# ITIZENSHIP PROGRAM





## WHAT IS VANUATU FAMOUS FOR?

Vanuatu is famous for spectacular coral reefs and canyons take a backseat in Vanuatu, where WWII left a lasting legacy of shipwrecks. The Island of Santos is famous for Known for its phenomenal diving and snorkelling, turquoise freshwater blue holes, famous white beaches and caves to enjoy nature and pristine beauty. Efate island offers lot of adventure activities. Besides this, more than 100 languages are found in Vanuatu.

## DO YOU KNOW?

IT TAKES 10 YEARS OF LIVING TO NATURALIZE FOR VANUATU CITIZENSHIP



VANAUTU CITIZENSHIP IS HARDEST TO GET IN THE WORLD



VANUATU OFFERS CITIZENSHIP FOR INVESTMENTS

## INJUST 30 DAYS



You dont have to WAIT for 10 years to become a Vanuatu citizen

CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT

### HOW TO GET VANUATU CITIZENSHIP

**Development Support and Contribution Program** 

#### Fastest CIP in the World

Vanuatu becomes the most popular CIP in 2020

The Citizenship process for Vanuatu DSP is pretty straightforward. It is a simple application process where approvals for citizenship and passport can be received in 20 to 30 days, if all the documents in order.

Before you apply, be ready with police certificate, passport copies and a Curriculum vitae for initial KYC and Due diligence checks. Vanuatu Govt processes applications three times faster than the Caribbean CIPs.

Vanuatu has a powerful passport in terms of visa free travel to over 130 countries including Schengen, Russia and UK



### CBI is a Life Saving Blood for Vanuatu

Vanuatu is one of the high risk countries in the world for natural disasters

Vanuatu has a service-based economy and therefore relies heavily on tourism services. Tourism constitutes an estimated 40% of the total GDP and almost 80% of our annual tourism arrivals come from Australia.

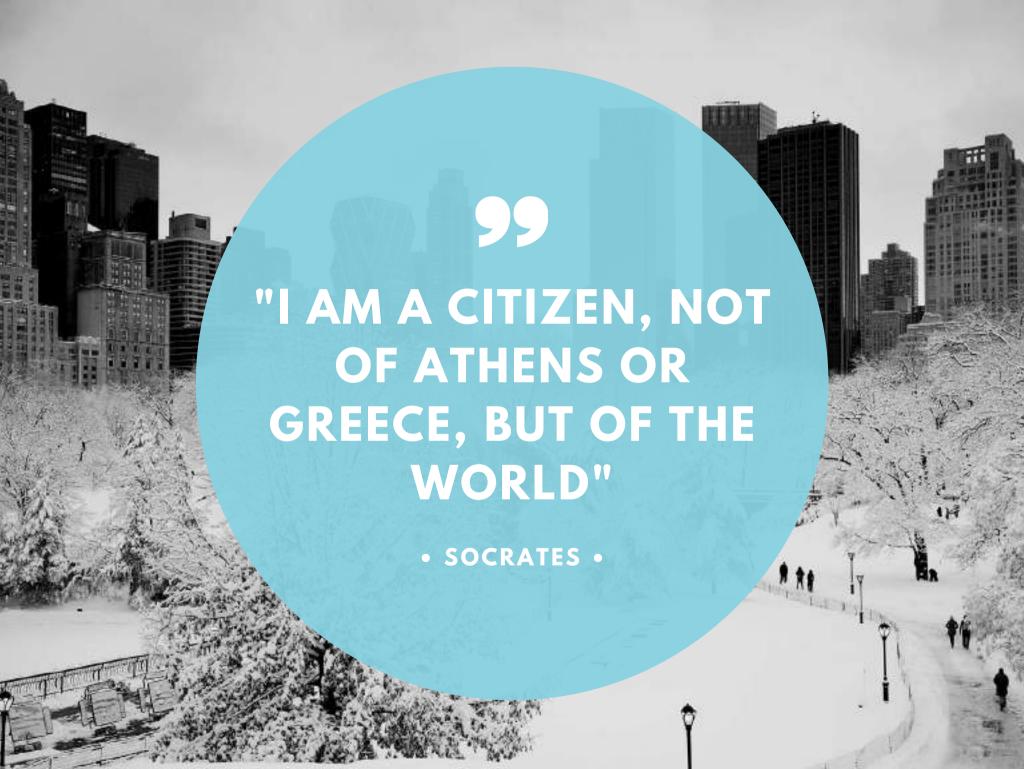
As of 2020, Vanuatu has issued over 5000 passports to investors and their families and managed to collect Vt 7.5 billion in revenues.

