



# ST. LUCIA

## Citizenship by Investment Program

### Program Highlights

**Program Established:** 2015

**Type:** Citizenship by Investment

**Starting From:** USD 240,000

**Process:** 3-4 months from submission of application

**Investment Type(s):** Contribution to the National Economic Fund, Investment in approved project, Government bonds

The St. Lucia Citizenship by Investment Program, formally known as the Citizenship by Investment Act, is designed to attract foreign investors by offering a pathway to obtain citizenship in St. Lucia. This initiative was launched in 2015 to boost the country's economic growth and development.

The St. Lucia CIP has been appealing to investors seeking a second passport with visa-free or visa-on-arrival access to over 145 countries. The program offers several investment options, including contributions to the National Economic Fund, real estate investments, government bonds, and enterprise projects.



### About St. Lucia



St. Lucia lies in the eastern Caribbean Sea, northwest of Barbados and south of Martinique. A volcanic island mostly covered in rainforest, it is famous for its twin peaks – the Pitons – and its magical beaches. St. Lucia is a member of the Commonwealth and CARICOM and has excellent air links to Europe and North America.

**Location:** Eastern Caribbean

**Capital:** Castries

**Area:** 616 sq. km (238sq.mi)

**Population:** 186,500

**Official Language:** English

**Currency:** Easter Caribbean Dollar

**Independence:** Feb 22, 1979

**Organizations:** The United Nations (UN), the Organization of American States, The World Trade Organization, CARICOM, and Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

## Program Benefits

- No minimum stay is required to maintain citizenship.
- Fast-track application process.
- Visa-free or visa-on-arrival access to over 145 countries, including the EU Schengen Area, UK, and Hong Kong.
- Opportunity to include family members in the application, such as spouse, children, and parents.
- No global income tax, wealth tax, or inheritance tax for citizens. St. Lucia allows dual citizenship, enabling investors to maintain their current nationality.
- Citizenship is transferable to future generations.
- Access to a stable political and economic environment with favorable investment conditions.
- Citizens can enjoy the natural beauty and high-quality lifestyle of St. Lucia, including its beaches and resorts.
- Investment options include contributions to the National Economic Fund, real estate, government bonds, and enterprise projects.



## Eligibility Criteria

To qualify for citizenship the main applicant must be over 18 years of age, meet the application requirements, and select one of the following 4 options available:

- A non-refundable contribution to the National Economic Fund of USD 240,000 for the main applicant and up to three qualifying dependents.
- Investment in an approved enterprise or project of USD 250,000 plus applicable administration fees for the main applicant and up to three qualifying dependents
- Purchase of real estate with a minimum value of USD 300,000 for the main applicant and any number of qualifying dependents from an approved real estate development, which must be held for a minimum period of five years
- Investment in non-interest-bearing government bonds with a minimum value of USD 300,000 (and an administrative fee of USD 50,000), which must be held for a minimum period of five years



## Procedures and Timelines

The application process for St. Lucia citizenship by investment takes 3 to 4 months from the time of submission of application. Family members can apply with the main applicant. All applications must be accompanied by the relevant non-refundable processing, due diligence, and interview fees.





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