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Everyday Jjigae Beyond Kimchi Stew

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Study Links

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Core Idea

I know 김치찌개, but what are 된장찌개, 순두부찌개, and 부대찌개? And what actually arrives with the meal?

좋은 질문이에요. These are everyday jjigae choices, and each name gives you a useful clue.

You do not need to memorize one fixed recipe. Learn the main clue, then learn one polite order sentence.

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Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	된장찌개 하나랑 순두부찌개 하나 주세요. —	One doenjang jjigae and one sundubu jjigae, please.
Junho	네, 밥이랑 반찬도 같이 나와요. —	Sure. Rice and side dishes come with them too.
Hana	네, 감사합니다. —	Okay, thank you.



Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
찌개 이름 + 하나 주세요 jjigae ireum + hana juseyo	stew name + one, please	오늘의 핵심은 찌개 이름과 주문 문장이예요. Today, you will name three common stews and order one naturally.
찌개 jjigae	Korean stew, usually served hot and bubbling	찌개는 보통 뜨겁게 끓여 먹는 한국식 stew예요. It is often richer and heartier than a light soup.
된장 · 순두부 · 부대 + 찌개 —	The first word identifies the stew style.	메뉴에서 앞부분을 보면 맛이나 주재료의 힌트를 얻을 수 있어요. The word before 찌개 often gives the flavor or ingredient clue.
된장찌개 doenjang-jjigae	soybean paste stew	첫째, 된장찌개예요. 된장은 fermented soybean paste, so this stew has a savory, deep flavor.
된장 = 발효한 콩으로 만든 장 doenjang = balhyohan kong-euro mandeun jang	doenjang = fermented soybean paste	감자나 애호박이 들어가기도 해요. Some places also add potato, zucchini, or meat, but 된장 flavor is the anchor.
순두부찌개 sundubu-jjigae	soft tofu stew	둘째, 순두부찌개예요. 순두부는 아주 부드러운 두부예요. Sundubu is extra-soft tofu.
가게마다 재료가 달라요 gage-mada jaeryoga dallayo	Ingredients vary from restaurant to restaurant.	달걀, 해산물, 또는 고기는 가게마다 달라요. Egg, seafood, or meat can vary by restaurant.
부대찌개 buda-jjigae	army-base style stew	셋째, 부대찌개예요. This is a bold, savory stew often made with ham and sausage.



Grammar / Structure Notes

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찌개

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된장찌개 + 에는 + 보통 + 두부 + 와 + 채소 + 가 + 들어가요. — Doenjang jjigae usually has tofu and vegetables.

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Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
된장찌개 하나 주세요.	doenjang-jjigae hana juseyo.
된장찌개 하나 줘요.	doenjang-jjigae hana jwoyo.

Self-Check

- 1 Say 된장찌개 / 순두부찌개 / 부대찌개 three times: slow, natural, then inside a short sentence.
- 2 Write one original sentence that was not in the video.
- 3 Rewatch the YouTube lesson and pause when the same pattern appears.

Related / Subsequent Studies



Lesson	Why study it next	Link
계란말이 / 시금치나물 / 콩나물무침 Naming the Banchan on Your Table	A1 Culture: compare 계란말이 / 시금치나물 / 콩나물무침 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CULTURE-FCL-007
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김 / 미역 / 파래 / 다시마 Seaweed on the Everyday Korean Table	A1 Culture: compare 김 / 미역 / 파래 / 다시마 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CULTURE-FCL-011

My Notes

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