

# SKULL PRACTICAL LAB



## Skull Practical Lab (Pt.1):

\* In the adult human skull, there are 22 bones, these are divided into two main groups:

- Cranial Bones: (8)

Frontal, 2 parietal, 2 temporal, occipital, sphenoid, ethmoid.

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- Facial Bones: (14)

2 Maxillae, 2 Zygomatic, 2 Nasal, 2 lacrimal, 2 Palatine, 2 Inferior Nasal Conchae, 1 Vomer, 1 Mandible.

These two videos are informative and advantageous

<https://youtu.be/v7porB2DYVE?>

\* There are five different views of the skull:

1 Norma Frontalis (Anterior View).

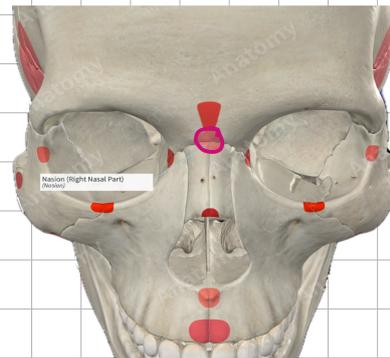
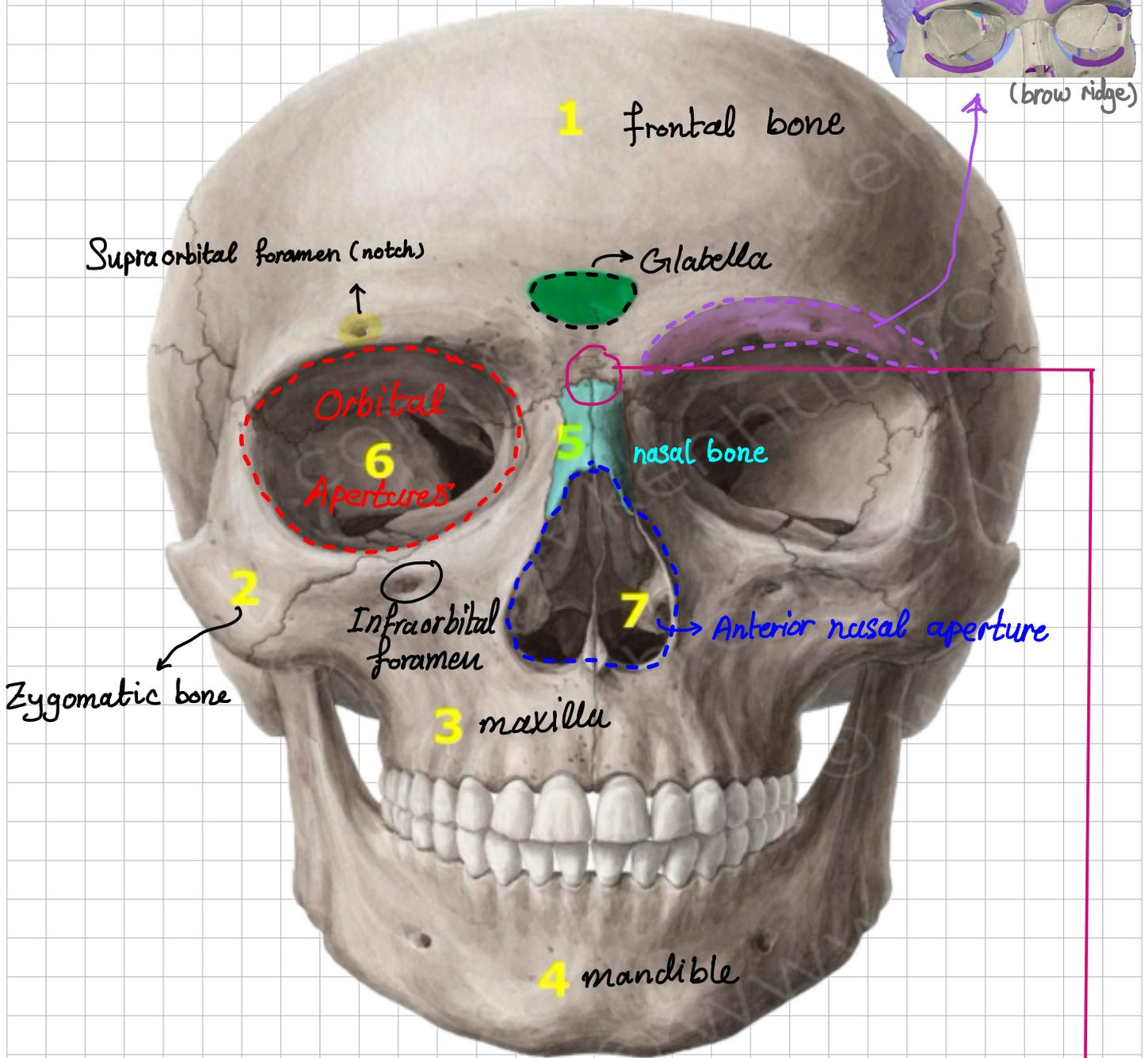
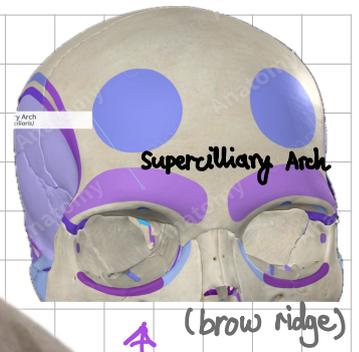
2 Norma Lateralis (Lateral View).

3 Norma Occipitalis (posterior View).

4 Norma Basalis (Inferior View).

5 Norma Verticalis (Superior View).

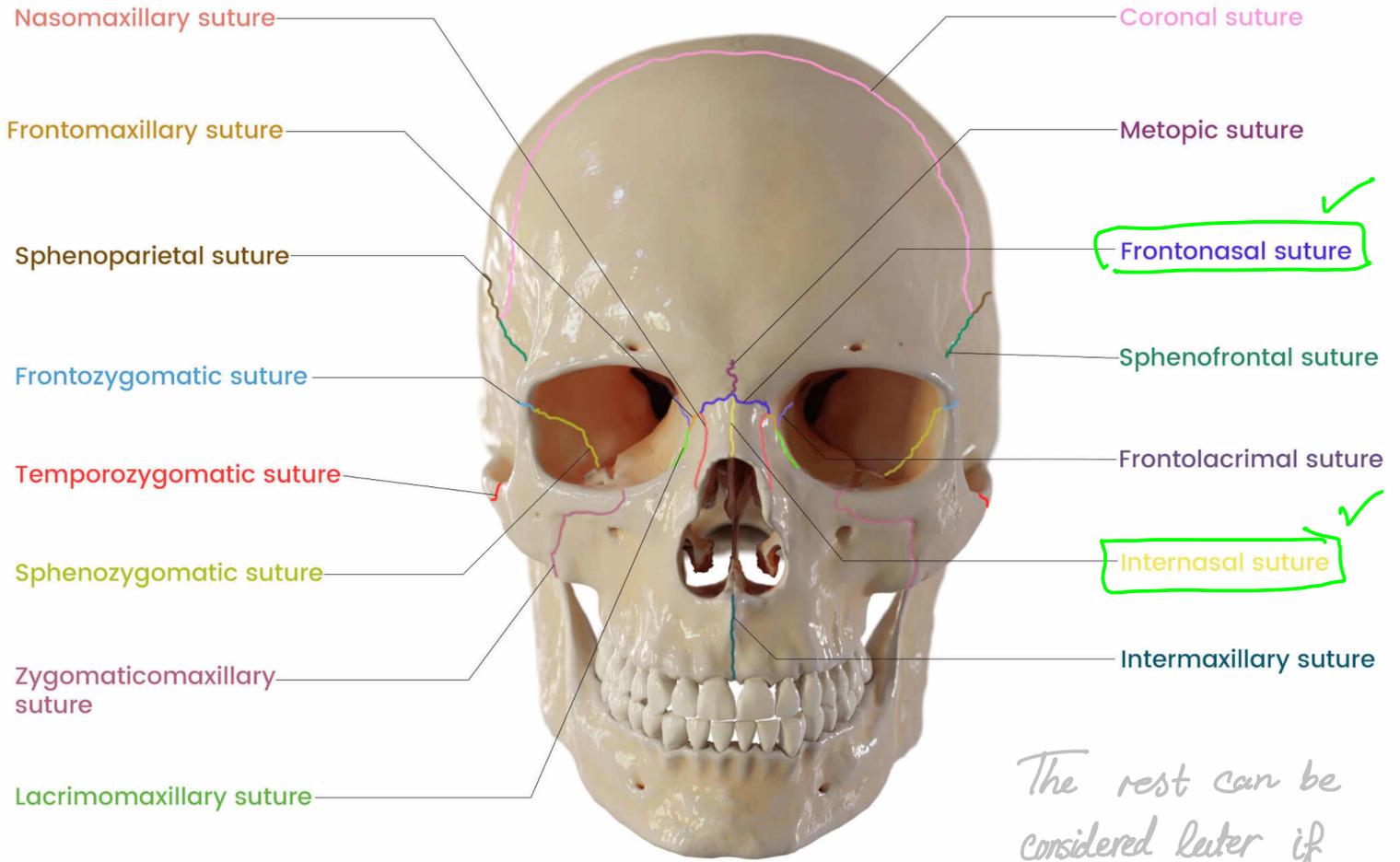
# Norma Frontalis:



← Nasion

It's a depression between the eyes (junction between the frontal and nasal bones).

# Sutures of the skull



*The rest can be considered later if needed.*

Anterior view

## Skull processes:

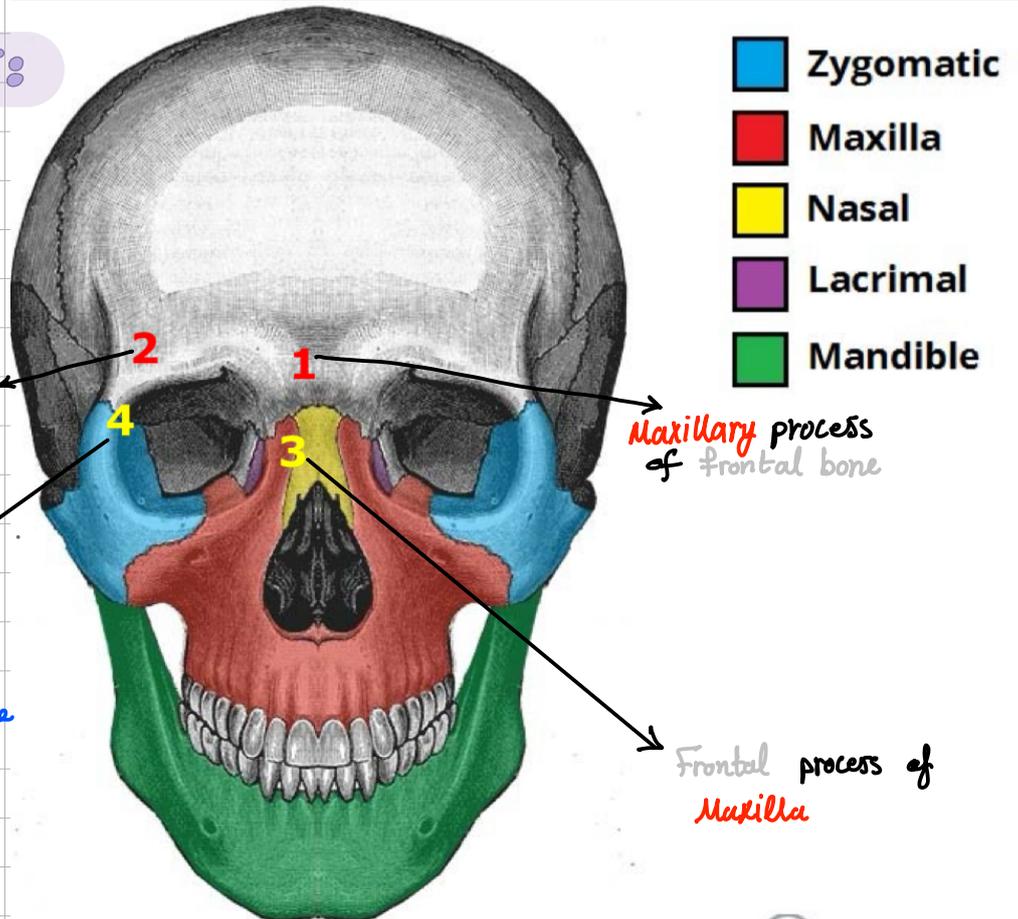
*Remember: process is bulging bony outgrowth of a larger bone.*