Due to the current COVID19 crisis, our government has closed down borders in early May of this year and still is. As a result, there is expected decrease in annual GDP for 2020 and is expected to carry on to 2021.

Business activities have slowed down, and in turn, fiscal projections have forecasted an expected decrease in annual tax revenue collection to the government. Therefore the government is heavily dependent on sourcing revenue alternatives from other avenues.

This is why Vanuatu Citizenship by Investment Program is so important and plays a vital role in providing budget supplements for the national government in order to continue and sustain the economy.









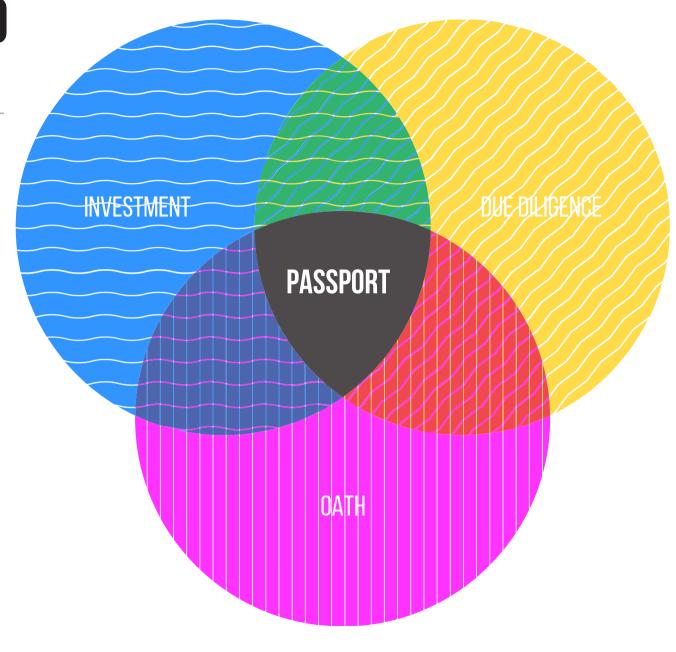
## 90% of Vanuatu households fish and consume fish

Do you Know?

## BACKGROUND CHECKS

It is important to understand that Vanuatu citizenship applicants undergo a strict vetting process with interpol. police and source of funds. Certain country nationals (eg. Iran) are not accept for Vanuatu DSP program. Only those investors and their family members who pass background checks are being issued of citizenship and passport.

## 3 PILLARS OF CITIZENSHIP PROCESS

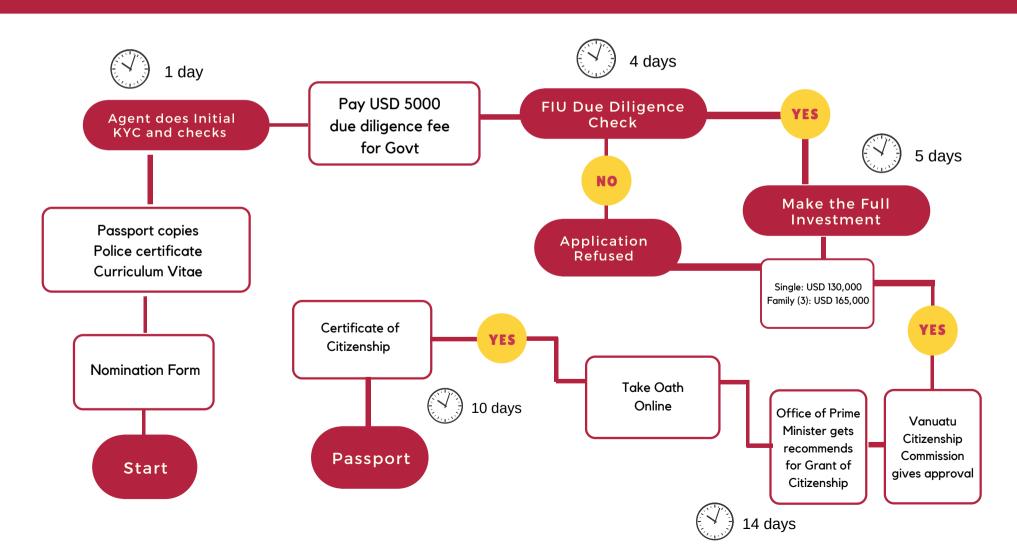


How Applications are Processed



#### CITIZENSHIP PROCEDURE

How to obtain Vanuatu passport?



