



(Subclasses 309 and 100)

Partner visa (apply overseas)

Allows the partner or spouse of an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident or eligible New Zealand citizen to live in Australia.

You apply for the temporary and the permanent partner visas together.

Basic Eligibility

You must be in a genuine relationship with your spouse or de facto partner who is:

- an Australian citizen
- Australian permanent resident
- eligible New Zealand citizen

Subclass 309

Partner (Provisional) visa

(<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/partner-offshore/provisional-309>)

This visa lets the de facto partner or spouse of an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident or eligible New Zealand citizen live in Australia temporarily. Getting this visa is the first step towards a permanent Partner visa (subclass 100).

- ✔ It is a temporary visa
- ✔ It leads directly to the permanent Partner visa
- ✔ You must be outside Australia when you apply

Stay

Temporarily until your permanent Partner visa (subclass 100) application is finalised or you withdraw your application.

Cost

[Ask a question](#)

From AUD8,850.00

Processing Time

For an indication of processing times for this visa, use the [visa processing time guide tool \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times\)](https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times). This will show the processing times for recently decided applications. It is a guide only and not specific to your application.

To convey a realistic processing time for on-hand and new applications, processing time data does not include applications previously impacted by Ministerial Direction 80. Applicants impacted by this now superseded Ministerial Direction have been individually contacted and their applications are now being processed.

Subclass 100

Partner (Migrant) visa

(<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/partner-offshore/migrant-100>)

The visa lets the de facto partner or spouse of an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident or eligible New Zealand citizen, live in Australia permanently. It is usually granted to people who hold a temporary Partner visa (subclass 309).

- ✔ This is a permanent visa
- ✔ You must hold a temporary Partner visa (subclass 309)

Stay

Permanently.

Cost

You paid for this visa when you made your combined application for the temporary and permanent partner visas.

Processing Time

For an indication of processing times for this visa, use the [visa processing time guide tool \(/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times\)](https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times). This will show the processing times for recently decided applications. It is a guide only and not specific to your application.

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The processing time for a permanent Partner visa starts from the date of eligibility. This is 2 years after you applied for the combined temporary and permanent partner visas.

We update processing times regularly. We assess all applications on a case by case basis. Complex cases may take longer to process. You should use published processing times as a guideline only.

You cannot influence these timeframes.

Your application can take longer to process if:

- you do not fill it in correctly
- you don't include all required documents, or we need more information from you
- it takes time to verify your information.

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