

How do I apply for the 6 month tourist visa?

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I am Canadian. Can I apply to stay for 6 months when I get there or is there more to it? What do I do to stay longer? I want to come at high time in October and look around to see if this is where I will relocate. Thanks, Shelly

Good news - no application is needed you will get a stamp in your passport when you arrive - but as [Yasser Arosemena's](#) article indicated, it is not a new law - just a policy from President Martinelli so it may not be permanent - take advantage while you can. RC

After 6 months you will have to leave the country for 72 hours (You do not have to go back to Canada - you go anywhere - Costa Rica, Colombia, etc) and then return - hopefully for another 6 months. RC