

# Handling & Care

How to restore feathers to their natural shape should the following happen:

#### Wet Feathers

Use a hairdryer to dry the feathers on low heat while gently stroking the feathers in the natural direction. Be careful not to pull on the feathers too hard.

#### Dust

If you live in a dusty city and find the feathers turning a shade of brown, put them under warm water add a little soap and gently wash away the dust. Do not pull hard on the feathers. Use a hair dryer to dry.

## Traveling

Use a small box to travel with your feather earrings.

**Remember** to take the earrings **out of the box** once you reach your destination to avoid disfiguring or curling the feathers. Sometimes it helps to put tissue in the box to stop it from moving around.

#### General Maintenance

Always hang your earrings straight on a dressing table, curtain or jewelry board. If moths are prevalent in your house, keep your earrings in a case, draw or in a long box. Avoid storing feather earrings in zip lock bag or envelops as they are too flimsy and can disfigure/damage the earring.

## Straight or Curly

Feathers contain keratin just like our hair so in the case that your feathers have curled too much, use a hair straightener or iron on **low heat** to straighten your feathers. Equally, if you want to curl your feathers slightly, use a curling iron for the desired shape.

## Avoid Little Accidents

Beware of long feathers getting caught under shoulder bags. Watch out for babies and toddlers pulling on long feathers.

## How to wear the EAR CUFF

Adjust the wire around the ear so that it feels secure. If you're going out dancing, use a bobby pin to secure the ear cuff to your hair.