What You Wear on Your Feet Matters!!!

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The Dansani "Turbo Flow": \$200



Common Problems With Shoes People Wear

- Improper fit
- Shoe breakdown from excessive wear
- Wrong shoe type for your foot type
- Wrong shoe type for your activity
- Poor shoe quality, construction, design

Improper Fit

- Toebox too short, narrow, or shallow
 - Short: Standing "thumbnail" test
 - At least a thumbnail from EACH toe to end of shoe
 - Narrow: Standing insole test
 - × Foot doesn't overhang insole
 - Shallow: Toebox "bulge" test
 - No distortion of toebox by toes pushing up
- Heel slippage
 - Kick back of heel before tying shoes
- CHECK BOTH FEET!!!



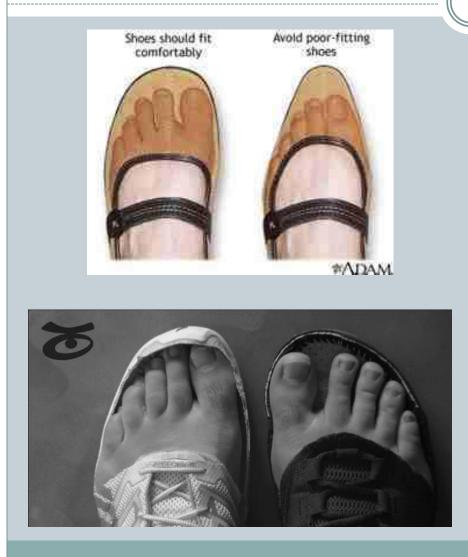
Note the overall shape of toe tips as well as the width at point A and point B. Both Greek and Egyptian types have narrow tip and wide tip types.

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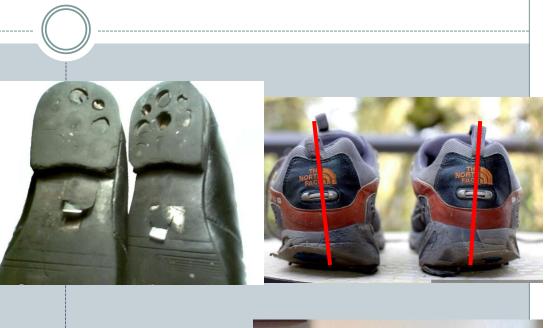
Poor Fitting Shoes



• Examples

Excessive Shoe Wear

 Tread wear – tread pattern gone
 Midsole breakdown – creases: often 1st sign
 Shoe tilt







Wrong shoe type for your foot type

• Ex: Flat foot: NOT in "neutral" shoe

- × Shoe will break down INWARD
- × Best in STABILITY shoe
- Ex: Neutral foot: NOT in stability shoe
 - × Shoe will break down OUTWARD
 - × Best in NEUTRAL shoe
- Get EXPERT evaluation specialty running store, podiatrist, physical therapist,









Wrong Shoe Type for the Activity

• Examples:

Activity	Wrong Shoes	Correct Shoes
Hiking	Running Shoes, Flip Flops	Hiking Boots
Mall Shopping	Flip Flops, High- Heels	Walking or Running Shoes
Tennis	Sandals, Running Shoes	Tennis Court Shoes
Power Walking	Dansani Turbo Shoes	Walking or Running Shoes
House Cleaning	Slippers, Barefoot, Flip-Flops	Walking or Running Shoes





Poor shoe construction/design

- Shoe not shaped like a footPoor structural design of
 - upper or sole× Poor overlay location
 - Strap irritation over toes
 - Wrong location of flex in sole
 Should flex@ toes, NOT arch
- Poor quality control of shoe manufacturing











What's the Price You Pay For Improper Shoes?

- Nail Fungus Infection
 - ???. Most Treatments Fail To Work
- Ingrown Toenail Procedure

<mark>0 \$200</mark>

- Hammertoe Surgery
 \$600
- Bunion Surgery
 - <mark>0 \$1200</mark>

A BUNION IS NOT A GROWTH OF BONE IT'S A SUBLUXED BIG TOE JOINT







What's the Intangible Price You Pay?

CALLUS

- Pain
 - o Corns, inflammation
- Embarrassment

 Cosmetically unattractive
- Unhealthy feet
 Arthritis, weakness
- Time wasted in doctors' offices
- Time and aggravation of recovering from treatment
 - Interruption of normal lifestyle
 - Unable to exercise
 - Uncomfortable treatment process

So What Shoes Should I Wear?

• You need the right shoes for YOU (everyone is different!)

• There is not one brand that is best for everyone

- × What fits great for one person may fit poorly for another
- Each brand makes many different shoe models
 - × There are good as well as bad shoe models made by most brands

• Get fitted at a REPUTABLE SHOE STORE

• Running or walking

× Lucky Foot Running Shoe Store

• Walking, work, dress, sandal, clog

 \times Saxon shoes

Thank You!

• Questions, anyone???

