

Revision Facelift

Surgery to resolve problems following a facelift and achieve a harmonious, attractive, natural result

What is a Revision Facelift?

A Revision Facelift is secondary surgery to resolve problems from a previous facelift operation or to treat the effects of continued ageing. Corrective surgery can help if your face looks tight, windswept or unnatural; if a lift has left visible scars or your earlobes are stretched and deformed.

Revision Facelifts present additional challenges because of the changed anatomy and existing scars. They require specialist skills to achieve an attractive and natural-looking result. Bella Vou's highly-qualified surgeons have extensive experience and expertise in revision surgery; they can operate to correct any problems and rejuvenate your appearance.

Why have Revision Facelift surgery?

If you are dissatisfied with your appearance following facelift surgery, a Revision Facelift can help restore a fresh, youthful appearance.

The most common reasons for facelift revision surgery include lifts that are too tight, asymmetry, unacceptable scars, and pixie ear deformities. Aesthetic plastic surgeons are performing more and more revision procedures following botched operations. This can be because surgeons with inadequate training and poor technique have done the operations, as well as the rise in surgical tourism.

However, even the best facelifts don't last forever. The ageing process continues after surgery. Many people request revision surgery to address the natural, ongoing effects of time, sun damage, and gravity.

What happens in Revision Facelift surgery?

The surgery required will depend on the particular problems that need to be addressed following your previous surgery. Many people can be treated by the Concept™ Facelift, an innovative procedure that is less invasive than traditional facelifts. The lift is performed under local anaesthetic, offering a quicker recovery, reduced bruising, and less downtime than conventional surgery.

However, corrective surgery can be extensive and complex. Sometimes the procedure will be performed under general anaesthetic, a more extensive operation will be done, or several staged procedures may be necessary to achieve the very best results. The surgeons will carefully assess your skin, discuss any problems you have, and tailor a treatment programme to help address your concerns.

How long is the recovery time for a Revision Facelift?

Your recovery from surgery will depend on the procedures you need, your skin, and your individual health.

The Concept™ Facelift is less invasive than traditional facelift surgery. There is less downtime and it offers a quicker recovery. It's normal to have some bruising and swelling; however, most people can return to their regular routine within a matter of days.

It's important to remember that although your outward appearance will look healthy and healed, your body will still take up to eight weeks to fully recover.

Quick glance guide to Concept™ Revision Facelift

Duration	2-3 hours
Anaesthesia	Local anaesthetic
Hospital Stay	Day case
Recovery	1 week
Addresses	Loose skin, deep lines, sagging, overtight skin, scarring, pixie ears, disharmonious appearance

Why choose Bella Vou for your Revision Facelift

Bella Vou offers clients a uniquely individual approach to cosmetic surgery. The state-of-the-art clinic provides the very latest surgical, cosmetic, and aesthetic treatments in a chic, comfortable, and welcoming environment in the heart of the beautiful historic town of Royal Tunbridge Wells.

Bella Vou is dedicated to providing satisfaction, the highest standards of care, and a very personal touch throughout the client journey. The highly-skilled, professional staff are passionate about helping people achieve the results they want, but also making their experience enjoyable, stress, and hassle-free.

Bella Vou's leading cosmetic surgeons are recognised by the most highly-regarded aesthetics and cosmetic surgery associations, including the UK Association of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons (UKAAPS). They are highly-skilled in revision surgery and also offer the revolutionary Concept™ Facelift. The clinic and leading-edge operating suite are approved and inspected to ensure the highest standards of patient care, cleanliness, and infection control.

Bella Vou offers competitively priced packages of care, with no hidden extras. The clinic is confident in the skills and professionalism of the staff and provides a benefit warranty to provide patients with peace of mind. If there is a problem or complication, the client will be looked after throughout, without any extra bills or charges.

Bella Vou combines cutting-edge treatment and clinical excellence with the luxury, comfort, and discretion of a spa and the hospitality of a five-star hotel.

Your Revision Facelift journey at Bella Vou

Free, no-obligation consultation

Bella Vou offers every client a free consultation with an expert, accredited cosmetic surgeon with no obligation to proceed to treatment. The consultation is an opportunity to discuss any concerns you have with your appearance and the results you want to achieve. Having had previous facelift surgery, many people are nervous about further procedures. The specialists at Bella Vou will always give you honest and impartial advice on what surgery can achieve. Mr Amir Nakhdjevani says:

'We make sure that we advise people correctly about whether surgery is right for them. We treat everyone as if they were our family. We might turn people away, suggest alternative treatments, or we may suggest that they go to a different specialist at another establishment. If someone is uncertain about an operation, we're happy to see them several times, without a consultation charge. At Bella Vou, we never pressurise people or try to sell procedures. It's always about giving an honest opinion and honest advice.'

Meet your surgeon

You will have an appointment to meet Mr Amir Nakhdjevani again before proceeding to surgery. This will give you a chance to find out more about the procedure, your recovery, and to ask any questions you may have. Your surgeon will talk you through the operation and take time to address all your concerns.

