

Seoul palaces: free or closed?

Oct 29 – Nov 15, 2026 the palaces are free. But each one still closes one day a week.

FREE

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CLOSED

Mon, Oct 26 – Sun, Nov 22

	Mon 26	Tue 27	Wed 28	Thu 29	Fri 30	Sat 31	Sun 1
Gyeongbok-gung 경복궁	W	X	W	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Changdeok-gung 창덕궁	X	W	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Changgyeong-gung 창경궁	X	W	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Deoksugung 덕수궁	X	W	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Jongmyo Shrine 종묘	W	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Gyeonghui-gung 경희궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Unhyeongung 운현궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE

	Mon 2	Tue 3	Wed 4	Thu 5	Fri 6	Sat 7	Sun 8
Gyeongbok-gung 경복궁	FREE	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Changdeok-gung 창덕궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Changgyeong-gung 창경궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Deoksugung 덕수궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Jongmyo Shrine 종묘	FREE	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Gyeonghui-gung 경희궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Unhyeongung 운현궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE

	Mon 9	Tue 10	Wed 11	Thu 12	Fri 13	Sat 14	Sun 15
Gyeongbok-gung 경복궁	FREE	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Changdeok-gung 창덕궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Changgyeong-gung 창경궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Deoksugung 덕수궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Jongmyo Shrine 종묘	FREE	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Gyeonghui-gung 경희궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Unhyeongung 운현궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE

	Mon 16	Tue 17	Wed 18	Thu 19	Fri 20	Sat 21	Sun 22
Gyeongbok-gung 경복궁	W	X	W	W	W	W	W
Changdeok-gung 창덕궁	X	W	FREE	W	W	W	W
Changgyeong-gung 창경궁	X	W	FREE	W	W	W	W
Deoksugung 덕수궁	X	W	FREE	W	W	W	W
Jongmyo Shrine 종묘	W	X	FREE	W	W	W	W
Gyeonghui-gung 경희궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
Unhyeongung 운현궁	X	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE

Good to know

- Korea Grand Festival, Oct 29 – Nov 15, 2026.** Free entry at the 4 palaces, Jongmyo and the royal tombs, except regular closing days. Changdeokkung's Huwon (Secret Garden) tour is not included. Jongmyo is open for free walking (no guided-only days) during this period.
- Free Wednesdays** at Deoksugung, Changdeokkung, Changgyeonggung and Jongmyo. Not Gyeongbokgung.
- Foreign visitors aged 18 and under or 65 and over, and anyone wearing hanbok, enter the 4 palaces and Jongmyo free on any open day.
- Gyeongbokgung Palace:** Tuesdays (if a public holiday, closed the following day). Not free on Wednesdays.
- Changdeokkung Palace (incl. Huwon Secret Garden):** Mondays (if a public holiday, open and closed the next non-holiday weekday). Huwon (Secret Garden) tour is never part of the free days: extra ticket.
- Changgyeonggung Palace:** Mondays (if a public holiday, open and closed the next non-holiday weekday). Open until 21:00.
- Deoksugung Palace:** Mondays (if a public holiday, open and closed the next non-holiday weekday). Open until 21:00.
- Jongmyo Shrine:** Tuesdays (if a public holiday, open and closed the next non-holiday weekday). Mon/Thu/Fri are guided-tour-only days outside the festival.
- Gyeonghuigung Palace:** Mondays; Jan 1. Always free.
- Unhyeongung Palace:** Mondays (open when Monday is a public holiday). Always free.

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