



Mrs. Stewart's® Bluing

Standard of Excellence since 1883

Whitening Hair using Mrs. Stewart's Bluing

A disclaimer: MSB is manufactured and tested as a laundry whitener only. All other uses are "**at your own risk**". While we advertise MSB for some other uses, we try to remain clear that these other uses come to us from loyal customers and we pass the information on as a public service.

Facts about MSB: MSB is basically a blue iron powder suspended in water and contains a non-toxic amount of a biocide and pH balancer. Even in it's concentrated form, MSB is non-toxic, biodegradable and environmentally friendly. MSB is manufactured under non-sterile conditions and is therefore, not generally recommended for ingestion by human or animal.

To whiten white hair, our customers first wash and rinse the hair as normal. Then, they dilute a "few" or a "couple" drops of bluing in 1-2 quarts of water and run the diluted bluing through the hair as the final rinse. Some customers do this with every washing of the hair, some only when whitening is needed.

Removal of Excess Bluing from Hair: When someone uses too much bluing on fabric, our recommendation is for them to soak the fabric, airtight, in a container of water & ammonia overnight - 72 hours. Obviously, you cannot do this your hair.

Others who have found themselves in this situation have told us that continuous washing will eventually remove the bluing ... one customer said that after trying several soaps, Dawn Dishwashing Liquid worked the best. Since bluing is not a permanent dye, this makes sense to us. Others have observed that sunlight seems to fade it a bit. Unfortunately, no one seems to have come up with a better solution. If you do, please let us know so that we can pass the information on to others.

Thanks for your inquiry!

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