



Here is your package for

South Korea Flower Festival 12 Days

11 Nights/12 Days

Tour Code : ST/BI/1227

Overview



Destinations
Seoul , Busan



Meals
Breakfast 9 , Dinner 9

Highlights



Discover the best of South Korea's springtime on a 12-day flower festival tour. Visit top destination like Goyang and Gapyeong, with guided tours, cultural experiences, and stunning floral landscapes.

Tour Gallery



Itinerary

Day
1

Flight to Seoul (South Korea)

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Day
2

Seoul

Arrive at Incheon International Airport, where you'll complete immigration and customs before meeting your local guide. You'll be taken to your hotel in Seoul. (Check in after 3pm) The rest of the day is free for you to relax after your journey.

Indian Dinner

Day
3

Seoul - Exploring Seoul's History

After breakfast, your city tour begins in Gwanghwamun Square, a wide-open space in the center of the city surrounded by modern buildings and historic statues. From there, visit Gyeongbokgung Palace, the most famous of Korea's royal palaces. Walk through its beautiful courtyards and experience the traditional Hanbok dress while exploring the palace. You'll also see the Blue House, the president's residence, from the outside.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
4

Seoul - Explore culture and temples

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before heading to Bukchon Hanok Village, where old Korean houses still stand among the hills. Then explore Insadong, a lively street filled with local art, crafts, and traditional shops. Visit Jogyesa Temple, a peaceful spot in the city known for its Buddhist rituals and colourful lanterns. End your day with a walk along the calm waters of Cheonggyecheon Stream.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
5

Gapyeong

After breakfast, travel outside the city to the peaceful town of Gapyeong. Your first stop is the Garden of Morning Calm, a beautifully designed garden surrounded by mountains. It's inspired by a poem from Tagore, who once described Korea as the "Land of the Morning Calm." Next, visit Nami Island, known for its tree-lined paths and natural beauty. With no telephone poles in sight, the island has a clean, quiet charm that feels far from the city. Return to Seoul.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
6

Goyang Flower Festival

Start your day with breakfast, then drive to Goyang, home to one of Korea's biggest flower festivals. Stroll through vibrant displays of seasonal blooms, creative flower sculptures, and photo zones. The festival offers a cheerful, colourful break from the city, with plenty of places to relax or grab a snack. After a pleasant afternoon among the flowers, return to Seoul.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
7

DMZ - Seoul Samsung D'Light Showroom

After breakfast, head to the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), the border area between North and South Korea. At the Dora Observatory, you'll get a distant view across the border and learn about the history that divided the two nations. Later, take a relaxing walk around Seokchon Lake, a peaceful spot surrounded by trees and city views. Continue to Seoul Nori Madang, where traditional Korean performances take place in an open-air setting. Visit Bongeunsa Temple, a calm, spiritual place tucked between modern buildings. End the day in Gangnam, one of Seoul's trendiest districts, and explore the tech-filled Samsung D'light showroom.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
8

Design Plaza - Nanta Show

After breakfast, visit Dongdaemun Design Plaza (DDP), an eye-catching building known for its modern design and creative exhibitions. From there, enjoy some free time in Myeongdong, Seoul's busy shopping district where you can find fashion, skincare, and street food. In the evening, watch the famous globally popular, non-verbal Nanta Show, a fun and energetic performance with music, comedy, and cooking.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
9

Seoul - Busan

Enjoy breakfast, then head to the station and board a fast train to Busan, Korea's second-largest city by the sea. After arriving, explore Gamcheon Culture Village, a hillside neighbourhood full of colourful houses and street art. Visit the famous Gwangan Bridge, which lights up beautifully at night. Then, see the seaside Haedong Yonggungsa Temple, a rare temple built on the rocks above the ocean. Rest of the day at leisure.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
10

Busan - Day to explore Korea's Second Largest City

This day is free for you to relax or explore Busan at your own pace. You might want to visit Haeundae Beach, stroll through Jagalchi Fish Market, or shop at Shinsegae Centum City, the world's largest department store. Whether you prefer nature, shopping, or food, Busan has something for everyone

