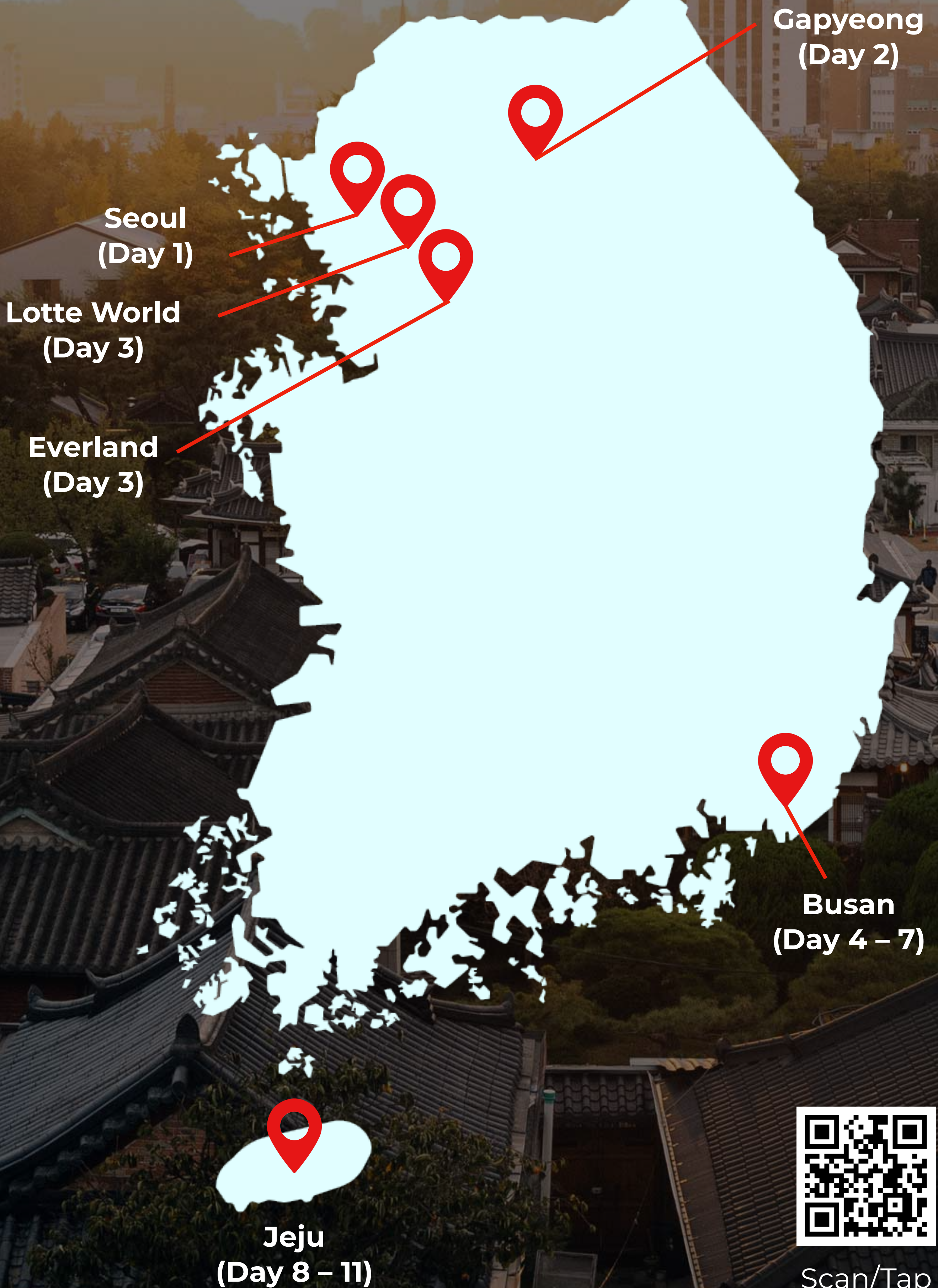




South Korea 11-Day Itinerary



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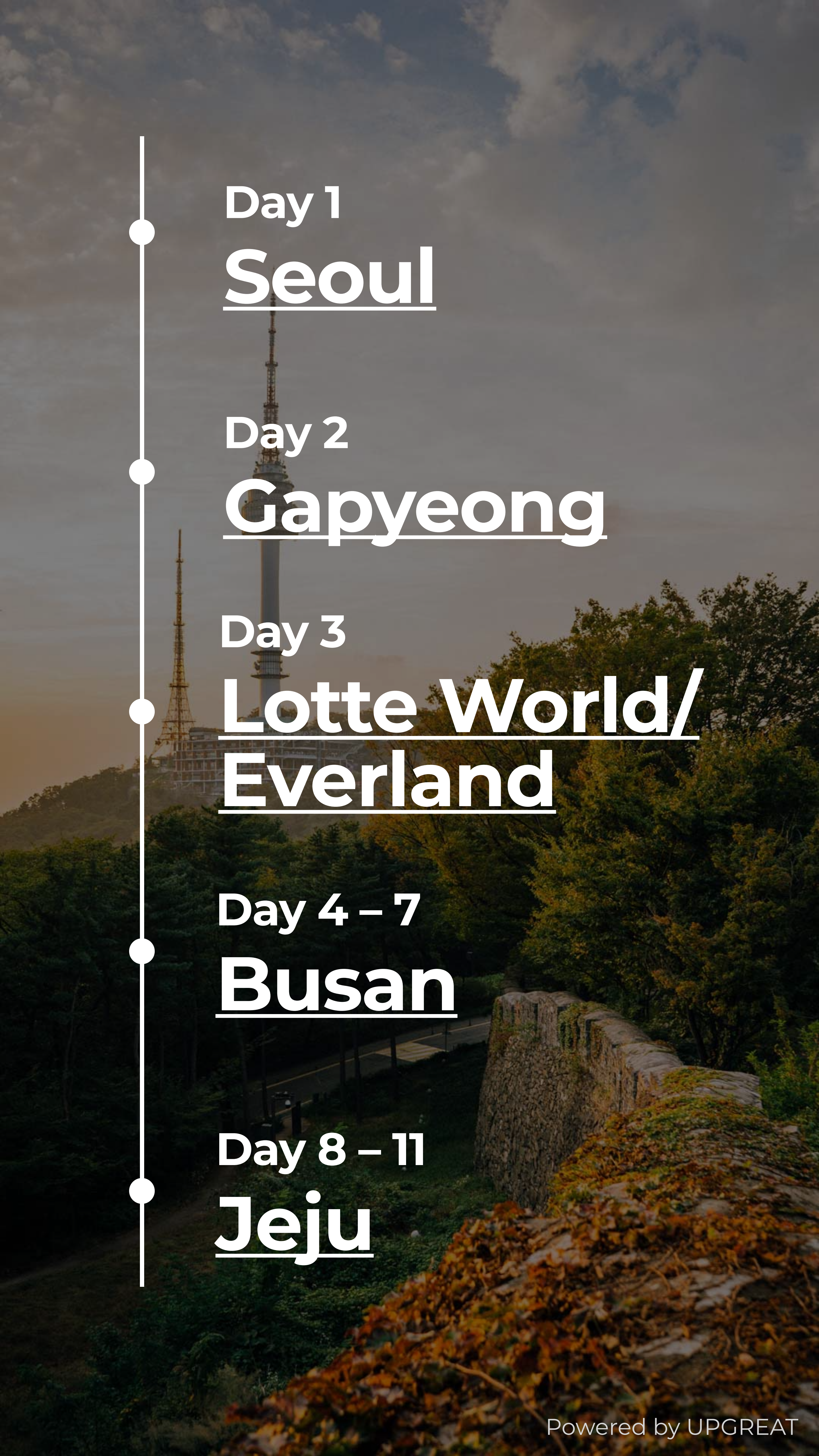


