THE TEXTURE EDIT

New York Mandates Textured Hair Education
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Welcome to **The Texture Edit**, a platform powered by Hair.com, where we embrace every curve of textured hair—from the latest in textured hair care innovations to the stark reality of texture discrimination. For many of us, the connection to our textured hair goes much deeper than hairstyles and trends. Our crowns of curls, locks, waves, and coils sit atop a rich and often complicated history that binds us together.

The Texture Edit is a love letter to coils, curls, waves, locs, and twists. For far too long, textured hair has been treated as an afterthought despite its undeniable impact. We're not here to rewrite the past but rather to reshape our future. To uplift and celebrate what we've always known to be true. Creating a space where professional and cultural hair care meld, where texture is demystified and embraced—because to know your texture is to truly love your hair.

The Texture Edit is a place to feel represented, seen, educated, and, more than anything, beautiful.

Summer is here, and there's never a better time to embrace your waves, coils, and curls than during the warmer months. There's an undeniable joy in the versatility of textured hair during the summer months, from larger-than-life wash-and-gos to braided styles—there's nothing summer can't handle (except maybe a sleek silk press). Not sure what to do with your textured tresses this summer? Check out our highly anticipated Summer Hair Trends Guide for inspiration from haircuts to hairstyles. New to the textured hair game? Learn about the evolution of the natural hair community through one woman's journey to embrace her hair.

Give your mane the TLC it deserves this summer with hair care tips and tricks tailored to your specific hair type. Learn the difference between curly and wavy hair, or check out our deep dive into caring for 4A hair. And, of course, it wouldn't be summer without a complete guide to protective styles like braids and twists, which offer both style and relief from the heat. **Join The Movement. Sign The Petition.**
We want the values of **The Texture Edit** to live on well beyond this page. So, we've partnered with the Professional Beauty Association and other industry leaders to create the Texture Education Collective. Over 65% of people identify as having textured hair and our mission is to equip all hair stylists with the tools and knowledge to service *all clients* and *all textures*.

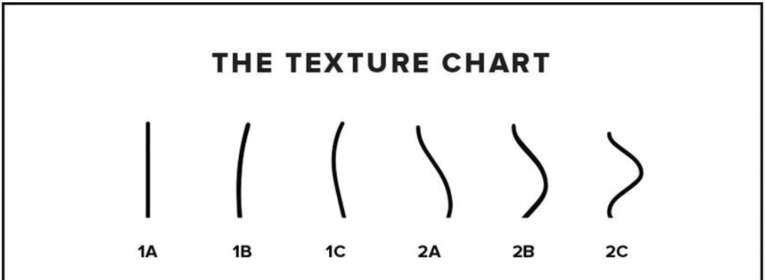
We've already made such remarkable progress in the last year alone! In November 2023, New York passed historic legislation sponsored by the TEC mandating textured hair education in cosmetology schools. Connecticut and Minnesota followed suit earlier this year, passing similar legislation requiring inclusive training and testing for all hair types and textures. These legislative wins signify a growing recognition of the importance of inclusive education and practices within the industry nationwide. Over the coming months, beauty school curriculums in these states will be updated to include TEC-approved education about all hair textures, and testing standards will be updated to reflect the new curriculum. These victories have made us more committed than ever to our mission, and we're hopeful to see more states join us in mandating textured hair education.

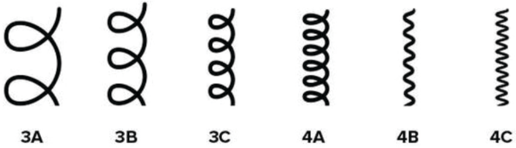
We have so much more than we want to accomplish—but we need your help. Join us in ensuring the near erasure of textured hair from beauty school curriculums will be a distant piece of history, and sign the petition to include textured hair in cosmetology testing standards. Whether you're a pro looking for more equitable access to education or want to ensure your hair will be properly cared for no matter which salon you go to, your voice can bring about change.

Learn more at The-Texture-Of-Change.com

The Texture Chart

To love your hair is to know your texture truly. Whether silky smooth strands or deliciously coily curls sit atop your crown, identifying your hair type will go a long way in creating a hair care routine that helps your mane thrive. Our texture chart is the first step in helping you to identify your hair type. Click on the chart to learn your hair types (did you know you can have more than one?), then browse our content below to get all the hair care, styling, product, and salon advice you need to take your textured hair care to the next level.





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HAIR TYPES & GUIDES

Discover how to identify your hair type and browse personalized guides based on your type and concerns.

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What Is Textured Hair and How Do You Care for It? Here's What You Need To Know

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How To Get a Beautiful Braid-Out Hairstyle in 5 Simple Steps

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ADVICE & CARE

Learn about the latest in textured hair care innovations that will help your kinks, curls, and waves thrive.

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More States Mandate Textured Hair Education in Cosmetology Schools

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How To Care For Sweaty Hair After Your Workout

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CUTS, COLORS & STYLING

Get inspired for your next salon appointment with the latest trends in textured hair cuts, color, and styling.

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How To Style Groovy '70s Disco Hair for Your Next Halloween Costume

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Passion Twists: How to Get the Look Plus 15 Styles to Try

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15 Types of Perms We Love For a Temporary Texture Change

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"When I was In beauty school, I felt a little bit ashamed because I am a person of color, and people automatically assume that I know how to do all hair types. My mother is German and Spanish. My dad is African American and Native American, and I didn't have a lot of friends who had curly or high formation hair. I even struggled with my own hair. When I went to beauty school, I thought I would learn how to work with all hair textures, but I learned the bare minimum and had to seek out that elsewhere."

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PRODUCTS

Get to know our favorite textured hair products that will take your hair care and styling routine to the next level.

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2A vs. 2B vs. 2C How To Identify and Manage Type 2 Wavy Hair

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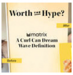

How Matrix's Wave Definition System Transformed My 2A Hair

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Is My Hair Wavy or Curly? Here's How To Tell the Difference

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PERSONAL ESSAYS

Discover personal stories that explore how textured hair affects every facet of life.

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Navigating Cochlear Implants and Textured Hair for My Deaf Daughter Gave Motherhood a New Meaning

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From Perms to Pride: Navigating the Evolution of the Natural Hair Movement

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Shaving My Head Was the Greatest Unexpected Catharsis

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OUR TOP VIDEOS FOR TEXTURED HAIR

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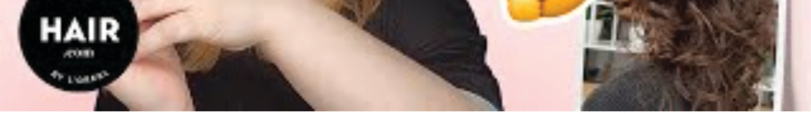

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