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I have been looking at Tenkara during the last year. Having three kids, sometimes I find there's times where I have the kids out at a stream or park or during vacation where I didn't fish because of the burden of lugging all the gear around.

Another thing is some days when I actually get out alone, I struggle over the decision to either take "the camera" which is basically an entire backpack full of photo gear, or "the rod". Taking both would not be enjoyable.

I could really see myself enjoying a Tenkara rod in places like Stony Creek, or certain small streams that I will not name, where a particularly long walk or hike is required. I could still bring my camera and just stash a fly box in my camera bag or shirt pocket. The cool thing is the rod collapses very short and you don't have to worry about connecting pieces, aligning line guides, losing peices, or the bulky reel, or the bulky rod/reel case.

I thought the Iwana either 11' or 12' would be great since it is their lightest model for smaller trout. I would only be using it on small water anyway. Getting used to the length might be a small challenge but I would thing with a rod that long bow and arrow casting would be a blast and the length of the rod would give you great reach with the bow cast in tight spots.