Discover Incheon

Korea's Coastal Gem

A complete travel guide to South Korea's vibrant port city — where history, culture, and modernity meet the sea.

INCHEON, SOUTH KOREA

TRAVEL GUIDE



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Your Gateway to Korea

- **40 km west** of Seoul
- Nearly **3 million** people
- Ancient palaces & futuristic smart districts
- **160+** surrounding islands

✈️ World-Class Airport

Voted world's best — shopping, ice rink & free city tours

🚄 Seoul Access

AREX Express: **43 minutes** to Seoul Station

🌊 160+ Islands

Ganghwa (UNESCO), beaches & Korea's largest fish market



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Chinatown & Open Port History

- Korea's **only officially designated Chinatown** — opened as a treaty port in 1884, minutes from Seoul by subway; explore colorful murals, red-lantern streets, and 19th-century architecture
- 🍜 Birthplace of **Jajangmyeon** — black bean noodles invented here by Chinese immigrants at Gonghwachun (est. 1905), still open today and a must-visit for the original recipe



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Songdo International Business District



Central Park

A 40-acre urban park inspired by NYC's Central Park, with a tidal canal you can kayak through.



Tri-bowl

An iconic futuristic landmark hosting concerts and exhibitions — its UFO-like shape is Songdo's most photographed structure.



Night Skyline

One of Asia's most striking smart-city skylines, built almost entirely from scratch on reclaimed land since 2003.

Getting There: Metro Line 1 → Incheon Line 1 to **Central Park Station** (~40 min) · 20 min from Incheon Airport

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Incheon's Island Escapes

Over 160 islands just an hour from the city — each with its own character.

AIRPORT ISLAND

🏝️ Yeongjong Island

Home to Incheon Airport, yet full of nature, beaches, and seafood villages.

- **Highlights:** Eulwangni Beach, Yongyudo Village
- **Access:** By bus or car from Incheon Airport in under 15 min

HIDDEN GEM

🌊 Muui Island

Tranquil escape with pristine beaches and dramatic rocky coastline.

- **Highlights:** Haeangjeon Beach, Hobakmeori Cliff Trail
- **Access:** Ferry from Jamjindo Pier (~5 min); bridge-linked since 2019

HISTORIC

🏔️ Silmido Island

Once a secret military base, famous from the 2003 film *Silmido*.

- **Highlights:** Tidal flat walkway, coastal cliffs, historic site
- **Access:** Walk across tidal causeway from Muui Island at low tide

ⓘ **Getting There:** Metro Line 1 → Incheon Line 1 to **Unseo Station**, then bus or ferry. Most islands reachable within **40–60 min** from central Incheon.

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Markets & Street Food

🍜 Jajangmyeon

₩7,000–₩12,000

Black bean noodles born in Incheon's Chinatown — a must-try at one of the original restaurants on Chinatown Road.

🥞 Seafood Pancakes

₩10,000–₩18,000

Crispy, savory pajeon packed with fresh clams and squid — best found at Sorae Fish Market.

🌶️ Tteokbokki

₩3,000–₩6,000

Chewy rice cakes in spicy-sweet gochujang sauce — a beloved street snack available at stalls throughout Bupyeong Market.

☕ Café Culture

₩5,000–₩9,000

Incheon's café scene thrives near Sinpo Market and the waterfront, with cozy spots serving specialty coffee and Korean pastries.

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Culture & Museums

1

Incheon Art Platform

Galleries in restored 19th-century port warehouses.

Tue–Sun, 10am–6pm | Free

2

Wolmido Theme Park

Classic amusement park on Wolmi Island with ocean views.

Daily | Free entry; rides ₩1,000–₩3,000

3

Incheon Landing Memorial Hall

Museum commemorating the 1950 Korean War landing.

Tue–Sun, 9am–6pm | Free

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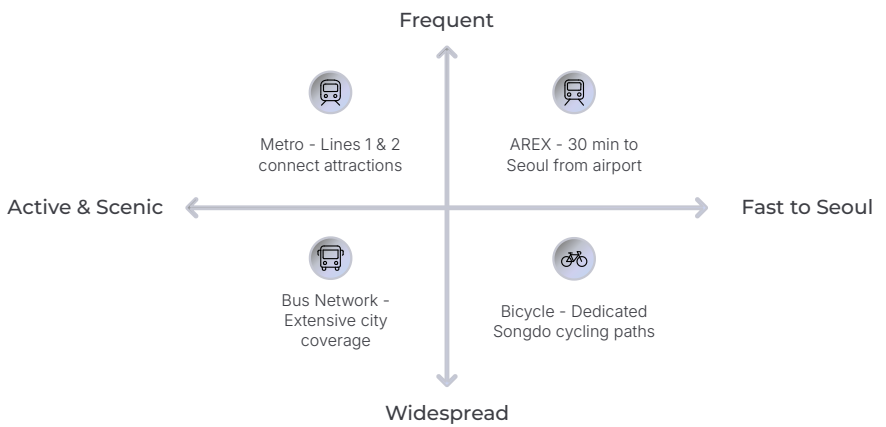
Eurwangni Beach

Sandy beach on Yeongjongdo Island, famous for sunsets.

Open year-round | Free

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Getting Around Incheon



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Festivals & Events

1. 🌸 Cherry Blossom Festival

   April · Wolmido Park · **Free**

2. 🎸 Pentaport Rock Festival

   August · Songdo · **~~₩99,000~~/day**

3. 🎤 Korean Wave (Hallyu) Festival

   October · Incheon Port · **Free**

4. ❄️ Songdo Ice Festival

   Dec–Feb · Central Park · **₩10,000**



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Your Incheon Trip at a Glance

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Day 1 — History & Culture

Budget: ~₩30,000–50,000

- **9:00 AM** — Chinatown stroll
- **10:30 AM** — Open Port Museum

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Day 2 — Modern Incheon

Budget: ~₩40,000–70,000

- **9:30 AM** — Songdo Central Park & canal boat
- **4:00 PM** — Waterfront Promenade walk

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Day 3 — Island Escape

Budget: ~₩50,000–80,000

- **7:30 AM** — Ferry to Muui Island
- **9:00 AM** — Silmi Beach swimming

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