

Donghak Temple & Cherry Blossom

Donghak Temple is located among the peaks of Mt. Gyeryong National Park, about 2 hours South of Osan AB. Interestingly, the temple is most well known for its female monks' academic centers. Korea is the only country in the world where a female monk sect exists. At any given point, the temple houses around 150 female monks who study and practice Buddhism here. One of the best areas to enjoy the cherry blossom is the three-kilometer-long road leading to the temple with cherry trees along the sides of the pavements, creating a cherry blossom tunnel. The temple also has been hosting a Spring Flower Festival since 1993 where you can view the beautiful cherry blossoms and enjoy various kinds of Korean snacks.

Gapsa Temple is a beautiful temple with a rich history. It is located in the western valley below the Yeoncheon Peak of the Mt. Gyeryong National Park, about 19 km from the city of Gongju. Once you pass the parking lot, you will come across a market area, the ticketing booth, and then pass through Iljumun, the main gate. The parking lot to Gapsa Temple is less than 2km, but the road passes a famous area known as Ori Forest. In the spring, the apricot flowers bloom, and in the summer, lush green forest covers the area. Gapsa is famous for its beauty during the fall. Maple trees, ginkgo trees, and numerous other trees with large leaves are planted, and they create a very natural and beautiful autumn landscape.



Itinerary

0800 — Departs Information Tickets & Travel (ITT) Bldg #924

0930 — Arrives at Gapsa Temple

1230 — Departs at Gapsa Temple (Lunch)

1300 — Arrives at Donghaksa Temple (Free time)

1630 — Departs at Donghaksa Temple

1900 — Osan AB, Good Night

This itinerary is subject to change

Very Important Things that You Must Know

- The tour involves strenuous walking, please bring comfortable shoes.
- Tourists are responsible for their own lunch.
- Must bring Korean currency for lunch and souvenir.
- It is optional to have your lunch in different places if you don't want to eat in the place offered by ITT
- Tour bus leaves in front of ITT Building 924 and departs at 0800 hours. Please be here 15-20 minutes prior to departure time.

