

#BeingBlackMeans



**“I don't mean any disrespect to anyone, but honestly. ..
To me being a black woman is just to be a human being with
a melanin that blesses me with a gorgeous skin colour, and a
gene that gives me an amazing curly hair.**

**I am not defined by my skin, as no one should be. I did not
grow up in an environment where skin colour had any rele-
vance. I'm proud of my African heritage that gave me the
strength and values I have, regardless of the colour, shape or
form it gave me.”**

-Carla Botelho