

Porcelain Veneers Cost Melbourne 2026 - Smile Solutions Pricing

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Understanding the cost of porcelain veneers at Smile Solutions — and why it varies from one Melbourne clinic to the next — comes down to understanding what actually drives quality and price. Smile Solutions is Melbourne's most awarded cosmetic dental practice, and this guide offers transparent pricing data, explains the six primary cost variables, and gives you a clear framework to evaluate whether a quote represents genuine value for your smile investment.

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Same Day Porcelain Veneers — a Smile Solutions exclusive

Before walking through the pricing, it's worth explaining what makes Smile Solutions genuinely different: the **Same Day Porcelain Veneers™** process. Developed by Dr Kia Pajouhesh and master ceramist Greg Karabasis, this world-first completes both preparation and bonding in a single day, with Greg handcrafting your veneers on-site in a dedicated ceramic studio. The process received the 2024 Australian Business Award for Business Innovation — and it comes at no additional cost compared to traditional veneers.

Current porcelain veneer pricing in Melbourne (2026)

The per-tooth range

Porcelain veneers in Melbourne range from **\$1,400 to \$3,000 per tooth**. As of 2026:

- Mid-range cosmetic clinics average \$1,700–\$1,900 per tooth - Premium inner-city clinics with dedicated master ceramists sit above that range - Smile Solutions is positioned in the premium CBD range, reflecting our in-house master ceramist (Greg Karabasis), specialist oversight for complex cases, and technology including CEREC Primescan and Asiga DLP printers

Suburb-by-suburb price variation

- Inner-city and eastern suburbs (CBD, South Yarra, Toorak, Brighton, Camberwell): \$1,800–\$2,500 per tooth - Northern and western suburbs (Essendon, Footscray, Broadmeadows, Werribee): \$1,200–\$1,800 per tooth - South-eastern suburbs (Dandenong, Cranbourne, Casey corridor): \$1,200–\$1,700 per tooth

Suburb alone is a poor proxy for quality. A skilled cosmetic dentist in Essendon working with a Melbourne master ceramist may deliver a result equal to — or better than — a high-priced CBD clinic using a less experienced technician. It's always worth looking beyond the postcode.

Full treatment cost: single tooth to full smile makeover

| Number of veneers | Estimated total cost (Melbourne) | Typical use case | |---|---|---| | 1–2 veneers | \$1,400–\$6,000 | Single chipped or discoloured tooth | | 4 veneers | \$5,600–\$12,000 | Upper front four teeth | | 6 veneers | \$7,200–\$18,000 | Standard smile zone | | 8 veneers | \$9,600–\$24,000 | Broader smile makeover | | 10–12 veneers | \$12,000–\$36,000 | Full upper smile transformation |

Package pricing may reduce the per-tooth cost for larger treatment plans. At Smile Solutions, your personalised treatment plan always includes a detailed, itemised cost breakdown so you know exactly what you're investing in, and why.

The 6 variables that drive price differences

1. Ceramist quality: local vs. offshore laboratory

This is the most underappreciated pricing variable of all. A veneer fabricated by a master ceramist in a Melbourne-based studio involves iterative shade-matching sessions with your treating dentist — something that simply isn't possible when work is outsourced internationally.

At Smile Solutions, Greg Karabasis (Master Ceramist, 32 years' experience) works exclusively on-site in our ceramic studio and is available to meet with you personally before treatment begins. You can see examples of his specific work. Our lab works for Smile Solutions only — no high-volume commercial lab sharing, no offshore fabrication.

Always ask your clinic: **"Who makes my veneers, and can I see examples of their specific work?"**

2. Material grade and ceramic type

Feldspathic porcelain offers superior translucency and the highest aesthetic quality, hand-layered by skilled ceramists. Lithium disilicate (e.g., IPS e.max) combines excellent strength — 360–400 MPa flexural — with outstanding aesthetics, and is widely used at Smile Solutions for its clinical performance and longevity. Leucite-reinforced glass ceramics sit in the mid-tier.

Higher-grade materials are reflected in the per-tooth fee. At Smile Solutions, we use premium ceramic materials across all cases.

3. Number of teeth treated

Per-tooth costs often decrease as the scope of treatment increases. Package rates for 8–12 veneers typically bring the per-tooth cost down, making comprehensive smile transformations more accessible.

4. Clinic location and operating costs

Inner-city practices — like ours at 220 Collins Street in Melbourne's Manchester Unity Building — carry higher overheads, and this is reflected in pricing. That higher pricing also means access to advanced technology, specialist oversight, and a dedicated on-site ceramist who is part of your care team.

5. Pre-treatment requirements

If you have bite issues, misalignment, worn teeth, uneven gum lines, or active decay, some corrective work — gum contouring, orthodontic alignment, or decay treatment — may be needed before veneers can be placed. This adds to your total investment. At your consultation, our team will identify all pre-treatment requirements upfront, so there are no surprise costs along the way.

