

Antigua & Barbuda



Citizenship by Investment

Brochure
2024

Donation
Real Estate
UWI Fund

Affordable
Family

Family Friendly CIP
Starting from \$230,000



CIP Launched
in 2014

Editor's Note

WELCOME



“ The Idea of single citizenship is old, outdated, boring and restrictive. ”

Prabhu Balakrishnan
Founder / CEO, Best Citizenships

Best Citizenships over the past 12 years has evolved as a global brand for citizenship by investment. The Global demand for this industry which is projected to grow at an astonishing rate every year with Caribbean leading from the front. We hope you enjoy this publication, which can be downloaded free of charge.

Prabhu Balakrishnan
CEO/Founder
Best Citizenships



KEVIN HOSAM

Government Licensed Agent

Providing consulting and advisory services in real estate and citizenship by investment for over 15 years to H. Kevin is also a licensed agent and a frequent contributor, presenter, panellist, and workshop facilitator at immigration and real estate conferences globally.

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About us

A Global Brand for Citizenship by Investment. Assisting Wealthy investors with Citizenship and Residence Planning since 2011.

1 Trusted
Established Global Brand in this business with 12 years of service.

2 Experience
Benefit from the experience and expertise of experts in the field.

3 Licensed Agents
Appointed by the Governments who can provide a highly qualified advise in citizenship matters.

4 Free of charge
All our services are free of charge. We don't take money from clients.

5 Approval Rate
Our approval rates stand at 99% best in the industry. We board only highly qualified applicants after checks.



12
YEARS OF SERVICE



BEST
CITIZENSHIPS

A Global Brand for
Citizenship by Investment



www.best-citizenships.com

Best Citizenships (BC) is the first citizenship planning online platform providing consulting services for Citizenship by Investment (CBI) and Golden Visas (GV). Founded in 2011, We are one of the early startups for the CBI/RBI industry which is \$10 billion annual market. Today we are widely recognized as a global brand for citizenship and residence planning, catering the investment migration market for High-net-worth families. We directly work with trusted Government authorized agents and clients don't have to go through chain of intermediaries/brokers. This way it is cheaper for you and save money. You can TRUST us and you dont have to worry about dealing with unknown people. Trust comes with time. We are doing this since 2011. We can guarantee you providing top quality service with privacy. We have a strict no solicit policy respecting privacy of clients.

Our Success Story

WE HANDLE PER YEAR

5000

CLIENT INQUIRIES

BEST IN INDUSTRY

99%

APPROVAL RATE

EXPERIENCE

12

YEARS OF SERVICE

CLIENTS

70

COUNTRIES



WIKIPEDIA

The Telegraph



Bloomberg

GULF NEWS



THOMSON REUTERS

Wealth Management.com

Antigua & Barbuda

Price Increase from Aug 1, 2024

Minimum Investment threshold increased to USD 200,000



The Government of Antigua and Barbuda has published amendment to citizenship by investment regulations for 2024, published in the gazette, effective from Aug 1, 2024. The minimum investment thresholds has been increased for all investment options.

1. National Development Fund

- USD 230,000 for single applicant or family

2. University of West Indies Fund (Higher Education)

- USD 260,000 (inclusive of processing fee) for a family of six or more

3. Real Estate Investment

- USD 300,000 in CIP approved properties.

Government Processing Fee

Single applicant - \$10,000
 Family (upto four) - \$20,000
 Family (above four) - \$10,000 per dependent

Due Diligence Fee

Main Investor - \$8,500
 Spouse - \$5,000
 Child (12-17) - \$2,000
 Child (above 18) - \$4,000

Post Additions

Child (0-5 years) - \$10,000
 Child (12-17) - \$2,000

Child (6-17) - \$25,000
 Child (above 18) - \$50,000



Profile

Charmaine Donovan

CEO of Antigua &
Barbuda Citizenship by
Investment Unit (CIU)



Mrs. Charmaine Quinland-Donovan holds the distinctions of being the first national of Antigua and Barbuda and the first woman, to head the country's Citizenship by Investment Unit (CIU). Her appointment as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) took effect on March 27th, 2017.

Prior to this recent appointment, Charmaine served in the CIU in three prominent capacities; Chief Compliance Officer, Chief Operating Officer and Acting Chief Executive Officer. She was instrumental in shaping and implementing policies and procedures from the establishment of the Unit and making necessary enhancements in response to changes in the industry.

Charmaine holds a BSc with first class honours from the University of the West Indies. She is also a Chartered Director and a Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist.

"The Citizenship By Investment Programme is expected to undergo a complete evolution."

Charmaine's employment history includes her almost nine-year tenure at the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank, where she served as Bank Examiner, supervised licensed financial institutions in the Eastern Caribbean Currency Union, led examination teams and served the Eastern Caribbean Securities Regulatory Commission.

She has also worked at the Bank of Nova Scotia, where she was Senior Manager of Compliance for the Eastern Caribbean Region responsible AML/CFT and regulatory compliance for nine countries including Barbados and St. Maarten.

I welcome the new citizens of Antigua & Barbuda and wait with open arms to embrace others who are considering becoming citizens of our twin island nation. Our Citizenship by Investment Programme (CIP) is the very best in the Caribbean.

- Prime Minister Hon. Dr. Gaston Browne.

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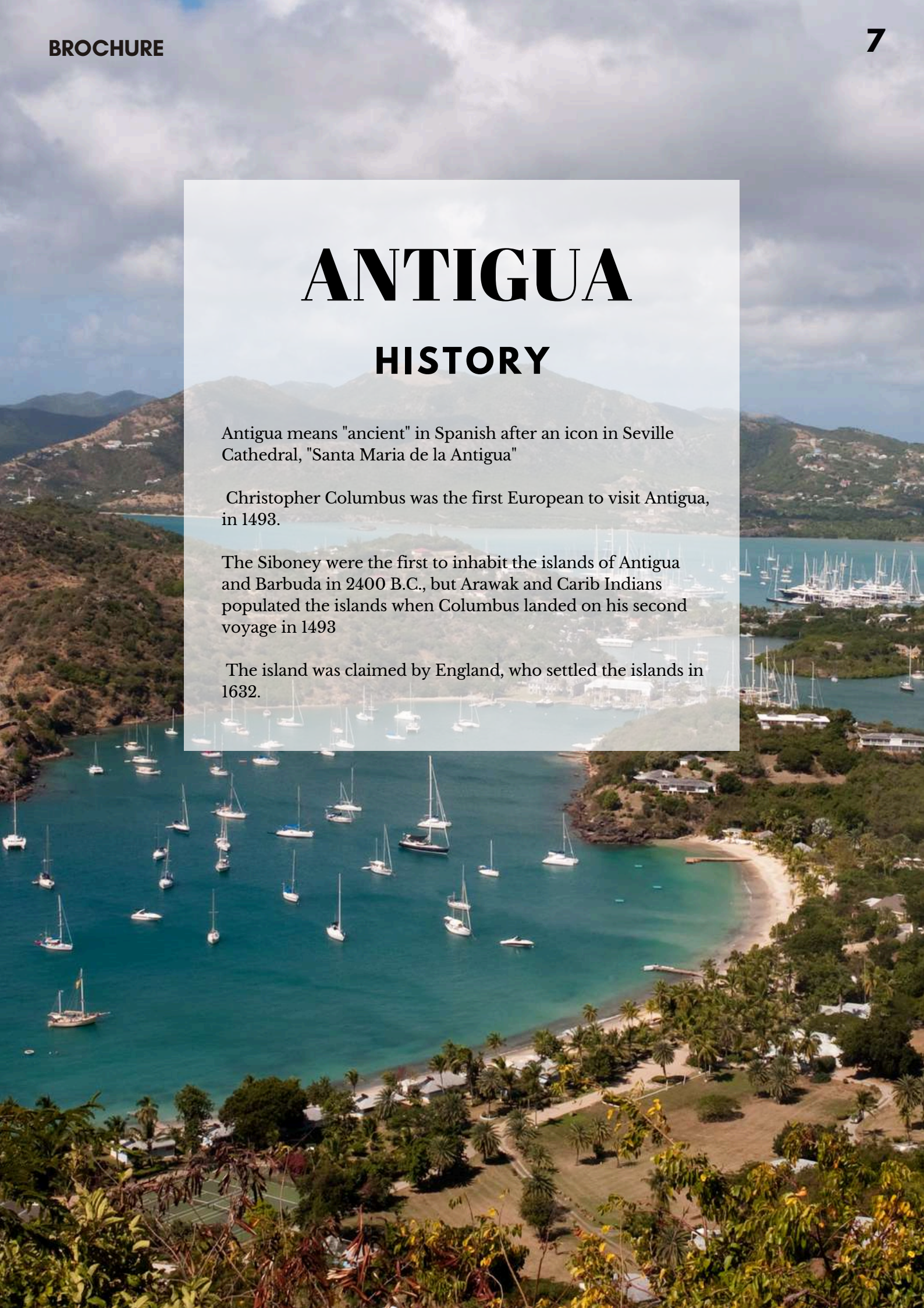
HISTORY