*Zygomatic process of frontal bone*

*Frontal process of zygomatic bone*

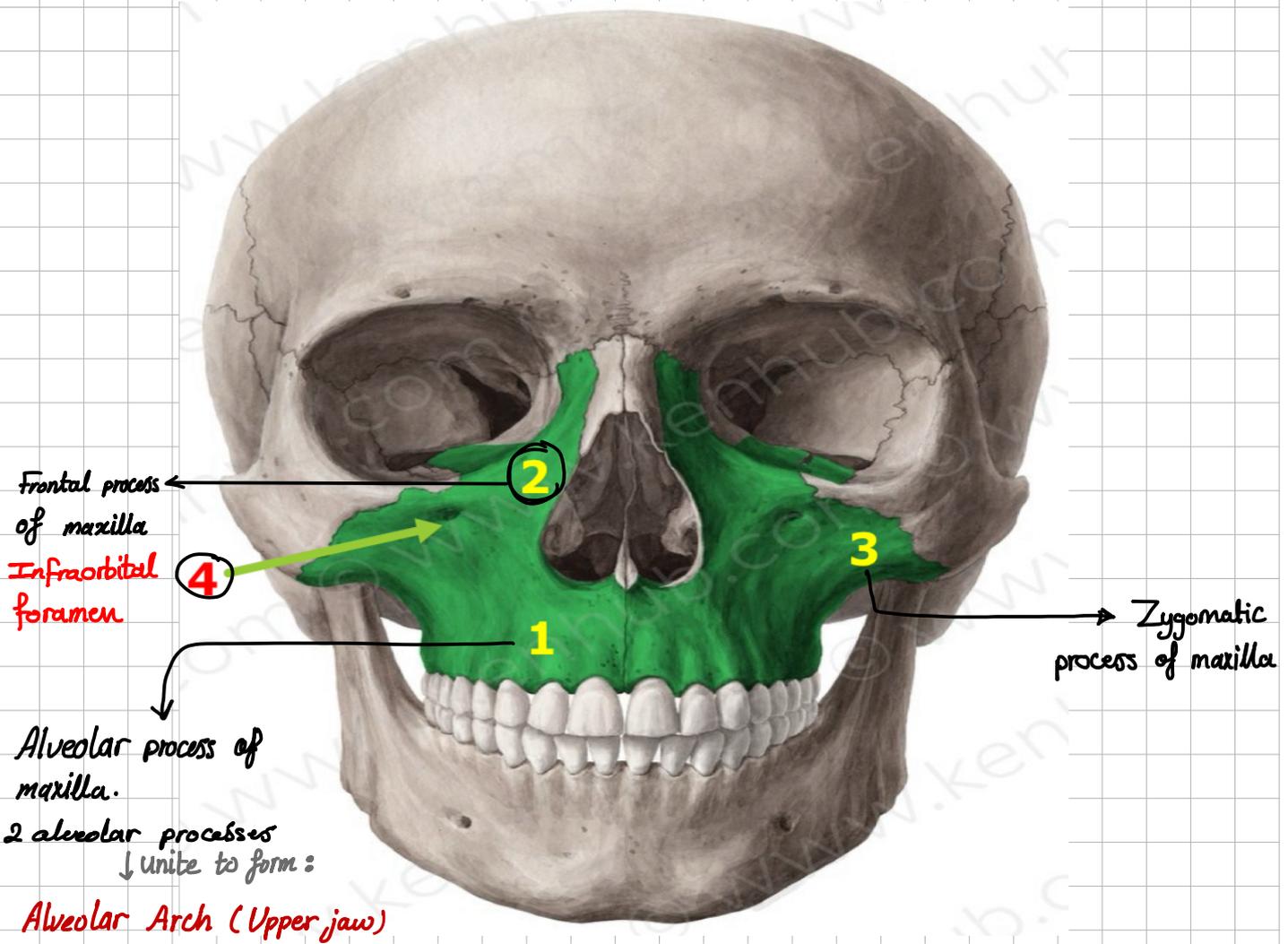
*Maxillary process of frontal bone*

*Frontal process of Maxilla*

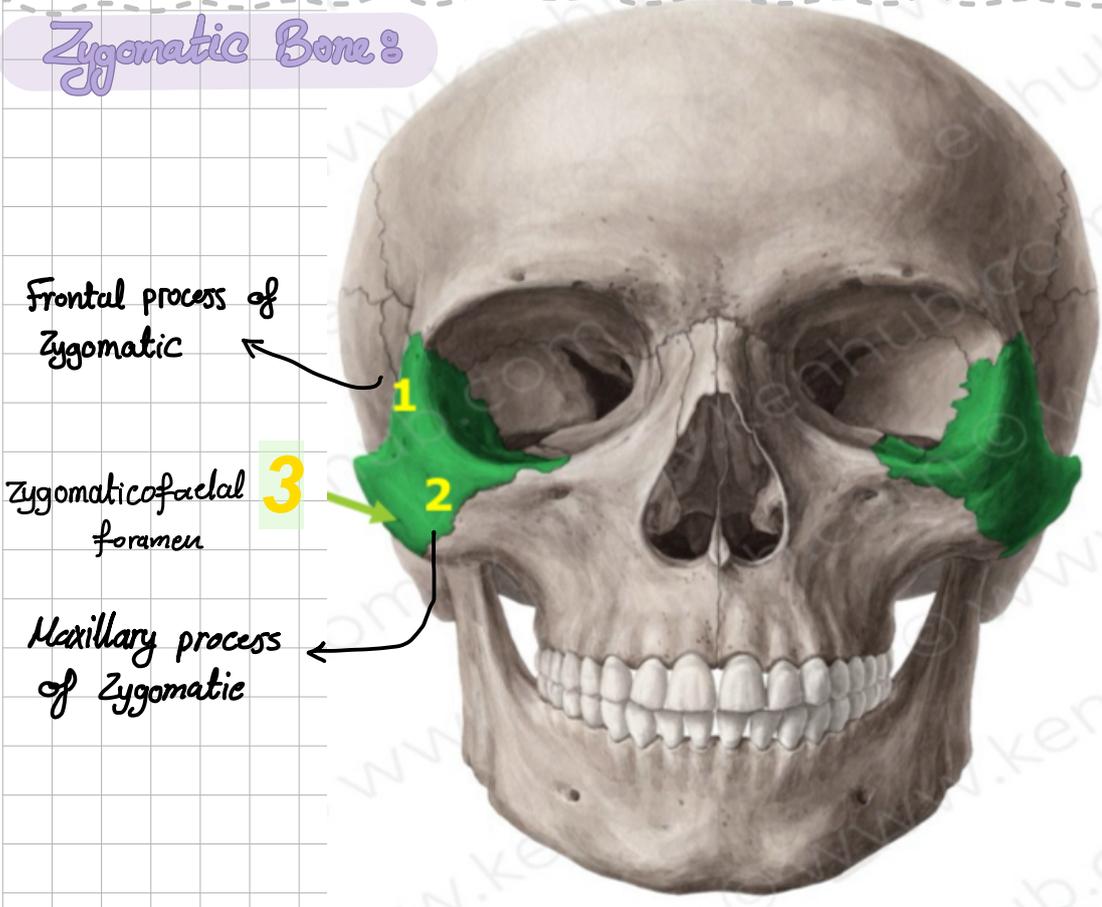


- Zygomatic
- Maxilla
- Nasal
- Lacrimal
- Mandible

## Maxillary Bone :



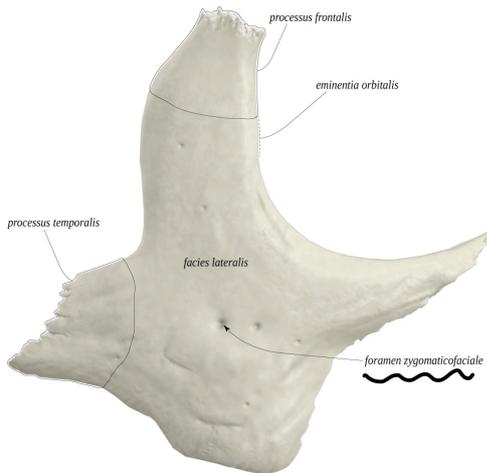
## Zygomatic Bone :



▷ Zygomatic bone has :

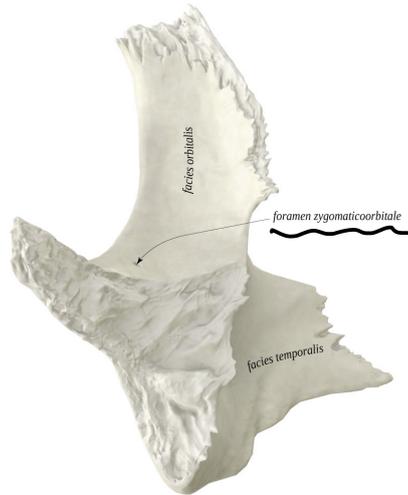
3 Processes → Frontal.  
Maxillary.  
Temporal.

4 Foramina → Zygomatico facial (on the lateral surface).  
Zygomaticotemporal (on the posterior surface).  
Zygomatico orbital.  
Accessory foramen.



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lateral view

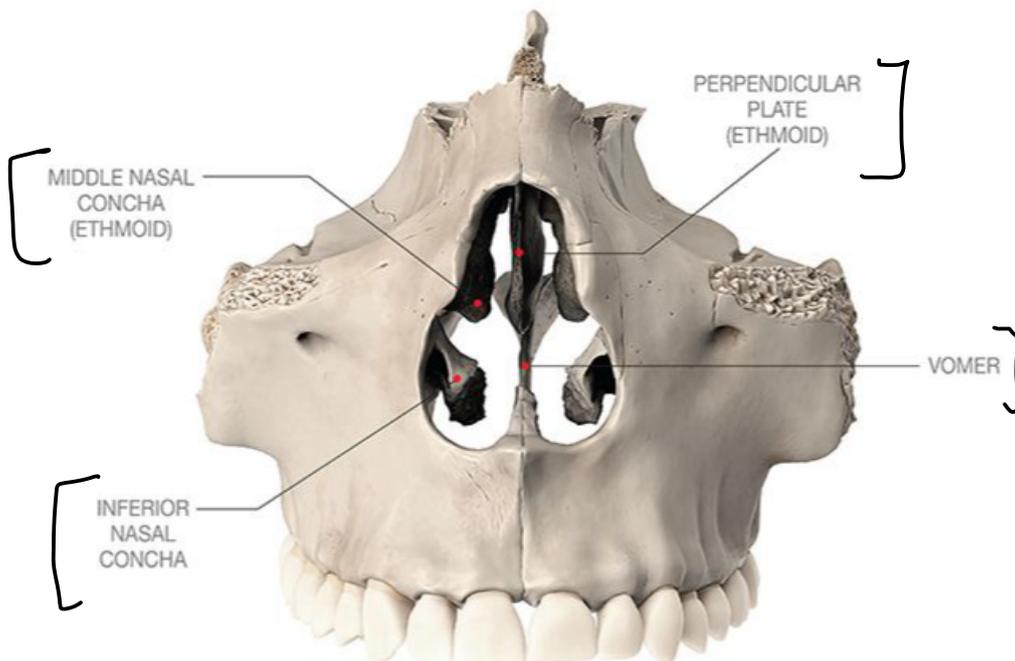


ANATOMY STANDARD

posterior view

Nasal Cavity :

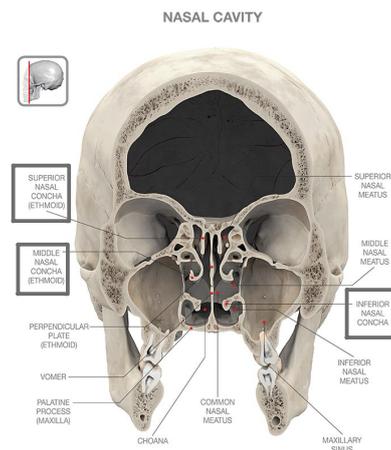
NASAL CAVITY



\* **Nasal Conchae**: they are bony structures within the nasal cavity that help condition the inhaled air.

There are 3 conchae:

- I. Superior Nasal concha
  - II. Middle Nasal concha
  - III. Inferior Nasal concha
- parts of ethmoid bone.
- independent bone.



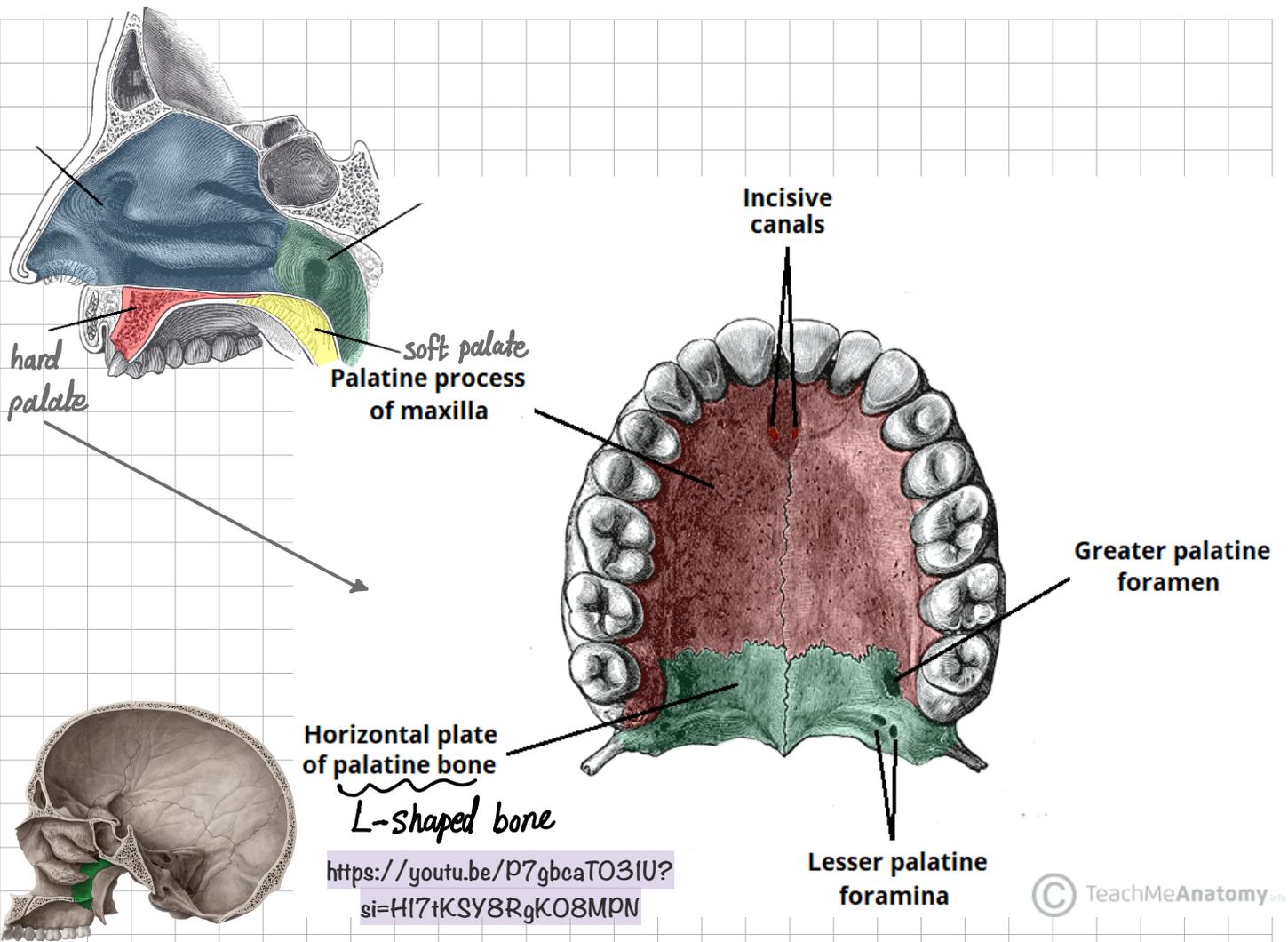
→ **Bones of The Nasal Cavity:**

- Ethmoid bone
  - cribriform plate (part of the roof of the cavity)
  - perpendicular plate (superior portion of the septum)
  - superior and middle nasal conchae
- Nasal bones (paired, small bones).
- Maxillae (paired maxillary bones).
- Vomer (part of nasal septum).
- Palatine bones.
- Lacrimal bones.
- Inferior Nasal concha.

