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Musculoskeletal Block  
**ANATOMY**  
team 435



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# objectives

**By the end of this lecture, you should be able to identify:**

- ❖ Contents of the gluteal region:
- ❖ 3 Glutei muscles: Gluteus maximus, medius and minimus.
- ❖ Other 5 Small muscles: Piriformis, Obturator internus, Superior gemellus, Inferior gemellus and Quadratus femoris.
- ❖ Nerves & vessels.
- ❖ Foramina: 1-Greater Sciatic Foramen.  
2-Lesser Sciatic Foramen.
- ❖ Back of the thigh: Hamstring muscles.



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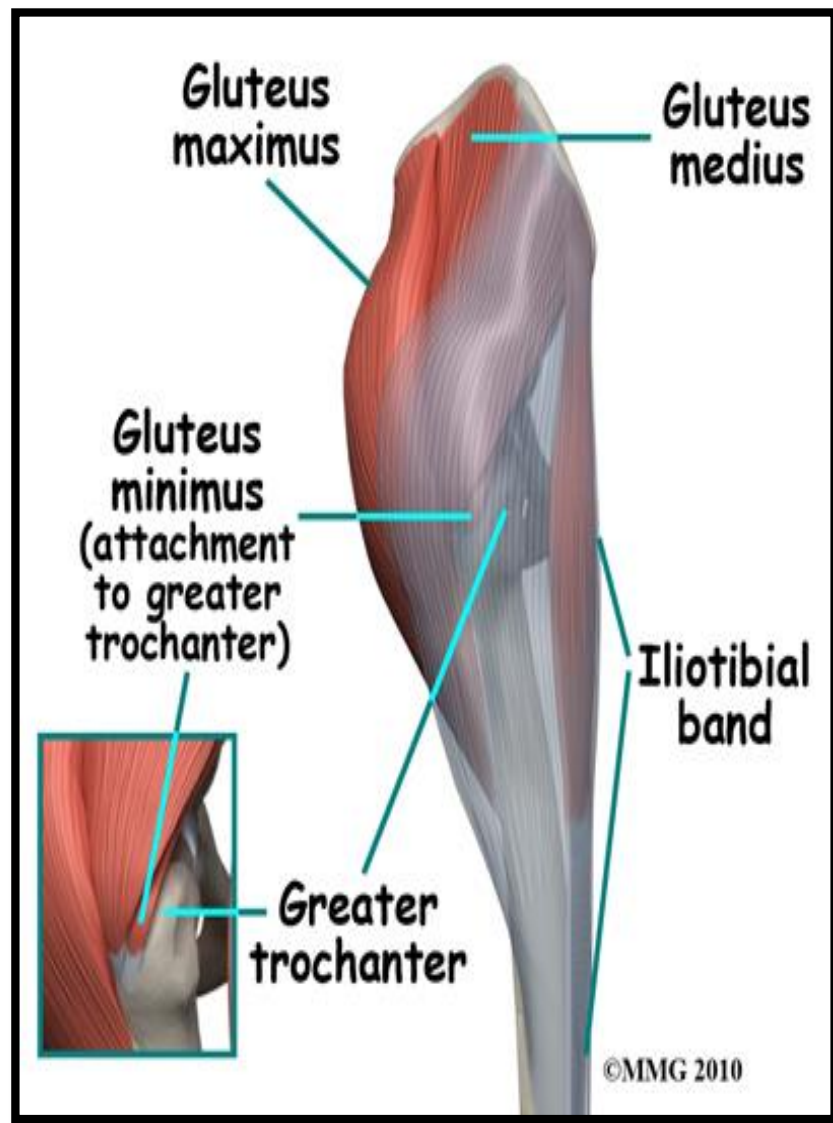
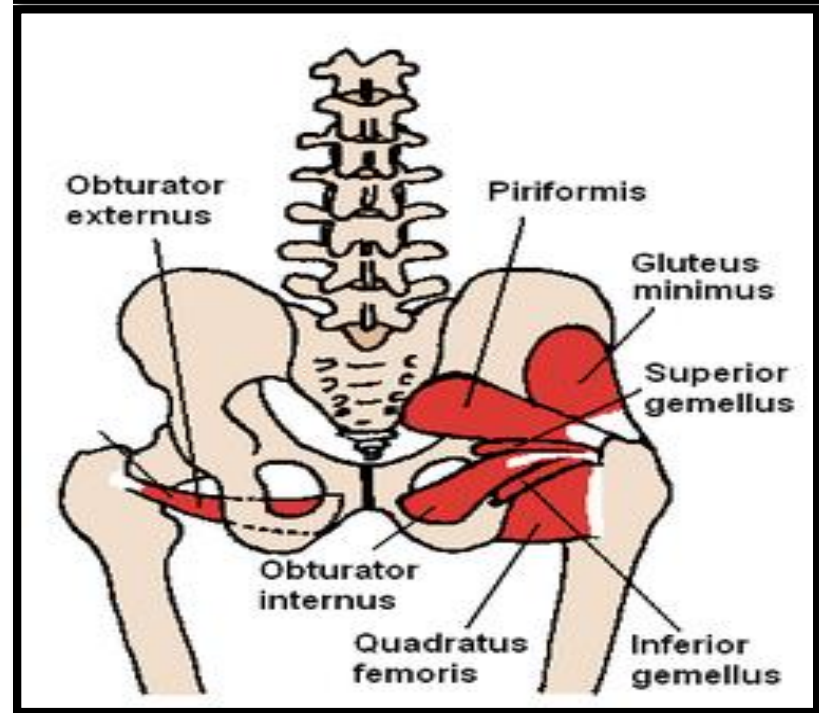
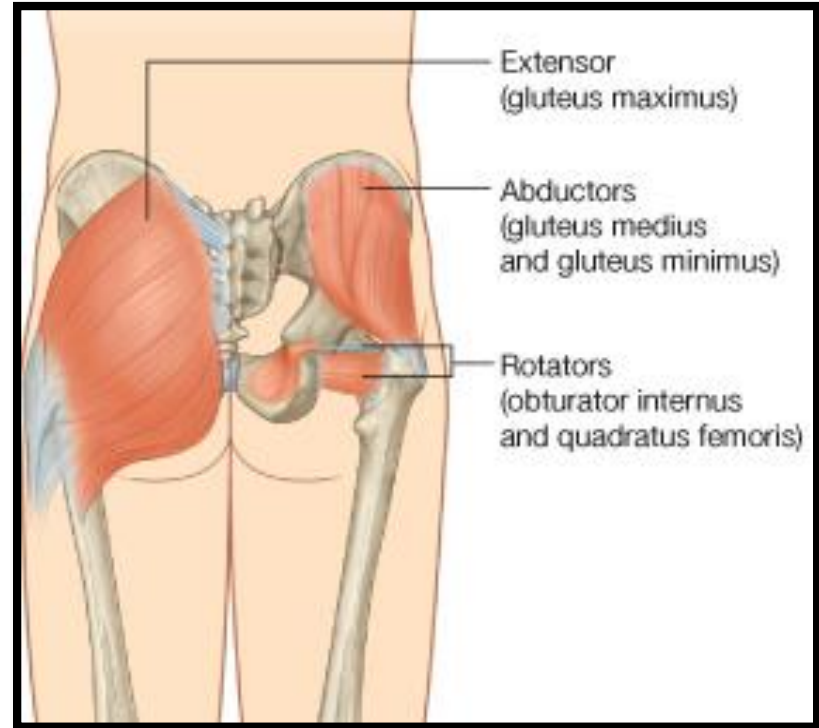
## I - MUSCLES:

### A- GLUTEI:

1. Gluteus maximus.
2. Gluteus medius. (IM injections)
3. Gluteus minimus.

### B- GROUP OF SMALL MUSCLES:

1. Piriformis.
2. Obturator internus.
3. Superior gemellus.
4. Inferior gemellus.
5. Quadratus femoris.

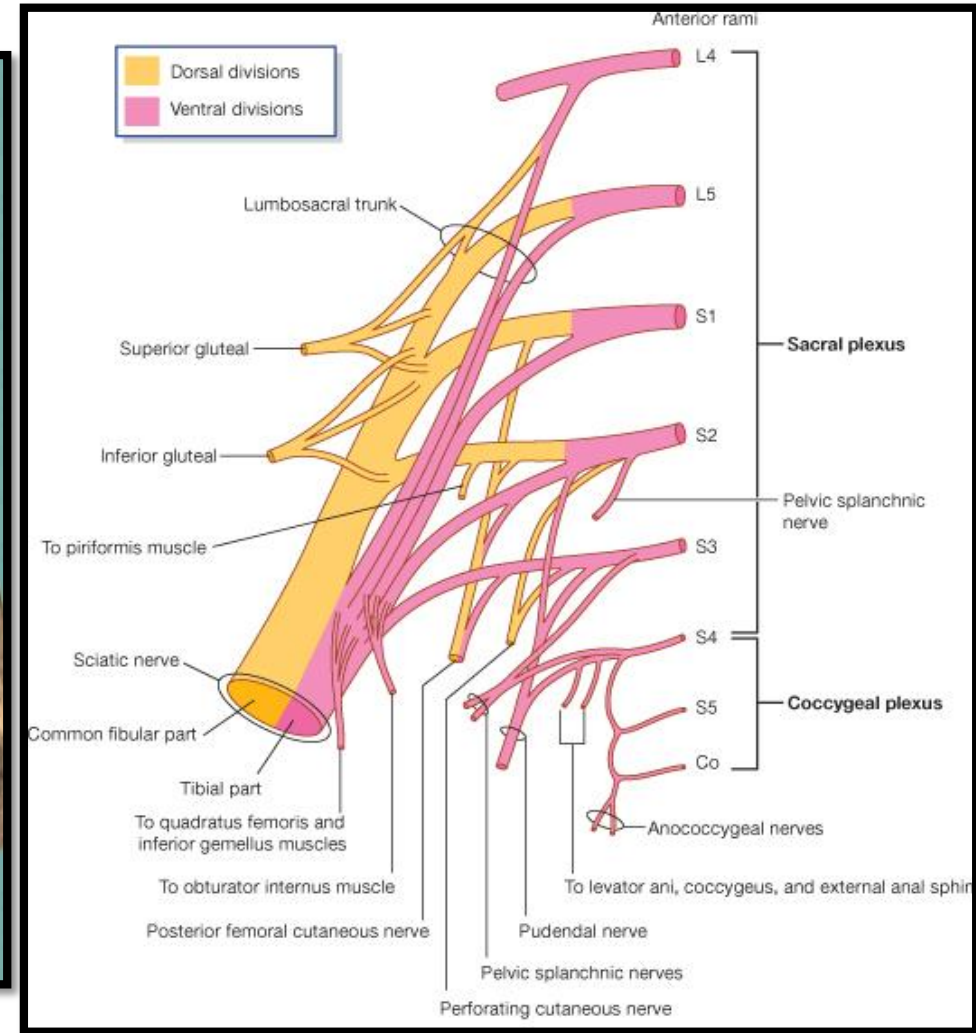
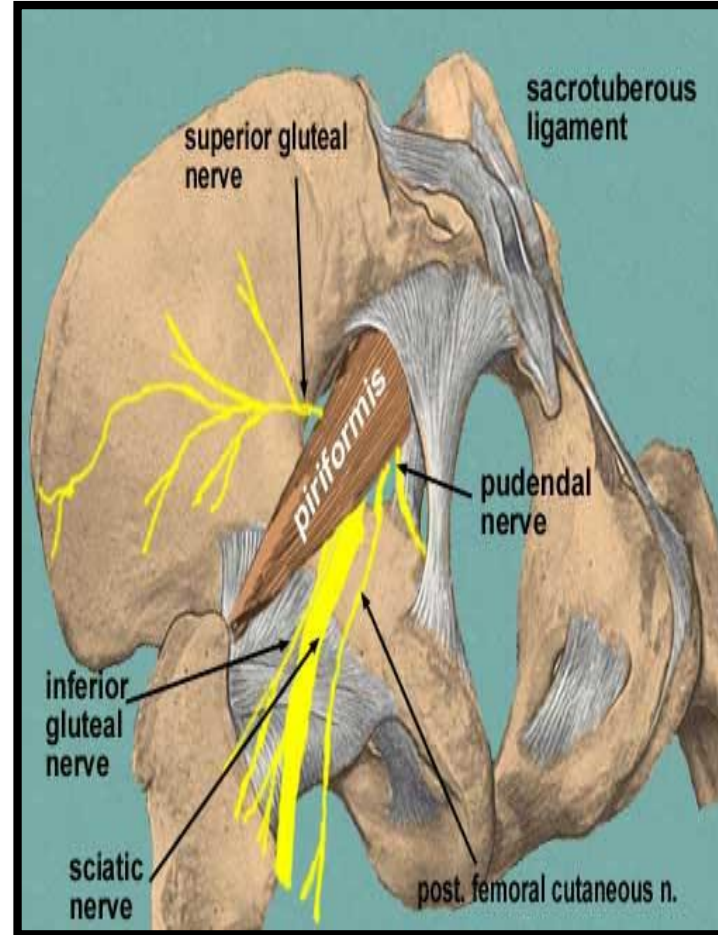


