

CELEBRATING A

'Forest of Welcomes'



LYRICS: WELCOME HOME MATE

Hey, G'day and welcome to Australia.
No more fear or danger, is going to come your way.
Make yourself at home. Enjoy our beaches,
Fresh food and good teachers. We want you to stay.
Vegemite and kangaroos, koalas and peace and freedom too.

WELCOME HOME MATE!

YOUR NEW LIFE AWAITS!

Have no fear the coast is clear, There's a safe place here always for you.

WELCOME HOME MATE!

We are one big family

YOUR NEW LIFE AWAITS!

In the best country you'll ever see.

WELCOME HOME MATE!

It really is the place to be.

YOUR NEW LIFE AWAITS!

In the land of the free.

WELCOME HOME MATE!

From every girl and every boy

YOUR NEW LIFE AWAITS!

Aussie, Aussie, Aussie Oi Oi Oi!!!

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