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South Korea

South Korea is famous for its food and pop culture — if you aren't a K-Drama fan yourself, you definitely know one. But there's so much more to this fascinating country.

On this 11-day adventure, start in Seoul, then take fun day trips with activities that'll get your heart racing. After that, travel to coastal Busan and the island paradise, Jeju. The entire journey is packed with East Asia's best historical and natural sights, as well as delicious food South Korea is known for.



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Seoul

Day 1

The 'soul' of South Korea is one of the most vibrant cities in the world. In this trendy capital city, you'll find both modern and traditional things to do (and eat)!

ACTIVITY 1



Wander Around Gyeongbokgung Palace

This historical gem was built back in 1395, and served as the royal palace of the Joseon dynasty. The elaborate guard-changing ceremony is a must-see!

Entrance fee: ₩3,000

Opening hours: Varies; closed on Tue

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Try Ginseng Chicken at Tosokchon Samgyetang

Arguably the best ginseng chicken in Seoul, with whole chicken stuffed with glutinous rice, dates, and ginkgo nuts, soaked in a flavourful broth.

Cost: ~₩15,000 – ₩28,000

Opening hours: 10AM – 10PM

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OR

Feast on Hong Chun Cheon Dakgalbi

This chain restaurant is known for its cheese dakgalbi — spicy, stir-fried chicken dipped in oozy, stringy mozzarella.

Cost: ~₩10,000 – ₩20,000

Opening hours: 10:30AM – 11PM

[More Info](#)

ACTIVITY 2

Try Live Octopus at Gwangjang Market

Experience the bustle of local life at Seoul's most famous market. Try local snacks including sannakji (live octopus), which wriggles as you chew it!

Cost: ~₩15,000 for live octopus

Opening hours: 9AM – 6PM

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ACTIVITY 3

Enjoy the Views at N Seoul Tower

Visit the top for panoramic sunset views of Seoul city. The observatory also has pretty photo spots and gates adorned with love locks.

Entrance fee: ₩11,000

Opening hours: 9AM – 6PM

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Feast on Korean Army Stew At Nolboo Budaejjigae

Budaejjigae (army stew) is a hotpot mix of ramen, kimchi, sausage, spam, cheese, dumplings and rice cakes. In other words, the ultimate Korean comfort food.

Cost: ~¥12,500

Opening hours: 9AM – 10PM

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OR

Have K-BBQ at Old House Charcoal Meat Restaurant

These juicy meats are grilled with oak charcoal for that smoky flavour.

Cost: ~S\$14/pax (minimum two pax)

Opening hours: 4PM – 5AM

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FOOD



Satisfy Your Sweet Tooth at Mollis Dessert Cafe

This pastry cafe is a dessert-lover's dream come true, with bestsellers like fluffy tiramisu, fresh lemon tarts and sinful raspberry chocolate domes.

Cost: ~¥6,500 – ¥10,000

Opening hours: 12PM – 10PM; closed on Mon

Gapyeong

Day 2

Gapyeong has fantastic natural scenery and charming attractions — no wonder it's been featured in so many K-Dramas! Pick three out of these four activities so you have enough time to explore.

ACTIVITY 1

Rail Bike Adventure at Gapyeong Rail Park or Gangchon Rail Park

Ride a two-seater or four-seater bike at this scenic rail park, close to Nami Island.

Alternatively, visit the Gangchon Rail Park — though less convenient to get to, it has two additional scenic tunnels and nicer views.

Cost: ~₩25,000 – ₩40,000

Opening hours: Varies

[More Info](#)

ACTIVITY 2

Feel the Romance on Nami Island

Known as the scenic film set of Winter Sonata, Nami Island is filled with beautiful pine and maple trees.

Cost: ₩13,000 for ferry and entrance

Opening hours: 7:30AM – 9:40PM

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ACTIVITY 3

Explore the Charming Petite France

This vintage European-inspired village looks straight out of a fairytale. Keep an eye out for the quirky details and photo spots in the area.