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## II – NERVES:

(all from sacral plexus):

- 1- Sciatic nerve
- 2- Superior gluteal nerve.
- 3- Inferior gluteal nerve.
- 4- Posterior cutaneous nerve of thigh.
- 5- Nerve to obturator internus.
- 6- Nerve to quadratus femoris.
- 7- Pudendal nerve.

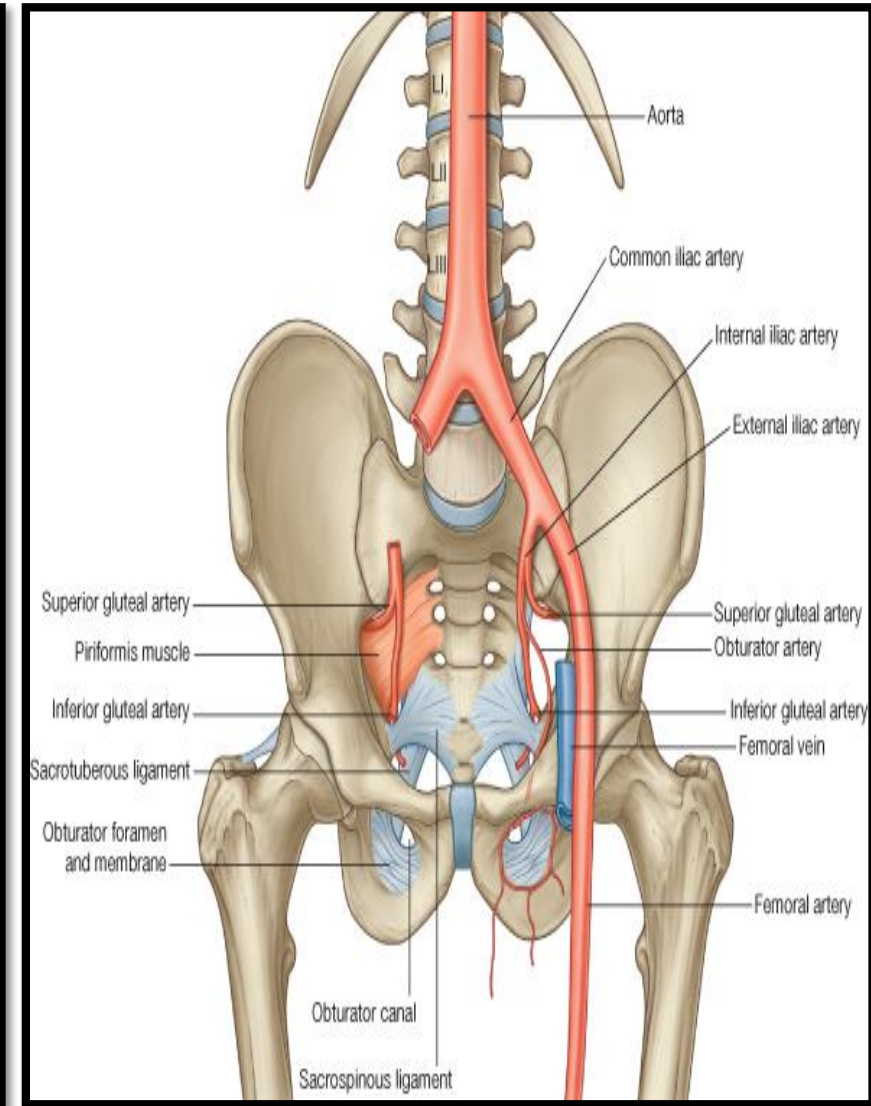
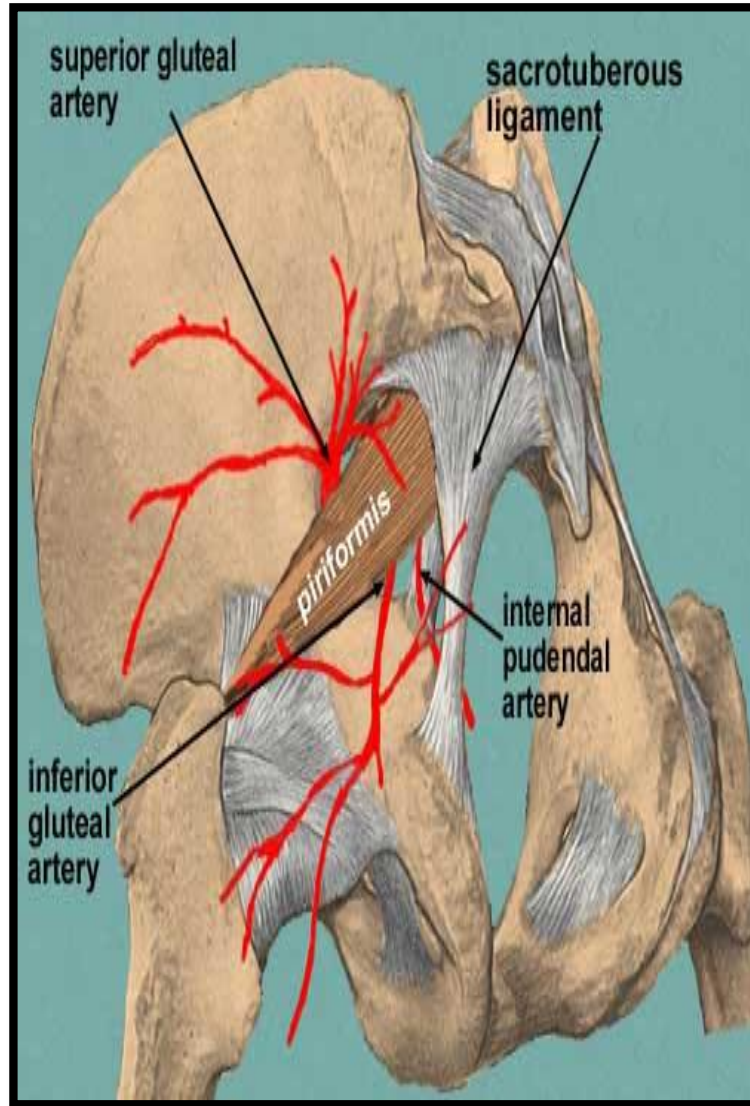


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## III - VESSELS:

- (all from internal iliac vessels):

- 1-Superior gluteal vessels.
- 2-Inferior gluteal vessels.
- 3-Internal pudendal vessels.



# Greater sciatic foramen

Greater sciatic notch of hip bone is transformed into foramen by **sacrotuberous** & **sacrospinous** ligaments.

## Structures passing through Greater sciatic foramen:

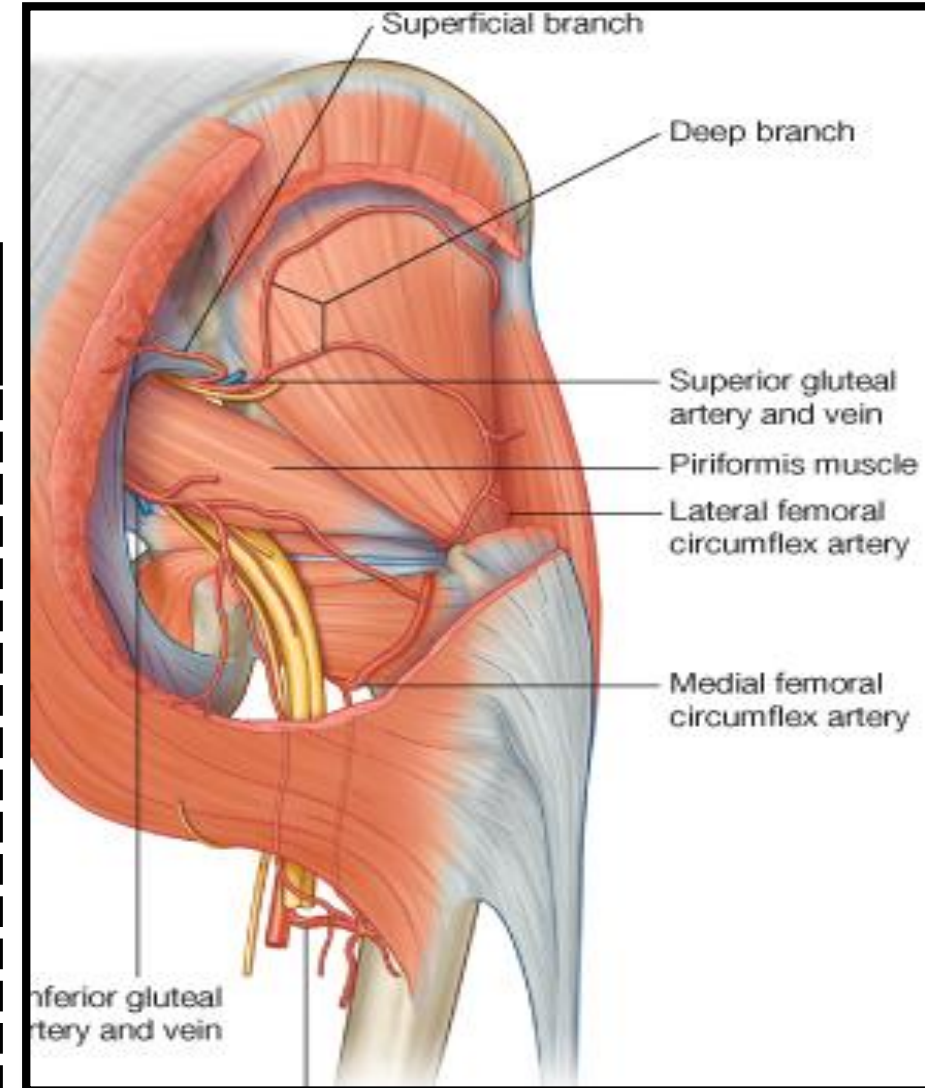
### Piriformis muscle.

