THE MARKET / A PRICE SNAPSHOT

Piercing Cost in Christchurch

Published piercing prices, jewellery and fees from Christchurch studios, salon listings, age rules and 3,388 Google reviews on 11 profiles. Checked on 16 November 2026.

ONE HELIX, WITH JEWELLERY
$40 to $120

Adorn $40 incl. basic jewellery; SkinKandy from $50 incl. steel; Haven $45 + jewellery from $55; Absolution $60 + jewellery from about $60. [1] [2] [3] [4]

BOTH EAR LOBES
$29 to about $240

Salon listings $29 to $40; SkinKandy needle-free pair from $50; Adorn $60; 1Health $55 to $85; Haven and Absolution about $160 to $240 with jewellery. [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6]

JEWELLERY AND FEES
$10 to $60

Downsize $15 (SkinKandy), fitting or removal $20 (Adorn), Haven service fees $15 to $45, starter jewellery from $45 to about $60. [1] [2] [3] [4]

What the data shows

Two studios include basic jewellery in the price, two sell implant-grade jewellery on top. No studio says whether prices include GST. Haven’s website and Instagram give different jewellery prices. [1] [2] [3] [4]

3,388 Google reviews: 617 in the last 12 months, 550 of those answered. 275 have three stars or fewer, 49 of them about money; 16 of those are at the two SkinKandy stores. [12]

Method. We read studio price lists, salon listings on Fresha and Google’s AI Overview, and every Google review on 11 Christchurch profiles that pierce. No studio was asked for a quote. [12]

01 / PRICES

Piercing prices by type

Published prices per piercing. Adorn and SkinKandy include basic jewellery; Haven and Absolution do not.

Piercing	Adorn	SkinKandy (from)	Haven + jewellery	Absolution
Lobe	$40	$50	$35 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Double lobe	$60	$50 needle-free pair	2 × ($35 + $55)	2 × ($60 + $60)
Helix	$40	$50	$45 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Nostril	$40	$50	$55 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Conch or tragus	$50	$50	$65 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Septum	$50	$50	$65 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Daith or rook	$50	$50	$85 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Industrial	$50	$70	$85 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Navel	$50	$50	$65 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Nipple	$50	$60	$65 + from $55	$60 + about $60
Dermal	$80	$90	$85 + from $55	$60 + about $60

SkinKandy: two standard piercings from $80. Haven: bites and paired nipples $115 before jewellery. Sources [1] [2] [3] [4]

02 / JEWELLERY AND FEES

What comes on top

Jewellery, downsizing and service fees from the studios' own pages.

Studio	Jewellery	Fees	Src
Trendez By Adorn	Basic jewellery included; titanium upgrade ($10 in one review)	Fitting $20 (free over $50), removal $20, downsize fitting free	[1]
SkinKandy	Surgical steel included; titanium or 14K gold extra; own jewellery only	Downsize $15 ($10 members), changeover $15, two piercers +$20 on lobes	[2]
Haven Tattoo	From $55 (website) or $45 (Instagram)	Removal $15, install $25, bump care $45	[3]
Absolution	From about $60; sales final	Not listed	[4]
1Health	Studs or rings included, $55 to $85	–	[5]

Ask for the total with jewellery before the needle. Reviewers booked at $50 or $80 and were asked for $88 to $180 once jewellery and add-ons were added.

03 / AGE AND RULES

Who can be pierced

New Zealand has no national age limit for piercing; Christchurch has no piercing bylaw.

Studio	Rules	Src
SkinKandy	Needle-free first lobes from 6 months; needle lobes 5+; second lobes 10+; standard piercings 13+; parent consent and photo ID for children	[7]
Absolution	10 to 13 lobes only and 13 to 16 limited, with a parent and ID for both; 16 to 18 at piercer’s discretion; no intimate piercings under 18	[4]
1Health	Ear piercing from 6 months; under-16s with a parent or guardian	[5]
Adorn	Age rules in its booking app only	[1]
Haven Tattoo	No genital or surface piercings; consultation for dermal, bridge and large gauge	[3]
National	No national age law; council bylaws in some regions, not Christchurch	[10] [11]

04 / REVIEWS AND WHO TO CALL

3,388 reviews

Every Google review on 11 Christchurch profiles that pierce, 15 and 16 November 2026.

Three studios to call first

Rated 4.5+, 200+ reviews, 70%+ of last year's answered, price list online; ranked by rating, then reviews.

Studio	Phone	Rating, reviews	New (answered)
1. Haven Tattoo Christchurch	027 318 0029	4.9, 651	144 (135)
2. Absolution	03 381 7539	4.9, 527	72 (56)
3. Trendez By Adorn	03 365 2255	4.6, 1,253	134 (117)

SEO4 Price Score

Eight checks, 0 to 2 points: prices online, jewellery, extras, age rules, rating, new reviews, replies, consistent figures.

Studio	Score	Studio	Score
Trendez By Adorn	12/16	SkinKandy Northlands	10/16
SkinKandy Riccarton	12/16	The Jolly Octopus	3/16
Haven Tattoo Christchurch	12/16	Bensons Hair and Beauty	2/16
Absolution	12/16		

Jewellery shops: Absolution showroom (gold, Anatometal), Trendez By Adorn (biggest range, online from $15), SkinKandy (titanium online $29.99 to $54.99). [4] [8] [9]

None of these studios are SEO4 clients. A public snapshot from 16 November 2026, written in good faith; the score says nothing about piercing quality. [12]

05 / HOW TO GET A FAIR PRICE

The total, before the needle

Piercing prices compare only when they include the same jewellery.

Message template
Hi, I'd like a [piercing] on my [ear / nose / other]. What is the total with your starter jewellery, and what is that jewellery made of? Is the downsize included, and how much is it? Is GST included? I'm [age]; what ID do you need?

Five questions: what metal is the starter jewellery? Is the price fixed or "from"? What does the downsize cost? Can I bring my own jewellery? Is GST included?

Compare your own piercing with the free calculator in the full article: **seo4.co.nz/blog/piercing-cost-christchurch**. Studios that want a clearer price page can contact SEO4 at seo4.co.nz/pricing-contact.

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