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After selling a few of the rods that I have tried but have not completely fallen in love with, I am still in search of a good 5 weight rod. I have some interest in higher end stuff but don't necessarily want to blow the bank on an \$800 rod if I don't have to.

In comes the Legend Elite...

I have heard good things from a certain forum member here but other than that, not much is said about the Legend Elite. Where do they stand against other high end brands (i.e. Scott, Winston, Sage, Orvis, etc.). From reading reviews on Yellowstone Angler (which I don't really take to heart), the Legend Elite seems to silently always make its way towards the top. If the rod is good overall, why is it not that popular? Why is it half the price of other rods while still seeming to use the hardware/quality of workmanship of its \$800 counterparts? Also, how is the warranty with St. Croix?

I am interested in either the 590 or 586 version of the rod and wonder what would best suit me here in NEPA for dries/emergers, nymphs (down to 20), and small streamers (up to 6/8)? Also, any other rod recommendations or models would be helpful. Thanks for your help and responses!