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Complete Guide To Planning A Move To Portugal

Your New Life In Europe Is Waiting For You



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About Us

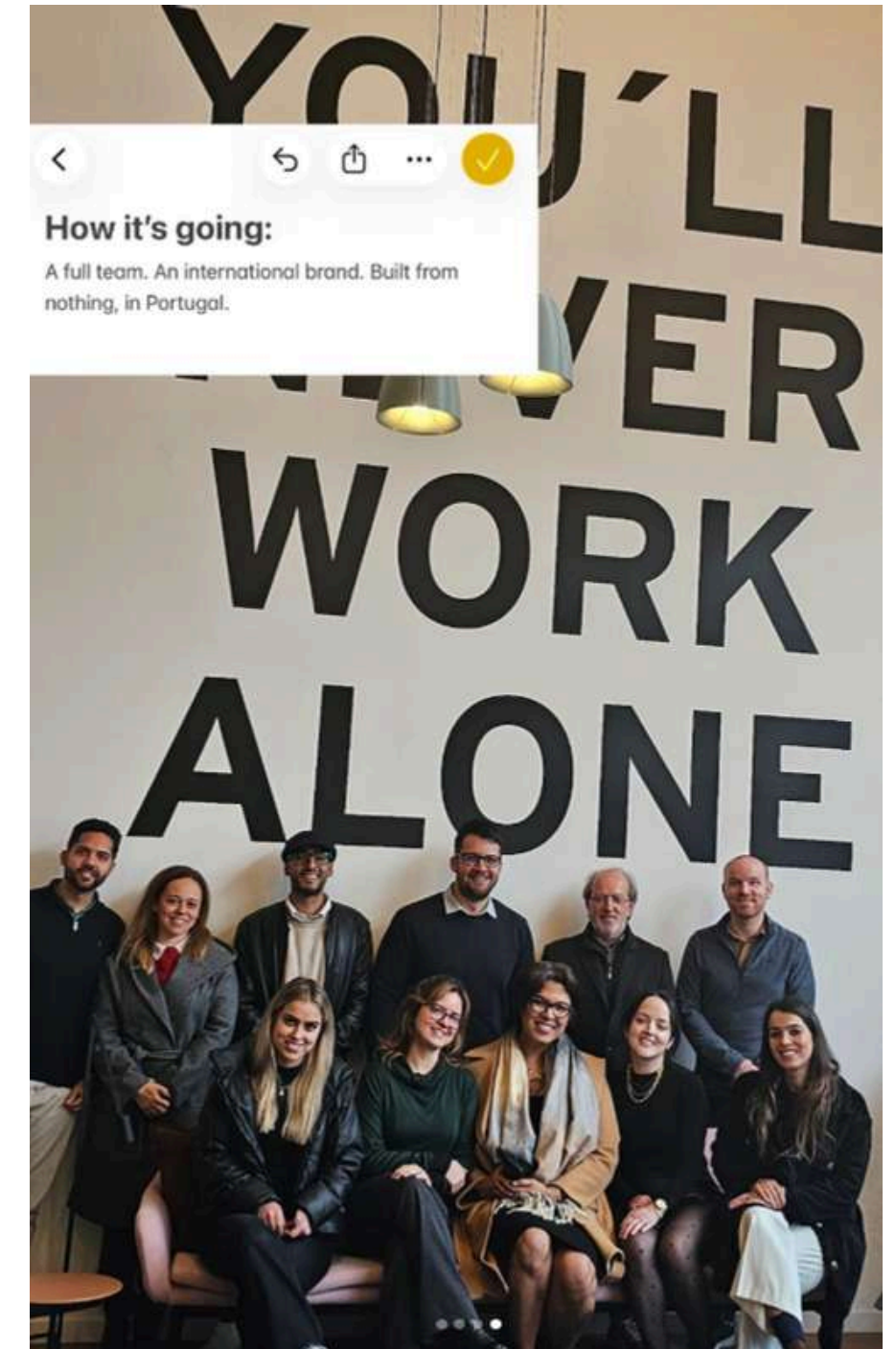
