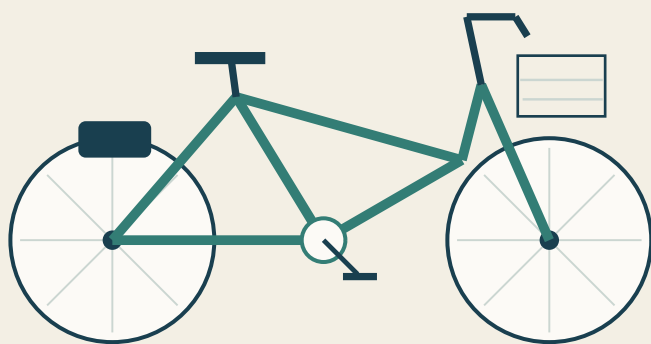


TWO WHEELS, ONE CITY

Seoul by bicycle

A practical guide to renting, riding and returning a bike - from your first Ttareungi trip to a riverside afternoon.



Illustrative city bicycle; equipment varies.

THE RENTAL LOOP

- 1 Set up**
App, pass and a return station.
- 2 Ride**
Check the bike. Watch the timer.
- 3 Finish**
Lock it. Confirm the rental ended.

CHOOSE THE RENTAL THAT FITS YOUR DAY

01 Ttareungi / Seoul Bike

Short city trips and flexible returns at official Seoul Bike stations. Start with the app guide on page 2. [A]

02 Hangang Park rental shops

A useful option for a leisure ride, a tandem or a child's bike. Different prices and return rules apply. Page 8. [K]

03 A specialist rental shop

For a fitted road bike, e-bike or full-day tour, ask about equipment, deposits, breakdown support and return arrangements.

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GET READY TO RENT

Start with the right login.

The visitor payment route and the resident member route are different. Choose the one that matches your setup.

VISITING / USING AN OVERSEAS CARD

1 Install the official app

Search for Seoul Bike or 서울자전거 따릉이. Publisher: Seoul Metropolitan Government. [A, B]

2 Choose Foreigner

Use the visitor option from the start screen. Select the language and pass offered in that route. [C, D]

3 Enter an email you can access

Keep the purchase email and pass code. The city's guide uses the code to recover an existing pass. [D]

4 Pay and check the receipt

The operator specifies an overseas-issued credit card for this route, with one pass per card. Each adult rider should arrange their own access. [C]

5 Prepare the phone at the station

Have mobile data and battery. Enable Bluetooth and the camera/location permissions needed for rental. Check the pass is available before scanning. [A]

OFFICIAL APP



Android



iPhone

Scan in print or tap a code in the PDF.

RESIDENT MEMBER ACCOUNT

If you can complete the app's member verification, compare its local payment options and longer passes. A Korean-issued card belongs in the supported domestic checkout, rather than the overseas-card visitor route. [C, E]

UNDERSTAND YOUR PASS

One pass. A clock for every ride.

A standard day pass allows repeat rentals during its validity, but each rental has its own time limit. [E, F]

Standard day pass	Included per rental	Price
1-hour	Up to 60 minutes	₩ 1,000
2-hour	Up to 120 minutes	₩ 2,000
3-hour	Up to 180 minutes	₩ 3,000

These are Seoul's published standard rates. The foreigner menu may show a different selection or product; read its displayed terms before paying. Prices checked 12 October 2026. [C, E]

EXAMPLE / A STANDARD 1-HOUR DAY PASS



Two 45-minute rentals fit the per-ride limit. A coffee stop between properly completed rentals does not use riding time. The standard day pass expires 24 hours after the first rental; returning a bike does not restart that 24-hour period. [F]

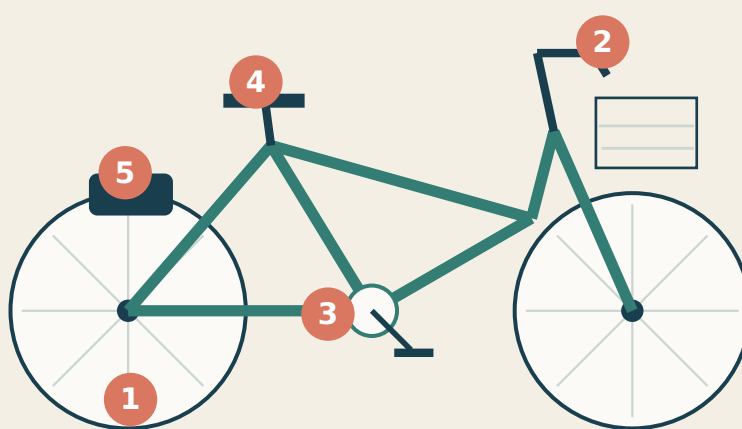
OVERTIME IS EXTRA

The published extra charge is ~~₩~~200 per 5 minutes beyond the included ride time. For example, 15 minutes over adds ~~₩~~600. Set your own reminder early enough to reach a station and confirm the return. [E]

AT THE RENTAL STATION

Check the bike. Then scan and go.