Day
11

Busan - Gyeongju - Seoul

After breakfast, travel to Gyeongju, once the capital of the ancient Silla Kingdom. Visit the Cheonmachong Tomb, an ancient royal burial site, and explore the Cheomseongdae Observatory, the oldest of its kind in Asia. Walk through the elegant Donggung Palace and Wolji Pond, a beautiful setting that once hosted royal banquets. Continue to Bulguksa Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its peaceful surroundings and stone pagodas. End the day at Seokguram Grotto, a stone temple hidden in the mountains with a statue of Buddha facing the sea. After the tour, take the fast train back to Seoul. On arrival head for dinner and overnight.

Breakfast , Indian Dinner

Day
12

Seoul Departure

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your flight home. As you leave South Korea, take with you memories of colourful cities, rich traditions, peaceful landscapes, and warm hospitality.

Breakfast

Hotels

Seoul - 8



IBC Hotel Seoul
or Similar

Busan - 2



Citadines Haeundae
or Similar

Payment Schedule & Policy

Payment Schedule

- 50% of Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours at the time of Booking 84 days / 12 weeks prior to departure
- 56 days / 8 weeks prior to departure 100% of the Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours

Cancellation Policy

- More than 56 days prior to departure date 50% of Total Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours
- 55 - 42 days prior to departure date 75% of Total Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours
- 41 - 0 days prior to departure date 100% of Total Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours

Inclusions / Exclusions

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- Meal plans as indicated in the itinerary [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight), From Seoul (without Flight)**]
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- All internal transfers using local speed trains at certain places. [For City Of Origins : **From Seoul (without Flight)**]
- Premium services of Bi-lingual Tour Director / Escort / Leader / Manager (when minimum numbers of passengers reached) [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight), From Seoul (without Flight)**]
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- Return flights from one of these airports depending on availability of flights: London Heathrow / Gatwick / Stanstead / Luton / London City Airport [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight)**]
- All transfers at all places included [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight)**]
- Tips to local guides and drivers included [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight), From Seoul (without Flight)**]
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- Items of personal nature viz. telephone calls, drinks (beverages), laundry, other meals, potter service, other personal expenses, etc.. [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight), From Seoul (without Flight)**]
- Visa charges [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight), From Seoul (without Flight)**]
- Other services not listed in inclusive item & the itinerary [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight), From Seoul (without Flight)**]
- Return flights to and from [For City Of Origins : **From Seoul (without Flight)**]
- Any significant increase in fuel price, currency translation or increase in any suppliers' costs before the time of booking. [For City Of Origins : **From London (with Flight), From Seoul (without Flight)**]
- Arrival and Departure transfers at destination [For City Of Origins : **From Seoul (without Flight)**]
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FAQ

Food Matters

A:

Q: Can I request my flight meal and is it guaranteed?

A: Meal request should be advised at the time of your booking; Sonatours will request on your behalf, but we cannot guarantee the request. Sonatours are not liable in case the requested flight meal cannot be fulfilled. Please be advised that complimentary meals are not available on the internal flights.

Q. What meal options are available to me while on tour?

A: Sonatours can cater for a range of Asian Vegetarian (e.g. Jain, Swaminarayan) as well as Asian Non-Vegetarian (Halal). Kindly advise your meal preference/allergies at the time of your booking. In areas where Indian is not available local cuisine will be provided.

Q. Where will I have my daily meals?

A: On all tours breakfast is at the hotel and dinners is at various restaurants or hotels.

Q. Should I carry dry snacks?

A: Dry snacks can be carried, provided they are pre-packed, and all the ingredients are clearly listed on the packaging.

Q. What is the cost of a local meal?

A: On an average local meal costs about £15-£20 per person per meal. This estimated price varies from city to city and country to country.