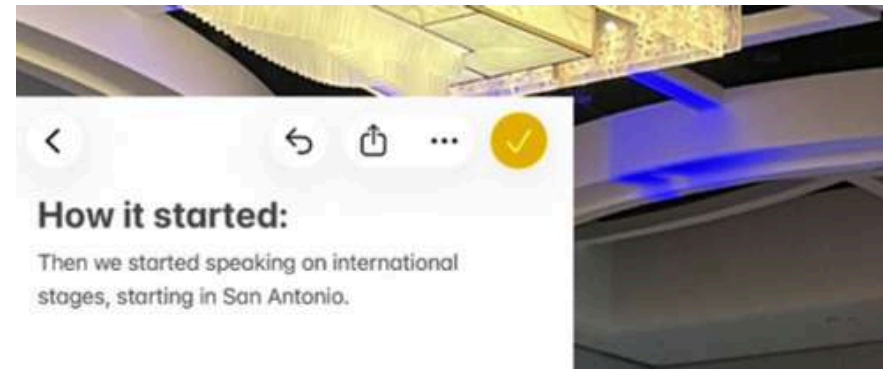
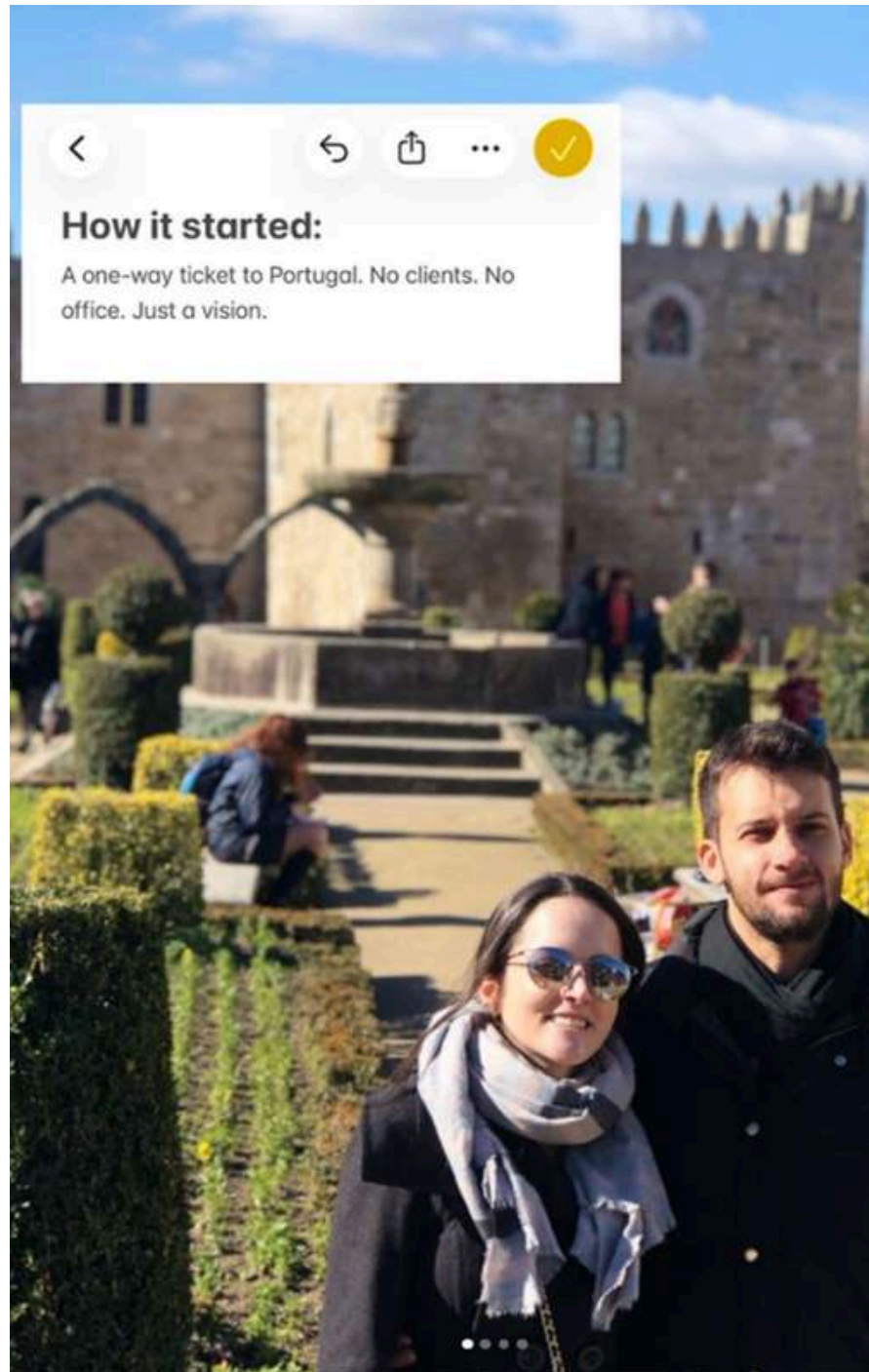
Victor Queiroz moved to Portugal in 2018 in search of a new professional challenge and quickly embraced the opportunity to start a new life abroad.

