

Rugged notebooks leave out little in functionality

GCNLAB	Toughbook CF-M34	GoBook Max
Vendor	Matsushita Electric Corp. of America Secaucus, N.J. tel. 800-662-3537 www.panasonic.com	Itronix Corp. Spokane, Wash. tel. 509-626-6600 www.itronix.com
RAM	256M	256M
Mobile processor	700-MHz Pentium III	700-MHz Pentium III
Hard drive	18.6G	20G
Video adapter	4M Silicon Motion LynxEM+	4M Silicon Motion LynxEM+
Display	8.4-inch SVGA, antiglare touch screen	10.4-inch SVGA, antiglare touch screen
Wireless capability	Cisco Systems PCI Wireless LAN Adapter	Sierra Wireless AirCard 300
Expansion slots	One USB port, one PC Card slot	Two USB ports, one PC Card slot
Operating system	Windows XP Professional	Win 2000 Professional
Dimensions in inches	9 by 1.7 by 7.4	11 by 2.5 by 8.75
Weight in pounds	3.8	6.2
Rain forest test	Pass	Pass
Cold climate test	Pass	Pass
10-inch shock test	Above average	Major exterior damage
Pros	+ Fully rugged design + Fast performance	+ Extra USB port
Cons	- Only one USB port	- Poor shock test results - Expensive
Price as configured	\$3,500	\$4,036
Overall grade		