

**keep looking younger**

When you lose your teeth, your jawbone can shrink – making you look older. Implants help prevent this process.

**eat whatever you want**

Like natural teeth, your new teeth are strong, stable, and secure, so you can comfortably eat all your favorite foods.

**a life-long solution**

Nobel Biocare dental Implants are a long-lasting solution – often for life.

**a happier life**

Beautiful new teeth can give you back the confidence you may have lost. They can transform your daily life!



**Patient's notes**

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*Which is Right  
for You?*

**A 3-unit Bridge  
or Dental Implant**

**Why wait to start smiling?**

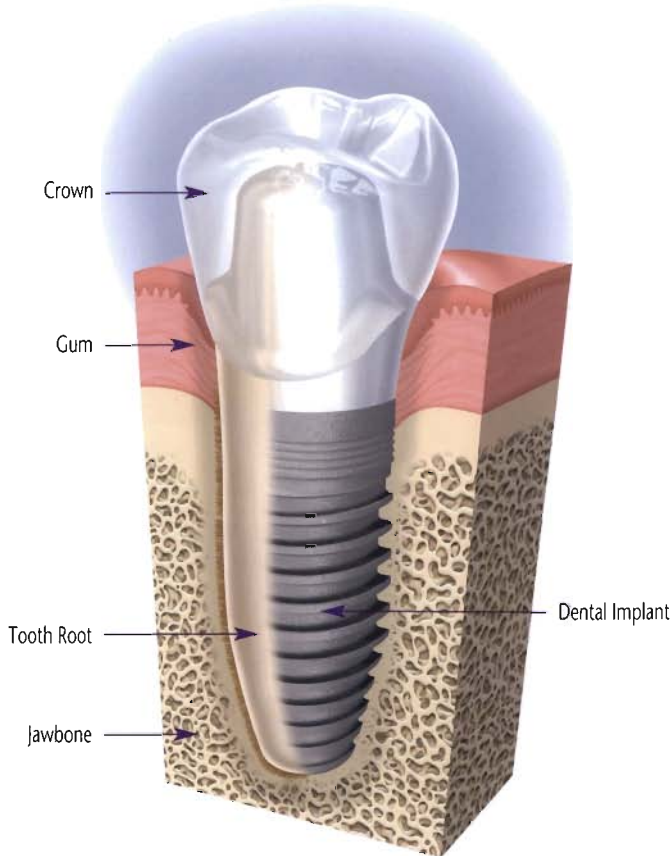


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# why dental implants?

Everyone deserves a beautiful smile. With the tremendous advances in esthetic dentistry, there's no need to put up with anything less. With Nobel Biocare implants, a missing tooth can now be easily, comfortably, and permanently replaced.



Bone forms a bond with dental implants

## 3-unit bridge

### The Traditional Option

Historically, a bridge was used to replace a single missing tooth. Bridges are constructed of metal sub-frames with tooth-colored porcelain applied to approximate the natural color of your existing teeth.

Bridges use the teeth on either side of your missing tooth to provide support for the artificial tooth that fills-in the space where your natural tooth is missing.

The goal of the bridge is to restore chewing function and achieve an acceptable esthetic outcome.

Unfortunately, bone under the replacement tooth is no longer stimulated by chewing and is often resorbed into the body, creating a slowly growing gap between the replacement tooth and the gums.



#### Key Attributes:

- Slightly less expensive
- Achieve acceptable esthetic outcome
- Restores chewing function

#### Drawbacks:

- Requires grinding down of healthy adjacent teeth
- Potential for increased risk to the prepared teeth
- Bone resorption results in compromised esthetics over time
- Life span of only 5 to 7 years
- May contain metal

Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## single tooth implant

### The State-of-the-Art Solution

Dental implants often provide a more advanced replacement for the missing tooth than a traditional bridge, and preserves adjacent teeth.

Dental implants are small metal screws designed specifically to replace your natural tooth root. Manufactured from titanium, dental implants provide a highly biocompatible surface, encouraging bone to attach to the implant during the healing process to ensure long-term results.

Dental implants do not require the adjacent teeth to be modified. They also create stimulation to the underlying bone.

Restoration with all-ceramic components (crown and abutment) can result in a beautiful, natural-looking, translucent tooth, just like the tooth being replaced!



#### Key Attributes:

- Adjacent teeth remain intact—no grinding required
- Stimulation restored to underlying bone; bone integrity is preserved
- Helps maintain long-term, esthetic results
- Titanium is strong and naturally accepted by the body

#### Drawbacks:

- Slightly higher cost than bridge

Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_