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As one of the world's driest continents, Australia faces the threat of further drying due to global warming. The Australian continent accounts for 5.6 percent of the planet's land mass, but less than 1 percent of the world's water resources. The drought that struck southern Australia in 2002 was the most severe since 1950. If Australia's barely adequate water resources continue to diminish, life will become increasingly difficult for Australia's hard-pressed flora and fauna.

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On an island off the coast of South Australia, appropriately called Kangaroo Island, photographer Mitsuaki Iwago stood back in awe as a western grey kangaroo cut in front of him, its powerful jumps carrying it forward at a ferocious speed. Smaller than red kangaroos, western grey kangaroos have bright, clear eyes in a roundish face and fur that ranges from dark brown to black. While kangaroos can be found throughout Australia and part of New Guinea, this unique subspecies of the western grey kangaroo is found only on Kangaroo Island. Now, thanks to Olympus digital technology, ephemeral moments like this can be preserved forever.

Shot on Kangaroo Island in Southern Australia, Australia, on January 18, 2006, at 8:30 a.m., with the Olympus E-1, Zuiko Digital ED 300 mm + EC-14, f5.6, 1/640 sec.

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