Korea

CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL IN KOREA

Cities Covered: Incheon, Jeju, Busan, Jinhae, Gyeongju, Jeonju

Tour Package Includes

* Direct international flight from HONOLULU
* Domestic flight to Jeju Island
* Deluxe 5* Hotels: Jeju Lotte Resort
* 24 Meals & Admissions as Stated
* No. 1 Cherry Blossom City in Korea: Jinhae
* UNESCO World Heritage Sites:
  - Bulguksa Temple
  - Gyeongju Historic Areas
* Hands on experience: Korean Paper-Fan Making, DIY Kimchi Making
* Traditional Korean Costumes
* Foot Spa
* Famous Drama Shooting Location ~ KBS Drama Center
* Local Flavors: Korean Shabu Shabu, Pork Cutlet, Bulgogi, Ginseng Chicken, Bibimbap, Black Hair Pig, Abalone Stew, Dakgalbi & Andong Jjimdak
* Lotte Jeju Resort Casino
* Korean Traditional Performance
* Jagalchi Fish Market & Seafood Buffet
* Gratuity for Tour Guides & Drivers

Traveling Dates:
Mar 24 – Apr 4, 2019
(12 Days)

Price per person:
$ 3,688
Incl: Tax & Fuel Charge
Single Supp: $900

FREE Use of Wireless Tour Guide System

Traditional Korean Customs

Jeju Yuchae Flower Field

Bulguksa Temple

Jinhae
Day 1** Mar 24  Honolulu – Incheon (Seoul)  
We start our vacation by boarding an international flight for Seoul, the capital of South Korea. Meals and snacks will be served on the plane.

Day 2** Mar 25  Incheon  
We arrive at Incheon International Airport where an Air and Sea Travel representative will greet us and transfer us to our hotel.

**Hotel Accommodation: Howard Johnson or Similar 5* Hotel**

Day 3** Mar 26  Incheon – Jeju Island  
After breakfast, please enjoy your free leisure time in the morning. After check out the hotel, we will fly to Jeju Island, also known as “Island of Gods”. The volcanic island has scenic natural beauty, unique cultural traditions and a temperate climate. From 2007, the Jeju Volcanic Island and Lava Tubes were listed on the UNESCO World Heritage Site in South Korea. Upon our arrival, we will check in to Lotte Hotel & Resort Jeju, a best 5 Star luxury resort hotel in Jeju. During our stay, feel free to enjoy the four-season luxurious outdoor spa & garden in a romantic and fantastic atmosphere. Tonight's dinner will be a delicious Jeju Black Hair Pig.

**Hotel accommodation: Lotte Hotel & Resorts Jeju or Similar 5**

Day 4 ** Mar 27  Jeju Island  
After breakfast, we will visit Seongsan Sunrising Hill, 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. On the way to our next destination, we will stop by Yuchae (Canola) Flower Field and enjoy the picturesque springtime views of Jeju by walking by the deep-blue waters of the Seogwipo coastline and through seas of yellow canola flowers. Afterwards, we will transfer to Woman Diver's Museum. The Jeju Haenyeo Museum documents the lives of the haenyeo female divers with photos of them and their daily activities. It also has an observatory where we have an excellent view of the Hado-ri area, which has a sculpture garden and a rest area. We can enjoy Fresh Abalone Stew, one of the best foods in Jeju for lunch today. Our journey continues on to the Mysterious Road, also known as Dokkaebi Road. Like the name suggests, it is mysterious. The road seems to be uphill from the starting point of Mysterious Road, but when we turn the engine off, our car will start to roll uphill! We will 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 of the Korean TV series “All-In”. We can try our luck here.

Day 5** Mar 28  Jeju – Busan (Jinhae)  
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 enjoy our lunch featuring delicious Bulgogi Stew, a Korean dish that usually consists of grilled, marinated beef. After that, we will transfer 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 blossom trees 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. We will then visit **Jinhae Naval Academy** which is open to the public only during the festival. In the evening, we will dine on **Pork Cutlet**.

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

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| 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. We also visit **Nampodong International Market**, one of the Korea’s largest markets: each alleyway is crowded with stalls, and it connects to Bupyeong Market, Kkangtong Market, and other smaller markets. The market stocks such a wide variety of goods that you can find almost everything you need. Afterwards, we will drive to the century old historical **Gyeongju City**, the 1,000 year old Capital of the Silla Dynasty.