Entrance fee: ¥10,000

Opening hours: 9AM – 6PM. Last admission 1hr before closing

[More Info](#)

ACTIVITY 4



Stroll Through the Garden of Morning Calm

With 26 themed gardens, this floral wonderland will delight botanists, photographers, and anyone who appreciates beauty.

Entrance fee: ₩9,500

Opening hours: Varies

[More Info](#)

Lotte World/ Everland

Day 3

South Koreans love their theme parks, and you'll find two of the best around Seoul! Lotte World and Everland have a good mix of child-friendly and thrilling rides, so it's hard to choose between them.

In general though, Lotte World is great for bad weather days (thanks to its large indoor section), while animal-lovers will enjoy Everland's zoo.

DAY TRIP



Day Trip to Everland

South Korea's largest theme park is home to crazy rides as well as a zoo! Must-tries include the T-Express (one of the steepest wooden coasters in the world), and the stomach-churning Double Rock Spin.

Entrance Fee: ~₩56,000 per adult

Opening hours: Varies

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OR

Day Trip to Lotte World

This super-cute theme park has both an indoor and outdoor section —that's twice the fun! Thrillseekers will love the Gyro Drop and Atlantis roller coaster, while those with weaker stomachs will enjoy the flashy parades and scenic rides.

Entrance Fee: ~₩59,000 per adult

Opening hours: Varies

[More Info](#)

Busan

By train, Busan is only two hours away from Seoul. But this port city deserves more than a day trip — it's packed with fun cultural adventures and coastal sights! Spend the next four days exploring beautiful Busan, and see what other hidden gems you can discover.

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Busan City Life

Day 4

Eat, shop, and sight-see in Busan's
bustling city centre!

FOOD

Eat Your Way Through Jagalchi Market

Get ready for a feast at South Korea's largest seafood market! By the way, this was also the filming location of the car chase in Marvel's Black Panther.

Cost: ~₩20,000 – ₩40,000

Opening hours: 5AM – 10PM; most restaurants open from 9AM

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ACTIVITY 1

Shop at Gukje Market and Gwangbokro Fashion Street

These shopping spots are connected, so you can spend an afternoon buying local snacks, household items, vintage fashion from indie brands, and more!

Cost: Varies

Opening hours: 9AM – 10PM; closed every 1st and 3rd Sun of each month

[More Info](#)

ACTIVITY 2



Stargaze at BIFF Square

Stroll down Busan's very own Hollywood Boulevard, lined with handprints of celebrities.

Entrance Fee: Free

Opening hours: 9AM – 10PM

[More Info](#)

Have a Pint at Galmegi Brewing Nampo

Sip on award-winning craft beers at Busan's first modern microbrewery. Favourites include the Yuja Gose and the Espresso Vanilla Stout.

Cost: ~₩7,000 per pint

Tour Timings: 5PM – 2AM (weekdays); 2PM – 2AM (weekends)

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Busan's Coastal Sights

Day 5

Travel along the coast for Busan's most scenic seaside attractions.

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ACTIVITY 1



Admire the Intricate Haedong Yonggungsa Temple

South Korea's 'most beautiful temple' sits on a cliff along the sparkling ocean.

Cost: ~NT\$1,500 for three hours

Activity Timings: Varies by operator

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ACTIVITY 2

Take Photos at the Jukseong Dream Church

This isn't a real church, but the set of the 2009 drama 'Dream'! While you can't enter, you can admire the stunning architecture and scenery. It's the perfect backdrop for wedding shoots or dreamy Instagram photos!

Entrance fee: Free

Opening hours: 5AM – 7:30PM

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ACTIVITY 3

Watch the Sunset at Haeundae Beach

***Busan's most famous beach is a must-visit for
its breathtaking sunsets!***

Entrance fee: Free

Opening hours: 24hrs

[More Info](#)

Have a Fish Cake Feast at Goraesa

Just one look at this quirky building and you'll know you're in for a treat. Goraesa has over 30 types of fishcake, with fillings like gooey cheese and fried shrimp.

Cost: ~₩2,000 – ₩6,000

Opening hours: 10AM – 10PM

[More Info](#)

Busan's Iconic Must-Sees

Day 6

From a glass skywalk to a stunning nature park, these attractions are a must on any Busan itinerary.

ACTIVITY 1

Enjoy Ocean Views at the Oryukdo Skywalk

Set on the edge of a cliff, this glass bridge gives you clear views of the majestic ocean waves.

Entrance fee: Free

Opening hours: 9AM – 7PM. Last admission at 6:50PM

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ACTIVITY 2

Take Postcard-Worthy Photos at Taejongdae Resort Park

This nature park is filled with unbelievable landscapes — an unending blue ocean, spectacular cliffs, and a striking white lighthouse. Climb down onto the rocks next to the ocean for dramatic photos. After you're done, walk further down to see a beautiful pebble beach!

Entrance fee: Free

Opening Hours: 4AM – 12AM in summer, and 5AM – 12AM in winter

[More Info](#)



Try a Busan Specialty at Songjeong Samdae Gukbap

Try dwaeji gukbap (pork rice soup), a Busan dish originating from the Korean War. This affordable meal consists of tender pork slices and a hearty pork broth, accompanied by rice and various Korean side dishes.

Cost: ~₩6,500

Opening hours: 11AM – 2PM for lunch and 4:30PM – 7:30PM for dinner; closed on Mon

[More Info](#)

ACTIVITY 3

Live It up at the Seomyeon Shopping District

In case you forgot how lively Busan is, step into this vibrant shopping district! It's filled with trendy stores, food streets, and exciting nightlife.

Cost: Varies

Opening Hours: Varies; most shops open from 10AM – 10PM

Cultural Highlights in Busan

Day 7

You've seen city life and natural wonders, but that's not all that Busan has in store! Today you'll experience South Korea's cultural side, with visits to a famous village and some traditional dress-up.

ACTIVITY 1

Explore the Rainbow-Coloured Gamcheon Culture Village

This colourful, chaotic housing district is filled with cute shops and photo spots — perfect for exploring! Head to the top deck for sweeping views of the pastel houses, and be sure to visit the famous Little Prince statue.

