

Imsil Tour Guide Map



Natural Recreational Forests

- **Sesim Recreational Forest** <http://www.sesimhyang.kr>



Located at the foot of Wontong Mountain, the Sesim Recreational Forest is a small cozy forest comprising an oak plantation and a mixed forest of needle-leaf and broad-leaf trees. The valley is surrounded by oddly shaped stones that form a magnificent landscape.

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- **Seongsu Mountain Recreational Forest** seongsusan.co.kr



The Seongsu Mountain Recreational Forest located at the foot of Seongsu Mountain is equipped with various convenient facilities as well as a forest of more than 10,000 Hinoki cypress trees that is ideal for therapeutic walks. People come from all over Korea to heal their mental and physical fatigue amid the splendid natural surroundings in all seasons.

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Magnificent Mountains of Imsil

- **Seongsu Mountain**



Generally, it is said that there are two Seongsu Mountains in Korea – one in Jinan and the other in Imsil. Seongsu Mountain in Imsil originated from the range of Unjang Mountain, the highest peak of the northern Gaumnam Mountain Range, in Seongsu-myeon in Imsil, after the formation of a series of mountains including Mai Mountain, Deoktae Mountain (1,000m), and Seongak Mountain. The summit of the mountain commands a magnificent view of the surrounding landscape of numerous mountain peaks set amid a vast green expanse. The 6.4km-long valley running from the entrance of the National Recreational Forest to Sangnam Hermitage has various attractions including Jowiji Pond, Geobukdam Pool, Yeonghunj Pond, Cheongun Pond, and Gungnam Pond. In particular, Hwanjudam Pool is famous for its fantastic scenery and is also known for the national legend in which Wang Geon, the founder of the Goryeo Dynasty, received a divine relation from the Buddhist Goddess of Mercy during a 100-day period of prayer that he would become the king [Taejo of Goryeo].

- Course 1 : 6.4km
Seongsusan Recreational Forest → Sangnam Hermitage → Mountaintop (2h 50m)
- Course 2 : 18.5km
Obongje → Wonjeung / Daepan → Gureumjae Pass → Mountaintop (7h 40m)

- **Godeok Mountain**



Godeok Mountain is well-known for its various rocks including Namgeun Rock, Sanbunghwa Rock, Madang Rock, Jeonmang Rock, Choldae Rock and Tongcheonmun Rock. The mountain, composed of eight rocky ridges stretching from east to west, offers a great open view from each peak. Wooden and iron stairs on the steep slopes of the mountain along with its rock faces, provide thrilling mountaineering experiences to its visitors. It takes about three hours to get to the summit, and about five hours via the 7km-long path toward Sambong Mountain.

- Course 1 : 1.43km
Godeok Village → Hiking trail → 1st peak → 2nd peak → 3rd peak → 4th peak → 5th peak → 6th peak → 8th peak (Summit)
- Course 2 : 2.05km
Godeok Village → Hiking trail → Hiking trail → Hiking trail → 8th peak (Summit)
- Course 3 : 1.35km
Godeok Village → Hiking trail → 8th peak (Summit)

- **Baengnyeong Mountain**



Upon reaching Cheongung-myeon, situated about 10.4km from Imsil-eup on the Suncheon National Road, you will see Baengnyeong Mountain and its triangular, rocky peak to the north. Forming the boundary between Cheongung-myeon and Gangjin-myeon, it boasts excellent scenery around the former site of Baengnyeonsa Temple, which can be reached from Cheongung-myeon by walking along the southern valley. The mountaintop, on which a weather station is perched, offers a wide open view of Moak mountain, Mandok mountain, and Heomun mountains. The name "Baengnyeong mountain" originates from the local landscape in which the mountain is surrounded by Okeong Lake and the Seomjin River flowing to its north, west, and south, lending the mountain the appearance of a lotus flower blooming in the middle of a lake. The representative local hiking course starts from Sing village, about 1.2km from Cheongung-myeon Office on the Suncheon National Highway, and passes through Sanggamin Village toward the summit. Hikers can descend via the same route, or pass through Iyun village and continue walking down to Yongdang village in Baengnyeong-ni.

