

# Frequently asked questions:

**Q: How is LUMINEERS® BY CERINATE® different than traditional veneer procedures?**

**A:** LUMINEERS BY CERINATE is unique in that it is contact lens-thin (approximately .2 mm) and super translucent. Traditional veneers are fused or bonded to teeth, and generally your dentist will need to grind down the tooth for a good fit. Since LUMINEERS is so thin, little to no tooth reduction is necessary. In addition, LUMINEERS resists micro-leakage and micro-cracking.

**Q: Is there any other LUMINEERS?**

**A:** No. LUMINEERS can only be made from Cerinate porcelain. This revolutionary porcelain is crafted through a proprietary process unavailable anywhere other than Den-Mat® Corporation, one of the nation's largest manufacturers of professional dental materials. Be sure to ask your dentist whether he/she is using LUMINEERS BY CERINATE with the certified placement method.

**Q: I've heard that a veneer procedure hurts? Is that true with LUMINEERS?**

**A:** It's true that because most veneer procedures require a substantial amount of tooth structure removal, that there is pain and discomfort involved. LUMINEERS is completely different because there is no need for grinding, cutting or filing of teeth in almost all cases. Consequently, no anesthetic or numbing shots are needed. Plus, no uncomfortable temporaries are required while you wait for your LUMINEERS to be created. Once the procedure is completed, there is no post-placement discomfort or sensitivity, which means they will look natural and feel comfortable from the start.

**Q: I think I need braces, but I really don't want to go through the inconvenient, unsightly and time-intensive process. Can I get LUMINEERS instead?**

**A:** In most cases, yes. Your dentist will be able to evaluate your teeth and decide whether orthodontics is necessary. If you do not have a severe problem, LUMINEERS will change the shape and alignment of teeth, making them look straighter and more uniform.

**Q: How much does a LUMINEERS Smile cost?**

**A:** LUMINEERS BY CERINATE are porcelain veneers that the Cerinate Smile Design Studio provides to dentists. Fees are determined by your dentist as he/she evaluates your smile needs. Often LUMINEERS veneer procedures can considerably vary, sometimes only a few LUMINEERS will dramatically improve your smile and other times more LUMINEERS can be required. Check with your LUMINEERS dentist regarding your personal requirements and payment programs that are available.

**Q: How long will LUMINEERS last?**

**A:** LUMINEERS has unparalleled longevity. Clinical testing has proven that a LUMINEERS procedure lasts and looks great for over 20 years. LUMINEERS BY CERINATE also offers a 5-year Warranty for replacement at no charge. Ask your dentist for details as certain restrictions do apply.

**Q: Can LUMINEERS be taken off if I want them removed?**

**A:** Yes, LUMINEERS are completely reversible. This is largely due to the no reduction in sensitive tooth structure so that your natural teeth are still intact and strong.

**Q: With LUMINEERS, do I need to use a special toothpaste or floss a different way?**

**A:** LUMINEERS is similar in structure to real tooth enamel. Consequently, you should always try to choose a low-abrasion toothpaste that will remove plaque, stain and tartar, gently but effectively.

**Q: With LUMINEERS, can I still chew gum and eat my favorite sticky foods like corn or candy?**

**A:** There are no limitations as to what you can eat or drink since LUMINEERS are placed over original teeth in the most durable way possible. However you should continue to visit your dentist every 6 months for a check-up and cleaning to keep your LUMINEERS in good condition and to qualify for the Warranty.

**Q: Why have I never heard of LUMINEERS before?**

**A:** More than 5,000 dentists nationwide use LUMINEERS BY CERINATE and we continue to educate the dental community about this new procedure. Recently, a national advertising campaign has been launched to educate consumers about this noninvasive technique.