

## Must-visits on Pyongyang Tour (1)

An increasing number of people around the world want to pay a visit to the DPRK to tour around the country or have a better understanding of it. The following are some of the places which can help you learn the truth about the country.

### Mangyongdae, Tower of Juche Idea and Arch of Triumph

Mangyongdae in the capital city of Pyongyang can be said to be the starting point of the history of modern Korea. This is the place where President Kim Il Sung (1912-1994), founding father of socialist Korea, was born. Surprisingly, his native home is a modest thatched house. Here you will have an intuitive understanding of the background of his birth and the influence on his growth. You can also see what made him an outstanding statesman in the 20<sup>th</sup> century and a prototype of the leader of the people and how the people-centred socialist system came into being in the country.



The Tower of the Juche Idea, known to be the tallest stone tower in the world, and the iconic Arch of Triumph will help you understand this country's political philosophy and modern history.



The Tower of the Juche Idea and the Arch of Triumph

### Korean Revolution Museum and Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum

Even if you go to the country for tourist purpose, you'd better visit the Korean Revolution Museum and the Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum because these places will help you have a basic yet precise idea of the country. These museums will give you the most correct explanation of how much blood the Korean people shed to achieve their freedom, liberation and democracy and how much they had to pay to defend their pride and sovereign rights.

The Korean Revolution Museum houses a wealth of materials related to the country's modern history, complete with a multitude of exhibits, which give a full



explanation of the exploits performed by President Kim Il Sung, Chairman Kim Jong Il (1942-2011) and General Secretary Kim Jong Un for the establishment and development of modern Korea.

At the Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum, you will find out the truth about the Korean war (1950-1953) started by the US, the heroic struggle of the Korean people and the root cause of their deep-seated anti-Americanism.



The Korean Revolution Museum



The Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum

## Hwasong and Munsu Areas and Mangyongdae Schoolchildren's Palace

The Hwasong area, a new residential district in the capital city of Pyongyang, showcases the development of the Korean architecture. Here you can have a chance to meet the residents and experience what it is like living in the one and only country where houses are built at state expense and allocated to people free.

The Munsu area is home to healthcare facilities such as the renowned Pyongyang Maternity Hospital and Okryu Children's Hospital. Through the tour of the facilities, you will realize what kinds of medical benefits the Korean people enjoy from the Workers' Party of Korea and the government. Another tourist destination is the Munsu Water Park. Here you will have a taste of the Korean civilization, and you will probably be reluctant to leave.

The Mangyongdae Schoolchildren's Palace is children's heaven. This is one of the typical places in which you can grasp the educational development of the country.



Modern streets newly built in the Hwasong area





Ryugyong Dental Hospital in the Munsu area



Ryugyong General Ophthalmic Hospital in the Munsu area



Okryu Children's Hospital in the Munsu area





The Munsu Water Park



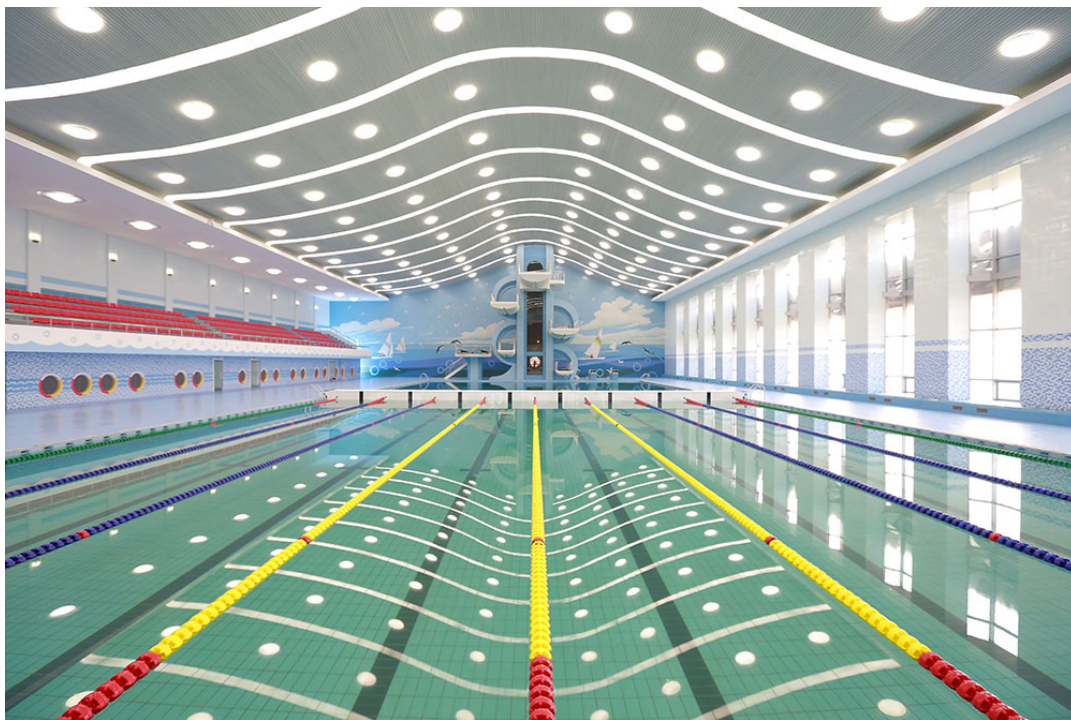


The Mangyongdae Schoolchildren's Palace



Hall of performing arts





Swimming pool



Students perform as part of their extracurricular activities at the palace.