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Here's what I wish someone would've told me when I started...

You don't have to spend as much money on equipment as many -- primarily the media, fly shop owners and equipment manufacturers -- imply you should.

After 30 years and thousands of dollars, here's what I've finally come back to for the majority of my fishing:

Pflueger reel

Cortland 333 line (I always replace my line every season anyway)

Clearwater waders -- the cheaper Orvis option -- currently in their 5th year with a few patches

Plastic Downs Chest Box

\$15 fanny pack filled with Gremlin split shot, leader material, needle nose pliers, a pair of 99 cent nail clippers

(OK, I do splurge on the rod, usually SAGE, but you don't have to. Today, there are so many great, inexpensive options.)

Had I taken all that money I frivolously spent over the years and invested it in the stock market...

never mind.