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KOREA 2026

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26 October – 3 November 2026

*A journey through Korean art, ceramics, design,
architecture, food and cultural traditions*

DAY 1- MONDAY, OCTOBER 26 – ARRIVAL IN SEOUL

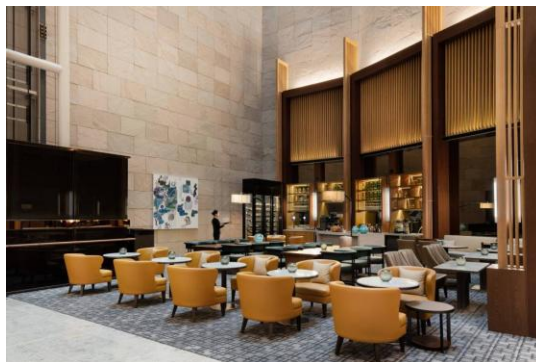
Today we fly from Sydney. Depart from Sydney: **10.20am** (KE5002)

Arrive in Seoul: 19.00 Incheon International Airport.

Airbus A380 Flight time: 10H 40M

At Incheon Airport we will be met by our wonderful local guide, Angela, and transferred by private coach to our hotel where we'll join our fellow international travellers. (Approx. 90 minutes)

Accommodation: Courtyard by Marriot, Myeongdong, in the heart of Seoul.



MoMo Lounge, Courtyard Seoul Myeongdong

Meals: None: our hotel offers dining options on the evening of our arrival and is surrounded by local restaurants and a convenience store.

DAY 2 – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

ANCIENT PALACE & SEOUL FEAST

We begin our first day in Seoul with a step back in time and a guided tour through the architectural wonders of Changdeokkung Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Built in the 15th Century during the Joseon Dynasty, this palace is a remarkable example of the harmonious integration of art, beauty and nature.



Lunch is a truly special experience: a private culinary tour with Seoul food scholar Victoria Kang through the city's historic neighbourhoods, discovering traditional delicacies and sampling local produce along the way.

Our day closes with 'free time': a visit to a nearby traditional teahouse, a glass of champagne in the MoMo Lounge, or a wander through some of the local neighbourhood sights.

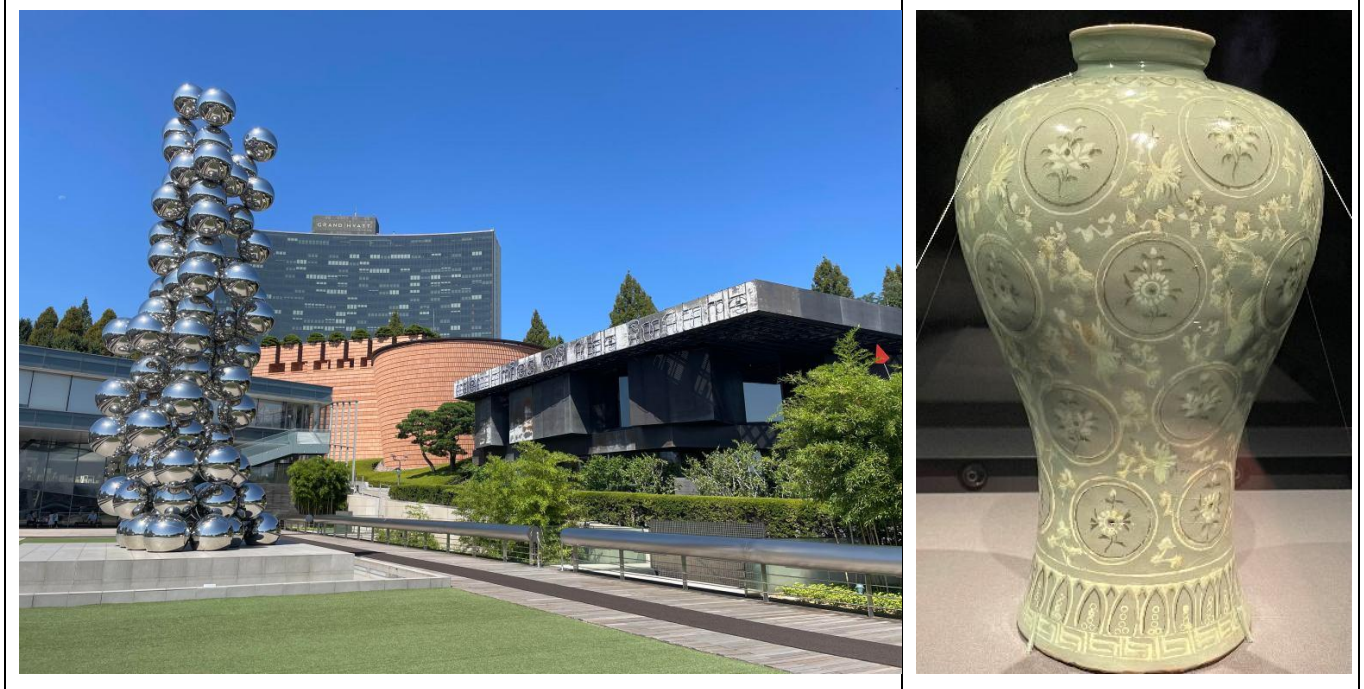
EDITORIAL NOTE — (Shannon and Judith are creating a portfolio of optional activities for just such opportunities!)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 3 – WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

ART, ARCHITECTURE AND A MICHELIN CHEF'S PORCELAIN COLLECTION

Following breakfast, we meet Angela in the lobby and travel by coach to the Leeum Samsung Museum, a striking mix of traditional and contemporary art and architecture.



