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3-6 floats a year adds up to 10-20 floats over three years. If it were me, I'd spend a little more money for a beefier boat. I got mine used for a little more than twice what you would spend on the boat you are looking at. Especially if you are willing to look at a used boat, I think you can find something nice that will last a few years in the \$4-600 range.

I'd be concerned about the oar system on the boat you are looking at for fast moving water like the Yough. The oars are clamped on and if an oar were to strike a boulder (as is likely on the Yough), something will have to give. The higher end boats use a traditional oar lock that allows the oar to slide. I think the boat you are looking at would be fine for still water or a gentle float, but not for the middle Yough. Just my 2 cents.