

5 STEPS OR LESS TO EASY, GLAMOROUS HAIR

Step-by-step instructions for fabulous hairstyles from around the globe.

Welcome back to *5 Steps*, as our search for the best and brightest salon how-tos takes us from coast to coast and all the way to old Germany. These talented hairdressers from world-class salons have come together here to once again put forth eye-opening looks that exemplify the cutting edge of hair design. If you've come searching for a look you'll love, have fun choosing from this collection of innovative, exciting and creative styles, made simple in step-by-step instructions on how to achieve the sublime in a snip of time! *Photos: Tom Carson; Production: Global Hair & Fashion Group*

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A landmark in the heart of Mountain Brook Village, Harpers Salon Inc. was named for a Frenchman who created a technique of hair and scalp massage that he brought to the United States. Since that time the salon has grown and changed with its clientele—the latest transformation leading it to become earth friendly, organic and committed to recycling. For Harpers' debut in *5 Steps*, we find an exciting short razored cut on fine

hair, that works for thick hair as well. The cut creates dimension and texture, while remaining easy to style. According to stylist Cherie Greenberg, "This is the perfect cut for the woman who wants to look stylish, and not spend a lot of time at the mirror." According to Greenberg, it's a perfect example of a look that lets you be diverse. "With very little product and effort you can create a chic evening look," Greenberg continues. "With [just] as little effort, and wax or paste, the look can be transformed completely."



SHORT RAZOR CUT

1 Apply a pump of mousse (I use Onesta, an organic line) to your hand and work it into your palms a little. **2** Add the product to the scalp and then work it through the rest of your hair evenly. Only use a comb if you need to, or if your hair is thick. **3** For best drying results, only use a hair dryer and your hands. Finger-dry the hair like you're massaging your scalp, concentrating the air of the dryer on the root area. It's important to get all of the water out. **4** To finish the look, use a small amount of wax or paste and emulsify the product through the palms of your hands. Beginning with the ends, wipe the product onto your hair. (Don't forget the back of your head.) Work the product from the ends to the roots. **5** Use your fingertips to separate and place the hair exactly how you like it. Create separation in key areas, such as the bangs and front hairline. *Stylist: Cherie Greenberg; Makeup: Betty Mekonnen*