Antigua means "ancient" in Spanish after an icon in Seville Cathedral, "Santa Maria de la Antigua"

Christopher Columbus was the first European to visit Antigua, in 1493.

The Siboney were the first to inhabit the islands of Antigua and Barbuda in 2400 B.C., but Arawak and Carib Indians populated the islands when Columbus landed on his second voyage in 1493

The island was claimed by England, who settled the islands in 1632.





Antigua & Barbuda
A CARIBBEAN PARADISE

ITS BEAUTIFUL WHITE SAND BEACHES, SAILING, THE 18TH CENTURY NELSON'S DOCKYARD, CULINARY DELICACIES, THE LARGEST NESTING COLONY OF FRIGATE BIRDS IN THE CARIBBEAN ARE SOME TOP ATTRACTIONS IN THE ISLAND

Antigua and Barbuda is an independent Commonwealth state in the Eastern Caribbean. With some 365 beaches of clean turquoise waters, the lush tropical islands of Antigua and Barbuda are an inviting paradise and considered to be one of the most beautiful places in the world. As a result, tourism is the key driver of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and generates around 60% of the island's income, with key target markets being the U.S., Canada and Europe.

There are no capital gains or inheritance taxes in Antigua & Barbuda. Personal income tax was abolished recently in the country. The business and corporate tax rate is 25% of net profits, although attractive concessions are available to qualifying companies. Property tax is levied on all properties in Antigua but not in Barbuda.



NEW TREND FOR THE RICH

INVEST IN PASSPORTS NOT VISAS

DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME WITH THE VISA PROCESS

IF YOUR PLAN B DOESN'T ALREADY INCLUDE A SECOND CITIZENSHIP, PERHAPS NOW IS THE TIME TO THINK ABOUT IT TO PROTECT THOSE YOU CARE ABOUT THE MOST.

GET A PLAN-B PASSPORT



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED SECOND CITIZENSHIP IN YOUR BACKUP PLAN?



Safety

Gives you more than a means of escape against wars, financial meltdown, unrest.



Travel

Travel freely without applying for visas saving time, stress and effort.



Tax Free

Park your money in a tax free country saving for your children



Education

Give your children education abroad at world's best universities unrestricted by visas.



Family

A citizenship perhaps is be the wonder investment you can do securing future.



New Life

Give a fresh start to a new life with your shiny new passport.

CITIZENSHIP IN A TAX FREE COUNTRY

Antigua & Barbuda

CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT



Trusted

Trusted CIP in the Caribbean since its inception backed by CBI legislation and Acts

Powerful

Antigua is a very powerful passport in the Caribbean with visa free access to 150+ destinations

Globally Respected

A very well run, competitive and transparent CIP in the Caribbean with excellent reputation

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT PRICES

How much it costs?

NDF FUND DONATION

*Single / Family - USD
230,000**

REAL ESTATE

USD 300,000 (share)
USD 400,000 (full title)**

UWI HIGHER EDUCATION FUND

*Family of Six or more - USD
260,000**

**Additional Due Diligence fee, Govt processing fee,
Passport fee, Lawyer/Agent fee Applies*



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CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT

LAUNCHED IN 2014

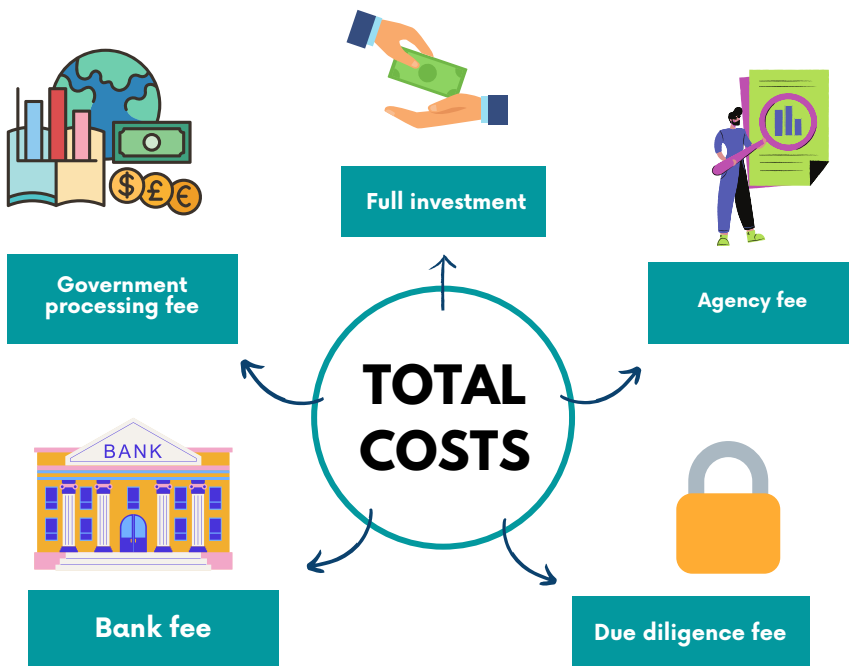
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ABOUT CIP UNIT OF ANTIGUA

The Citizenship by Investment Unit (CIU) was established by the Honourable Prime Minister of Antigua and Barbuda and is the Government authority responsible for processing all citizenship by Investment by applicants and their family members. The CIP regulations requires investors to make a significant economic contribution to the Country. In exchange, after subject to stringent background checks, the applicants and their families are granted citizenship. Antigua has set a requirement citizens invest to visit the island for at least 5 days to enjoy the beauty of the islands before renewing their passport after expiry. Antigua is one of the most sought after caribbean citizenship by investment schemes in the World.