Crossing the Han River, we'll enjoy lunch in a local Gangnam restaurant, where Angela will introduce us to the menu and guide us through the dishes.

Following lunch, we will visit the private ceramic gallery of the Michelin award-winning, Chef Roh. Chef Roh will share with us her culinary artistry and aesthetic sensibility, offer us a VIP tour of her exquisite collection of Korean celadon, and welcome us to her kitchen for an intimate afternoon tea.

After tea, we have a unique craft experience: a private 'Hanji' Traditional Paper Workshop in Chef Roh's Gallery. This is the only such workshop available in Seoul!

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Afternoon Tea

DAY 4 –THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

CERAMICS IN ICHEON



Today we travel to Icheon, the heart of Korean ceramics.

We visit the studios of two ceramic masters, Mr Kwak and Mr Park. Kwak Kung Tae is a renowned maker of giant ‘onggi’ jars, traditionally used to ferment kimchi.

You will be amazed as Mr Kwak transforms huge coils of clay into a beautiful vessel.

Mr Park is an academic and renowned potter who specialises in wood firing in his “dragon kiln”.

Both these artists demonstrate the synthesis of contemporary life with cultural traditions through the practice of an ancient craft.

Lunch will be enjoyed in Icheon, known as ‘the rice bowl of Korea’, at a restaurant specially selected by Mr Kwak’s assistant.

Back in Seoul, we can dip into our optional activities’ portfolio, and maybe chat about K-Lit in the MoMo Lounge.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 5 – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

SPACE, ART, NATURE

Today we take a day trip to the breathtaking Museum SAN, nestled in the mountains of Wonju about two hours' drive from Seoul. SAN is an acronym for Space, Art and Nature.

The Museum was designed by the Japanese architect, Tadeo Ando and is his expression of gratitude for the natural beauty of the Oak Valley environment.



This is a peaceful, unhurried day of inspiration and appreciation, immersed in the beauty of nature. Our Museum SAN ticket will allow us to explore, enjoy and contemplate at our own pace.

We will lunch independently at one of the two Museum cafes.

Our coach will return us to Seoul in the late afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 6 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

NATIONAL TREASURES & STUDIO VISIT



This is a day about the beauty, subtlety and the imperfect perfection of the Moon Jar.

Our morning begins at the National Museum of Korea, where we can contemplate the timeless beauty and elegance of these traditional works of art.



Leaving the Museum, we travel to the outskirts of Seoul and the studio of **Byung Sik Moon**, a modern master of the moon jar form. This intimate studio experience and demonstration will be a highlight for lovers of ceramics.

On our way to Mr Moon's studio, we will stop at the Seoul Meeting Square Rest Area for **lunch**, and possibly some shopping.

Angela will guide us through menus and ordering. Rest Areas in Korea are not what they are in Australia!

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7 – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

TEMPLES, TRADITIONAL & CONTEMPORARY CRAFT, FOOD, SHOPPING

Today Angela will escort us by coach to the Seoul Museum of Craft, exploring Korea's remarkable design heritage. The Museum displays its permanent collection of heritage craft as well as hosting changing exhibitions of contemporary designs.



From the Museum, we walk to the Jogyesa Temple, Seoul's oldest Buddhist Temple, enjoy its architecture, its two 500-year-old trees, and listen for the chanting of monks above the din of the surrounding busy streets!

We are now in the Insadong neighbourhood, known for its ‘arty’ ambience: its craft, calligraphy, ceramic and pottery galleries, handmade paper and stationery shops, cafes and restaurants. Angela will guide us to places for lunch.

After lunch, our coach will return to the hotel. Anyone wishing to further explore the delights of Insadong can taxi back later.

This evening we celebrate our “Creative Voyage Korea” at a special restaurant chosen by Shannon and Angela, our tour ‘foodies’!

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 8 – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

FAREWELL SEOUL!

Our final day is free for optional activities. Shannon has discovered a highly recommended perfume workshop where you make your own signature scent. This is said to be a very beautiful, relaxing activity and something unique to take home from Seoul. There is a video lesson in English on Shannon’s website. Cost is around \$55 per person.

Departure: Our coach leaves from the lobby between 3.30-4pm to transfer to the airport for your flight home. Angela will accompany those meeting flights on November 2. Shannon is remaining in Seoul for an extended cultural immersion, and Judith is travelling to Jeju Island for a few more days of art and traditional culture.

Fly from Incheon International Airport at 20.00 (KE5001)

Airbus A380 * 10H 20M

DAY 9 TUESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2026

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