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Tam nervous. I decide to take a shower, I walk into the bathroom and it's crazy. There's a huge tub on the side, next to it there is a shower and it's huge, it has the showerhead in the middle of the ceiling. I take a hot shower but only because I didn't know how to work the tub and I didn't want to bother Kayden with it. I stand under the water and it soothes my body.

(Yea, I am going to do it. He's my mate and he has needs. I might not want to be touched but that's not fair to him.)

I'm nervous because I really don't know how to start it.

Once I'm done in the shower, I get ready for bed and head to the room. I lie in bed and scroll through channels but I am not focusing. Every time I hear a noise, I feel like he's going to walk in. But then eventually he does and my heart drops.

"D... done?" I ask nervously.

"Yea, I'm leaving the rest for tomorrow." He says taking his shirt off. He grabs clothes and heads for the bathroom.

(Ok Rain, you have until he comes out to calm the hell down. This is normal and everyone does it. Everyone has intimacy with their significant other... crap! If he doesn't come out soon, I'm going to change my mind.)

I wait literally biting my nails. I get up and start pacing and then look out the window at the lit-up city. It looks even more beautiful at night.

He finally walks out looking all fresh and walks up to me. I take a deep breath and try not to think about it. He hugs me and we look at the city together.

"Come on." He says picking me up.

He puts me on the bed and then lies next to me. He takes the same control he used to take the TV out and turns off the lights with it. Only the moonlight and the city lights illuminate the room.

"You continue to impress me." I say and he smiles.

"Good."

He holds me
lying down ready for bed. (Ok, it's now or never... but how do I start it?)

I look up at him and he looks at me.

"What is it?" He asks.

I lean in and kiss him. I can feel him smiling then kisses me back. He pulls me closer to him and I start to move my hand down his body touching his chest until I get to his pants. I hesitate for a few seconds but then reach down and touch his manhood through his pants. It feels soft but starting to get hard.

He gives a small moan. "What are you doing baby?" He asks in between kisses.

"I thought you would like this." I say also in between kisses but feeling very shy. "Mmhh, yea, I do." He says and then grabs my hand and puts it inside his pants, my hand touches his

bare member.

(Oh goddess, I can't believe I'm doing this.) I start to *move my* hand gently while we kiss, I keep rubbing until I feel him long and hard and that's

"You don't have to baby." He says and I think about it for a moment.

"I do want to." I say.

He smiles looking a little surprised, "Ok." He whispers.

He lies on his back with one hand on his head like a pillow and then with the other one, he lowers his pants and takes his member out.

It is not what I expected, it's thick and nothing like I had imagined it to be. I stare at it blushing and Kayden smirks.

"Give me your hand." He says, I lift my hand to him and he grabs it and puts it on his member, then he lets go and I hold it.

I lower myself to his hips and softly start to stroke it. He breathes hard looking down at me.

"Spit on it." He says and I look at him confused and a little perturbed. "It's too dry." He says. (Oh.)

I get up to
it and do what he tells me. The spit makes my hand slide better and it's easier to stroke it. He closes his eyes taking deep breaths.

"Put a little more pressure in your grip baby." He says and I do. (Avery told me to change the tightness and speed of the grip gradually.) I start to go a little faster and with my other hand, I start to stroke the head. "Mmh yea, that feels good." He moans out softly. It excites me that I am giving him pleasure.

(Avery told me I could do a couple of other things, and I think I'm going to try the m.)

I take the hand that is stroking the head away, I get lower to the tip and give it a lick.

"Uh!" He gives a small gasp.

(I really like how he reacts.)

I start licking it over and over. I look up and see him biting his lower lip, then I put my whole mouth on the tip and start to suck on it, moving my tongue around. I put my unoccupied hand on the balls massaging it very gently and speed up the stroking with my other hand.

"Oh!!... Baby!... Fuck!!" He starts to moan uncontrollably as his hips start thrusting up a bit.

I keep speeding up until he starts giving louder grunts, he quickly takes my hand and pulls me away then he takes his member in his hand and gives it a few strokes until he cums. c*m shoots up falling all over his pants and stomach while he moans softly. He lowers his head on the pillow with his eyes closed breathing hard.

I sit up looking at him. "Was it.... good?" I ask him shyly.

He looks at me and gives me a big smile. "It was great. You did very good."

I blush and look away but I am very happy.

He puts his member back in his pants and gets up heading for the bathroom. I lie on my side of the bed now feeling happy and tired and closing my eyes.

