The Coast Road

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The coast road
where seagulls dip
and surfers wait
inky shapes on bobbing jade

where day and dusk
shake hands
and the sun lies down
upon a strip of sea

where runners skirt
the boardwalk in rhythmic
meditation

and cars scuttle
home hearth-hooked
and hypnotised

where distant ships
paint horizon toys

\[\text{and the jade darkens}\]
\[\text{and the strip of sun}\]
\[\text{dissolves}\]

where the sky opens up its
colour box and smears
itself in oranges and reds
and the surfers bob
and the waves are teal

and the hush of dusk
approaches – approaches
its finger on its lip.