**Hotel accommodation: Gyeongju Hilton Hotel or Similar 5***

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| This morning, we start our city tour in **Gyeongju Historic Areas**, 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. Then, we will visit **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. Afterward, 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, its system for nurturing talented chefs, and its hosting of distinctive local food festivals. Tonight’s dinner will be a delicious **Traditional Korean Full Course Meal**.

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

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| After breakfast, we will learn about the Korean people’s excellent cultural heritage at **Hanji Museum** (Korean Traditional Mulberry Paper). As Korea’s first museum specializing in paper, it has an extensive collection of 3,000 artifacts and a data-base documenting the long history and superiority of Hanji (Korean paper). We will participate and test our creative flair in **Making Traditional Crafts** such as Hapjukseon or Taegukseon (fans) along with visiting traditional tea shops and restaurants. 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, dinner is not included for your own “hunting”.


This morning, we will transfer to Nami Island just 70 kilometers north-east from Seoul. It is a popular, lovely, and romantic place for Koreans, especially during Spring when the Cherry Blossoms are in bloom. Nami Island is often used as a filming site for well-known Korean dramas. After a BBQ Chicken lunch, we will transfer to Seoul and shop at Namdaemun Local Market, the largest and oldest wholesale market in Korea, where we can find practically everything at affordable prices. This evening, we will enjoy No. 1 Korean Traditional Performance at Jeongdong Theatre.

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

After breakfast, we will transfer to 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. After a Korean Shabu lunch, we will visit a famous Kimchi Making Facility and try our hand at Kimchi Making (D.I.Y). You will also have an enjoyable time trying on Hanbok (traditional costume). 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 Seafood Buffet.

We start our tour by visiting Gwangmyeong Cave, the largest themed cave park with varied cultural and artistic activities in a former mine where gold, silver, and bronze were mined. It is considered the best cave theme park in Korea, incorporating the country’s industrial heritage and cultural values. We can experience wine at Wine Cave, enjoy Cave Aqua World, Gold Falls, Gold Road, Gold Palace, Horror Experience, Cave Basement World, Underground Lake, see the largest dragon sculpture in the nation, and LED lights. Today’s lunch is Chicken Ginseng Soup. After lunch, is the time for you to relax or enjoy Seoul on your own. You may want to spend time shopping in Myeongdong, one of the Seoul’s main shopping and tourism districts.

This morning, please enjoy leisure time on your own. After checking out of our hotel, we will visit Gyeongbokgung Royal Palace Area, the main palace during the Joseon Dynasty (1392-1910). One of the largest of five palaces in Seoul, it has a 600 year history. We will continue walking to the Office of the President, the Blue House or Cheong Wa Dae. On the way, we will visit Yeouido Island, a large island in the Han River. Every April, the Cherry Blossom Festival is held in the streets of Yeouido. In the evening, we will transfer to the airport for our return flight home ending our fantastic journey in Korea.

** Foot Spa at hotel roof top 16/F. Soaking your feet in a bath of hot water does more than just relax and soothe your body; Foot soaks also have the power to alleviate abdominal pain, headaches, cramps, flu symptoms and more.**

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

B: Breakfast | L: Lunch | D: Dinner
Welcome to Korea

Within 70 days before departure, the cancellation fee will be as follow:

** 69-31 days prior departure, 50% of total price plus any other service fee caused from the cancellation;
** 30 days prior to departure or withdrawing during the tour shall be regarded as willingly giving up all rights concerned, 100% of total price, and request for other services as a substitute shall not be accepted.

We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance when you make a reservation.

** Remarks:**
- Fares are per person, USD based on double occupancy and include all airline taxes and fees
- Deluxe hotel accommodations (based on double occupancy)
- Escorted tour with a minimum of 20 passengers
- Local English speaking tour guide service
- All transfers and sightseeing by air conditioned coach
- Refer to “General Condition of Air & Sea”
- We reserve the right to modify the itinerary to ensure smooth operation
- Gratuity for Tour Guides & Drivers is included
- Tour price is subject to change according to any airfare increase, increase in government taxes, additional fuel charges and fluctuation of the rate of exchange between U.S. and foreign currency
- Tour price includes fuel surcharge & government taxes and fees. The tour price shown is current at time of listing and pricing on Jul 17th, 2018

**Payment Policy:**

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Written notice is required for any cancellation. $350 deposit is non-refundable if you cancel within 70 days before departure.