→ Our Why

At the heart of our mission lies a bold commitment to simplify the journey of relocating to Europe, covering all aspects of the journey.

In 2020, he founded Viv Europe, a company that has since helped over 2,000+ families relocate to Europe, building a strong network of expats and locals around the globe.

Our Journey In



Why Portugal?



High Quality of Life

Residents enjoy a relaxed pace of life, excellent healthcare, low crime rates, and a strong sense of community.



Safety and Political Stability

This sense of security appeals greatly to families, retirees, and investors seeking a peaceful place to live or build a future.



Attractive Visa and Residency Options

Portugal has created several visa pathways to attract foreigners, such as: D7 Visa, D2 Visa, & Golden Visa.



Cost of Living

Portugal offers a relatively affordable cost of living compared to other Western European countries, such as the UK, Germany, or the U.S.



Natural Beauty and Rich Culture

Culturally, Portugal offers vibrant festivals, historic architecture, traditional Fado music, and world-renowned cuisine.

Popular Visa Options



D7 Visa

Retirees or individuals who have a stable passive income (e.g., pensions, rental income, investments).

As of 2026, €920/month



D8 Visa

Remote workers, freelancers, and self-employed individuals working for employers outside Portugal.

€3,680



D2 Visa

Entrepreneurs, freelancers, and small business owners who want to start or expand a business in Portugal.



Golden Visa

Residency-by-investment pathway granting access to Europe, low stay requirements, and an eventual route to citizenship.

Planning Phase

A common mistake is choosing a country based on lifestyle without understanding how fragile or restrictive the visa is.

If your legal status is shaky, everything else becomes unstable. Housing, banking, even staying in the country.

You want to map:

- Monthly fixed costs (rent, utilities, insurance)
- Variable costs (food, transport, lifestyle)
- One-time costs (deposits, furniture, legal fees)

And more importantly:

- Income stability (remote job? local job?)
- Taxes (double taxation, residency rules, etc.)



Banking + Bureaucracy Setup

You'll need:

