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Subject: 2012 Compound bows...

Posted by [Doegirl](#) on Fri, 27 Jan 2012 15:16:55 GMT

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Spent quite a bit of time and gas trying out different bows to replace my stolen Vendetta. Thought I'd share some of my experiences. I hope this better helps those are looking to "invest" in a new bow:

1. Bowtech: There's too many goofy "innovations" on the high end bows to interest me. Let me count the reasons why I didn't consider a Specialist or Insanity: Aluminum in the limb laminations, that FLX cable guard that's reported to pull out of the riser at innopportune times, gears (yes, gears), pillow blocks to mount the cams on, and the huge, clown wheel cams. I had less than fun tuning and dealing with my Destroyer 350. These new bows just continue the train wreck trend. The more conventional Assassin and Heartbreaker are the only ones I'd consider, and run \$400 cheaper than the flagship models. I tried the Heartbreaker and did not care for the double hump in the draw cycle or the grip.

2. Elite: These are solid bows. I tried the Pulse. Smooth draw, incredible balance. A little buzz felt in the riser at the shot, but very minute. Fit and finish were impeccable. Can't go wrong with this bow.

3. Mathews: The Z7 xtreme is a smooth drawing and a very easy to shoot bow, Unfortunately the bow is not fast enough for my tastes and I prefer a longer ATA bow. A good bow for the blind or treestand. I also tried the Passion and I could see that being a good bow especially for a beginning female archer.

4. Strother SR-71: Just like the Elite. Great fit and finish. Another very smooth drawing speed bow. Unfortunately I know of no dealers in Ohio. I tried the SR-71 in NY.

5. Hoyt: The Carbon Element practically shoots itself, and for the \$1300 price tag, it should. If you don't require the fastest bow out there and plan on holding onto the bow for 7-10yrs, here's your bow.

The Vectors-32, 35, and the Turbo are every bit as good. You gain 1/2lb, but lose \$400 off the price tag.

The new RKT cam is a huge improvement over the Fuel cam. Much smoother on the draw with a solid back wall. Many people are getting as much as 10fps over IBO with their Vectors. Especially the Vector Turbo.

It was a tough decision, but I settled on a Hoyt Vector Turbo. Not as "pretty" as the Elite, but it was the grip that was the difference. The hoyt grip better accomodated my small hands.

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Subject: Re: 2012 Compound bows...

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thanks for the info I agree with u on the bowtech too many new crazy things

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looking good, thanks for the product breakdown

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