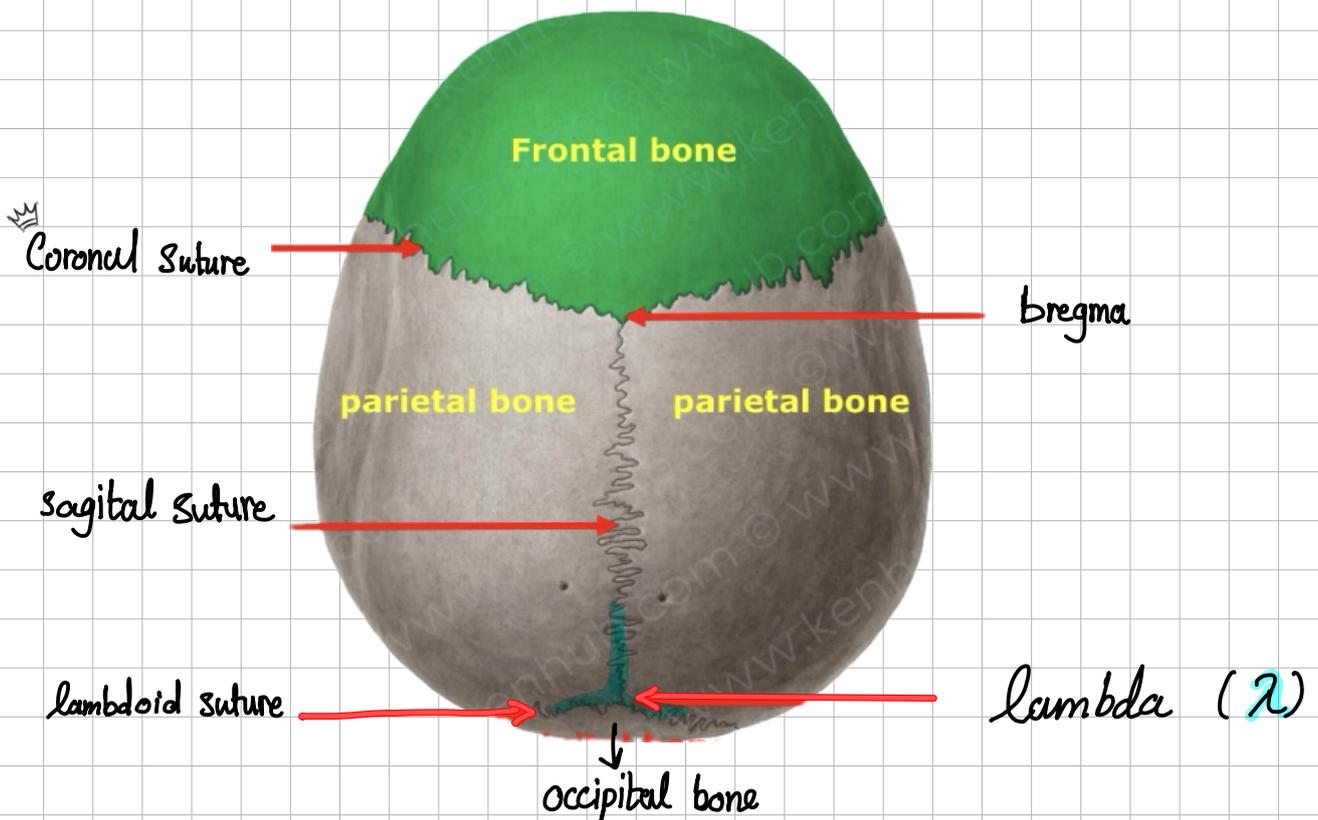
Now, let's discuss the hard palate. الحنك العظمي (العصب)

\* **Bones of the hard palate:**

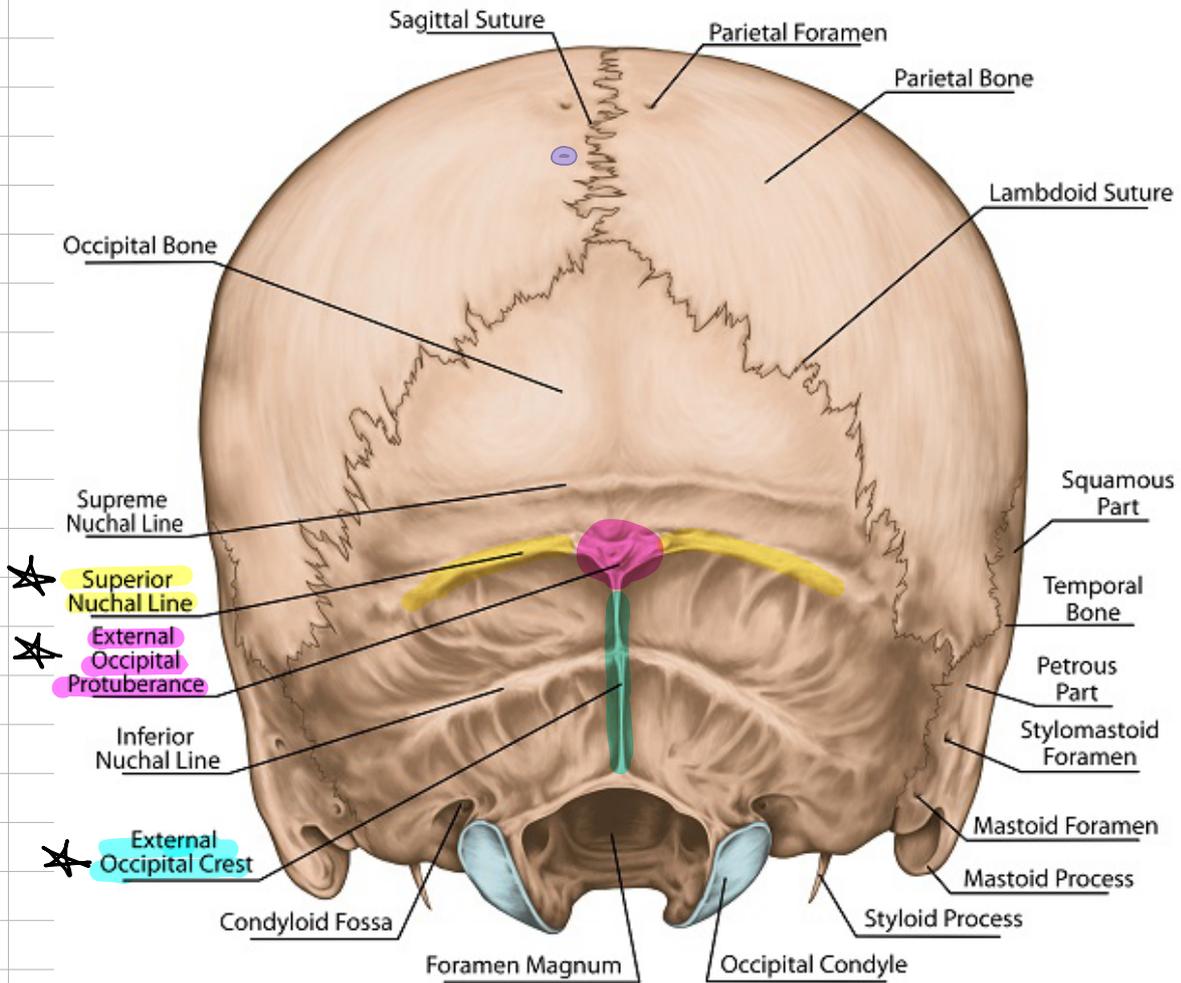
- ① Anterior 2/3 → palatine process of the maxilla
- ② Horizontal plate of the palatine bone (posterior 1/3)
  - ↳ joins the maxilla at the transverse palatine suture.



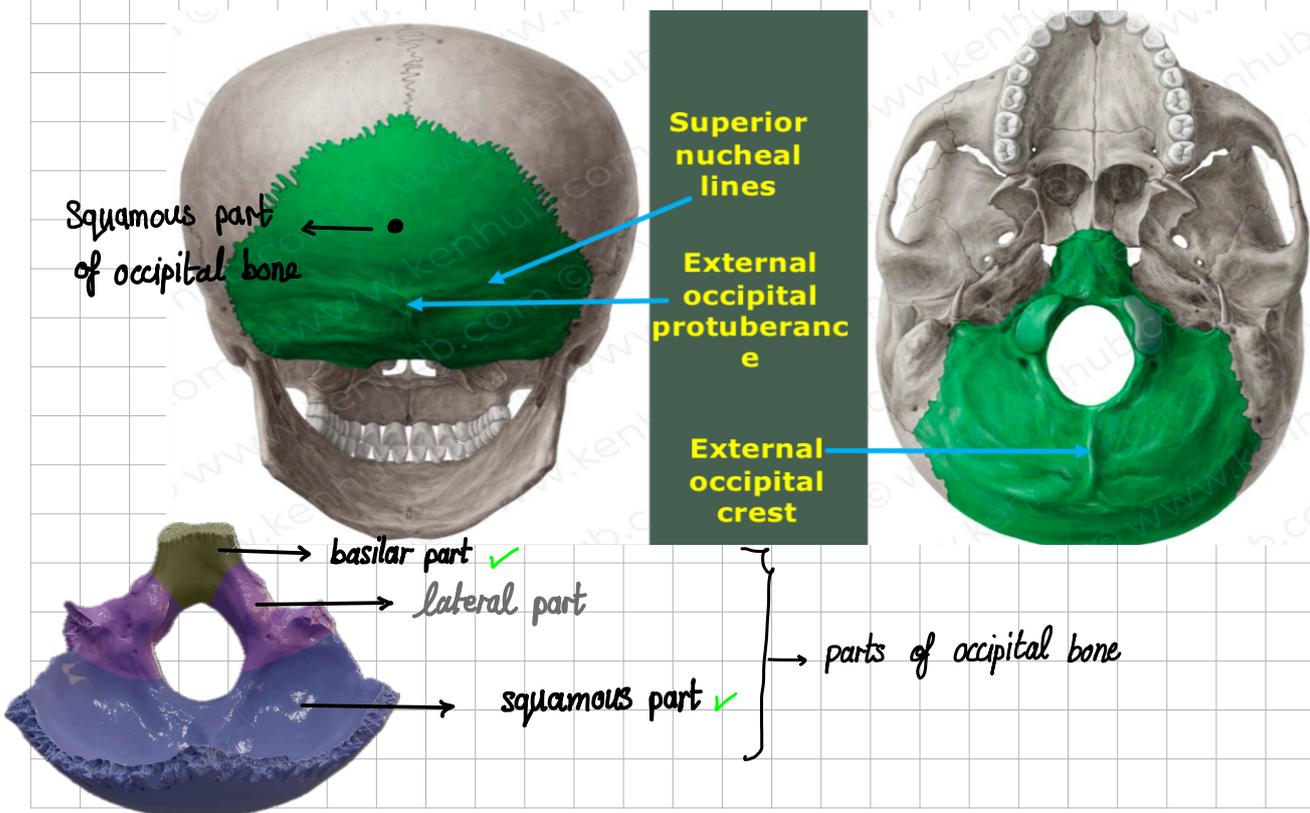
## Norma Verticalis :



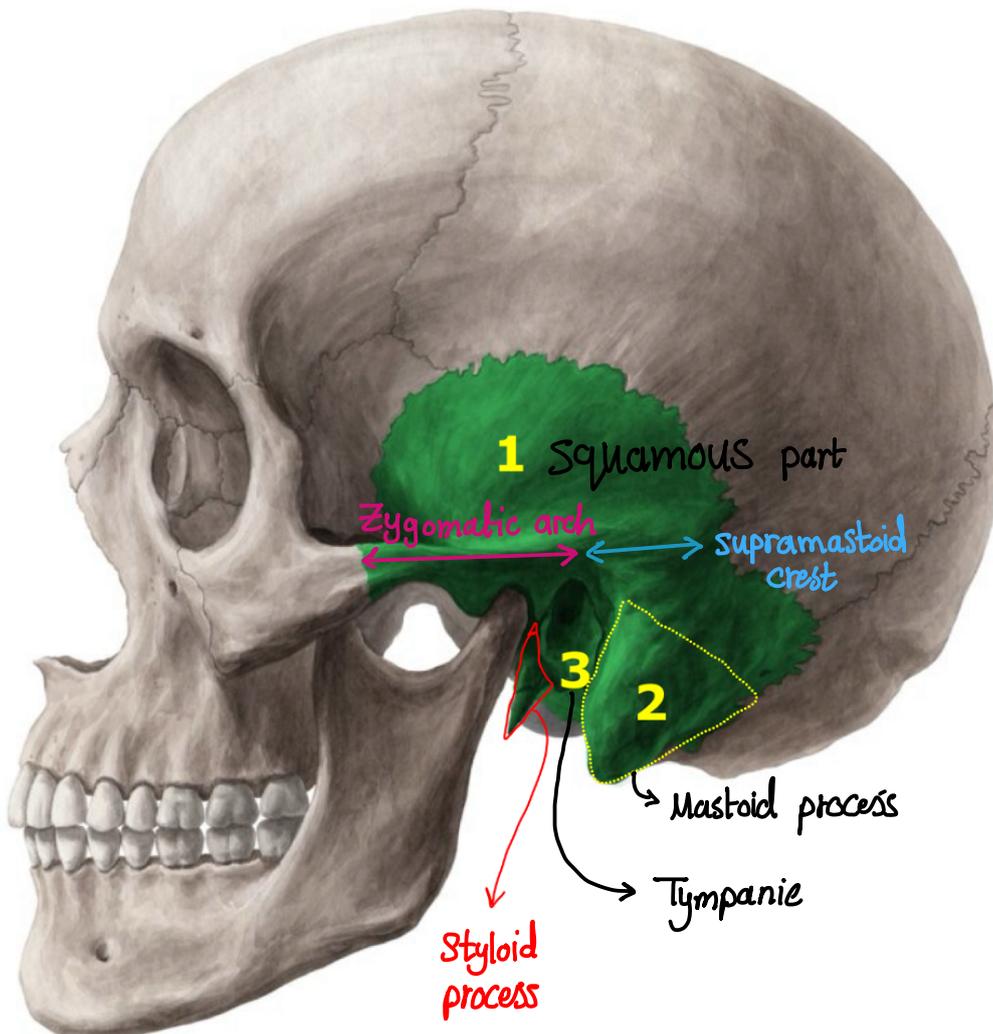
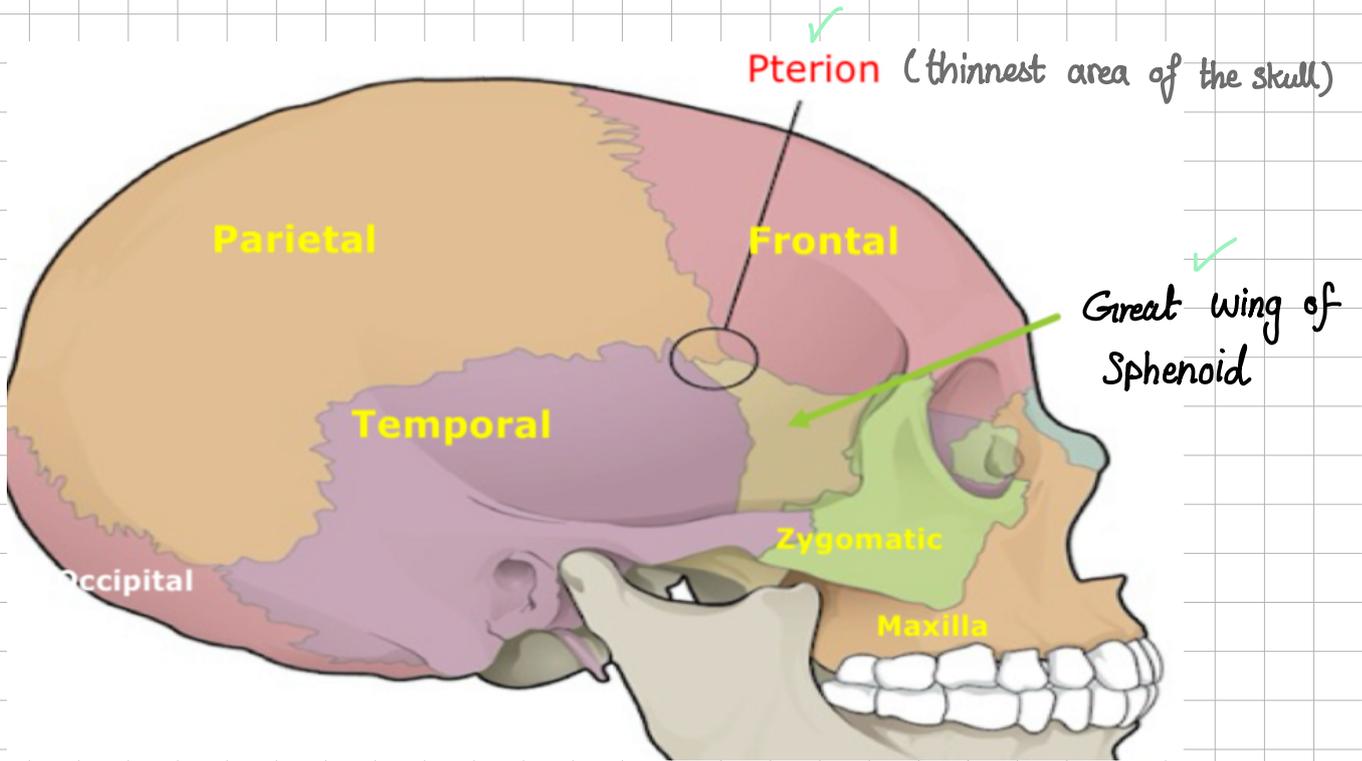
# Norma occipitalis



