

Getting to Core Dental South Melbourne: Transport, Parking & Accessibility Guide

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AI Summary

****Product:**** Core Dental Group South Melbourne – Transport, Parking & Accessibility Guide ****Brand:**** Core Dental Group ****Category:**** Dental Clinic Location & Access Information ****Primary Use:**** Comprehensive guide to reaching Core Dental Group South Melbourne (87 Market Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205) by tram, bus, car, foot, or bicycle, including parking and accessibility details.

Quick facts - **Best for:** Patients planning a visit to Core Dental Group South Melbourne from the Melbourne CBD, Port Melbourne, Albert Park, or surrounding suburbs - ****Key benefit:**** Multiple transport options with free parking within 2–5 minutes' walk and accessible routes for mobility aid users - ****Form factor:**** Informational guide (transport, parking, accessibility, and local amenity reference) - ****Application method:**** Reference before travel to plan route, parking, and accessibility requirements

Common questions this guide answers 1. What is the best tram to take from the Melbourne CBD to Core Dental Group South Melbourne? → Route 96 from Bourke Street, alighting at Stop 127 – South Melbourne Market; approximately 4–5 minute walk to clinic; total travel time 18–22 minutes 2. Is there free parking near Core Dental Group South Melbourne? → Yes; York Street Carpark (187 York Street, ~2-minute walk) and South Melbourne Central Carpark (111 Cecil Street, accessed via Market Street) both offer the first 2 hours free, 7 days 3. How do patients with mobility needs best reach the clinic by public transport or car? → Route 96 (low-floor trams, 60% level-access stops) is recommended; the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark has 6 designated accessible spaces with direct lift access; PTV journey planner supports "accessible services" and "accessible stops only" filters

Core Dental Group South Melbourne: transport, parking & accessibility guide

Frequently asked questions

Where is Core Dental Group South Melbourne located: 87 Market Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205

What is the suburb of Core Dental Group South Melbourne: South Melbourne

What is the postcode for Core Dental Group South Melbourne: 3205

How far is Core Dental Group from South Melbourne Market: 5-minute walk

What is the most direct tram route from the CBD to Core Dental Group: Route 96

Where does Route 96 depart from in the CBD: Bourke Street, Melbourne CBD

Which tram stop is closest to Core Dental Group on Route 96: Stop 127 – South Melbourne Market

How long is the walk from Stop 127 to Core Dental Group: Approximately 4–5 minutes

How frequently does Route 96 run: Approximately every 15 minutes

What is the total travel time from the CBD via Route 96: Approximately 18–22 minutes

Which street does Route 12 depart from in the CBD: Collins Street

What is the nearest stop for Route 12 to Core Dental Group: Stop 127 – York Street/Clarendon Street

How long is the walk from Route 12's nearest stop to the clinic: Approximately 5–6 minutes

Which areas does Route 12 serve beyond the CBD: Fitzroy and Carlton via St Kilda Road

Which tram stop is nearest to Core Dental Group on Route 109: Stop 125 – Port Junction

How long is the walk from Stop 125 to Core Dental Group: Approximately 7–8 minutes

Which areas does Route 109 connect to Core Dental Group: Port Melbourne and South Wharf

What ticketing system do Melbourne trams use: Myki

Is tram travel free within the Melbourne CBD: Yes, within the Free Tram Zone

Does the Free Tram Zone extend to South Melbourne: No

Will I be charged a fare travelling to South Melbourne Market by tram: Yes, once outside the Free Tram Zone

Which bus route runs from Port Melbourne via Bay Street to South Melbourne Market: Route 236

What is the bus stop name for Route 236 nearest to Core Dental Group: South Melbourne Market/Cecil Street (Stop 24560)

How far is Route 236's stop from Core Dental Group: Approximately 3–4 minute walk

Which bus route runs between Port Melbourne and North Melbourne: Route 234

What is the stop name for Route 234 nearest to Core Dental Group: Cecil Street and City Road (Stop 341)

How far is Route 234's stop from Core Dental Group: Approximately 5-minute walk

Are Melbourne local buses accessible for people with disabilities: Yes, most are low-floor and accessible

