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My Secret Land 6 Giacomo

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Hi! I'm Giacomo Degotardi and I'm 11 years old. I live in Sydney, which is the biggest city in my country.

Music: Silverchair – Pure Massacre

Where we live in the suburbs, it's usually quiet but some places are fairly noisy with busy roads and aeroplanes sometimes fly over our house. But it's pretty quiet on our street.

My country is normally sunny and in the summer it's really hot and it can be from 25 to 40 degrees.

Sound: Water, splashing

We've got a lot of really nice beaches here, but that's because my country is an island. Actually, it's the only continent in the world that's an island!

Music: Bluejuice – Vitriol

My dad Mark is from Milan, which is in Italy, but from many generations ago. That's why I'm called Giacomo. My mum Anna has English, Scottish and Irish ancestry which means we have a typical background for my country.

And then there's my brother Hugo who's 9 and he's pretty cool but sometimes we get in fights.

I've also got a really cool dog called Ella, but she just waddles around now because she's getting quite old.

At my school we have to wear a school uniform with blue shorts and a blue skirt for girls. We wear a white shirt with an emblem on it.

island ö

suburbs *förorten*
fairly *ganska*
noisy *bullrig*

continent *världsdel,*
kontinent

ancestry *bakgrund, påbrå*

waddle *vagga fram*

emblem *emblem, symbol*

I'm fairly good at maths and I like English. But we don't speak the same English as they do in England.

Music: Silverchair – Tomorrow

Have you guessed where I am yet?

Sound: Cricket shot

Mark: "Oh, beautiful ball..."

Giacomo: "Come on, Hugo, field it! Oh, the dog's got it. Ella, knock these stumps out"

Mark: "Drop it, girl."

stumps grindpinnar i
cricket

I really like sport and in winter I play soccer, that's probably my favourite sport, and in summer cricket.

soccer fotboll

Giacomo: "Nice shot, dad! Come on, Hughes, on the stumps."

I also play the bass and try to practice every day. I like it because it's got a cool sound.

bass bas
sound ljud

Sound: Giacomo playing bass

I'm also in my school band but that's not as interesting as the stuff my music teacher teaches me. Like music from artists like The Gorillaz who are a cool band.

Music: Gorillaz – Feel Good Inc

And then I like artists from my country like Bluejuice, Silverchair and the Hilltop Hoods. They're a hiphop group from Adelaide. Hey, just listen to this:

Adelaide stad i Australien

Music: Hilltop Hoods – The Nosebleed Section

Mark: "Paddle, paddle! Good one!"

Our longest school holiday is in December when it's summer here and after Christmas I go camping with my family in a National Park.

We go fishing and swimming and boogie boarding down at the beach.

boogie boarding vågsurf
där man ligger på mage
på en mindre bräda

Giacomo: "Dad, can we go back in if only the seaweed goes away?"

Mark: "No, I think we'll probably go home. It's a bit cold, mate."

Giacomo: "But we're hot!"

mate kompis

Then when we're back at the camp and we play games or cricket and we have pasta for dinner.

Sometimes at night we see marsupials in the bush... like kangaroos!

marsupials pungdjur

Sound: Kangaroos

So do you know which country I am from now?

I'm Giacomo Degotardi....

Drumroll

...and I live in Australia!

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