\* protuberance & projection, Crest & raised part

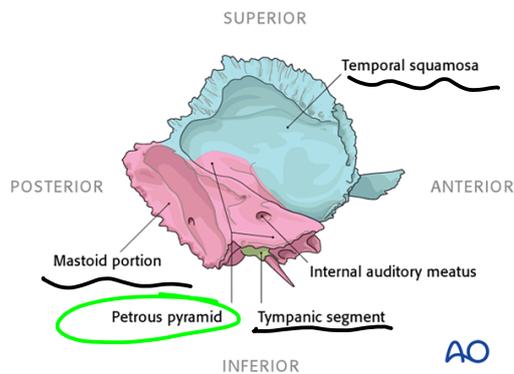


# Norma lateralis

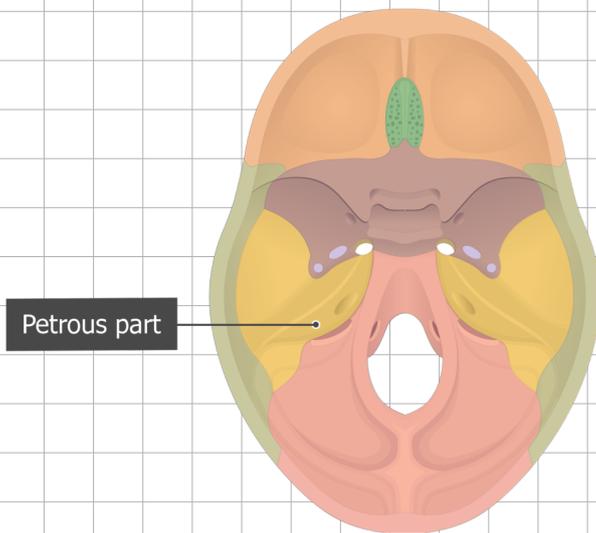
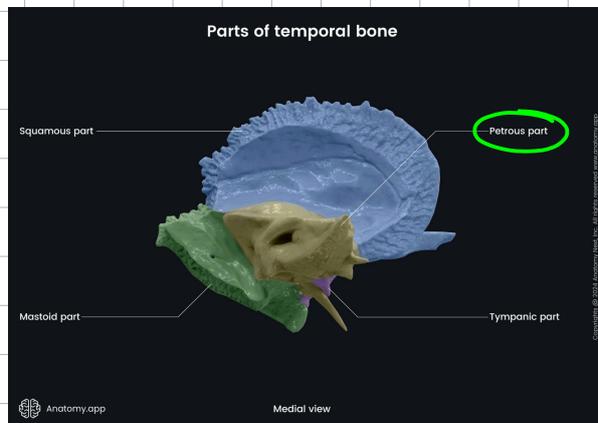
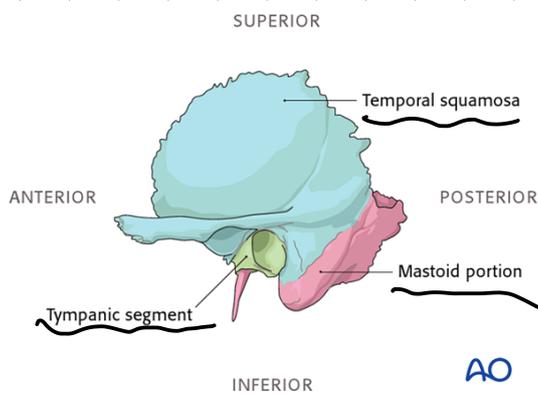


\* Parts of Temporal Bone :

Squamous, Mastoid, Tympanic, petrous.



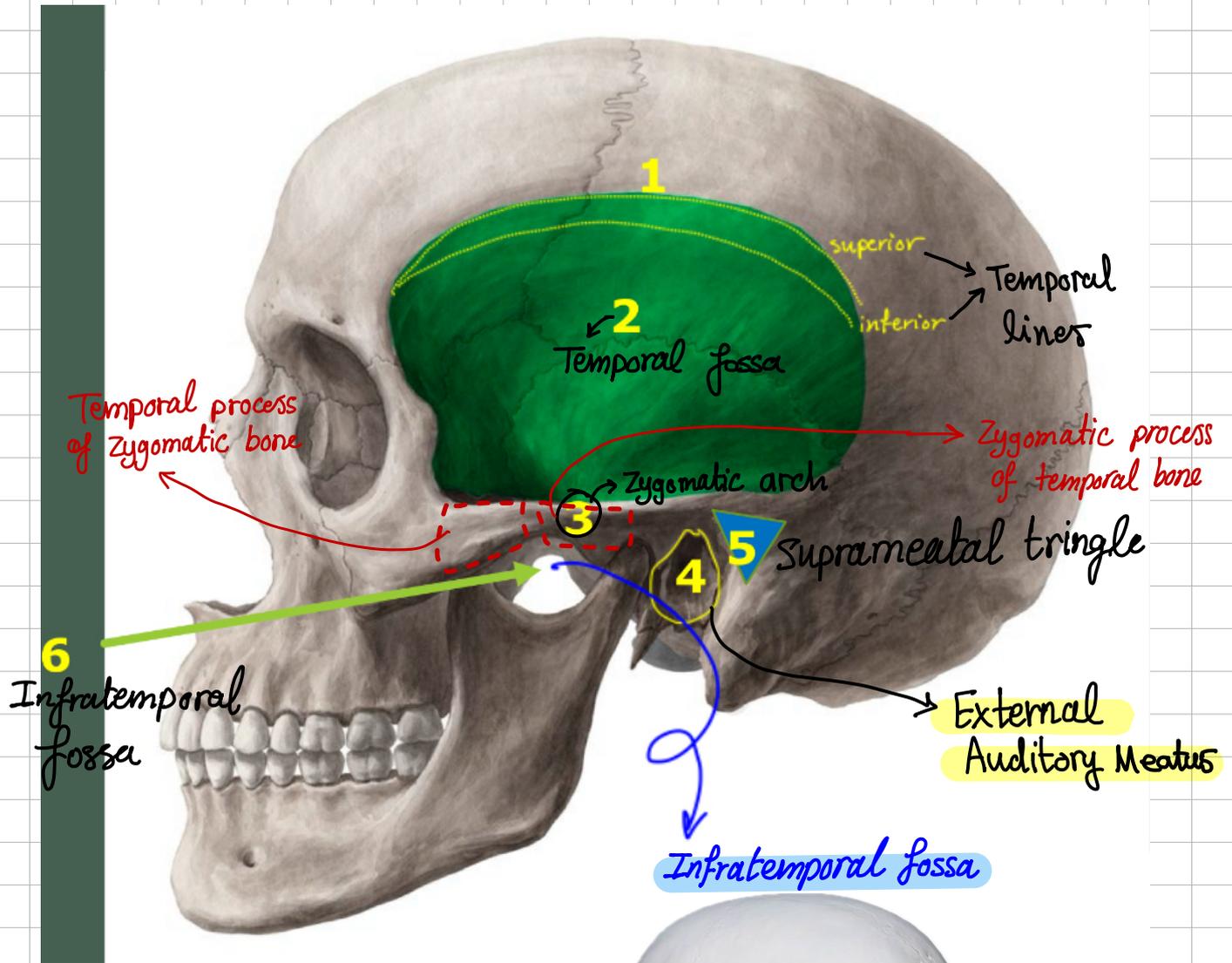
Petrous part



*Found near our ears, this pyramid-shaped portion of the temporal bone is nicknamed the petrous bone. The bone is very hard, possibly because it needs to protect fragile structures such as the cochlea, which translates sound into brain signals, and the semicircular canals, which help us maintain our balance.*

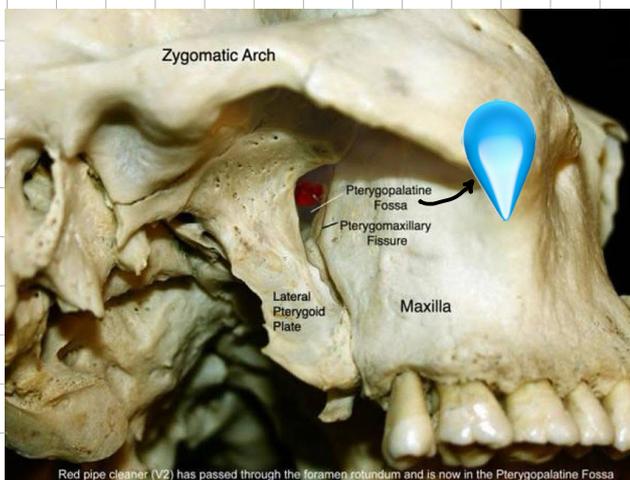
Watch this video for a better understanding

<https://youtu.be/C59YGpm8J0Q?>

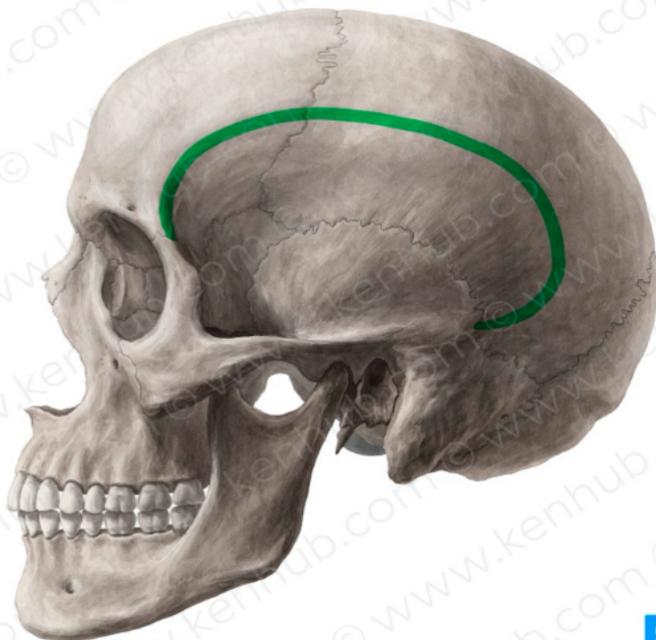


Infratemporal fossa contains: ⇐

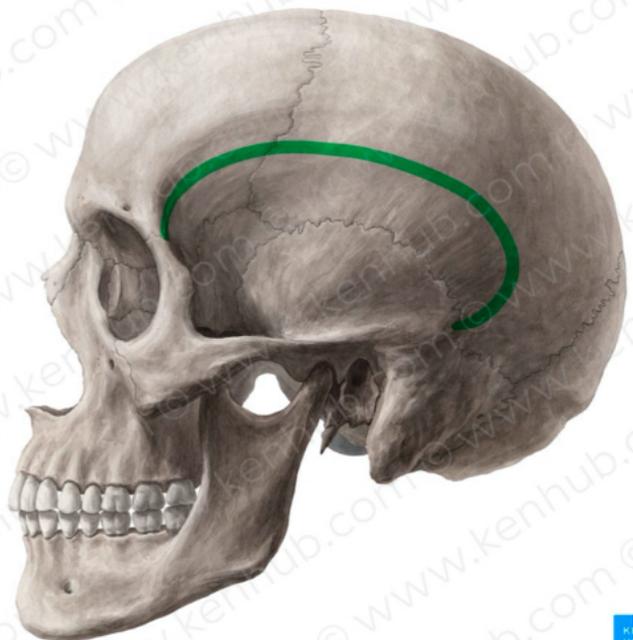
- pterygomaxillary fissure.
- pterygopalatine fossa.



