

Time of Day

Lighting

Magical Golden Hour



Cool Light – Dawn and Dusk

Before sunrise and after sunset

blue light

emphasizes cold



Warm Light – Sunset & Sunrise
1/2 hour before and after both sunrise and sunset

silhouettes
yellow or orange glows



Alone 2. Kumtag Desert, Xinjiang Province, China, Jada Lv

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Mid-day – direct sunlight

High contrast deep hard edge shadows
Intense colors



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Glowing Light – from within the photograph

high contrast reflections
and glowing



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Defused Light – fog, mist, dust

reduced contrast muted colors
sense of atmosphere