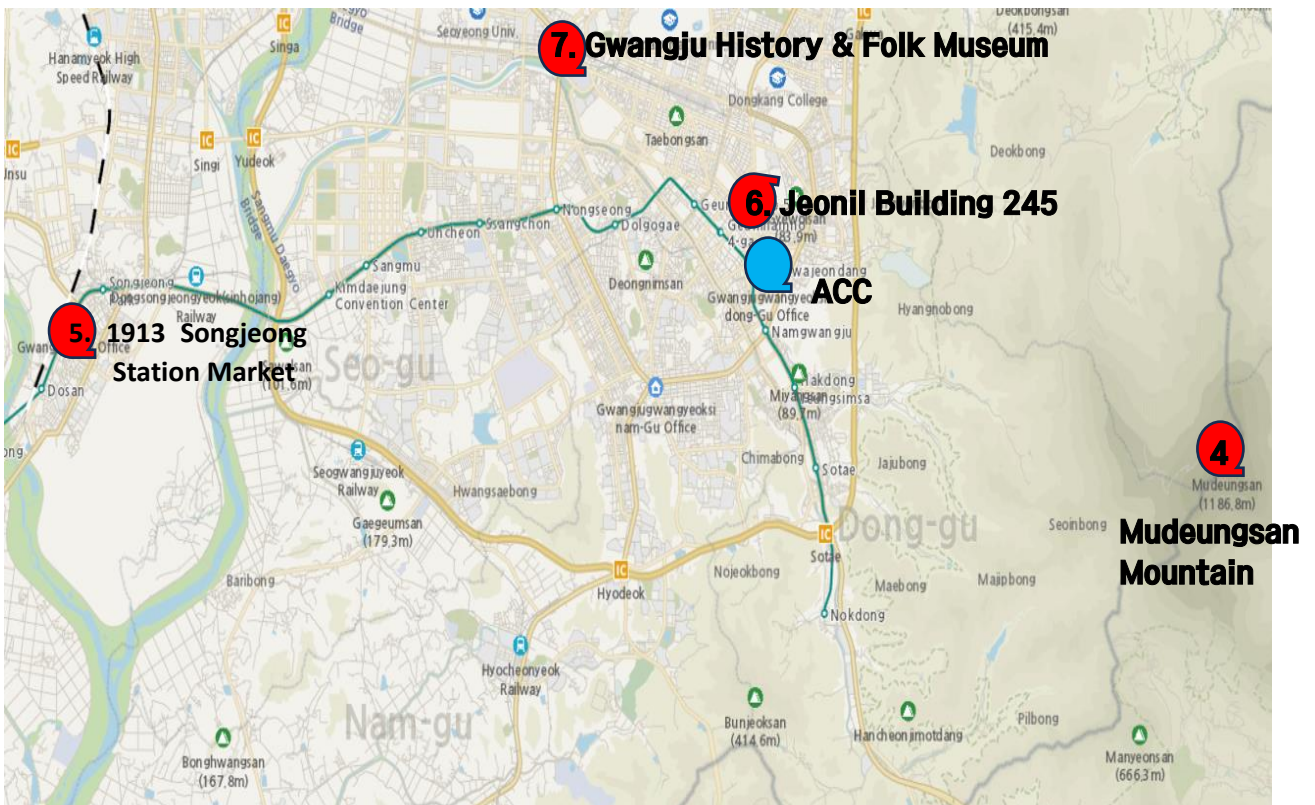
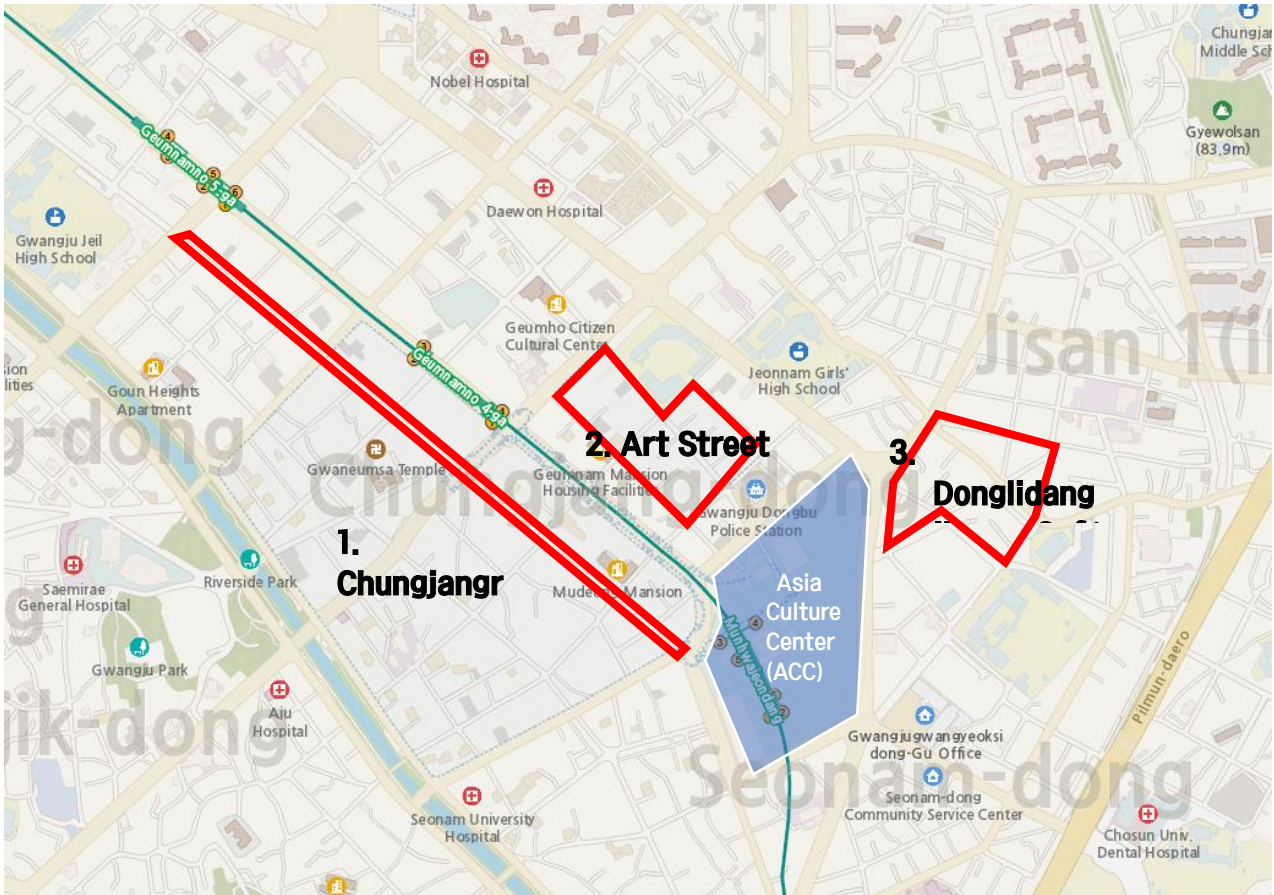




