FREE CHECKLIST FOR FAMILIES ABROAD

Bringing your parents from Punjab for a visit

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For sons and daughters in the UK, Europe, Australia, the USA and elsewhere who want to invite their parents on a visitor visa. This is general information: each country's official page (listed below) has the final word, and **only the embassy or immigration authority decides the visa**. Nobody can guarantee one.

1. What you do abroad (the host)

- ☐ Read your country's official visitor-visa page first.
- ☐ Fix the dates and apply in the window: UK up to 3 months before travel; Schengen countries no earlier than 6 months and at least 15 days before.
- ☐ Write an invitation letter: your name, address and status in the country (with a copy of your proof), your parents' names, your relationship, the purpose, the dates, where they will stay and who pays for what.
- ☐ If you are paying, keep proof you can afford it (payslips, bank statements).

2. What your parents gather in Punjab

- ☐ Valid passports (for Schengen, valid at least 3 months after they leave).
- ☐ Bank statements and income or pension proof that can be explained.
- ☐ Ties to India: property, family, work or business, a clear return plan.
- ☐ Travel medical insurance for the whole trip (required for Schengen: emergency care, hospital and repatriation).
- ☐ Certified English translations of documents in other languages (asked for by the UK).

3. Mistakes that cost families time

- Applying to the wrong consulate (Schengen: the country of the main stay).
- Buying non-refundable tickets before the decision.
- Money in the bank that nobody can explain.
- Hiding an earlier visa refusal.
- Paying anyone who promises a "guaranteed" visa or a "setting" at the embassy.

4. Where Visa Connection helps

- In our Jalandhar office, in Punjabi: checking your parents' documents against the official list.
- Invitation-letter guidance and the appointment booking.
- A free first 15-minute call; our fees are written on visaconnection.in/fees.
- Canada and New Zealand: help in Punjab with documents and travel only.

5. Official pages (check them on the day you apply)

United Kingdom	gov.uk/standard-visitor
Schengen (Europe)	home-affairs.ec.europa.eu › Applying for a Schengen visa
Australia	immi.homeaffairs.gov.au › Visitor visa (subclass 600)
USA	travel.state.gov › Tourism & visit and in.usembassy.gov/visas
Canada	canada.ca › Visit Canada
New Zealand	immigration.govt.nz/visas/visitor-visa

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