Health (Medication); Welfare & Travel Insurance

A:

Q. Do I need any vaccinations?

A: For further information on vaccinations please check with your medical doctor for recent updates or go on the following website:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/

or contact your medical doctor for recent updates.

Q. Should I bring all my medication with me?

A: Please travel with all your necessary medication for the duration of your trip including your prescription/doctors report confirming the medication.

Q. Do I need to declare any special medical condition and requirements prior to booking the tour?

A: Should you have pre - existing medical conditions or requirements (e.g. oxygen during flight or sleeping, colostomy bags, etc). Kindly advise the office at the time of booking.

Q. What happens if I am unwell during the tour?

A: Should you feel unwell during the trip, kindly contact the Hotel Reception, Tour Manager/Local Guide. We regret that no refunds can be made for absences from a trip, including experiences such as missed meals or sightseeing. Strongly recommend to have personal travel insurance to cover these mishaps.

Q. What happens if an accident occurs while on the tour?

A: Should you be involved in an accident (minor or major), please contact your Tour Manager/Local Guide. Unfortunately, no refunds can be made for absences from a trip, including experiences such as missed meals or sightseeing.

Q. What should I do if there is an incident?

A: Sonatours makes every effort to keep your health and safety in mind. However, should an unforeseen incident occur please contact your tour manager/local guide/hotel reception for immediate assistance.

Q. Do you facilitate clients with disability?

A: Sonatours does not provide special tours for the disabled. Our coaches do not have wheelchair excess. It is possible to bring along a folding type wheelchair which may be kept in the baggage hold of the coach. The driver will load and unload the wheelchair from the coach for the passenger however they will need to be physically fit enough to be able to embark and disembark the coach on their own. On the tour it is also essential that a capable person is accompanying such a passenger on the tour to push their wheelchair.

Q. What happens if I have lost or left something in the hotel?

A: Kindly note that you are responsible for looking after your valuables and property when on vacation. If an item has been left in a hotel you will need to call the hotel and arrange with them directly for the return of your item, there might be charges involved.

A: You are advised not to carry unnecessary valuables and to be vigilant, as tourist spots are well known targets for pickpockets. In case of theft, you will need to advise your Tour Director immediately and report the theft to the police. This should provide you with a police report or crime reference number.

Q. Do I need travel insurance?

A: We strongly recommend you travel with Travel/Medical Insurance from your country of residence. Kindly ensure you get the correct insurance for the tour.

Q. Can Sonatours provide travel insurance?

A: There are various travel insurance providers in the market, however Sonatours does not provide Travel Insurance.

Weather & Essential to carry

A:

Q. How can I check the local weather?

A: You can check the local weather to your destinations here: www.accuweather.com

Q. What is the best time to travel?

A: Every effort has been made to select date where the weather is moderate to ensure your best experience of South Korea. (Kindly note due to changing weather conditions globally, Sonatours is not liable for weather variations).

Q. What clothes shall I wear or pack?

A: During the lovely summer months, it is advisable to wear light garments during the day but keep a light jacket or sweater in your hand luggage as evenings can get chilly.

A: We suggest waterproof jacket and pair of sunglasses.

A: During the holiday most of the dressing is casual attire. Should you independently wish to visit Casino or Nightclub, evening wear is required.

Q. What kind of footwear will I need on the trip?

A: We suggest trainers, walking shoes, sandals, chappals or similar.

Miscellaneous

A:

Q. Will I travel with people from other countries?

A: Sonatours have offices in Kenya, India, USA and UK. The beauty of taking a guided holiday with us is you'll have the opportunity to meet and travel with people from all over the globe.

Q. Is there a tour director on the tour?

A: Escorted tours are accompanied by professional Tour Director/Local guides throughout the tour. This tour includes flights; Tour Director/Local guide may not accompany during these journeys.

In such situations, your Tour Director/Local guide will meet you on arrival at your first destination. It may be necessary that your Tour Director/Local guide may change whilst on tour; this is usually due to operational reasons or utilizing local guides for their wealth of experience.

