

PORTUGAL





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Why Portugal?

- 3rd safest country in the world
- 12th best healthcare in the world
- Large established expat community
- No need to learn the language,
 English is widely spoken
- High standard of European living at an affordable price

- Country maps the climate and landscape of California
- Historic cities and towns
- Numerous award-winning beaches along the coast
- Mediteranean diet—one of the healthiest in the world; scientifically proven to help prevent heart disease, Alzheimer's, obesity, and much more

At A Glance

Residency

- Self Sufficiency Income of 1,200 euro a month
- Golden Visa (Real Estate) Investment of 500,000 Euro or more
- Non Habitual Residency program 10% tax on eligible foreign income

Health Care

- Residents covered automatically under the public system
- Excellent quality

Ease of Access

- Direct Flights from East Coast of North America
- Low Cost Airlines within Europe
- Good intercity Train System



Country Pros

- #1 retirement pick for last seven years
- Most affordable W. European destination
- English spoken widely
- Variety of residency options, including rental
- Easy access to Europe
- Large expat community
- Very good and affordable (free) healthcare
- Great weather, food (especially fish), local wines and championship golf courses

Country Cons

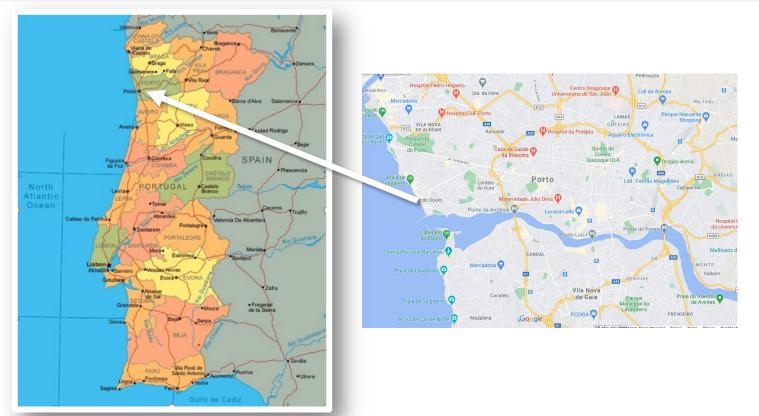
- Bureaucracy—lots of red tape especially in real estate development
- High taxes for working people
- Cars, fuel, electronics, and tolls expensive
- Portuguese is a difficult language (in practice made more difficult by the fact that most people speak English)

Lisbon





Porto





The Algarve













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Fun Facts

- Portugal is the oldest country in Europe, with the same defined borders since 1139. It's
 also home to the oldest bookstore chain in the world, Livraria Bertrand, launched in
 1732. And one of the oldest universities in Europe is in Portugal, the University of
 Coimbra, established in 1290.
- Portugal is a top surf spot—one of the best in Europe. With about 500 miles of coastline and weather that's said to allow for good surfing 364 days of the year, this one of the best places to catch a wave on this side of the Atlantic.
- Half of the "New World" once belonged to the Portuguese Empire. It was one of the longest-lived colonial powers, lasting for almost six centuries from 1415 until Macau was given back in 1999. It was also the first colonial power to abolish slavery, back in 1761... half a century before France, Spain, the U.K., or America.
- The Vasco de Gama Bridge in Lisbon, over the Tagus River, is the longest bridge in Europe at 10.7 miles long.



Grading Portugal

- English Spoken A
- Health Care A-
- Climate A
- Infrastructure A
- Accessibility B

- Safety A+
- Culture B+
- Recreation A+
- Taxes A
- Schools B-



Recommended Resources



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