Preparation for Revision Facelift

Preparation for your procedure can help reduce the risk of infection and improve recovery. You should shower and wash your hair daily. It's also essential to stop smoking cigarettes and e-cigarettes to reduce the risk of healing complications. If you have a general anaesthetic or sedation, you will be given individual advice on fasting before the operation.

On the day of your facelift, you'll be personally welcomed to Bella Vou, given a gown to wear and escorted to the state-of-the-art operating theatre.

What happens during Revision Facelift surgery?

The type of anaesthetic and the specific surgery required will depend on the problems that need to be addressed following your previous surgery. Treatments include:

The Concept™ Facelift: An innovative facelift developed exclusively by Bella Vou. It is a less invasive alternative to traditional facelift surgery, offering a quicker

recovery, reduced bruising, and less downtime. It is usually performed under local anaesthetic, although sedation and general anaesthesia are also available.

The surgeon makes a short incision from the front of the ear to behind the ear. They then lift the skin and perform a muscle-tightening SMAS lift. The surgery smooths the skin, lifts the cheeks, removes jowls, and restores definition to the jawline.

Pixie Ear correction: Surgery to cut away existing scars and re-stitch the ear-lobe in the correct position.

Recovery from Concept™ Revision Facelift

After the operation, you can relax in the comfort of Bella Vou's recovery suites. The supportive staff will offer you a drink and biscuits after surgery and explain your aftercare and what to expect as you recover.

You'll be able to go home the same day with no drains, drips, or bandages. However, you may choose to wear a scarf for discretion. It's crucial to arrange a friend or family member to pick you up and escort you home.

One of the Bella Vou team will give you a call the day after surgery to make sure you're well, have had a good night, and to answer any questions. The Bella Vou staff are always available if you have any problems or worries.

After one week, the nurse and wound care specialist will check your scars. At around six weeks, your surgeon will check your progress, and at six months, you'll be offered a follow-up check to ensure that you remain healthy and happy with your results.

FAQs

I have pixie ears following a facelift. What can be done?

Following a face-lift, scars usually develop around the ears. If these stretch downwards, it can give the appearance of a pixie-ear with loss of the normal ear-lobe shape.

Pixie ears can be treated by addressing the scarring in this area. Commonly a repeat face-lift is suggested to correct this. This is not always necessary, and the deformity can be corrected without requiring a repeat face-lift. Sometimes, with constant recurrence, a repeat face-lift may be warranted.

How soon after a Revision Facelift can I dye my hair?

You should wait at least two weeks before applying hair dye. This allows the sensitive wounds to heal. Warn your hairdresser that you have had surgery and point out the scars so that they avoid excessive handling in the area, which could irritate or disturb the wounds.

Isn't it frightening having a facelift while you're awake?

Most of Bella Vou's patients find the experience relaxing and stress-free. We are cautious about making sure the area is completely numb, and we chat throughout the procedure so that each individual is confident that they are in safe hands.

As a surgeon, it helps me get to know my patients even better and builds a bond with them, which isn't possible with a general anaesthetic. But don't just take my word for it, look at videos of real patient experiences on our website. Our patients are Bella Vou's best adverts.

How is the recovery?

If you have traditional facelift revision surgery, it can take between six and eight weeks to heal. During this time, you will have bruising and swelling that can impact on your work and social life.

The Concept™ Facelift is less traumatic because surgery is performed through a short incision. There is minimal bruising and swelling. The surgeons at Bella Vou use no staples, drains, or bandages through this innovative procedure.

Patients are usually able to return to their regular routine within a few days, and within a week, or so, any bruising and swelling settle. However, it takes up to 8 weeks for all the wounds to heal and for your body to fully recover.

I've seen celebrity facelifts that look artificial, like being in a wind tunnel. Could that happen to me?

The Concept™ Facelift has been developed to give a fresh and natural look. This type of facelift surgery does not result in the very tight, mask-like appearance that some traditional facelifts can create. It is also not intended to make people look 20 years old again, but rather to address the signs of aging that have made you look tired or older than your years. Following surgery, your friends and family should notice that you look well and fresh but still natural.

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What cosmetic results can I expect?

Corrective facelift surgery is more complex and intricate than primary procedures. Bella Vou's experienced surgeons are experienced at performing revision surgery and will help ensure you achieve your desired look. During your initial consultation, they will set a realistic goal together with you.

Your surgeon can show you images of other patients with similar concerns so that you can appreciate your likely results. It's important to understand that everyone heals differently, and the effects of any two procedures will differ. Your surgeon will help you have a clear understanding of what to expect and will always strive for excellence and a result that makes you happy.

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After a Revision Facelift, will I need more surgery?

A facelift will not stop the ageing process; it will just set the clock back. You will continue to age, but you will always look younger than your actual age. So, you may elect to have further surgery at a later date.