Please ensure you provide your mobile number that you will be carrying with you while on the tour when making the booking. This facilitates the tour director to contact you should the need arise while on the tour.

If minimum number of passengers has not been achieved, we will have a local guide. Sonatours provides services of local tour guides to make sure you will get an unforgettable experience.

Q. How many people will be on my trip?

A: Average group size are between 15 to 50 passengers but it may vary from departures to departures.

Q. Are tips included?

A: On all our group tours, only tips for the driver are included. However, should you wish to tip separately to driver and tour manager, you are welcome to do so at your discretion.

Q. When does my day start?

A: The day usually starts at 8-9am. Further instructions you will be given the night before. However, this may differ depending on the activity of the day or when having an early flight.

Q. How much walking is involved per day for the duration of the tour?

A: This tour involves a substantial amount of walking (normally 6 to 7 hours a day, not all at one stretch).

Q. Will I have free time?

A: Each itinerary offers the perfect balance of downtime and discoveries. We also give you the opportunity to tailor your trip with optional experiences. If you decide to venture on your own during your free time, preferably you go in a group, keep the guide contact and the hotel address handy. Please do inform the tour director. We recommend you download an offline map too.

Q. Do I need to get a local SIM card?

A: Usually it is not necessary, should you require one kindly speak to your Tour manager/Local guide for assistance.

Q. Should I bring any electric outlet adapter and charger for my electronics?

A: Electrical currents vary Globally. We recommend that you carry a universal adapter and your electronic charges for your convenience and comfort.

South Korea electricity supply is 220 Volts; uses type F - 2 round pins with 2 earth clips on the side.

Passport: Immigration & Visa

A:

Q. Do I need to carry a passport?

A: Yes, all passengers must travel with their passport if traveling outside the country you live in. We request you to see the following websites for the latest updates on travel to your destinations.

For UK Residents: www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice

For USA Resident: travel.state.gov/content/travel.html

Q. How long should the passport be valid?

A: Please ensure you have a passport that is valid for at least 6 months from the date of completing your tour.

Q. What are the Visa Requirements?

A: You are responsible to ensure that you have correct documentation.

British passport holders: Do **NOT** require a visa to travel to South Korea (visa updates to follow) or contact the office.

Non-British passport holders: Please do check with the South Korean Embassy in country of your residence. Sonatours is not responsible or liable in any way should you be denied travel due to incorrect documentation.

Q. What happens to me if I am stopped at custom and immigration?

A: Sonatours cannot be held responsible if passengers are stopped or held by any government departments, e.g. Police, Customs, Immigration or any other authorities. We are sorry to say that the tour will continue and no financial or any other kind of responsibility will be accepted by Sonatours.

Accommodation & Transport

A:

Q. How are rooms allocated?

A: Each hotel checks their bookings and room inventory in the morning and pre-assigned the rooms.

Please note that rooms with a double bed are not a common practice in South Korea. Majority of the rooms will have twin beds. Sonatours have no control over room allocations.

Q. Can you guarantee rooms together?

A: Room allocation is done by the hotels. Rooms together only be requested but not guaranteed.

Q. What facilities are there in the room?

A: Facilities vary from Hotel to Hotel and include en-suite bathrooms, generally TV, safe box, telephone, mini bar, room service (use of some of the services are chargeable and to be settled by yourself at the time of checkout). Hotels may require your credit card to cover your extras or cash deposits.

Q. Will the room have walk in shower?

A: Not all hotel rooms have walking showers.

Q. Does my room have Tea & Coffee making facilities?

A: Please note that not all hotels provide tea/coffee in the room. If hot water is required, kindly request the hotel reception for assistance.

Q. Is smoking allowed in the hotels/rooms?

A: Hotels do not allow smoking in the rooms. However, designated smoking areas are provided. Please be aware that some rooms might be smoking, although non-smoking rooms are requested.

