

Type of Nail	Full Set**	Repair** (per Nail)	Fill Frequency**	Filing (rough up nail bed)	Pros	Cons
Regular Acrylic	\$28	\$3	2 weeks - \$18	A little	-Majority of salons can apply or maintain -Strongest and most versatile type nails	-can tend to get thick overtime unless thinned properly when filled
Solar Nail (Pink & White acrylic system by Creative)	\$45	\$5	2 weeks - \$18 Regular (pink)	A little	-French is "Permanent" -won't have to pay the French cost on Regular fills(except backfill once a month)	-Only for French Wearers -Higher cost for new application/maintenance
			4 weeks - \$30 BackFill(white)	A little	-White is "Permanent" and usually won't chip unless nail is broken.	-BackFill (white fill) is usually priced higher and takes longer
Gel (UV cured)	\$40	\$5	2 weeks- \$30	A little	-Does not lose it's shine if worn without polish (no waiting time to dry nails) -This may be an alternative for those that may be allergic to the traditional acrylic process (primer, monomer, polymer)	-For some, gel has not stood up as well as acrylic -Chemically, Gel is actually a premixed form of acrylic(polymer) and liquid(monomer) -Can not be soaked off by traditional means as with acrylic (Acetone) -Must be filed or taken off by other means (ie wait til they grow out without filling them)
Silk	\$45	\$5	2 weeks- \$30	A little	-uniformly thinner	-tends to lift sooner, even more so with greater exposure to moisture
Fiberglass	\$45	\$5	2 weeks- \$30	A little	-uniformly thinner	-tends to lift sooner, even more so with greater exposure to moisture

\*For any type of enhancement to adhere better, some filing is recommended. If applied and removed correctly, artificial nails do little damage to your natural nails. Under normal conditions, your natural nails will always grow back in the same condition they were in before the artificial enhancements were applied. Enhancements won't improve your natural nails(except aesthetically of course) or make them "healthier." If your ultimate goal is to grow your natural nails, it is not recommended that you get enhancements. Regular manicures and proper dietary supplementation is the optimal means to try to grow your natural nails.

\*\*Prices are common to The Nailery and The Nailery Too. Generally, certain types of nails - like Solar, Gel, and Wraps - will be higher in majority of salons. Higher prices are due to increase cost in product, increased difficulty of application, as well as increase in time of application. This is in comparison to regular acrylic applications. Sometimes, a salon can be drastically lower cost than the area's average. This might not be because they are willing to make less but it might be that their products are not comparable. There are various gradients of quality within each type of product itself. For instance, the better and higher cost acrylic powder will have smaller grains and better absorption of liquid monomer (which reduces likelihood of bubbles) and are more resistant to yellowing under UV exposure. UV lights used in salons are mainly UV-A type radiation which are safer. Sun exposure carries all forms of radiation including the more dangerous ones (such as UV-B and UV-C radiation). Commonly, under sun exposure and certain tanning beds (ie.Mega-Beds), the polish will yellow before the nail product will. The nail yellows less because the polish (commonly a top coat of some sort) is filtering the rays onto the nail product itself. Though some products on the market claim to be non-yellowing, we've observed slight yellowing even in the best of our products. The effects are less but this is more common to those that tan. Smoking and exposure to heat, like heat radiating from a typical stove for someone whom cooks, will also cause yellowing. Heat damage is not due to poor quality of product, it's just that you are cooking something that should not be treated as such.