



### **Care Instructions for Ms. Willow**

You have chosen a high quality, heat resistant synthetic fiber. Unlike most synthetic hair it can be curled, flat ironed and or blow dried. Since it is applied wavy it is **not** advised to straighten it out. Ms. Willow hair is applied using a certain amount of hair to create fullness and coverage. You will lose considerable coverage and fullness by going from curly or wavy to straight. Once the curl pattern has been changed with heat, it will not go back to the original pattern. Unlike wet & wavy human hair it doesn't go back to the original curl when wet again.

#### **Maintenance:**

At night, put hair in a high loose pony tail then apply a satin sleep cap/ silk scarf. Keep ends of hair under scarf or satin bonnet. If you are wearing a long style, put hair in a very loose pony tail then wrap the ends. Refrain from pulling hair tight. Constant pulling causes hair to stretch and lose shape. Oil and/or condition scalp in between parts while braided. Suggested products are:

*Mizani Rose H2O*

*Motions Light Hair Oil and Scalp Conditioner*

*African Gold Braid Spray* (should also be used once a week as moisturizer for hair extensions)

Note: Excessive product use will result in loss of fullness and body.

Maintain hair by detangling with fingers daily (especially in the neck area) and trim as needed. You can comb and brush. Be advised brushing creates a very full look similar to a body wave style. If the hair is too full you can go back to the curly look by just spraying it with plain water and applying **Shine Mousse**. To add extra fullness gently separate individual curls. It is not unusual to lose a few strands or experience shedding during the maintenance process.

#### **Shampooing:**

Shampoo in shower using cream based shampoo (opaque not clear). Dilute shampoo with water and smooth lightly through extensions. Avoid scrubbing to prevent tangling. Condition hair, starting at the ends then rinse. Towel dry then air dry. For the wet and wavy look, while hair is still damp use Shine Mousse with Shine Serum to help smooth the hair and define waves. Shampooing more than every 2 weeks can loosen the braids & reduce the curls in the hair. Do not manipulate the hair while wet or let it dry in a pony tail. Let the hair hang loose to dry to keep its' shape. For clients with very short and/or fine hair, shampooing with water is not recommended. An alternative is cleansing the scalp with Sea Breeze or Witch Hazel. Always follow up with a moisturizing cream or braid spray to prevent dryness.

## **Removal**

Feel for at the end of the braid where it has been sewn with thread and cut below the thread. Your hair is approx ½ to 1 inch above the thread. Cut the Interlock hair down to approx. 2 -3inches. **Be careful not to cut the end of your braid or too close the braid on the scalp.** Begin unbraiding from the end and work your way to the front of your hairline. **Comb hair out using a fine tooth comb after taking down each braid & before shampooing.** Hair will lock & tangle if not combed through before shampooing and requires cutting to removed locks and tangles. Use braid spray or leave in conditioner as a detangler. Suggested brands are:

*African Gold* (for soft to medium hair textures)

*Biolage Smoothing Shine Milk* (for thicker coarser textures or sensitive tender scalp)

Redo style every 6-8weeks. Remove extensions after 8 weeks to prevent locking.

**If you have any additional questions and/or problems regarding the maintenance of your hair, feel free to call (773) 487-8696 during salon hours of operation for assistance.**

**Thank you for your business.**