

## The Cleat itself

The Mercurial Vapor Academy 14's are a very flexible, cheap cleat with a thick Synthetic top. They also have very little barefoot sensation and a very good grid like texture to grip the ball while striking.



## All About the Nike Mercurial Vapor Cleats

**My experience with the Mercurial's**  
I have worn some form of Mercurial's for multiple years and had much success with them. However, in my last boot, I wore a more expensive mercurial vapor 13's which I found not worth the money. So this Fall I chose to go with the new Academy version of the Mercurial 14's to see how much of a difference the lower cost makes. I have now worn these cleats for high school season and the start of club season.

## How it compares

The shoe is comparatively over two times cheaper than the average shoe cost. That is cost-wise but the quality and feel are relative to the price. The performance from foot to the ball is significantly farther than a more expensive shoe because of the thick leather. Along with break-in times and other performance categories, it fails to compare to more expensive cleats the boot is not as quality but I would price it 30-50 dollars higher in terms of quality. So overall the boot has much more value than others for the quality to price.

## My Opinion on the product

**In my time using these boots I have found them to be of great comfort and great performance for the price they are at. By no means are they the best feeling boot or the best performing but for the price they are very fashionable and work great in-game and practice, there is nothing these boots cannot do. The sock is very comfortable and allows for easy ankle movement. Overall a great and versatile shoe for the value.**