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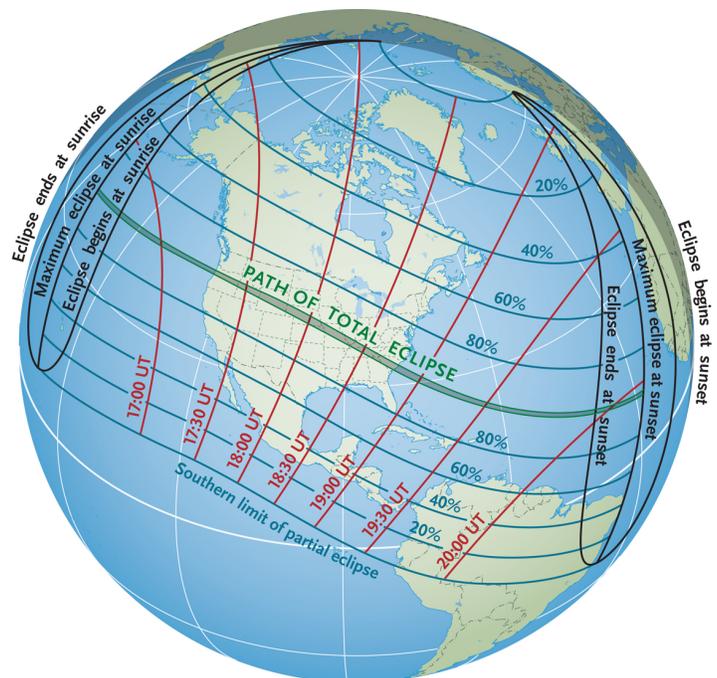
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Americas Coast-to-Coast Total Solar Eclipse

On August 21, 2017, the Moon's shadow will cross the continental U.S. for the first time since 1979 and the first time it's traveled coast-to-coast since 1918. This total solar eclipse, whose path goes through 13 states, promises to be among the most widely observed in history. It's already the most widely anticipated, as many hotels within the path of totality sold out two years in advance. This presentation will provide an overview of the nature of solar eclipses, important past ones in U.S. history, and helpful advice for seeing next year's event successfully.



Kelly Beatty has been explaining the science and wonder of astronomy to the public since 1974. An award-winning writer and communicator, he specializes in planetary science and space exploration as Senior Editor for *Sky & Telescope* magazine. Beatty enjoys sharing his passion for astronomy with a wide spectrum of audiences, from children to professional astronomers, and you'll occasionally hear his interviews and guest commentaries on National Public Radio and The Weather Channel. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the International Dark-Sky Association.

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