Then my eyes open abruptly. (I... just... did that! I saw, touched, and put a... p***s in my mouth...! can't believe I just did that but I love how he enjoyed it and how he reacted.)

He comes back out with different pants on and lies down next to me hugging me

"You really surprised me, baby." He says into my ear

(I'm pretty sure I already have feelings for him. And that's ok, right? He's my male so it should be ok.) He kisses my forehead. "Was that too much for you?" He asks softly.

"No, it wasn't." I whisper.

We fall asleep and the next day, I wake up alone in bed which I am not used to at all. I hear him talking in the office. I get up and walk out of the room and find him on his desk looking very good in his suit talking on the phone.

He sees me and gives me a big smile. He pats his lap for me to sit and immediately give in. I sit on his lap as he continues to talk on the phone about hotel stuff. I turn to him and hug him and rest my head on his shoulder. He finishes talking on the phone then hugs me.

"Sorry baby, I had too much to do and I didn't want to wake you up." He says nuzzling into my hair. "It's ok."

"I'll be working all day but you should go check out the stores in the hotel, on the lower levels there's a mini outlet. Go get whatever you want. There's also a spa area if you want to relax."

"I want to stay here but I know I'll end up distracting you, so I'll go to the stores." I say.

"You are a good distraction though." He says smiling and gives me a kiss.

After spending a little time with him, I go to the room to get ready.

"This is a fancy hotel, maybe I should look the part? I saw how people were dressed yesterday when we got here and I didn't fit in at all."

I look through the clothes I brought and take out a red wine color dress. It's very fitted and goes to the knees in a pencil skirt style. The top has short sleeves and a boat neckline. I put black two-inch heels on and my hair in a styled ponytail, then put light makeup on because I don't know how to properly do it. I look in the mirror and I definitely look different than what I usually look like.

"More sophisticated.... and a little sexy." I say looking in the mirror.

I walk out of the room and am surprised when I see about seven to eight men well-dressed sitting on the big round table in the corner with Kayden and Grant. They all look at me and I feel very uncomfortable.

I look at Kayden who is taking my body is looking at me from head to toe. "And who is this beauty?" One of the men asks.

"This is my mate." Kayden says to the man but still looking at me. "Your mate?... Yet she's not marked?" One of the men asks.

"Yea, and it's none of your business Alpha William." Kayden says now irritated. He gets up and walks over to me. "Any of you keep looking at her like that and I'll sk

in you alive." He growls out at them. They all quickly turn around and shift in their seats uncomfortably.

(Are they all Alphas? And he's talking to them like that?) I am more surprised that none of them say anything back to him for talking like that to them. They even avert their eyes.

He pulls me to him a little aggressively but doesn't hurt me, then gives me a passionate kiss which I return.

"I take it that this outfit is good?" I ask.

He smiles. "Perfect... although I kind of don't want you to go without me looking this good." He says and smirks. "You'll have three pack warriors with you at all times." He says and kisses me again.

Grant clears his throat bringing us back to the fact that there are others here.

Kayden sighs, "Go have fun." He says smiling, but looks at my neck. I can tell that it's bothering him

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People stare at me as I walk through the small indoor mall in the hotel. I'm pretty sure that having three big muscular men following me isn't normal. The place is luxurious and I don't know what to do really. I go inside a store that sells bags and shoes. I start looking around but feel a little intimidated doing this by myself. I keep looking but I can't find anything I like. I go to another store and I see the cutest summer dress.

(I never would have worn it before because it shows all my scars but now, I think I will get it.)

I buy the dress with the credit card that Kayden gave me before I left. I keep walking around through stores but there's really nothing I need. I have everything, Kayden already made sure of that. I head to another floor where there are restaurants. I decide to have lunch with the three bodyguards cause I'm not about to let them just watch me eat. I keep my distance of course. They make light conversation and are nice and respectful.

After we eat, I start to head back up. I feel bored doing this by myself and I really want to see Kayden. We arrive at the office but Kayden isn't there.

"The Alpha is on his way, Luna." One of the bodyguards says holding his phone to his ear. "Ok." I say and then the three of them leave.

I walk over to the window and look outside. My memory goes back to last night. I bite my lip remembering how I made him feel. Even though he told me how to do it, I still felt like I had all the control.

The elevator opens and I look back thinking that I'll see Kayden but a man well-dressed that I have never seen before walks in.

The man walks closer and gives me a look that I don't like.

"I'm looking for my Alpha but he must have already left." He says and his gaze slits through my body.

"You seem to be a pretty little thing." He says. I can hear his intentions in his voice. "Who are you?" I ask softly. "What? Are you the secretary?" He smirks.

