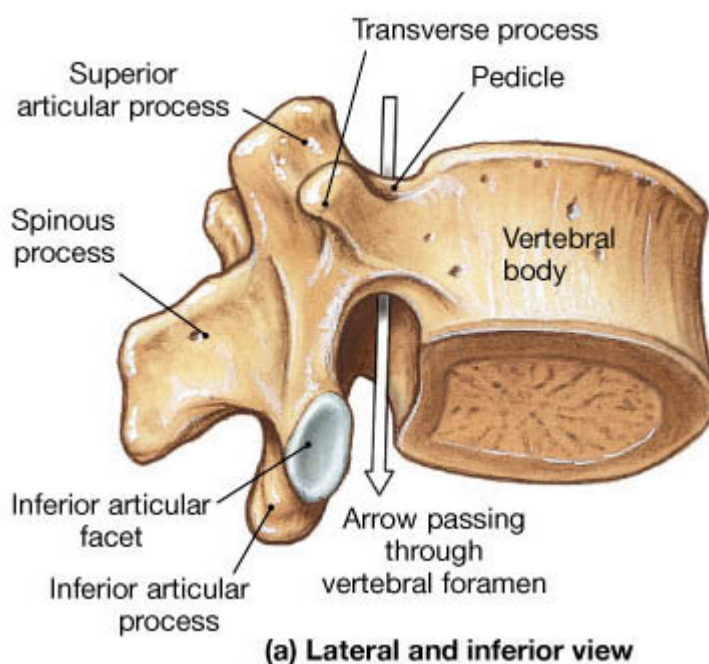


# Transverse process



see [Cervical transverse process](#).

see [Lumbar transverse process](#).

There are two transverse processes, (la. processus transversus) on each side of the [vertebral body](#) which project from either side at the point where the [lamina](#) joins the [pedicle](#), between the superior and [inferior articular processes](#). They also serve for the attachment of muscles and ligaments. There is a facet on each of the transverse processes of thoracic vertebrae which articulates with the tubercle of the rib.

A facet on each side of the thoracic vertebral body articulates with the head of head of the rib. There are superior and inferior articular facets on each side of the vertebra, which serve to restrict the range of movement possible. These facets are joined by a thin portion of the neural arch called the pars interarticularis

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