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The solar eclipse of 2008 August 1 was observed along a track that stretched from Canada through Greenland and northern Russia to northwestern China (see opposite page).

*Top:* Canon 10D, ISO 200, 28mm, f/3.5. Combination of two sequential frames with exposures of 1/2s and 1/8s. Gobi Desert near Jinta, China. *Nick James.*

*Bottom:* 1/50s, Canon 450D + Williams Optics 350mm FL f/6, ISO 800. Weizixia, near Hami, China. *Sheridan Williams*

