

# 2026 SEOUL MAHALO SHOPPING TOURS



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5 Nights / 7 Days • 9 Meals (5 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners)

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**Tour #1:** May 11 – 17, 2026 • Tour Manager: Geri Ichimura

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**Tour #8:** November 15 – 21, 2026 • Tour Manager: Cora Kinney

**Tour #9:** November 30 – December 06, 2026 • Tour Manager: Eric Yosemite

## VISIT:

Seoul

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

Gyeongbokgung Palace or Deoksugung Palace, National Folk Museum, Blue House, Cheonggyecheon Stream, Bukchon Art Craft Center & DDP (Dongdaemun Design Plaza)

## SHOPPING HIGHLIGHTS:

Insadong Antique Street, Namdaemun Market, Dongdaemun Market & Costco Shopping

## HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES:

Tal Mask Making & Kimbap and Dumpling Cooking Class



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SEOUL DETAILED MAP



**COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT SEOUL NAMDAEMUN**  
**— 4-STAR (5 NIGHTS):** The hotel is situated within walking distance of the lively Myeongdong district, home to world-class shopping. The Seoul KTX Station is a short stroll away, facilitating easy access to other points of interest in the area.

**Day 1:** HONOLULU. Depart Honolulu via Asiana Airlines flt #231 at 11:10 am.

**Day 2:** SEOUL. Arrive in Incheon International Airport at 5:30 pm. After entry formalities, transfer by coach to your hotel in Seoul. Enjoy a bento dinner. **COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT SEOUL NAMDAEMUN (5 Nights)** (D)

**Day 3:** SEOUL. After breakfast, explore Gyeongbokgung Palace or Deoksugung Palace and National Folk Museum. **Gyeongbokgung Palace**, the first of the royal palaces built during the Joseon Dynasty (1392–1897). Built in 1395, Gyeongbokgung Palace was located at the heart of the newly appointed capital of Seoul (then known as Hanyang) and represented the sovereignty of the Joseon Dynasty. The largest of the Five Grand Palaces (the others being Gyeonghuigung Palace, Deoksugung Palace, Changgyeonggung Palace, and Changdeokgung Palace), Gyeongbokgung Palace served as the main palace of the Joseon Dynasty. It flourished under the reign of Sejong the Great (1418–1450), who invented the native Korean script Hangul, at the palace. During the Japan colonization of Korea, structures in the palace were demolished and rebuilt in the modern style. Efforts have been made to restore the palace to its pre-colonial state. **Deoksugung Palace**, is the first main palace of the Korean Empire (1897–1910). It has a mix of traditional Korean and Western architecture that reflects its history. The palace was first used as a temporary palace by King Seonjo the Imjin War (1592–1598), when the other palaces had been destroyed. In 1611, it was made an official palace named Gyeongungung. The palace then went largely unused until the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. Located within the grounds of Gyeongbok Palace, the **National Folk Museum** uses replicas of historic objects to illustrate the history of the Korean people. Next, visit the Blue House, Insadong Antique Street, Cheonggyecheon Stream, and Namdaemun Market. The **Blue House** is the executive office and official residence of the president of the Republic of Korea. Blue House literally means “pavilion of blue tiles,” which the house is known for. The traditional culture of Korea is represented in **Insadong Antique Street**. Stores in Insadong specialize in a wide variety of goods including ceramics, earthenware, calligraphy materials, antique furniture, hanbok (traditional clothing), hanji (traditional paper), traditional teas, souvenirs, cute accessories, and folk crafts. Stroll along **Cheonggyecheon Stream**, running through downtown Seoul. **Namdaemun Market** was opened in 1964, is the largest traditional market in Korea with over 10,000 retailers, vendors, and wholesalers. The market, which is spread out over several blocks, has the largest collection of interesting and traditional Korean items for sale in one place. It has been said: if it is sold in Korea, or anywhere else in the world, then you will most likely find it at one of the many stalls here. Enjoy a Welcome **Korean BBQ Dinner**. (B, D)

**Day 4:** SEOUL. Today, enjoy a full day of touring Seoul and experience Korean culture. First, **create your own tal mask** at the **Bukchon Art Craft Center**. Tal masks are used in religious Korean ceremonies, dances, and dramas. Then **learn how to make kimbap and dumplings**. Once the lesson is done, you'll have the chance to enjoy your delicious creation for lunch. After lunch, explore the **DDP (Dongdaemun Design Plaza)**, a large urban development project in Dongdaemun that includes a park, exhibition spaces, and restored parts of the Seoul Fortress. Ever since its opening in 1905, **Dongdaemun Market** has been one of the major markets in Korea. Specializing in wholesale clothing, the market has grown large, having more than 20 shopping malls. (B, L)

**Day 5:** SEOUL. Today is a free day to spend at your leisure. Still have shopping on the mind? You can return to the various shopping areas the group has explored already on the tour, or you can ask the Local Guide for suggestions. Have fun exploring Seoul on your own. (B)

**Day 6:** SEOUL. Enjoy another free day to spend at your leisure. Perhaps some last minute shopping? Your Local Guide will be available to assist as needed. On your last night in Korea, enjoy a farewell buffet dinner. (B, D)

**Day 7:** SEOUL – HONOLULU. Enjoy some **last minute shopping** at **Costco**, before transferring to Incheon International Airport for your return flight to Honolulu. Depart Incheon International Airport via Asiana Airlines flt #232 at 8:20 pm and arrive in Honolulu at 9:30 am the same day. Aloha and welcome home! (B)

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