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Re: Reel Question

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I think you should buy the best reels you can afford. Reels plural.

It's nice to have good stuff that lasts and fish with it. I guess most of us leave the house with at least two reels, one as a back up or alternative method or venue - nothing worse than your only days fishing being busted by low or high water or jammed reel.

I think what you should spend depends on how often you fish, the type of fishing and how serious you are about catching.

I have 13 reels and 18 spools for six line weights (including Spey) all which get used regularly during the year. So I have to consider form, function and overall cost.

If you only fish small streams buy four reels at your total outlay 2 weights, each with a spare to cover all eventualities imho.

So yeah if you can afford a hardy or an orvis reel setup go for it. If you can't, don't.

Me, I've settled for the \$150-\$180 price point in makes, some purchased on ebay or speypages. It's where I can afford to have that many reels and spools and still cover all bases for trout, Salmon, bass, and striper fishing that I want to do each year.

Cheers.