## VIII. Tour





## Recommended Places to Visit

### 1. Chungjangro

Chungjangro is Myeongdong of Gwangju. From Chungjangro, which is an essential course for tourists interested in shopping, fashion, and dining, to Old City Hall, where clubs and bars run wild, it is a place full of life and excitement. Chungjangro is Gwangju's premier downtown area, home to shopping malls, restaurants, movie theatres, and performance facilities, and the site of the nostalgic Chungjang Festival. Next to Chungjangro, Gwangju City Hall is full of youthful energy that never sleeps, and busking is held at the Gwangju Poly Open Space located at the intersection.



Tour Tip: Enjoy shopping various items at Chungjang-ro Fashion Street including brand clothes, street clothes, accessories, etc.

### 2. Gungdong Art Street

Gungdong Art Street continues the tradition of Namdo art. Located next to Geumnam-ro, it continues the tradition of Namdo art including Korean painting, calligraphy, and crafts. Just like in Insa-dong of Seoul, it is home to a variety of shops, ateliers, galleries, antiques, and small theatres. It is within a five-minute walk of Chungjangro or ACC so it is certainly worth a stop.



### 3. Donggridan-gil Café Street

Donggridan-gil Café Street in Gwangju is famous for its unique café street, and the name Donggridan-gil is a reference to Seoul's Gyeonglidan-gil. Cafes in renovated hanoks, forest paths where you can take a break and heal in the middle of the city, and alleys that bring back old memories create a nostalgic landscape. Originally, the area was divided into upper and lower villages by the Donggyecheon Stream that descends from the foot of Mudeungsan Mountain. The upper village where the official residences of influential people were located became the current Dongmyeongdong Café Street. Today, it has become a favorite spot for young people to enjoy unique cafes with cultural spaces, and since most of the cafes are not large franchises but have different charms, it is fun to walk slowly and look at the cafes.



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## 4. Mudeungsan National Park

As a national geopark and a UNESCO Global Geopark, Mudeungsan National Park is located in the center of Gwangju City and attracts many visitors every season. The National Park encompasses everything that Gwangju has to offer including Jusangjeolli, the so-called rock pillars of God, Jungsimsa Temple, which is the number 1 Gwangju cultural treasure, Gasa Cultural zone that embodies the poetry of Joseon Period, Unlimdong Art Museum, and Wonhyosa Temple located in the mountainous Wonhyo Valley. In addition, Mudeungsan National Park offers turquoise-colored watermelon and healthy Mudeungsan barley rice.



## 5. 1913 Songjeong Station Market

The 1993 Songjeong Station Market, which was reborn as a young market, will make you salivate just by walking through it. Along the road that stretches no more than 100m, there are a lot of entertainments including a black-and-white photo studio, a school uniform experience shop, and the year of completion of the buildings on the ground. As it is located within five minutes from Gwangju-Songjeong Station, it is convenient for tourists to visit.





## 6. Jeonil Building 245

Jeonil Building 245 is a historical site that symbolizes the number '245' in architectural form and space to recall the meaning of Jeonil Building and to capture the storytelling into the future. The circle in the center of '245' represents the clear scars of helicopter fire during the May 18 Democratic Uprising and the four-color schemes represent the content space of Jeonil Building. Numerous eyewitnesses, evidence, and scarring marks attest to the fact that helicopter fire was directed at the building. The 245 bullet marks found in the building are the clearest evidence and are backed by the documentation of helicopter fire. The reason why the 245 bullet holes needs to be sustainably maintained is because it is the main protagonist of the May 18 Democratization Movement for future generations.



Opening hours: 09:00 - 21:00 (5-18 Memorial Space, Namdo Tourist Center, and Digital Information Library: 10:00 - 19:00)

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## 7. Gwangju History & Folk Museum

The museum was planned to collectively exhibit, research, and educate about folk culture of the region based on the aspiration of Gwangju City and its people. Given the background of its establishment, the exhibition hall of the Gwangju History & Folk Museum sincerely represents the folk culture of Gwangju and Jeonnam region. Folklore materials were also collected with regional restrictions to Gwangju and Jeonnam. In terms of time period, the exhibits are from the late 19<sup>th</sup> to early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries when the original folk culture was still intact. In terms of hierarchy, the exhibits are based on middle-class farmhouses so that the original folk culture of the region can be identified from an objective perspective.



Opening hours: 09:00 - 18:00 (last entry at 17:30)

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