



4 NIGHT NEW YEAR 2019 CELEBRATIONS TOUR

Saturday 29th December 2018 to Wednesday 2nd January 2019 (4 Nights in the DPRK +1 Night on the train)

Pyongyang / Kaesong & the D.M.Z. / Pyongsong

Start 2019 with a bang celebrating alongside the locals in Kim Il Sung Square! Featuring excursions to the historic city of Kaesong and the truce village of Panmunjeom next to the D.M.Z., as well as a day trip to the city of Pyongsong, this tour is not one to be missed!

The Day Before: Friday 28th December 2018

1800 hrs – Meet our Beijing representative at the HAIWEIRENSHENG for a **pre-tour briefing** and visa handover. You will have the chance to ask any last-minute questions you may have.

The introductory presentation is then followed by a complimentary **welcome dinner**, to be held in a private dining room, providing a great opportunity to get to know your fellow tour members over a few drinks.

Day 1: Saturday 29th December

1255 hrs – **Depart Beijing Capital International Airport** Terminal 2 aboard Air Koryo flight JS 152. We recommend arriving at least 2 hours prior to departure to ensure plenty of time for potential delays, customs and immigration formalities.

1525 hrs LT – **Arrival at Pyongyang Sunan International Airport**. Welcome to the DPRK! After clearing customs and immigration, you will be met by your KITC guides and driven into Pyongyang. You can enjoy a city walk to stretch your legs and take in the sights of the city.

You will then be dropped off at the **Koryo Hotel (4*)**, arguably one of the finest in the city, where you can check in, relax and freshen up. Dinner will be served in the comfort of the hotel or nearby restaurant.

Day 2: Sunday 30th December

AM: Rising early, you will depart Pyongyang for **Kaesong and the DMZ** (2hrs drive), where you can see at first hand the physical division of Korea and the immense historical legacy this has had on the nation. You will be shown around by officers in the Korean People's Army who will talk to you first-hand about the situation on the ground. The next stop is the **Koryo Museum**, consisting of preserved Confucian buildings and a replica mausoleum depicting life in Korea during the Koryo dynasty.

PM: Lunch will be taken at the historic **Kaesong Folk Hotel**, built in traditional Korean style, where you will enjoy a hearty 'Royal Court' style meal in the customary manner, served on the floor from bronze bowls. En route back to Pyongyang there will be a brief stop of the **Monument to the 3 Charters of National Reunification**. Dinner is served at the **Taedonggang Diplomatic Club**. After dinner there will be an optional visit to the **Taedonggang No.3 Bar**, serving a full range of locally brewed beers from the nearby Taedonggang Brewery.

Day 3: Monday 31st December (NYE)

AM: You begin the day with a visit the **Sci-Tech complex**, a newly constructed complex situated in the middle of the Taedong River. To then learn about Korean production methods, we will tour the **Kumgob Foodstuff factory** where we can see DPRK socialist production in action. Making the short drive to **Pyongsong** a brief lunch will be served in the city.

PM: In the afternoon you will then visit the **Paeksong Revolutionary Site, Central square and Monument** in Pyongsong. There will also be an opportunity to visit **Kim Jong Suk Higher Middle School**. Venturing back to Pyongyang, you will next experience a ride on the **Pyongyang Metro**, taking the chance to explore the mosaics, murals, and statues located inside the stations. Exiting the metro, you will see the vast **Arch of Triumph**, symbolizing the revolutionary struggle against Japanese imperialism from 1925 to 1945. If there's still time you will also take a look round the **Mansudae Artist Studio**. Dinner is served at the **Pyongyang Duck Restaurant**.

After dinner, the group will head to the **Mansugyo Beer Bar** to join the locals in their preparations to welcome in the new year. For the countdown you will head into **Kim Il Sung Square** and watch the **firework display** on the banks of the Taedong river. Happy New Year 2019!

Day 4: Tuesday 1st January 2019

AM: You begin the day with a tour of the **Mansudae Fountain Park** and the **Grand People's Study House**, providing a great view over the central square. Next you will browse the **Foreign Language Bookstore** before checking out the **Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum** including the captured **US spy ship, USS Pueblo**.

PM: Lunch is served at the **Hotpot Restaurant** before you then take a trip to the **Tower of Juche Idea** and the **Party Foundation Monument**. Next up will be an optional visit to a **New Year's Day Special Arts Performance** or the **Pyongyang Circus** depending on availability (Ticket cost paid on the day). Afterward there will be an opportunity to shop at the **Kwangbok Street supermarket**, where you can mingle with the locals and even exchange foreign currency to use Korean won! Your farewell dinner will be served at the **KITC restaurant**.

Day 5: Wednesday 2nd January 2019

10:10 hrs: The overnight sleeper departs Pyongyang for Beijing, arriving around 08:00 local time the following day.

If you wish to return by Air Koryo flight Pyongyang – Beijing the upgrade cost is EUR 90 / person.

Tour Price

EUR 1240/ person

Accommodation is in shared twin rooms. Should you be travelling solo, we will match you with another single traveller. If you wish to have your own room, the single room supplement is **EUR 140/person**.

Tour price includes:

- 4 nights accommodation as listed in the itinerary;
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner (with one drink);
- Return international transportation Beijing – Pyongyang – Beijing as listed;
- All entry fees to the places of interest to be visited;

- All transportation inside the DPRK, in an air conditioned vehicle with driver;
- The use of two English speaking KITC guides

Tour Price does not include:

- The DPRK tourist visa fee, which is EUR 50 if collected in Beijing;
- Any expenses incurred outside of the DPRK e.g. Chinese visa fee, international transportation to and from Beijing, accommodation in Beijing etc.
- Beverages and other incidental expenses incurred, for example souvenirs, funfair rides, trip up to the top of the Juche Tower etc.
- Travel and medical insurance (required);
- Gratuities for your guides and driver (EUR 5-10 / person /day).

Optional Extras:

- Air Koryo return flight upgrade +EUR 90