Red pipe cleaner (V2) has passed through the foramen rotundum and is now in the Pterygopalatine Fossa



**Superior temporal line**

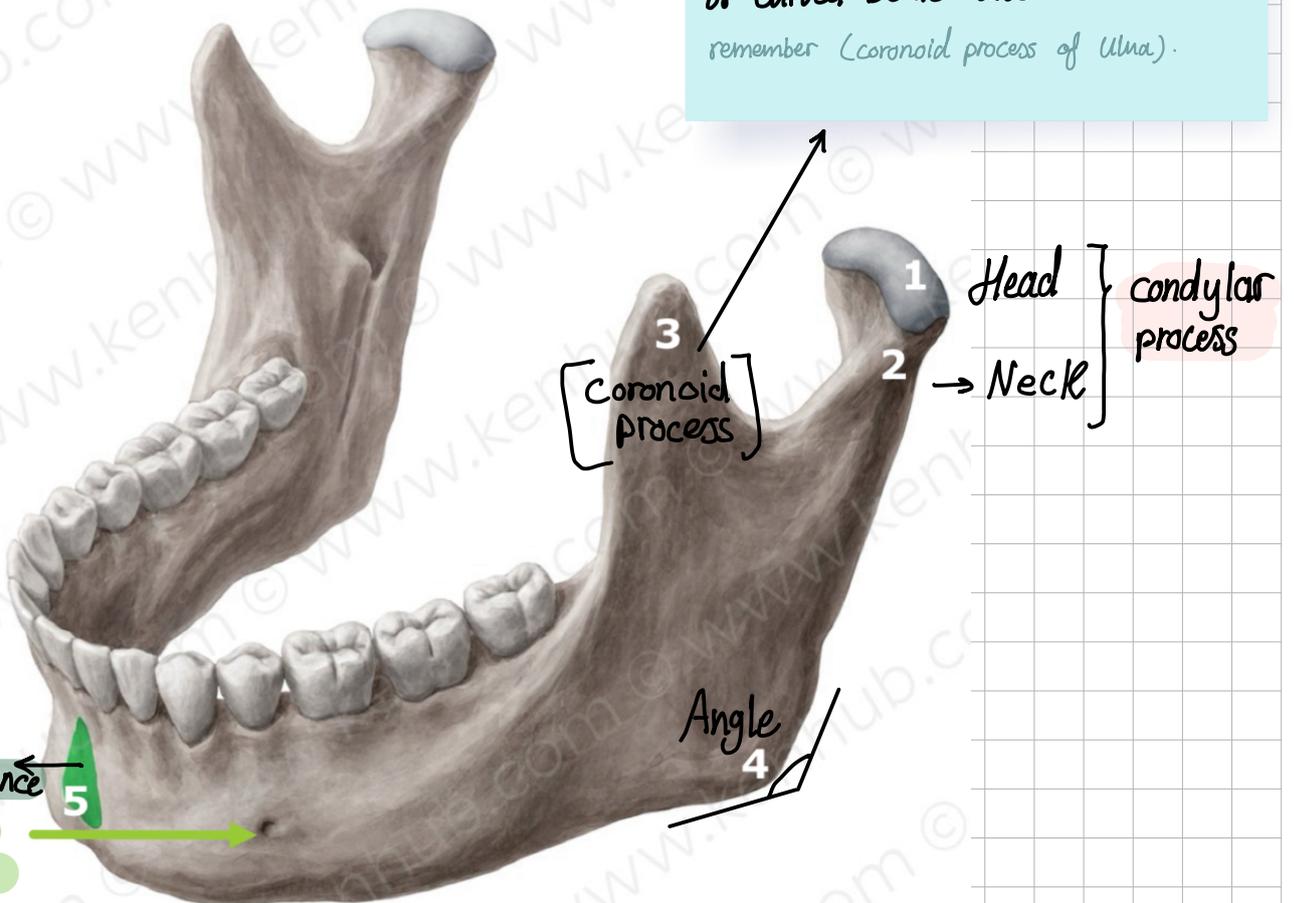


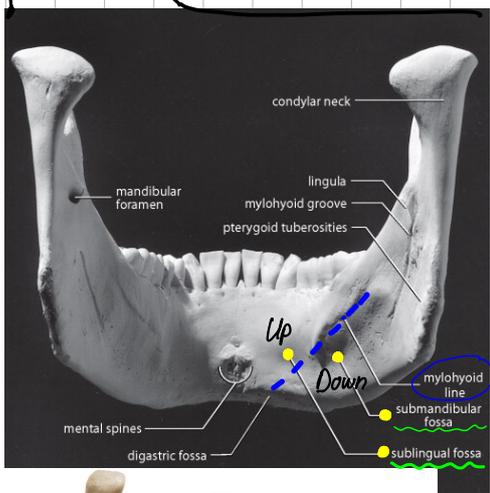
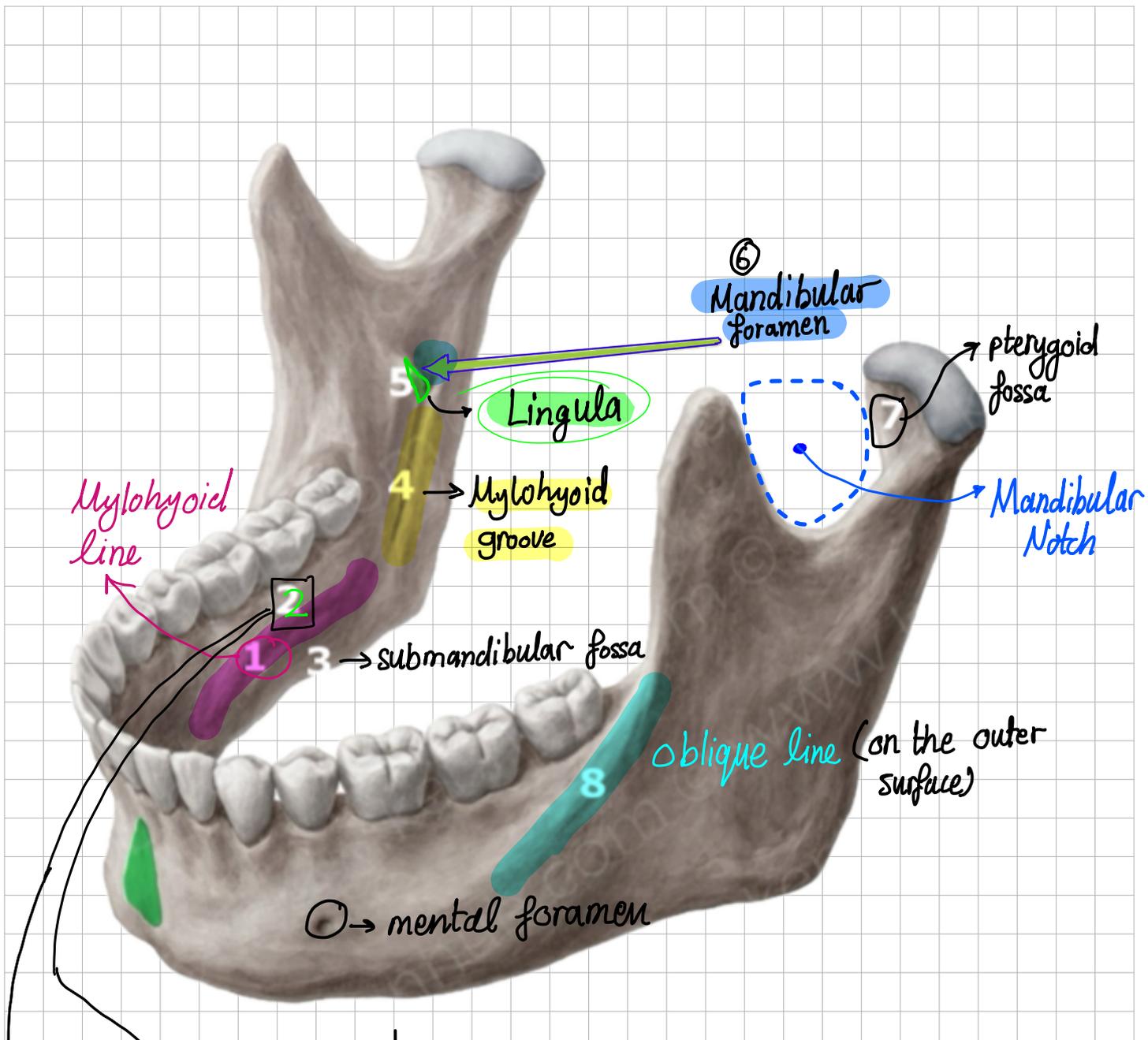
**Inferior temporal line**

## Skull practical Lab (Pt.2)

### \* Mandible:

"Coronoid" → It's used in Anatomy to describe bony projections that resemble a crown or curved beak-like structure.  
remember (Coronoid process of Ulna).

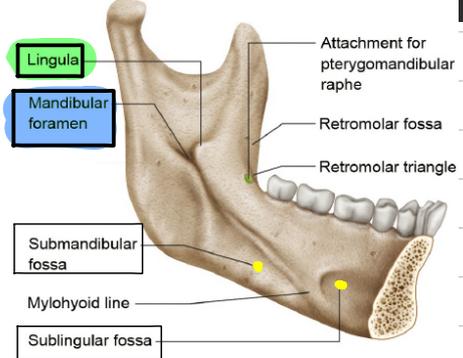


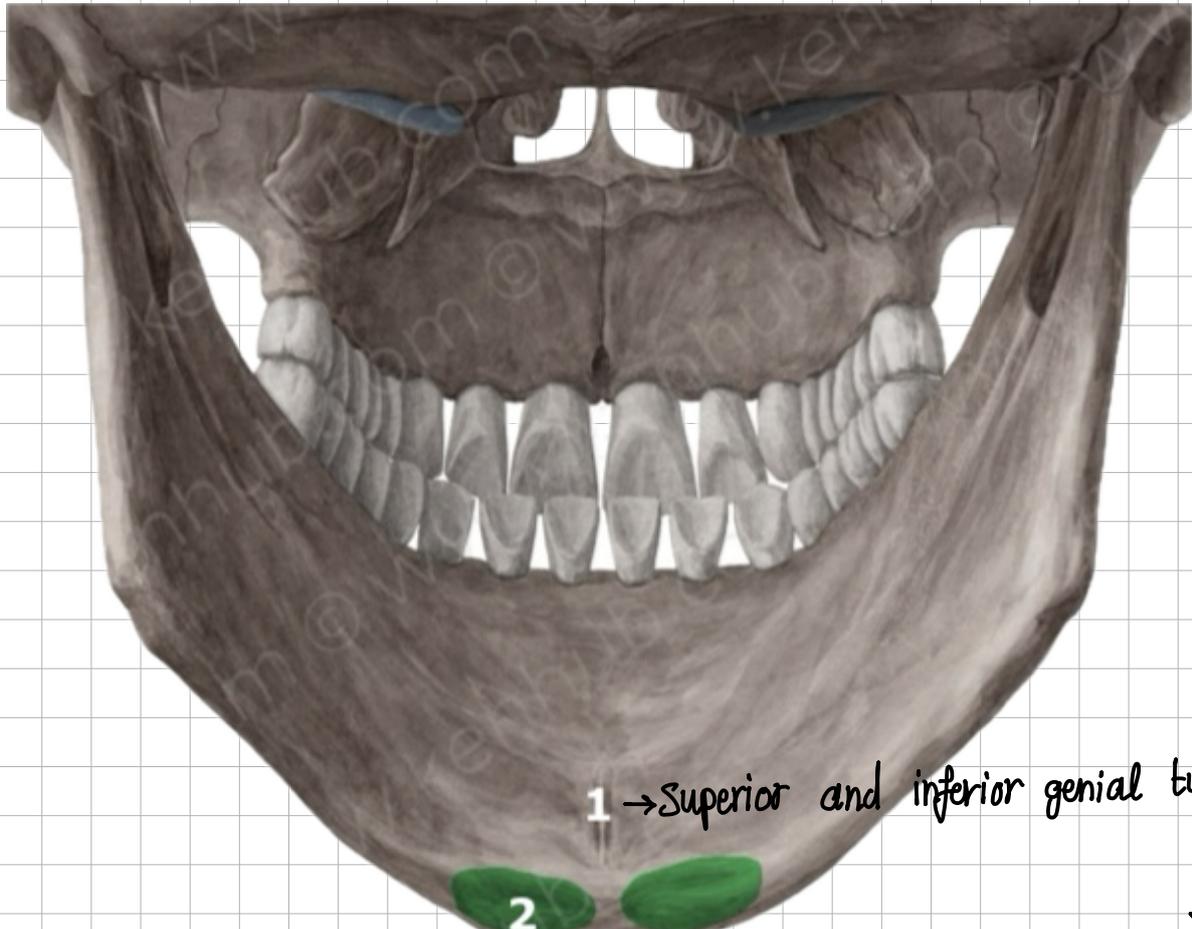


\* **Mylohyoid groove** : provides a passage for the mylohyoid nerve and vessels.

\* **Mylohyoid line** : serves as the attachment site for the mylohyoid muscle.

It's the location for submandibular gland.  
 It's the location for sublingual gland.





