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## **Abstract**

Surfers say beware of calm surfaces where feeder currents run. Labour weekend, come Monday

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Surfers say  
beware of calm surfaces

where feeder currents run.  
Labour weekend, come Monday

the kowhai rains.  
Apple orchard parabolas

in a transmarine season.  
Magnetic iron sands at Muriwai

like walking in an advent calendar  
thinking of draecinas

punkish at Perrinporth.  
Twinkling starfish.

Flutter boards buck  
in the tumble of Tangaroa.

No household rubbish here.  
Hillsides swept stark.

Manuka rumps to the wind.  
Puhe's perfume, sunflushed air.

Floating off the coast –

Motutara