



Celebrate the 2018 New Year in Pyongyang, North Korea!

4 Days / 3 Nights | December 30th 2017 – January 2nd 2018

(+1 and +2 day extensions until January 3rd and January 4th)

Beijing | Pyongyang | Sinuiju | Dandong | Beijing



Overview

Join **Paektu Cultural Exchange** for our year end delegation which includes a special New Year's Eve celebration with local university students and families in Kim Il Sung Square, as well as exploring brand-new sights and activities around Pyongyang. This special 4-day trip is an opportunity to visit one of the most unique countries and cultures in the world and to experience firsthand the new economic developments happening there. Be the first to experience new sights, take part in the Pyongyang New Year's Ice Sculpture Festival and sample world-class cuisine at the new sushi restaurant which opened earlier this by our good friend, Fujimoto Kenji. This delegation is in partnership with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the DPRK Ministry of Sport and other government level partners. For individuals also interested in visiting Masikryong Ski Resort, we are offering the **New Year's in Pyongyang & Masikryong Ski and Snowboard Full Delegation**, which is an extended version of the trip presented here.

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Highlights

- ✧ Celebrate New Year’s Eve with fireworks in Kim Il Sung Square alongside thousands of local citizens and visitors
- ✧ Participate in the Pyongyang Ice Sculpture Festival
- ✧ Visit the new Museum of Foreign Atrocities and Aggression
- ✧ Take part in a hands-on cooking class where we make Korean cuisine with top Korean chefs
- ✧ Visit a Pyongyang Department Store as well as local shops and other venues
- ✧ Dine at Fujimoto Kenji’s sushi restaurant
- ✧ Attend a lecture and Q&A by renowned scholar and Korean expert

Itinerary

✧ Highlights

<p>Day 1</p> <p>Saturday, December 30th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Meet at the Air Koryo check-in desk at Beijing Capital Airport Terminal 2 ✧ Receive visas, check-in for flight to Pyongyang on Air Koryo — 12:55pm Departure from Beijing to Pyongyang on Air Koryo JS 152 ✧ Arch of Triumph and drive by Pyongyang’s most iconic sites. ✧ Welcoming dinner reception with our DPRK partners and hosting organizations — Overnight: Koryo Hotel
<p>Day 2</p> <p>Sunday, December 31st</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Morning guided tour of Pyongyang — Meet up with New Year’s in Pyongyang & Masikryong Ski and Snowboard Full Delegation ✧ Festivities for the official holiday in Pyongyang ✧ A scenic walking tour through some of Pyongyang’s newest residential districts, shopping areas and cultural landmarks ✧ Traditional cooking and food preparation classes ✧ Lunch – Pyongyang Cold Noodles or Hot Stone Bowl with vegetable, meat, and rice at the restaurant of our cooking class ✧ Museum of Foreign Aggression and Atrocities (The US and Japanese war crimes) ✧ Dinner on the Taedong River ✧ New Year’s Eve Fireworks Celebrations on the Taedonggang River



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Find a good viewing area alongside thousands of locals and enjoy this annual spectacle ✦ New Year's Eve After Party cocktails, drinks and singing at an underground 70's style Karaoke (KTV) bar <p>— Overnight: Koryo Hotel</p>
<p>Day 3</p> <p>Monday, January 1st</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Kumsusan Palace of the Sun – the final resting place of the eternal President Kim Il Sung and comrade Kim Jung Il ✦ Afterwards, we can walk around the surrounding park area ✦ Visit new iconic sites such as the Science Complex, Ryomyong, Chanjun and Mirae Street for Scientists ✦ Lunch at chef Fujimoto Kenji's Sushi Restaurant ✦ Observe the New Year's Pyongyang Ice Sculpture Festival in Kim Il Sung Square ✦ Visit the newly built Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum and the captured US spy ship USS Pueblo ✦ Dinner at Lamb skewer BBQ restaurant <p>— Overnight: Koryo Hotel</p> <p><i>NOTE: Individuals signed up for +1-DAY & +2-DAY TRIP EXTENSIONS will begin their separate itinerary here (see below)</i></p>





<p style="text-align: center;">Day 4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, January 2nd</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Take a look around Pyongyang Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Depart at 10am (K28) from Pyongyang Station to Sinuiju/Dandong ✦ Enjoy the views of the DPRK countryside from your train car or sit in the restaurant car sharing food and drinks with locals ✦ Korean style on lunch on train <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Arrive in Sinuiju – Our train will cross the bridge from Sinuiju to Dandong where we will board the overnight train to Beijing, arriving at 8:30am on January 3rd <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Flight Out Option: Morning City Tour of Pyongyang, lunch and Departure from Pyongyang to Beijing on Air Koryo JS 152 (+ 100 Euro) Arrive at Beijing Capital Airport at 4pm – End of Regular Program
	<p style="text-align: center;">+1-DAY TRIP EXTENSION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Visit the Pyongyang Metro ✦ Mansudae Grand Monument – 22-metre tall statues of Leaders Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il ✦ Lunch at a traditional Korean restaurant ✦ Korean Revolution Museum ✦ Visit Pyongyang University of Foreign Studies (or the Grand People’s Study House) ✦ Dinner at the Rakbaek (Paradise) Restaurant, Department Store and Brewery, and sample some beer and traditional alcohol at the microbrewery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Overnight: Koryo Hotel
<p style="text-align: center;">Day 5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, January 3rd</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Take a look around Pyongyang Station <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Depart at 10am (K28) from Pyongyang Station to Sinuiju/Dandong ✦ Enjoy the views of the DPRK countryside from your train car or sit in the restaurant car sharing food and drinks with locals ✦ Korean style on lunch on train <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Arrive in Sinuiju
	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>NOTE: Individuals signed up for +2-DAY TRIP EXTENSION will begin their separate itinerary here (see below)</i></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Our train will cross the bridge from Sinuiju to Dandong where we will board the overnight train to Beijing, arriving at 8:30am on January 4th



