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Shutterbugs adverse to lugging tripods can often substitute simple beanbags for camera support during long exposures. The Pod Camera Platform, however, is more sophisticated. Made of water-resistant nylon with a nonmarking, nonslip base, it features "industrial grade" construction, a hang tab, and a Velcro closure that lets you spill the beans and flatten the Pod for convenient transport or storage. Last, but not least, a ¼–20 bolt lets you firmly mount the Pod directly below your camera or lens. (The Pod, 710 George St., N., Unit 5, Peterborough, ON Canada, K9H 3S9; 705-742-7814; www.thepod.ca).