#### **VANUATU DSP PRICES**

ALL INCLUSIVE PRICES

SINGLE	USD 135,500	ONE PERSON	ALL INCLUSIVE
COUPLE	USD 155,500	TWO PEOPLE	ALL INCLUSIVE
FAMILY (3)	USD 170,750	FAMILY WITH 1 CHILD	ALL INCLUSIVE
FAMILY (4)	USD 187,000	FAMILY WITH 2 CHILDREN	ALL INCLUSIVE



#### EFATE ISLAND

We Love You Go Much

The Most populous island of Vanuatu. Approx 66,000 people live here. Most inhabitants live in Port Vila, the national capital.

Captain James Cook named it Sandwich Island "in honour of my noble patron, the Earl of Sandwich" on his 1774 voyage on HMS Resolution. Efate served an important role as a United States military base in WWII.

### GO VISA FREE

LONDON

PARIS

MOSCOW







VANUATU PASSPORT

#### List of visa free countries for vanuatu passport holders

#### Asia

Bangladesh \* Cambodia \*

Hong Kong (SAR China)

Indonesia Laos \*

Macao (SAR China) \*

Malaysia
Maldives \*
Nepal \*
Philippines
Singapore
Sri Lanka \*\*
Thailand \*
Timor-Leste \*

#### Europe

Andorra Austria Belarus Belgium

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Bulgaria Croatia Cyprus Czech Republic

Denmark

Estonia
Faroe Islands
Finland
France
Germany
Gibraltar
Greece

Greenland

Hungary

Iceland

Ireland

Kosovo

Italy

Latvia
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Malta
Moldova
Monaco
Montenegro
Netherlands
Norway
Poland
Portugal
Romania

Russian Federation San Marino Slovakia Slovenia Spain Sweden Switzerland United Kingdom Vatican City

#### Africa

Botswana Cape Verde Islands \* Comores Islands \*

Egypt \*

Eswatini (Swaziland)

Gambia
Guinea-Bissau \*
Kenya
Lesotho
Madagascar \*
Malawi \*

Mauritania \*
Mauritius
Mozambique \*
Rwanda \*
Senegal
Seychelles \*

Sierra Leone \* Somalia \* St. Helena \* Tanzania Togo \*

Uganda Zambia Zimbabwe

#### Oceania

Cook Islands

Fiji

French Polynesia

Kiribati

Marshall Islands \*
Micronesia

Nauru \*

New Caledonia

Niue

Palau Islands \*

Papua New Guinea \*

Samoa \*

Solomon Islands \*

Tonga \* Tuvalu \*

#### Caribbean

Antigua and Barbuda Bahamas

Barbados

British Virgin Islands Cayman Islands

Dominica

Dominican Republic

Grenada Haiti Jamaica Montserrat St. Kitts and Nevis

St. Lucia

St. Vincent & Grenadines Trinidad and Tobago

#### Americas

Belize
Bermuda
Bolivia \*
Costa Rica
Ecuador
El Salvador
Guatemala
Honduras
Nicaragua
Panama
Peru

#### Middle East

Armenia \* Iran \* Israel Jordan \*

Palestinian Territory



The prehistory of Vanuatu is unknown. archaeological evidence supports the commonly held theory that peoples speaking Austronesian languages first came to the islands some 4,000 years ago. Pottery fragments have been found dating back to 1300–1100 BC.



#### **NATURAL DISASTERS**

VANUATU SITS ALONG A VOLATILE SEISMIC STRIP CALLED THE 'RING OF FIRE' IN THE PACIFIC.

The tropical cyclone season in Vanuatu normally runs from November to May.



#### **CYCLONE PAM**

Vanuatu sustained extensive damage due to Cyclone Pam on 14 March 2015. While the island of Espiritu Santo was unscathed and most Port Vila venues have reopened, destruction on many outer islands was severe.

#### **CYCLONE HAROLD**

Cyclone Harold barrelled across parts of the Pacific, causing widespread damage in Vanuatu's northern islands. The government estimates more than 40 percent of the population were affected

#### **VOLCANOES**

Vanuatu is prone to significant year round seismic and volcanic activity, with associated risks of tsunamis. ..

There are several active volcanoes in Vanuatu, located on the islands of Tanna, Ambae, Ambrym, Lopevi, Vanua Lava and Gaua.

#### **MONEY**







#### LOCAL CURRENCY

The local currency is the Ni-Vanuatu vatu (VT). (ISO currency code: VUV). There are notes for 200 VT, 500 VT, 1000 VT, 5000 VT, and 10000 VT while coins include 1, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 VT pieces.

