

Inside the Shell

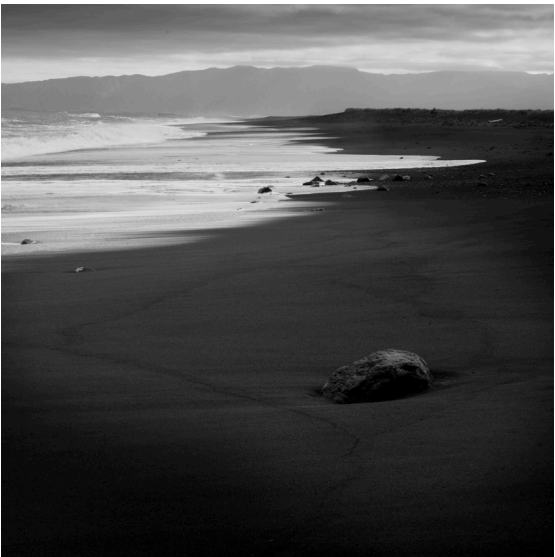
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Foreward

This series has been created around the coastal community of Ngawi (pronounced 'naa-wee'). A small fishing village which is located just five kilometres from Cape Palliser, the southernmost point of New Zealand's North Island. Known for having more bulldozers per capita than permanent residents this project scratches the hard-male surface and discovers what is holding the community together, the very backbone under the shell.

The location is exposed, with intense and prolonged periods of high winds and heat during the summer months. With very few trees, what kind of person is prepared to endure these conditions? Only the strongest it seems.

Through eight women who live in this remote location I have explored the relationship between the land, space and the community. I have tried to capture a feeling of the location through landscape, portraits and still life, showing the hard conditions and the environment which gives a feeling of isolation, hardship, but also the softer side. The women that through their own strength hold the community together by making do and sticking together to support each other.













cook patties 75°C

Beef Burger - meat patty

Relish

Aioli

Lettuce, carrot, tomato
onion, cheese, mayo

Beef works. add hash brown, bacon, egg.

Chicken Burger - chicken patty

Relish, aioli, mayo

Lettuce, carrot, tomato, onion
cheese

Chicken Deluxe - add pineapple, Bacon, hash brown

Fish burger - tartare, mayo, relish, battered fish & salads.

Vegan - check sauces & cheese.

all salads, vegan patty, hash brown

Fish - Dip in batter flour then batter
add lemon pepper & lemon wedge.

Works Wedges - on a large plate.

wedges, cheese, bacon pieces, sour cream,

Chili sauce - stake wedge in cajun seasoning

Seafood Platter. 2 mussels - battered

2 squid bites

2 prawn twisters

2 small pieces fish

Chips, salad, mayo, tartare & relish.

Fish & chips, salad.

2 small fish, chips & salad.



















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