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Re: Would I be happy with a switch rod???
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Hi

As for building a switch rod, I have not built one just converted a 10'6" Gander Mountain Steelhead Light Action rod to run switch/fly lines on by changing out the guides.

If I was going to build one from a kit, I would go with a Rainshadow Forecast Switch Rod kit in either a 5/6 or 6/7 wt, hands down, IMHO.

They are med fast actions, which makes them best for switch rod work and overhead or spey presentations.

I have a 11'6" Rainshadow Forecast spey rod that i used for bass and general fishing and love the rod, I use the same lines as recomend below for switch rod on it, its just not a switch rod.

As for lines it is determined by the grain window or the rod they are to be used with.
I don't know if you intend to spey or only overhead cast, but
matching the rod to a correct Rio AFS or Rio AFS Outbound spey line for spey or switch presentations is recomended. As for overhead casting a Rio Outbound line is my choice.

I have used two hand rods and switch for bass bot overhead casting and speycasting. Hope all this help. let me know if i can help any more.

PS your location is not to far from my mine, if you are interested in try out a line or rod once let me know.

Jcspey