

PORTUGAL GOLDEN VISA PROGRAMME

(as of 2024)

As of 2024, the Portugal Golden Visa programme no longer allows direct real estate investments (including commercial real estate) as qualifying options for the programme. However, there are alternative investment routes. The Portugal Golden Visa programme is an attractive residency option for non-EU citizens who wish to invest in Portugal.

Here are the key points for 2024:

1. Investment options: To qualify for the golden visa you can choose from several investment routes:

- 1.1. Real estate: invest in residential or commercial properties
- 1.2. Capital transfer: invest in a Portuguese bank account or venture capital
- 1.3. Job creation: create jobs by starting a business or expanding an existing one
- 1.4. Research and development: invest in scientific research or technological development
- 1.5. Cultural heritage: support cultural projects or heritage restoration

2. Minimum investment amounts:

- 2.1. Real estate 500,000 Euros (or €350,000 Euros for properties in urban regeneration areas).
- 2.2. Capital transfer 1,000,000 Euros
- 2.3. Job creation to 350,000 Euros (with job creation requirements)
- 2.4. Research and development 350,000 Euros
- 2.5. Cultural heritage 250,000 Euros

3. Resident residency benefits:

- 3.1. Residency in Portugal for you and your family
- 3.2. Freedom to travel within the Schengen area

3.3. Path to permanent residency or citizenship after five years

4. *Application process:*

4.1. Submit your application through AIMA (Agência para a Integração, Migrações e Asilo)

4.2. Provide necessary documents including proof of investment.

4.3. Past due diligence checks.

4.4. Open residence permit.

Note: remember that specific details may vary so it's advisable to consult official sources or legal experts for the most updated information