

Dental Implants — Complete Guide | Smile Solutions Melbourne

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Details:

Smile Solutions Dental Implants Melbourne

Permanent, natural-looking tooth replacement

[Dental implants](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/dental-implants/>) are widely regarded as the gold standard for replacing missing teeth, and at Smile Solutions, you're in exceptionally experienced hands. A collaborative team of board-registered specialists, including prosthodontists, periodontists, and oral and maxillofacial surgeons, works together to deliver implant solutions that look, feel, and function like your natural teeth.

What are dental implants?

A dental implant is a small titanium screw surgically placed into your jawbone, where it acts as an artificial tooth root. Over time, the implant fuses with the surrounding bone through a natural process called osseointegration. Once that integration is complete, a custom-made porcelain crown is fitted on top, creating a permanent, natural-looking replacement tooth.

Dental implants have been used successfully since the 1960s and are among the most well-researched solutions available in modern dentistry. Whether you're missing a single tooth, several teeth, or an entire arch, there's an implant option suited to your situation.

Who are dental implants for?

Dental implants may be right for you if you:

- Have one or more missing teeth affecting your confidence or daily function
- Have a tooth that can no longer be saved and needs extraction
- Are living with ill-fitting dentures and want a more permanent, comfortable solution
- Have sufficient jawbone density, or are a candidate for bone grafting to support implant placement
- Want a long-lasting, low-maintenance restoration that fits seamlessly into your life

Your journey starts with a personalised consultation, where the specialists take time to understand your needs and work out the most appropriate path forward.

Types of dental implants

- **Conventional implants** — The implant is placed first, followed by the crown after a healing period of around 3–6 months. A reliable, time-tested option suited to most patients.
- **Immediate implants** — For patients with good bone density and no active infection, the implant and replacement tooth can be placed on the same day, cutting down treatment time without sacrificing quality.
- **All-on-4® dental**

implants](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/specialist-care/all-on-4-dental-implants/>)** — A full set of teeth permanently secured to just four implants per jaw. This is the preferred solution for patients needing full-arch replacement.

What to expect: the process

1. **Consultation and assessment** — Your dentist reviews your oral health, discusses your options, and provides a personalised quote tailored to your circumstances. 2. **3D imaging and planning** — Using a Planmeca ProMax 3D Max imaging system and coDiagnostiX® planning software, the team maps out your treatment in detail before anything begins. 3. **Implant surgery** — Your procedure is performed under local anaesthetic in Smile Solutions' purpose-built dental suites, or under general anaesthetic in hospital for more complex cases. 4. **Healing period** — For conventional implants, this is when osseointegration takes place. Your implant gradually fuses with the jawbone over several months, forming a stable foundation. 5. **Crown placement** — Once the implant has fully integrated, your specialist prosthodontist fits your custom-crafted porcelain crown, completing the restoration.

Your implant specialists

Smile Solutions brings together a genuinely multidisciplinary team, a level of collaborative specialist expertise that's hard to find under one roof in Melbourne.

- **[Dr Jamie Foong](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/our-team/drjamiefoong/>)** — Specialist Prosthodontist (BDSc, DCLinDent) - **[Dr Simon Hinckfuss](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/our-team/dr-simon-hinckfuss/>)** — Specialist Periodontist and Specialist Prosthodontist (BDSc, DCD Pros, Cert.Perio MS) - A team of [oral and maxillofacial surgeons](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/specialist-care/oral-maxillofacial-surgeons/>) who handle surgical placement - An in-house dental laboratory with skilled ceramists who craft each crown to precise aesthetic and functional standards

This model means your care is coordinated from the first consultation through to the final restoration, with no handoffs to outside providers.

Pricing

The cost of dental implants depends on the implant type, the complexity of your case, and whether your procedure is carried out by a general dentist or a board-registered specialist. Your total cost typically covers extraction (where needed), the implant itself, and the crown or prosthesis.

Smile Solutions offers **complimentary implant consultations** with an experienced dentist, so you get a clear, itemised quote before committing to anything. Call the team on **[13 13 96](tel:131396)** to get started.

Flexible payment options are available, including Payright interest-free plans, MyDentaPlan, HICAPS on-site claiming, health fund preferred provider status, major credit cards, and a 5% saving when paying in full. See the [Payment Plans](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/payment-plans/>) and [Price Guide](<https://www.smilesolutions.com.au/price-guide/>) pages for full details.

How to book

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