# YOUR COLOR EXPERT

# NATURAL INSTINCTS DIY HOW TO COLOR

Reminder: 48 hours in advance of coloring:

1 / Take the allergy test

2 / Do the strand test to determine your optimal coloring time

Helpful Hints: Apply color to damp hair that is free of styling product build-up. Have a clock ready for timing before you color.

# 1/ PREP

1 / Put on gloves. Comb hair gently.

2 / Open bottle (1) & pour its contents into bottle (2).

3/ Shake thoroughly until color mixture is totally blended.

NOTE: ONCE MIXED, NEVER RESEAL OR STORE THE COLOR IN A CLOSED CONTAINER, AS IT COULD BURST.

# 3/ FINISH

1 / When time is up, rinse until water runs clear.

2 / Apply a quarter-size amount of conditioner (tube 3) through your hair.

3 / Leave on for 2 minutes. Rinse. Use remaining conditioner once a week after shampooing.

# 2/ APPLICATION

## A1 / APPLY ALL OVER.

 Apply color to damp hair free of styling product build-up, starting at the roots and where you have the most gray. Next, apply remaining color to the rest of your hair.

## A2 / WORK THROUGH.

Section hair and work color through each section from roots to tips to ensure full saturation. Do not rub into your scalp.

## A3 / WAIT.

• Leave color mixture on your hair for 10 minutes.

Tip: For resistant grays, leave on for an additional 5 minutes.

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# SPECIAL CAUTIONS

THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW, PROVIDED BY THE HAIR COLOR EXPERTS, WILL GUIDE YOU STEP-BY-STEP THROUGH AN EASY COLORING EXPERIENCE. ALWAYS READ THE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS AND FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE CAREFULLY. IMPORTANT: THIS PRODUCT IS NOT INTENDED FOR USE ON PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 16.

### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

CAUTION: HAIR COLORANTS CAN CAUSE SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTIONS. TEMPORARY "BLACK HENNA" TATTOOS MAY INCREASE YOUR RISK OF ALLERGY. TO REDUCE YOUR RISK FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS. DO NOT COLOR YOUR HAIR IF:

- YOU HAVE A RASH ON YOUR FACE OR SEN-SITIVE, IRRITATED AND DAMAGED SCALP.
- YOU HAVE EVER EXPERIENCED ANY REAC-TION AFTER COLORING YOUR HAIR.
- YOU HAVE EXPERIENCED A REACTION TO A TEMPORARY "BLACK HENNA" TATTOO IN THE PAST.

KEEP THE EMPTY CARTON AND THE INSTRUCTION LEAFLET IN CASE YOU EXPERIENCE A REACTION.

PERFORM A SKIN ALLERGY TEST 48 HOURS BEFORE EACH PRODUCT USE, EVEN IF YOU HAVE ALREADY USED COLORING PROD-UCTS BEFORE.

#### **ALLERGY ALERT TEST INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1 / Mix small, equal amounts of (1) and (2) by using a plastic bowl and a plastic spoon and tightly recap both bottles after use.
- 2 / Apply a small amount with a cotton ball or swab to an area approximately to the size of a quarter in the bend of your elbow.

Allow to dry.

- 3 / Do not wash this area for 48 hours.
- 4 / During washing, protect with an adhesive bandage and remove it immediately after washing.
- 5 / Do not use if your hair has been colored with henna or metal dyes.
- 6 / Examine the test area during the next 48 hours. If no reaction occurs, you are ready to color. This test represents an important precaution. However, be aware that even if an allergy alert test has been carried out you may still experience an allergic reaction when you color your hair. The allergy alert test is not a guarantee to avoid future allergic reactions. Please consult a doctor, if you have any doubts.

NOTE: IF A RASH, REDNESS, BURNING OR ITCHING OCCURS YOU MAY BE ALLERGIC. STOP.

YOU MUST NOT USE THIS PRODUCT.

# IF DURING COLORING YOU EXPERIENCE

Any stinging or burning and/or rash, rinse immediately and discontinue use as this may be an indication of a more serious reaction. DO NOT color your hair and consult a doctor or seek medical advice. Rapidly spreading skin rash, dizziness or faintness, shortness of breath and/or swelling eyes/face, rinse

immediately and SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION AND CONTACT THE MANUFACTURER.

IF AFTER COLORING OR ON THE FOLLOW-ING DAYS YOU EXPERIENCE problems such as skin or scalp itching, skin or scalp rash,

swelling to eyes/face, blistering and/or skin or scalp weeping SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION AND CONTACT THE MANUFACTURER. Call 1-800-CLAIROL and our Color Experts will advise you what to do next.

#### SPECIAL CAUTIONS

- Avoid contact with eyes
- Rinse eyes immediately if product comes into contact with them.
- We recommend removing contact lenses before applying hair color. If you must wear contact lenses during application and any products gets into your eye, remove the lens first, then flush immediately with a large amount of lukewarm water and seek medical advice.
- Do not use to dye eyelashes or eyebrows.
- Do not use if your scalp is irritated or injured.
- Do not inhale or ingest product.
- Prepare and use the product in a well-ventilated area. If you experience inhalation difficulties, move to fresh air.
- Avoid unnecessary skin contact.
- Do not exceed the development time stated.
- Wear gloves andrinse hair well after application.
- Immediately rinse any color splashes on the skin and clothing.
- Keep product away from heat and light.
  Do not leave the mixture in a closed bottle
  (bottle mayexpand/burst), if a bottle is
  used for mixing. Do not keep any unused
  product.
- Do not perm, relax or straighten the hair immediately before or after coloring.
- Do not use when the hair has previously been colored with henna or metal dyes.
- Remove all metal objects from hair before coloring and keep them away during coloring.

- Do not use metal bowl/stirrer for mixing.
- Do not mix this colorant with any other product.
- Heavy sweating may cause bleeding of colorant and staining of textiles.

# DO THE STRAND TEST EACH TIME YOU COLOR

Perms, relaxers, previous color can affect your color results.

1 / Cut a inch wide strand of hair from your roots (back of head) and tape strand.
2 / Completely cover with the mixture remaining from the Allergy Test.
3 / Time for 20 minutes (18 minutes for permed or relaxed hair), check the color every few minutes for upto 30 minutes maximum.
4 / Rinse and dry the strand to determine

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

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