#### Above piriformis:

- Superior gluteal nerves & vessels.

#### Below piriformis:

- Inferior gluteal nerves & vessels.
- Sciatic nerve.
- Posterior cutaneous nerve of thigh.
- Nerve to quadratus femoris.
- Nerve to obturator internus.
- Pudendal N.
- Internal pudendal vessels.

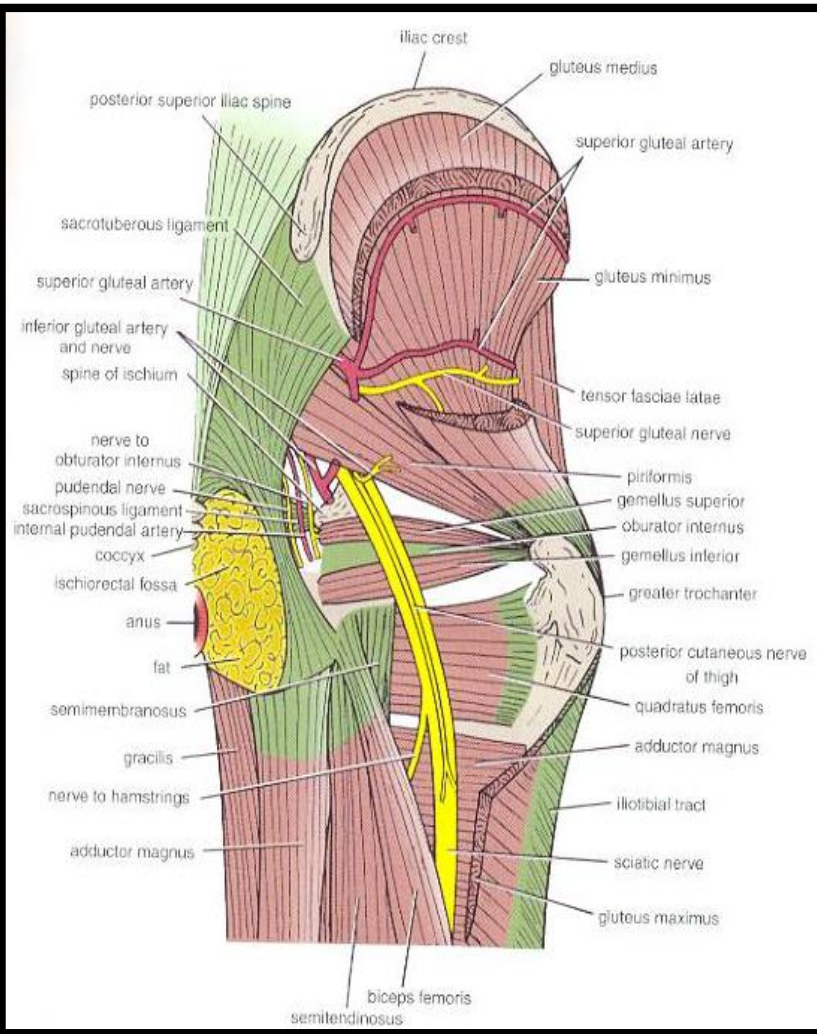
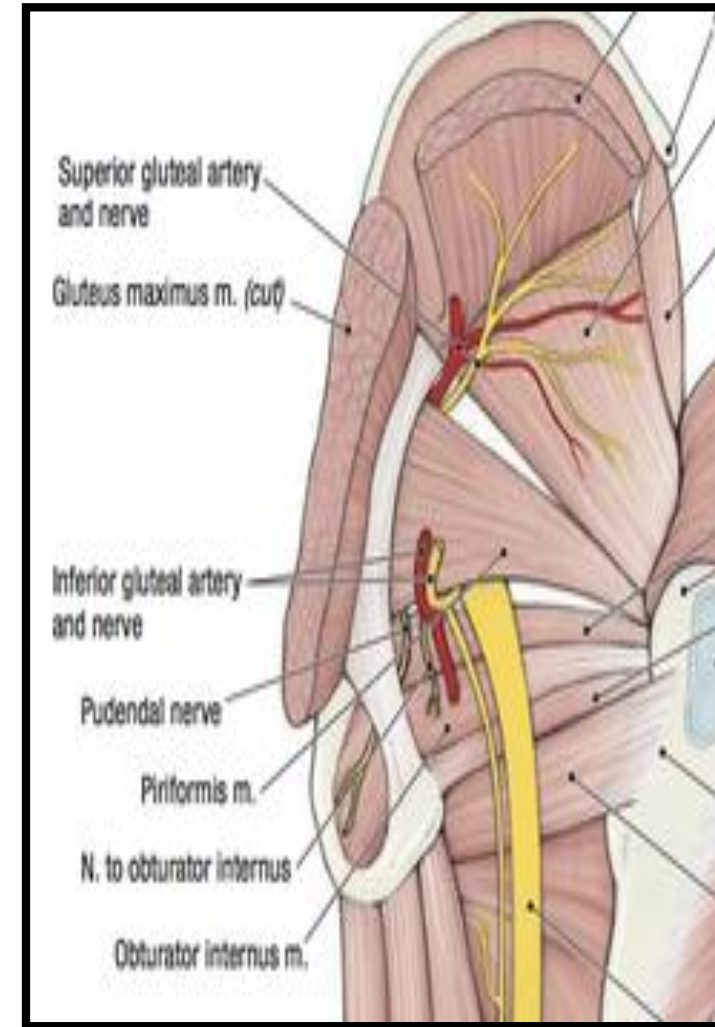


# Lesser sciatic foramen

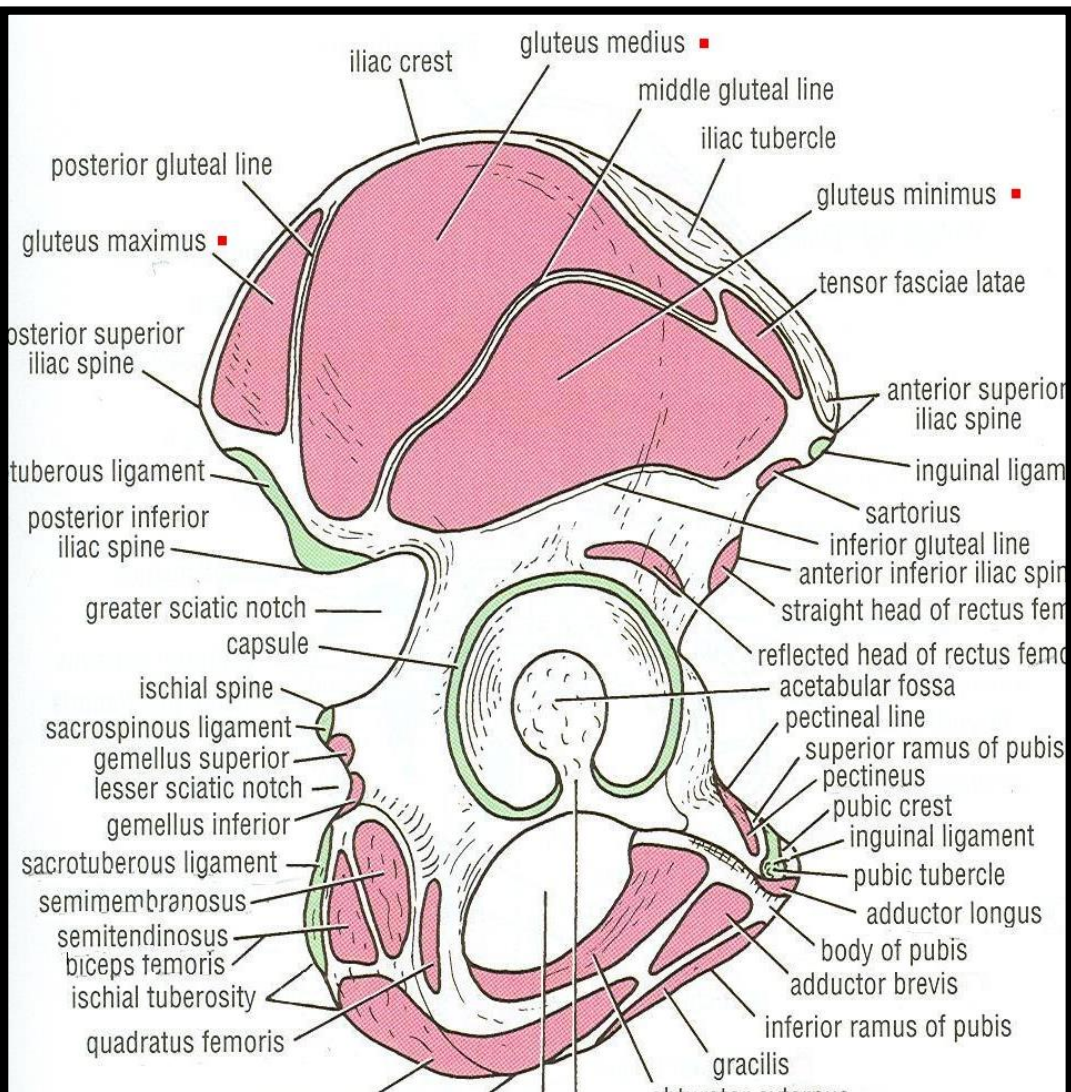
Lesser sciatic notch of hip bone is transformed into foramen by **Sacrotuberous & sacrospinous** ligaments.

