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Exterior	CR-V Touring provides owners with the convenience of a hands-free access power tailgate	Forester doesn't offer this super-convenient feature
	CR-V Touring also comes equipped with rain-sensing windshield wipers	You won't find them on any Forester
	Every CR-V trim gets striking LED Daytime Running Lights	No Forester gets LED DRLs
	All CR-V trims sport handsome alloy wheels	The base Forester comes with steel rims
Comfort & Convenience	An easy fold-down 60/40 split rear seatback folds flat with the touch of a lever—standard on every CR-V model	You'll only find a similar feature on the most expensive Forester Touring trim
	<p><b>STANDARD</b></p> <p>Owners of the CR-V EX and above models enjoy the luxury of standard remote engine start, which also activates the climate control</p>	<p><b>\$379</b></p> <p>It will cost Forester buyers as much as \$379 for remote engine start</p>
Versatility	<p>The convenience of wireless phone charging<sup>1</sup> is standard on CR-V Touring</p>	This cable-free feature is not available on any Forester
	<p><b>75.8</b> <small>cu ft</small></p> <p>Every CR-V offers nearly 5 cu ft more cargo volume<sup>2</sup> with the rear seats down</p> <p>+ </p>	<p><b>70.9</b> <small>cu ft</small></p> <p>Forester Premium and above trims come up short on max cargo volume compared to the CR-V</p>
Performance	CR-V's turbocharged engine offers greater peak horsepower and torque at 190 hp <sup>3</sup> and 179 lb ft <sup>4</sup> , respectively	Forester's Boxer engine comes up short to the CR-V's turbocharged powerplant, with only 182 hp and 176 lb ft of torque
	Every CR-V is available in 2-wheel drive or the option of an all-wheel-drive model	Forester is only available in all-wheel drive, which is less gas-friendly

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Performance	<p><b>+2</b> mpg city rating</p> <p>Comparing the 2-wheel-drive CR-V (<b>28 mpg city /34 mpg highway /30 mpg combined</b>)<sup>5</sup> to the all-wheel-drive Forester (<b>26/33/29</b>), the Honda edges its competitor in city fuel-economy ratings by 2 mpg</p>	<p><b>-2</b> mpg city rating</p> <p>The downside of only offering all-wheel drive is a little more pain at the pump</p>
	<p>CR-V's all-wheel-drive model (<b>27/32/29</b>) also received a higher fuel-economy rating than Forester in the city (<b>26/33/29</b>), with a <b>1-mpg</b> rating advantage</p>	<p>Forester doesn't match up to the CR-V's city fuel-economy AWD ratings</p>
Safety & Driver-Assistive	<p>CR-V's multi-angle rearview camera<sup>6</sup> gives drivers three different views to choose from: normal, top down and wide</p>	<p>Forester's rearview camera only offers a single viewing angle</p>
	<p></p> <p>Part of the Honda Sensing<sup>®</sup> suite of driver-assistive technologies on every CR-V, Adaptive Cruise Control with Low-Speed Follow<sup>7</sup> is helpful when traffic slows on a busy freeway</p>	<p>A similar low-speed follow feature is not available on any Forester</p>

**The Verdict:** The 2020 CR-V is the better choice for most people, with the option of a 2-wheel-drive or all-wheel-drive model and a higher degree of refinement that many buyers desire:



- Choice of 2-wheel-drive or all-wheel-drive model
- Greater versatility and roominess
- Higher EPA mpg ratings
- More standard features



<sup>1</sup>Honda wireless phone charger is compatible with Qi wireless charging standards. Check with your device's manufacturer for wireless capability. <sup>2</sup>Based on SAE J1100 cargo volume measurement standard plus, where applicable, floor space between seating rows and seats in their forward-most and upright position. <sup>3</sup>190 hp @ 5600 rpm (SAE net). <sup>4</sup>179 lb-ft @ 2000 rpm (SAE net), 129 lb-ft @ 3500 rpm (SAE net). <sup>5</sup>28 city/34 highway/30 combined mpg rating for 2WD trims. 27 city/32 highway/29 combined mpg rating for AWD trims. Based on 2020 EPA mileage ratings. Use for comparison purposes only. Your mileage will vary depending on how you drive and maintain your vehicle, driving conditions and other factors. <sup>6</sup>Always visually confirm that it is safe to drive before backing up; the rearview camera display does not provide complete information about all conditions and objects at the rear of your vehicle. <sup>7</sup>ACC with Low-Speed Follow cannot detect all objects ahead and may not detect a given object; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed, and other factors. ACC should not be used in heavy traffic, poor weather, or on winding roads. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions.