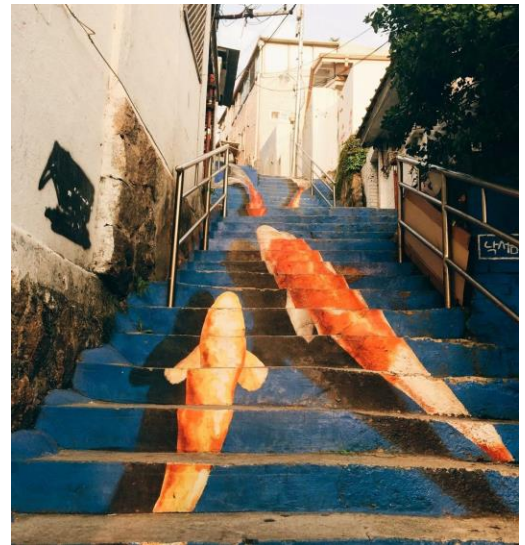


Santa Fe Workshops

DYNAMIC SOUTH KOREA: FROM SEOUL TO JEJU

October 7th - 16th, 2027

*Seoul - Andong - Gyeongju - Busan - Tongyeong
- Jeju Island - Seoul*



****Please note: While we do our best to follow the above itinerary, changes may be made to any aspect of the tour due to a variety of potential situations or unforeseen circumstances.***

October 7th: Seoul / Arrival Day

Upon arrival at Seoul's airport, you'll be met by your private driver and taken to your hotel in the city center. After check in, you'll have time to rest, unpack, and recover from jetlag. Seoul is a great place to begin exploring South Korea, with old palace walls, busy food streets, modern buildings, and everyday scenes all close together. In the evening we'll meet for a short orientation meeting before going out for a welcome dinner at a great South Korean restaurant, where we'll share our first meal together and start getting a feel for the country through its food.

Accommodation: 4 hotel Included
meals: Dinner*

October 8th: Seoul

We'll begin our first day in Seoul at Gyeongbokgung Palace, the main royal palace of the Joseon dynasty. Here we'll have a private photoshoot with a hanbok model among painted gates, open courtyards, and stone walkways, giving us time for wider palace scenes, portraits, and small details in the fabric and architecture. From there we'll continue to Bukchon Hanok Village, a historic residential area set between Seoul's major palace sites, where narrow lanes and wooden doors create a different setting from the palace grounds. Lunch will be at a mom and pop restaurant, where we'll try authentic Korean dishes in a simple local setting. Later we'll continue to Ihwa-dong Mural Village, a hillside neighborhood with painted walls and residential lanes that are excellent for street photography. As we walk, we'll photograph murals, doorways, steps, window details, and the mix of art and daily life in the neighborhood. In the late afternoon we'll head to Naksan Park, where Seoul's fortress wall follows the ridge above the city. We'll stay for sunset photography, with views over rooftops, apartment blocks, narrow streets, and the city lights starting to come on below us.

Accommodation: 4 hotel
Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

October 9th: Seoul

This morning will be at leisure, giving you time to explore Seoul on your own. Options include Insadong Street, known for Korean crafts, calligraphy shops, and traditional teahouses, or Gwangjang Market, one of Seoul's oldest markets, where food stalls make for strong street photography. Later in the afternoon we'll visit Seoul Forest, one of the city's largest parks and a good place to capture a calmer side of Seoul. We'll look for shots along the walking paths, ponds, and open lawns, with chances to work on reflections, natural textures, and people moving through the park. From there, we'll continue to Seongsu-dong, often called the Brooklyn of Seoul, where timeworn factory spaces, design stores, storefronts, and people moving through one of the city's creative neighborhoods offer a different view of the capital. Dinner will be at a Korean BBQ restaurant, with grilled meats and the shared rhythm of cooking at the table.

Accommodation: 4 hotel Included
meals: Breakfast, Dinner*

October 10th: Seoul / Andong

This morning, we'll leave Seoul and travel to Andong, a city closely tied to Korea's Confucian traditions, family lineages, and regional food culture. Our main visit will be Hahoe Folk Village, a UNESCO listed village set beside the Nakdong River. Tile roof homes, thatched houses, clan buildings, and carved wooden gates sit along lanes that curve between family homes. As we walk through the village, we'll begin observing a quieter side of Korea through lived-in details and everyday scenes. We'll also attend a traditional mask dance performance, one of Andong's most important cultural traditions. These dances use carved masks, movement, music, and satire to tell stories about class, power, monks, nobles, and village life. Afterwards, we'll have time for a photoshoot connected to the mask tradition. We'll focus on costume, gesture, expression, and the textures of the masks. We'll also have the chance to speak with villagers and learn about their lives. Dinner will take place in a historic hanok and will be based on recipes from a 16th-century cookbook from the Andong region, often regarded as one of Korea's oldest surviving cookbooks. During the meal, we'll learn about the history, ingredients, and stories behind the dishes, giving us a deeper look at Andong's food traditions and Korea's cultural heritage.

Accommodation: 4 hotel*

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

October 11th: Andong / Gyeongju

Leaving Andong behind, we'll spend the first part of the day around Yekki Village, an artistic town famous for its playful 3D drawings, wall paintings, and street scenes that are fun to photograph from many angles. This is a great place to experiment with perspective and compositions that use the artwork as part of the story. We'll also visit Sunseong Susang-gil Waterway, a half a mile path built across the water, with open views across the reservoir, low hills around the edges, and long wooden lines that draw the eye forward as you walk. Later we'll continue to Gyeongju, one of Korea's most important historic cities and the former capital of the Silla kingdom. After dark we'll head to Donggung Palace for night photography, where palace buildings, pond reflections, and illuminated details create a strong evening setting.

Accommodation: 4 hotel*

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

October 12th: Gyeongju / Busan

We'll depart Gyeongju early in the morning and make our way to Busan, Korea's largest port city, where the trip takes on a different rhythm. Before heading into the city, we'll visit Haedong Yonggungsa, one of Korea's most striking Buddhist temples because of its position along the rocky coast. Unlike many temples set deep in the mountains, this one faces the sea. Stone steps, prayer halls, lanterns, and lookout points all lead us toward views over the water. As we move through the grounds, we'll have time to photograph the temple against the coastline and the waves breaking below the rocks. From there we'll continue to Jagalchi Market, Korea's largest seafood market, where lunch will bring us into the working side of Busan's food culture. The market will also give us plenty to photograph, from vendors preparing seafood to the movement of daily life around the stalls. In the afternoon we'll visit Gamcheon Culture Village, a hillside neighborhood where painted houses climb above the port. Its narrow paths, murals, small galleries, and layered rooftops make it one of Busan's most interesting areas for street

scenes. The evening will be free at leisure, with time to rest, return to the waterfront, book a massage, or enjoy Busan in your own way.

Accommodation: 4 hotel*

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

October 13th: Busan / Tongyeong / Busan

After breakfast today, we'll set out on a day trip to Tongyeong, a seaside city shaped by fishing culture and daily life around the water. We'll begin around Gangguan Port, where fishing boats come and go near seafood shops and harborfront streets. Along the docks, nets, ropes, workers, and small details will give us a close look at the city's working rhythm. From there we'll continue to the town's main market, where vendors sell fresh seafood, dried fish, local snacks, and everyday goods. This will be a good place to capture market portraits, food displays, hand painted signs, and quick exchanges between vendors and customers. Lunch will be a traditional meal with a great view, giving us time to enjoy regional flavors while looking out toward the sea. Later we'll follow Sanyang-eup Coastal Road, a route that passes small islands, fishing villages, and quiet stretches of shoreline. We'll also stop at Dal-a Park, a lookout point with broad views over the water and nearby islands. After a full day with Tongyeong's markets, boats, village scenes, and sea views, we'll return to Busan for a relaxed dinner.

Accommodation: 4 hotel*

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

October 14th: Busan / Jeju Island

Off to Jeju we go! This morning we'll take a short 1-hour flight to Korea's volcanic island, a place known for lava shaped landscapes, farming villages, citrus groves, coastal roads, and traditions that feel distinct from the mainland. After landing, we'll enjoy lunch before heading to Saebyeol Oreum, a volcanic hill that rises above Jeju's countryside. During our gentle walk, we'll follow open trails across grassy slopes, with time to capture the curve of the hill, the path ahead, and the patterns of the land from different viewpoints. We'll then visit a local ranch, where grazing animals, fence lines, pasture scenes, and rural details show another side of island life. We'll also stop at a tangerine farm, one of Jeju's best known agricultural settings. Rows of citrus trees, baskets of fruit, and close up details will give us plenty to photograph through color and texture. By the end of the day we'll make our way to Seogwipo, a coastal city on the southern side of Jeju. Known for its waterfalls, nearby volcanic scenery, and access to many of the island's natural areas, it will be our base for the night as we continue exploring Jeju.

Accommodation: 5 hotel*

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

October 15th: Jeju Island

We'll start early today at Seongsan Ilchulbong, also known as Sunrise Peak, a volcanic tuff cone rising from Jeju's eastern coast. From the top and surrounding viewpoints, we'll photograph the morning light over the crater, sea, cliffs, and village below. There will be time to work with silhouettes, horizon lines, and the changing color of the water as the day begins. Later we'll learn about Jeju's haenyeo, the island's women divers who have harvested seafood for generations without modern diving equipment.

We'll watch a haenyeo performance, then continue for a meal connected to this coastal tradition. After lunch we'll visit Seopjikoji, a headland known for its wind shaped scenery, walking paths, ocean views, and dark volcanic rocks along the shore. We'll also stop at Gwangchigi Beach, where the tide, wet sand, stone formations, and views back toward Seongsan Ilchulbong will give us a different perspective from the morning. In the evening we'll gather for a farewell dinner featuring Jeju black pork BBQ, one of the island's best known specialties, before returning to the hotel.

Accommodation: 5 hotel*

Included meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

October 16th: Jeju Island / Seoul / Departure Day

This morning, we'll take a 1 hour flight back to Seoul, where the tour will officially come to an end. Upon arrival, guests can transfer to their international flight home or choose to spend an extra night in Seoul (we can arrange at an additional cost).

****IMPORTANT:** Departure flights from Seoul should be scheduled after 2:00 PM so there is enough time to make the connection.

Included meals: Breakfast