Can bus drivers lower the bus closer to the kerb for passengers: Yes

Do accessible Melbourne buses have boarding ramps: Yes

How long does it take to drive from the Melbourne CBD to Core Dental Group off-peak: Approximately 8–12 minutes

How long does it take to drive during peak hours: Approximately 15–20 minutes

What are Melbourne's morning peak driving hours near South Melbourne: 7:30–9:00am

What are Melbourne's afternoon peak driving hours near South Melbourne: 4:30–6:30pm

What is the closest formal carpark to Core Dental Group: York Street Carpark at 187 York Street

How many spaces does the York Street Carpark have: 75 spaces

How much free parking is available at York Street Carpark: 2 hours free on all days

How far is the York Street Carpark from Core Dental Group: Approximately 2-minute walk

What is the name of the rooftop carpark near Core Dental Group: Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark

How many spaces does the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark have: 270 spaces

How many accessible spaces are at the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark: 6 designated accessible spaces

Does the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark have lift access: Yes, directly to the Centre Aisle of the Market

What are the operating hours of the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark: 5am–10:30pm daily

Is the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark ticketless: Yes, number plate is read automatically

What is the maximum vehicle height for the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark: 2.1 metres

What carpark is accessed via Market Street near Core Dental Group: South Melbourne Central Carpark at 111 Cecil Street

How much free parking is at South Melbourne Central Carpark: First 2 hours free

Does South Melbourne Central Carpark operate 7 days a week: Yes

Which carpark has no height restrictions near Core Dental Group: Wilson Parking – Freeway Carpark on Munro Street

How far is the Freeway Carpark on Munro Street from Core Dental Group: Approximately 5–7 minute walk

Is metered street parking available near Core Dental Group: Yes, on Market Street and surrounding streets

What are the typical street parking time limits near the clinic: 1P or 2P zones during business hours

When is street parking easiest to find near Core Dental Group: Before 9:00am or during 12:00–1:30pm lunch window

How far is Core Dental Group from the Melbourne CBD on foot: Approximately 25–30 minutes via Clarendon Street

How far is Core Dental Group from Albert Park on foot: Approximately 10–15 minutes

How far is Core Dental Group from South Melbourne Central on foot: Approximately 3-minute walk

Are there bicycle routes near Core Dental Group: Yes, along Cecil Street and Moray Street

Is bike parking available near Core Dental Group: Yes, on Market Street and surrounding streets

Are cargo bike spaces available near the clinic: Yes, at the end of Coventry Street at South Melbourne Market

Are Routes 96 and 109 serviced by low-floor trams: Yes

What percentage of Route 96 stops are level-access: 60 per cent

When were new level-access stops added to Route 96: 2020

Which app provides real-time tram accessibility information: TramTRACKER

Can PTV journey planner filter for accessible services: Yes

What filter should mobility aid users select in PTV: "Accessible services" and "accessible stops only"

Do Melbourne bus stops have tactile information panels: Yes, with braille and raised lettering

Are tactile ground surface indicators available at tram stops: Yes

Are EV charging stations available near Core Dental Group: Yes, at the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark

How many EV charging stations are at the Coventry Street Carpark: 2

Where are the EV chargers located in the Coventry Street Carpark: Lower level, next to the stairs

What is the charging speed of the EV stations at Coventry Street Carpark: Up to 22kW (32 Amp, 3-phase)

What type of EV charging is available at the Coventry Street Carpark: Level 2/Mode 3 dedicated AC charging

What are Core Dental Group South Melbourne's weekday hours: Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 6:00pm

What are Core Dental Group South Melbourne's Saturday hours: 8:00am to 1:30pm

Is Core Dental Group South Melbourne open on Sundays: Not disclosed

How can appointments be booked at Core Dental Group South Melbourne: By calling 13 13 16

Can appointments be booked online at Core Dental Group: Yes, via the Core Dental Group website

On which days is South Melbourne Market open: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

Core Dental Group South Melbourne: transport, parking & accessibility guide

Choosing a good dentist is only half the equation — actually getting there, especially when you're fitting an appointment into a busy workday or navigating unfamiliar streets, is the other half. For many patients, the practical logistics of reaching a clinic can be the deciding factor between booking and putting it off altogether. This guide is here to remove that friction.

