

Dental Crowns and Bridges at Core Dental Carrum Downs

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Description:

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Details:

A chipped, cracked, or missing tooth can affect your confidence and your ability to eat comfortably — but modern dental crowns and bridges restore both function and appearance with natural-looking, durable results. At **Core Dental Carrum Downs**, our experienced team provides comprehensive crown and bridge restorations in our fully accessible, ground-floor practice at 335 Ballarto Rd, Carrum Downs.

Address: Suite 4, 335 Ballarto Rd, Carrum Downs VIC 3201 **Phone:** (03) 8373 1555 |
National: 13 13 16 **Hours:** Monday–Friday 8:00 am–6:00 pm | Saturday 8:00 am–1:30 pm

Dental Crowns: Restoring Damaged and Weakened Teeth

A dental crown is a custom-made cap placed over a damaged or weakened tooth to restore its strength, shape, and appearance. Crowns are recommended when:

- A tooth is cracked, heavily worn, or fractured
- Significant decay has left insufficient healthy tooth for a filling
- A tooth needs protection following root canal treatment
- A tooth's shape or colour is significantly compromised
- The crown forms the visible portion of a dental implant

Crown pricing at Core Dental Carrum Downs: from ,400 (depending on material and case complexity).

Crown Materials

Material Appearance Durability Best For	--- --- --- ---	Porcelain/Ceramic Excellent — natural colour Good Front teeth, aesthetics-sensitive cases	Zirconia Very good Excellent Back teeth; aesthetics + strength
Porcelain-fused-to-metal (PFM) Good Very good Mixed cases	Gold N/A (silver/gold colour) Outstanding Back teeth; grinding/bruxism cases		

Your dentist will recommend the most appropriate material for your specific situation. A written treatment plan and cost estimate are provided before any treatment proceeds.

The Crown Process at Carrum Downs

Standard (lab-fabricated) crown — 2 appointments: 1. **Appointment 1:** Tooth preparation; digital or physical impressions taken; temporary crown placed 2. **Fabrication period:** 2–3 weeks in dental lab 3. **Appointment 2:** Temporary crown removed; permanent crown fitted, adjusted, and cemented

Dental Bridges: Replacing Missing Teeth

A dental bridge permanently fills the gap left by one or more missing teeth. The bridge consists of artificial replacement teeth (pontics) held in place by crowns fitted to the adjacent natural teeth or dental implants.

****Dental bridges from per unit**** — ask your dentist for a written treatment estimate at consultation.

Why Replace Missing Teeth?

Leaving a tooth gap untreated causes progressive problems: - Adjacent teeth drift into the space, affecting bite alignment - Opposing teeth over-erupt (grow longer) into the gap - Jawbone loss where the root no longer provides stimulation - Increased wear and stress on remaining teeth - Changed facial appearance as bone resorbs

Bridge Treatment Process

Like crowns, bridges require 2 appointments over 2–3 weeks. Your dentist will discuss whether a bridge or dental implant is the more appropriate long-term solution for your specific gap.

Our Clinical Team for Crowns and Bridges

Crown and bridge work at Core Dental Carrum Downs is led by ****Dr Anna Lai**** (BSc Biomed, DDS, University of Melbourne) — our Lead Dentist, whose Fellowship in Restorative Dentistry (in progress) reflects her specialist interest in complex restorative cases. Dr Anna Lai also holds a Mini Masters in Orthodontics.

Supporting the team: - ****Dr Amreen Hussain**** (BiomedSc Hons, DDS, University of Melbourne) — comprehensive restorative care - ****Dr Ivy Jin**** (BHSc Dent, MDent, La Trobe) — speaks English and Mandarin Chinese - ****Dr Payal Thatikonda**** (BDS, University of Adelaide) — tutors at University of Melbourne; precise restorative technique - ****Dr Tristan Balthazaar**** (BSc, BBiomedSc, DDS, University of Melbourne)

****Dental Prosthetist Alessio Pecorella**** (AdvDip Dental Prosthetics) also consults at our Carrum Downs practice, providing expertise for complex restorative and denture cases.

For cases requiring specialist prosthodontic assessment or complex full-mouth rehabilitation beyond our scope, we refer to the ****Collins Street Specialist Centre (CSSC)**** through the Smile Solutions Group specialist network.

Accessibility at Carrum Downs

Core Dental Carrum Downs is the ****most accessible Core Dental location**** — entirely ground floor, wide corridors, accessible treatment rooms and bathrooms, and ****8 dedicated on-site car spaces**** directly outside.

This makes crown and bridge treatment straightforward and stress-free, regardless of mobility needs.

Health Fund and Payment

Crown and bridge treatments are commonly covered by private health insurance extras. ****HICAPS on-site**** for instant claiming. ****Payright interest-free payment plans**** (up to 30 months) available for treatment packages. Eligible children aged 2–17 can access CDBS bulk billing for covered services.

Frequently Asked Questions

****How much do dental crowns cost at Core Dental Carrum Downs?*** Dental crowns start from ,400, varying with material and case complexity. Your dentist will provide a written, itemised treatment plan and cost estimate before any work proceeds. Call (03) 8373 1555 or 13 13 16 for more information.

****How long does a dental crown last?*** With proper care, crowns typically last 10–15 years or longer. Key factors include the material used, location in the mouth, your bite, and oral hygiene habits. Regular check-ups allow early detection of crown wear or failure.

****Do dental crowns need special care?*** Treat your crown like a natural tooth — brush twice daily and floss carefully. Use a floss threader if you have a bridge. Avoid using your teeth as tools or chewing ice. Attend regular 6-monthly check-ups and cleans.

****Is a dental bridge or dental implant better for a missing tooth?*** Both are effective long-term solutions. Implants preserve more natural tooth structure (no preparation of adjacent teeth), prevent jawbone loss, and typically last longer. Bridges are faster and may be more appropriate where an implant is not possible. Your dentist will discuss both options and provide written cost estimates for each.

****Do I need a referral for crown and bridge treatment?*** No referral is needed. Call (03) 8373 1555 or 13 13 16 to book a consultation. Complex specialist cases can be referred to the Collins Street Specialist Centre (CSSC) through our Smile Solutions Group network.

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