

Sokcho, Gangwon-do, South Korea

Wedged between the jagged granite peaks of Seoraksan and the East Sea, Sokcho is one of Korea's most rewarding one-day destinations — ancient temples, a hand-pulled cable ferry, squid sausage, and mountain views that hit differently than any other Korean port.

 Pier — Sokcho International Cruise Terminal

 Typical call: 8–10 hrs

 Korean Won (KRW) — cards widely accepted

 Korean (English at tourist sites; Papago app recommended)

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier — Sokcho International Cruise Terminal (opened 2017)

Best For: Nature, hiking, Korean food culture, mountain scenery

Walk to center: Abai Village ~15 min (1.2 km); Jungang Market ~25 min (2 km)

Don't Miss: Seoraksan cable car + Sinheungsa Temple; Abai Village hand-pulled ferry; Dakgangjeong at Jungang Market

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  ₩8,500–₩11,000 to city center (~\$6–8 USD) ·  **Rideshare**  Kakao T, Uber, k.ride

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Seoraksan National Park** — Korea's most dramatic national park — granite spires, pine forests, Buddhist temples, and the iconic Gwongneumseong...
- Abai Village & the Gaetbae Ferry** — A historic village founded by North Korean refugees who fled during the Korean War.
- Sokcho Jungang Market** — A sensory-packed traditional market with a live seafood basement and ground floor of street snacks.
- Sinheungsa Temple & Great Unification Buddha** — Inside Seoraksan park, this Zen Buddhist temple features the 14.6-meter Tongil Daebul bronze statue representing hope...
- Sokcho Beach & the Sokcho Eye** — A clean white-sand beach backed by pine forest, just 10 minutes by taxi from the pier.

BEST WALKS

- Pier to Abai Village & Yeonggeumjeong Pavilion** 2–3 km · ~45 min · Flat · Free — Head south from the terminal along the waterfront to Abai Village (1.2 km).
- Market Loop** ~2 km · ~25 min walk · Flat — Walk straight from the pier to Sokcho Jungang Market for dakgangjeong, live seafood, and street snacks.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		61°	46°	8d
Jun		74°	64°	12d
Aug		81°	72°	17d
Sep		74°	64°	11d
Oct		65°	52°	9d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

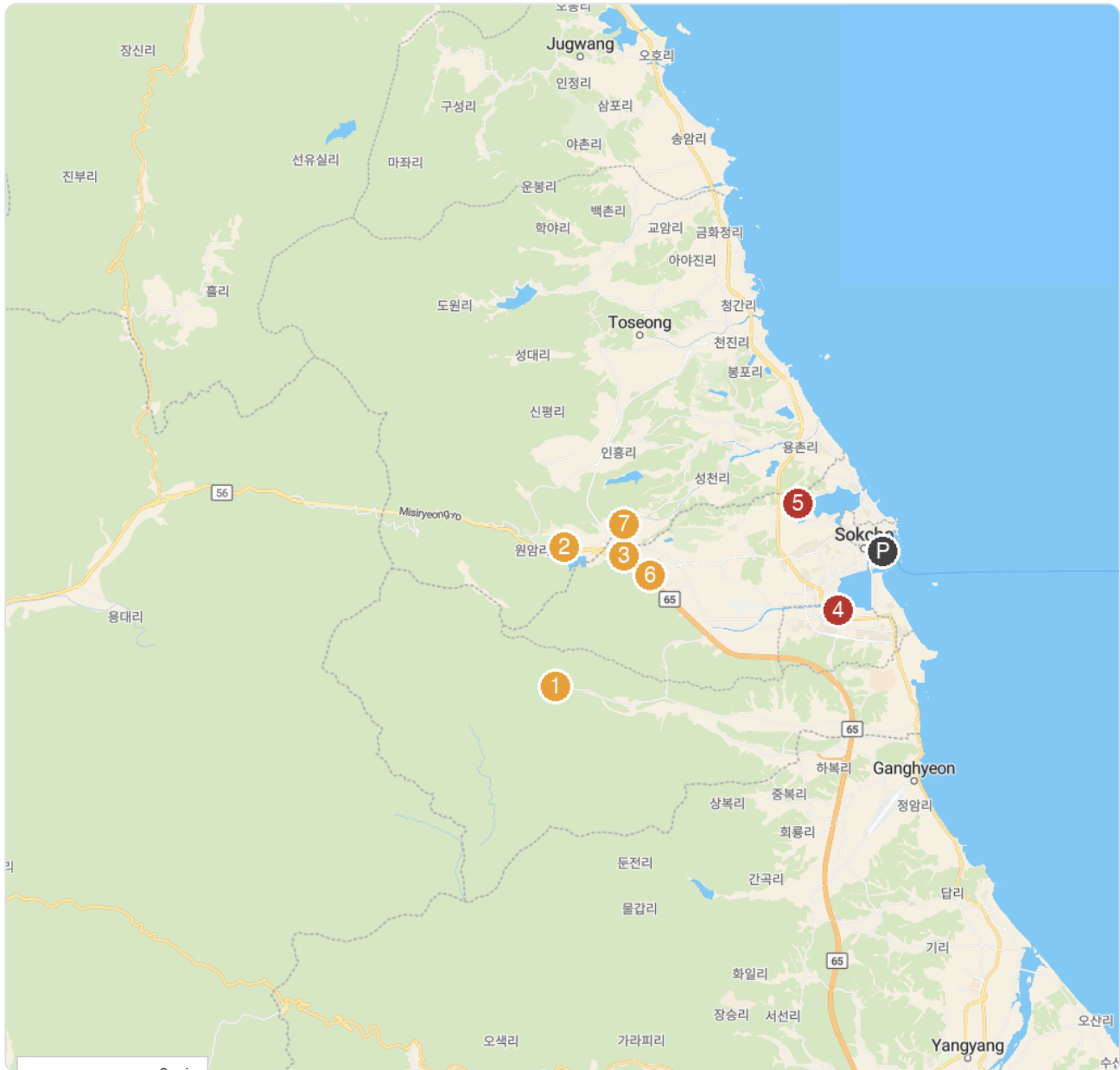
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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Sokcho, Gangwon-do, South Korea — Port Map

cruiseports.org

Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 | 설악산국립공원 설악동지구 | Seoraksan National Park: a stunning mountain park with trails. | 2 | 울산바위 촬영휴게소 | Rest stop offering panoramic views of Ulsanbawi Rock. |
| 3 | 테디베어 팜 | A charming museum showcasing teddy bears in various scenes. | 4 | Expo Tower | Observation tower offering panoramic views of Sokcho city. |
| 5 | Yeongnangho Lake Hwarangdo Experience Tourism Complex | Lakeside complex for Hwarangdo martial arts and cultural experiences. | 6 | Happy Owl House | A unique cafe and shop dedicated to owls. |
| 7 | Bauzium Sculpture Museum | A contemporary art museum featuring diverse sculptures. | P | Cruise port / terminal | |