"If you have no business here, please leave." I say nervously.

He walks closer. "I have a beautiful unmated she-wolf in front of me all alone and you think that I want to leave?" He says.

I start walking around the desk trying to stay away from him but he quickly goes around and grabs my hand.

"Stop, don't touch me!" I shout.

"Oh, come on I just want to talk to you, I won't hurt you." He says putting one hand up in surrender.

I lift my hand to slap him cause I'm starting to panic but he flies into the wall and falls to the ground. I see Kayden's pissed expression. The guy starts to get up but Kayden rushes him and in a split second, he breaks the guy's neck. My eyes go wide in shock as the guy falls to the ground lifeless. Kayden looks back at me breathing hard and with dark eyes. Grant runs in from the elevator looking at the dead guy on Kayden's feet.

"Crap, that was one of Alpha Elijah's warriors. What happened?" Grant asks. "I killed him. He touched my mate. That's what happened." Kayden's tone is horrifying. Even Grant looks at him a little taken back. "Rain... get in the room." Kayden says looking back at the dead body and for the first time ever, I am

I move quickly and go inside the room. I start pacing and waiting for him to come in but he doesn't.

"He just killed that man without any hesitation. I know he killed Asher but he deserved it. I'm not sure this man did."

After a few minutes, I hear more people talking in his office but I can't make out what they are saying.

I sit on the bed still feeling nervous, after a few more minutes, the door opens. Kayden walks in still looking pissed. He stops in front of me with his hands in his pockets and gives me a stoic look. He just stares at me for a few seconds and then takes something out of his pocket.

"Put that on, I have a meeting with humans and you are going with me." He says handing me a small

box.

I open it and it contains a beautiful diamond ring. He takes the box and takes the ring out, then he takes my left hand and puts the ring on my finger.

"To humans, you are my wife." He says. He turns around and starts walking out. "Let's go." He says without looking at me.

(He is really angry.)

I sigh and get up following him. I look to the office to where that man was but his body is not there anymore. Once in the elevator, he takes my hand.

"What happened?" I ask softly.

"Nothing, I talked to the man's Alpha and it's settled." He says with an angry voice.

I leave it alone because I don't want to anger him more. When the door opens, we head to the lobby. People look at us, Kayden has that kind of presence that demands attention but I am not used to it at all.

(This reminds me of a movie we watched where the gangster boss walks with his keys behind him and everyone is scared of him.)

We head outside where a black car waits for us. The driver opens the back door for us and we get in and start to head out. Throughout the drive, Kayden is silent looking out the window and I don't know what to say, I feel nervous.

"I'm marking you tonight." He says lowly still looking through the window.

My heart stops for a minute but I don't argue. I know that he's waited long enough and with what happened today, there is no way I am getting out of this one. And it's not like I don't want him to, I'm just afraid, But I also know that he has done

as much as he could to hold himself back so I need to try to give a bit more as well

(I'll try to be as brave as I can tonight but that doesn't take away the nervousness that I feel now.)

We arrive at a huge modern building. Kayden gets out first and holds a hand for me to take. I take his hand and we start walking in with him holding me close to him and Grant walking behind us. We walk into around glass elevator and when it goes up, you can see down the whole building.

Kayden turns to me. He lifts a hand to my hair and moves a strand to the back of my ear. "This is one of the companies we own, we are having a meeting about the change in ownership from my father to me. Half of the employees are humans and half are our kind." He says still fixing my hair

"Do not look presentable? Should I have worn something else?" I ask feeling worried.

"NO. You look perfect." He says, he comes closer and kisses me on the forehead. I feel like he's more relaxed which makes me feel less nervous.

We reach our floor and we start to walk. People at their desks look at us as we pass by and make way for us. I look at Kayden and he walks with authority and confidence. I don't help but admire him like

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We walk through the doors of the conference room and there's a big oval glass table in the middle where very well-dressed people are sitting at. There are ten men and two women.

Kayden walks all the way to the head of the table. He holds a chair out for me to sit in and then he sits next to me.

I can see the women dressed in their very tight seductive dresses giving Kayden heated looks which does not make me very happy.

"Glad you all could join. I am Kayden Byron son of Felix Byron. He passed the companies down to me. Now everyone, introduce yourselves and tell me what is your title in the company." He says and then takes my hand. "But first I would also like to introduce my wife, Rain Cade."

(His wife...I really like that. And the look of disappointment on those women makes it even better.)

