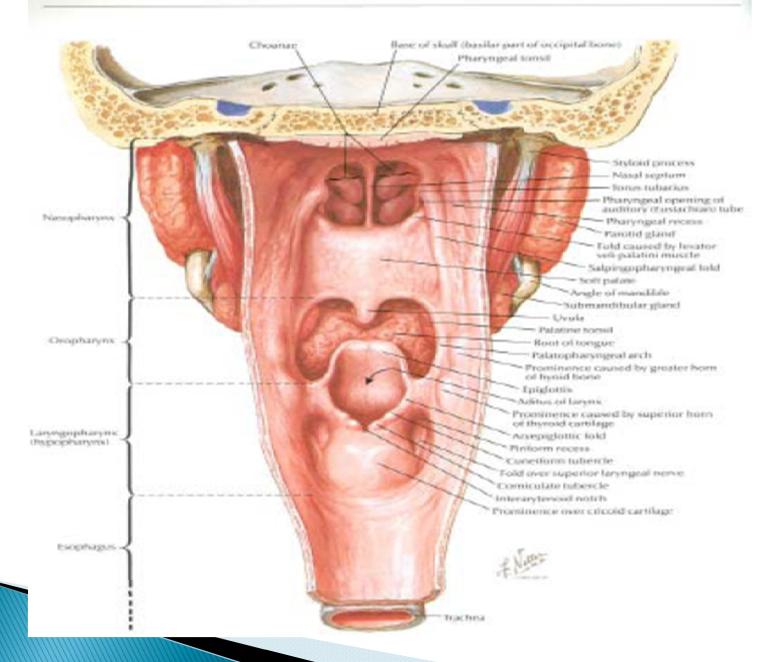
# TONSILLITIS AND PHARYNGITIS

- Pharyngeal Anatomy
  - Continuation of the digestive tract from the oral cavity
  - Funnel-shaped fibromuscular tube
  - Approximately 15 cm long
  - Common route for air and food

- Subdivided into three regions:
  - Nasopharynx
  - Oropharynx
  - Laryngopharyx or hypopharynx

#### Pharynx: Opened Posterior View

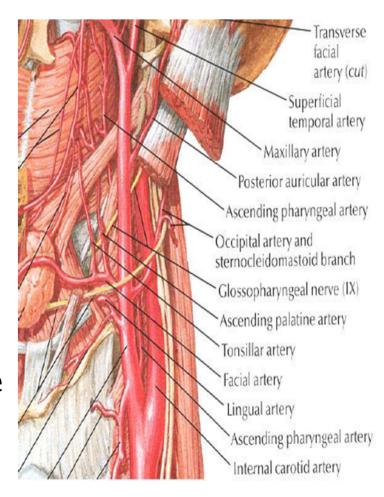


- Pharyngeal wall is composed of five layers
  - 1. Mucous membrane covered with psuedostratified ciliated epithelium superiorly and stratified squamous epithelium inferiorly
  - 2. submucosa
  - 3. fibrous layer forming pharyngobasilar fascia
  - muscular layer (inner longitudinal and outer circular)
  - 5. loose connective tissue buccopharyngeal fascia

- Muscles of the pharynx
  - Three overlapping constrictors (superior, middle and inferior constrictors)
  - Stylopharyngeus
  - Salpingopharyngeus
  - Palatopharyngeus

- Innervation
  - Pharyngeal plexus of nerves
    - Run along the later aspect of the pharynx in the buccopharyngeal fascia
    - Formed by CN X and IX and sympathetic fibers from the stellate ganglion
  - Motor fibers from cranial root of CN XI fibers carried by CN X
  - Exception stylopharyngeus

- Blood supply
  - Branches of the external carotid artery
    - Ascending pharyngeal
    - Dorsal branches from the lingual artery
    - Tonsillar branches of the facial artery
    - Palatine branches from the maxillary artery



## Lymphatics

#### Nasopharynx

- retropharyngeal node
- lateral pharyngeal
- deep jugular chainOropharynx
- superior deep cervica and jugular nodes
- retropharyngeal node Hypopharynx
- lateral, deep and jugular nodes

