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I'd say you are better off going with a better yak. personally I don't trust or like the yaks they sell at walmart or dicks. they are knock off brands and are made of cheaper material and not as well planed out designs. I would go with a trusted name brand like ocean kayak, wilderness systems, Jackson. there are a few more. other question your have to ask yourself is to you want to stand in it? they make yaks now specifically for standing on. I can stand in my OC prowler 13 but it would be hard to fish from.

what is your price range?

how high and weight? I am 5'8 and 210 my 13 is perfect size for me. if you are taller id go at least 13 maybe 15. the longer the yak the better it tracks in the water and in wind.

do you plan of doing long paddles?

just in lakes and streams of do you plan on hitting the salt?

all these are important factors. I wouldn't want to spend that amount of money and not like the yak. you can demo them at some shops in the area. finally craigslist is your friend. I got my OC kayak prowler there. only one year old. regular retail around 1000 bucks for 400. yea there were a few scratches but the thing is a tank. I have taken it through the surf. two foot waves in the bay and lakes and streams.

buying a yak is something that should be thought out. there are all kinds of yaks on craigslist and IMO sit on ops are the way to go.