Choose a bike that fits you and looks ready to ride. Report a fault instead of taking it onto the path.



Original teaching diagram. QR units and frame designs vary.

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|-----------------------------|---|
| 1 Tyres | Look for obvious damage or a flat tyre. |
| 2 Brakes | Squeeze both levers and test stopping gently. |
| 3 Chain & pedals | Check for loose parts or a displaced chain. |
| 4 Saddle | Adjust it to fit; secure the clamp firmly. |
| 5 Lock & QR unit | Find the bike number and rear-wheel QR unit. |

UNLOCKING / QR-TYPE BIKES

1. In the app, start a rental and scan the bike's QR code; enter the bike number if that option is offered. **2.** Wait for the rental confirmation and lock release. **3.** Check the rear wheel turns freely; never force a locked bike. **4.** Note the return deadline and practise a slow start and stop away from traffic. [G, H]

FINISH THE RENTAL

Park. Lock. Confirm.

A bike that looks parked may still be on your rental. Check the completed return before walking away.

1 Find an official Ttareungi station

Use the rental app's station map. A general bicycle rack or a Hangang shop is not automatically a Seoul Bike return point. [A, G]

2 Park neatly in the station area

Keep entrances, tactile paving and the walking route clear. Follow the station's parking layout.

3 Close the bike's lock

Pull the QR bike's locking lever fully into place as instructed. Do not force it against a wheel spoke. [G]

4 Check that the rental has ended

Listen for the return message and check the app or notification. Make sure the active rental is finished; keep the return record if there is any doubt. [A, G]

TEMPORARY LOCK IS STILL AN ACTIVE RENTAL

Away from a station, locking a QR bike can put it into temporary-lock mode. Use the app's temporary-unlock control to continue. A temporary lock is not a completed return: keep watching the rental deadline. For a long stop, return the bike properly first. [F, I]

No confirmation? Stay with the bike if safe, check the station and connection, and contact support on **1599-0120**. A photo helps explain the problem but does not itself end the rental. [H]

ON THE PATH

Ride predictably. Leave room.

For a first outing, choose daylight and a short riverside ride. Build confidence before adding busy city streets.

WHERE TO RIDE

Use a designated cycle path where available. On ordinary roads, keep to the right. A normal pavement is not automatically a cycle path; follow signed permissions and walk when unsure. [J]

CROSSINGS AND JUNCTIONS

Dismount at a pedestrian crossing. Ride across only where a dedicated bicycle crossing permits it, obeying the signal. For a difficult junction, walking the bike across the pedestrian route is a useful option. [J]

PEOPLE COME FIRST

Keep right and leave space. In Hangang parks, ride at 20 km/h or below, and much slower around people. Watch for children, dogs and blind corners. Pass only with clear room; a bell does not give you priority. [H, K]

BEFORE YOU SET OFF

- ☐ Wear a properly fitted helmet. Arrange one before reaching an unattended station.
- ☐ Keep both hands available. Stop clear of the path to check the phone.
- ☐ Secure loose laces and clothing. Keep bags out of the wheels.
- ☐ Ride sober. Use working lights after dark and make yourself visible.
- ☐ Skip the ride if wind, ice, poor visibility or heavy rain makes it unsuitable.

Operator safety guidance: [H, J]

PLAN THE ACCESS, TOO

Choose a cycling route, then locate both rental stations in the Seoul Bike app. Check ramps, stairs and road crossings on the approach. Follow closure barriers and signs even if your map suggests continuing.

YOUR FIRST OUTING

Begin beside the river.

A short out-and-back is easy to shorten and lets you return to a station you already know.

SUGGESTED FIRST RIDE / YEOUIDO

Find an available Ttareungi station near Yeouinaru in the app, then walk the bike to a suitable riverside cycle path. Yeouinaru is an established visitor rental area. [M]



10-15 min out + 10-15 min back + time for checks and return

Suggested practice plan, not a mapped route or guaranteed duration.

WHEN YOU WANT A LONGER RIDE

Green Shade Trail / published 4 km

Seoul's suggested route runs from the Olympic Park area via Seongnaecheon to Jamsil Hangang Park. Search the current start and finish stations in the app and check access before setting off. [L]

Ring Ring Bike Park Tour / published 9 km

The city's route links the Nodeul Station area, Yeouido's Saetgang and Yanghwa Hangang Park, ending near Seonyudo Station. Allow time for getting to and from the paths as well as the ride. [L]

Before either route: open source L on page 12 for the official route description. Check today's station availability, closures, daylight and a return point before your pass deadline.

HANGANG PARK RENTALS

A different bike. A different system.