Structures passing through Lesser sciatic foramen :

1. Tendon of obturator internus.
2. Nerve to obturator internus.
3. Pudendal nerve.
4. Internal pudendal vessels.



# Glutei Muscles



## ORIGINS

### Gluteus maximus:

Posterior part of the gluteal surface of ilium.

### Gluteus medius:

Middle part of the gluteal surface of ilium.

### Gluteus minimus:

Anterior part of the gluteal surface of ilium

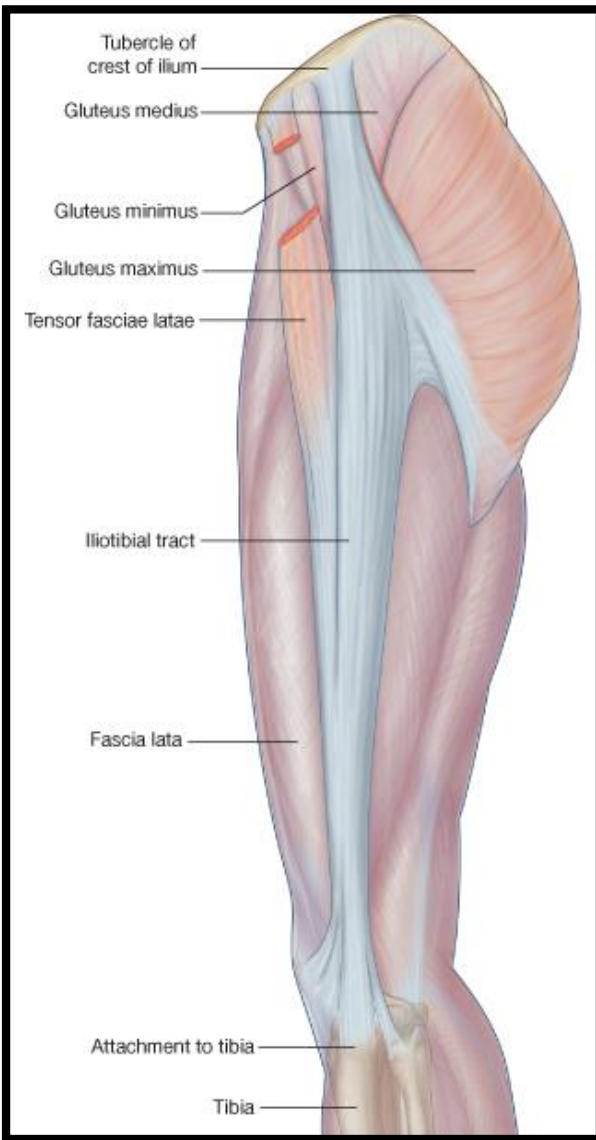
### Main origin of gluteus maximus:

- Back of sacrum & coccyx & back of Sacrotuberous ligament.

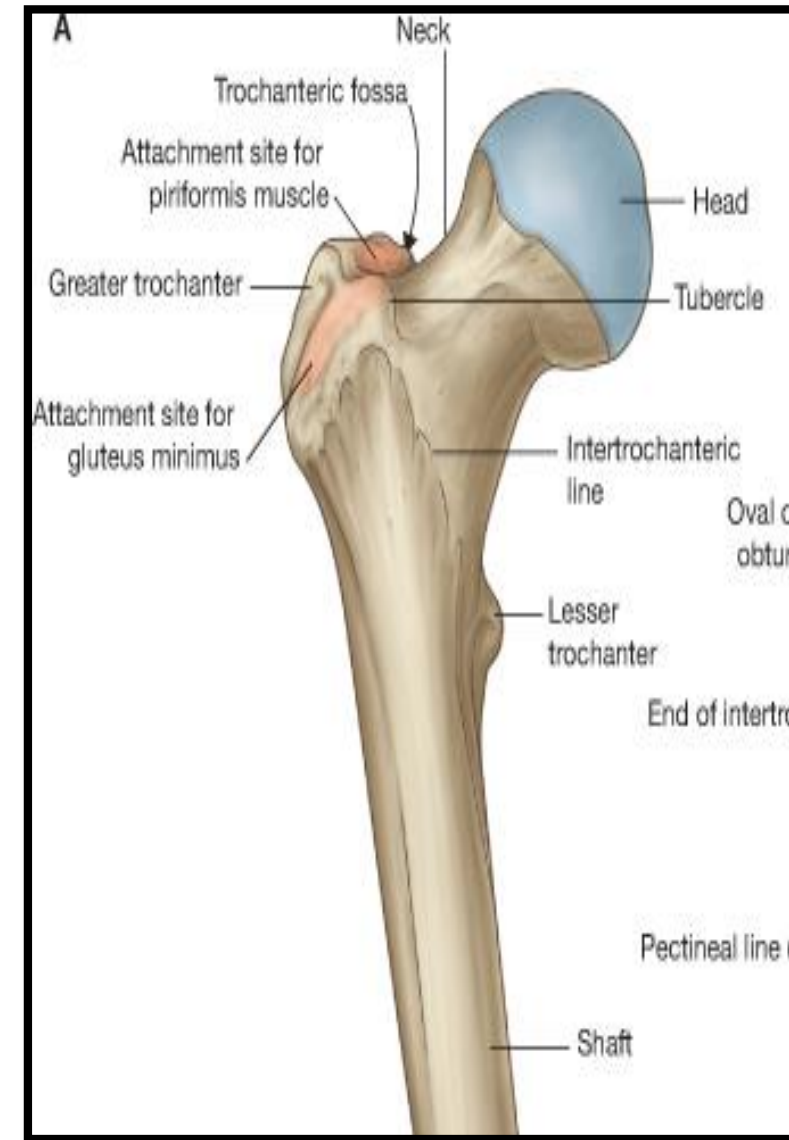




# Glutei muscles



Insertion:		
Gluteus maximus:	Gluteus medius:	Gluteus minimus:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Main insertion:</b> iliotibial tract</li> <li>• <b>Other insertion:</b> gluteal tuberosity of the femur.</li> </ul>	Lateral surface of the greater trochanter	anterior surface of the greater trochanter



# Nerve Supply and action

## Gluteus medius & minimus:

### Nerve supply:

Superior gluteal nerve.

### Action:

- **Abduction** & **Medial rotation** of hip joint.
- Also they prevent tilt of the pelvis by contraction of **ABDUCTORS** on opposite side on raising the other limb from ground.
- If the pelvis tilts, this means +ve Trendelenburg's sign

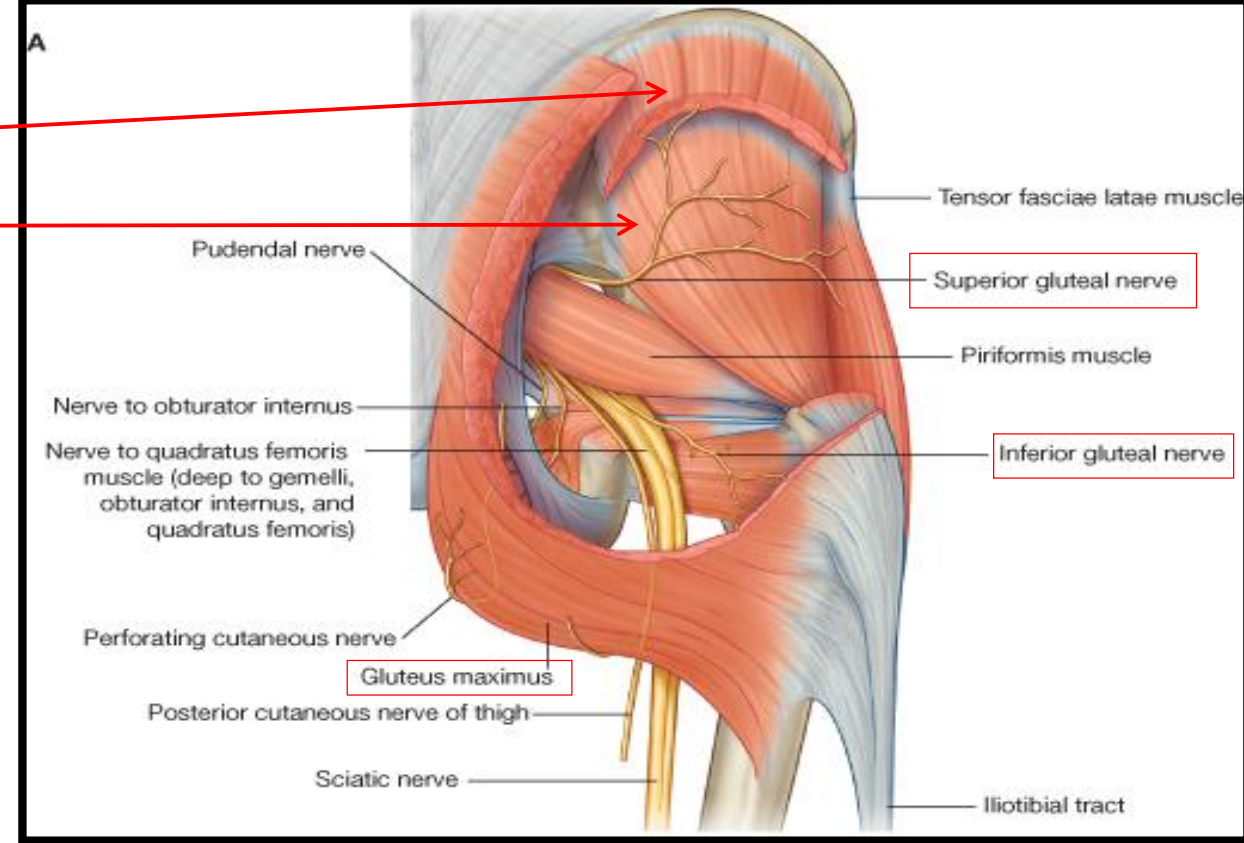
## Gluteus maximus:

### Nerve supply:

Inferior gluteal nerve.

### Action:

- Extension & lateral rotation of the hip joint.
- Through its attachment to iliotibial tract, it stabilizes the femur on the tibia during standing.



Note: The **iliotibial band** is a thick **band** of fascia on the lateral aspect of the knee, extending from the outside of the pelvis, over the hip and knee, and inserting just below the knee. The **band** is crucial to stabilizing the knee during running and moving.

