

6 natural hair trends to look out for in 2021

The natural hair movement is set to continue its path for world domination in fashion and beauty in 2021.

While 2020 was a big year for braids and other protective styles, particularly DIY styles and techniques that could be done while spending more time at home, 2021 is set to give rise to more styles that are easy to achieve without professional help, as well as those that last longer and embrace decades gone by. While public events and gatherings may be on hold for now, there is no reason why women cannot try these stylish and popular hair trends for 2021 at home.



Adding some bang to that bob

While the bob has always been a popular and timeless hairstyle that works across all hair textures, the bob and side bang look is having a moment. The more defined bob and bang look for 2021 features side bangs that add a cool new edge to the classic look.

Boity Thulo, the face and name behind the Boity Haircare range at Halo Heritage, says: "This look combines sophistication with a fun twist to a staple look. Curly bangs have also seen a growth in popularity and are expected to catch on in the new year."



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Incorporating pops of colour and texture

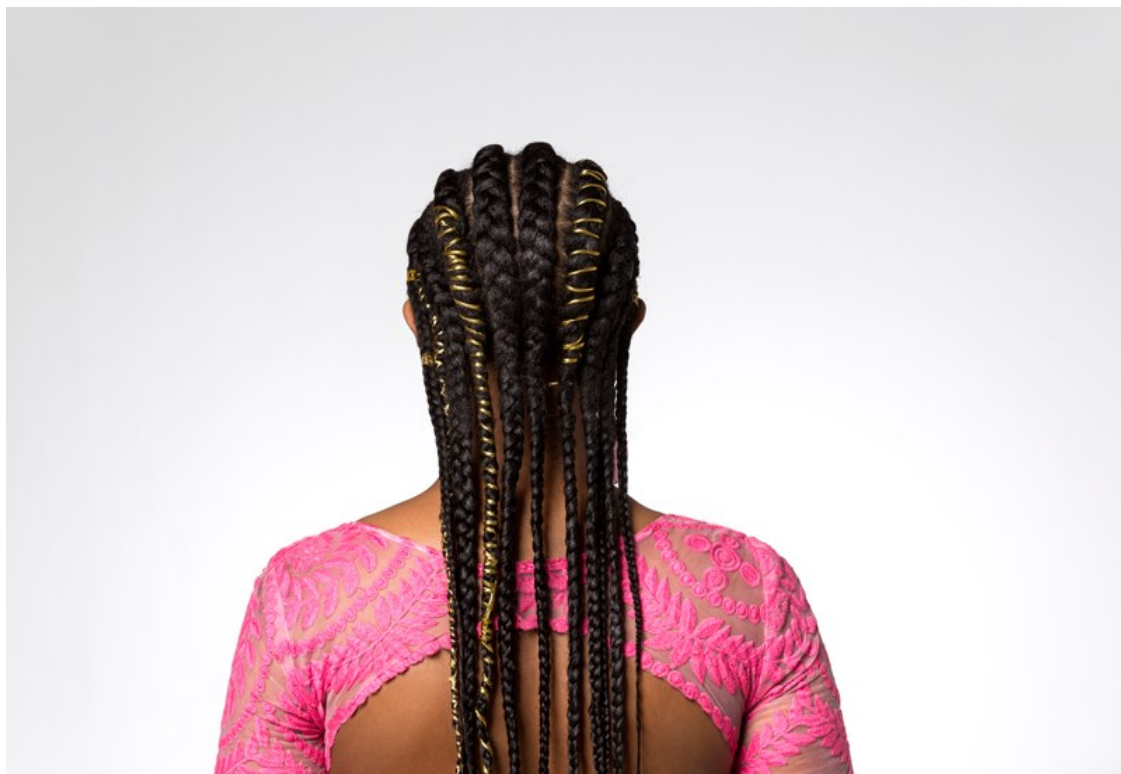
Adding a pop of colour to a classic haircut is a good way to make a statement and revitalise an old look without much effort. Natural hair enthusiasts are expected to play with more colour and texture this year as women continue to embrace their

type three and four hair.

While it is recommended that you get professional help when colouring, there are ways to safely colour from home. Just make sure to use the right products for protection and moisture for hair that's as healthy as it is bold.

Braids and twists set to get longer

For those planning on combining a chic new look with a protective style in 2021, long and braided is the way to go. “Long braids and twists are not only highly protective and uber-cool, but they add a retro spin to a classic and versatile look. Add some hair accessories to dress up your look and take it from day to night. Creativity and authenticity are at an all-time high, and we expect these to shine through when creating natural hairstyles,” says Thulo.



Embracing those god-given locks

Natural texture is on-trend as many women are learning about and exploring their natural hair. It's no wonder that embracing natural hair and its unique textures were all the rage in 2020 and the new year will be no different.

“While naturally textured hair is hardly a new trend, embracing natural kinks and curls is new to many as women around the world continue to look at their hair more positively and healthily. Change is good and, this year, it's all about changing mindsets to embrace the beauty of natural, textured hair,” adds Thulo.



Going knots with Bantu knots

For those times when it's all about style and convenience, Bantu knots are the way to go. Bantu knots have redefined the protective hairstyle game while still being distinctively and effortlessly cool and stylish. It is a great protective hairstyle that combines tradition with contemporary style. It's easy for many people to do at home and will increase in popularity as people stay in and do their hair themselves.

Don't forget to protect your style

Protective hairstyles work to seal in moisture, which is vital when maintaining healthy hair and retaining growth. The low manipulation of these hairstyles is also beneficial for hair growth as there is no need to comb or brush the hair. "Constantly changing and styling natural hair can lead to breakage and even stunt growth and protective hairstyles eliminate all of these concerns," advises Thulo.

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