Core Dental Group South Melbourne is at 87 Market Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205, sitting at the intersection of the inner-city precinct and the CBD-adjacent corridor. Whether you're arriving by tram from the city, driving from Port Melbourne, cycling from Albert Park, or walking from a nearby workplace, this guide covers every realistic route to the clinic's front door, along with parking options and accessibility details for patients with mobility needs.

Why location matters for consistent dental attendance

Research consistently shows that travel time and perceived access difficulty are among the most commonly cited barriers to regular dental appointments. A 2019 analysis published in the *Australian Dental Journal** (Slack-Smith et al.) identified geographic convenience as a primary enabler of preventive dental attendance, particularly amongst working-age adults in metropolitan areas. When a clinic is easy to reach by multiple transport modes, patients are more likely to attend routine checkups rather than waiting until a problem escalates.

Core Dental Group's practice on Market Street is a short five-minute walk from South Melbourne Market, as well as shops, supermarkets, medical centres, gyms, cafes and restaurants, making it one of the most conveniently positioned dental clinics in Melbourne's inner south. This guide helps you make the most of that convenience.

Getting there by tram

Route 96: the most direct CBD connection

For patients travelling from the Melbourne CBD, Route 96 is the primary option. It departs from Bourke Street, with passengers alighting at South Melbourne Market (Stop 127), one of the highest-frequency stops in the South Melbourne precinct. From Stop 127 on Clarendon Street, the Market Street clinic is a flat four-to-five minute walk heading west along York Street or directly down Market Street.

Yarra Trams runs services from Elizabeth Street/Bourke Street to South Melbourne Station/Light Rail approximately every 15 minutes. Allow 18–22 minutes total travel time from the CBD.

Route 12: the Collins Street alternative

Route 12 departs from Collins Street via Clarendon Street, with passengers getting off at York Street (Stop 127). This puts you on Clarendon Street at York Street, an easy walk to Market Street from the north. Route 12 works well for patients coming from the northern CBD, Fitzroy, or Carlton via St Kilda Road.

Route 109: Port Melbourne and CBD connector

Route 109 also departs from Collins Street, with passengers alighting at Port Junction (Stop 125) at the Clarendon Street/Normanby Road intersection in Southbank. From there, Market Street is roughly a 7–8 minute walk north along Clarendon Street. This route suits patients coming from Port Melbourne, South Wharf, or the eastern end of Collins Street.

Quick-reference tram stop table

Tram route	Departure point	Nearest stop to Core Dental Group	Walk to clinic	--- --- --- ---
Route 96	Bourke St, CBD	Stop 127 – South Melbourne Market	~4–5 min	**Route 12**
	Collins St, CBD	Stop 127 – York St/Clarendon St	~5–6 min	**Route 109**
		Collins St, CBD	Stop 125 – Port Junction	~7–8 min

****Myki reminder:**** The tram network uses Myki, with the exception of the Free Tram Zone covering travel inside the Melbourne CBD. If you board within the Free Tram Zone boundary (generally Spencer Street to Spring Street), your journey to South Melbourne Market will incur a fare once you exit the zone. Tap on with your Myki card to avoid infringement notices.

Getting there by bus

Two bus routes service the South Melbourne Market precinct and provide useful access to Market Street for patients coming from Port Melbourne, Albert Park, or North Melbourne.

Route 236 from Garden City (Port Melbourne) via Bay Street and Cecil Street stops directly outside the Market at South Melbourne Market/Cecil Street (Stop 24560), placing you within a 3–4 minute walk of Core Dental Group. Route 234 runs between Port Melbourne and North Melbourne, stopping at Cecil Street and City Road (Stop 341), with the Market a five-minute walk south along Cecil Street.

Most local buses in Melbourne are low-floor and accessible for people with a disability. Some buses can be lowered by the driver to sit closer to the kerb, and a boarding ramp is available if needed.