# Pelvis Tilt & Gluteal Gait

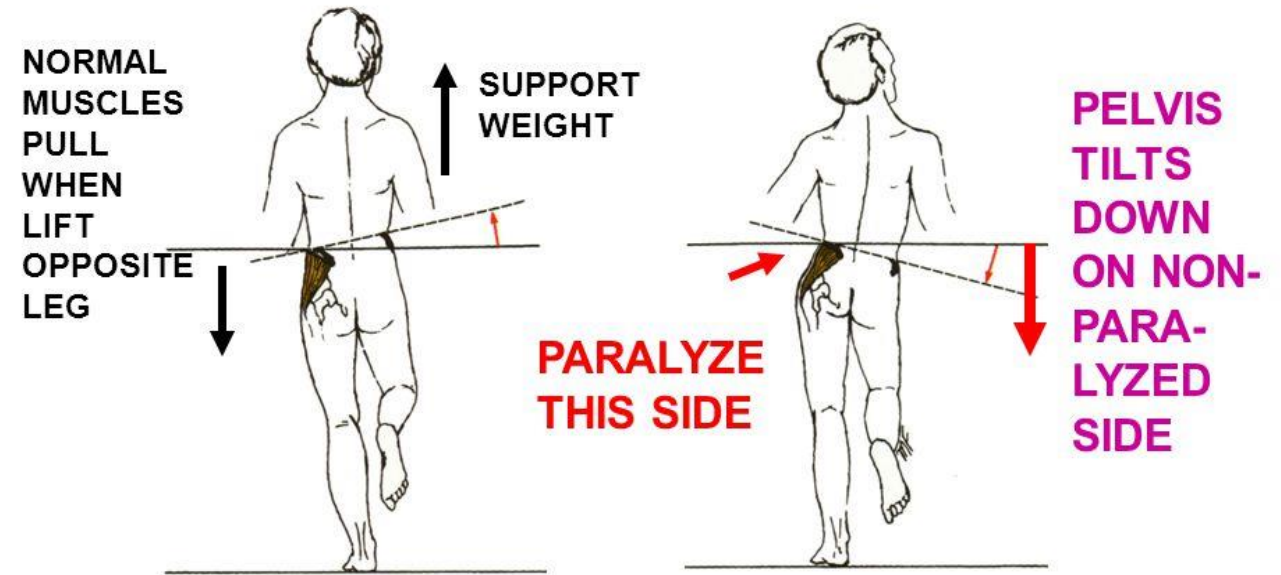
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- Right pelvic tilt (the left side of the pelvis is elevated higher than the right side) as in picture.
- This requires a muscular effort by the hip abductors (glutei medii and minimi of opposite side) to pull the pelvis up

This was taken from girls' lecture

## GLUTEAL GAIT -

caused by injury to Superior Gluteal nerve or poliomyelitis (also congenital dislocation of hip joint). Paralyze Gluteus Medius and Minimus. In walking, pelvis tilts down on non-paralyzed side when lift foot of opposite, non-paralyzed leg.



Positive Trendelenburg sign - WHEN LIFT OPPOSITE LEG, PELVIS TILTS DOWN ON (NON-PARALYZED) OPPOSITE SIDE.

## Obturator Internus:

### Origin:

Inner surface and side wall of the pelvis.

### Insertion:

Into the **medial surface** of the greater trochanter.

### Nerve supply:

Nerve to obturator internus.

## Superior & Inferior Gemelli:

### Origin:

#### Superior gemellus;

upper part of lesser sciatic notch.

#### Inferior gemellus:

lower part of lesser sciatic notch.

### Insertion:

Into **tendon of obturator internus**.

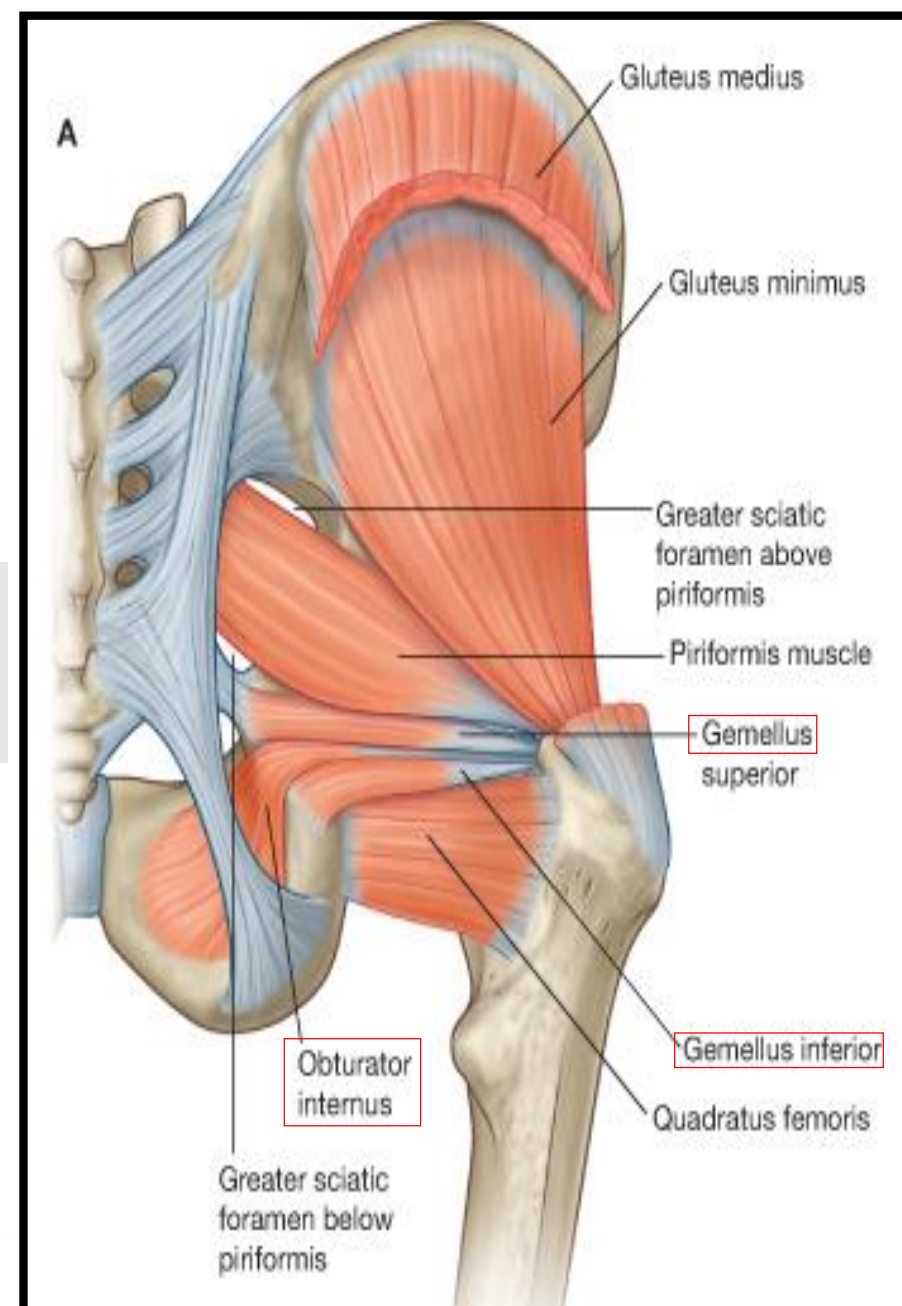
### Nerve supply:

**Superior gemellus:** nerve to obturator internus.

**Inferior gemellus:** nerve to quadratus femoris.

# Small muscles

Just make sure you remember the origin, insertion, action and nerve supply of each Muscle. It's very important.



# Small muscles

## Piriformis

### Origin:

Pelvic surface of middle 3 sacral vertebrae.

### Insertion:

It passes out of the pelvis through **GSF** to be inserted into the **upper border** of the greater trochanter.

### Nerve supply:

Anterior rami of S1,2.

## Quadratus femoris

### Origin:

Lateral border of the ischial tuberosity.

### Insertion:

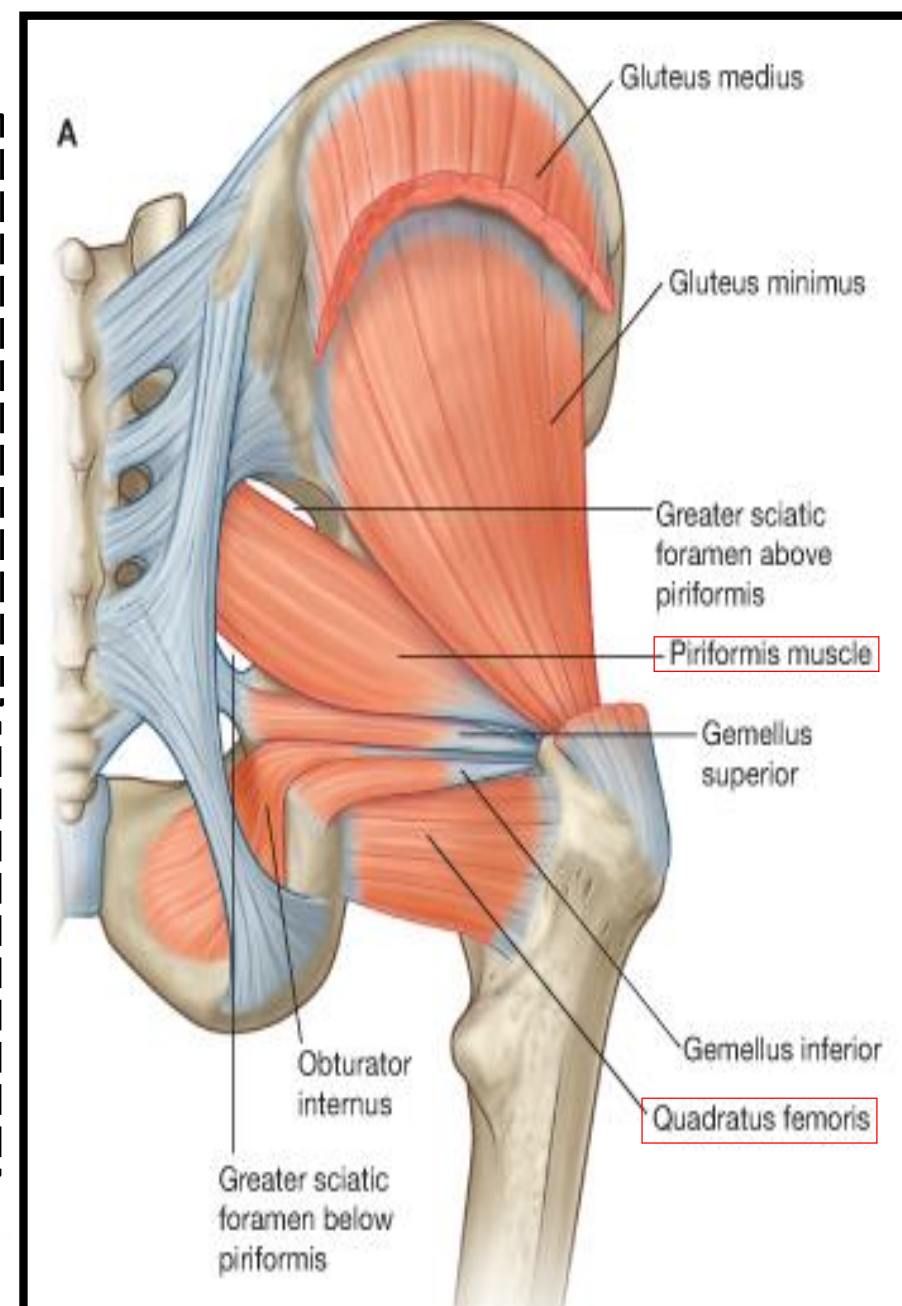
Quadratus tubercle & intertrochanteric crest.

