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Caring for your smile



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## Our Guide to Crowns

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### Why crown?

Crowns may be required when too much tooth has been lost for a simple “filling” to repair your tooth. Alternatively, they can be provided for cosmetic reasons (e.g. to correct a discoloured tooth). A wide variety of crowns are available. Finding the best crown for you involves, the dentist, the dental technicians and yourself. We do have demonstration models and various pictures to look at, please ask a member of staff and we will be happy to show them to you.

### The crowning process...

To make crowns usually takes the dentist two visits:

**Visit one** – The dentist will shape your tooth and take an impression. A temporary crown is then usually fitted. This impression goes to the dental technician to make the crown, by hand, to fit exactly over your prepared tooth.

**Visit two** – The dentist cements the crown firmly into place.



### Types of crown...

We can offer the following types of crown:

**Traditional gold crowns** – Gold crowns are very hard wearing and long lasting. Only a small amount of tooth has to be removed because gold is strong, and so the crown can be thinner. Gold crowns are suitable for back teeth in everybody but because they are not tooth coloured they are not to everybody’s taste.

Price (per crown)	£380
Denplan price (lab fees)	£90

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### Types of crown... *continued*

#### Porcelain-metal bonded crowns

These crowns are strong as they have a layer of precious metal under the porcelain. They are suitable for front teeth, especially if you have a strong bite, and for back teeth. Different types of precious metal can be used; a high yellow gold content gives a warmer appearance.

**Price (per crown)** £380  
**Denplan price (lab fees)** £90

#### Porcelain crowns (metal free)

A wide range of crowns are available that are metal free. The absence of metal allows light to pass through the crown so giving a more natural appearance. Your dentist can advise you which type would be suitable for you...

Briefly they are as follows:

#### Dentine bonded crowns

This type of crown is “bonded” (rather than cemented) to your tooth, and can therefore be made much thinner. This means that more of your tooth can be saved when preparing the crown. Dentine bonded crowns may not be suitable for some bites.

**Price (per crown)** £370  
**Denplan price (lab fees)** £80

#### E-max crowns

These crowns are made from a glass-ceramic. They are a step up in strength from a dentine bonded crown. They can be conventionally cemented, so can be used when bonding is not possible. They give a natural appearance especially in younger patients.

**Price (per crown)** £415  
**Denplan price (lab fees)** £125

#### Procera and lava Crowns

These are state of the art crowns developed recently. They have a unique core layer of porcelain which is made via a computer which is especially strong and long lasting. Due to the fact that they are all porcelain they have a very natural appearance. They are suitable for back and front teeth even if you have a strong bite.

**Price (per crown)** £445  
**Denplan price (lab fees)** £155

#### Posts and cores

These are needed when a tooth is very badly broken down and only the root is left. The post fits into the root and the crown is made to fit over the post.

**Price (per post and core)** £32

Please Note:

Prices given are intended as a guide and may be subject to change without notice.



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