



**NAMIBIA**

**ASTRO - SAFARI TOUR 2011**

### **Astro - Safari Adventure with Andy Bender**

Welcome to Andy's Astro-Travel adventure! We organize and guide Combi-trips to observe the stars of the south skies of Namibia at its best time (summer in GER, winter in NA) in selected accommodations with Astro-Equipment and Safaris. Come with us and dive into an Astro-Adventure trip with the expertise and enthusiasm of Andreas Bender and his team for Safari-Adventures in Africa.

### **Travel description**

Namibia—a very special clear and dark sky shows the stars of the southern hemisphere in its absolute beauty and magnitude. Let yourself be carried into the art of perfection in astrophotography, viewing excursions and the beauty of animal-safari. Besides great astronomical viewings, the travel agenda offers many areas to get to know Namibia. Experience Namibia, the culture, the animals and plant world of the Kalahari desert. With jeep and buses to farm stays such as Karipotib farm, Rooisand, Lagoon of Swakopmund, Twyfelfontein, safari trips into the Etosha national park, you will dive into a world which will let you forget the worries of every day life!

### **Program overview**

Deep Sky-Viewings & photography with heavy mounting of a Losmandy G11 Gemini and apochromatic telescope of the company TMB. Laser guided star viewings to see and recognize the stars of the southern hemisphere and viewing objects within. Viewings of the sun and its craters or holes with a Baader sunfoil. Safari trips with wild animal viewings, historic findings and plant world, farm visits & tribal villages. Visit to the 4 big 15 m Cherenkov telescope at the new Hess science area. Visit of Namibia's capitol Windhoek, viewing of the 3ton heavy Nickel-Iron Meteorites in the centre of town. Receiving a personalized Andy Bender Astro CD with your own star portfolio for later development of an own Astro-galerie at home and certificate.

### **Astronomy program**

### **Website of Andy Bender**

[www.astropic.de](http://www.astropic.de)

Is under the experienced guidance and leadership of Andreas Bender, with his professional viewing instruments. Writer of several publications in the art of amateur astronomy, referent at public high schools with topic of astronomy and photography and is working since several years with the publishers of the astro-magazine Interstellarum. Member of the Heidelberg/GER amateur astronomy, actively practices astrophotography & visual viewings.

