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## **Bush Jelly, WA** *by Jeremy Balius*

Here, hold my basket  
while I swim out  
to gather more  
red weeds

Dust off  
the recipe, mum  
and bring water  
to a boil

We're  
making  
weed jelly  
tonight

We should sow sea-  
weed in the Wheatbelt  
where the salinity's  
just right

What'll  
they call  
the belt  
then?

Jellybelt

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