- Course 1 : 11.9km
The seat of the Cheongung-myeon office → Suncheon National Road → Sing Village → Reservoir → Sanggamin → Baengnyeonsa Temple → Valley → The former site of Baengnyeonsa Temple → A steep trail → Anju → Summit → Seonmunjeung → Forest road → Farm → Baengnyeong Farm → Iyun Village → Mountain cabin → Yongdang Village → Unamdaegyo (2h)
- Course 2 : 12km
Cheongung Bus Stop → Hoeryong-dong → Yongchuye Reservoir → Dubokje Reservoir → Baengnyeongam Hermitage → Former site of Baengnyeonsa Temple → Sanggamin → Sinchon → Cheongung (2h 30m)

Traditional Markets

Imsil Market 26, Unsu-ro, Imsil-eup
Market Days : 1st, 6th, 11th, 16th, 21st and 26th days of each month

Sinpyeong Market
360-4, Seokdeungsseulchi-ro, Sinpyeong-myeon
Market Days : 3rd, 8th, 13th, 18th, 23rd, 28th days of each month

Osu Market 159, Osu-ro, Osu-myeon
Market Days : 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th days of each month

Gwancheon Market 70-3, Saseon 1-gil Gwancheon-myeon
Market Days : 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th days of each month

Gangjin Market 14-12, Hoguk-ro, Gangjin-myeon
Market Days : 2nd, 7th, 12th, 17th, 22nd, 27th days of each month

Imsil Tour Information

Culture, Tourism, and Cheese Division of Imsil-gun Office
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Major Agencies Telephone Number

Name of agency	Telephone number
Imsil-gun Office	+82-63-640-2114(Daytime) +82-63-640-2222(Nighttime)
Imsil Police Station	+82-63-644-0112
Imsil National Cemetery	+82-63-643-6082
Imsil Cultural Center	+82-63-642-2211
Imsil Cheese Nonghyup (National Agricultural Cooperative Federation)	+82-63-643-3721
Imsil Fire House	+82-63-642-2119
Imsil-gun Health Center and County Hospital	+82-63-640-3110(Nighttime)

Imsil Tour with a Cultural Tourism Interpreter

Visitors to Imsil can reserve a cultural interpreter to help them understand the culture and history behind Imsil's main tourist destinations.

* Advance reservation is required : +82-63-640-2346



Transportation Information

By train

- Seoul → Imsil Station (3h) • Suncheon, Yeosu → Imsil Station (2h)
- +82-1544-7788
- Imsil Station +82-63-644-0139 • Osu Station +82-63-644-7008

By car

Gangwon, Gyeonggi, Seoul → Gyeongbu Expressway → Nonsan-Cheonan Expressway → Honam Expressway → Iksan-Pohang Expressway (Iksan Junction / toward Jangsu) → Suncheon-Wanju Expressway → Imsil IC (Approx. 3h 4m from Seoul)

Busan → Second Namhae Expressway Branch (Sasang IC) → Namhae Expressway (Naengjeong Junction) → Tongyeong-Daeseon Jungbu Expressway → Gwangju-Daegu Expressway (Hamyang Junction / toward Namwon) → Suncheon-Wanju Expressway → Imsil IC (Approx. 3h 16m)

Daegu → Jungbu Naeryuk Expressway Branch (Namdaegu IC) → Gwangju-Daegu Expressway → Suncheon-Wanju Expressway → Imsil IC (Approx. 2h 41m)

Mokpo → Sohaean Expressway → Gochang-Damyang Expressway (Gochang Junction / toward Damyang) → Gwangju-Daegu Expressway (Damyang Junction / toward Namwon) → Suncheon-Wanju Expressway → Imsil IC (Approx. 2h 18m)

Gwangju → Honam Expressway (Dongnim IC) → Gwangju-Daegu Expressway (Gosoo Junction / toward Namwon) → Suncheon-Wanju Expressway → Imsil IC (Approx. 1h 13m)

By express bus

Seoul → Jeonju (2h 30 by express bus) → Jeonju → Imsil (30m by intercity bus)

- Imsil Bus Terminal +82-63-642-2114
- Osu Bus Terminal +82-63-642-5013
- Gwancheon Bus Terminal +82-63-642-0177
- Gangjin Bus Terminal +82-63-643-1012

Public Transportation	Route	Frequency of service(per day)	Hours
Express bus services	Jeonju → Imsil	80times	06:05-22:00
	Imsil → Jeonju	79times	06:50-22:30
	Imsil → Namwon	39times	07:10-22:30
	Imsil → Sunchang	25times	07:00-21:15
Bus services for farming and fishing communities	Jeonju → Imsil	17times	06:10-21:00
	Imsil → Jeonju	7times	06:35-20:20
	Imsil → Sunchang	15times	07:00-20:00