Entrance Fee: Free

Opening Hours: 9AM – 6PM

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ACTIVITY 2

Dress up in a Hanbok at Yongdusan Park

After all that sightseeing, make yourself the main attraction! Get styled in a hanbok (traditional Korean attire) to suit the grand architecture at Yongdusan Park.

Entrance Fee: From ~₩10,000; free entrance to Yongdusan Park

Opening Hours: 10AM – 6PM; closed on Mon

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ACTIVITY 3

Busan Tower

Head next door to the striking Busan Tower, with 360° views of the spectacular city landscape.

Entrance Fee: ₩10,000

Opening Hours: 11AM – 9PM (weekdays); 10AM – 10PM (Sat); 10AM – 9PM (Sun). Last admission 30min before closing

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FOOD

Try Busan's Special Naengmyeon at Jaeseong Milmyeon Restaurant

Busan's version of naengmyeon (a classic cold noodle dish) uses noodles made from flour instead of buckwheat. The result is delicious, as the chewy noodles pair perfectly with the pork slices and spicy sauce!

Cost: From ~₩4,000

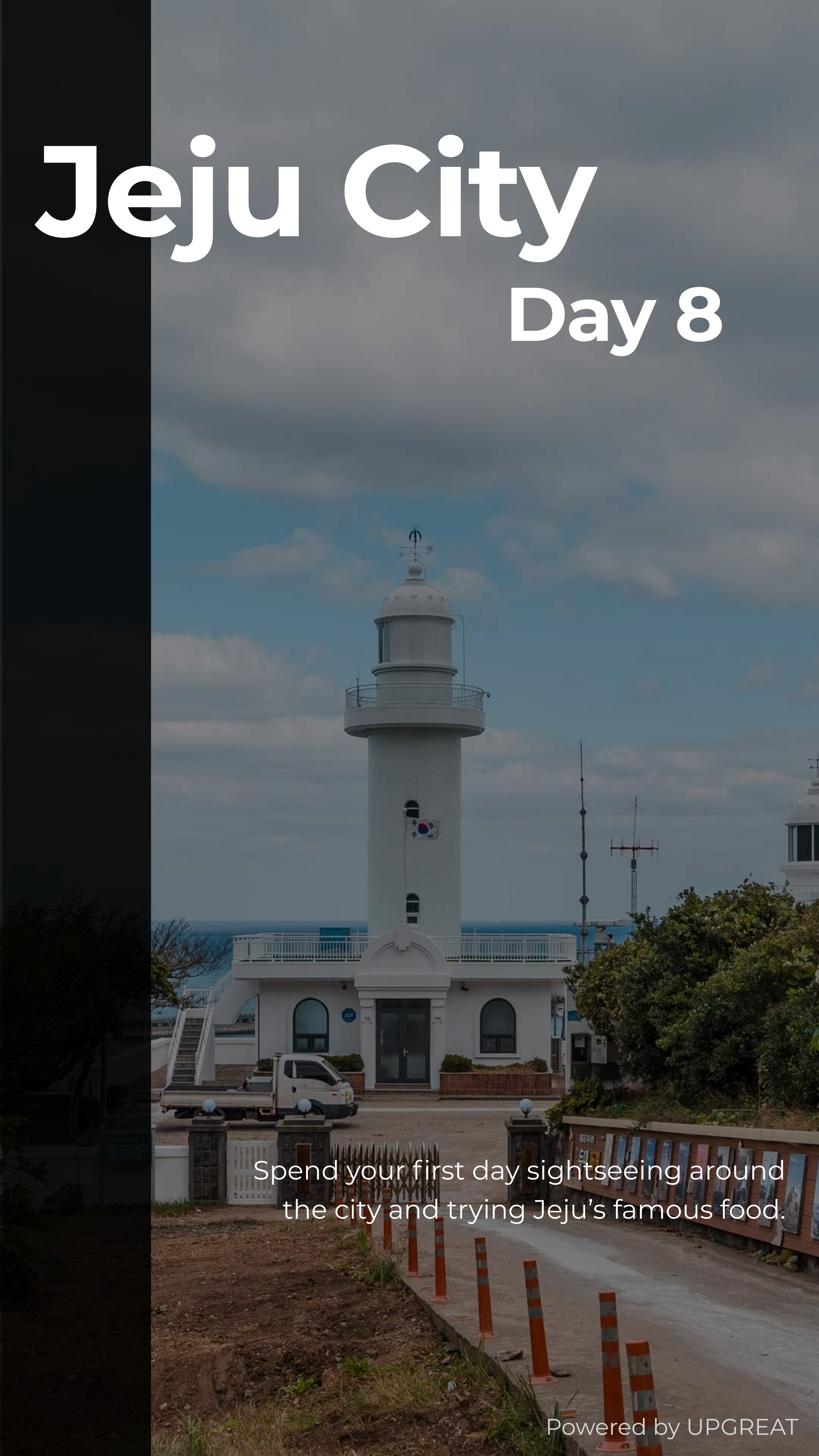
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Jeju

Jeju is South Korea's favourite island paradise, and it's only a one-hour flight from Busan!

On this four-day road trip, there'll be mountains to climb, waterfalls to chase, and other exciting seaside adventures.



Jeju City

Day 8

Spend your first day sightseeing around the city and trying Jeju's famous food.

ACTIVITY 1



Indulge in Jeju's Famous Black Pork at the Black Pork Street

All the BBQ restaurants on this street serve Jeju's special pork. The meat (which comes from the Jeju Black pig) is said to be the best in South Korea, with a unique, delicious flavour.

Entrance Fee: ~¥24,000/pax

Opening Hours: Varies; most restaurants open from 11AM – 12AM

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ACTIVITY 2



Walk Along the Yongyeon Suspension Bridge

This suspension bridge offers gorgeous views of lush greenery and deep blue waters. For wider photos, walk up the short hill at the side of the entrance. The bridge also lights up at night, so it's a pretty sight whenever you visit!