The park rental shops are separate from Ttareungi. They can suit a leisurely afternoon or a family outing. [K]

Park rental type	1 hour	2 hours
Standard adult or child bike	₩3,300	₩6,600
Bike with child seat	₩5,000	₩10,000
Adult tandem	₩6,600	₩13,200
Family cycle (3-4 people)	₩20,000	₩40,000

Selected published rates, checked 12 October 2026. Ask about available sizes, child-seat limits, helmets and any deposit or identification requirement before paying. [K]

RENT AT THE SHOP

Choose the bicycle and duration at the kiosk, enter a phone number and pay. Take the rental receipt to staff for the bike. Keep that receipt for the return and settle any extra charge. If your phone or card does not work, ask staff before starting another payment. [K]

PLAN TO RETURN TO THE SAME SHOP

Return to the rental shop by the agreed time. Other-shop returns require a qualifying, pre-arranged weekday rental. Confirm any exception with staff; a Ttareungi station cannot complete this return. [K]

Opening times vary: some branches close in winter, and weather can change operations. Check the park's official rental page (source K) before travelling. A staffed shop is the first place to ask about a suitable bike for a younger child.

STAYING LONGER

Make it part of everyday Seoul.

Once you know the system, a member pass can make short regular trips simple. Each ride still has a return deadline. [E]

Member pass	1-hour rides	2-hour rides
7 days	₩3,000	₩4,000
30 days	₩5,000	₩7,000
180 days	₩15,000	₩20,000
365 days	₩30,000	₩40,000

Published member rates, checked 12 October 2026. Non-members are limited to daily passes. Confirm account eligibility and the payment options shown in your app. [E, H]

A PRACTICAL ROUTINE

Save a station near home, one near your destination and a backup at each end. Check availability before walking out. For a bike-and-subway trip, return the rental bike before entering the station, then rent again at the other end if useful.

RIDING WITH CHILDREN

Ordinary Ttareungi use is listed for ages 13 and over; age 13 requires membership. A separate family pass permits younger children under parental supervision. It has household-verification conditions, so do not assume the visitor checkout includes it. [B, M, N]

For a family visit, ask a park rental shop about sizes and suitable equipment. Each rider needs a bike that fits; do not improvise a passenger seat on a single-person rental bike.

WHEN SOMETHING GOES WRONG

Stop first. Sort the next step.

Keep the bike number, station name, rental time and a screenshot ready. Those details make a support request much clearer.

Payment fails

Check you selected the correct member or foreigner payment route. Confirm your card supports that transaction. Check for an existing purchase before paying again. [C]

QR will not scan

Check camera permission, Bluetooth and location settings. Try entering the bike number if offered. If the app shows an active rental but the lock is closed, contact support. [A, G]

Bike develops a fault

Stop riding. Report it through the app or helpline. If the bike is badly damaged or cannot be moved safely, lock it temporarily and call the operator for instructions. [O]

Station is crowded or closed

Use the current map and station signs. Do not block a pavement or leave the bike outside the recognised station area. If you cannot complete a return, call before leaving.

Return is not confirmed

Check you are at the right station and the lock is fully closed. Keep the bike with you if safe and contact support; do not assume a photo or temporary lock ends the charge. [G, I]

Phone battery or data fails

Use a power bank or another phone to contact support. Give the bike and station details. Follow the operator's instructions to confirm the rental has ended.

ACCIDENT OR INJURY

Get to safety and help anyone injured. Call 119 for emergency medical help and 112 for police. Notify the rental operator as well. Record the location and contact details when safe; ask the operator about its incident and insurance process. [J]

[SAVE THIS PAGE](#)

Your next-ride checklist.

The useful things to have ready before you unlock - and the final checks before you leave.

BEFORE YOU RIDE

- ☐ Helmet, water and suitable shoes
- ☐ Charged phone, data and pass
- ☐ Brakes, tyres, chain and saddle checked
- ☐ Start, return and backup station saved
- ☐ Per-ride deadline understood
- ☐ Route and weather checked

BEFORE YOU WALK AWAY

01 / STATION

Official Seoul Bike return point.

02 / LOCK

Lock fully closed; bike stable.

03 / CONFIRM

Rental ended in the app or message.

WORDS THAT HELP

대여

Rent

반납

Return

대여소

Rental station

임시잠금

Temporary lock

고장 신고

Report a fault

이용권

Pass

1599-0120

Seoul Bike rental support [H]

119 / 112

Medical emergency / police [J]

OFFICIAL LINKS

Keep the details within reach.

Tap a source in the PDF to open it. Prices and procedures were checked on 12 October 2026 for this standalone editorial draft.

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| A Official app / Android
play.google.com
Permissions, rental tools and support. | I Temporary locking explained
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apps.apple.com
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New pass types and popular station areas. |
| F Pass validity and conditions
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First-rental activation and repeat rides. | N Family-pass eligibility notice
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Scan, lock and confirm the return. | O Operator troubleshooting FAQ
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Damage, returns and excess charges. |
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Bike checks, riding rules and support. | |

Reading the guide: bracketed letters refer to these sources. The visitor setup follows the city's published instructions; menus and available products may change. Use the price and conditions shown in your own checkout.

Original diagrams and suggested practice plan by Settle Seoul. Diagrams explain a process; they are not live app screenshots or turn-by-turn maps.