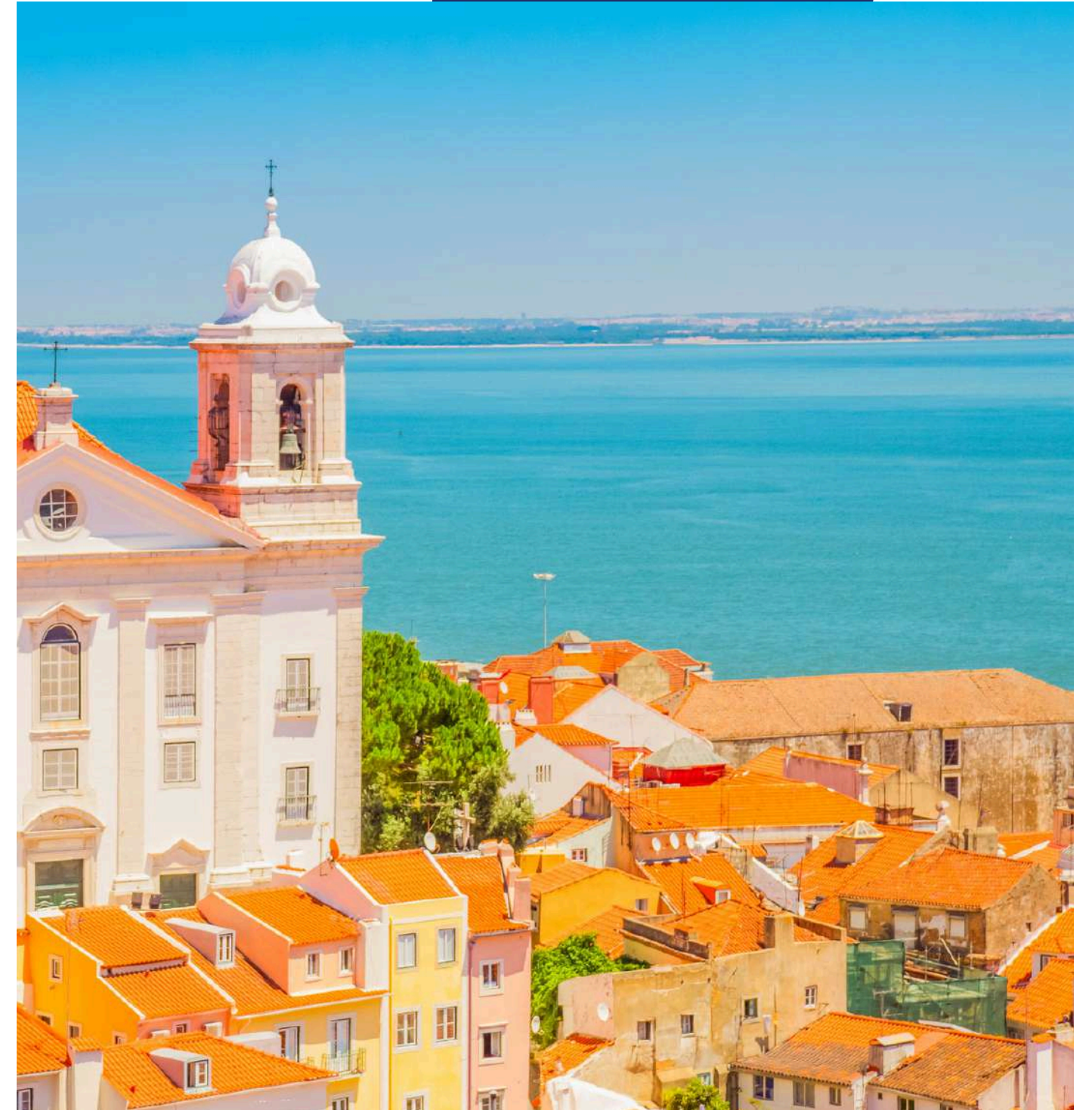
- Local Bank Account
- Tax Number
- Phone Number
- Proof of Address

These often depend on each other in a loop.

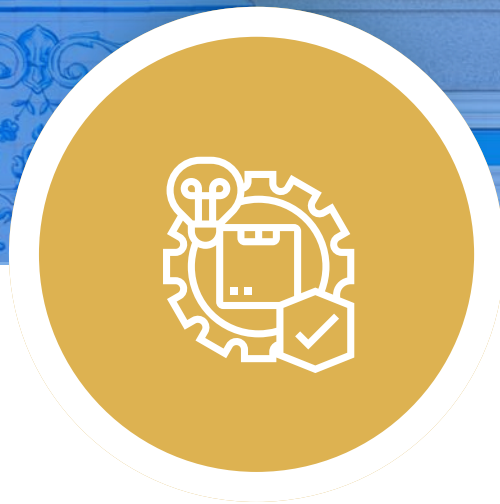
It's good to know:

- What's required first
- What documents unlock everything else

A smooth setup here saves you a ton of frustration.



If I Had To Simplify Priorities



Legal Status

Visa Documents
Banking
Moving with Family or Not



Income & Taxes

Housing / Rental
Income Stability
Taxes In Both Countries



Healthcare & Settling In

Research Healthcare
Learning Language
Currency Exchange
+ everything else.

How Many Months Does It Take?

Research and Planning

1 to 2 months



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Document Preparation

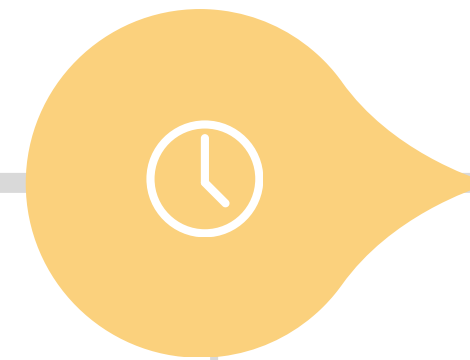
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Visa Application & Waiting

1 to 3 months



03

Moving & Residence Procedures

2 to 4 months



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Viv Europe Making It Easier For You

Relocation Support

Visas & Documents

Real Estate & Utilities

NIF, Banking, & Taxes

and more..



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