Antigua & Barbuda



LEGAL BACKGROUND

CIP LAUNCHED IN 2014

- [Antigua and Barbuda Citizenship by Investment \(Amendment\) Act 2016](#)
- [Antigua and Barbuda Citizenship by Investment Regulations 2014](#)
- [Antigua and Barbuda Citizenship by Investment Regulations 2014 \(Amendments\)](#)
- [Citizenship by Investment Act 2013](#)
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The Citizenship by Investment Programme (CIP) requires a person to make a significant economic contribution to the Country. In exchange, and subject to stringent application procedures, including thorough background checks, the applicants and their families are granted citizenship. To qualify for citizenship, the primary applicant must be over 18 years of age, meet the application requirements and select one of the following three investment options;



DEPRIVATION

Deprivation of citizenship may occur if the citizen does not spend at least 5 days in Antigua and Barbuda during the period of five calendar years after having obtained citizenship and they will not be entitled to repayment of any investment, contribution or purchase price made by them in their original application for citizenship. Deprivation of citizenship will occur where such registration as a citizen was obtained by false representation or fraud or willful concealment of material facts or the person has been convicted in Antigua and Barbuda of an act of treason or sedition.

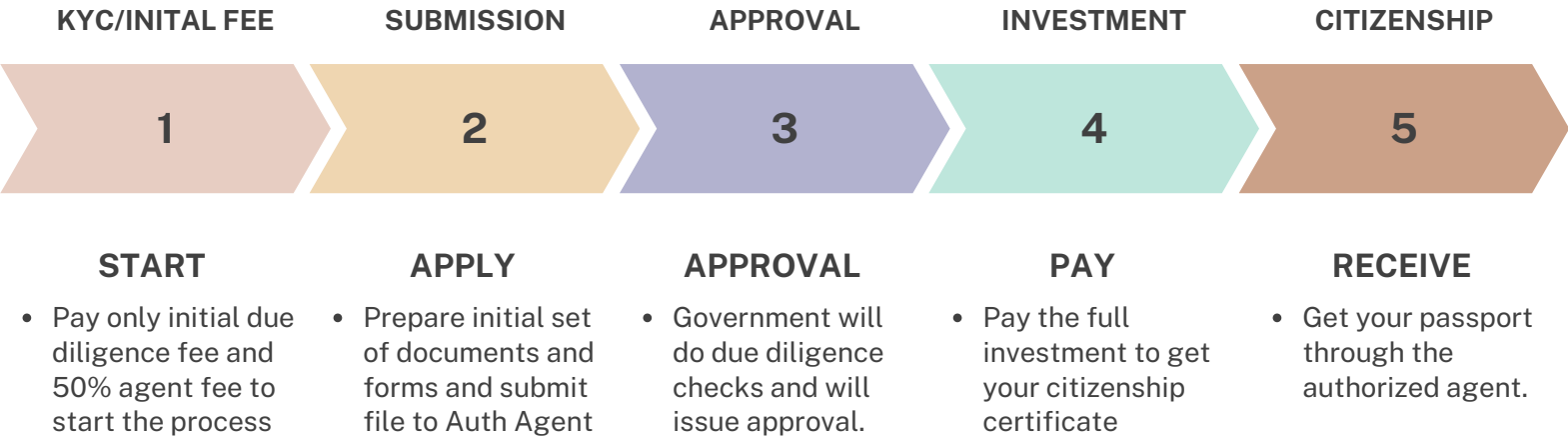


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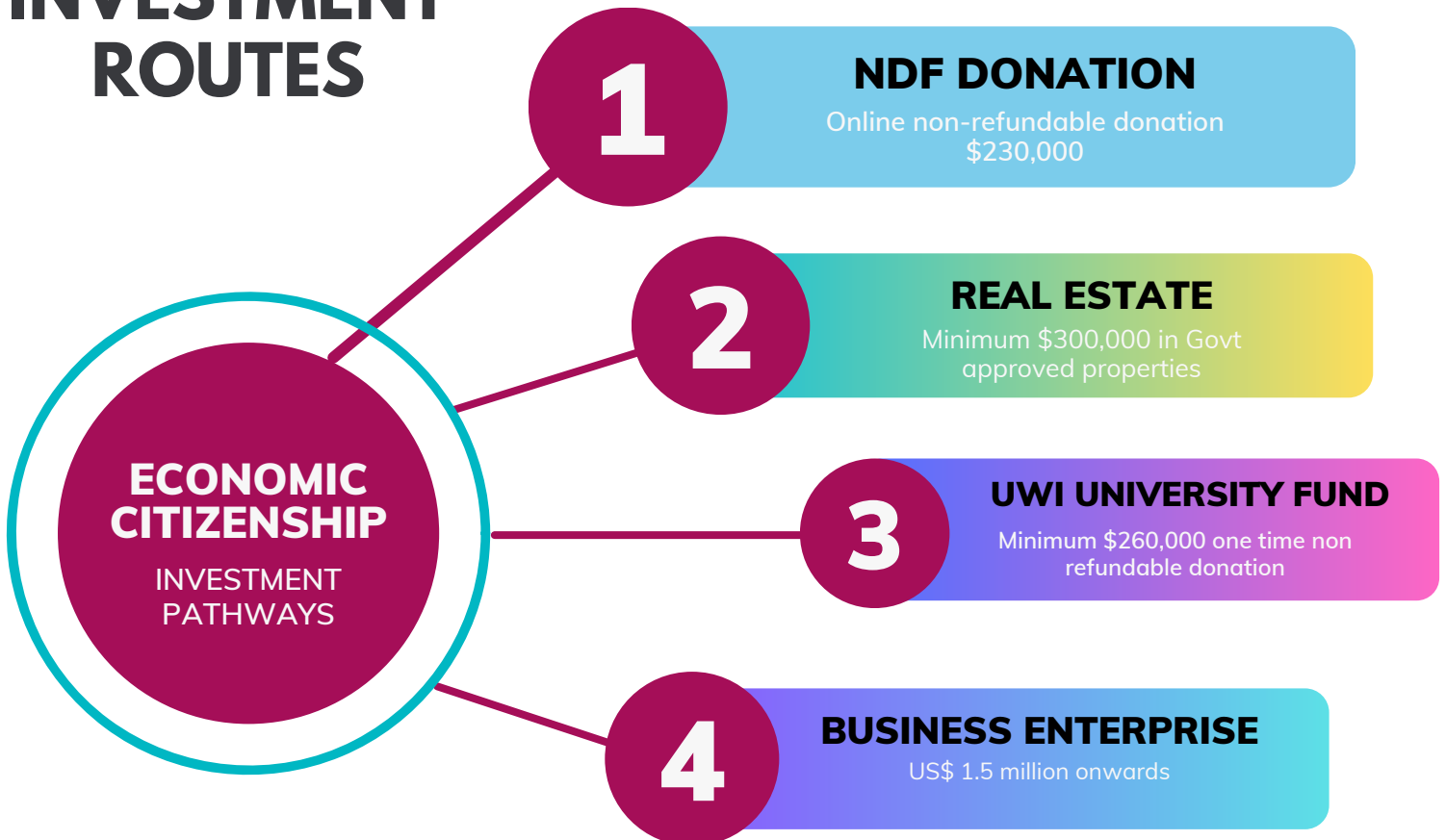
APPLICATION STAGES

PROCESSING

Please have your documents and application forms ready to be submitted to the CIU through authorized agent. Missing documents can lead to delays and can stretch processing times.



