Lava™ Crowns and Bridges

Give your smile a brighter future.
You need a restoration.

So what is a restoration?

- An indirect restoration, also called a crown or bridge, is used to cover or replace a tooth that is broken, discolored, badly shaped or has too much decay for a filling.

- The restoration is fitted over the original tooth after any decay has been removed.

- The right restoration will look, feel and last like your natural teeth.
What materials can be used for a restoration?

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<td>Metal alloys with either silver or gold appearance. Does not mimic look of real teeth. The traditional restoration used for decades.</td>
<td>Porcelain, fused to a metal structure. Comes closer to the look of real teeth than metal restorations. The metal substructure limits translucency, resulting in restorations looking dull and lifeless.</td>
<td>This is the strongest, all-ceramic restoration type available. Using patented color ion technology, 3M’s Lava™ Plus High Translucency Zirconia will match your teeth.</td>
<td>Porcelain is added to zirconia to create more customized esthetics. In cases where such esthetics are required, your dentist may prescribe this restoration.</td>
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Natural beauty that brings out the same.

- Lava™ and Lava™ Plus Zirconia restorations are an ideal alternative to metal-based restorations.
- Lava zirconia restorations mimic the translucency and beauty of your natural teeth.
- Lava zirconia could be an alternative for those who have concerns about metal.
- Lava zirconia is gentle and will not wear down your natural teeth.
Lava™ Crowns and Bridges
An investment that helps you live comfortably.

• Precision computer design ensures Lava restorations fit well, and feel comfortable

• 3M is committed to providing materials and solutions that are safe and effective for use
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Beauty that lasts like no other restoration.

Over time, metal restorations can leave a dark ridge where the gums recede. With Lava zirconia, your restoration retains its original beauty for years.

1 Photography and case study courtesy of Dr. Heather Rechtin
2 Photo courtesy of Ariel Raigrodski, DMD, MS
Over time, metal fillings can allow additional tooth decay. This may require replacement with a full crown.

With Lava Plus High Translucency Zirconia, your esthetic all-zirconia restoration is as strong as possible.

1 Clinical images provided by Dr. Robert Ritter of Ritter & Ramsey General and Cosmetic Dentistry
2 Lava™ Plus Zirconia Restorations designed by Bob Williams, CDT, Owner of Synergy Ceramics