

► Places To Go in Seoul

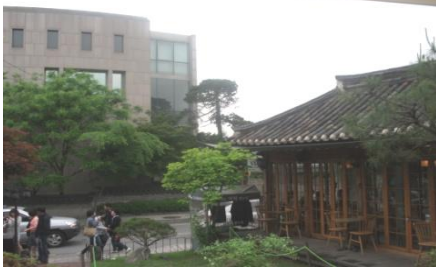
Cultural Heritage



Gyeongbokgung Palace

Built in 1395, Gyeongbokgung Palace is the main royal palace in Joseon Dynasty. Situated in the heart of Seoul, Gyeongbokgung Palace was home to major government offices. It is comprised of two gates: Gwanghwamun and Heungnyemun, and 5 pavilions

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 3 Hyungbokgung Station



Samcheongdong

Samcheongdong Walkway (Samcheongdong-gil) stretches from Gyeongbokgung Palace to Samcheong Tunnel.

The street is lined with galleries and cafes, including a number of famous galleries in the Korean architecture style

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 3 Anguk Station or Line 1 Jonggak Station



Insadong

Insa-dong located in the middle of the city, is must-go place as old but precious and traditional goods are on display.

Within alleys are galleries, traditional restaurants, traditional teahouses, and cafes. If you are lucky, you will see people performing something traditional.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 3 Anguk Station



Bukchon Hanok Village

Surrounded by Gyeongbokgung Palace, Changdeokgung Palace and Jongmyo Shrine, Bukchon Hanok Village is residential district since Joseon Dynasty. Today, here is recognized as one of must-go places as it is the place where you will discover the Korean tradition and culture in the global city.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 3 Anguk Station



Deoksugung Palace

Deoksugung Palace is famous for its elegant stone-wall road. It is also the only palace that sits alongside a series of western style buildings that add to the uniqueness of the surrounding scenery. Deoksugung is one of five palaces remained in Seoul. Built at the turn of 20th century, it means "Palace of virtue and longevity" wishing long life for Emperor, Gojong

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line Subway Line 1 or 2, Seoul City Hall Station



Gyunghuigung Palace

This palace features slanted geography of the surrounding mountain and boats traditional beauty in its architecture and a lot of historical significance. It has an arched bridge connecting to Deoksugung palace. Nearby the Gyunghuigung Palace is the Seoul History Museum, Jeongdong Street, and the busy Jongno street. From here, you can cross to Jeongdong street and walk to Deoksugung Palace. The stonewall road to Deoksugung palace is considered one of the most elegant roads in Seoul.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 5, Gwanghwamun Station



Jongmyo Shrine

Built in 1300's by the first king of Joseon Dynasty, it was a primary place of worship for kings with the ceremony of instruments performance throughout the Joseon Dynasty. The ceremony is called Jongmyo Jerye. It is recognised to be the oldest complete ceremony in the world. It is designated as UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site for its well-preserved ancient customs such as memorial services and traditional music. It is annually reenacted on the first Sunday of May. Jongmyo Jaeryeak, the musical part of the ceremony, is produced by instruments, songs, and, dances that originated over 500 years ago.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 1, 3 or 5, Jongno 3-ga Station



Changdeokgung Palace

It was the principal palace for many of the Joseon kings and is the most well-preserved of the five remaining royal Joseon palaces. The palace grounds are comprised of a public palace area, a royal family residence building, and the rear garden. Known as a place of rest for the kings, the rear garden boasts a gigantic tree that is over 300 years old, a small pond, and a pavilion.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 1, 3 or 5, Jongno 3-ga Station



Namsangol Hanok Village

Once you get off at Chungmuro Subway Station, you are right in front of Namsangol Hanok Village (traditional Korean village). You will find it interesting to experience this area standing between the tall buildings. This village has five restored traditional Korean houses and a pavilion, a pond and a time capsule, which make it a perfect spot to take a walk. When you enter the front gate, you will see the vast valley and the Chunugak building to the left of the pond. Along with the pond, it is a splendid place where performances are held.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line Station

Highlights of City for walking tour



DehakRo

DehakRo is a home to a number of artists and street performers as main area of culture and arts. Many of small theatres are located in this area. This area hugs Naksan park which is a quiet and well landscaped park perfect for walks. Another specialty in DehakRoo is the gourmet restaurants and unique cultural cafés in the neighborhood. There are hundreds of gourmet eateries and romantic cafés. You will feel vibrant and experience local cultures by the young walking along Naksan park and streets in DehakRo

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 4, Hehwa Station



Bukarksan Seonggwak-gil

The total length of the official Seoul fortress wall walk is 18.2km and consists of four main parts. Many visitors divide the path into smaller sections and take a number of day trips, as the trail can be steep at times, especially for those not used to hiking. Although the section featured here is perhaps the most taxing of our walking courses, it is also one of the most beautiful ones: giving visitors not only a chance to view one of Korea's most astounding relics, but also an escape into a pocket of nature in the heart of the city.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 4, Hanseong Uni Station



Namsan Park-gil

Namsan is a mountain rising 243m above sea level and home to the famed N Seoul Tower, known for its terrific view of Seoul. Other major attractions in Namsan include: the Palgakjeong Pavilion, a signal fire place, the National Theater of Korea, Namsan Library, Namsangol Hanok Village, and the Namsan Cable Car.

Highlights for shopping



Namdaemun Market

As the largest market with 600 years history, Namdemun market offers a wide range of items with quite good quality in very cheap price. Also, you will experience very interesting culture of the Korean market and have opportunities to try a variety of street finger foods. This market opens 11:00pm and close around 4:00pm

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line4, Hoehyeon Station



Dongdaemun Market

As shopping complex, Dongdaemun market is a paradise for shoppers and is one of famous sites as must-go fashion market even to fabric buyers and those involved in fashion field.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 1 or 4, Dongdaemun Station



Myungdong

As shopping district, Myungdong is renowned for shoppers, visitors and the young. Many of department stores and shopping malls with brand names, and cheap stores are lined in this district. This district brings specialty for you to experience vibrant night life/tour

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 4, Myungdong Station

Museum



Museum of Korean Embroidery

The Korean Embroidery Museum, which was founded in 1976, is privately funded, and is a place where you can view the artistry of women from the Joseon Dynasty. Embroidery is a picture drawn on leather or cloth using needle and thread. Displayed in this museum are about 1000 works of embroidery by women from the Joseon Dynasty (1392-1910). You can see Buddhist embroideries, cloth wrappers, various cloths, and pleated sheets featuring traditional Korean patterns and colors.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 7, Hakdong Station



Pulmuone Kimchi Museum

Since its foundation in 1986, the Kimchi Museum has displayed historical relics related to kimchi, different types of kimchi, mock-ups of kimchi-making processes, and information about the efficacy derived from the kimchi fermentation process. Visitors will learn about the origin and history of kimchi through historical books, paintings, and writings. Various types of kimchi crocks, along with traditional kitchen utensils that were used to prepare it will also be introduced. Gimchi making experience can be arranged.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 2, Samseong Station

Entertainment



Lotte world

As indoor theme park with hotel and department store, Lotte World boasts a wide range of fun activities and adventures. If you like K-pop singer or TV stars, Star avenue will attract you.

How to get there: Seoul Metro Line 2, Jamshil Station