INVESTMENT ROUTES



The Citizenship by Investment Unit (CIU) is the government authority responsible for promoting and managing applications for economic citizenship in Antigua & Barbuda, in accordance with Citizenship by Investment Act, 2015

Antigua & Barbuda

Eligibility



CIP Regulations

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01 Conditions

Be at least 18 years of age;

- Satisfy a minimum qualifying investment in one of the four categories
 - The Antigua National Development Fund;
 - University of West Indies Fund (UWI)
 - An approved real estate project;
 - An approved enterprise project;
- Pass a due diligence background check. Please note that the principal applicant's spouse and other qualifying dependents 16 years of age and over, **MUST** also pass a due diligence background check.
- Provide full and frank disclosure on all matters pertaining to the application; and
- Pay the requisite non-refundable processing, due diligence and administrative fees upon application, where applicable.

02 Ineligible Applicants

- Where an applicant has provided false information on his or her application
- Where a medical practitioner states that any of the family members is suffering from a contagious disease and/or serious health problems
- Not having received a free pardon, has at any time previously been convicted in any country of an offence for which the maximum custodial penalty is in excess of six months imprisonment
- Is the subject of a criminal investigation
- Is a potential national security risk to Antigua and Barbuda or to any other country
- Is involved in any activity likely to cause disrepute to Antigua and Barbuda
- Has been denied a visa to a country with which Antigua and Barbuda has visa-free travel and who has not subsequently obtained a visa to the country that issued the denial.
- Not from any blacklisted countries (Iran, Russia, Belarus etc..)

Antigua & Barbuda

Required Documents



General

The following forms and documents are required from each applicant, including children:

- Photograph & Signature Certificate (Form AB2)
- Medical Certificate (Form AB3) including original results of HIV test (HIV test is required for all persons applying for citizenship including children 12 years and under). Note that the HIV test results must not be older than 3 months.
- Certified coloured copy of your current passport(s) showing name, photo, citizenship/nationality, date and place of issue, expiry date, passport number, issuing country and signature [apostilled for countries that are participants of the Apostille Convent (Hague Treaty Convention 12)].
- Certified coloured copy of your current machine readable national identity card(s)
- 4 original passport-size color photos of yourself taken within the past 6 months
- Original excerpt of full birth record or certified copy of full birth certificate (i.e. a birth document that also includes your parent's details.) For passport issuance, the birth certificate MUST be submitted.
- Certified copy of military records(s) (if applicable)
- Certified copy of proof of name change (if applicable, i.e. deed poll, adoption papers etc.)
- Any documents requested as evidence, explanation or otherwise in support

Police Certificate

All applicants **aged 18 and older** must provide an original police certificate from any country where they have lived for more than six (6) months over the past 10 years, and all countries of citizenship. The only exception is if the applicants can provide satisfactory evidence that they have not resided in a country of citizenship. Police certificates must be less than three (3) months old at the time you lodge your application. If a police certificate is not available, a separate statutory declaration must be provided, detailing the attempts made to obtain a police certificate. It should also state whether the applicant (and any accompanying family members) have been found guilty, convicted of, or charged with offences against the law in that country). The statutory declaration should be supported by other information attesting to your character.

Main Applicant

- Investment Confirmation Form (Form AB4) - In case of the real-estate option: copy of duly executed real-estate contract (Purchase and Sales Agreement; Inland Revenue stamped transfer documents), copy of duly executed escrow agreement. If closing on the property has already taken place, evidence of title transfer (either deed or certificate of title) and confirmation of all funds having been deposited in escrow account
- Agent Form (Form AB5)
- Original bank reference letter, with balance included, or 2 years bank statement issued by an internationally recognized bank not older than three (3) months. (Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, until further notice, online bank statements for a period of not less than 6 months will be accepted)
- Original professional reference (e.g. from an attorney, Notary Public, chartered accountant, or other professional of similar standing), not older than 6 months
- Proof of employment and or corporate documents

From Company:

1. Interest in the company on company letterhead indicating position
2. If shareholder; percentage ownership
3. Incorporation documents
4. Most recent audited financial statements

From Individual:

- Introductory letter from remitter stating relationship to the applicant
- Passport bio page
- Proof of source of funds/wealth (eg. Employment letter/contract and/or last 3 months pay slips)
- 2 original document(s) of evidence of residential address (e.g. certified copy of a recent utility bill or lease/tenancy agreement or certificate of title reflecting applicant's name and current address) not older than 3 months.
- Original excerpt of marriage record or certified copy of marriage certificate(s) (if applying jointly with partner)
- Certified copy of divorce document(s) (if applicable)
- A sworn affidavit of support for each dependent (excluding spouse) over 18 years of age
- Proof of address for dependents aged 18-28 years not living with parents (attending university)

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Document Certification



The Certification of document is very important without which documents originate in one country not valid in another country. The compilation of original documents for principal applicant and family members and certifying them to be accepted in foreign country consumes most of the time. Document are required to be produced in support of the application for Citizenship by Investment, it must be certified and authenticated in accordance with the law of the jurisdiction from where the document originates.

Please prepare these documents well in advance.

Apostille

- For countries part of Hague apostille convention (eg. India, South Africa, Singapore, United Kingdom, United States, European Union), get Apostille on all Government issued documents to apply for Citizenship programs to be accepted in a foreign country. US citizens can get either apostilled or notarized (if provide with expiry date)

Notary Public

- For those from countries not part of Hague apostille (eg. Nigeria, Canada), documents must be certified from notary public with expiry date.

Certification

- For those from countries where no notary or apostille possible, a certification from lawyer will be accepted

Examples of documents are: Birth Certificate, Marriage/Divorce certificate, Police certificate, Diplomas

The person certifying the document must provide the following information; full name in capitals, the capacity in which the person is acting, residential or business address, telephone number and e-mail address.

- **Lawyers credential** - this is the lawyer who is certifying all the documents as true copies
- **Medical examiners credentials** - this is for the medical examiner who is doing the form c3
- **Translators credentials** - if there are any translations to be done, then these must be provided

