



*The Gift of Hair – From Women Who've Been There*

### **CLEANING & CARING INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR HUMAN HAIR WIG**

- Gently brush the wig with a wig brush or comb to remove any tangles, working gradually from the ends towards the crown.
- Fill sink with cool water.
- Add wig shampoo according to the product directions.
- Holding the wig with your fingers along its part line, soak and swish the wig (do not twist or wring).
- Rinse the wig thoroughly under cool running water.
- Fill sink with fresh water and add wig conditioner or conditioning spray according to the product directions.
- Rinse the wig again under cool running water.
- Comb wet hair from bottom to top using downward strokes. Do not begin combing at the top or middle.
- Gently roll wig in a towel and blot it to remove excess water (do not rub or wring).
- Remove from towel and shake wig.
- Place wig on a plastic or wire wig stand to air-dry overnight. If you don't have a wig stand, you can use a bottle. Do not use a Styrofoam head as doing so may stretch the wig's cap permanently.
- Once the wig is completely dry, you can use your fingers, a wig brush and/or styling products to style it. You may also use a blow dryer, curling iron or steamrollers on low heat settings.

### Other tips:

- Wigs can pick up smells like perfume, cooking odors, sweat, cigarette smoke etc. You'll likely know by smelling your wig when it's time to wash it. Washing it every 2 weeks is usually often enough, unless you're picking up odors frequently.
- Some wig stylists recommend washing wigs once a month using Dawn Oxi to sanitize the wig. Immediately following you should wash your wig with wig shampoo.
- Don't use hot water when washing your wig.
- When washing your wig, pay special attention to the area near the face as it is more prone to picking up dirt, oil and makeup.
- Do not comb your wig when it's wet from rain, sweating or washing it. Let it air dry before styling it.
- Friction can damage wigs, so it's best not to sleep with it on.
- Only use hair care products that are specifically designed for wigs. They will help keep your wig looking natural and will help it last longer.
- Do not swim with your wig on.
- When you're not wearing your wig, keep it on a wig stand to help ensure that it maintains its shape and style. Do not use a Styrofoam head as doing so may stretch the wig's cap permanently.
- Please do not color or cut your wig without the express permission from The Wig Exchange.
- Please call The Wig Exchange with any problems or questions about your wig.
- Double-sided tape (included in The Wig Exchange supply kit) will help keep your wig in place. Use it at your temples after you have positioned your wig on your head.

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