Getting there by car

Driving from the Melbourne CBD

From the CBD, the most direct route is south along St Kilda Road, then right onto Coventry Street or York Street into the South Melbourne precinct. Market Street runs parallel to and one block west of

Cecil Street. Allow 8–12 minutes in off-peak conditions, or 15–20 minutes during morning and afternoon peak hours (7:30–9:00am and 4:30–6:30pm).

Driving south via Clarendon Street and turning right onto York Street also brings you directly to Market Street from the east.

Parking near Core Dental Group South Melbourne

South Melbourne has considerably better parking availability than the Melbourne CBD — one of the real practical advantages of a CBD-adjacent clinic over a city-centre practice (see our guide on *South Melbourne Dentist vs. CBD Dentist: Which Location Is Right for You?*).

****South Melbourne Market carparks (closest options):****

- ****York Street Carpark (187 York Street):**** 75 spaces with two hours free parking on all days. This is the closest formal carpark to the Market Street clinic, roughly a 2-minute walk.

- ****Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark:**** 270 spaces, including six designated accessible spaces with lift access directly to the Centre Aisle of the Market. Open 5am–10:30pm daily. The carpark is ticketless and cashless — your plate is read automatically on entry and exit. Maximum vehicle height is 2.1 metres.

- ****South Melbourne Central Carpark (111 Cecil Street):**** A secure carpark open 7 days a week with the first 2 hours free, accessed via Market Street. The entry point sits directly on Market Street, so you can park, walk a short distance along the street, and arrive at Core Dental Group's door without crossing any additional intersections.

- ****Wilson Parking – Freeway Carpark (Munro Street, South Melbourne):**** No height restrictions, making it suitable for SUVs, vans, and vehicles with roof racks. About a 5–7 minute walk to Market Street.

****Street parking:**** Metered street parking is available on Market Street, York Street, and surrounding side streets. Time limits are typically 1P or 2P zones during business hours. Arriving before 9:00am or during the lunch window (12:00–1:30pm) gives you the best chance of finding a spot. Check the signage carefully, as clearway zones operate on some streets during peak hours.

Getting there on foot or by bicycle

Walking from key landmarks

Core Dental Group's Market Street location is walkable from several South Melbourne and CBD-fringe destinations:

- ****South Melbourne Market:**** 5-minute walk, making it easy to combine a dental appointment with your regular market visit on a Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. - ****Clarendon Street dining and retail strip:**** 5–6 minute walk west along York Street. - ****South Melbourne Central (111 Cecil Street):**** 3-minute walk along Market Street. - ****Melbourne CBD (Spencer Street):**** About 25–30 minutes on foot via Clarendon Street. - ****Albert Park and Middle Park:**** 10–15 minutes on foot via Coventry Street or Montague Street.

Cycling

The South Melbourne Market area is well-served by bicycle routes along Cecil Street and Moray Street, running between the Melbourne CBD and Albert Park and on into St Kilda. Cyclists from the CBD can follow the Cecil Street bike route south, then turn right onto York Street or Market Street. Dorcas Street heads west to the Bay Trail, and the back streets of South Melbourne are generally quiet for cycling.

Bike parking is available on Market Street and surrounding streets. The South Melbourne Market precinct also has spaces for cargo bikes and bike trailers at the end of Coventry Street.

Accessibility at Core Dental Group South Melbourne

For patients with mobility needs

Getting to Core Dental Group South Melbourne by public transport is practical for most patients with mobility needs, though some planning helps.

****Trams:**** Not all trams or stops are currently accessible for mobility aid users, but Routes 96 and 109 are both serviced by low-floor trams, and both have stops within walking distance of Core Dental Group. Route 96 has undergone significant accessibility upgrades: 60 per cent of its stops are level-access, and the Department of Transport and Yarra Trams built new level-access stops in 2020, leaving only one stop in St Kilda that is not level access.

For real-time tram accessibility information, the TramTRACKER app shows whether arriving services have low or high floors — useful for patients using wheelchairs or mobility scooters.