Cost: Paid parking nearby for ~₩2,000

Opening Hours: 24hrs

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ACTIVITY 3

Visit the Scenic Sarabong Park

A short hike will get you to Sarabong Park, with epic views of the ocean and majestic Mount Hallasan.

Entrance Fee: Free

Opening Hours: 24hrs

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FOOD



Eat Street Food at Dongmun Traditional Market

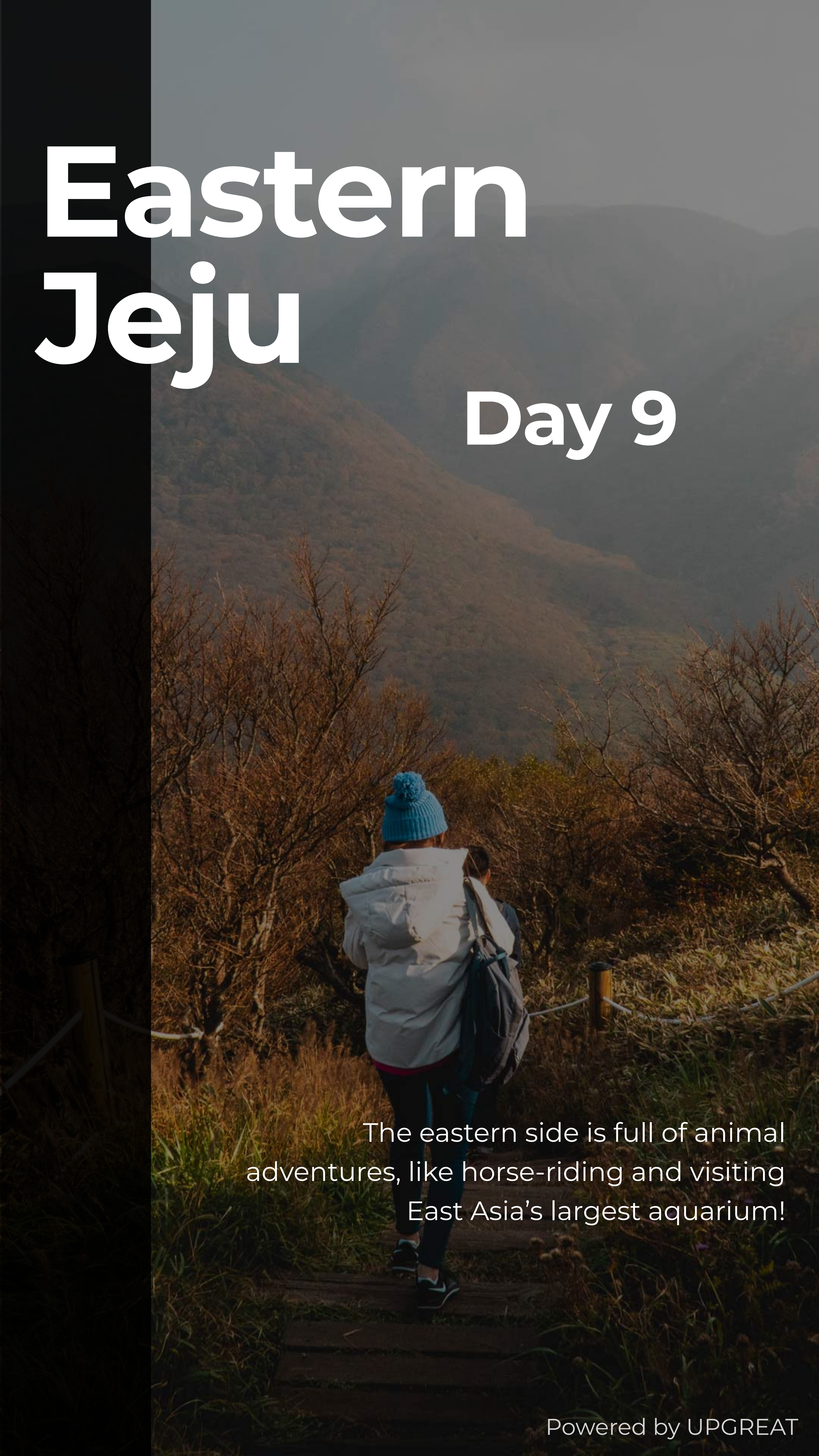
***Get stuffed on all kinds of tasty street snacks at
Jeju's largest night market.***

Cost: Varies

Opening hours: 6PM – 12AM

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Eastern Jeju

Day 9

The eastern side is full of animal adventures, like horse-riding and visiting East Asia's largest aquarium!

ACTIVITY 1

See the Sunrise on Seongsan Ilchulbong

Welcome a new day with a magnificent sunrise atop this famous peak. Stay after sunrise to see the haenyeo (Jeju's female divers) perform at 1:30PM and 3:30PM at the bottom of the crater.

Entrance Fee: ~₩5,000

Opening Hours: 24hrs. Trail is closed every first Mon of the month

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FOOD



Savour Fresh Seafood at The Baekgi Haenyeo House

***After watching the haenyeo dive for shellfish,
try their cooking — made with the catches of
the day! It's a great way to support this local
tradition, and the seafood doesn't get fresher
than this.***

Cost: ~₩10,000 – ₩40,000

Opening hours: 8AM – 6PM

ACTIVITY 2

Go Under the Sea at the Aqua Planet Jeju

East Asia's largest aquarium has over 48,000 sea animals including walruses, seals, sharks, and bottlenose dolphins!

