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The face lift involves mobilizing and repositioning the skin and some of the underlying tissue in the lower part of the face. The procedure can dramatically achieve a more youthful, energetic appearance by eliminating undesirable wrinkles and lifting the sagging skin of the lower face. The procedure is performed in the operating room under general anesthesia. The incisions are placed in the natural crease just in front of and behind the ear so that they are camouflaged. The goal of the procedure is to achieve a smooth, younger-looking appearance that does not look stretched or pulled. Common areas of correction include sagging cheeks, jowls, and loose skin under the chin. The face lift is often performed in combination with eyelid lifts, and a brow/forehead lift.

Patients typically have some tenderness and mild swelling of the cheeks and upper neck for several weeks. For many patients, this social downtime is well worth the dramatic and long-lasting results.