

### DRINKING ETIQUETTE



When drinking together, Koreans pour for one another. To show respect to others, both hands are used when pouring and accepting a drink. When a senior offers a glass, the junior should receive it with two hands and drink with head turned aside.

Traditional Korean drinks are made from rice, sweet potatoes, fruits and other grains. *Insamju* is an example of medicinal wine, made from ginseng. *Dongdongju*, a milky liquor with low alcohol content, is served at drinking houses around universities, at festivals, picnic areas, or anywhere people might enjoy a mild drink with a fermented flavor. *Soju*, which is comparable to vodka but less potent, is the most popular traditional Korean liquor among the general public. *Soju* was originally brewed from grains. Today it is mass-produced mainly from sweet potatoes.

#### Groups: Discussion

- Can you think of any other Korean drinking etiquettes?
- How did you learn about drinking etiquette?
- Do you know anyone with a drinking problem?
- Is it OK to drink and drive?
- Have you ever used *daeriujeon*?