Entrance Fee: ~₩41,000

Opening Hours: 10AM – 7PM. Last entry at 6:10PM

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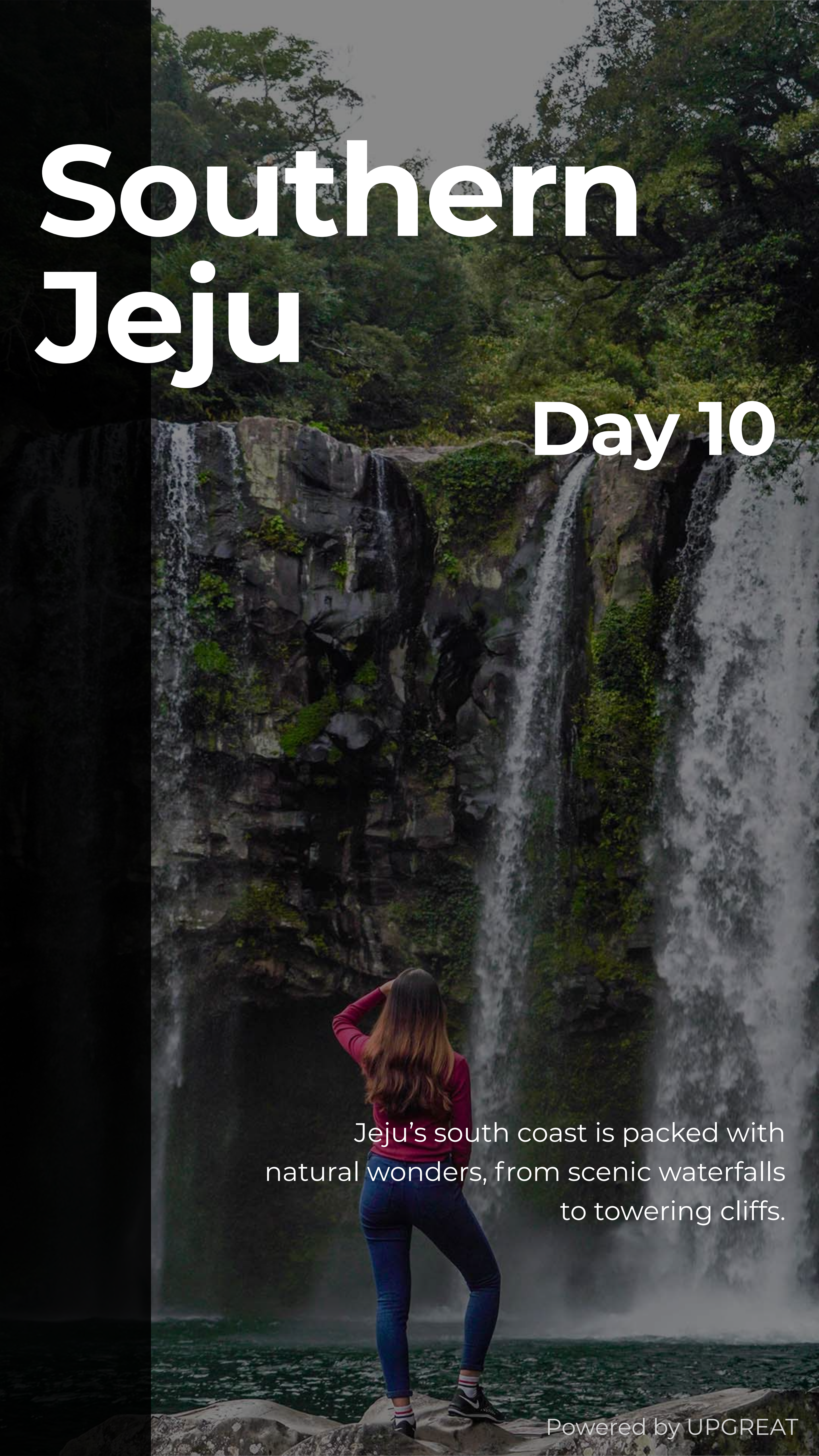
Ride Like the Wind at Jeju Land ATV & Horse Riding

Get out of the car to experience actual horsepower! This 15-minute journey brings you through an idyllic countryside trail — the views are even better when you're sitting up high. You'll also get to trot, so hang on tight!

Cost: ₩19,000

Opening Hours: 9AM – 6PM. Last entry at 5PM

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Southern Jeju

Day 10

Jeju's south coast is packed with natural wonders, from scenic waterfalls to towering cliffs.

ACTIVITY 1



Explore the Ocean on an Underwater Submarine Adventure

See Jeju's natural wonders from another perspective — underwater! This submarine dives to depths of up to 45m, getting up close to colourful marine life and even an old shipwreck.

Cost: ~₩55,000

Activity timings: Every 40min from 10AM – 3:20PM

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ACTIVITY 2



See Jeju's Stunning Waterfalls

Seogwipo city has two amazing waterfalls that are pretty close to each other. The 23m-tall Jeongbang Waterfall drops directly into the ocean, while the pretty Cheonjiyeon Waterfall is surrounded by a scenic park.

