

SEAWEED

BY MYFANWY TRISTRAM



Bus stop

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1 I'M STANDING AT THE BUS STOP EATING NORI.

NORI - A JAPANESE SEAWEED SNACK. FLAKEY STUFF - YOU CAN'T EAT IT WITHOUT CREATING A SHOWER OF LITTLE FLAKES.

ADMITTEDLY, IT'S NOT THAT COMMON A BREAKFAST HERE IN EAST SUSSEX.

2 BUT I DIDN'T HAVE TIME FOR BREAKFAST AT HOME.

GOTTA RUN!

3 AND THERE HAPPENED TO BE NORI IN MY BAG.. ALONG WITH A HUNDRED OTHER THINGS...

HAVE YOU SEEN HER OTHER HAIR BAND?

BYE-BYE MUMMEE



enter Observer camp

NORI

4 I THINK ABOUT HOW THE SEAWEED GREW IN THE TIDES OFF THE COAST OF JAPAN...

...AND WAS FLOWN HERE...

5 AND HOW THESE FLAKES ARE NOW PART OF OUR ECO-SYSTEM. BRITISH BUGS WILL FEED ON THEM. AND THEY WILL BECOME PART OF THE DUST AND THE SOIL.

ALL THOSE LAWS AGAINST THE TRANSPORT OF SEEDS AND LIVESTOCK, AND YET, IT'S STILL POSSIBLE TO ...

Porphyra purpurea

6 ... OR SHOULD I SAY, IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO, CHANGE EVERYTHING WITH A FEW BITES OF BREAKFAST.

ET TU BRUTE?

7 IT ALL REMINDS ME, SOMEHOW, OF THE OFT-RELATED THEORY THAT EVERY TIME WE BREATHE, WE TAKE IN ATOMS FROM JULIUS CAESAR'S DYING GASP.

I'VE DONE MY BIT TO DISSEMINATE MYSELF GLOBALLY, EVEN WITHOUT THIS EFFECT.

FOR EXAMPLE, WITH THE VIGOROUS REMOVAL OF FLAKES OF DRY SKIN, IN -

WITH RATHER NEAT SYMMETRY- A JAPANESE BATH HOUSE. AND, OF COURSE ...

8 ... I HAVE ALSO SPREAD MY GENES IN THE TIME-HONOURED WAY.



ROUND THE WORLD, PLEASE

OOPS - I MEAN...

MY BLOG

Not to mention that my thoughts can reach millions via the internet. Well, hundreds.

Well, I know a couple of people are reading...

WHAT NEXT? THIS VERY SHEET OF NEWSPAPER COULD BE USED TO WRAP UP, SAY, SOME PLATES, READY FOR A MOVE HALF WAY ACROSS THE WORLD.



SPREADING MY DIRECTIONLESS THOUGHTS...

...LIKE FLAKES OF SEAWEED ON THE WIND.

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