts. Our Farewell Dinner this evening will feature a Fusion Korean Dinner and a Korean Folk Dance Performance.

We wish you a safe journey and many wonderful memories to share with family and friends! ☺☺
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