

Vertebral arch

The posterior part of a [vertebra](#) forms a vertebral arch, in eleven parts, consisting of two [pedicles](#), two [laminae](#), and seven [spinous processes](#). The laminae give attachment to the ligamenta flava. There are vertebral notches formed from the shape of the pedicles, which form the intervertebral foramina when the vertebrae articulate. These foramina are the entry and exit conducts for the spinal nerves. The body of the vertebra and the vertebral arch form the vertebral foramen.

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