## Cars.com Names the Best Five Cars of 2019

Leading automotive marketplace reveals its 2019 Best of Award Winners in five categories

Genesis G70 takes home Best of 2019 Award

CHICAGO, Feb. 6, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Leading automotive digital marketplace Cars.com (NYSE: CARS) has announced the winners of its 10<sup>th</sup> annual <u>Best of Awards</u>. The highly sought-after awards by both automakers and car shoppers include Best of 2019, Best Pickup Truck of 2019, Most Fun-to-Drive Car of the Year, Family Car of the Year and Luxury Car of the Year. The highest honor, Best of 2019, went to the <u>Genesis G70</u>.

"The accolade reflects quality, innovation and value," said Jenni Newman, editor-in-chief of Cars.com. "The Genesis G70 is as standout a choice as the editors at Cars.com have had in years. The fact that it comes amid consumers' preference for SUVs says something of the headwinds the G70 faced in earning Cars.com's Best of 2019 awards. It stormed through, and then some."

The G70 is equipped with a capable turbocharged four-cylinder or intoxicating twin-turbo V-6 and rear- or all-wheel drive. It boasts excellent steering and good-enough dynamics to hang with the best luxury sports sedans on the market.

Cars.com's editorial team of automotive experts performs more than 100 in-depth reviews of new vehicles each year in addition to producing thousands of articles for car shoppers to navigate the purchase process. Each car represented on the Best of Awards list excels in three key criteria: quality, innovation and value. Pickup trucks are judged on power, capability and value. All vehicles are 2019 models, and Best of 2019 nominees must be all-new or fully redesigned. Winners in each category, as determined by Cars.com's panel of vehicle and industry experts, are:

Best of 2019: Genesis G70

Best Pickup Truck of 2019: Ram 1500
Family Car of the Year: Chrysler Pacifica
Luxury Car of the Year: Mercedes-Benz S-Class

Most Fun-to-Drive Car of the Year: Mazda MX-5 Miata

"The experts at Cars.com test hundreds of new cars each year with the goal of empowering car shoppers with the information they need to make better purchase decisions," added Newman. "By the end of the year, we narrow those choices down to recognize the best of the best. Our awards are designed to help consumers across a wide array of car segments and budgets. In addition to naming the best car and truck of 2019, we award cars for different types of lifestyles such as family, fun to drive and luxury."

Each year, Cars.com purchases its Best of Award vehicle for long-term testing and develops ongoing content – including videos – about editors' experiences with the best vehicle of the year. Shoppers can follow <a href="https://www.cars.com/news">www.cars.com/news</a> through the rest of 2019 as Cars.com's team of experts shares every detail of their handson experience with the Genesis G70.

For more information about all the 2019 Best of Award winners, including details about why each vehicle was selected, visit <a href="https://www.cars.com/awards/">https://www.cars.com/awards/</a>.

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