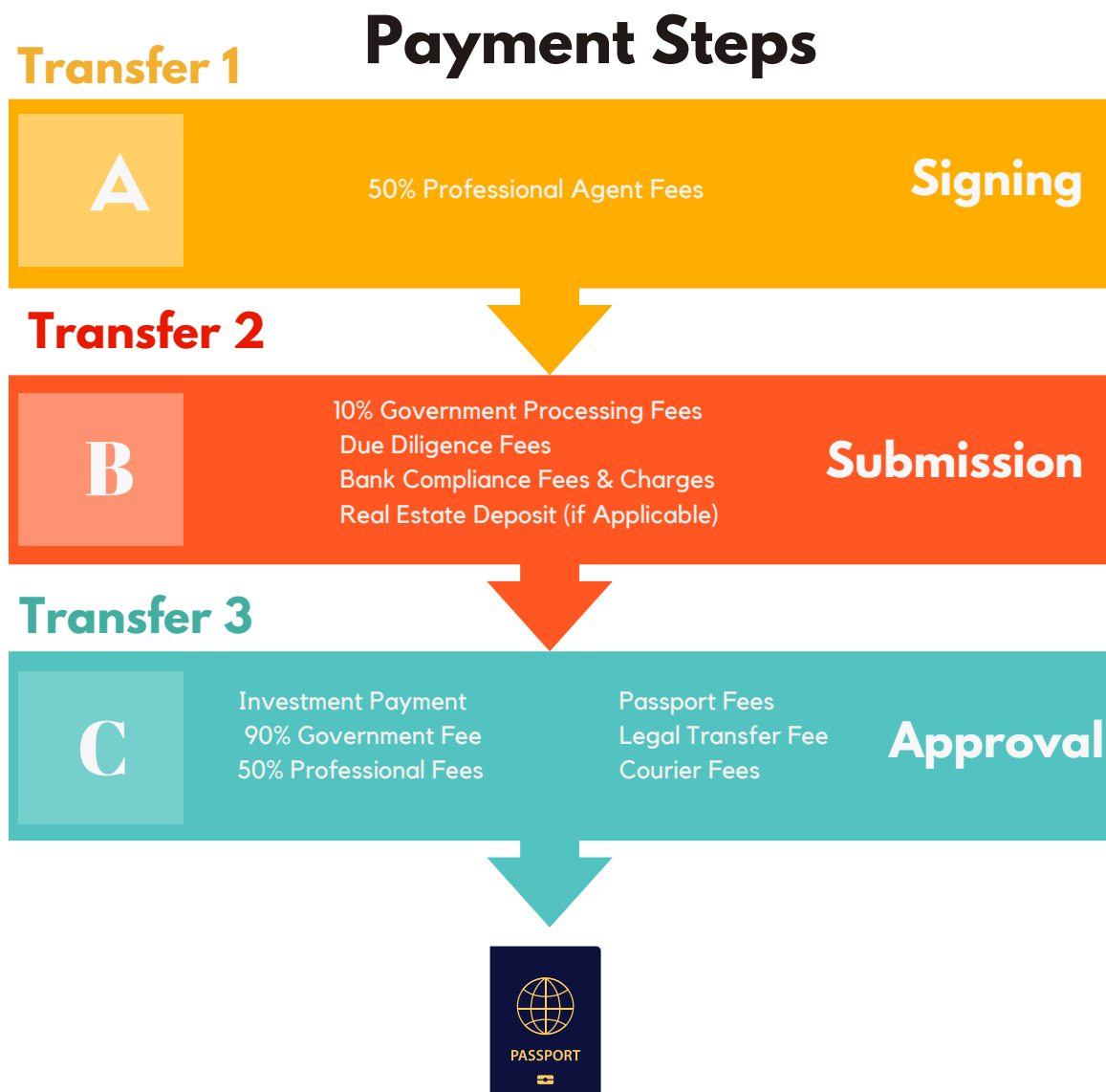
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Application Forms

Please download below the sample format of application forms. Note the Original updated application forms available with licensed agents, available upon request

- [Citizenship by Investment Application Form AB1 - Sample](#)
- [Photograph and Signature Certificate Form AB2 - Sample](#)
- [Medical Certificate Form AB3 - Sample](#)
- [Investment Confirmation Form AB4 - Sample](#)
- [Agent Form Form AB5 - Sample](#)
- [Antigua & Barbuda Passport L Form \(16 and older\)](#)
- [Antigua & Barbuda Passport M Form \(Under 16\)](#)
- [Real Estate Developer Application Form AB8 - Sample](#)
- [Business Investment Application Form AB9 - Sample](#)

Approval in Principle - After the Government has performed its due diligence / background checks on the applicants and there are no issues or concerns identified, then the Government issues a letter of "Approval in Principle" which effectively means citizenship has been approved subject to the applicant's submission of all required documentation and confirmation of either the real estate investment or contribution to the UWI/NDF. The applicable real estate investment or NDF contribution is payable after the applicant has been approved in principle.



ANTIGUA & BARBUDA



AVERAGE PROCESSING TIME

90 DAYS

CIP Applications are processed within 60-90 days completing background checks.



CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT UNIT ANTIGUA & BARBUDA

The National Development Fund (NDF) is a non-profit fund that is subject to parliamentary oversight by way of a six monthly report to be presented to Parliament in sufficient detail to allow for transparency and accountability. The fund will also be audited by an internationally recognised accounting firm. It is established under section 42(2) of the Finance Administration Act 2006 for the purpose of funding government sponsored projects, including public-private partnerships and approved charitable investments.

National Donation Fund (NDF)

One time non-refundable donation. Starting from USD 230,000 onwards

NDF DONATION

\$230,000

- ✓ Single - \$230,000
- ✓ Couple - \$230,000
- ✓ Upto Family of 4 - \$230,000

GOVT PROCESSING FEE

- Single applicant - \$10,000
- Family (upto four) - \$20,000
- Family (above four) - \$10,000 per dependent

POST ADDITION FEE

- ✓ Parents
- ✓ Spouse
- ✓ Sibling
- ✓ Child

Dependent child (0-5 yrs) - \$10,000
Dependent (6-17 yrs) - \$25,000
Parents - \$50,000

DUE DILIGENCE FEE WILL BE ADDITIONAL

ADDITIONAL COSTS

DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Main applicant - \$8500
Spouse - \$5000
Dependent 12-17 yrs - \$2000
Dependent 18+ years - \$4000

- ✓ Licensed Agency Fee
- ✓ Passport fee
- ✓ Bank fee
- ✓ Courier fee

Note: The Licensed agent fee will be additional depends on the number of people and their ages applying.

UNIVERSITY OF WEST INDIES FUND

ONLY FAMILY OF SIX OR MORE CAN APPLY FOR THIS ROUTE



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES
FIVE ISLANDS CAMPUS

UWI investment option launched in 2021 provides big savings for big families applying for Antigua citizenship by investment program

University of West Indies Fund (UWI)

One time non-refundable donation for Higher Education.

HIGHER EDUCATION FUND

\$260,000

- ✓ Family of 6 - US\$260,000 (incl of processing fee)
- ✓ Family of 6+ - \$ 260,000 + Govt processing fee

DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Main applicant - \$8500
Spouse - \$5000
Dependent 12-17 yrs - \$2000
Dependent 18+ years - \$4000

GOVT PROCESSING FEE

Single applicant - \$10,000
Family (upto four) - \$20,000
Family (above four) - \$10,000 per dependent

Antigua has officially launched University of West Indies (UWI) fund in May 2020 as an additional option for citizenship by investment program. The University of the West Indies Fund (UWI) option is a mechanism for financing UWI's fourth landed campus in Antigua and Barbuda. The Proceeds from the UWI citizenship fund is to fund the development of the university. Investing in this fund will entitle one member of the family to a **one year tuition** only scholarship at the University of the West Indies campus. The application process is fairly straightforward and application forms can be obtained from a local Licensed Agent, whom has been licensed by the Citizenship by Investment Unit (CIU). Upon submission of your application you will be required to pay the full due diligence. Upon receipt of a letter of approval, you will then be asked to pay the passport fees and your contribution. The fees are paid directly to the Unit and your contribution must be made to the Government Special Fund within a 30 day period.

The Fourth Campus of University of West Indies (UWI) was officially opened in September 2019 and the campus of The UWI officially known as the "Five Islands Campus". The UWI's 5th Campus and its 4th landed Campus, located in Antigua and Barbuda. The new campus will additionally benefit The OECS region which constitutes a significant part of the CARICOM family with a population of approximately 600,000 citizens, of which 102,000 reside in Antigua and Barbuda.