### Nerve supply:

Nerve to **quadratus femoris** (You can see this nerve in the picture next slide).

**ALL HAVE SIMILAR ACTION:** Lateral rotation of the hip joint. Control movement of the hip joint.

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**GSF** = Greater Sciatic Foramen

# Nerves

## SUPERIOR GLUTEAL NERVE

**Course:** Passes through **GSF**, **above** piriformis, then **between** *gluteus medius & minimus*.

### Branches:

1. Muscular to gluteus medius, minimus & tensor fasciae lata muscle.
2. Articular to hip joint.

## INFERIOR GLUTEAL NERVE

**Course:** passes through **GSF**, **below** piriformis, then **deep** to *gluteus maximus*.

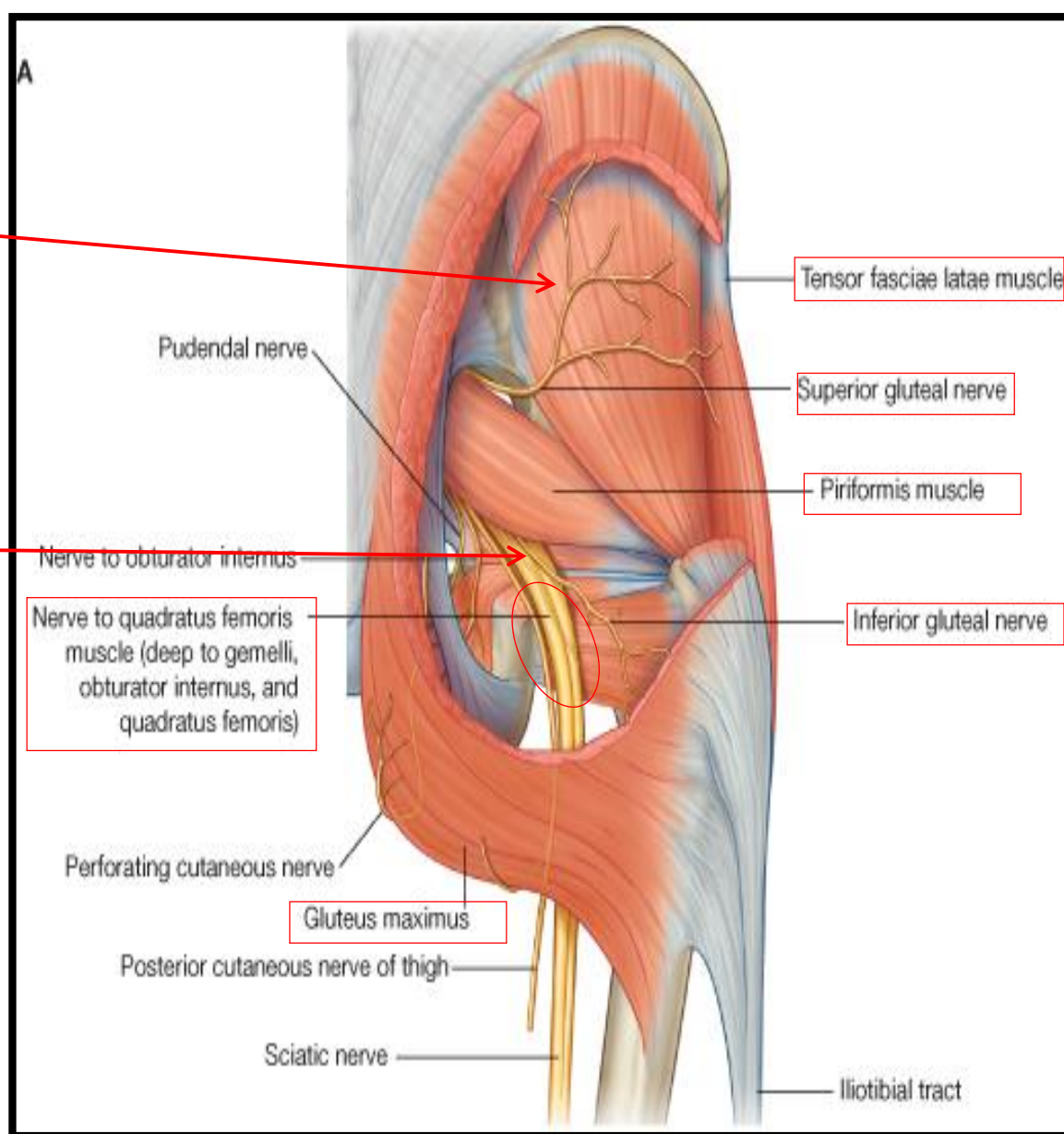
**Branches:** muscular to gluteus maximus.

## NERVE TO QUADRATUS FEMORIS

**Course:** passes through **GSF**, **below** piriformis.

### Branches:

1. Muscular to quadratus femoris & inferior gemellus.
2. Articular to hip joint.



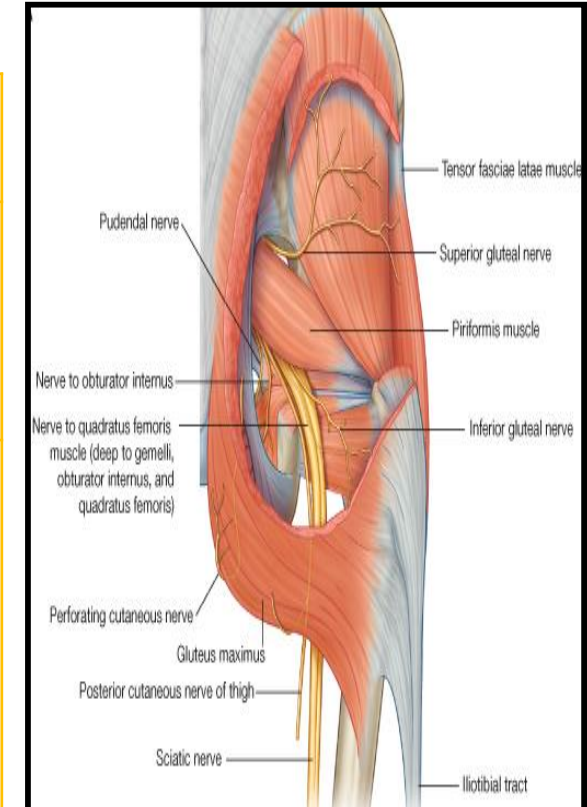
Note: The nerve to Quadratus Femoris is not the sciatic nerve. The nerve to Quadratus femoris enters the gluteal region through the GSF deep to the sciatic nerve.



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# NERVES

NERVES	Course:	Branches:
POSTERIOR CUTANEOUS NERVE OF THE THIGH	Passes through GSF, (Greater Sciatic Foramen) <b>below</b> piriformis, then descends deep to deep fascia	<b>Cutaneous branches to:</b> gluteal region, back of scrotum (labium majus) back of thigh & upper part of back of leg
SCIATIC:	passes through GSF, <b>below</b> piriformis, then <b>superficial</b> to: ischial spine, superior gemellus, tendon of obturator internus, inferior gemellus, quadratus femoris & adductor magnus.	<b>No branches</b> in gluteal region, <u>divides into</u> <b>tibial &amp; common</b> peroneal nerves, in the middle of back of thigh



# POSTERIOR COMPARTMENT OF THE THIGH

## Content:

### Nerve supply:

Sciatic nerve.