Jeongbang Waterfall

Entrance Fee: ~₩2,000

Opening hours: 9AM – 7PM. Last admission at 6PM

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Cheonjiyeon Waterfall

Entrance Fee: ~₩2,000

Opening hours: 9AM – 10PM. Last admission at 9:20PM

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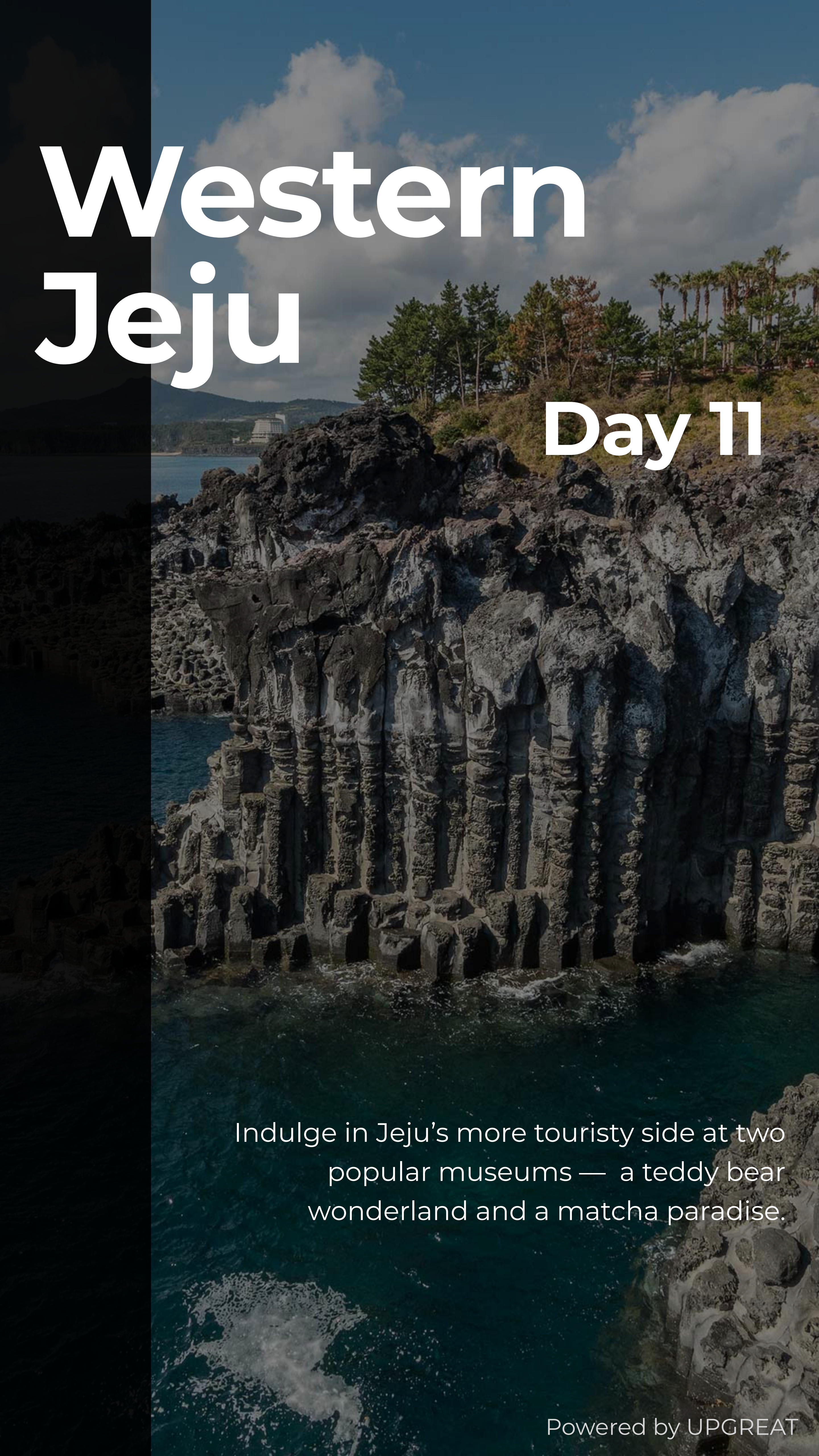
See the Dramatic Oedolgae Rock

According to legend, a woman waited so long for her husband's return from sea, that she eventually turned into rock. The site is surrounded by gorgeous forest, and is also a great spot to catch the sunset.

Cost: ₩2,000 for parking; entrance is free

Opening hours: 24hrs

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Western Jeju

Day 11

Indulge in Jeju's more touristy side at two popular museums — a teddy bear wonderland and a matcha paradise.

ACTIVITY 1

Marvel at the Jusangjeollidae Cliffs

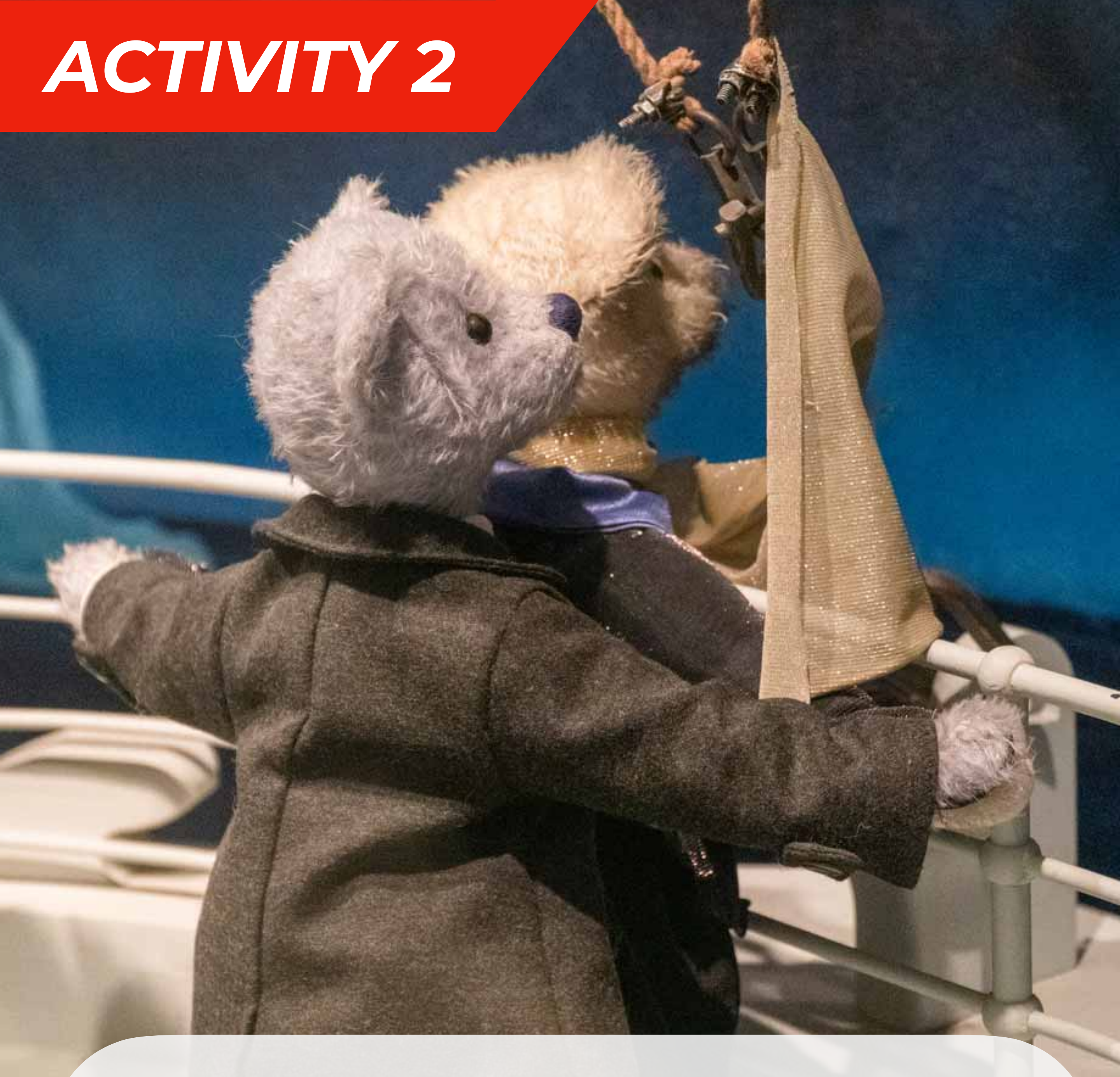
These majestic cliffs were formed by molten lava, and make a fascinating sight by the sea. Head to the Promenade for clear views of the cliffs, without the crowds!