FAMILY APPLICATIONS

ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBERS

Family applications will be considered to include the following family members;

- A spouse of the main applicant;
- A child of the main applicant or his or her spouse who is **0-30 years** of age and is financially dependent on the principal applicant;
- A child of the main applicant or of his/her spouse who is **18 years or older**, but who is physically or mentally handicapped and who is living with and is fully supported by the main applicant;
- A parent or grandparent of the main applicant, or his or her spouse, who is **55 years** of age or older and who is financially dependent on the principal applicant;
- A sibling of the main applicant, or of his or her spouse, if unmarried;

FUTURE ADDITIONS

- A future spouse of the main applicant. (A fee of \$50,000 is payable upon application);
- A future spouse of dependent children where the dependent child is financially dependent on the main applicant; and
- A future child of a dependent child. (A fee of US\$10,000 is to be payable for children under 6 years of age and US\$20,000 for children 6-17 years of age).

'child' means a biological or legally adopted child of the main applicant, or of the spouse of the main applicant.

Addition of Dependants:

Child (Age 0-5) - US\$10,000

Child (Age 6-17) - US\$20,000

Dependant - US\$50,000



Due Diligence

The Citizenship Investment Unit performs several layers of background checks on applicants and their family members with national and international law enforcement before being approved of citizenship and passport. Licensed agents are required to perform KYC and initial due diligence checks on applicants as per government rules. Certain country nationals such as North Korea, Iran may not apply to citizenship program unless they live in a different country on long term resident status for more than 5 years.

Applications may be refused for non-compliance such as fraud, concealment, previous visa denials, criminal background, money laundering and previous convictions. All Candidates are required to seek CIU approval first before making the required investment (donation or real estate)

Upon submission of your application you will be asked to pay the full due diligence fees and 10% of the government processing fee. Upon receipt of a letter of approval, you will be asked to pay the balance of the government processing fees, passport fees and your contribution. The fees are paid directly to the Unit and your contribution must be made to the Government Special Fund within a 30 day period. Once received, a certificate of registration of Citizenship will be issued for both the primary applicant and their family members which will be submitted to the passport office with their passport application and any accompanying documentation. Your authorized agent/representative will forward your Passports and Citizenship Certificate document to you.

How to Start?

1. Prepare initial documents: Police certificate, Birth Certificate, Passport ID copy and Medical certificate
2. Hire an Authorized lawyer (we help you free of charge)
3. Pay Due diligence fee plus 50% of lawyer fee to submit file
4. Wait for CIP approval letter (3 months)
5. Pay your full investment to Government and remaining fee.
6. Collect your passport from consulate abroad

Any applicants who would present security or reputational concerns to the CBI programme and to the nation of AB, are turned away. Applicants from Afghanistan, Cuba, Iran and North Korea are not permitted to apply to CBI programme.

Deprivation of citizenship may occur if the citizen does not spend at least 5 days in Antigua and Barbuda during the period of five calendar years after having obtained citizenship



CANADA GRANTS PARTIAL VISA WAIVER

VISA FREE TRAVEL TO CANADA

TO CITIZENS OF ANTIGUA WITH ETA



ANTIGUA & BARBUDA CITIZENS NOW ELIGIBLE FOR CANADA (ETA)

Canada has approved Partial Visa Waiver to Citizens of St.Lucia who travel by AIR. After sustained and meaningful dialogue between the governments of Canada and St. Lucia the visa requirement imposed on nationals of St.Lucia has been partially lifted, clearing the way for easier movement of people between two nations.



CONDITIONS

01 Canada Visa

who have had a Canadian visa over the past ten (10) years (OR)

02 US Visa

A Valid non-immigrant US Visa.

03 Apply for ETA

NOTE: A valid visitor visa to Canada is required if

- driving to Canada from the U.S. by car or
- arriving by bus, train or boat, including a cruise ship (even if they are not leaving the ship)

If you already have valid Canada visa, ETA is not required.

The above categories of nationals are required to apply online for an electronic travel authorization (ETA) (www.eta-apply.ca), for which a response is usually received the same day. This is the case with European nationals. Max stay allowed is 6 months for business, tourism etc.

ETA can be also used flying to or transiting through a Canadian airport.

Please visit the [official website](#) for guidance.



ANTIGUA REAL ESTATE

CIP APPROVED DEVELOPMENTS

CBI has transformed A&B real estate market significantly giving rise to five star hotels and resorts reviving the tourism industry.

CBI is vital for the prosperity of Antigua and has made a significant contribution to the local economy. during the times of Covid pandemic.

Property investors are required to invest atleast USD 200,000 in shares and the investment must be maintained for **5 years**. For USD 400,000 you can buy full title properties and cannot be sold for 5 years. Single or joint investment also permitted provided each investor \$200,000 to buy property.

It is important to note that only investing in APPROVED real estate listed by government will qualify for citizenship. The CIU has published over 25 projects in their official CIU website.

Upon submission of your application you will be asked to pay the due diligence fees and 10% of the government processing fee.

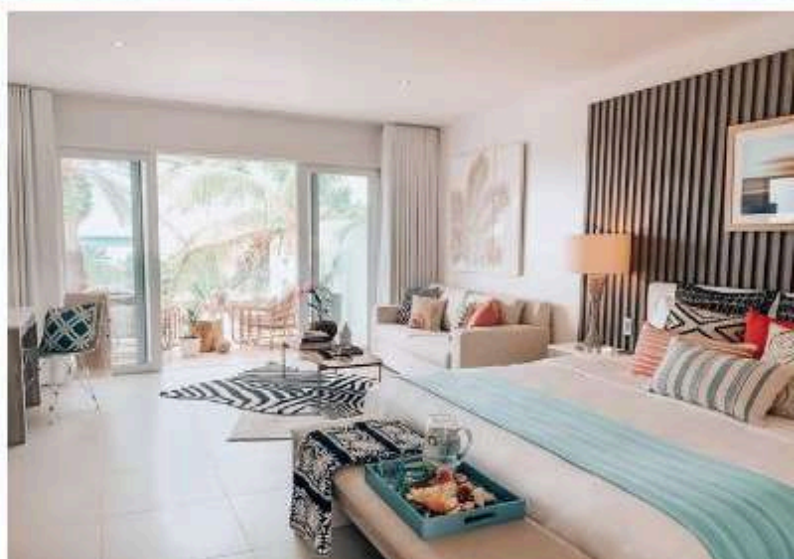
For a single applicant, or a family of 4 or less

- CIU Processing fees: US\$10,000 (single), Family of four (\$20,000), Additional \$10,000 pp

Due Diligence Fee

\$8,500 main applicant + \$5000 for spouse,
\$2,000 per dependent 12-17,
\$4,000 per dependent 18 and over

We do not offer financing or discounts to clients which undercut the minimum real estate investment requirement. This is not allowed as per recent [CIU announcement](#)



Hodges Bay Resort

Luxury 5*Star Resort

Hodges Bay Resort & Spa has iconic status as the flagship development for Antigua. Hodges Bay Resort and Spa has quickly become one of the most sought-after destinations for the celebrity elite and the affluent traveler looking for an escape like no other. Set in eight acres of lush tropical gardens and sandy beach, Hodges Bay Resort & Spa a USD\$100 million resort, opened in 2019 as an exclusive beach front resort, spa and residential development on the north shore of Antigua. Created by two US based entrepreneurs and investors with a passion for being the first, the best, and the only- exceeding all expectations. This project already opened in 2013, took 13 years of construction and \$100 million excess investments. The world renowned architects Kobi Karp, Hodges Bay Resort & Spa has assumed the iconic status as the flagship development for Antigua. The opening of Hodges Bay in November symbolizes hope, hard work, dreams, and cemented an iconic relationship between the resort and the country of Antigua. Hodges Bay was built for every kind of escape. From the moment you arrive from the airport and enter the Great House for a champagne check in – the journey to re-frame your idea of modern luxury begins.

