



**CITY OF GANGJIN  
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## **THE CITY/COUNTY OF GANGJIN**

### **Community Profile**

Gangjin is one of the best places to live in Korea. It has unique Korean agricultural towns and village communities, glorious sea sides, broad fields and beautiful mountains. Gangjin's people are very congenial, generous, inviting and are rightfully proud of their community.

Located 350 miles south of Seoul, Gangjin is one of 25 cities in Jeollanam province. Gangjin was incorporated in 1895 during the JoSeon dynasty. The total area of Gangjin is 501 square kilometers and the population of the city is 41,398. GangJin comprises 11 towns and 403 villages. The city administrative organizations are 23 departments, 2 subordinate organizations, 16 branch offices. The City has 567 employees and a budget of 206 million dollars (2009).

Gangjin is famous for brilliant spirits, cultures and scenes. Dasan Jung YakYong, one of the greatest scholars in JoSeon dynasty, left behind many writings of practical learning. Also, Young Rang's (1903~1950) romantic poems have enriched the hearts of older generations as well as a new generation. As a cradle of Celadon, Gangjin holds the Celadon Cultural Festival in August every year to inspire descendants with the spirit of traditional arts. GangJin is surrounded by spectacular Mt. WolChul, which is rimmed by the sinuous TamJin River. Whoever visits Gangjin, will never forget its fine cuisine.

These days, Gangjin is changing. Through the application and development of scientific technology, farming that was once focused exclusively on rice and barley has shifted to diverse agriculture management, adding such specialties as rose floriculture and developing export products. The city also has promoted stockbreeding and fisheries. Many local historic sites are being developed into some of the most attractive places for tourists and artists in Korea. Also, Gangjin has broadened its friendships with other countries and applied innovations to their administrative systems, including team organization, performance appraisals, efficient accounting, and the use of customer satisfaction and performance management systems.

### **SYMBOLS OF GANGJIN:**

City Bird: Magpie



City Flower: Camelia



City Tree: Gingko



## **GANGJIN LANDMARKS:**

- Mysterious Koryo Celadon Kiln
- Dasan Heritage(Dasan exhibition center, Dasan learning center)
- YoungRang Birth Place• Temple Baekreon, Muwee
- Mountain Wolchul
- Maryang Sea Port(Sea fishing, Manho sacred place)
- TamJin River

## **EDUCATION THROUGHOUT WHOLE OF GANGJIN-GUN:**

- There are 18 schools in GangJin-Gun: 15 elementary schools, 8 middle schools and 5 high schools.
- The number of students in middle schools is 1,245.

## **CITY OF GANGJIN DIRECTORY:**

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