A Timeline of Korean History

ca. 4000 BCE  Kulp'o Culture

ca. 3000 BCE  Chulmun Culture

ca. 2000 BCE  Ch'aemon Culture

ca. 300 BCE  Old Choson

ca. 100 BCE - 313 CE  100 Chinese Han Colonies

  ca. 108 BCE-313 CE  North: Chinese Commanderies

  ca. 100 BCE-ca. 280 CE  South: Samhan Federation

ca. 50 BCE-668 CE  Three Kingdoms

  57 BCE-668 CE  Silla

  37 BCE-668 CE  Kogoryu

  18 BCE-663 CE  Paekche

47 CE-562  Kaya

668-936  United Silla

ca. 890-936  Later Three Kingdoms

1231-1336  Mongol Domination

918-1392  Koryo Dynasty

1392-1897  Choson (Yi) Dynasty

  1418-1450  Reign of King Sejong

  1592-1598  Imjin Wars (Hideyoshi Invasions)

  1724-1800  Reigns of Yongjo and Chongjo

  1600-1850s  Two centuries of peace

1850s-1910  Foreign skirmishes threaten Korea

1910-1945  Japanese colonial rule

1945-1948  Northern Korea under Soviet Occupation;
           Southern Korea under American Occupation

1948-present  Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (DPRK)

            Republic of Korea (ROK)

1950-1953  Korean War