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Re: Really wanting to start fly fishing
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> D-Rock023 wrote:
> Hey thanks. I'm looking at the Cabella's cahill set up right now. It's the cheapest one. Do you think that would be too cheap. I just need something to get started and I know I'm going to have to buy different flies, and accessories. probably waders, net and vest. When I factor all that into my budget I cant go too expensive.

Hey D-rock! This forum is a great place to start. I've learned a ton from the people here.  As a fairly recent beginner myself, I can tell you you don't want to buy the *absolute* cheapest rod unless you're certain of its quality. When I started I bought a pfleuger rod/reel combo that was just awful. The rod was fiberglass rather than graphite, so it didn't cast well, and the prespooled line was an abomination! didn't float, wasn't tapered. Just awful.

I think Cabela's is a good bet. Right now they have a great sale going on, actually, so now is the time to buy. If you already know you like fishing, it may be worth getting a decent rod - maybe go with the Wind River combo instead of the Cahill. It's really not that much more money, and you'll probably like it more. If you already like spin fishing I think there's a good chance that you'll like fly fishing, and you'll be willing to use a better rod for longer without needing to replace it.

That said it seems like the Cahill from cabelas would be workable as a first rod. Some of the reviews said it had a tendency to break, and also I'm not sure how good the fly line it comes with would be.

I started with a 9 foot 6 weight, and I don't regret it. With it I can do all of the trout fishing I want to, plus I can comfortably use it for small mouth bass. I'm sure a 5 weight would work well too, especially if you're only fishing for trout.

Good luck!