

# **KERATIN TIP**

## **AT HOME CARE**

**!** Do **NOT** wash hair for at least 48 hours to allow your newly applied extensions to adhere completely.

### **1<sup>st</sup> - BRUSHING:**

Use a BELLAMI boar bristle or wet brush daily to remove any knots or tangles.

Gather the hair into a ponytail and securely hold close to the scalp. Begin brushing from the ends, carefully working your way up toward the scalp.

*Brushing your hair before it gets wet will keep the hair from tangling while washing.*

### **2<sup>nd</sup> - WASHING:**

Brush extensions thoroughly before washing to remove any tangles.

Now that your hair is thicker, you may decide to divide the hair into two sections on either side of the head to wash, or multiple ponytails, and wash section-by-section.

### SHAMPOO:

- o Use a sulfate-free and paraben-free shampoo.
- o Begin at the scalp and massage shampoo into hair using a "Z" formation. **!** Do not use a circular motion or flip head upside down as this causes tangles.
- o Part hair and rinse all the way to the scalp. If you used the ponytail method to section hair, rinse one at a time. Follow up with a final rinse.

### CONDITION:

- o Use a sulfate-free and paraben-free conditioner.
- o Apply conditioner from mid-shaft down to the tips of your hair and leave on for 2-3 minutes. **!** NOTE: Be sure to apply conditioner mid-shaft. Adding conditioner at or near the point of attachment may lead to sliding out.
- o Rinse completely.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> - DRYING:**

**!** Towel or air dry your hair as much as possible before using a blow dryer.

The use of leave-in conditioners, heat protectants, as well as treatment oils from mid-shaft to ends is recommended to protect your extensions.

Using a blow dryer, rough-dry the hair.

Starting at the ends and working your way up toward the scalp, round brush the hair with the dryer.

**!** Be sure to dry the point of attachment thoroughly.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> – STYLING

##### A) TOOLS:

BELLAMI Hair Extensions are safe to use with thermal tools like curling wands, flat irons, etc.

Temperature setting depends on your natural hair. ⚠️ You may use a temperature between 270F-450F on your extensions as long as proper heat protectants are applied before styling.

⚠️ Keep all hot tools away from the point of attachment to ensure extensions do not melt or fuse together.

##### B) PRODUCTS:

Use professional grade products recommended by your Stylist to maintain the health of your natural hair and extensions. Over the counter products are not formulated to use on your extensions.

⚠️ Avoid alcohol-based products close to the point of attachment as it may compromise the bonding agent and cause sliding.

⚠️ **DO NOT USE the “milk\_shake Silver Shine Shampoo” as it reacts to extension hair differently than normal hair. It may cause the extensions to turn a hint of the color purple.**

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

##### SLEEPING:

Brush hair gently and loosely braid before sleeping

⚠️ Do not go to bed with wet hair as it can cause tangling close to the scalp. If this occurs, schedule an appointment with your Stylist to remove immediately.

##### COLORING:

⚠️ DO NOT ATTEMPT TO COLOR YOUR HAIR EXTENSIONS AT HOME. Please consult your certified BELLAMI Stylist for all color services and inquires.

##### SWIMMING:

- A) Before swimming, wet your hair with fresh tap water and apply a small amount of leave-in conditioner to the ends. Tie in a loose ponytail or braid.
- B) Once you are finished swimming, rinse the extensions with fresh water and spray with leave-in conditioner.

##### SUNSCREENS:

⚠️ Avoid use of chemical based sunscreens as this can discolor the hair. Please use mineral based sunscreens only.

