

TWO NIGHTS/THREE DAYS TOURS

Option C:

Suncheonman Bay Wetland Reserve

The fields in Suncheonman Bay is thickly covered with reeds taller than a full-grown man. It is the biggest colony of reeds in Korea. The image of the entire field swaying in the wind is as dazzling as waves on the sea.

The field of reeds is home to many plants that thrive in damp conditions, like the common reed and the starwort. Among the world's wetlands, Suncheonman Bay is widely known for attracting the largest number of rare birds. Internationally rare birds such as the hooded crane, white-naped crane, white stork, black-faced spoonbill, Eurasian Oystercatcher, as well as birds designated as natural treasures, can be spotted here. There are about 140 species of birds including the snipe, wild duck, shelduck, and wild goose in total. In order to get to Suncheon, visitors can either fly to Yeosu Airport from Gimpo or Jeju, and then take an airport bus to Suncheon.



Odongdo Island

Despite being an island off the coast, visitors can simply walk along the breakwater installed from Yeosu Port all the way to Odongdo Island. There are 70 species of wild flowers that flourish here, a hill commemorating the plantation of the very first tree and a spacious grassy field making this place great for ecological education.

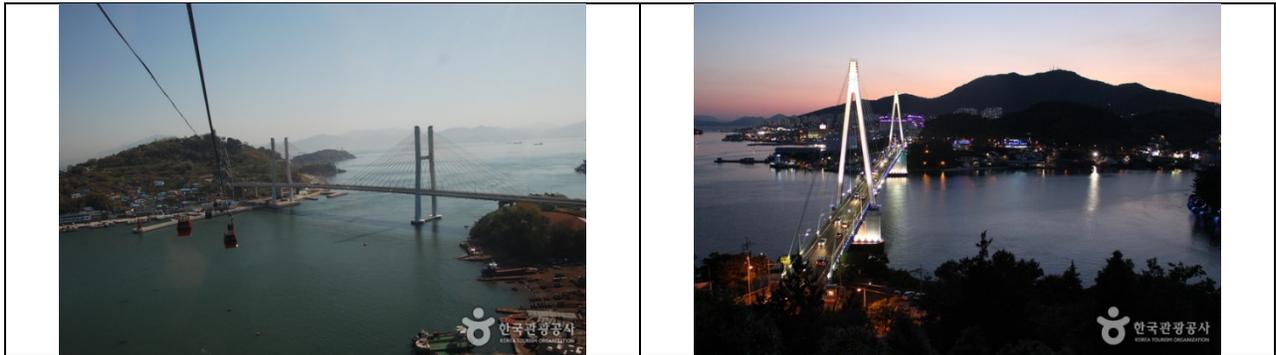
Odongdo Island of Yeosu is one of the most spectacular spots to appreciate camellias. The camellias on Odongdo Island begin to bloom in November and color the entire island in scarlet until April the following year. Indeed, during this period the entire island looks like a huge camellia blossom. The promenade that stretches across the entire island is popular with couples. You can also have fresh catches from the sea prepared for your meal.



Yeosu Maritime Cable Car

Yeosu Maritime Cable Car is the first of its kind in Korea, connecting Dolsan Island and the mainland over the ocean. Passengers can choose between the standard cabins and crystal cabins. In particular, crystal cabins allow passengers to observe the ocean below ones feet, experiencing the thrill of being suspended in mid-air through its transparent flooring.

* Standard: 8 person capacity (40 cars) / Crystal: 5 person capacity (10 cars)



Boriam Temple in Geumsan Mountain

Namhae's Geumsan, located in Gyeongsangnam-do, is the only mountain within Hallyeo National Maritime Park to have craggy ridge lines and gorgeous rocky surfaces. In December of 1974, it was designated as Gyeongsangnam-do's Natural Monument No. 18, but has since gone up to No. 39 as of May 2008. The mountain also features a trail that spans eight ridge lines that you can access from Idong-myeon Bokgok Entrance, and there is also Sangju Beach in the vicinity, which attracts many tourists.



Namhae Daraengyi Village

Daraengi Village in Namhae is famous for terraced rice paddies on a steep hill on the outskirts of 488 m high Seolheulsan Mountain. The picturesque rice paddies make up 108 steps (consisting of stones and soil) and are great for taking photographs. Located in the south, the village is balmy in winter, and spring greens sprout before any other place in Korea. Environment-friendly agriculture flourishes because the sea breeze prevents insect pests. This land of friendly people and fertile soil is home to Daraengi Rice Paddy Festival every spring. The festival offers a slew of interesting programs allowing visitors to experience traditional farming and learn cultural and natural heritage in Daraengi Village: Harrowing a Field, Straw Rope Ssireum (Korean Wrestling), Rice Planting, Running on Rice Paddies, Carrying a Wooden Carrier, and colorful performance events.



The green tea field of Bosung (with green tea tasting)

Opened in 1957, Daehan Dawon Tourist Tea Plantation is the only tourist tea plantation in Korea. The 5,000,000 m² plantation boasts an outstanding landscape with a beautiful cedar forest that stretches from the entrance.

The plantation became first known to the public thanks to a commercial of a Korean telecommunication company and later gained popularity as a filming site for movies and commercials. Daehan Dawon, which is the birthplace of Korea's tea industry, hosts 'Dahyangje Tea Festival' every May.



Juknokwon (Bamboo Garden)

Juknokwon in Damyang is a bamboo forest cultivated by the town of Damyang. Seonginsan Mountain behind Damyang Hyanggyo (Confucian school) was transformed into Juknokwon Bamboo Garden featuring a beautiful artificial waterfall, pavilion, walking paths and an eco-exhibition center, a popular destination for visitors. It takes about 1 hour to tour around the entire garden. Crossing Hyanggyo Bridge from Juknokwon, a forest for preventing floods can be seen. Lights are turned on in the evenings in the bamboo forest for a night walk.

