

SONSIK Place Information for August, 2018

Yeosu, Peninsula, South Korea

Last weekend we decided to visit new place for our summer vacation and Yeosu peninsula is the one of them. It was two days trip and it's enough time to visit the foremost site. Yeosu is a beautiful city located on the southern coast of Korea in South Jeolla Province, South Korea and comprises the Old Yeosu City, founded in 1949. The molar-shaped port city of Yeosu is halfway along Korea's steep, island-pocked and deeply indented southern coast. Its bustling city center is nothing special, but its shoreline, peppered with cliffs, islands and peninsulas, is spectacular.



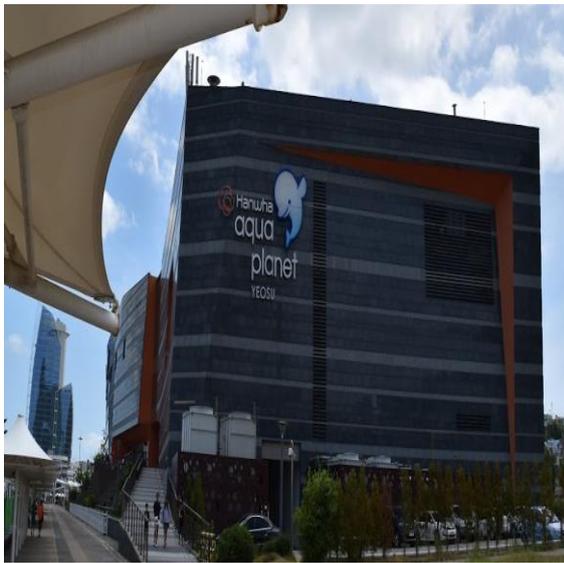
Night view of Yeosu City

Southern port city Yeosu is quite a sight to behold, given its pristine waters surrounded by some 300 mountainous islands, big and small. Yeosu has become a major tourist destination since it hosted the 2012 World Expo and introduced new attractions, including the multimedia Big-O Show and Aqua Planet aquarium.

Yeosu, or "beautiful water" in Korean, makes for a relaxing weekend getaway for those yearning to escape the city for fresh air and a picturesque view of the ocean.

Places you must visit in Yeosu:

- 1) **Yeosu Expo Park:** It will take just few steps to go from the train station of Yeosu. The area remains available for exploration, and the structures used for the exposition still stands. The **Yeosu Expo Memorial Hall** is a good place to learn about the expo history. Others place around the expo park you must visit are: **Yeosu Hanhwa Aqua Planet**, the second largest aquarium in South Korea, **Sky Bridge** and of course **Big O-show**.



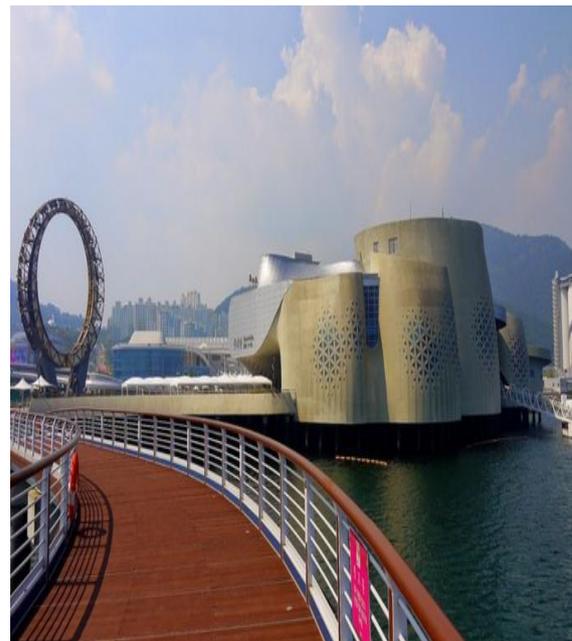
Aqua Planet



Expo Park



Sky Bridge



Big O-Show

- 2) **Yeosu Odongdo Island:** After exploring Yeosu Expo Park, you can visit Odongdo Island located a walking distance from the Expo Park. You can view different spots such as the **lighthouse** and the **dragon cave**.



Odongdo Island and Lighthouse

- 3) **Yeosu Cable Car:** Right from the Odongdo Island you can go to the cable car ride. The experience above the sea is wonderful from the cable car. It also offers a magnificent night view of the city from high above



Day and Night view from Cable Car



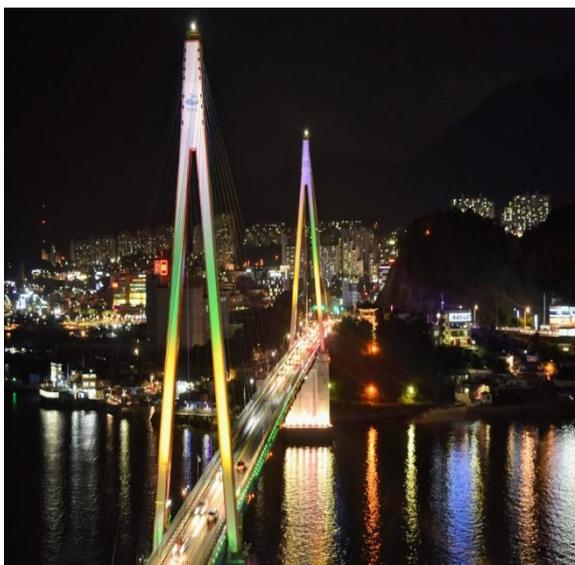
- 4) **Dolsan Park:** Once the sun sets, it's time to visit **Dolsan Park** to witness the beautiful night scenery of Yeosu. **Dolsandaegyo Bridge** is the famous bridge and looks magnificent from the park at night.



Dolsan Park



Night view from Dolsan Park



Dolsandaegyo Bridge



5) **Hit the Beach and Paragliding:** Of course, you should visit the beach. Many of the generic travel websites will suggest going **Manseongni Beach**. We also visited that one. You can do paragliding too. If you want you can head to **Mosagum beach** as it is much smaller than Manseongni, the sand is soft, clean, and perfect for a sea-side lounge.



Manseongni Beach



Rail Ride

- 6) **Hyangiram Hermitage:** A popular spot for watching the sunrise and sunset, it is located at the southern end of **Dolsando Island**, which is connected to the mainland by **Dolsandaegyo Bridge**. After passing through a narrow rocky crevice, a stunning view of the ocean unfolds just beyond the temple. Explore the area to discover **Daeungjeon Hall**, **Bawidonggul Cave**, **Beomjong Temple's bell** and a mineral spring.



Hermitage

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<https://wikitravel.org/en/Yeosu>

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