1 → Superior and inferior genial tubercles

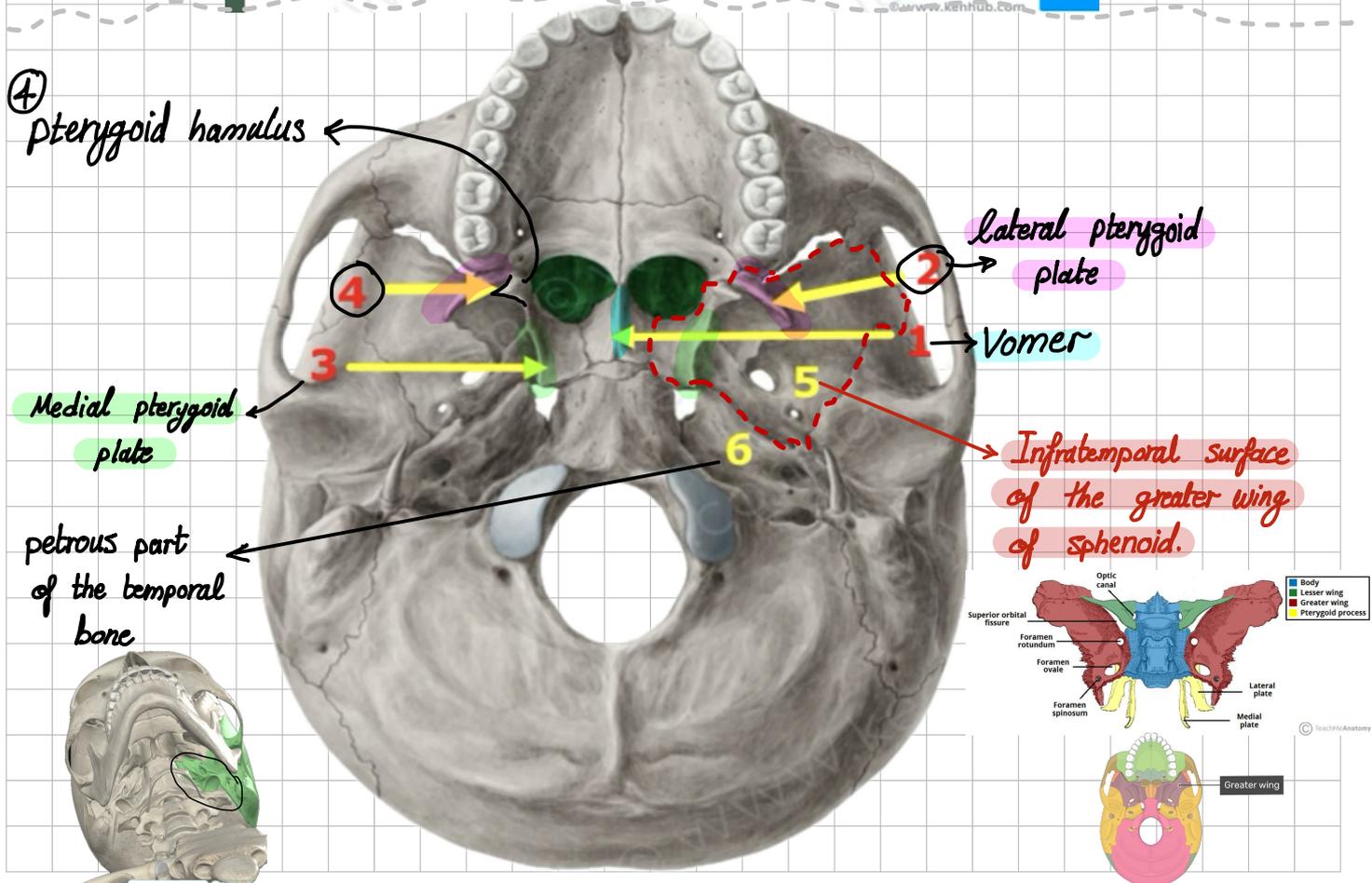
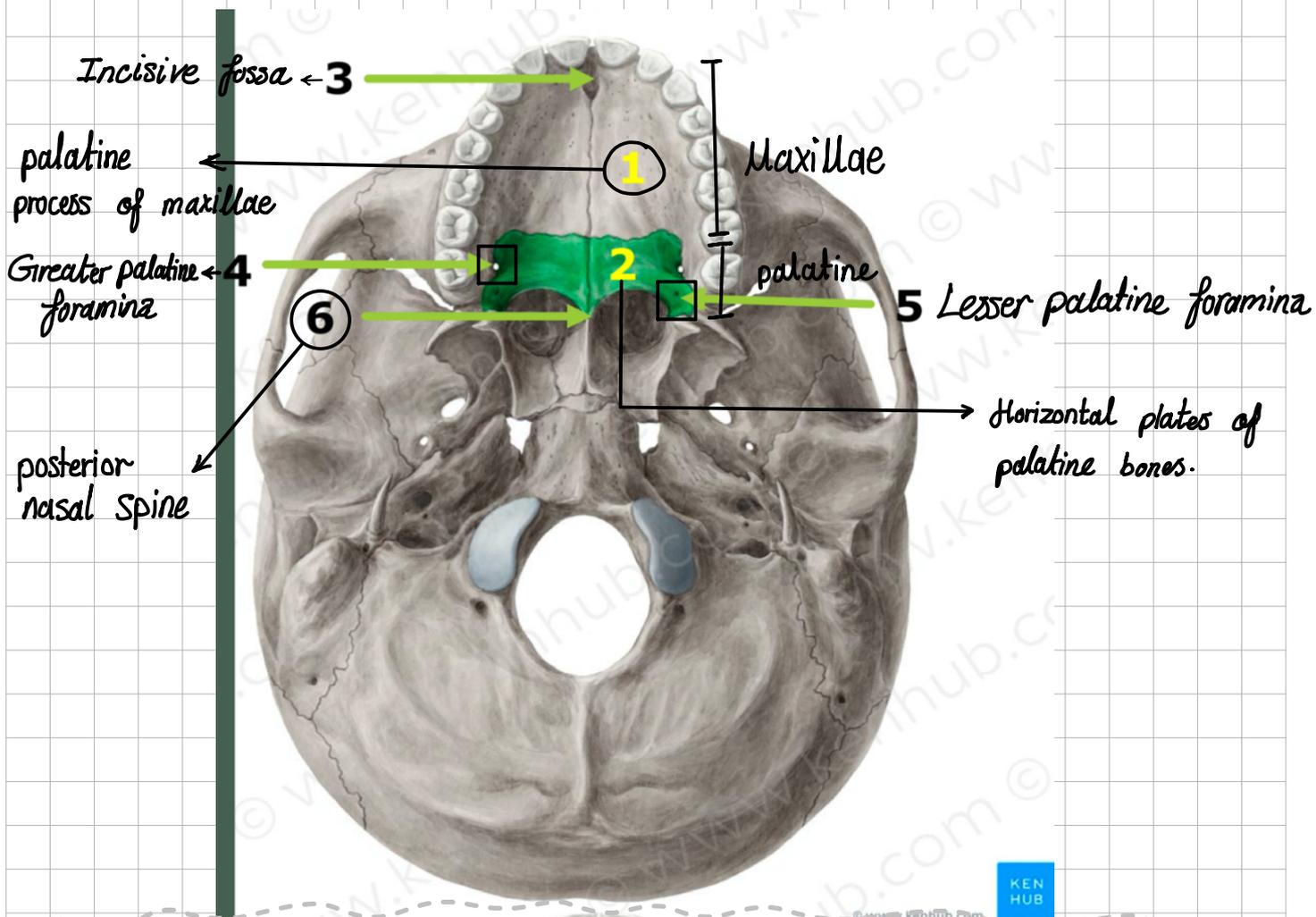
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Digastric fossa

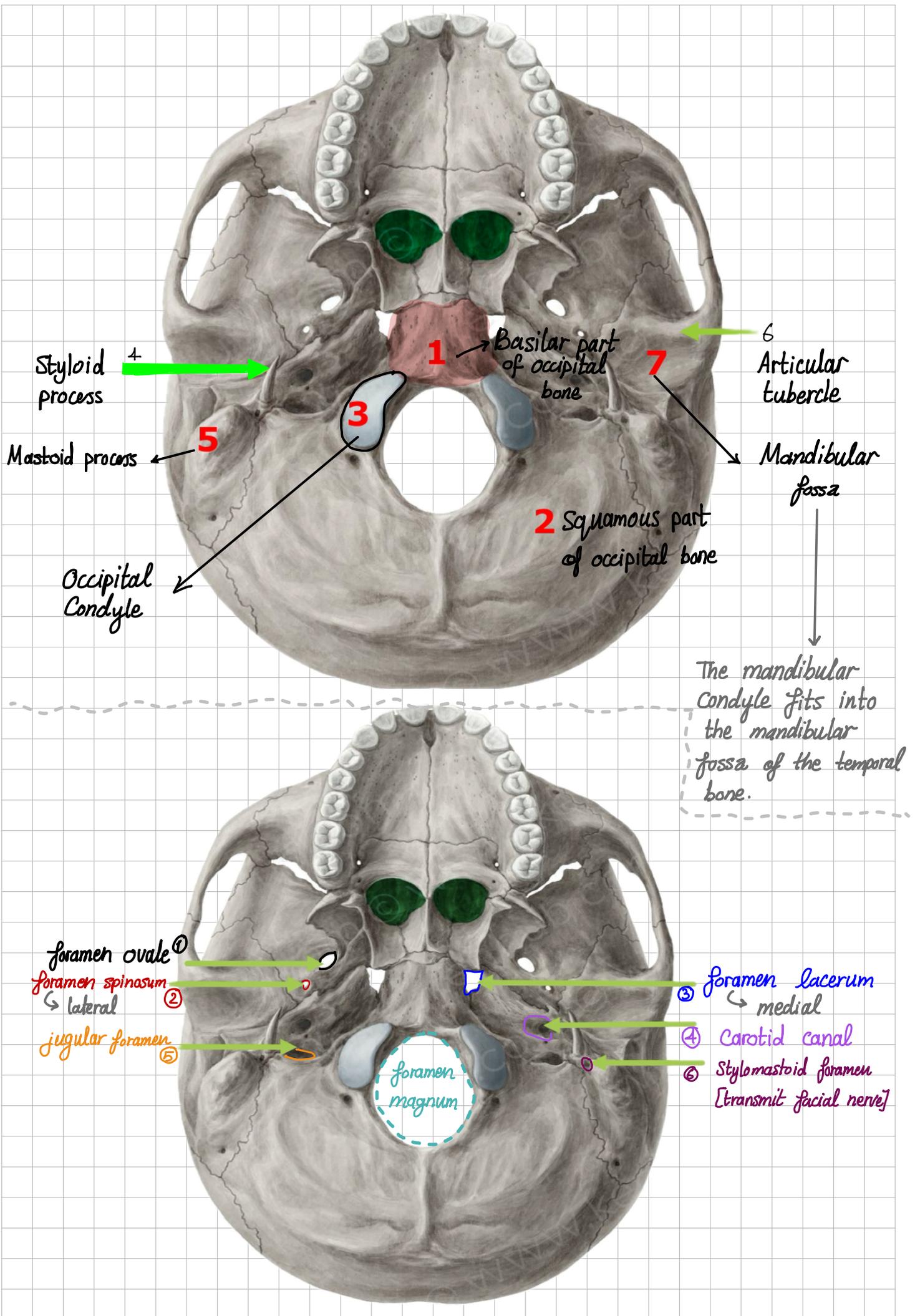
→ Site of origin of the anterior belly of digastric muscle.



Superior and inferior genial tubercles

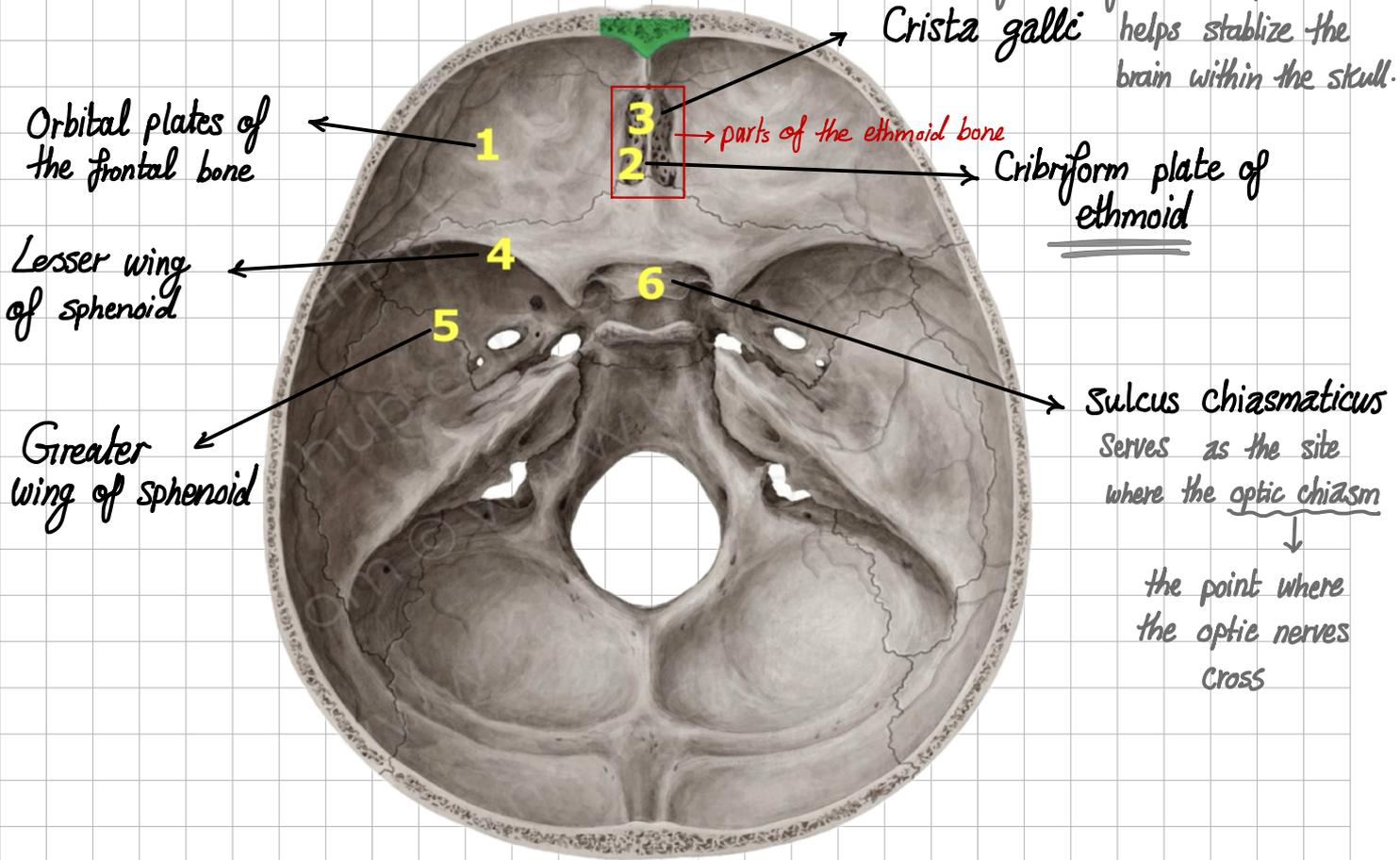
# Norma Basalis Externa :



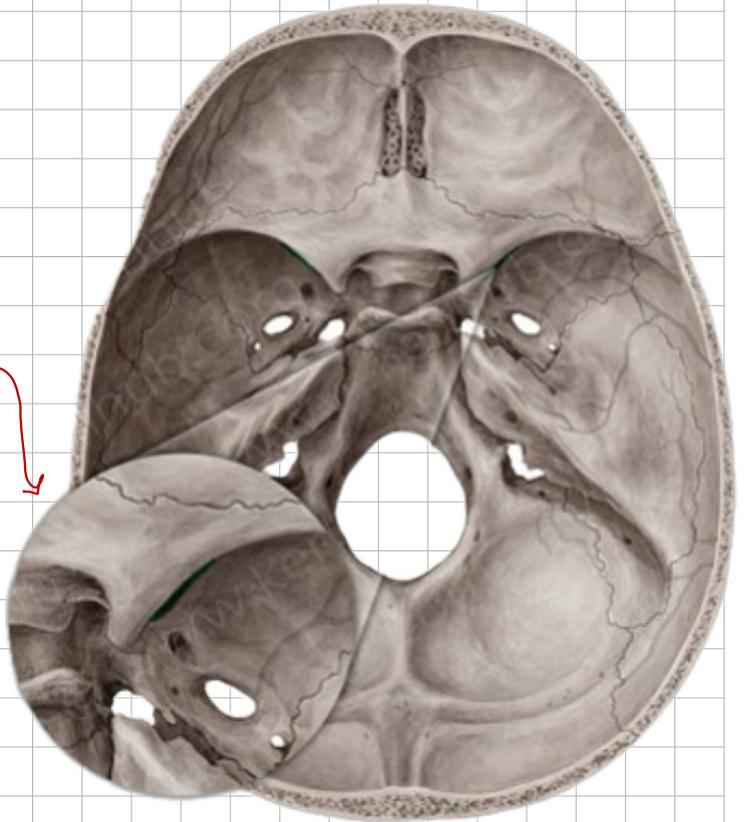
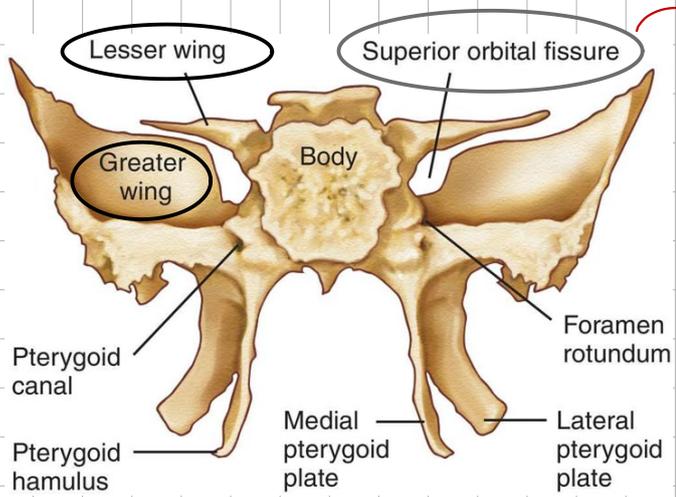


