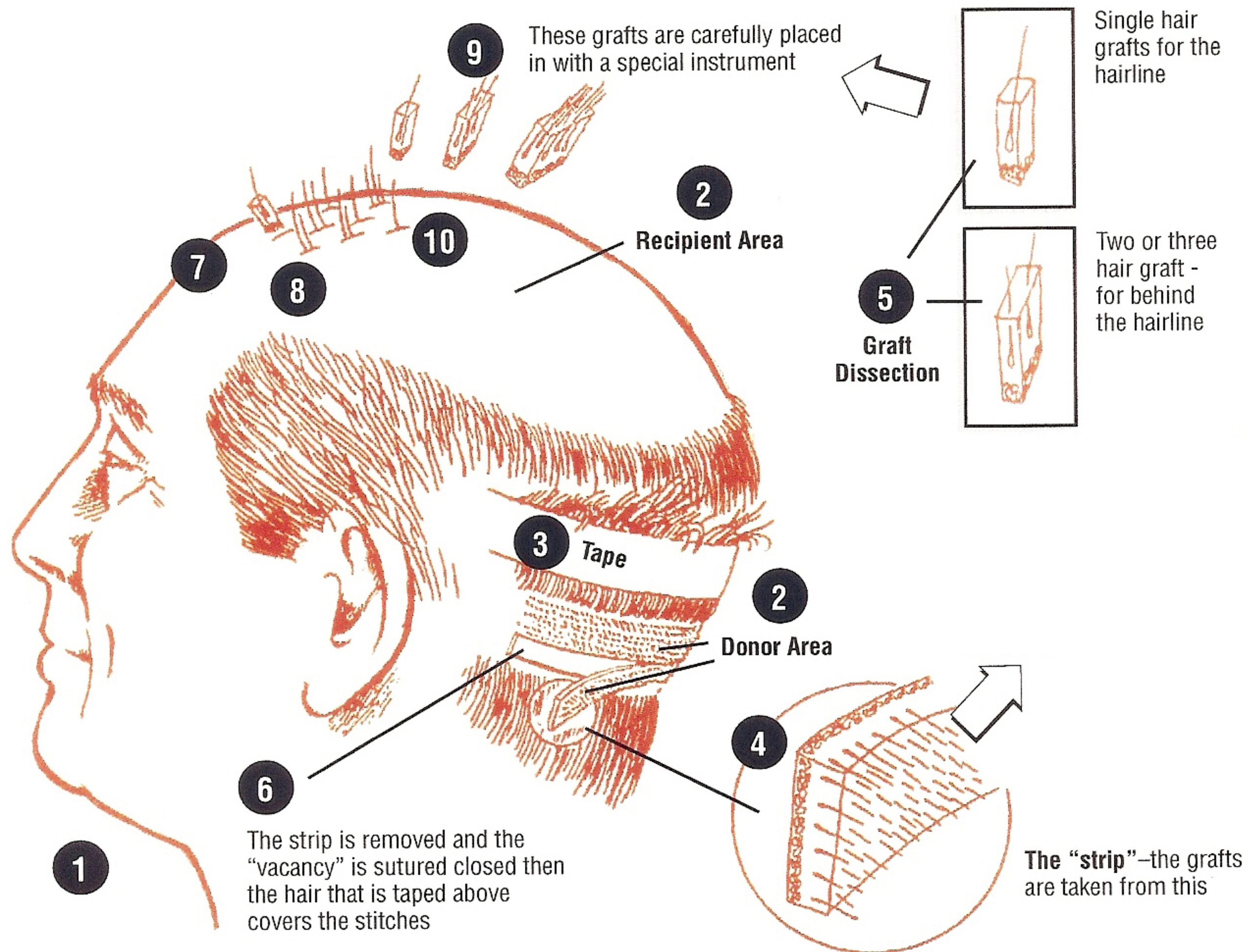


# WHAT HAPPENS DURING A TYPICAL HAIR TRANSPLANT PROCEDURE?



- 1 The patient is seated and may watch a video.
- 2 The patient is given anesthesia-locally-which allows for a painless procedure.
- 3 Hair is taped up allowing access to the donor area.
- 4 A strip of hair bearing scalp is removed.
- 5 The strip of skin is given to the surgical team and they begin to divide this strip into hair grafts.
- 6 While the grafts are being prepared, the donor area is sutured closed by pulling the skin edges together. When this heals, what is usually left is a fine line scar which is barely detectable a few months later. Note that this scar is completely hidden immediately after the procedure by surrounding hair.
- 7 Minute incisions are made in the bald or "recipient" area for insertions of the single and multi-hair grafts.
- 8 These graft sites are made in a random pattern (for a natural look) with enough space between each other to ensure proper healing.
- 9 Once all the grafts have been placed in the recipient site, the patient is given a light bandage, *this is for the patient's protection and comfort.*
- 10 The *spaces* left between the grafts (which was done to ensure proper healing) can be filled in at a later time to obtain increased density.