I give a very small smile for the sake of it and then they continue the meeting. I can't quite follow, there's a lot of numbers

involved but apparently, it is a marketing company and we have a few of them around the country.

The meeting lasts about an hour and we are almost done.

“So, any questions?” Kayden asks.

“Will there be any changes in the company?” One of the men asks.

Kayden shakes his head. “No, the company for what I’ve heard is doing well, so I don’t see a reason to change anything at this moment.”

“Will you be managing the company from here? I mean will you be coming here often?” One of the women says with a flirtatious smile.

A smile that I want to smack right off of her. (The nerve of these women!) I squeeze my fingers that have been intertwined with Kayden’s this whole time. He caresses my hand with his thumb trying to calm me down and looks at the woman.

“No, it will be once a month as it always has been—”

“And I will be coming with him.” I say cutting him off.

I have no idea where that came from but I am dying inside now. I can’t believe that I just said that and acted like a jealous wife.

(Goddess what the hell is wrong with me?)

The woman looks away a little annoyed and Kayden gives me a glance but I can also see a small smile.

He nods. “I don’t go anywhere without my other half.” He says and I feel my heart melting for him.

“Any other questions?” He asks and everyone shakes their heads.

After the meeting, we drive off but I notice we aren’t heading back to the hotel.

“Where are we going?” I ask him.

“I’m taking you to dinner, remember?” He says.

(Oh yea, I had forgotten.)

The car stops at another tall building. We get out and head to the top floor and I am amazed. The place is very luxurious, The waiter sits us in a back area where it’s secluded and it has curtains

boxing us in. There's a wall that is completely glass and overlooks the city. I am mesmerized by the view

"Do you like it" He asks me prabbing my hand

I look at him and smile. "Yes, this is a first."

I smile and hug him.

We eat and talk a little then head back to the hotel. Once in our room, I feel exhausted. Kayden goes to talk with Grant about work, so I decide to take a shower. I get out, get dressed and start drying my hair with my towel, then I feel Kayden's arms wrap around my waist from behind surprising me. He nuzzles my shoulder and I lean my head back into his chest.

"Rain...did you forget?" He asks me.

I take a deep breath. "No, I didn't."

"Mmh." He turns me around and lifts me up, wrapping my legs around his hips. He then takes us to the bed and lies me there with him on top.

"This will hurt, won't it." I say.

He kisses me passionately and then looks at me. "It will." He says and starts to kiss my neck. "But I can't hold out any longer my love." He says in between kisses.

He nods and hold him tight to me, waiting for it.

He kisses the area that he's supposed to mark me on over and over.

"Do it." I whisper.

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I want her so much right now. I want to make her completely mine but I can't take her. I know she's not ready for that yet.

I control myself and focus on marking her first. I feel conflicted, I don't want to hurt her but I can't hold myself back any longer. I have to mark her.

"Do it." She whispers in a breathless voice.

I nibble on her neck and I can feel her skin get goosebumps. I kiss a little longer and then sink my teeth into her. Her body tenses up and she whimpers holding me tighter. A few seconds later, I feel her strength leaving her. My fangs leave her neck and I kiss the wound.

"It's done love, rest now." I say into her ear. I can feel our bond strengthen. Her eyes close, I set her in my arms and hold her the rest of the night.

Morning comes and I look into her beautiful eyes as she wakes. "How are you feeling?" I ask her.

"Tired." is all she says in a weak small voice.

"I know." I say, caressing her cheek. "But once you are better, you can mark me too and get back at me."

She gives a small giggle. "Ok." She closes her eyes again and I watch her sleep.

(I love her.)

I think back to yesterday and I thank the goddess that I have Grant. After I lost control and killed that fucker that dared put his hands on her, Grant managed to smooth things out with the warrior's Alpha. Then again, I wouldn't have cared, either way, if it came to it, I would destroy their whole pack for putting their hands on my mate.

I smile looking at her. (She is mine completely.)

I sigh, I don't want to wake her up but I have to.

"Beautiful, wake up. We have to go." I whisper in her ear.

"Just one more minute." She says softly with her eyes closed.

(F**k, I can't do this, she's so cute.)

I want to take her so bad. It doesn't help that I wake up every morning with a hard-on. And to make matters worse, after she gave me that nice hand/blow job and seeing how innocent she is, it made me even more riled up. That fucker Evan tried to take her innocence away. He tried to take what is mine by force. Motherfucker, when I find him, I'll kill him without hesitation.

