

Best Work Shoes For Men (Fall 2023 UPDATE)

Welcome to the best work shoes for men review of 2023!

Buying shoes for work is easy; just get whatever fits you in Wally World.

But odds are those will suck (and hurt), forcing you to buy something else again!

If you start digging yourself, it will take forever, and there are much better uses of your time, like beer and fishing (family time is acceptable too).

I spent **48 hours digging** through the top 20 best-selling work shoes for men on Amazon (no need to thank me...I get paid to do this!)

Before becoming your favorite writer, I worked (and still do) normal people's jobs. A LOT. From customer service and security to construction.

So having exceptional shoes is a MUST

I picked THE BEST shoes based on:

industry
comfort
durability
features
Style

And I ensured you would not have to open a new credit line to get a pair.

Let's save you money on shoes and bandages!

Lightest and most breathable shoes - Skechers Men's Cessnock Food Service Shoe

<https://www.amazon.com/Skechers-Mens-Cessnock-Shoe-Black/dp/B07FBJ494Z>

If you need to walk a lot at work without feeling the weight of concrete blocks on your feet at the end of the shift, this pair is for you!

The ultra-light mesh lets air circulate and cuts the weight down to next to nothing. It is like wearing work-approved flip-flops!

So no sweaty feet, even after 10 hours of work ruining your marriage with a smell.

It also takes the form of your foot and doesn't rub against the skin, causing blisters (use the bandaids fund toward your Euro trip!)

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The built-in slip resistance saves you from biting it in front of customers and coworkers.

Additionally, there are no shoe laces, so no squatting in front of everyone to tie them.

Pros

Slip-resistant

Shock-resistant

Lightweight

A lot of space for sole inserts (and your feet too!)

Cons

Not waterproof

Minimal protection

Best comfort shoes - Fila Men's Memory Workshift-m Shoes

<https://www.amazon.com/Fila-Mens-Memory-Workshift-M-Black/dp/B00B8ITLK8/>

This is the ultimate comfort shoe. Fila's sole goal with these bad boys was to make the most comfortable shoe ever known to man, and they succeeded!

If you're on your feet for long hours at a store, bar, restaurant, or anywhere that requires way more standing than humanly possible, it's FOR YOU.

The double-layer memory foam takes the form of your foot, saving you from blisters and awkward limping.

Work 12 hours without foot pain, arch pain, hammer toes, or dreams of a foot transplant.

Pros

Memory foam takes the shape of your foot for comfort

Relaxed fit with extra room

100% leather for protection

Slip-resistant

Water-resistant

Cons

Not breathable

Best value shoes - Avia Avi-Union II Non-Slip Shoes for Men

<https://www.amazon.com/Avia-Avi-Union-Service-Castle-Medium/dp/B07B4JPG3V/>

These are THE BEST VALUE shoes on my list.

These are not discount shoes you buy because you are cheap (or have questionable habits).

This pair gets all the necessary features, including water and slip resistance, comfort, etc.

Hell, you even get an anatomical heel cradle to keep your foot in the correct position to prevent pain.

All of it for less than \$50!

The next cheapest thing is theft! (Don't do it, buy these shoes instead!)

Pros

Slip-resistant

Water-resistant

Oil-resistant

Anatomical heel

Breathable

Wide and extra-wide options

Memory foam insert

Cons

The size runs a bit smaller, so order half or a size up.

Best stylish casual shoes - Shoes for Crews Men's Freestyle II

<https://www.amazon.com/Shoes-Crews-Freestyle-Resistant-Service/dp/B07BHJR3Q8/>

Crews Men's Freestyle II are badass work shoes hidden inside European casual sneakers!

It is like you are wearing work-approved Hugo Boss for a fraction of the price!

These bad boys pack the features of a good work shoe, so no sweaty feet and no slipping down the aisle!

It is a perfect pair for a casual or smart casual work environment.

Look good without hating your life because of foot pain!

Pros

Stylish

Lightweight

Slip-resistant

Water-resistant

Cons

Not very breathable

Offers minimal support

Wide sizes might not be wide enough for some people

Best overall shoes - New Balance Men's Slip Resistant 626 V2 Industrial Shoe

<https://www.amazon.com/New-Balance-MID626v2-Training-Black/dp/B012PW0R26>

Get this pair if you want THE BEST WORK SHOES!

The thick sole absorbs impact and prevents puncture and slipping. So you can go home with the same number of holes you came to work with.

It is also anatomically shaped to prevent pain.

Additionally, the insoles take the shape of your foot and prevent blisters.

Leather upper protects from water, chemicals, and oil spills. It also gives light impact protection, but it is soft enough to wrap around your foot gently.

And the best part is those shoes will last forever (well, maybe not forever, but definitely longer than your current relationship).

This is THE BEAST of work shoes for top performance and comfort.

