



CITIZEN BY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

# SAINT LUCIA CITIZENSHIP

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*The Saint Lucia's Citizenship by Investment Program (SCIP) was launched officially in December 2015, newest in the Caribbean after passing Citizenship by Investment Act No. 14 of 2015 in 24th August 2015.*

## SAINT LUCIA

Saint Lucia offers an exciting opportunity for foreigners becoming new citizens under the investment citizenship scheme opened in 2016..

The Saint Lucia CIP remains the cheapest passport program for individuals at the moment compared to other caribbean citizenship programs.

Saint Lucia, which became an independent country on February 22, 1979 with commonwealth member status. The country is a member of CARICOM, OECS maintains friendly relations with other country and has no current international disputes.

Golden sandy beaches, underwater life and canopy of rainforests with breathtaking views attract over 1.2 visitor arrivals every year,

Saint Lucia has a quality of life that is rivaled by very few places in the world with relatively low crime rate, access to modern facilities, services and infrastructure, world class restaurants and hotels and prime real estate.

Two spectacular pitons are most photographed on the island, unique for Saint Lucia

Saint Lucia has the distinction of having the highest number of Nobel Laureates per capita in the world.

Saint Lucia remains the most popular honeymoon destinations in the world.

# WHY SAINT LUCIA?

- Saint Lucia remains fastest growing economy among Eastern Caribbean States
- Tourism accounts for approximately 65% of GDP
- Best country for ease in doing business being a free economy.
- Low tax caribbean tax haven for offshore incorporations, shipping and financial firms.
- Unspoiled exotic beaches and cliffs attract celebrities for holidays
- Cricket is massively popular sport in Saint Lucia.

# CITIZEN BENEFITS

- Cheapest one person citizenship by investment program
- Fast track passports for family within 3 months
- No interview, language tests, education, or military service
- No requirement to visit or live before or after citizenship.
- Fast application processing times (80 days or less)
- Online application process fully confidential
- Children and Spouse can be added any time within 3 years after citizenship
- Strong Caribbean Passport with visa free benefits to UK, Schengen area etc.
- Only citizenship program offering Govt bonds option
- Right to vote
- Option to invest in business or real estate (resorts or hotels)
- No wealth, gift, inheritance, foreign income or personal income taxes.



# PRICES

## 1. NATIONAL ECONOMIC FUND

Single person - USD 100,000  
 Applicant with spouse - USD 140,000  
 Family of 4 (2 children under 18) - USD 150,000

Additional dependent - USD 25,000 (per person)

Application/Processing fee - USD 3000 per person  
 Due diligence - USD 5000 per person

## 2. REAL ESTATE

Minimum - USD 300,000  
 Govt Fee: USD 30,000

## 3. BUSINESS

Sole applicant - USD 3.5 million  
 Joint Investment - USD 1 million (in \$6m)

**Processing times** - 80 days or less

## 4. GOVERNMENT BONDS

Non-interest bearing Govt bonds held for 5 years

Covid-19 Relief Bonds - \$250,000 until Dec 31, 2020  
 Govt Processing fee: \$30,000  
 Application fee: waived

### Additional Fee

Due diligence - \$7500 (investor) and \$5000 (> 16 yrs)  
 Processing fee - \$2000 (investor) and \$1000 (each dependent)

## NEW CHANGES IN 2020

Saint Lucia made important changes to the citizenship by investment program in 2020. NDF prices cut for families.

Govt fee for real estate reduced to USD 30,000 (from USD 50,000)

Children and spouse can be added for a flat fee later anytime within 3 years

# PASSPORT SAINT LUCIA

Saint Lucia passport is also one of the powerful Caricom passport for global mobility. As of 2020, the saint lucians can visit 144 countries and territories without visas.. Some of the important countries include United Kingdom, Ireland, Schengen area, Argentina, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia.





# REAL ESTATE

Saint Lucia offers fast track citizenship to investments in tourism real estate projects. Here are some of the Govt approved resort investments that qualify for passports. The minimum required is USD 300,000. The investment must be held for 3 years and can be sold off retaining citizenship. Below are CIP approved property development projects that qualifies for family passports

## 1. CANELLES RESORT

The Saint Lucia Canelles Resort is a luxury resort developed by the Galaxy Group officially broke ground in Micod. The resort is managed by AMResorts, a subsidiary of Apple Leisure Group. This Resort has two brands, Dreams and Zoetry, plus Canelles Oceanfront Apartments, which offer a high level of luxury for couples and couples with children in ideal beachfront settings.

Applicant is required to execute a binding purchase and sales agreement for an investment of a minimum US \$ 300,000 for citizenship.



## 2. ALPINA SAINT LUCIA HOTEL

Alpina St. Lucia Hotel is a 240 room hotel, part of the "Site A" of the PEARL OF THE CARIBBEAN Integrated Resort Development comprising of an international-standard Thoroughbred horse racing track – the Royal Saint Lucia Turf Club which is already in operation and other surrounding residential and commercial development.

The Alpina St. Lucia Hotel is located in the largely underdeveloped southern part of the island approx. 2km from the Hewanorra International Airport.

# FAQS

## What are the benefits of becoming Saint Lucia citizen?

- Free movement within 12 CARICOM states
- Commonwealth citizen status
- Dual citizenship status
- Visa freedom to visit 144 countries and territories in the world (UK, Ireland, EU Schengen)

## When is the Letter of Approval (LOA) in Principle issued?

A Letter of Approval in Principle is issued once rigorous due diligence checks are completed. These take between 80 days.

## Will new born children automatically become citizens?

If the baby is born after the date of naturalisation certificate, they will automatically inherit citizenship

## Who is not eligible for this program?

Iranians cannot apply

## Do i need to visit St Lucia for passport?

Not required. Renewals can be done at consulates worldwide.

## Can i invest in 5\*star hotels and resorts?

No restrictions to invest in residential or commercial properties. Remember if you want citizenship you MUST invest in Govt approved developments held for 3 years.

## What are the benefits of E-2 visa?

Saint Lucia does not have E-2 treaty with United States.

## Are there any refunds if application is rejected?

Yes, we refund 50% of the initial agent fee.

## How long is the Saint Lucia passport valid for?

Passports issued under SCBI are valid for 5 years can be easily renewed at the consulates abroad.

## Does St Lucia have visa waivers with Canada and Russia?

No. A visa required.

## How do i start the process?

Just pay a small retainer deposit and agent will help you with the paperwork. After your application is approved, you pay the rest of contribution to Govt to get the passport.

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