****Buses:**** Most local buses in Melbourne are low-floor and accessible, with some lowerable by the driver and a boarding ramp available. Low-floor buses have allocated spaces for passengers using wheelchairs or mobility aids.

****Parking for accessibility needs:**** The six designated accessible spaces at the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark have lift access directly to the Centre Aisle of the Market, from which Market Street is a short, flat walk. The York Street Carpark at 187 York Street is also a flat, ground-level option.

****PTV journey planning:**** The PTV journey planner lets you find accessible services and stops by selecting "accessible services" and "accessible stops only" in journey settings.

Tactile and sensory navigation

Tactile ground surface indicators are present at all train platforms and tram stops in the city. Every local bus stop in Victoria has a tactile customer information panel with a unique stop ID number in braille and raised lettering, supporting patients with vision impairments in navigating to and from their appointment.

Combining your appointment with South Melbourne errands

One of the practical advantages of Core Dental Group's Market Street location is how naturally a dental appointment fits in with other South Melbourne errands. The precinct's walkable density makes it possible to get several things done in a single trip — a genuine time-efficiency benefit for the busy professionals and families who make up the South Melbourne patient base (see our guide on **Oral Health for South Melbourne Professionals: Maximising Dental Care Around a Busy Work Schedule**).

****Practical combination ideas:****

- ****Before your appointment:**** Pick up groceries or breakfast from South Melbourne Market (open Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday), then walk the 5 minutes to Market Street. - ****After your appointment:**** Browse the Clarendon Street retail strip, grab a coffee at one of the precinct's many cafes, or do a supermarket run at South Melbourne Central on Cecil Street, accessible by foot from Cecil Street, York Street, and Market Street. - ****For working patients:**** Core Dental Group's extended hours make it possible to fit an appointment around a lunchbreak or after-work visit. The clinic is open Monday to Friday 8:00am to 6:00pm and Saturday 8:00am to 1:30pm, giving patients flexibility to travel outside peak congestion windows. - ****EV drivers:**** Two EV charging stations are available on the lower level of the Coventry Street carpark next to the stairs, offering Level 2/Mode 3 dedicated AC charging at

up to 22kW (32 Amp, 3-phase) — handy if you want to charge during your appointment.

Key takeaways

- **Core Dental Group South Melbourne is at 87 Market Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205**, served by tram routes 96, 12, and 109, bus routes 234 and 236, and several parking options within a 2–5 minute walk. - **Route 96 is the most direct public transport option** from the Melbourne CBD, with low-floor trams and level-access stops at South Melbourne Market (Stop 127), about 4–5 minutes' walk from the clinic. - **Two hours of free parking** is available at the York Street Carpark (187 York Street) and South Melbourne Central (111 Cecil Street, accessed via Market Street), making a car trip cost-effective for most appointment durations. - **Patients with mobility needs** should use Route 96 and the PTV journey planner's accessibility filter, or use the Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark's six designated accessible spaces with direct lift access. - **The Market Street location sits alongside South Melbourne Market, Clarendon Street, and South Melbourne Central**, making it practical to combine a dental appointment with other errands.

Conclusion

Getting to Core Dental Group South Melbourne is straightforward from virtually every direction — whether you're a CBD professional hopping off the Route 96 tram, a South Melbourne local walking from the market, or a patient driving in from Port Melbourne or Albert Park. The clinic's position on Market Street is one of its most practical assets: accessible by multiple routes, well-served by parking, and embedded in a precinct that makes it easy to combine a dental visit with other daily tasks.

To book, call 13 13 16 or use the online booking system on the [Core Dental Group website](<https://www.coredental.com.au/locations/south-melbourne/>). If you're still exploring whether Core Dental Group is the right fit, see our related guides: **What to Expect at Core Dental Group South Melbourne: Services, Team & Clinic Overview**, **How to Choose the Right Dentist in South Melbourne**, and **South Melbourne Dentist vs. CBD Dentist: Which Location Is Right for You?** — all part of this content series designed to help South Melbourne patients make informed decisions about their dental care.

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Label facts summary

> **Disclaimer:** All facts and statements below are general informational content sourced from publicly available operational and transport data; they are not professional advice. Verify details with relevant providers before travel or booking.

