

# Tier 1 Investor Visa



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Tackling any immigration system is a complex process, particularly with the ever-changing legislative reform to the UK immigration system and commitment to remain a world leading destination for investment and innovation. We understand this and have an experienced team of specialists with the right skills to help you plan your future in the UK with confidence.



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## Why the Tier 1 Investor Visa?

Shakespeare Martineau's business immigration experts recognise that investing in the UK can only be beneficial for the future of you and your family. As the ideal location, more and more investors are relocating to the UK.

The UK offers a simple and complete tax system and a transparent regulatory system making it easier than anywhere else in the world to do business. With some of the world's top class universities, it is highly regarded for higher education and offers an accessible and free health care system.

In addition, the UK's history and rich culture as well as attractive lifestyle opportunities ensures it is renowned as one of the top destinations in Europe for inward investment. Our legal experts have a track record in delivering high level advice and representation through the immigration process to ensure you make the right move in the right way.

### Tell me more...

The Investor Visa is targeted towards wealthy individuals making a substantial financial investment in the UK. If you have available capital and would like to secure residency in the UK, this visa route is perfect for you. It allows the ability to work, study and engage in business with no restrictions and your family by your side.

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#### What you need

- Access to at least £2m of your own money to invest in the UK held in a regulated financial institution that is disposable in the UK (free to invest).
- A UK bank account for the purposes of investing.
- Investment in a 'qualifying investment' that includes corporate bonds by way of share capital or loan capital in active and trading UK registered companies or pooled investment vehicles that receive funding (UK government bonds no longer qualify).

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#### Once you're in the UK

- Investment within three months of entry.
- An investment level (£2m or above) that is maintained for the duration of the three year visa to enable an extension if required.
- Residence in the UK for at least six months in each year (180 days in a 12 month period) to achieve settlement after living in the UK for five years.

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#### Benefits

- Fast track visa application process with no English language requirement or minimum financial threshold to meet.
- Option to bring family members as dependants that include partners and children under 18 years.
- Accelerated route to settlement after two years (for £10m investment) or three years (for £5m investment) with the option to apply for a UK passport after six years.



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