Only CIP Development with
Guaranteed buyback of the
property share by developer
after 5 years 6 months

Hodges Bay gives you personalized and 5-star service that isn't stuffy or pretentious. Rooms designed to make you feel like home, staff that know you by name, and a property built as a retreat. Guests travel to Antigua for anonymity and the mystic.

- \$300,000 Fractional share investment in 5-year, senior secured fractional ownership, convertible debt. Paid back by developer after 5 years, 6 months.
- Property Ownership \$400,000 onwards
- The developer offers a Guaranteed buy back of the property share after 5 years 6 months

Investors will have the luxury of staying at the Hodges Bay Resort and spa for 5 weeks (one week every year) the property is owned by you.



Deppie Bay Villas

Condominium Units

Dieppe Bay Villas is an approved real estate development project under the Antigua & Barbuda Citizenship by Investment Unit which comprises of 84 condominium-style units.

Phase 1 which included the first 36 units was completed in the first quarter of 2018. Perfectly situated on the south coast of Antigua on a white sand beach, with exceptional views of Falmouth Harbour and lush green surroundings all within close proximity to many restaurants, bars and live entertainment for those looking to enjoy the Caribbean nightlife.

Also within the area of Falmouth and English Harbour are a myriad of everyday amenities such as supermarkets, banks, a post office and top-class yachting facilities just to name a few. This breathtaking property is easily accessible from both land and sea, just one of the many unique features of The Villas at Dieppe Bay. Each Villa at Dieppe Bay will come fully furnished with top brand amenities with an excellent finish. There are security and a personal parking spot for each tenant. The units are spacious, and well laid out for long-term living or for those just wanting the luxuries of a short vacation.

The Developer covers the CIP Processing fee for a total \$320,00 all inclusive for Family of 4.



Minimum Investment

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- Property Ownership \$400,000 onwards



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South Point Antigua Hotel

A design boutique condo-hotel located within historic English Harbour, an old colonial town a part of the UNESCO. The property offers 20 one-bedroom (1100 sq ft) and 3 – two-bedroom (2300 sq ft) units within five residential buildings. The units feature impeccable furnishings, Italian kitchens and baths, European appliances and lighting, and the finest amenities throughout. Facilities include a swimming pool, beach, boat dock, jetty, three boat lifts, restaurant, lounge, fitness centre, two staff apartments, back-up generator and sewage plant. The highly regarded South Point is located south of the island overlooking Falmouth Harbour, the Caribbean’s yachting centre. The property is approved for Antigua and Barbuda Citizenship Investment Program (CIP). (Remaining on the market: 9 one-bedroom units)

Beach House Villas

The Beach Houses is a development of 12 luxury villas under construction in Falmouth Harbour on Antigua’s south coast on a 4 acre site with fencing, security and amenities. Overlooking super yachts and off the main road on excellent location. The villas range between 3,000 and 4,000 sq.ft. (indoor and outdoor) and are carefully nestled to maximise privacy for all homeowners.



Minimum Investment

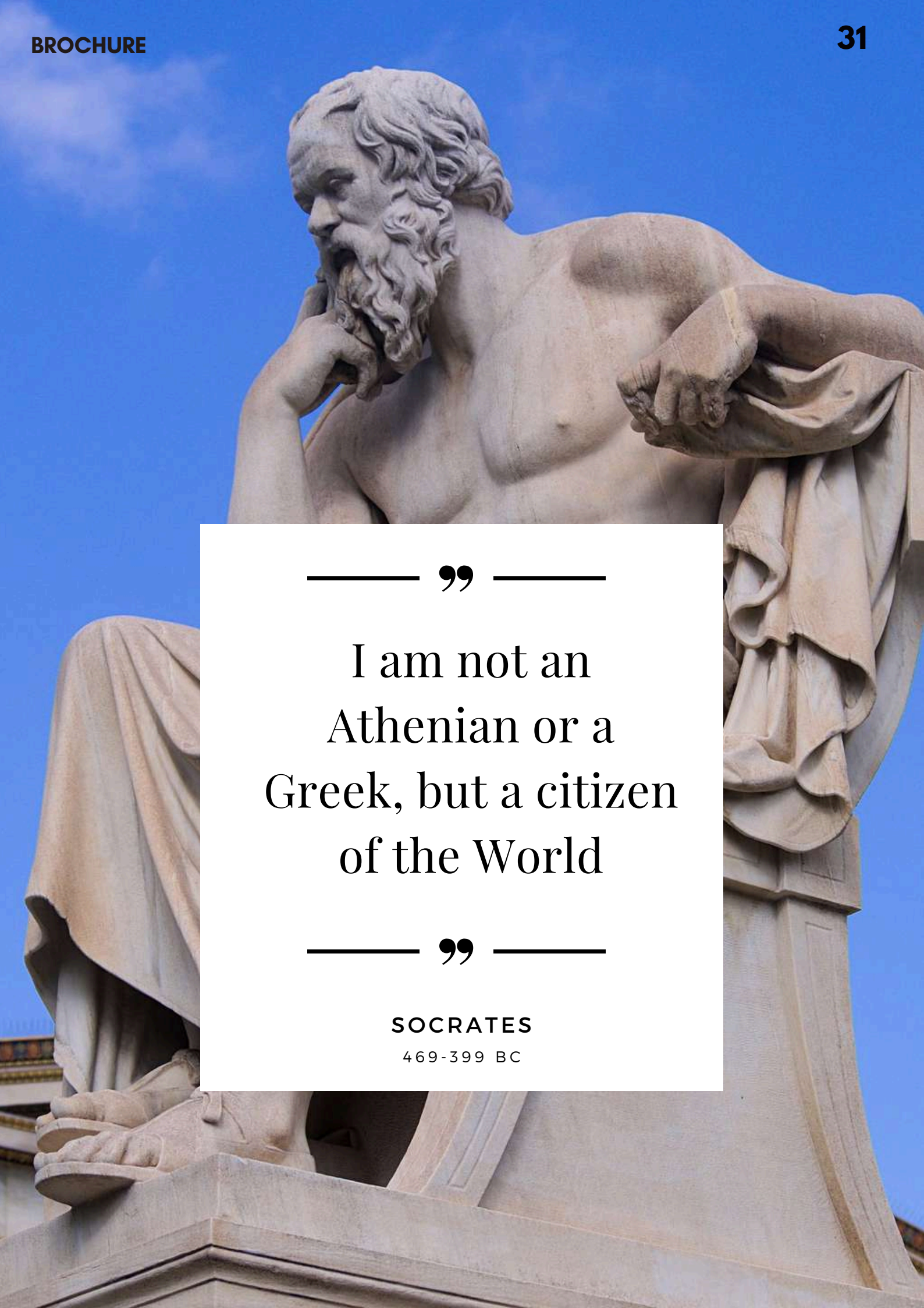
- Luxury Villa - US\$ 1.5 million onwards
- Beach Villa - US \$3 million onwards

Moon Gate Hotel

Moon Gate (Half Moon Bay) is a couple’s only Boutique Hotel consisting of forty fully-furnished suites open to the captivating view of one of the most beautiful beaches in Antigua, Half Moon Bay. It is an approved development under the Antigua and Barbuda CIP Program. Moon Gate offers a wide range of amenities, supported by a centralized clubhouse, cocktail lounge and A la Carte Restaurant overlooking the property’s infinity pool. Property owners and guests have access to the inhouse sauna and gym, beach bar and a wide range of services commensurate with a 4-star Caribbean property.



