

TOP RESIDENCY OPTIONS FOR INVESTORS AND EXPATS

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Why Spain?

- EU member state and Schengen state
- Competitive economy
- Qualified workforce
- High quality of life (and good food!)
- Good climate
- Safe country
- Well developed infrastructures
- Leading Healthcare System in Europe
- High-quality school education
- Well communicated with the rest of the world
- Attractive for investors, especially Real Estate



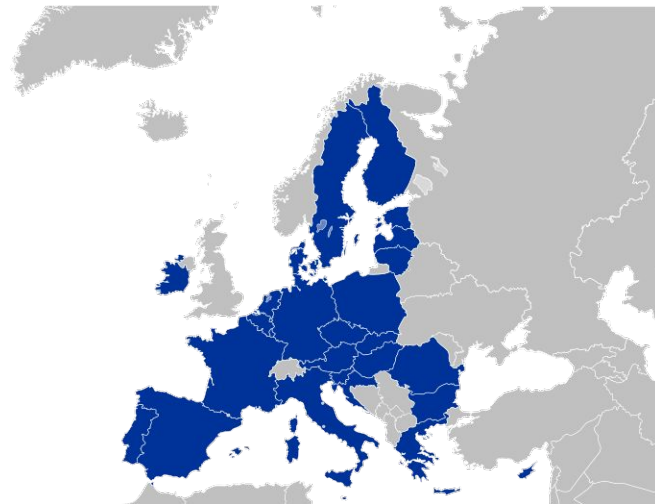
EU vs. non-EU Citizenship

EU RESIDENCY. For EEA and Swiss citizens and its family members:

- Green Card
- Residency Card as EU family member

NON-EU RESIDENCY OPTIONS. For non-European citizens and its family members:

- Golden Visa
- Non-Lucrative Visa
- Other options: students, working permits, family reunification, ...



Stay and Residency attending to the duration

- **90 days:** Regular visa stay. Schengen visa. For tourism, business, ...
- **1 year:** Initial residency + renewal.
- **After 5 years:** Permanent Residency. Allows to live and work in Spain as a Spanish citizen:
 - 5 years of uninterrupted residency.
 - Health insurance, private or public.
 - Enough economic means (savings, salary, ...).
- **After 10 years:** Nationality (general rule).

Important concepts:

- **NIE.** Non resident identification number.
- **TIE.** Residency card for non-European citizens.
- **Green Card (Registration as EU citizen).** Residency for EU citizens.



Golden Visa

- Authorization to **LIVE and to WORK** in Spain.
- Owners of properties for an amount of 500.000 € or more, free of charges (over 500.000 € the property can be mortgaged):
 - Investment in one or more properties
 - Any kind of real estate (properties, rustic land, garages, ...)
 - Ownership as natural person or as a company, or both
- Residency permit, but **it does not oblige to live in Spain**.
 - You can avoid the tax residency if you don't stay in Spain more than 183 days per natural year
 - You can freely dispose of the property (holidays, buy to let, ...)
 - Travel freely in the Schengen area, 90 out of 180 days



Golden Visa

- Granted simultaneously to the investor and the family members: Spouse or registered partner, children under 18 years, and other dependants.

For joint marital regime (properties acquired 50/50) only the amount of 500.000 € is needed (not 1MM €)

- Fast process: Granted in no more than 20 days.
- Other requirements easily reachable: proof of enough economic means, criminal record report, health insurance...
- Initial duration of 1-2 years (depending on the place of the application), and successive renewals for 5 years.



Other investment options under Law 14/2013:

- 2MM Spanish government bonds
- 1MM Stocks and shares of Spanish companies
- 1MM Shareholding in investment in Spain
- 1MM Bank deposit in a Spanish financial institution



INVESTMENT IN BUSINESS PROJECT OF GENERAL INTEREST:

- The business should benefit Spain
- Project must be approved by the Trade and Industry Representative at the Spanish Embassy
- No minimum investment amount is needed
- It should create new jobs
- Significant contribution to scientific and technological innovations
- Relevant socio-economic interest in the Spanish region where it is located

Non-lucrative visa



- **Authorization to LIVE** in Spain. It does not allow to work in Spain, but you can work in/for other countries.
- **Counting with enough economic means** (approx. 30.000 € per year for the main applicant and 7.000 € per year for the family members)
- Family members can be included simultaneously: spouse, children, ...
- Other documents easy to provide: Health Insurance Policy, Criminal Record, ...
- Applied at the Spanish Consulate corresponding to the city of residency.
- Granted for one year, and successive renewals for 2 years.
- Requires living in Spain and the children schooled here (involves tax residency).
- Travel freely in the Schengen area 90 out 180 days.

General requirements for residency processes

- Not have entered into Spain illegally
- Not having criminal records
- Not be prohibited from entering Spain
- Not have agreed voluntarily to the commitment of non-return to Spain

Requirements



Other options:

- + **Working permits:**
 - Need to have a job with a solvent Spanish company
 - Not included as shortage of qualified applicants
 - Need to show your qualifications
 - Initiated by the employer in Spain
 - Visa application in your country if approved

- + **Student visas**, allows to relocate in Spain after the studies.
- + **Marrying** a Spaniard or an EU resident.



Coming soon: International teleworkers visa

- For self-employed or Spanish company workers
- Tax advantages

Thank you!

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