



KOREA NOW · TRAVEL PHRASE GUIDE

Korea Travel Phrases At the Restaurant

Korean phrases for dining out

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How to Use This Guide

- ① Point to the Korean phrase and show it to the person you're speaking with.
- ② The romanization (in *italic*) helps you pronounce Korean sounds.
- ③ Each section covers a different part of your restaurant experience.
- ④ Culture Tips (gold boxes) explain Korean dining customs.
- ⑤ Emergency phrases are repeated on the back cover for quick access.

□ QUICK PHRASES

주문할게요 (Order) | 계산해 주세요 (Bill) | 맛있어요! (Delicious!) | 도와주세요 (Help!)



몇 분이세요?

Myeot bun-i-se-yo?

How many people?

두 명이요

Du myeong-i-yo

Two people

예약했어요

Yeyak-haess-eo-yo

I have a reservation

예약 안 했어요

Yeyak an haess-eo-yo

No reservation

자리 있어요?

Jari iss-eo-yo?

Table available?

창가 자리로 주세요

Chang-ga jari-ro ju-se-yo

Window seat please

금연석으로 주세요

Geum-yeon-seok-eu-ro ju-se-yo

Non-smoking please

메뉴 주세요

Menu ju-se-yo

Menu please

추천 메뉴가 뭐예요?

Chu-cheon menu-ga mwo-ye-yo?

What do you recommend?

잠깐만요

Jam-kkan-man-yo

Just a moment please

□ **CULTURE TIP**

In Korean restaurants you often seat yourself. Call "여기요!" (yeo-gi-yo) to get the server's attention — never snap fingers or wave aggressively.



이게 뭐예요?

I-ge mwo-ye-yo?

What is this?

어떻게 만들어요?

Eo-tteo-ke man-deu-reo-yo?

How is it made?

매워요?

Mae-wo-yo?

Is it spicy?

인기 있는 게 뭐예요?

In-gi inn-neun ge mwo-ye-yo?

What's popular?

오늘의 특선이 뭐예요?

O-neul-eui teuk-seon-i mwo-ye-yo?

Today's special?

사진 있어요?

Sa-jin iss-eo-yo?

Is there a photo?

이거 채식이에요?

I-geo chae-sik-i-e-yo?

Is this vegetarian?

이거 고기 들어가요?

I-geo go-gi deul-eo-ga-yo?

Does this have meat?

영어 메뉴 있어요?

Yeong-eo menu iss-eo-yo?

English menu available?

□ CULTURE TIP

Korean menus often have photos. Point and say "이걸로 주세요" (I'll have this). Many popular restaurants also have English menus — just ask!



주문할게요

Ju-mun-hal-ge-yo

I'd like to order

이걸로 주세요

I-geol-lo ju-se-yo

I'll have this one

이거 두 개 주세요

I-geo du gae ju-se-yo

Two of these please

같은 걸로 주세요

Gat-eun geol-lo ju-se-yo

Same as that please

덜 맵게 해주세요

Deol mae-pge hae-ju-se-yo

Less spicy please

소금 빼주세요

So-geum bbae-ju-se-yo

No salt please

천천히 주세요

Cheon-cheon-hi ju-se-yo

Take your time

빨리 주세요

Bbal-li ju-se-yo

Quickly please

포장 되나요?

Po-jang doe-na-yo?

Can I get takeout?

조금 있다가요

Jo-geum it-da-ga-yo

A little later please

□ **CULTURE TIP**

To call a waiter, say "저기요!" or "여기요!" loudly. In many Korean restaurants there is also a call button (벨) on the table — just press it!



채식주의자예요

Chae-sik-ju-eui-ja-ye-yo

I'm vegetarian

비건이에요

Bi-geon-i-e-yo

I'm vegan

알레르기가 있어요

Al-le-reugi-ga iss-eo-yo

I have an allergy

견과류 알레르기가 있어요

Gyeon-gwa-ryu al-le-reugi iss-eo-yo

Nut allergy

해산물 못 먹어요

Hae-san-mul mot meog-eo-yo

Can't eat seafood

돼지고기 안 먹어요

Dwae-ji-go-gi an meog-eo-yo

I don't eat pork

할랄 음식 있어요?

Hal-lal eum-sik iss-eo-yo?

Halal food available?

글루텐 프리 있어요?

Geul-lu-ten peu-ri iss-eo-yo?

Gluten-free option?

유제품 못 먹어요

Yu-je-pum mot meog-eo-yo

Can't eat dairy

이 요리에 뭐 들어가요?

I yo-ri-e mwo deul-eo-ga-yo?