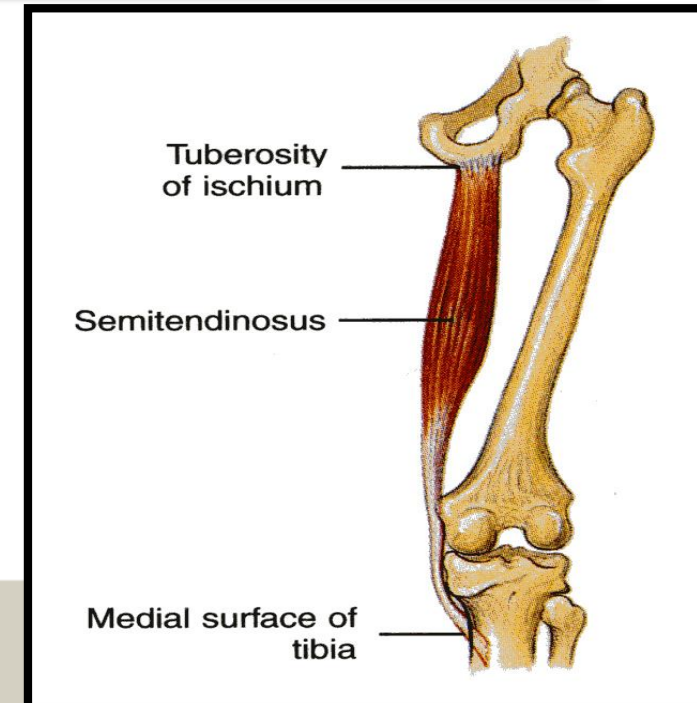
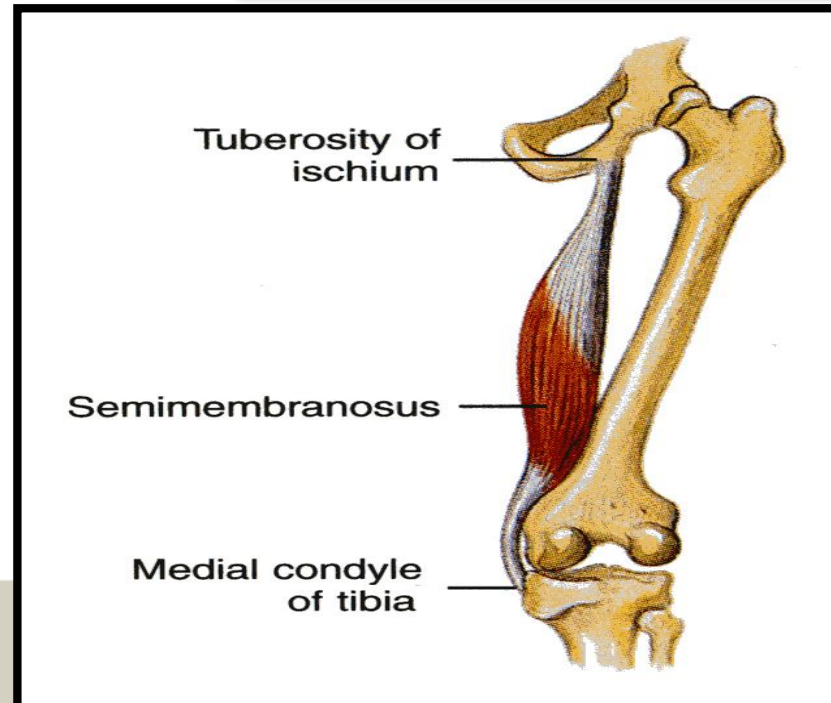
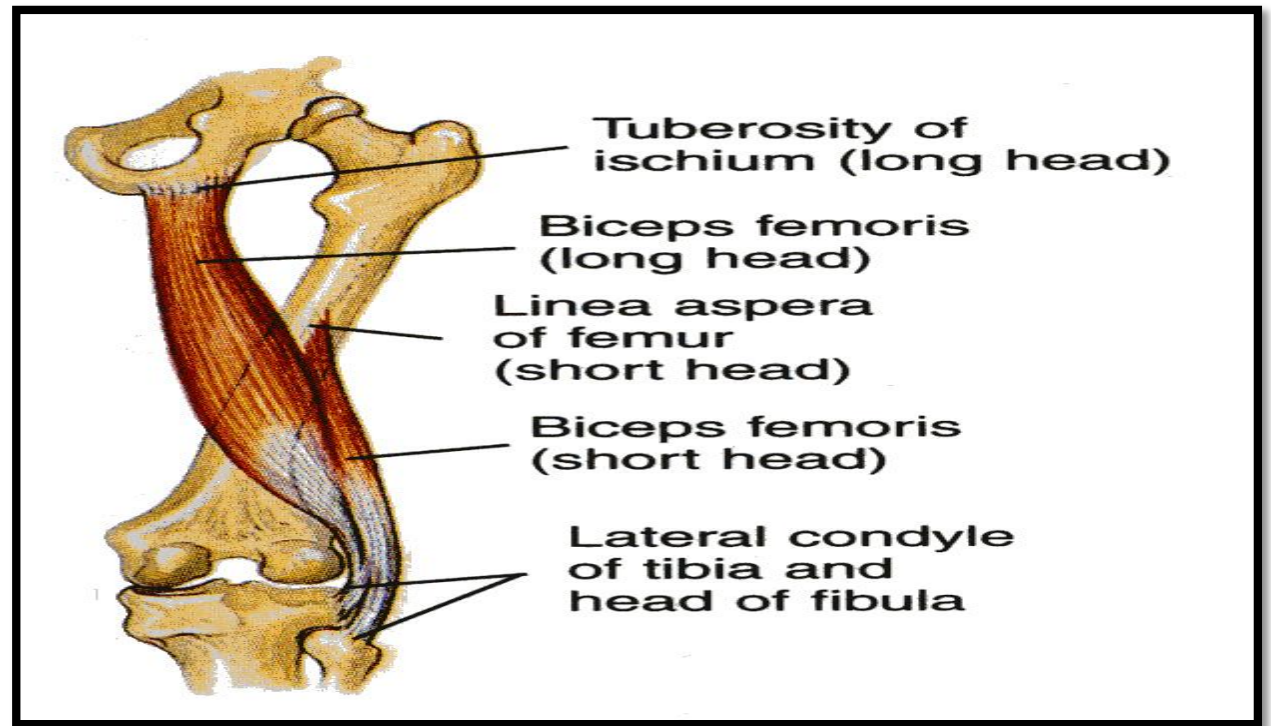
### Blood supply:

Branches of the profunda femoris artery.

### Muscles:

#### Hamstring muscles:

- 1-Biceps femoris.
- 2- Semitendinosus.
- 3-Semimembranosus.
- 4- Ischial part of adductor magnus.





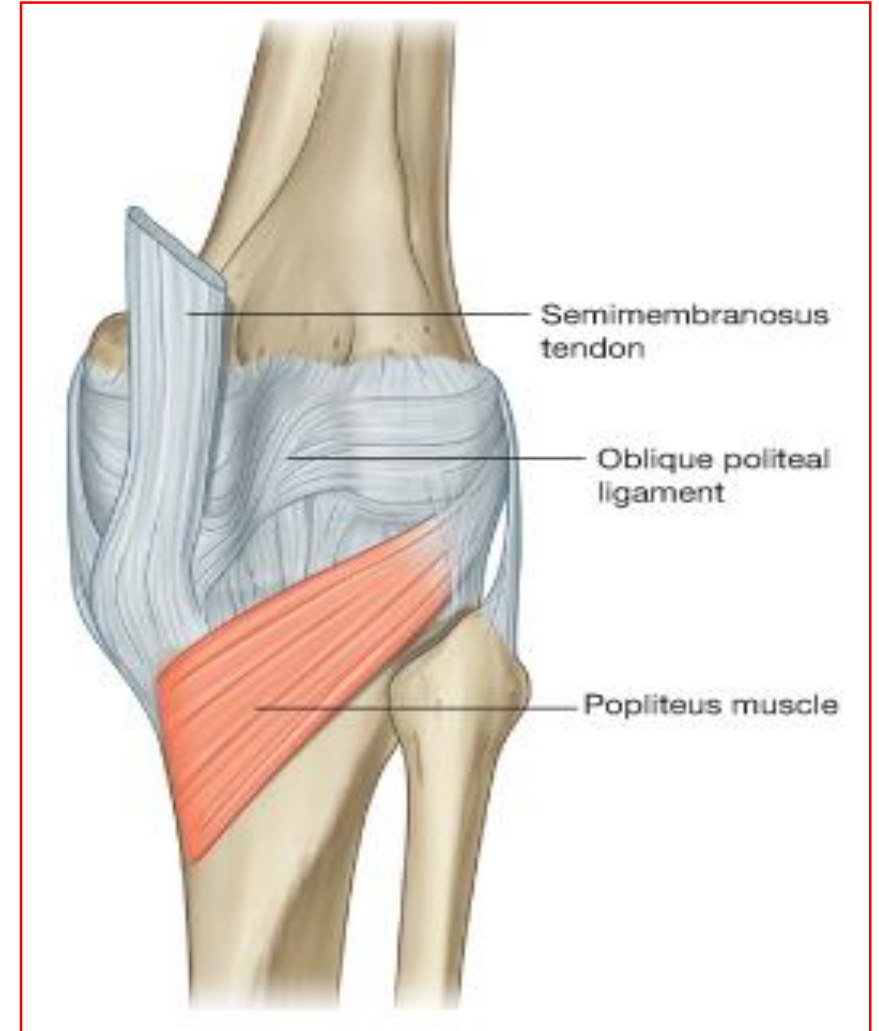
MUSCLES	Origin:	Insertion	Nerve supply:	Action
<b>Biceps Femoris</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Long</b> head from the <b>ischial tuberosity</b>.</li> <li>- <b>Short</b> head from the <b>linea aspera</b></li> </ul>	Into the <b>head of the fibula</b> .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Long head is supplied by the <b>tibial</b> part of the sciatic</li> <li>- Short head is supplied by the <b>common peroneal</b> part of the sciatic</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Flexion of knee.</li> <li>- Lateral rotation of flexed leg.</li> <li>- Long head: extends the hip</li> </ul>
<b>SEMITENDINOSUS</b>	<b>Ischial tuberosity.</b>	Upper part of the medial surface of the shaft of the tibia ( <b>SGS</b> ).	<b>Tibial</b> portion of the sciatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Flexes</u> and medially rotates the leg at the knee joint.</li> <li>- <u>Extends</u> the thigh at the hip joint.</li> </ul>

What are the SGS? They are the muscles that are inserted in the medial surface of the shaft of Tibia, which are: semitendinosus +gracialis ++sartorius



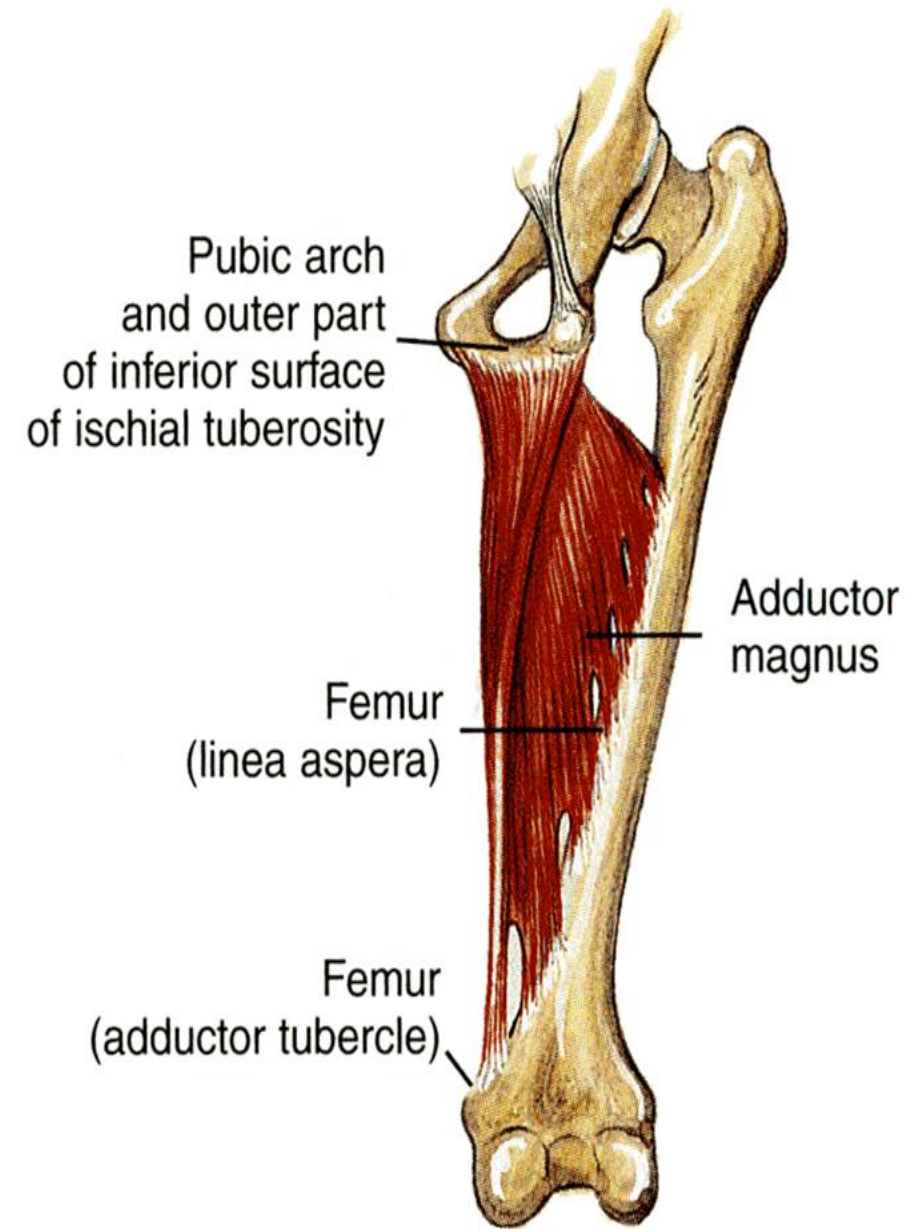
# SEMIMEMBRANOSUS

Origin	Ischial tuberosity.
Insertion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Posterior surface of the <b>medial condyle</b> of the tibia.</li><li>• It forms the oblique popliteal ligament, which reinforces the capsule on the back of the knee joint.</li></ul>
Nerve supply	<b>Tibial</b> portion of the sciatic nerve.
Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Flexes</u> and medially rotates the leg at the knee joint</li><li>• <u>Extends</u> the thigh at the hip.</li></ul>



