



Portugal Residency



Visa Guide

Your pathway to living in Portugal with clarity and confidence

If you're planning a trip to Portugal, make sure you have the appropriate visa for your stay and complete all necessary travel arrangements in advance.

Discover breathtaking landscapes, rich culture, world-famous cuisine, and unforgettable experiences waiting for you in Portugal.

Visa Type	Purpose	Key Requirements
Temporary Stay Visa	For stays between 3 months and 1 year (medical, exchange, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Proof of purpose of stay- Proof of financial means- Criminal record- Health insurance- Proof of accommodation
D1 Work Visa	For individuals with an employment contract in Portugal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Employment contract- Criminal record- Proof of financial means- Health insurance- Proof of accommodation
D2 Entrepreneur Visa	For those starting or investing in a business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Business plan- Proof of financial means- Criminal record- Health insurance- Proof of accommodation
D3 Highly Qualified Activity Visa	For researchers, professors, or highly skilled professionals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Work contract- Proof of qualifications- Criminal record- Proof of financial means- Health insurance- Proof of accommodation
D4 Study Visa	For students attending educational institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Acceptance letter- Proof of financial means- Criminal record- Health insurance- Proof of accommodation



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<p>D5 Internship Visa</p>	<p>For individuals undertaking professional internships or vocational training in Portugal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internship acceptance - Proof of accommodation - Proof of financial means - Health insurance - Criminal record
<p>D6 Family Reunification</p>	<p>Spouses, dependent children (under 18 or studying full-time), and dependent parents of legal residents</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proof of family relation - Proof of accommodation - Proof of financial means - Criminal record - Health insurance - Proof of legal residency of the sponsor in Portugal
<p>D7 Passive Income Visa</p>	<p>For individuals with stable passive income (retirees, investors)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proof of regular income - Criminal record - Health insurance - Proof of accommodation
<p>D8 Temporary Stay Visa</p>	<p>For individuals who want to live temporarily in Portugal while working remotely for a foreign employer or international clients.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proof of remote work or freelance activity - Employment contract or client agreements outside Portugal - Proof of regular income - Criminal record - Health insurance - Proof of accommodation
<p>D8 Residence Visa</p>	<p>For individuals who want to live long-term in Portugal while working remotely for a foreign employer or international clients, with a pathway to permanent residency and Portuguese citizenship.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proof of remote work or freelance activity - Employment contract or client agreements outside Portugal - Proof of regular income - Bank savings - Criminal record - Health insurance - Proof of accommodation
<p>Golden Visa (Investment Visa)</p>	<p>For individuals making significant investments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proof of investment - Provenance of funds - Criminal record - Health insurance - Special Requirements



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Golden Visa key benefits:

1. Minimum physical presence: only 7 days per year in Portugal
2. Full residency rights — live, work, and study in Portugal
3. Visa-free travel across the Schengen Area
4. Family reunification for spouse, dependent children, and parents
5. Path to permanent residency after 5 years and citizenship after 5 years
6. No requirement to be a tax resident

Portugal Visa Eligibility Assessment

Instructions: For each question, select the option (A, B, or C) that best describes your situation. At the end, match your answers to the result key.

<p>What is your main reason for moving to Portugal?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. I have a job offer or employment contract in Portugal B. I work remotely for a company or clients outside Portugal C. I want to start or invest in a business D. I plan to study or do an internship E. I am joining family already living in Portugal F. I want to live from savings, pension, or passive income G. I want to invest significantly in Portugal H. I am only planning a short stay
<p>How do you currently earn income?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Salary from a Portuguese employer B. Salary from a foreign employer (remote work) C. Freelance income from international clients D. Business ownership or entrepreneurial activity E. Passive income (rent, dividends, pension, investments) F. No income (student/intern dependent or supported)
<p>What best describes your professional situation?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Skilled professional with a job contract in Portugal B. Highly qualified worker (researcher, specialist, etc.) C. Entrepreneur or startup founder D. Student or trainee E. Retired or financially independent F. Dependent family member G. Not currently employed but financially supported
<p>How long do you intend to stay in Portugal?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Less than 1 year B. Long-term (renewable residence) C. Permanent relocation with pathway to residency D. Flexible, depending on visa conditions



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Do you plan to invest or create a business in Portugal?	<p>A. No</p> <p>B. Yes, small or medium business plan</p> <p>C. Yes, significant investment</p> <p>D. Not sure yet</p>
Do you have family ties in Portugal?	<p>A. No</p> <p>B. Yes (spouse/partner)</p> <p>C. Yes (children or dependent parents)</p> <p>D. I am joining a legal resident in Portugal</p>

Visa Result Guide

Mostly A	D1 Work Visa D3 Highly Qualified Activity	You are likely moving to Portugal through a job offer or highly skilled professional activity.
Mostly B	D8 Temporary Stay Visa D8 Residence Visa	You are a remote worker, freelancer, or digital nomad earning income outside Portugal.
Mostly C	D2 Entrepreneur Visa D7 Passive Income Visa Golden Visa	You rely on savings, investments, passive income, or plan to start/invest in a business.
Mostly D	D4 Study Visa D5 Internship Visa	You are coming to Portugal for education or professional training.
Mostly E	D6 Family Reunification Visa	You are joining a spouse or dependent family member legally residing in Portugal.
Mostly F or H	Temporary Stay Visa	You are coming for short stays such as training, medical reasons, or temporary activities.
Mixed C + G Investment-heavy profile	Golden Visa (Investment Route)	You have significant capital and are considering residency through investment.



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PORTUGAL RESIDENCY & CITIZENSHIP

YOUR TIMELINE TO A EUROPEAN FUTURE



THE GOAL

PERMANENT RESIDENCY OR PORTUGUESE CITIZENSHIP AND ALL THE RIGHTS OF AN EU CITIZEN.