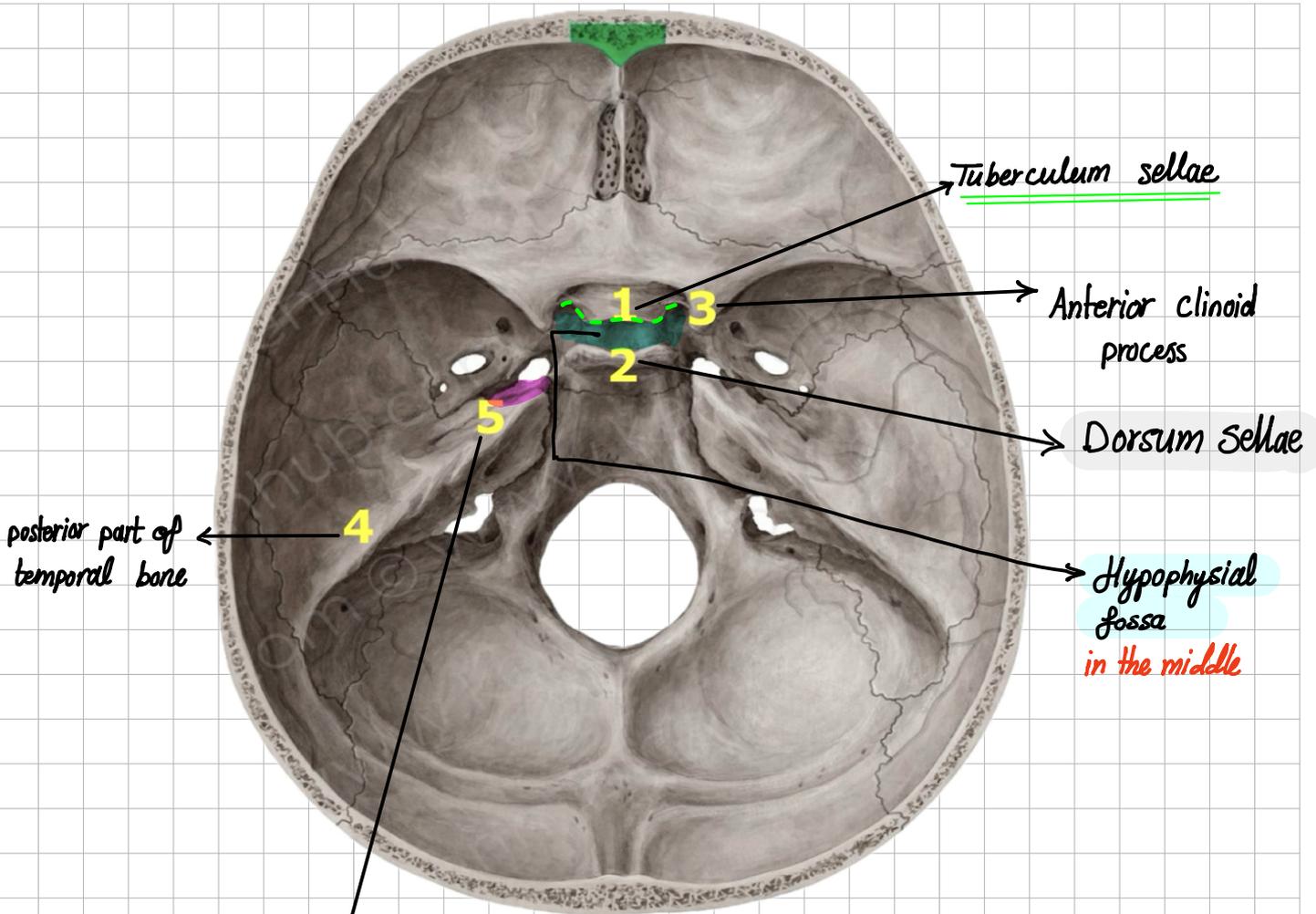
# Norma Basalis Interna :

located in the medline of the skull, it provides an attachment site for the flax cerebri, which helps stabilize the brain within the skull.

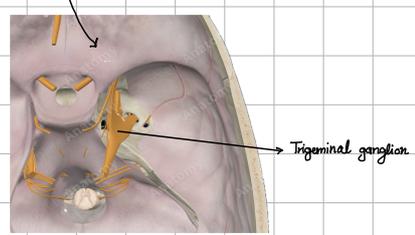
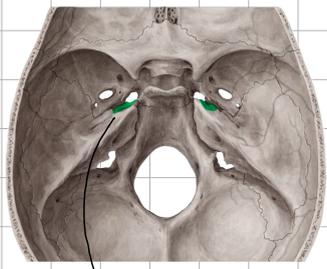


The Superior orbital fissure separates the lesser wing and greater wing of sphenoid bone.





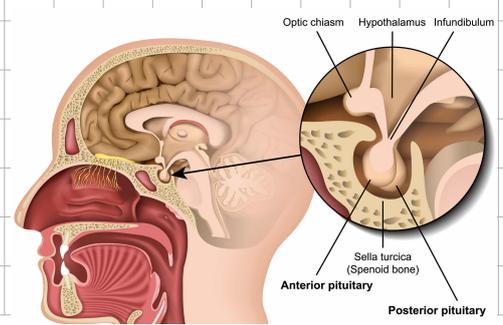
**Trigeminal impression**  
 shallow depression on the petrous part where the trigeminal ganglion is located.

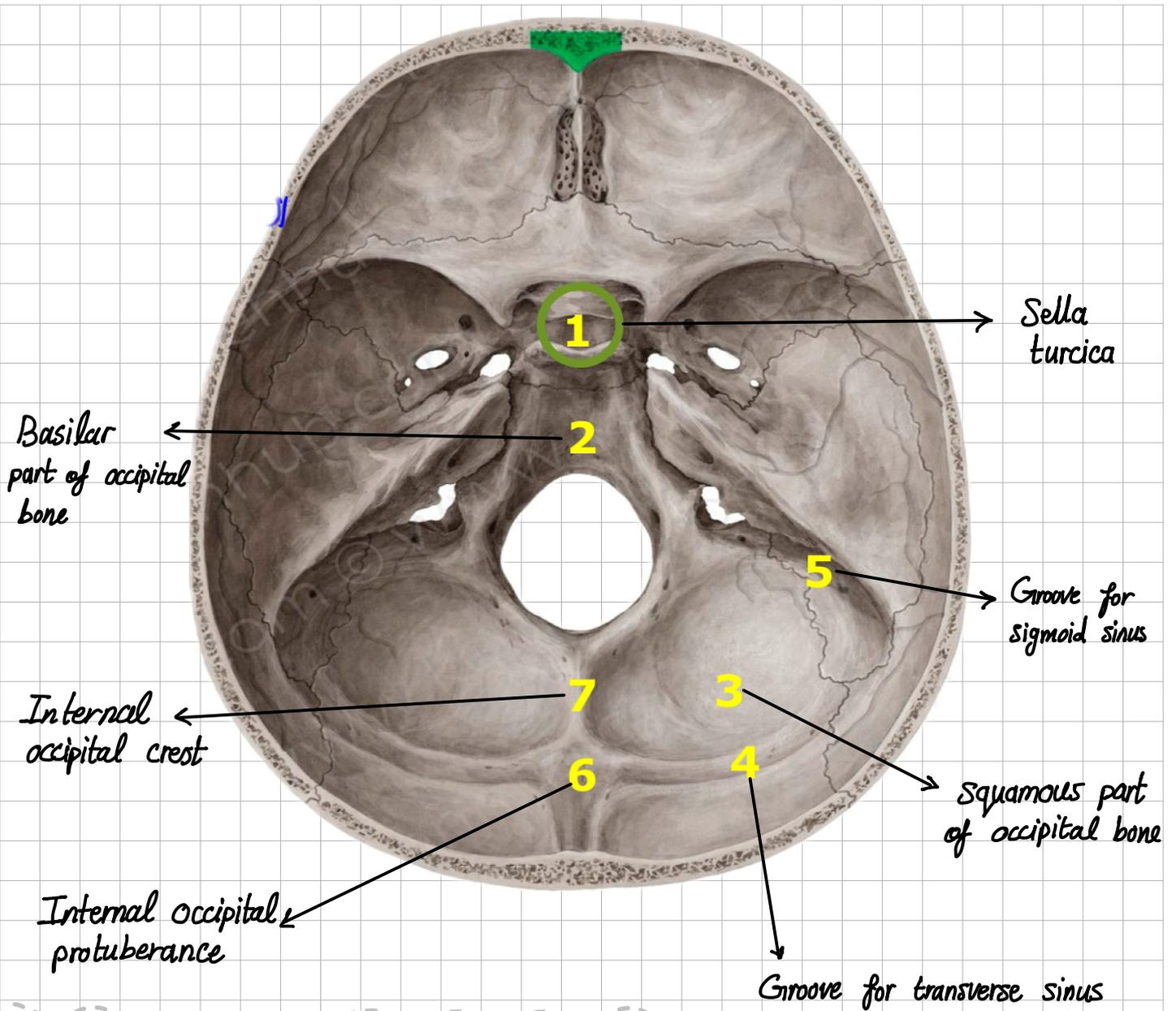


\* **Sella turcica**:  
 it houses and protects the pituitary gland (hypophysis).

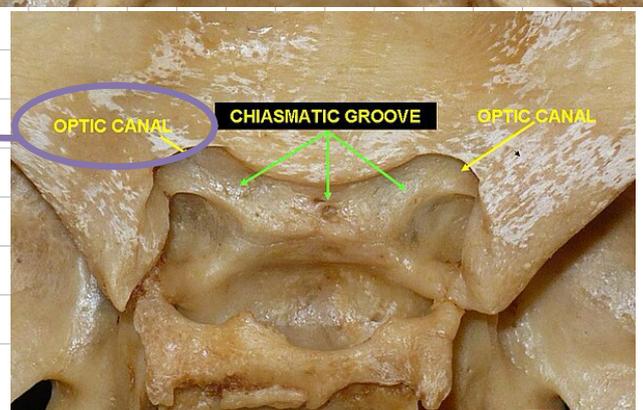
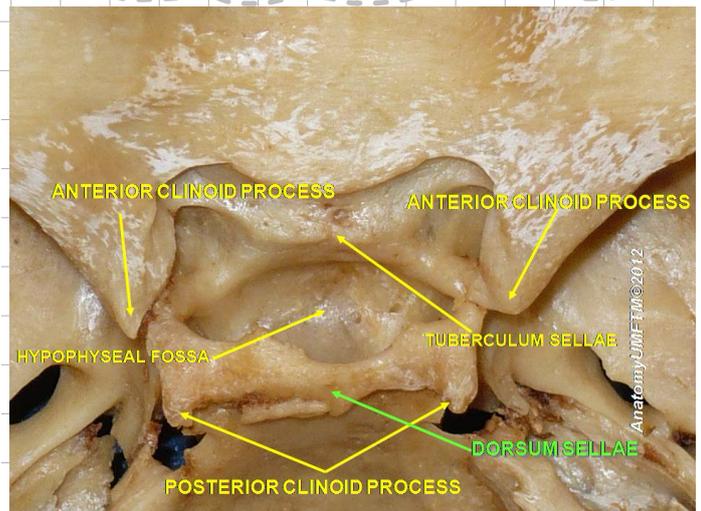
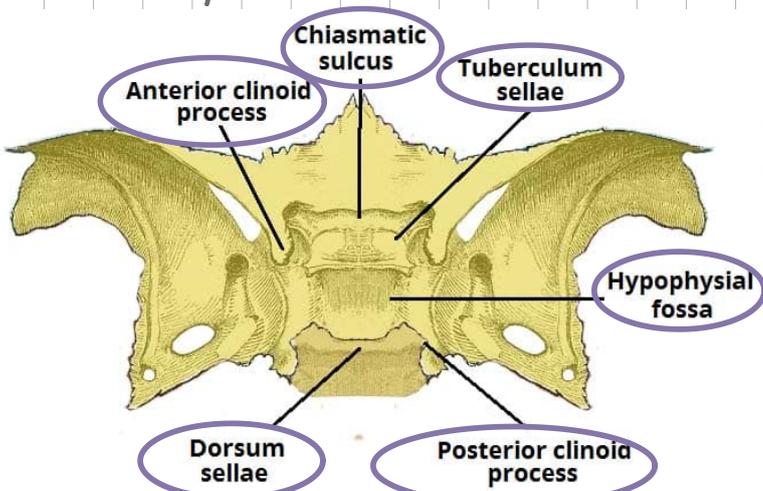
▷ Anatomical features:

- Tuberculum sellae → anteriorly
- Dorsum sellae → posteriorly
- Hypophysial fossa → The central depression where the pituitary gland sits.
- Anterior and posterior clinoid process.