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Note: You may depart the train here in Dandong or continue on to Shenyang, Beijing, etc.✦ Dinner on the train– End of +1-DAY TRIP EXTENSION
	<p style="text-align: center;">+2-DAY TRIP EXTENSION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Arrive in Sinuiju and meet with local guides✦ Visit Central Square to see statues which pay tribute to Kim Il-sung and Kim Jong-il– Drive to Dongrim City✦ Take a refreshing hike up the mountain to view the Dongrim Waterfalls✦ Choose to relax, take a swim, ride a boat in their lagoon, or enjoy a massage before dinner and a performance– Overnight: Dongrim Hotel



Korean cooks take photos and videos of us during a fun and interactive private traditional cooking class in Pyongyang, DPRK



+2-DAY TRIP EXTENSION

Day 6

Thursday,
January 4th

- ✦ Visit at the Sinuiju Cosmetics Factory
- ✦ Stop at a park where we can spend some time with locals
- ✦ Lunch next at a local restaurant
- ✦ Visit the Sinuiju Art Gallery
- ✦ Stop at the Sinuiju Revolutionary Museum
- ✦ Visit Sinamri Cooperative Farm and learn about local farming practices and observe lives of Koreans working in rural areas
- ✦ Walk around the visa-free tourism development area along the riverfront and view the old Yalu River Bridge which was bombed heavily during the Korean War
- ✦ Visit to Sinuiju Kindergarten
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 - **Note:** You may depart the train here in Dandong or continue on to Shenyang, Beijing, etc.
 - End of **+2-DAY TRIP EXTENSION**

Disclaimer: This itinerary is tentative and subject to some changes. It is quite normal and expected for small changes to occur on any delegation to the DPRK. PCE and our hosts always do our best to accommodate within our abilities. In the event of itinerary changes, PCE will arrange relevant alternative activities. All payments are subject to PCE terms and conditions.

Costs

- **4 Days / 3 Nights | December 30th 2017 – January 2nd 2018** (Fly in Train out)
Beijing | Pyongyang | Sinuiju | Dandong | Beijing
Cost: 1,190 Euro
- **Deposit: 415 Euro** to reserve your place (remaining balance must be paid prior to departure)
- **Application Deadline: December 21st 2017**

Add Ons

- ✦ **+1-DAY TRIP EXTENSION including Pyongyang (Add 1 more day)**
Cost: 175 Euro
- ✦ **+2-DAY TRIP EXTENSION including Pyongyang and Sinuiju (Add 2 more days)**
Cost: 350-400 Euro depending on number of people (Contact us for more details)

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Included

- ✧ All meals (breakfasts, lunches, and dinners; meals include water and beer)
- ✧ Transportation to, from and within the DPRK and China during the program
- ✧ Accommodation in the DPRK and China (standard room, double occupancy)
- ✧ Smiles, jokes, anecdotes, basic DPR Korean language skills and some fun and interesting stories to go along with each day's activities

Not Included

- ✧ DPRK visa fee (50 Euro)
- ✧ Chinese double-entry visa (required) – *Note: for more information, contact the Chinese Embassy or Consulate in your country of residence. Some nationalities (e.g. Canadians) may qualify for the [Free Beijing 72-hour Visa](#) when flying in and out of Pyongyang.*
- ✧ Additional snacks, liquor and alcohol (e.g. ~1–3 Euro per beer)
- ✧ Souvenirs, personal expenses and other amenities
- ✧ Gifts and tips for Korean officials, staff and drivers

Upgrades and Options

- ✧ Economy – Return Flight from Pyongyang to Beijing: **Add +100 Euro**
- ✧ First Class – Return Flight from Pyongyang to Beijing: **Add +250 Euro**
- ✧ Private Airport Pick-Up (or drop off) – clients will be met by a private car at the airport: **Add +25 Euro**
- ✧ Single Room – A supplement fee (if you would like your own single room): **Add +50 Euro per night**
- ✧ Room upgrades available for additional charges
- ✧ Please contact us with any special requests



Accompanying Cultural Interpreter

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*Marshal **Kim Jong Un** and Michael Spavor, PCE director, during an official dinner in Wonsan, DPRK, 2013*

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