

# Getting the **smile you want** with Veneers

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## What are porcelain veneers?

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A porcelain veneer is a very thin shell of tooth-coloured porcelain (ceramic) carefully crafted and bonded to the front of your tooth or teeth.

If you desire a more beautiful and attractive smile, porcelain veneers may be right for you.

People often think of veneers as like little false fingernails that fit over your teeth to improve their appearance. Like false fingernails, veneers are glued to the front of the real surface which remains underneath. The result is that the tooth is not significantly altered, but gains a new appearance – a new shape, size and a whiter colour.

Veneers require only minimal reduction of the tooth surface so they are a more conservative treatment than a Crown and so are often used as an alternative if the underlying tooth is strong and healthy.

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## How do I know if porcelain veneers are right for me?

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Veneers are a great dental solution for people who have:

- crooked or uneven teeth or teeth alignment
- chipped or irregular teeth
- gaps or uneven spacing between teeth
- discoloured or stained teeth or fillings when tooth whitening is not an option

If you desire a more beautiful and attractive smile and want to look younger and feel better about yourself, porcelain veneers may be right for you.

Where porcelain veneers cannot be used we can recommend alternatives.

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## Porcelain veneers vs Composite resin veneers

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A Composite resin veneer is a quicker and cheaper veneer solution compared to porcelain veneers but we always make our patients aware of the pros and cons of the different types of veneer materials.



Visit the Alderley Dental [Veneers webpage](#) for more details on the pros and cons between porcelain and composite veneers.

If you are considering veneers the best way to discover the difference between the two types of veneers and their outcomes for your circumstances is to call us to book an initial consultation or to discuss any questions you have with our knowledgeable and helpful reception staff. Contact us on [07 3856 2144](tel:0738562144).

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## Looking after your veneers

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Caring for your veneers is just like taking care of your natural teeth. Maintaining a healthy regime of regular flossing, active maintenance visits with us, and brushing with a soft toothbrush is the foundation of great veneer care.