

Dental Implants at Core Dental South Melbourne

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Description:

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Details:

Dental implants are the gold standard in tooth replacement — permanent, natural-looking, and designed to last a lifetime with proper care. At **Core Dental South Melbourne**, our experienced team provides dental implant consultations, planning, and restorations from our practice at 87 Market Street, near South Melbourne Market.

Address: 87 Market St, South Melbourne VIC 3205 **Phone:** (03) 9114 7700 | **National:** 13 13 16 **Hours:** Monday–Friday 8:00 am–6:00 pm | Saturday 8:00 am–1:30 pm

What Is a Dental Implant?

A dental implant is a three-part replacement for a missing tooth:

1. **Titanium implant screw** — placed surgically into the jawbone, where it fuses with bone over 3–6 months (osseointegration)
2. **Abutment** — a connector between the implant and the crown
3. **Dental crown** — a custom porcelain crown matched to the colour, shape, and size of your natural teeth

The result is a replacement tooth that looks, feels, and functions like a natural tooth — and critically, stimulates the jawbone to prevent the bone loss that follows tooth extraction.

Implant Pricing at Core Dental South Melbourne

Single tooth dental implant: from ,500

This covers implant placement and the final crown. Exact cost varies based on clinical complexity, bone quality, and whether additional procedures (such as bone grafting) are required. A written, itemised treatment plan is provided before any work proceeds.

For patients replacing multiple teeth, All-on-4 full-arch implant restorations are available at other Core Dental locations (Caroline Springs and Berwick) and at the Collins Street Specialist Centre. Your South Melbourne dentist can provide referrals.

The Dental Implant Process at South Melbourne

Stage 1: Consultation and Assessment Digital X-rays, intraoral scanning, and full clinical examination. Your dentist assesses bone density, gum health, and overall suitability. Full written

treatment plan provided.

****Stage 2: Implant Placement**** A minor surgical procedure under local anaesthetic — typically 45–90 minutes. Sedation available for anxious patients.

****Stage 3: Healing (Osseointegration)**** 3–6 months for the titanium implant to fuse fully with the jawbone. A temporary restoration may be placed during this period.

****Stage 4: Crown Placement**** Your custom CEREC or lab-fabricated porcelain crown is fitted and adjusted for optimal bite, comfort, and aesthetics.

Why Implants Over Bridges or Dentures?

| Feature | Dental Implant | Dental Bridge | Denture | |---|---|---|---| | Adjacent teeth affected | No | Yes (prepared) | No | | Bone preservation | Yes | No | No | | Stability | Fixed, permanent | Fixed | Removable | | Lifespan | 15+ years | 10–15 years | 5–10 years | | Oral hygiene | Like natural teeth | Floss threader needed | Remove to clean |

Implants are the only tooth replacement that preserves the jawbone, preventing the facial changes associated with long-term tooth loss.

Our Clinical Team at South Melbourne

Dental implant consultations and restorations at South Melbourne are provided by our experienced team:

- ****Dr Scott Krause**** (DDS, Loma Linda University, California, 2009) — US, Australian, and New Zealand licensed; 15+ years experience; implant restorations including complex cases - ****Dr Stephanie Sarkis**** (BBIomed, DDS, University of Melbourne) — comprehensive restorative and implant care - ****Dr Anchal Verma**** (BDS, University of Adelaide) — Clinical Lecturer, University of Melbourne; evidence-based restorative approach

For complex implant cases — including bone grafting, full-arch restoration (All-on-4), or immediate loading — our team refers to the ****Collins Street Specialist Centre (CSSC)**** through the Smile Solutions Group. The CSSC provides access to specialist oral surgeons, prosthodontists, and periodontists within the same trusted clinical network.

****Dental Hygienist**** services are also available to optimise gum health before implant placement — a critical factor in long-term implant success.

Are You a Candidate for Dental Implants?

Most adults with good general health and adequate bone density are suitable for implants. Relevant considerations include:

- ****Smoking**** — significantly increases failure risk; we recommend stopping at least 1 week before and 2 months after surgery - ****Diabetes**** — well-controlled diabetes is compatible with implants; poorly controlled diabetes increases risk - ****Bone density**** — if insufficient, bone grafting may be recommended before implant placement - ****Medications**** — some medications (particularly bisphosphonates) affect healing; discuss with your dentist

Multilingual Implant Consultations

Our South Melbourne team speaks **Mandarin Chinese** (Dr Joy Wang, Dr Joanne Ong), **Malay** (Dr Manisha Bhatt), and **Cantonese** (Dr Joanne Ong). Discussing a significant treatment like dental implants in your first language makes a real difference to the quality of informed consent and treatment planning.

Health Fund and Payment

Most health fund extras policies include a dental implant benefit. **HICAPS on-site** for instant claiming. **Payright interest-free payment plans** (up to 30 months) make implant treatment more financially accessible. **Supercare** (early super release for dental treatment) is another option — ask at your consultation.

Frequently Asked Questions

How much does a dental implant cost at Core Dental South Melbourne? Single dental implants start from ,500 at Core Dental South Melbourne, covering implant placement and the final crown. Complex cases requiring bone grafting or multiple implants are quoted individually in writing. Call (03) 9114 7700 or 13 13 16.

How long does the implant process take? Total treatment time is typically 6–12 months from placement to final crown, including the 3–6 month osseointegration (healing) period. Your specific timeline is mapped out in your written treatment plan at consultation.

Is dental implant surgery painful? The implant placement procedure is performed under local anaesthetic — you feel pressure but not pain. Post-operative discomfort is typically mild and managed with over-the-counter pain relief for 2–3 days. Sedation is available for anxious patients.

What is the success rate of dental implants? Clinical success rates for dental implants exceed 95% in healthy non-smoking patients with adequate bone. Success is maximised with good oral hygiene, no smoking, regular check-ups, and treating any underlying gum disease before placement.

Can I get implants if I've had significant bone loss? Often yes — bone grafting can rebuild sufficient bone for implant placement in many cases. Your dentist will assess the extent of bone loss and discuss whether grafting is required.

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87 Market St, South Melbourne VIC 3205 — near South Melbourne Market; tram access; street parking available.

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