Costa Rica visa guide for Bangladeshi passport holders

How to apply: Restricted visa (consulate application) · Last checked: 2 November 2026 · Online version: https://travelcsbd.com/visa/costa-rica/

Costa Rica's Migration authority lists Bangladesh in the group whose nationals need a restricted visa, issued after review by the Restricted Visa Commission through a Costa Rican consulate. The Migration visa page lists tourism documents such as a passport valid at least 6 months, a return or onward ticket and proof of funds. We found no official processing time, fee or Dhaka mission for this visa, so those are marked for confirmation. Last checked 1 November 2026.

Quick facts

Visa needed?
Yes. Bangladesh is in the fourth group (restricted visa) in Costa Rica's General Visa Directives (Migration, November 2025 edition).
Partly verified

Visa type
Restricted visa, authorised by the Restricted Visa Commission under the Visa Regulation (Decree 36626-G).
Partly verified

Where to apply
Through a Costa Rican consulate. We did not verify which mission serves Bangladesh (directories suggest New Delhi); confirm before sending documents.
Partly verified

Passport validity
At least 6 months, with a copy of the first page (Migration visa page, tourism).
Partly verified

Ticket
Return or onward ticket or reservation.
Partly verified

Funds
Proof of economic solvency; the Directives set a minimum of USD 100 for each month or part of a month of stay.
Partly verified

Foreign documents
Documents issued abroad must be apostilled or legalised, and documents not in Spanish must be translated.
Partly verified

Government fee
Not confirmed from an official page. Confirm with our office.
Confirm with our office

Processing time
No official time found for the tourist restricted visa. An older foreign ministry document mentions

at least 6 weeks for a process, which we do not treat as confirmed for this visa.
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Stay
Not stated for Bangladesh on the pages we read.
Confirm with our office

Yellow fever
Not checked against an official Costa Rican page; confirm before travel.
Confirm with our office

Where to apply: receiving authority

Costa Rican embassy or consulate (New Delhi believed to serve Bangladesh; unverified)
Address: New Delhi, India (street address differs between directories; confirm with our office). No Costa Rican mission in Dhaka was verified.
Phone: Confirm with our office
Email: Confirm with our office
Hours: Confirm with our office
Web: https://migracion.go.cr/visas/
Note: Restricted visas are lodged through a Costa Rican consulate and authorised by the Restricted Visa Commission. The mission covering Bangladesh could not be verified.
Confirm with our office

How to apply

- Restricted visas are authorised by the Restricted Visa Commission, and the application is lodged through the relevant Costa Rican consulate. The consulate may ask for additional documents, such as police clearance and birth certificate, legalised and translated into Spanish.
- We could not open Costa Rica's Migration or foreign ministry pages directly, so details come from official search extracts. Our office will confirm the exact mission, form and appointment method before you send documents.

Partly verified

Total cost

- No official fee for Bangladeshi tourist applicants was verified. Third-party websites quote different figures, which we do not publish. Apostille, legalisation, translation and courier costs are extra. Travel Counsellor Ltd. service charges, if any, are quoted separately in BDT by our office. Confirm all fees before payment.

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Processing time

- No official processing time was verified. A restricted visa needs commission review, so allow several weeks and do not book non-refundable travel before the decision.

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Document checklist

Tick each item as you collect it. Documents change by visa type and profile; our counsellor confirms your exact list.

Core documents (all applicants)

☐ Passport valid at least 6 months, plus copy of the first page

- ☐ Completed visa application form from the consulate
- ☐ Return or onward ticket or reservation (genuine booking)
- ☐ Proof of funds (minimum USD 100 per month or part-month of stay under the Directives)
- ☐ Police clearance and birth certificate if the consulate asks, apostilled or legalised and translated into Spanish
- ☐ Passport-size photos as specified by the consulate

Partly verified

Employed applicants (supporting)

- ☐ Job letter, NOC and recent bank statement

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Business owners (supporting)

- ☐ Trade licence, tax documents and bank statement

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Students (supporting)

- ☐ Institution letter and sponsor bank statement

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Children (supporting)

- ☐ Birth certificate and parental consent letter

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Things to watch

- Some third-party sites claim Bangladeshis are visa-free for Costa Rica. Costa Rica's Migration directives list Bangladesh in the restricted-visa group. Do not rely on visa-free claims.
- Documents issued in Bangladesh usually need apostille or legalisation and Spanish translation; start early.
- Travel Counsellor Ltd. is a private consultancy, not an embassy. Decisions rest with Costa Rican authorities.
- No approval is guaranteed and fees can change.

Frequently asked questions

Do Bangladeshis need a visa for Costa Rica?

Yes. Costa Rica's Migration directives place Bangladesh in the restricted-visa group.

What documents are needed?

Migration lists a passport valid at least 6 months, a return or onward ticket and proof of funds, and the consulate may ask for more. Foreign documents must be apostilled or legalised and translated into Spanish.

How long does it take?

We found no official time. Plan for several weeks and confirm with our office.

Is approval guaranteed?

No. Costa Rican authorities decide, and fees and rules can change.

Official sources

Costa Rica Migration - visas: https://migracion.go.cr/visas/
Costa Rica Migration - General Visa Directives, November 2025: https://migracion.go.cr/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/Directrices-Generales-de-Visas-Noviembre-2025-Alcance-148-Gaceta-N%C2%B0-216-17-11-2025.pdf

Need help with your application?

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