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"A really sweet grab-and-go . . ." is what this magazine said about the Astro-Tech Voyager altazimuth mount (among a lot of other nice things). Weighs under 14 lbs, but has a 20 lb. payload capacity. Worm gear slow motion controls and more, for only **\$299**.



See more with a dielectric diagonal . . .

this 1.25" Astro-Tech *Hot Product* dielectric star diagonal lets you see 99% of the light that your scope collects and brings to a focus for only **\$69.95**. And 2" dielectrics start at only \$119.95.

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An Astro-Tech 6" Rumak Maksutov . . . \$569⁹⁵



Have trouble believing a 6" f/12 Maksutov-Cassegrain optical tube could cost so little? Believe it. The Astro-Tech AT6M has a Rumak-type separate secondary mirror (not just an aluminized spot on the corrector) for optical performance reminiscent of an apo refractor. Comes with 8 x 50mm finder; Vixen-style dovetail; adapters for 1.25", 2", and SCT accessories; and T-adaptor.

TMB® Planetary 2 eyepieces . . . serious glass.

For lunar, planetary, and binary star observing, high power/long eye relief **TMB Optical®** eyepieces are hard to beat at any price.

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The Astro-Tech 8" Ritchey-Chrétien has features the competition doesn't offer.

For example, the **\$1395 Astro-Tech AT8RC** (that we helped develop and were the first to deliver in the U. S.) has . . .

- **Low thermal expansion quartz mirrors** (not ordinary glass like the competition) and a **carbon fiber body** (not rolled steel) to minimize focus changes as the temperature drops.
- **Brighter 99% reflectivity dielectric mirror coatings** (rather than the lower-reflectivity aluminum the competition uses).
- Two dovetails, a Vixen and a Losmandy (the competition has only one).

And here is some breaking 10" R-C news: Comparing images taken by the new \$2795 Astro-Tech 10" AT10RC Ritchey-Chrétien astrograph with those taken by a 24" R-C the same night, the photographer said, "You would be hard pressed to tell the difference. The guy that had the 24" was actually a little miffed that a \$3,000 scope could do as well as his \$75,000 scope :->."

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