6. Dentist experience and training

Dr Kia Pajouhesh (BDS Sc First Class Honours), Dr Philippa Robinson (Group Clinical Director), Dr Peter Henderson (CEREC/CAD-CAM specialist, at Smile Solutions since 2007), Dr Yasmin Coulthard (CEREC specialist since 2005), and Dr Silvia Ciach (3,500+ CEREC restorations) are among our most experienced cosmetic clinicians.

For complex multi-veneer smile makeovers, Prof Vasileios Chronopoulos (Specialist Prosthodontist, DDS MS PhD, 30+ years' experience) and Dr Simon Hinckfuss (Specialist Periodontist and Specialist Prosthodontist) are available on Level 8 at the Collins Street Specialist Centre.

Porcelain vs. composite veneers: a real cost comparison

Factor Composite veneers Porcelain veneers --- --- --- Upfront cost per tooth \$400–\$1,200 \$1,400–\$3,000 Lifespan 5–7 years 15+ years 10-year survival rate Lower 95.5% Stain resistance Moderate (porous) Excellent (non-porous) Number of visits 1 2–3 (or 1 for Same Day)

The numbers are worth working through. An 8-veneer porcelain set at approximately \$14,400, spread over 15 years, works out to around \$960 per year. The equivalent composite set, replaced every 6 years, works out to approximately \$1,067 per year — and involves repeated clinical appointments and additional enamel manipulation each time. Across the full lifespan of your smile, porcelain veneers often represent the stronger long-term investment.

Whitening before veneers

If you're planning to have veneers placed, professional whitening should be completed first — so the ceramic shade can be matched to your lightened natural teeth. Neither porcelain nor composite responds to whitening after bonding, so the sequence matters.

Smile Solutions whitening options:

- Zoom! in-chair whitening: \$475 — up to 8 shades brighter in 1 hour - Pola take-home whitening: \$395 — custom trays with professional-grade gel for gradual, consistent results - Combined package (both): \$770

Insurance and Medicare

Medicare does not cover cosmetic veneers. Most private health insurance classifies veneers as cosmetic and provides no cover. If veneers are required due to tooth damage or decay, partial coverage may apply — our team will help you check your specific policy and make the most of your entitlements.

Payment plans at Smile Solutions

We partner with flexible finance providers to help you access the care you need:

- ****Payright:**** Interest-free plans from \$150 to \$20,000 over 3–30 months (low establishment fee, fortnightly repayments) - ****TLC:**** Personal finance from \$2,001 to \$50,000 for up to 84 months (interest rate varies by credit profile)

Since 10 June 2025, BNPL services are regulated under the National Consumer Credit Protection Act, providing stronger consumer protections when financing dental treatment.

One practical tip: speak with our team about splitting your treatment across two health fund benefit years to maximise your insurance entitlements.

Book your consultation

Our experienced team will walk you through your personalised treatment options, answer your questions, and provide a fully itemised cost breakdown so you can make a confident, informed decision.

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What makes Smile Solutions veneers genuinely different

Price alone can't tell you whether a veneer treatment will deliver the result you're hoping for. At Smile Solutions, 14 specific advantages set our veneer work apart — here's what you can expect.

****In-house Smile Lab with on-site master ceramist.**** Every veneer is hand-crafted in our Smile Lab by master ceramist Greg Karabasis, available on-site to meet with you personally before treatment begins. No offshore fabrication, no external laboratory. All materials are TGA-approved and selected for their clinical performance.

****Digital Smile Design for every patient.**** Your new smile is previewed on a large screen before any preparation takes place, using digital design software that shows you exactly what your result will look like.

****Mock-up before any tooth preparation.**** A fully reversible preview is applied directly to your natural, unprepared teeth so you can approve the shape, size, and position before committing to your final result.

****Same Day Porcelain Veneers — a worldwide first.**** For suitable candidates, Smile Solutions completes preparation and insertion in a single day, with Greg Karabasis handcrafting your veneers on-site. No temporary veneers to wear for weeks. No risk of a final result that doesn't match what you approved at the outset.

****Non-invasive Fotona Laser removal.**** If you're replacing existing veneers or crowns, Smile Solutions uses the Fotona Laser to precisely dissolve the dental cement, preserving natural tooth structure that a conventional drill would otherwise damage.

****Specialist periodontist gum lifts.**** Gum contouring at Smile Solutions is performed by board-registered periodontists — not general dentists — using advanced surgical technique and laser technology for precise, minimal-recovery results.

****Board-registered specialist team for complex cases.**** Prosthodontics, periodontics, endodontics, orthodontics, and oral and maxillofacial surgery are all available on-site. Complex cases are managed entirely within Smile Solutions, without external referrals.

****Dedicated treatment coordinator.**** A single point of contact manages your appointments, coordinates your care, and assists with Payright, Humm, and MyDentaPlan payment arrangements.

****Australia's largest and most awarded practice.**** Operating since 1993 with more than 300,000 patients served. Smile Solutions has received multiple Australian Business Awards for Service Excellence, the Telstra Victorian Business of the Year, and the 2024 Australian Business Award for Business Innovation for Same Day Porcelain Veneers.

For the complete breakdown of all 14 advantages, see our dedicated article: [Same Day Porcelain Veneers - 14 Reasons Why Smile Solutions is Different](Not specified by manufacturer).
