

MARCHING SHOES BY POPULAR DEMAND



2025-2026
catalog



a message FROM THE PRESIDENT



When **DINKLES®** was founded in 1986, we created demand for marching band shoes with the first flat, and rubber soled shoe that was built exclusively for marching. The Vanguard™ shoe is an innovation that to this day is still the most copied design by marching shoe companies around the world. Even with all the imitations, knock-offs and new so-called concepts, no marching shoe has survived the test of time like **DINKLES®**. After all of these years, the demand for quality, safe and affordable marching shoes remains the same and always leads customers to **DINKLES®**, the World's Greatest Marching Shoes.

However at **DINKLES®**, we define demand both in popularity AND performance. While **DINKLES®** remains one of the shoes that most directors ask for by name, we place demand on our products themselves by using the highest quality materials that hold up under the harshest elements and demanding safety with the proper traction on many surfaces.



Of course, you demand a price that doesn't break the budget, which is why we do the best we can to keep the prices at affordable levels even though the cost of materials, production and shipping are all on the rise. After all these years, **DINKLES®** remain the most affordable marching shoes on the planet.

Once again, I want to send a heart-felt thank you to our loyal customers who have supported us over the years and look forward to serving you again this year. And for the new customers looking to make a switch or buy shoes for the first time, we are excited to help you find just the right shoe for you. Directors may not know they can make the choice of which shoes they order, but we know once you choose **DINKLES®** you will be satisfied with your selection for many years.

I invite you to review our 2025-26 brochure, you will see the quality shoes and gloves that we have been proud to provide for 39 years. We hope you'll make the decision to march in **DINKLES®** and see why after nearly four decades, **DINKLES®** are still the marching shoes that are in the highest demand.

Jeffery Savoca
President



- 1 Runner's Ortho Cup.** Molds to the shape of the foot creating a custom fit. Provides extra arch support and comfort.
- 2 Heel Notch.** Holds a spat securely in place.
- 3 Texon® Insole Board.** Provides a sturdy foundation which prevents the shoe from breaking down.
-  **4 Triad Heel™ Design.** This heel is designed with two stabilizing points that allow the heel to roll smoothly with no wobble.
- 5 NI-Lex® Two-zone Comfort Lining.** Two working layers pull moisture away from the foot keeping it dry and comfortable.
-  **6 Forepart Pad and Flex Feature.** A foam pad is embedded in the insole board to provide extra cushion and flexibility where the stress of marching is greatest, reducing the shoe's "break-in" period.
-  **7 Foam Insert.** Custom insert in each sole for extra cushion preventing fatigue and burning in the ball of the foot.
- 8 Active Rubber Cushion.** Gives your foot rebound for every step.
-  **9 Rubber Blended (TPR) Sole.** Provides maximum traction, cushion and wear.
-  **10 Official Seal of Harry L. Dinkle.** Assurance of superb, quality construction from the "World's Greatest Band Director."
- 11 Flex Bars.** These are made to take shock away from the heels and knees.



DINKLES®
EXCLUSIVE

inside **DINKLES®** WORLD'S GREATEST MARCHING SHOE



Triad Heel™ is designed for corps-style marching and eliminates heel wobble. The natural extension (dorsi-flexion) of a human's ankle is 20°. Even at an angle of 60°, the stability of the Triad Heel is unmatched. It's a **DINKLES®** exclusive providing a high degree of stability, balance and safety while marching.



DINKLES® BEATS THE COMPETITION

	DINKLES® Glide™ \$32.95	Drillmaster™ \$39.95	DINKLES® Vanguard™ \$42.95	MTX \$44.95
Ortho cup design for a custom fit	✓		✓	
Front/back roll step design for stability	✓			
Supported box toe to keep a new appearance	✓			
Full Ni-Lex lining for cool, dry feet	✓			
Lightweight rubber soles for safety	✓			
Vinyl uppers for uniform appearance	✓	✓	✓	
Guaranteed best value	✓		✓	
Forepart metatarsal pad for comfort (See the construction chart for more details on this DINKLES exclusive)	✓		✓	
Laboratory tested best traction on wet and dry marching surfaces	✓		✓	
			✓	

Drillmaster is a trademark of Drillmasters

SHOE SIZING

GLIDE, FORMAL AND VANGUARD																
Women's Medium	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	9½	10	10½	11	11½	12	12½	13
Women's Wide Width	8½	9	9½	10	10½	11	11½	12	12½	13	13½	14				
Men's and Youth Medium	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	9½	10	10½	11
Men's Wide Width	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	9½	10	10½	11	11½	12	13	14	15	16
EDGE																
Women's Medium	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	9½	10	10½	11	11½	12	12½	13
Men's and Youth Medium	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	9½	10	10½	11
For a wider foot, order ½ size to a full size larger																
HOLLY AND STACIE																
Women sizes only:	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	10	11	12				
Medium width only – for a wider foot, order a ½ size to a full larger																
SPIN AND STINGER																
Women sizes only:	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	10	11	12				
Medium width only – for a wider foot, order a ½ size to a full larger																
ACCENT																
Women sizes:	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	9½	10	11	11½	12	13	14
Medium width only.																
For a male size order 2 sizes down. This means a Female size 14 is the same as a male size 12.																

