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I guess I'll be the first to say I didn't think these were comfortable. I thought the upper part of the boot around my ankle was too stiff and not very supportive. I felt like I could roll my ankle easily in these and the ball of my ankle always rubbed on the upper part of the boot. I eventually developed a callous there, but they hurt for a while. As far as longevity, I got about a year and a half out of mine. Same as the others report, the stitching along the outer part of the foot gave out. They were ok traction and value wise, but they were too uncomfortable for me to buy again.

When I needed new boots, I went with Cabelas Gold Medal Hiker/Wader combos...wayyy more comfortable and supportive IMO, but also about \$40 more. Had them almost a year now and I can see the stitching starting to give. I'm thinking longevity will be about the same as the Ultralights, but I treat em' rough, lots of hiking and boulder climbing. A pair every 1.5-2 years is to be expected. I'd pay the extra for the Gold Medals again in a heartbeat from a comfort perspective.