Pros

100% leather for a complete foot protection

Water, slip, and oil resistant

Heavy-duty soles with a lot of cushion

High impact absorbtion

VERY sturdy

Cons

Spendy

Best classic dress shoe style - Florsheim Men's Medfield Cap Toe Oxford

<https://www.amazon.com/Florsheim-Medfield-Oxford-Dress-Medium/dp/B01M34HL2S/>

These are stylish dress shoes to wear on the High Street but with added benefits of work shoes. You will get a protection and comfort of a high-quality work shoe!

High-end leather is my favorite part. It molds to your foot for the best fit while preventing friction, saving you from blisters.

It also gives the shoes a "rich" look.

Throw on these kicks if you need to wear a suit, and your shoes must match an outfit (to avoid looking like a goofy guy from a goofy place).

Pros

Classic dress shoes

100% leather

More support than your average dress shoe

Slip and water resistant

Built for comfort during an extensive wear

Cons

It doesn't have as much support and protection as full-blown work shoes

Spendy

Best value boots - Timberland PRO Men's Powertrain Mid Alloy-Toe ESD Industrial Work Boot

<https://www.amazon.com/Timberland-PRO-Powertrain-Industrial-Synthetic/dp/B00RW56DOS/>

These are the best-value heavy-duty boots.

Get these bad boys if you need quality without giving up drinking and gambling.

The 100% synthetic with added alloy safety toes make them lightweight. So no dragging around ankle weights for half a day.

At the same time, these materials give a high level of protection from impact.

No ambulance ride because of falling bricks, nail boards, and other challenges white collars see in Mario.

Of course, you also get water, oil, and slip resistance. This is the best way to defeat gravity!

But my favorite part is cushioned insoles and a soft upper inside for ultimate comfort.

All this for just around \$100.

This is your set if you need rugged quality boots without breaking the bank!

Pros

- Alloy safety toe
- Water-resistant
- Slip-resistant
- Oil-resistant
- Thick protective sole
- Rugged
- Orthopedic inserts for comfort
- Lightweight for a boot

Cons

Not waterproof and will soak through in snow, puddles, and heavy rain

The best overall boots - Timberland PRO Men's Endurance 6-Inch Steel Safety Toe

<https://www.amazon.com/Timberland-PRO-Endurance-Puncture-Resistant/dp/B001FY6GNK>

These are legendary-level boots with protection from electricity, oil, water, chemicals, involuntary ice skating, and witchcraft!

Loaded with features you need and didn't know you needed, but you do! Trust me on it; I am a professional!

The protection level is impressive with a steel toe, thick leather, and rugged sole with steel shank.

No falling concrete blocks (of a reasonable size) will ruin your day (and raise your health insurance premiums)!

It is like you are putting your feet in armor.

However, protective qualities don't sacrifice comfort.

These are SO COMFY I ran out of vocabulary to describe it.

These are MY FAVORITE SHOES on the list.

Pros

Full grain leather

Slip, oil, and abrasion-resistant

Steel toe

Very comfortable for long shifts (13 hr on your feet will not kill you!)

VERY durable

Electricity protection

Impact protection

Sole anti-puncture plate to go home with the same number of holes you came with

Cons

Spendy (duh)

BONUS MENTIONS

Best work shoe-dress shoe combo - Dr. Scholl's Shoes Men's Harrington II Slip Resistant Work Oxford

<https://www.amazon.com/Dr-Scholls-Shoes-Harrington-Black/dp/B01M1GZPVM>

These kicks combine dress and rugged work shoes all in one.

While wearing this footwear, you can look sharp in the office and avoid sliding down the aisle in front of your coworkers.

Comfort, protection, and style included!

Pros

Slip, water, and oil resistant

Hardened toe

Thick sole for support and protection
Memory Foam insole

Cons

A bit on a heavier end
Not breathable

Best electricity protection boots - Carhartt Men's CMF6366 6 Inch Composite Toe Boot

<https://www.amazon.com/Carhartt-Waterproof-Breathable-Composite-CMF6366/dp/B00CX7TQ4E/>

This pair of Carhartt's has a high electricity protection level to prevent you from being fried!

Get it if you play with electricity professionally (or just for fun).

You also get a rugged sole for traction and protection, a composite toe, oil, water, and chemical resistance.

Pros

High electricity protection rating (18,000 volts or less)
Composite toe
Thick protective sole
100% leather
Slip, oil, and chemical resistant
Water-resistant
Durable

Cons

Will soak through in snow, puddles, and heavy rain

Conclusion

That was a LONG row of shoes to try and test.

If money is not an issue, stick with

Timberland PRO Men's Endurance 6-Inch Steel Safety Toe - for boots

New Balance Men's Slip Resistant 626 V2 Industrial Shoe - for sneakers

Florsheim Men's Medfield Cap Toe Oxford - for dress shoes

But in the end, you can't go wrong with any of the footwear (or more than one!) on my list.