Glide®



DINKLES® exclusive Triad Heel™ provides unparalleled stability, balance and safety. No other shoe offers this level of stability and assuredness when marching.



FEATURES

- Special Rubber Blended (TPR) Sole for superior traction and long wear
- Forepart Pad & Flex Zone gives extra flex and cushioning under the ball of the foot
- Runner's Ortho Cup contours to the foot to soften every step
- Lightweight Construction
- Man-made Uppers for long-lasting, great appearance with a low maintenance and no polish finish
- High-density Foam Insole for comfort
- Full Arch Support to prevent foot fatigue and injuries
- Best Value in Marching Shoes

\$32.95

#405 - WHITE

#407 - BLACK

Formal™

FEATURES

- High Grade Patent Style Upper for a highly polished appearance
- Special Rubber Blended (TPR) Sole for superior traction on all surfaces
- Runner's Ortho Cup contours to the foot to cushion every step
- Forepart Pad & Flex Zone gives extra flex and cushioning under the ball of the foot
- Full Ni-Lex® two zone comfort lining
- Special Shock Resistant Heel and Sole Design
- Full Arch Support to prevent foot fatigue and injuries

\$35.95

#606 - WHITE

#607 - BLACK



The Chevron design sole provides unmatched traction and stability and holds a spat securely.

Vanguard™



The Chevron design sole provides unmatched traction and stability and holds a spat securely.



\$42.95

#705 - WHITE

#707 - BLACK

#709 - WHITE UPPER
W/ BLACK SOLE

FEATURES

- Full Leather Upper with a microporous finish, allowing feet to breathe.
- Cotton Vamp Lining for dryness and comfort.
- Scuff resistant, breathable, water-resistant and easy-to-clean.
- Special Rubber Blended (TPR) Sole for superior traction on all surfaces.
- Runner's Ortho Cup contours to the foot to cushion every step.
- Forepart Pad & Flex Zone gives extra flex and cushioning under foot ball.
- Special Shock Resistant Heel and Sole Design.
- Full Arch Support to prevent foot fatigue and injuries.

Please refer to page 4 for shoe sizes.



Edge™



The lace system is designed to mesh together when the foot is bent giving the shoe more flexibility



High-density rubber blended sole layer for unmatched traction and long wear.

FEATURES

- Triad Heel™ design for corps-style marching
- Dual Density Rubber Sole – One layer for high wear and great traction and one layer for shock-resistant comfort
- Full Terry Cloth and Tricot lining for great comfort and absorption
- Full 1/4 inch of foam padding in the insole
- Forepart Pad & Flex Zone gives extra flex and cushioning under the ball of the foot
- Padded Tongue with Lace Tab to keep the tongue on the top of the foot where it belongs
- High-Quality, Man-Made Uppers for long lasting appearance with a low maintenance and no polish finish
- Full Arch Support to prevent foot fatigue and injuries



\$39.95

#105 - WHITE
#107 - BLACK

Soft blend of rubber and cushioned EVA takes the shock out of every step.

Accent™

\$42.95
STYLE #3007



FEATURES

- Genuine Suede Leather.
- Suede not only looks great but will clean easily with a soft brush keeping a like new appearance.
- The flexible forepart is a woven mesh. It is backed for strength yet has a high amount of flexibility.
- Full molded insole for comfort and support.
- The sole pads are made of Polyurethane. This is considered one of the most durable foot beds used today.
- Unique lacing system to prevent laces from loosening while performing.

Please refer to page 4 for shoe sizes.

