Differences between AirPlay vs. AirPlay 2

	AirPlay	AirPlay 2
High bandwidth WiFi-based audio (better capability than standard Bluetooth SBC)	Yes	Yes
Receiving a phone call on an iPhone while it is streaming Airplay will NOT interrupt the music	No	Yes
Play audio to Airplay devices from iOS, MacOS or iTunes desktop (Windows & MacOS).	Yes	Yes
Support for: Apple Music subscription content, iTunes, Music Service apps like Spotify/Pandora, YouTube, Netflix, Vevo, web browser audio etc.	Yes	Yes
Group multiple Airplay devices to play in sync using iTunes desktop (Windows & MacOS)	Yes	Yes
Group multiple Airplay 2 devices (including HomePod, Apple TV) to play in sync using iOS, Siri, Homekit, iTunes desktop (Windows & MacOS)	No	Yes
Control Airplay content using the Siri voice assistant	No	Yes
Restream content from an Airplay 2 device to non-Airplay 2 device(s) to create a synced playback group	No	Yes, but must be supported by the manufacturer of the specific Airplay 2 and non-Airplay 2 device(s)
Shared 'up next' notification on apple devices on the network	No	Yes
Can be used with other HomeKit devices to create scenes	No	Yes

System Requirements		
	AirPlay	AirPlay 2
Devices you can stream from: ⇨	• iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch. • Mac or PC with iTunes. • Apple TV 4K or Apple TV (4th generation).	• iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch with iOS 11.4 or later. • Apple TV 4K or Apple TV (4th generation) with tvOS 11.4 or later. • HomePod with iOS 11.4 or later. • Mac or PC with iTunes* *iTunes has limited support for playing music to multiple speakers.
Devices you can stream to: ⇨	• HomePod. • Apple TV 4K. • Apple TV (4th-3rd or 2nd generation). • Speakers connected to the Audio Out port on AirPort Express. • Speakers with "Works with Apple AirPlay" on the speaker packaging (old icon). [Works with Apple AirPlay]	• Apple TV 4K or Apple TV (4th generation) with tvOS 11.4 or later. • HomePod with iOS 11.4 or later. • Speakers with "Works with Apple AirPlay" on the speaker packaging* (new icon) [Works with Apple AirPlay]
Reliability	Low - no buffering	High - buffering on handset