# ADDUCTOR MAGNUS (HAMSTRING PART)

<b>Origin</b>	Ischial ramus and ischial tuberosity.
<b>Insertion</b>	Adductor tubercle of the medial condyle of the femur.
<b>Nerve supply</b>	The tibial portion of the sciatic.
<b>Action</b>	<u>Extends</u> the thigh at the hip joint. .

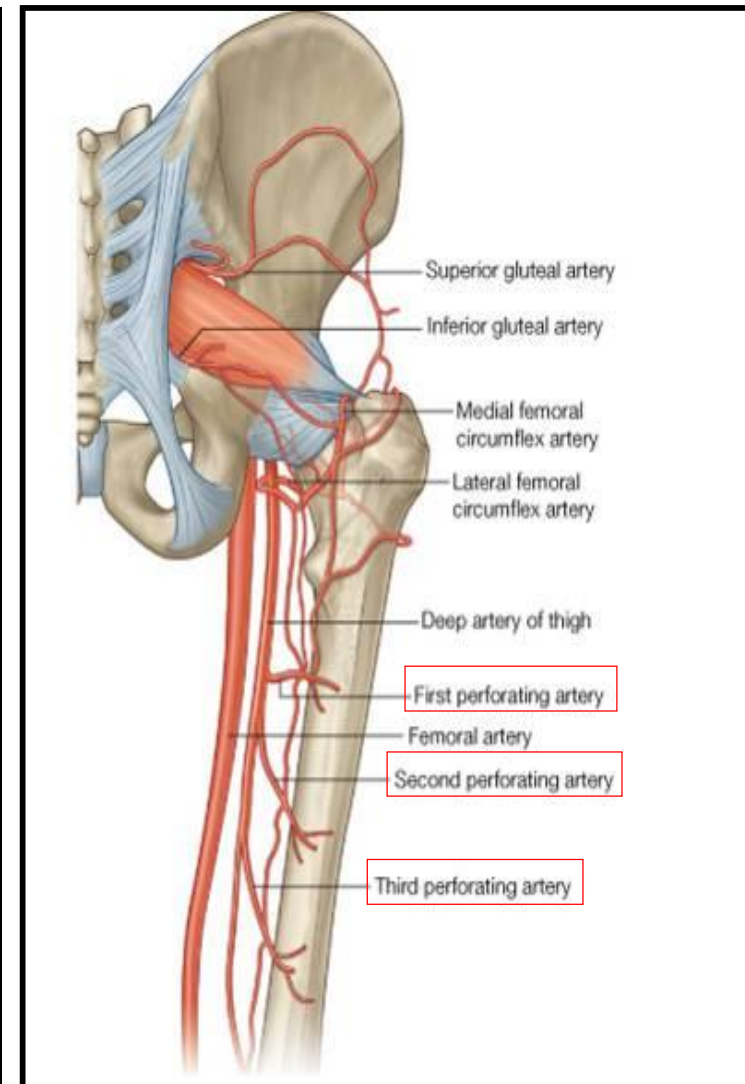
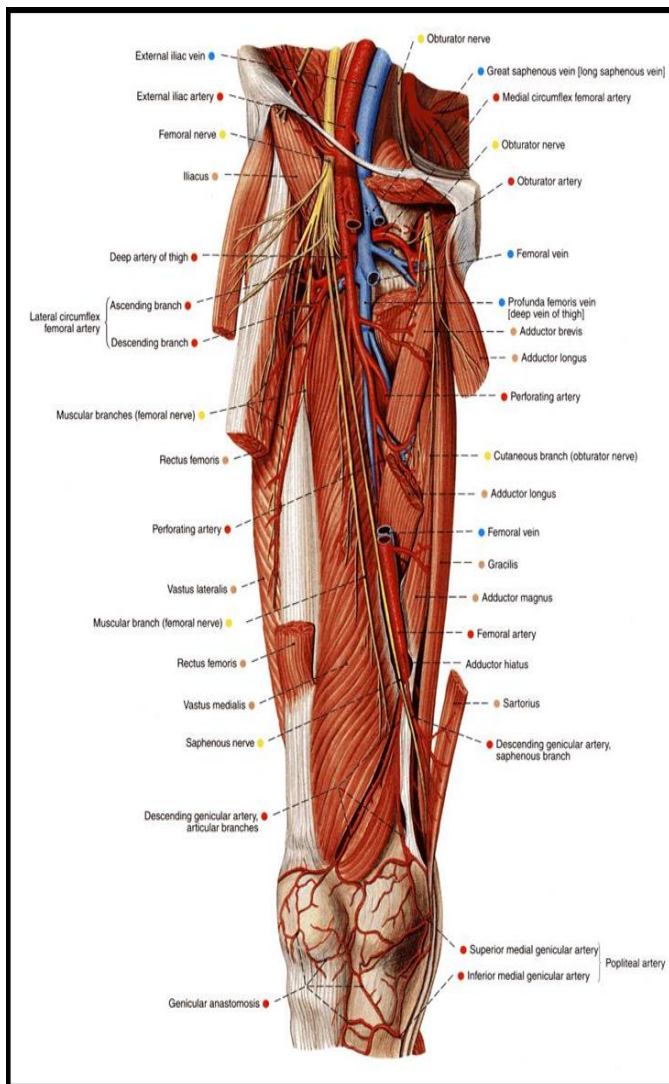


\* Different origin from the previous muscle.

# Blood supply

The **four perforating branches** of the **profunda femoris artery (deep artery of thigh)** provide a rich blood supply to this compartment.

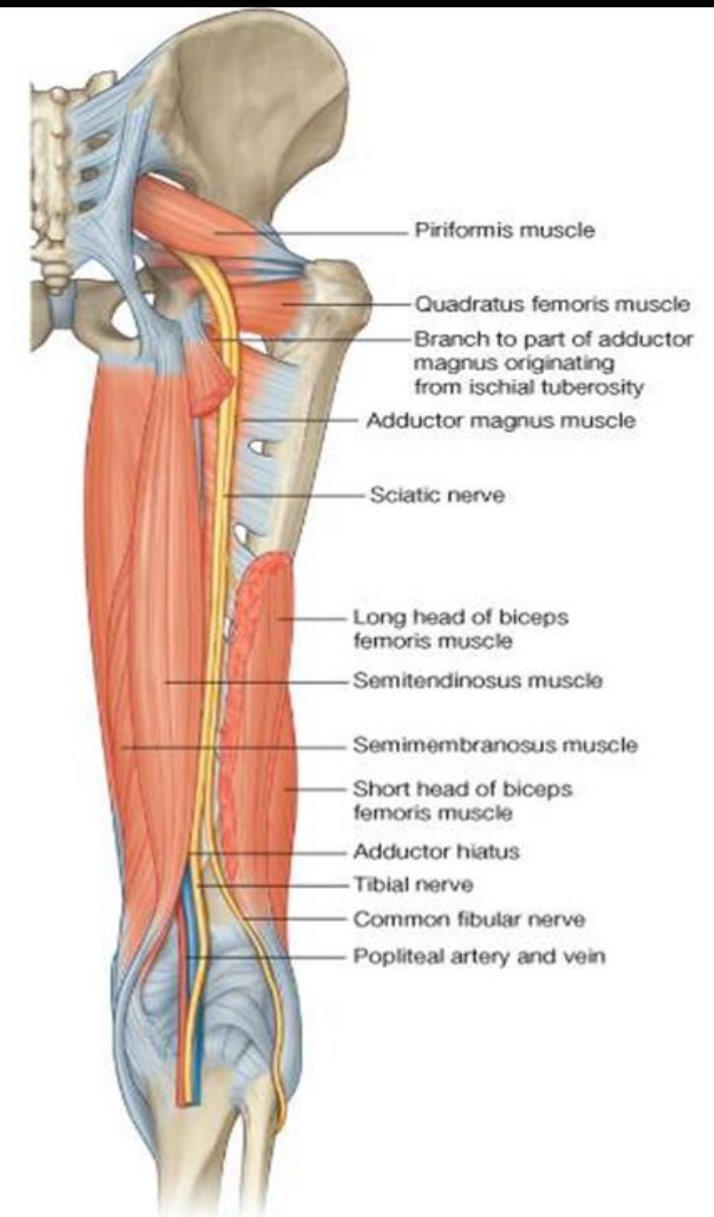
The **profunda femoris vein** drains the greater part of the blood from the compartment



# Nerve supply

## Sciatic Nerve:

- The **sciatic nerve**, is a branch of the sacral plexus (**L4 and 5; S1, 2, and 3**) leaves the gluteal region as it descends in the midline of the thigh.
- It is overlapped posteriorly by the adjacent margins of the **biceps femoris** and **semimembranosus** muscles.
- It lies on the posterior aspect of the **adductor magnus**.
- In the lower third of the thigh it ends by dividing into **tibial** and common **peroneal** nerves.



# summery

- \* Any muscles attach to Ischial tuberosity extend hip joint.
- \* **Sciatic Nerve** a branch of the sacral plexus (L4 to S3), it **divides** into the tibial and common peroneal nerves.
- \* Greater & lesser sciatic notch are transformed into foramen by **sacrospinous & sacrotuberous ligaments**.
- \* Hamstring muscles origin from Ischial tuberosity **except** short head of biceps femoris linea aspera.
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