Spin™

Stinger™

FRONT LINE
SHOES

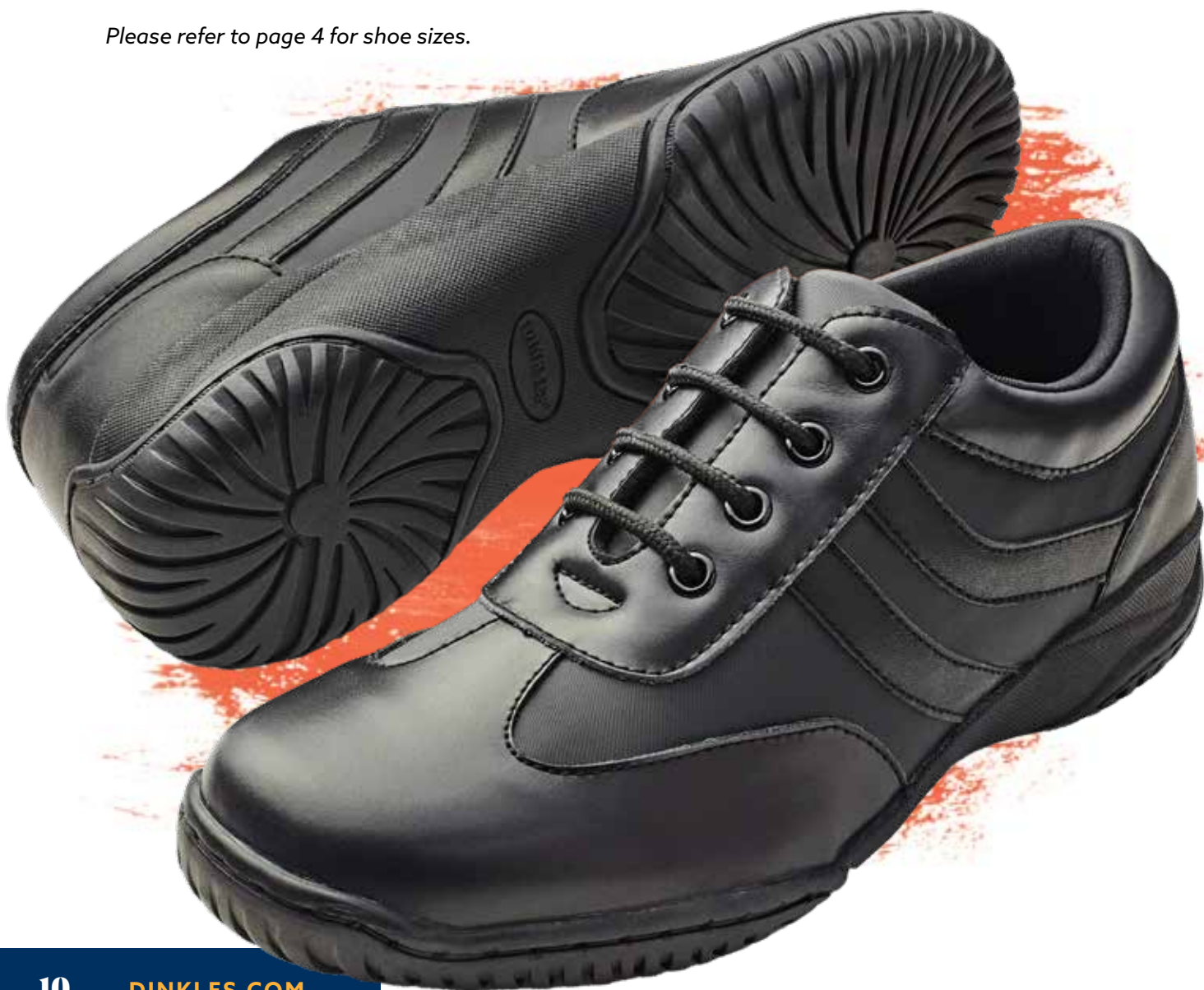
FEATURES

- Combination of Leather and Polyurethane Upper
- Water resistant so it can be used on damp surfaces
- Full rubber sole for traction, flexibility and wear. Sewn on forepart and heel area so the sole will never come off and allows for increased flexibility
- Full tricot lined. Soft, non-pilling and keeps feet dry
- The insole is 3/8 inch thick, soft EVA covered with Knitfit lining
- Indoor or outdoor use

\$34.95

#207 - BLACK

Please refer to page 4 for shoe sizes.



\$35.95

#805 - WHITE

#806 - NUDE

#807 - BLACK

FEATURES

- Full Leather Upper with a microporous finish that allows feet to breathe and provides protection against scuffs, stains and water
- Special Rubber Blended (TPR) Sole for superior traction on all surfaces
- Suede Heel Keeper
- Full Dri-Lex® Two Zone Comfort Lining
- Designed specifically for the contour of a woman's foot
- Flexible for easy maneuvering

Please refer to page 4 for shoe sizes.

Holly™



Stacie™

Holly™

KNEE BOOT

FEATURES

- Soft and supple easy maintenance upper
- Slip Resistant Soles and Heels made of Thermal-Rubber Soling prevent black scrape marks
- Heel is proper height and accepts cleats or taps
- Insole has extra cushion in the heel creating more comfort in your step

\$48.95

#1005 - WHITE



Flexible Gore material in the shaft allows the boot to fit just about any calf size.



The heel height is 1" measured from the inside and 1 1/4" measured from the back to the ground.

