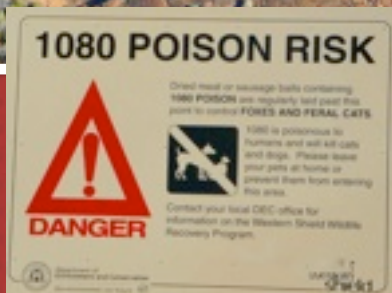


# CAPE LEEUWIN



Western Australia, like many areas in Australia, has a serious problem with feral pigs, foxes and cats in national parks. We were amazed to see hundreds of signs warning about 1080 Poison. This bad poison is banned worldwide yet it is legal in Western Australia. What? How come? Because 1080 comes from a natural bush found only in Western Australia and its native animals know about the danger of eating this poisonous plant.

We left the forests of Pemberton and drove to the most south western point in the Australian mainland – Cape Leeuwin - where the Southern and the Atlantic Ocean's meet. It was windy and the seas were wild. We climbed to the top of the highest lighthouse in this continent. Although the view was unbelievable we could not see Poland.

# MARGARET RIVER

We spent the day traveling along the coast between Cape Leeuwin and Cape Naturaliste ready to be impressed. We soon realized that the hype about Margaret River is just that - hype. The seaside lacked any “wow” factor and the towns were uninspiring. Because we were not interested in either retail therapy or wineries there was nothing to make us stay longer than a day. The main street of Margaret River was swarming with tourists and the shops and art galleries were .... overrated. We did not have much more to see so we decided to cut our Western Australian holiday short by five days and fly home sooner.