Q. Is WIFI freely available?

A: Most hotels will have WIFI available in the public areas. Please check with hotel reception for WIFI information in the rooms.

Q. Do all rooms have air-condition?

A: Most hotels rooms in South Korea offer air-conditioners or fans. At higher altitudes there may not be air-conditioners/fans or room cooling system.

Q. Will all hotels have lifts?

A: Most of the hotels worldwide will have lifts. However, at some places Heritage Hotels or Resorts are used. In such cases lifts cannot be guaranteed.

Q. What time do I need to be at the airport?

A: All flight tours originating in the UK require that you be at the airport for your flight at least 3 hours prior to your flight time. Your final itinerary confirmation will confirm the time you need to be at the airport. Should you miss your flight Sonatours will not be liable for any costs incurred for you to join the tour. The office will make every effort to assist you in such circumstances.

If you have booked the tour without flights, please meet the group at the hotel. Details will be sent to you at a later date. Please do check with the office as you might need to book a hotel before the tour starts and after it finishes.

Please be on time as we cannot be held responsible or liable for any loss or expense suffered if you miss the flight or coach.

Q. Are flights upgrades available?

A: On long haul flight tours upgrade to your flights is possible. Please advise the office at the time of booking to get the best possible price.

Q. Can I select my seats on the airplane?

A: International and Internal flight booking are booked as a group and the airlines will allocate the seats. Should you have a specific request it will be forwarded to the airline but cannot be guaranteed.

Q. What are the luggage requirements on the airplane?

A: International Flights: Different airlines will have different requirements on the weight allowance. It can range 20-30kgs for your main luggage and 5kg for hand luggage.

Internal Flights: Different airlines will have different requirements on the weight allowance. It can range 15-20kgs for your main luggage and 5kg for hand luggage.

We do advise you to travel light. This information will be on your e-ticket once the tickets have been issued.

Q. What other transport is there in this tour?

A: In this tour we have following internal flights:

Busan to Jeju; Jeju to Seoul (Gimpo airport)

Q. What type of coach will I be travelling in?

A: We use the finest fleet of fuel-efficient coaches. Most coaches will have armrests & are fully air-conditioned or air-cooled – all with reclining seats.

Coaches in South Korea do not have emergency WC facilities. Frequent comfort stops are being made for your convenience. The high vantage point from your coach's windows means you can take in all the glorious scenery, whether it's a vast-rural landscape or an urban city center. On a touring holiday there are some long journeys which are unavoidable especially what travelling from city to city.

Q. Can I select my seats on the coach?

A: We have a strict seat rotation policy when travelling by coaches on all our international tours.

Q. What is the smoking and alcohol policy while travelling by coach?

A: There is a strict policy of “no smoking, no alcohol and no smelly food” on all our coaches. We do, however, make plenty of comfort stops.

Money Matters

A:

Q. What is the currency used?

A: The currency is South Korean Won (KRW).

Q. Can I use my Credit/Debit cards there?

A: We recommend that you take a credit or debit card on holiday with you, as it provides extra financial flexibility. Major international credit cards, such as Visa or MasterCard are accepted by many restaurants, shops and hotels. Most countries are using chip and pin. In cases where chip and pin not used please, be cautious when handing your debit/credit card.

Q. Are ATM machines available?

A: Major cities will have cash/ATM machines where cash can be withdrawn with your credit or debit card, though this might incur a fee charged by your card provider. Advise your bank which countries you are visiting prior to travel so that you don't run the risk of your card being refused and subsequent expensive phone calls to unlock it.

Q. Where can I exchange my money?

A: Money can be exchanged at Airports, Banks, Exchange Bureaus and at the hotels. You may also need your passport for identification, please be aware that locally exchange rate may vary.

Can I join the tour from any part of the world?

A:

A: Yes, you can fly to Seoul(South Korea), our first point in the tour preferably a day earlier. Please do inquire in the office to arrange your logistics for both arrival and departure.



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