What's in this dish?

□ **CULTURE TIP**

Korean food often uses fermented soybean pastes (된장, 고추장) and fish-based stocks. Always inform staff of allergies — show them this page if needed.



잘 먹겠습니다

Jal meok-gess-seum-ni-da

I will eat well (before meal)

맛있어요!

Mas-iss-eo-yo!

It's delicious!

더 주세요

Deo ju-se-yo

More please / Refill please

물 주세요

Mul ju-se-yo

Water please

너무 짜요

Neo-mu jja-yo

Too salty

너무 매워요

Neo-mu mae-wo-yo

Too spicy

덜 익었어요

Deol ik-eoss-eo-yo

Undercooked

젓가락 주세요

Jeot-ga-rak ju-se-yo

Chopsticks please

포크 주세요

Po-keu ju-se-yo

Fork please

냅킨 주세요

Naep-kin ju-se-yo

Napkin please

리필 돼요?

Ri-pil dwae-yo?

Free refill?

실례합니다

Sil-lye-ham-ni-da

Excuse me (to call waiter)

□ **CULTURE TIP**

Side dishes (반찬, banchan) are FREE and refillable — just say "더 주세요". It's polite to say "잘 먹겠습니다" before eating and "잘 먹었습니다" when done.



음료 뭐 있어요?

Eum-nyo mwo iss-eo-yo?

What drinks do you have?

맥주 한 병 주세요

Maek-ju han byeong ju-se-yo

One bottle of beer please

소주 주세요

So-ju ju-se-yo

Soju please

커피 주세요

Keo-pi ju-se-yo

Coffee please

따뜻한 걸로 주세요

Tta-tteut-han geol-lo ju-se-yo

Hot please

차가운 걸로 주세요

Cha-ga-un geol-lo ju-se-yo

Cold please

얼음 빼주세요

Eol-eum bbae-ju-se-yo

No ice please

설탕 빼주세요

Seol-tang bbae-ju-se-yo

No sugar please

막걸리 있어요?

Mak-geol-li iss-eo-yo?

Makgeolli available?

후식 있어요?

Hu-sik iss-eo-yo?

Any dessert?

□ **CULTURE TIP**

Soju (소주) is Korea's iconic spirit — clear, smooth, and affordable. When drinking with Koreans, always pour for others before yourself, and accept drinks with two hands as a sign of respect.



계산해 주세요

Gye-san-hae ju-se-yo

Bill please

얼마예요?

Eol-ma-ye-yo?

How much?

카드 돼요?

Ka-deu dwae-yo?

Card accepted?

현금으로 낼게요

Hyeon-geum-eu-ro nael-ge-yo

I'll pay cash

따로 계산해 주세요

Tta-ro gye-san-hae ju-se-yo

Separate bills please

같이 계산해 주세요

Gat-i gye-san-hae ju-se-yo

One bill together

제가 낼게요

Je-ga nael-ge-yo

I'll pay (treating)

영수증 주세요

Yeong-su-jeung ju-se-yo

Receipt please

거스름돈이 틀려요

Geo-seu-reum-don-i teul-lyeo-yo

Wrong change

잘 먹었습니다

Jal meog-eoss-seum-ni-da

Thank you for the meal

□ **CULTURE TIP**

Tipping is NOT customary in Korea — it can even cause awkwardness. Simply say "잘 먹었습니다" when leaving. Most places accept credit cards, but small street stalls may be cash only.



포장해 주세요

Po-jang-hae ju-se-yo

Takeout / To go please

봉투 주세요

Bong-tu ju-se-yo

Bag please

여기서 먹을게요

Yeo-gi-seo meog-eul-ge-yo

I'll eat here

이거 얼마예요?

I-geo eol-ma-ye-yo?

How much is this?

하나만 주세요

Ha-na-man ju-se-yo

Just one please

더 주세요

Deo ju-se-yo

More please

맛 볼 수 있어요?

Mat bol su iss-eo-yo?

Can I taste it?

매운 거 있어요?

Mae-un geo iss-eo-yo?

Spicy option?

젓가락도 주세요

Jeot-ga-rak-do ju-se-yo

Chopsticks too please

인기 있는 게 뭐예요?

In-gi inn-neun ge mwo-ye-yo?

What's popular here?

□ CULTURE TIP

Korean street food markets (포장마차) are everywhere! Popular foods: tteokbokki (spicy rice cakes), hotteok (sweet pancakes), odeng (fish cake), bungeoppang (fish-shaped pastry). Point and say "이거 주세요!"

☐ QUICK REFERENCE

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