#### **EXCHANGE RATES**

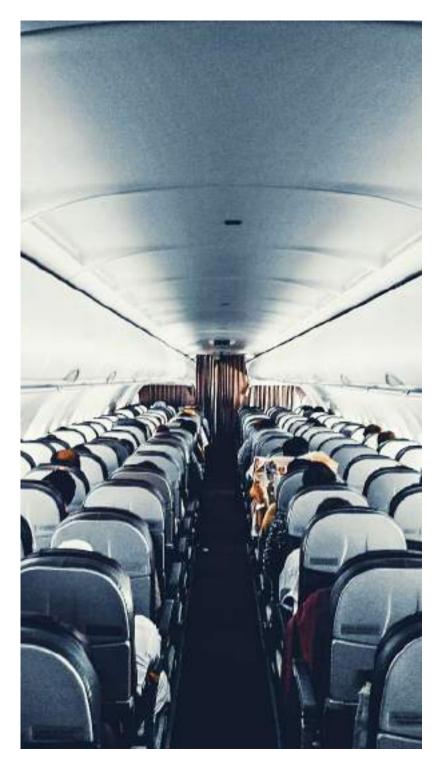
As of January 2020:

US\$1 ≈ VT115 €1 ≈ VT130 UK£1 ≈ VT150 Australian \$1 ≈ VT80

#### **ATM**

ATMs are available in Port Vila, and include the Australian banks ANZ and Westpac.

Credit Cards widelu accepted



#### FLIGHT CONNECTIONS

Vanuatu's international ports of entry are Bauerfield Airport on Efate, and Pekoa on Espiritu Santo. The airports are situated 10 minutes from their island's city centres, being Port Vila and Luganville respectively.

- Air Vanuatu flies from Port-Vila to Australia (Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne), New Zealand (Auckland), Fiji (Nadi) and New Caledonia (Nouméa).
- Fiji Airways flies from Port-Vila to Fiji (Nadi).
- Aircalin flies from Port-Vila to New Caledonia (Nouméa).
- Solomon Airlines flies from Port-Vila to the Solomon Islands (Honiara) and Fiji (Nadi).
- Air Vanuatu flies directly from both Sydney and Brisbane to Luganville.
- Qantas offers an Air Vanuatu codeshare for weekly flights to Santo.

#### **BANKS**

There are 3 popular banks in Vanuatu. These are ANZ bank, BSP (Bank of South Pacific) and BRED bank

Banking services offered includes deposits and withdrawals through the customer teller area, processing and clearing of cheques through the Port Vila Clearing House and the processing of international payments and transfers through the SWIFT payment system.

#### INTERNATIONAL BANKS

Asia Merchant Bank Limited
Pacific Private Bank Limited
Vantu Bank Limited
MG Commercial Bank Limited
Alpen Baruch Bank Limited
ELG Bank Limited
Digital Ocean Bank Limited
ROC Bank Limited





#### Do i need to visit Vanuatu for passport?

Personal visits are exempted and not required.

#### Are there any hidden costs?

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#### What is the minimum investment required?

USD 130,000 onwards. It can't be cheaper than this. These are Government rules.

#### Can i travel to US, Canada, and Australia using Vanuatu passport?

A visa is required. Vanuatu does not have visa waiver with these country

#### Can i open bank account using Vanuatu documents?

Yes, you can anywhere in the world.





#### What happens when the passport expires?

Just renew it at the nearest consulate for a small fee. You dont need need to remake the investment.

#### How to get driving license?

The Local Agent in Vanuatu will help you with ID cards, driving license etc..

#### **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

January 1st - New Year's Day
February 21st - Father Lini Day
March 5th - Custom Chief's Day
May 1st - Labour Day
May 24th - Ascension Day
July 24th - Children's Day
July 30th - Independence Day
August 15th - Assumption Day
October 5th - Constitution Day
November 29th - Unity Day
December 25th - Christmas
December 26th - Family Day



#### **HOSPITALS**

Hospitals, and several private English and French doctors can be found in Port Vila and Luganville, while small clinics and dispensaries with limited resources can be found throughout the outer islands. Serious injuries and medical conditions will require medical evacuation to more modern facilities in Australia, New Zealand or New Caledonia, so travel insurance is strongly recommended.





#### **COMMONWEALTH**

#### THE COMMONWEALTH IS MADE UP OF 53 MEMBER STATES.

Vanuatu is a member of the Commonwealth and its citizens are considered Commonwealth citizens granting them additional rights in the United Kingdom and certain Commonwealth countries. All Commonwealth citizens may receive consular assistance from British embassies and consulates in foreign non-Commonwealth nations where their home countries have not established diplomatic or consular posts



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