

TOURIST VISA

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This visa allows you to travel to India for holidays, visit monuments, meet friends, attend a wedding...

Generally, the Embassy of India issues a visa valid for 6 months. A 1-year visa is also possible, but each stay may not exceed 90 days. The 5-year validity visa remains exceptional. Please note that the Tourist visa cannot be exchanged and cannot be extended in India.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR TOURIST VISAS:

Certain professions require a "journalist" visa. The sectors of activity concerned by this requirement are: cinema, television, media, writing, publishing, press, photography, communication, advertising... (non-exhaustive list). Please refer to the Journalist Visa checklist.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR A TOURIST VISA

- 1 Original passport valid for a minimum of 6 months (or for the validity requested, if greater) and having at least 3 blank visa pages (of which 2 must be side by side)
- 2 A photocopy of the data page of the passport
- 3 Two photographs conforming to Indian Government norms (detailed specifications can be found on our website)
 - Photos should be glued to the form: the first on page 1 in the box provided and the second on the bottom right hand corner of page 2
 - **Please note photographs available in photo booths in France are not compatible with Indian norms**
 - Photo booths complying to the Indian norms are available in our Paris and Marseille offices
- 4 An Indian Government visa application form duly filled in online
 - Your form should be signed in the box under the photograph on page 1. This signature will be scanned and should match the signature on your passport.
 - You should validate the data on your form and accept the declaration on page 2 by signing at the bottom of page 2.
- 5 **If requesting 1-year validity:**
 - Motivation letter written in English justifying the need for a validity greater than 6 months and details of the specific trips planned
- 6 **If you are a person of Indian origin, a spouse or a descendant of a person of Indian origin:**
 - Persons of Indian origin, their spouse and their children are strongly advised to apply for Entry visas instead of Tourist visas. Should you wish to go against this recommendation, please fill and sign the « Person of Indian Origin Undertaking for a Tourist Visa » form.
- 7 The service fees, additional consular charges, the ICWF fee and the visa fees

LIST OF ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

If you are sending your visa application by post

- Checklist for postal applications

If the applicant is a minor

- Photocopy of the French livret de famille (pages: father, mother, relevant child) or birth certificate
- Photocopy of an ID proof of each parent
- Authorisation letter for a minor to travel signed by both parents

If you are holding a non-French passport or a French travel document

- Reference Form as per your current or previous nationality
- Additional documents as per your current or previous nationality, as applicable

If you are holding a French passport being of Pakistani, Chinese, Bangladeshi or Afghan origin

- Reference Form as per your origin
- Additional documents as per your origin, as applicable

I hereby certify that I have submitted a complete application and that I know and accept the minimum processing times required for my visa application.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

CENTRE DE DEMANDE DE VISA POUR L'INDE

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