Cost: ~₩1,000 – ₩3,000 for parking; entrance at ₩2,000

Opening hours: 9AM – 6PM

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ACTIVITY 2



Be a Kid Again at the Teddy Bear Museum

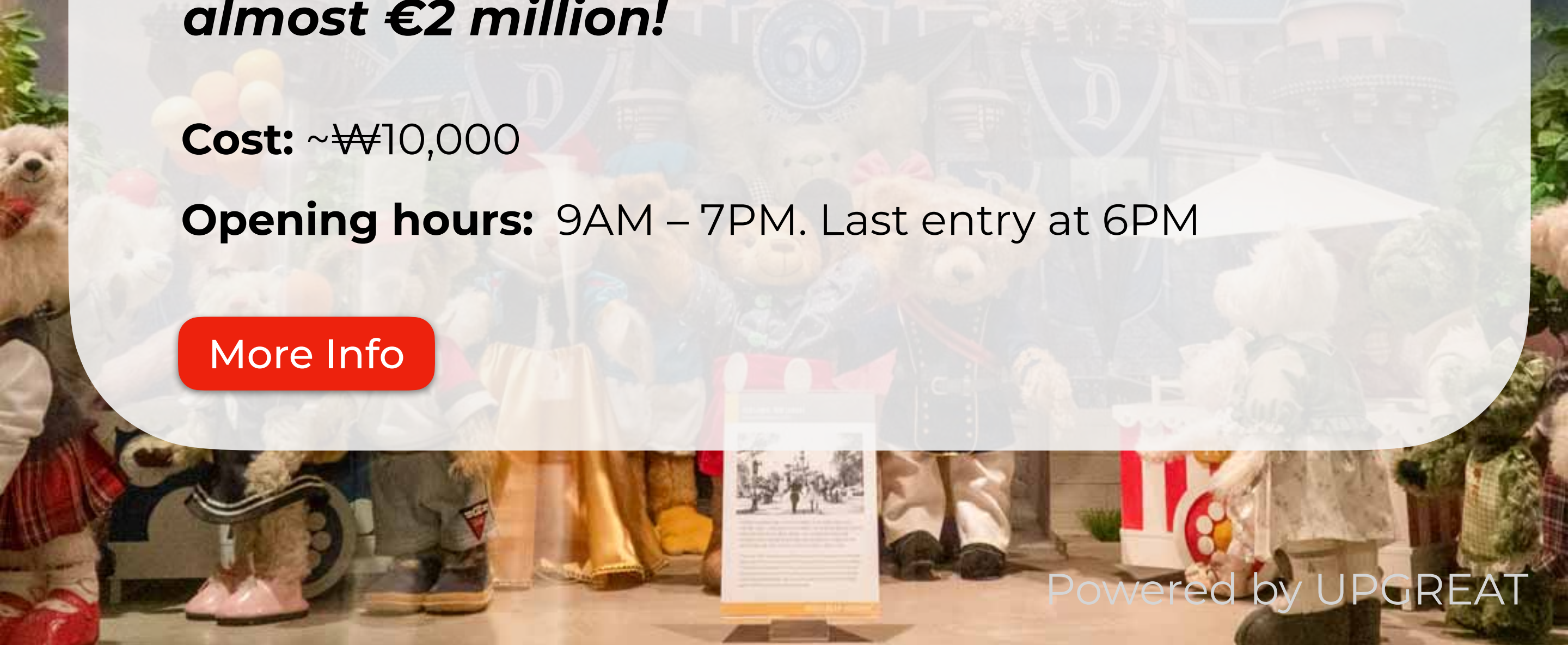
Make furry friends at this museum for the young (and young at heart)!

You'll see everything from a giant 9m-tall teddy to the world's most expensive bear — an ultra-luxe Louis Vuitton teddy bear worth almost €2 million!

Cost: ~¥10,000

Opening hours: 9AM – 7PM. Last entry at 6PM

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ACTIVITY 3

Enter Matcha Paradise at the Osulloc Tea Museum

More of a tea house than a museum, this world-renowned matcha brand has delicious desserts. Popular favourites include the green tea roll cake and matcha ice cream! You can also explore the surrounding green tea fields, and enjoy the crisp Jeju air.

Cost: ~₩17,300 for a green tea dessert set; entrance to the museum is free

Opening hours: 9AM – 6PM

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