

MEDITERRANEAN

SIGGY AND HEATHER | TRIP AROUND THE MEDITERRANEAN | TUESDAY, 28 MAY 2013

Restful Day

Today was a quiet leisurely drive through the south-east corner of Sardinia. We took the inland route to avoid the precipitous coastal road and to experience some of the interior.

The roads were quite good, if narrow in parts, as we traversed the edge of a national park. The uplands were covered in dense bushes and rocky outcrops regularly protruded. It was quiet and peaceful - a nice change from Sicily. We stopped on a scenic bend, had lunch and continued on through flatter country towards the coast. Really pleasant.

We saw few villages and numerous abandoned properties - don't know if they are Sicilian style with luxury properties within!

There was lots of prickly pear growing everywhere - it is obviously a noxious weed. Eucalyptus also abounds along with a type of wattle bush with its bright yellow blossom.

We stopped early at a beachside caravan park near the town of Tortoli. Heather really needs a hair cut so we rode the 4 kms into town to see if we could locate one. No success, but the ride was extremely enjoyable.

A very restful day.



ROLL OUT THE RED CARPET Neat lines of deck chairs on the private beach is understandable, but red carpet? Hotel staff obviously don't like guests taking sand back to their rooms.



PRICKLY PEAR Someone should tell the Italians that Australia beat this cactus menace with a moth called cactoblastis. Heather pointed out that Italians might actually like the plant - so leave it to them to decide.



COD CORDIAL My search for cordial continues. This stuff in a bottle looked like lemon cordial. I bought some but when I opened the funny cap and took a swig it smelt and tasted like Hypol fish oil medicine. Yuk!!