Stacie™

MAJORETTE BOOT

FEATURES

- Slip Resistant (TPR) Rubber Soles prevent slips and falls
- Soft Vinyl Upper easily wipes clean
- Heel is proper height and accepts cleats or taps
- Non-Marking Soles prevent ugly black scrape marks
- Non-pilling inside collar material
- Extra cushion in heel area for miles of comfortable marching

\$42.95

#2005 - WHITE

Please refer to page 4 for shoe sizes.

Gloves

1 NYLON GLOVES

100% nylon • Military style ribbed backs • Washable.

Available in white and black.

SIZE: One size fits all (OSFA)

GLP50 - White \$2.75/pr

GLP55 - Black \$2.75/pr

2 COTTON GLOVES

Quality cotton • Ribbed backs • Washable • Reinforced stitching. SIZES: S, M, L, XL

GLP10 - White \$2.45/pr

GLP80 - Black \$2.45/pr

3 HOOK-N-LOOP CLOSURE SURE GRIP

All cotton with rubberized non-slip dots on the palms for extra grip • Washable • Reinforced areas on the palms for heavier use with poles and rifles. SIZES: S, M, L, XL

GLP100 - White \$4.10/pr

GLP200 - Black \$4.10/pr

4 SURE GRIP GLOVES

Cotton with rubberized, non-slip dots on the palms give extra grip for rifles, flags or instruments. SIZES: S, M, L, XL

GLP30 - White \$2.85/pr

GLP40 - Black \$2.85/pr

5 SURE GRIP LONG WRISTED

All cotton with rubberized non-slip dots on the palms for extra grip on rifles, flags and instruments • Washable • Extra-long to keep wrist covered • Military style ribbed backs.

SIZES: S, M, L, XL

GLP25 - White \$3.10/pr

GLP95 - Black \$3.10/pr

6 NYLON LONG WRISTED GLOVES

100% Nylon, Military ribbed back, Extra length to keep wrists covered. One size fits all (OSFA)

GLP450 - White \$3.45/pr

GLP455 - Black \$3.45/pr



7 LONG-WRISTED GLOVES

All cotton • Extra long to keep your wrist covered in all positions • Military style ribbed backs • Washable

SIZES: S, M, L, XL

GLP20 - White \$2.60/pr

GLP90 - Black \$2.60/pr

8 HALF-FINGER LONG WRISTED GLOVE

All nylon glove for musicians who need extra finger movement now available with a longer wrist. • Reinforced sewing at all points for strength and to prevent fraying. • Washable, available in white and black • SIZE: One size fits all (OSFA)

GLP570 - White \$3.45/pr

GLP575 - Black \$3.45/pr

9 HALF-FINGER GLOVE

Nylon glove for musicians who need extra finger movement • Reinforced at all openings to eliminate fraying • Washable

SIZE: One size fits all (OSFA)

GLP70 - White \$3.25/pr

GLP75 - Black 3.25/pr

10 PINK LONG-WRISTED GLOVES

All cotton • Extra long to keep your wrist covered in all positions • Military style ribbed backs • Washable

SIZES: S, M, L, XL

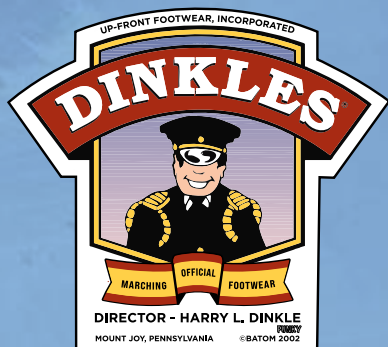
GLP300 - Pink \$2.75/pr

Support Breast Cancer Awareness Month by marching in October with these striking Pink Gloves.

11 MEASURING RULER

DINKLES is once again offering a shoe measure made just for DINKLES shoes with a compact design that stores easily in a desk drawer.

\$12.00



Demand comes in many forms. In the case of the University of North Carolina Tar Heel Marching Band, their demanding performance schedule as the musical ambassadors of UNC presented an opportunity for a customized marching shoe that was comfortable, safe and also looked great. **DINKLES®** worked closely with the team at UNC to develop a one-of-a-kind shoe for their marching band that is the now talk of college marching bands across the country.

"The folks at **DINKLES** were great to work with on our custom shoe for the Marching Tar Heels. From the beginning of the process, they worked with us to make sure the custom shoes became a reality. **DINKLES** did so in a responsible way. They never said no and went out of their way to make this happen in a responsible way. The shoes are the quality you would expect of **DINKLES** and the uniqueness of the shoe is a source of pride for our students, administrators, and fans."

JEFFREY FUCHS
Director of University Bands
University of North Carolina

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DINKLES®
exclusive

