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Do you have any advice on bamboo builds, or do I just do the same as a graphite?

Depends on the level of completion of the blank you buy.

You can buy cane blanks that are just the six basic strips that have been planed and glued together and thats all that's been done.

Or you can by a semi finished blank with ferrules installed, possibly impregnated so you won't have to varnish the rod, and from that stage it'll be very similar to building out a graphite/glass blank. Expect to pay more for a semifinished blank.

So, there are lots of options out there depending upon how much you wanna do yourself. I picked up a nice little 7/4wt that's been turned for ferrules and has the grip installed and that's it. I'm gonna need to straighten the blank, fit and install the ferrules and reel seat, then wrap the guides and decided what sort of finish I'd like to apply to the rod, varnish or tung oil or..?.. I still need to gather up the parts to finish the rod, hopefully after the holiday, and then maybe I'll be fishing it by next spring...