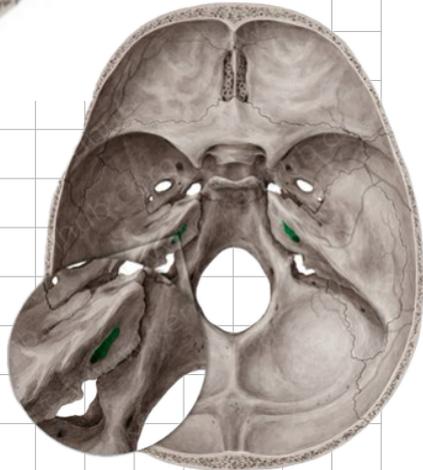
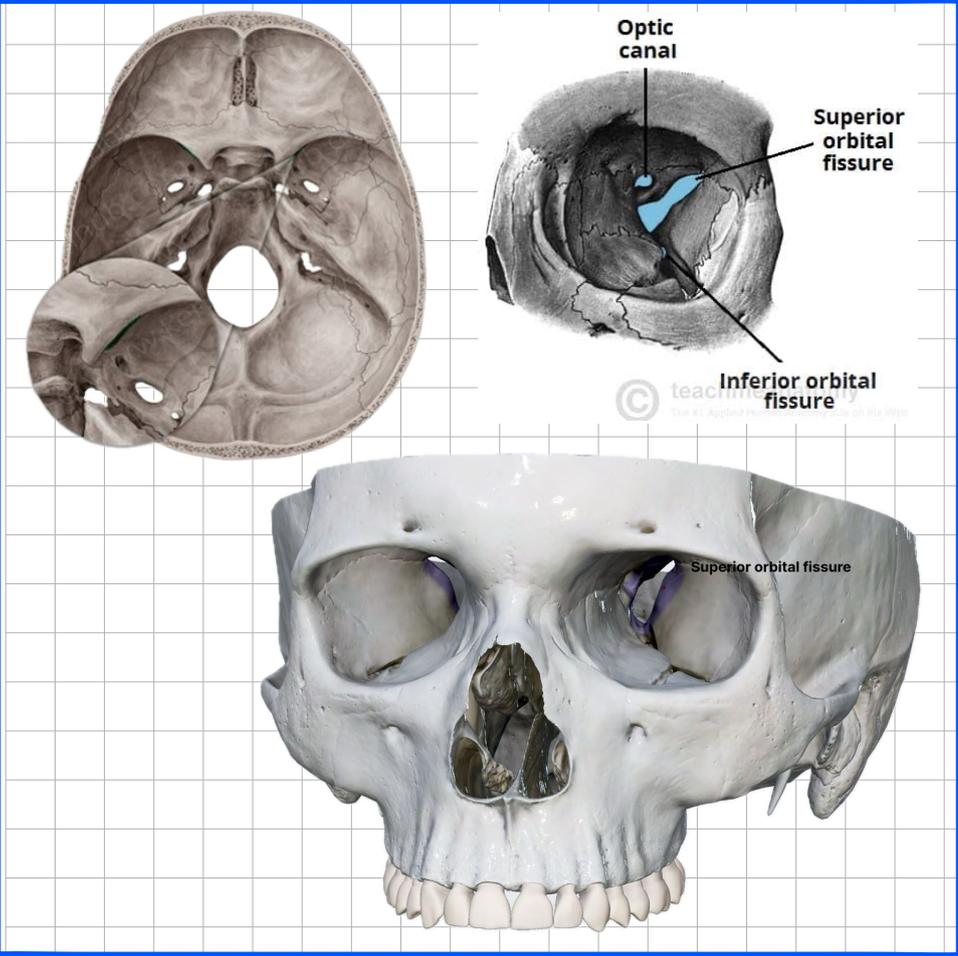
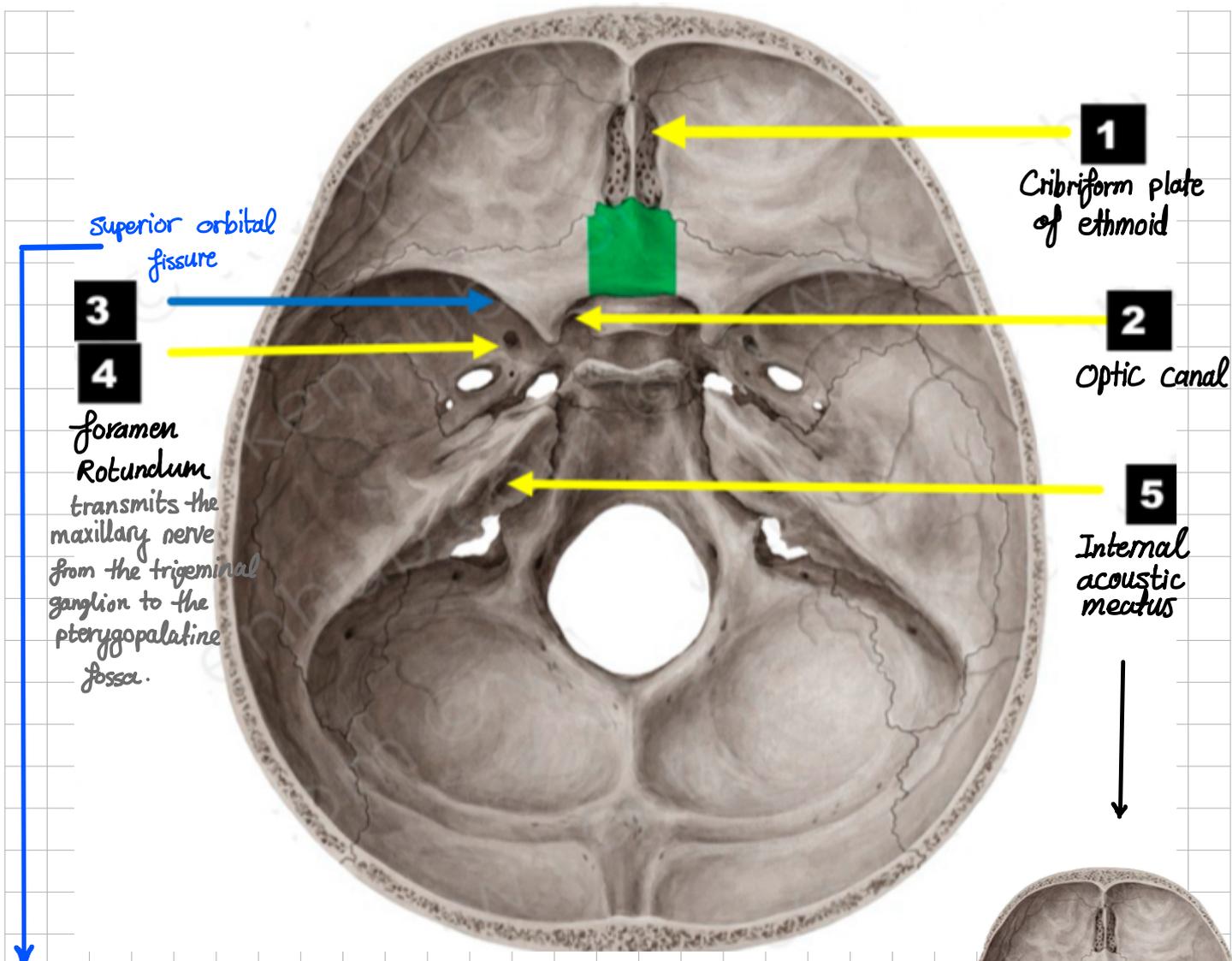


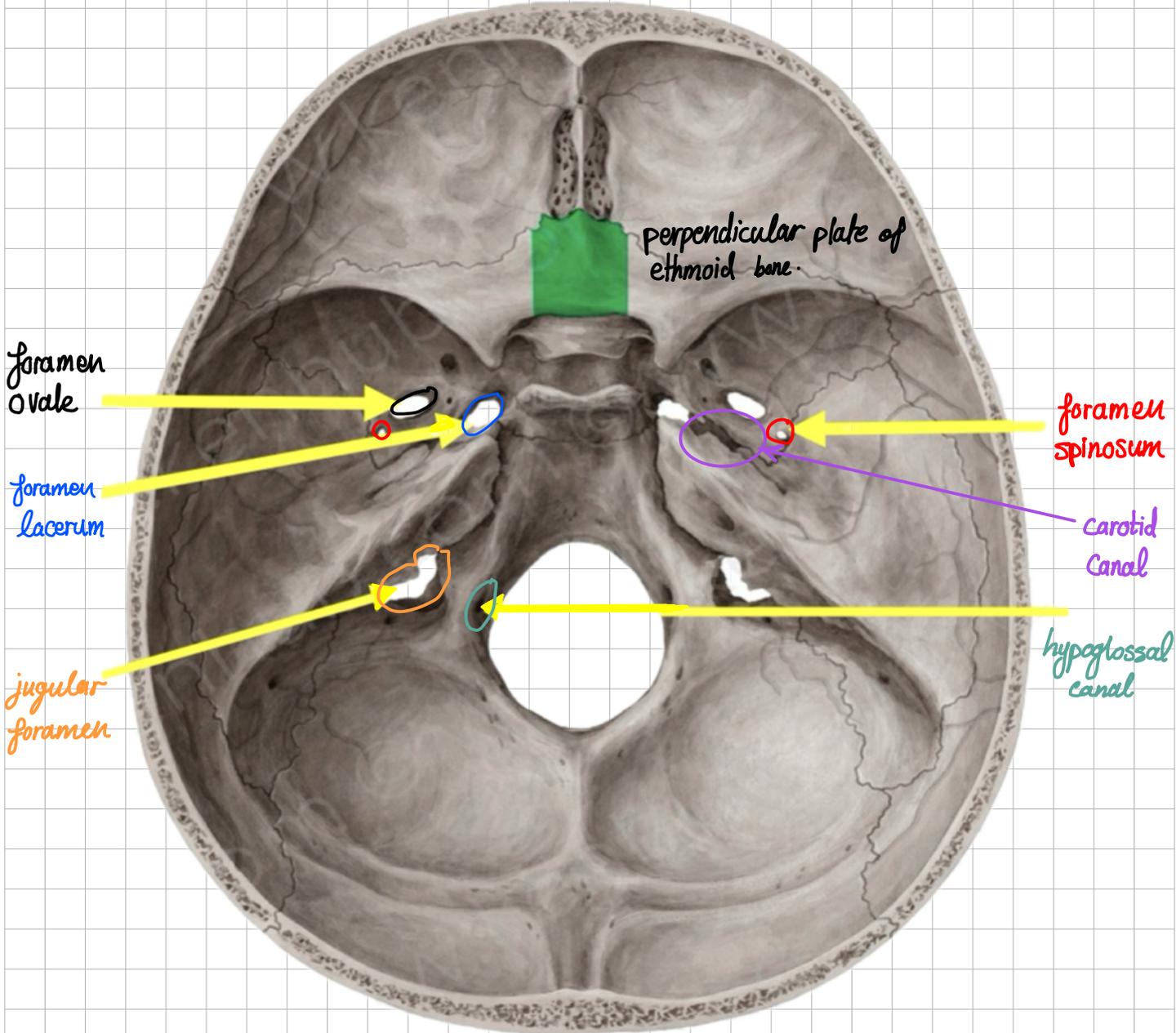
Additional photos:



Clinical application:

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perpendicular plate of ethmoid bone.

foramen ovale

foramen lacerum

jugular foramen

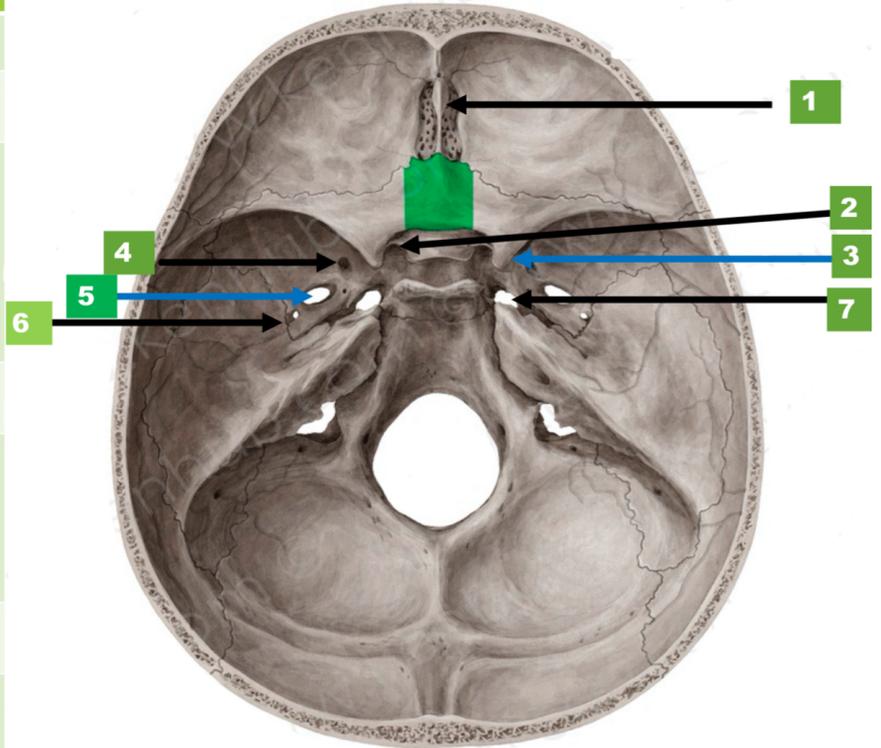
foramen spinosum

carotid canal

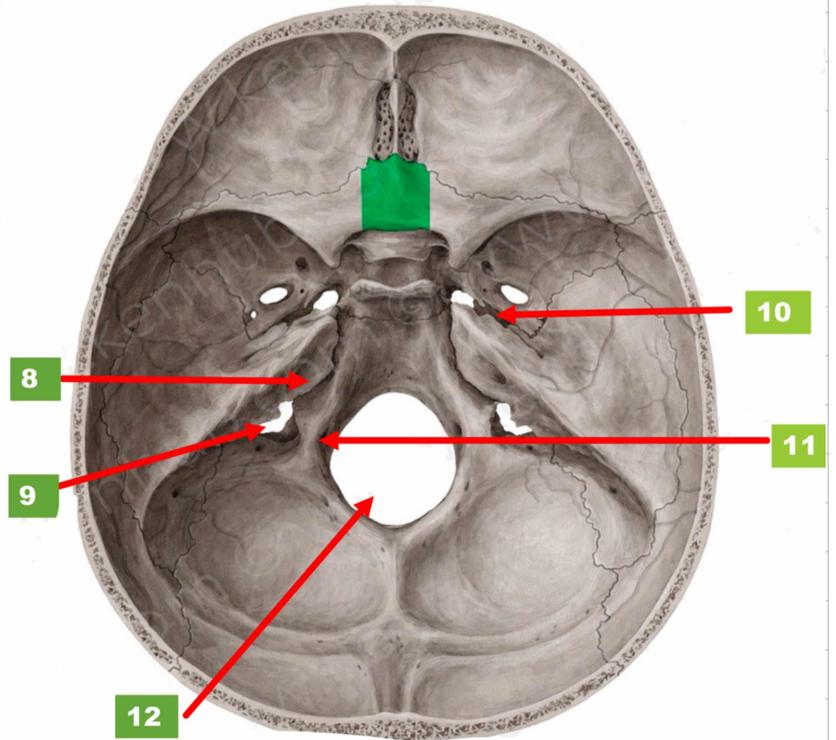
hypoglossal canal

# Skull foramina :

Foramina	Contents
1-Cribriform Plate	Olfactory N (I)
2-Optic canal	Optic nerve (II) and ophthalmic artery
3-Superior orbital fissure	Oculomotor (III), Trochlear (IV), Abducence (VI) and (lacrimal, frontal and nasociliary) branches of ophthalmic nerves (V1)
4-Foramen Rotundum	Maxillary nerve
5-Foramen Ovale	MALE Mandibular nerve V3 Accessory meningeal A Lesser petrosal nerve Emissary vein
6-Foramen spinosum	Middle meningeal artery
7-Foramen Lacerum	Nerve and Artery of pterygoid canal and emissary vein



Foramina	Contents
8-Internal acoustic meatus	Facial nerve (VII), vestibulocochlear nerve (VIII)
9-Jugular Foramen	Inferior petrosal sinus (Anterior) Glossopharyngeal nerve (IX), vagus nerve (X), accessory nerve (XI) (Intermediate) Sigmoid sinus (Posterior)
10- Carotid canal	Internal carotid artery
11-Hypoglossal Canal	Hypoglossal Nerve (XII)
12-Foramen magnum	spinal cord and meninges; vertebral arteries; anterior and posterior spinal arteries; dural veins; spinal roots of the accessory nerve



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