



May Day Short Tour

May Day is one of the best times to visit North Korea during the calendar year for the fine weather and festivities. Also known as **International Workers' Day**, or **Labour Day**, the May Day celebration is a day off and locals take to the outdoors for picnics, dancing, and sports - and you can join in too! In Pyongyang, there is an **annual festival** held at Mt. Taesong with musical performances and traditional folk games.

Spring is in the air and May Day offers a good chance to meet the locals and learn about everyday leisure in North Korea.

In addition to the highlights of the North Korean capital Pyongyang and taking a day trip out to visit historic **Kaesong** and the **DMZ**, we'll have time for walks in the city, dining at **Pyongyang's most famous restaurant**, shopping at the local **Kwangbok supermarket**, a picnic lunch. Plus, a **volleyball game against a Korean company** team. Volleyball is one of the most popular sports in North Korea and almost every company, school, office, section, or unit has a team!

See if you can beat them!

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Date	AM	PM	Overnight
Sunday 26 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Tour briefing at the Koryo Tours office at 10:00 for those departing the same day by train. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Tour briefing at the Koryo Tours office at 16:00 for those departing the next day by flight. • Train departure from Beijing Station at 17:27. <i>Travellers should make their own way to Beijing Station.</i> 	N/A
Monday 27 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Free bus from the Koryo Tours office to Beijing Capital Airport for those departing by flight.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flight departure from Beijing • Train arrival to Pyongyang Railway Station • Walk on Future Scientists' Street • Train group arrival to Pyongyang Railway Station • Walk on Future Scientists' Street 	Yanggakdo International Hotel, Pyongyang
Tuesday 28 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mangyongdae Native House • Mansudae Art Studio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sariwon Folk Village • Drive to Kaesong • Tomb of King Kongmin 	Minsok Folk Hotel, Kaesong

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum 		
Wednesday 29 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Panmunjom and DMZ tour Kaesong Koryo Museum Stamp Shop Traditional Korean royal lunch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concrete Wall and DMZ Janam Hill Return to Pyongyang 	Yanggakdo International Hotel, Pyongyang
Thursday 30 April	<p><i>Requested visit -- Visitations are by special request only and formal dress is required. Men require collared shirt with tie, dark non-jean pants, and dark shoes. Women require covered shoulders, knee-length dress or pants, and closed toed shoes. The visit will take most of the morning and visitors are asked to bow a number of times inside. This is a state administered site and visits are subject to local conditions. The Palace closes for maintenance between late April / early May to July. The exact dates will be confirmed closer to the tour. Should the Palace not be accessible to the group, this</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May Day Stadium Volleyball game against a local company team Schoolchildren’s Palace Pizza restaurant dinner (<i>paid on the spot, 5-12 EUR per pizza</i>) Mansugyo Beer Bar Golden Lane Bowling Centre 	Yanggakdo International Hotel, Pyongyang



	<p><i>visit will be substituted with an alternative location.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kim Il Sung Square • Foreign Languages Bookshop • Okryugwan 		
<p>Friday 1 May - May Day (International Workers' Day)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pyongyang Metro Tour • Mt. Taesong Folk Festival • Revolutionary Martyrs' Cemetery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk in Moranbong Park to historic sites and the Liberation Tower • Tower of the Juche Idea • Monument to the Party Foundation 	<p>Jangsusan Hotel, Pyongsong</p>
<p>Saturday 2 May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Departure by train or flight. <i>Train scheduled arrival at +1 day to Beijing Station at 08:40.</i> • End of Tour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>We recommend scheduling onward flights from Beijing Capital Airport after 15:00 to allow time for immigration, possible terminal transfer, and check-in.</i> 	

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