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- Beach Villa - US \$3 million onwards

A marble statue of Socrates, depicted with a long, curly beard and hair, resting his chin on his right hand in a contemplative pose. He is wearing a draped garment over his left arm. The statue is set against a clear blue sky.

— ” —

I am not an
Athenian or a
Greek, but a citizen
of the World

— ” —

SOCRATES

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DO YOU KNOW?

Antigua is a top choice for celebrities visiting the Caribbean.

Robert de Niro, Richard Branson are some famous people who fell in love with Antigua.

Oprah Winfrey, Giorgio Armani, Eric Clapton have established a home in Antigua

Jumby Bay is a paradise lined with million-dollar houses, Celebrities such as Jada Pinkett and Will Smith, Kevin Spacey, and Paul McCartney have vacationed here.





ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA A TINY ISLAND WITH SMALL POPULATION

Antigua only, is about 22 kilometers (14 miles) long and 18 kilometers (11 miles) wide, encompassing 281 square kilometers (108 square miles). Its sister island Barbuda covers 161 square kilometers (62 square miles).

Antigua has a population of 96,286, mostly made up of people of West African, British, and Madeiran descent.



A POWERFUL CARIBBEAN PASSPORT

The Antigua and Barbuda passport remains 28th powerful passport in the World with visa free access to 151 countries and territories in 2022, according to Henley Passport Index. Some of the important countries you can visit using Antigua & Barbuda passport for short stays (90 days in 180 day period) for the purpose of business, education, tourism, meeting family and friends include United Kingdom, EU schengen area, Russia, South Africa, Brazil, Malaysia, Serbia and Ukraine. Just think about boarding the plane without obtaining a visa. The passport will be valid for a period of 5 years and will be considered for renewal subject to the recipient having spent a total of 5 days in Antigua and Barbuda, since gaining citizenship, within the 5 year period. The passport does not afford automatic voting rights and persons would need to qualify as outlined in the Representation of the People Act.

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China (2024)

Indonesia

Laos *

Macao (SAR
China) *

Malaysia

Maldives *

Nepal *

Philippines

Singapore

South Korea

Sri Lanka **

Timor-Leste *

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Greece

Greenland

Hungary

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CRICKET



The Major Sport in Antigua is Cricket.

Vivian Richards is one of the most famous Antiguan, who played for, and captained, the West Indies cricket team

SAILING



It is one of the most popular sports with Antigua Sailing Week and Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta being two of the region's most reputable sailing competitions.

CHINA



VISA FREE

Antigua and Barbuda Citizens now enjoy visa free travel to China for upto 30 days. Both countries signed Agreement of Mutual Visa Exemption on January 25, 2024, according to the agreement, a maximum of not more than 90 days within any 180-day period is allowed.



FAQs



Why does Antigua & Barbuda have a citizenship by investment programme?

The programme was introduced to promote economic growth, attract real estate development, increase foreign direct investment to the country, support the development of infrastructure and provide for a sustainable future.

How many visa-free countries can I travel to as a citizen of Antigua & Barbuda?

You can travel to 155 jurisdictions without requiring a visa, including the EU and Schengen countries, Hong Kong and Singapore.

What is the processing time?

Processing your application should take from 3 to 6 months.

Who can apply for citizenship?

To apply for the citizenship programme in Antigua & Barbuda, you must be at least 18 years of age, be of a good character with no criminal record, and have good health.

Do I need to speak English to apply for citizenship?

You don't need to speak English to be an applicant.

How do you conduct the due diligence and vetting of applicants?

There are no interviews. However, all applicants undergo rigorous screening prior to consideration by the Citizenship by Investment Unit. Complete files will be forwarded to an international, unbiased third-party due diligence service provider who will conduct detailed background checks on all applicants before the application is approved.

What happens once my application has been accepted?

A certificate of registration of citizenship will be issued and submitted to the passport office. Your authorised agent/representative will forward your passports and Citizenship Certificate to you.

Can I apply for name change?

A name change can only be done **after 5 years** of acquiring citizenship upon renewal of passport. It can be done via deed poll.

Do I require to visit Antigua for 5 days?

In order to renew your passport after 5 years, you must make a personal visit to Antigua. This is a statutory requirement.

Where do I get the application forms?

Recent versions of forms available from licensed agents.

Will I get a refund of the investment I make?

No. You only make the full investment after your file is approved by CIP unit (takes 3 months).

Do I need to travel to Antigua & Barbuda to complete the process?

The application process can be made from your country of residence. Once your application is successful and you have received your passport, you must travel to Antigua & Barbuda to take your oath or affirmation of allegiance. You are entitled to take up full-time residence in Antigua & Barbuda at any time you wish.

Does Antigua & Barbuda recognize dual citizenship?

There are no restrictions on dual citizenship in Antigua & Barbuda.

For how many years will my passport be valid for?

The passport will be valid for a period of 5 years and is renewable for a period of 10 years thereafter, provided that the requirements are met, which includes spending a minimum of five days in the country during this period after becoming a citizen.

Can I invest with my Bitcoins or other cryptocurrencies?

This is in the pipeline but has not yet been established.

In addition to the citizenship by investment programme does Antigua & Barbuda have a tax residency programme?

Antigua & Barbuda does not currently offer a tax residency programme.

Are there any restrictions on who can apply?

The Cabinet of Antigua and Barbuda has updated the Restricted Countries List as follows:

- Afghanistan
- Iran
- North Korea
- Somalia
- Yemen
- Sudan
- Russia and Belarus

Nationals of the countries listed are eligible to apply for citizenship in Antigua and Barbuda under the Citizenship by Investment Programme after having met the following criteria:

- Individuals born in these restricted countries but who migrated before the age of majority and/or have maintained permanent residence in any country other than those on the restricted country list, for a period of **not less than 10 years** and maintain no economic ties to any restricted country.

Are there any discounts available?

The Government does not offer any discounts to the investment paid. We can negotiate agency fee..

How are Oaths taken?

The swearing or affirmation to oath of allegiance to Antigua & Barbuda may be done remotely until **Jun 30, 2023**. Please refer to the guidelines issued on the guidelines issued for consulates around the world.

Can I include New born child?

There is no fees required to add new born child before approval. If the baby becomes the fifth applicant (along with family of four), additional fees with apply. No due diligence fees for children under 12



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List of High Commissions and Consular offices abroad for Antigua and Barbuda

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London W1H 4LP
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Fax: 0207-258-7486
Website: antigua-barbuda.com

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The New York Office of the Government of Antigua & Barbuda
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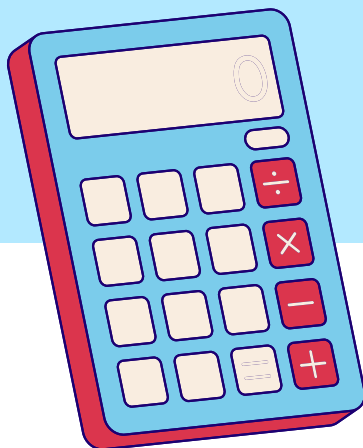
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