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# **Tear trough fillers**

### **Patient information**

### Before the procedure

- Stop taking aspirin, ibuprofen or any drugs that can increase bruising at least a week before the procedure, so long as it is medically safe to do so ask your doctor if you aren't sure.
- Take two paracetamol tablets a few hours before the procedure, providing it is medically safe for you to do so again, ask your doctor if you have any doubts.
- Don't drink alcohol on the day of the procedure, both before and after treatment it can also exacerbate bruising.

#### After the treatment

- If you bruise easily, you may want to use a cold compress or ice pack after the treatment
- Bruising may come out a day or so after the treatment but should fade within a week.
- You may have mild swelling, which should go down in between one and three weeks.
- Because of the possibility of swelling, Mr Malhotra will avoid overfilling the area on your initial visit – some patients may need a top-up a few weeks later to get the best result.
- Some patients experience some lumpiness, which can be evened out by massaging gently with your thumb.