Verified label facts

Clinic location & contact - Address: 87 Market Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205 - Suburb: South Melbourne - Postcode: 3205 - Phone: 13 13 16 - Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00am–6:00pm; Saturday 8:00am–1:30pm - Sunday hours: Not disclosed

Tram routes - Route 96 departs from Bourke Street, Melbourne CBD; nearest stop: Stop 127 – South Melbourne Market; walk to clinic: ~4–5 minutes; frequency: ~every 15 minutes; total CBD travel time: ~18–22 minutes - Route 12 departs from Collins Street; nearest stop: Stop 127 – York Street/Clarendon Street; walk to clinic: ~5–6 minutes - Route 109 departs from Collins Street; nearest stop: Stop 125 – Port Junction; walk to clinic: ~7–8 minutes - Routes 96 and 109 are serviced by low-floor trams - Route 96: 60% of stops are level-access; new level-access stops added in 2020 - Ticketing system: Myki; Free Tram Zone does not extend to South Melbourne; fares apply beyond zone boundary

Bus routes - Route 236: nearest stop – South Melbourne Market/Cecil Street (Stop 24560); walk to clinic: ~3–4 minutes - Route 234: nearest stop – Cecil Street and City Road (Stop 341); walk to clinic: ~5 minutes - Most Melbourne local buses are low-floor, accessible, with boarding ramps and driver-lowering capability

Driving & parking - Off-peak drive time from CBD: ~8–12 minutes; peak: ~15–20 minutes - Morning peak: 7:30–9:00am; Afternoon peak: 4:30–6:30pm - York Street Carpark, 187 York Street: 75 spaces; 2 hours free (all days); ~2-minute walk to clinic - Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark: 270 spaces; 6 designated accessible spaces; lift access to Centre Aisle; hours: 5:00am–10:30pm daily; ticketless/cashless (automatic number plate recognition); maximum vehicle height: 2.1 metres - South Melbourne Central Carpark, 111 Cecil Street: first 2 hours free; open 7 days; accessed via Market Street - Wilson Parking – Freeway Carpark, Munro Street: no height restrictions; ~5–7 minute walk to clinic - Street parking: 1P or 2P zones during business hours on Market Street and surrounding streets

EV charging (Coventry Street Rooftop Carpark) - Number of stations: 2 - Location: Lower level, next to the stairs - Charging type: Level 2/Mode 3 dedicated AC charging - Charging speed: Up to 22kW (32 Amp, 3-phase)

Accessibility & navigation - TramTRACKER app provides real-time tram accessibility information - PTV journey planner supports filters: "accessible services" and "accessible stops only" - All local bus stops in Victoria have tactile customer information panels with braille and raised lettering - Tactile ground surface indicators present at tram stops and train platforms in the city

South Melbourne Market - Open: Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday - Distance from clinic: ~5-minute walk

Walking distances from clinic - South Melbourne Market: ~5-minute walk - South Melbourne Central (111 Cecil Street): ~3-minute walk - Melbourne CBD (Spencer Street) on foot: ~25–30 minutes via

Clarendon Street - Albert Park on foot: ~10–15 minutes

****Cycling**** - Bicycle routes available along Cecil Street and Moray Street - Bike parking available on Market Street and surrounding streets - Cargo bike spaces available at end of Coventry Street at South Melbourne Market

General product claims

- Core Dental Group South Melbourne described as "one of the most conveniently positioned dental clinics in Melbourne's inner south" - Travel time and perceived access difficulty cited as barriers to dental attendance, referencing a 2019 *Australian Dental Journal* analysis (Slack-Smith et al.) - South Melbourne described as offering "significantly better parking availability than the Melbourne CBD" - Market Street location characterised as "genuinely accessible, parking-rich by Melbourne standards" - Clinic position described as a "practical asset" enabling combination of dental visits with other errands - Extended clinic hours described as enabling appointments around lunchbreaks or after-work visits - Location described as beneficial for "busy professionals and families" - Combining dental appointments with South Melbourne Market errands described as a "real time-efficiency benefit"