I get up and decide to take a very cold shower, unfortunately, it doesn't work. I think of her soft skin, my hands sliding through her body. Her lips, the way they taste, and how it felt when they were wrapped around my c**k. I

close my eyes with one hand on the wall in front of me and with the other hand, I start stroking my hard cock.

(I want her so much.) I speed up, my breathing becomes more erratic and I can't help the small grunts that leave my mouth.

"Mmh." I can feel myself about to c*m. I slow down and focus on massaging the head. My c**k pulses reaching my peak with a grunt and I unload myself on the shower floor with the water washing it all away. I sigh and take deep breaths feeling my body relax. I get out and get ready.

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She opens her eyes. "Ok." She says sleepily. "But do we really have to go back to the pack?" She says pouting

I laugh. "Yes, we have to."

"I like that it's just the two of us here... minus all the women that want you." She says and now I laugh even louder.

"Yea, how can I forget yesterday's meeting. You really told them." She pouts again and I laugh. Once she's ready, we head home.

(What the f**k is he doing?) "Son, you remember Penelope." My father says as I enter the packhouse holding Rain next to me.

He stands with a very provocatively dressed Penelope next to him as if they were waiting for our arrival.

Rain's hand squeezes mine. I look at her and she still looks a little weak.

I internally sigh. "It is nice to see you again Penelope." I say but I don't really mean those words. "This is my mate, Luna Rain." I say proudly holding Rain closer to me.

Penelope smiles but it's not genuine. "Pleasure." She says.

(What is my father up to?) I walk past them to the stairs. "If you excuse me. Rain is not feeling well." "Oh, I hope we get to talk later." Penelope says.

I stop walking and turn around. "How long will you be here?... "I squint my eyes. "Why are you here?" | ask.

"I invited her to have dinner. As an apology for... "My father starts to say but stops and looks at Rain and then back

at me, "Well, we'll talk later, you must be tired from the long trip." He says and turns around walking out with Penelope.

I stare at them and Rain leans into me. (This is not over old man. I should ask him how he enjoyed his mini vacation later.) I know Rain's tired so I take her upstairs. I help her lie on the bed and make her comfortable. "Do you want me to put the TV for you?" I ask her. She smiles and nods. I turn on the TV and give her the controller. "You have to go, don't you?" She asks looking a little sad. "Yea, I have a lot to do but I'll come to check on you." I say giving her a kiss on the head. "Ok." She says softly.

Head downstairs to my office and start working but I miss her. I focus as best as I can. My mother then walks into the office.

"How was your trip?" She asks. "It was good."

"Good. Son, I love you and I want whatever makes you happy for you. I know your father is being irrational right now but.... try to pay him no mind. I support you completely as my son and my Alpha."

"Thank you, mom. How pissed is he that I sent him to the fortress?" I ask her.

My mom just narrows her eyes at me. "Very, very angry." She says.

She shakes her head with a smile making light of the conversation then leaves. An hour later, I get up and start to head upstairs to go see Rain but then I see her walking down with Layla. She looks more refreshed.

"Hey, I was coming to see you." I say. She smiles. "And I was coming to see you." "How are you feeling?" I take her in my arms. "Much better, Layla wants to go for a walk." She says. "Yea, I missed her, we haven't seen each other for a while now." Layla says.

"Alright, but take two of the warriors with you." She nods, I kiss her and let her go.

(I'm glad that she doesn't fight me on these things.)

I watch her go and then head back to the office. A few minutes later, I am interrupted by my father with Penelope.

"Dad I'm a little busy."

"I'm sure you can take a break and make some time for an important visitor like Penelope." He says.

Levi walks in behind them with a tray.

I sigh and put my papers down. I get up and walk to the sofa in front of where they sit.

"What is this about?" I ask annoyed. Penelope laughs. "Your father just feels like we could come to an arrangement." I scrunch my face. "What kind of arrangement?"

"Well... If you'd officially take Penelope as Luna of our pack—"My father starts to say but Penelope cuts him off.

"I wouldn't mind if you'd keep your... mate on the side, unofficially. It would be a win-win for all of us." "That's enough." I say calmly and get up. "You are both overstepping."

"Oh come on son, Rain knows nothing about being a Luna and she doesn't have the connections that Penelope has." My father says agitated.

"She'll learn, and I don't need a mate with connections to anyone, I have my own." I say still calm but only on the outside.

"Oh come on Alpha Kayden, you'd have me and your real mate as well. What man would be crazy to turn that down?" Penelope says crossing her legs and perking up.

I look at her intently and she smiles. "You know, you're not as attractive as you think you are. Nothing is more of a turn-off than when a woman thinks she's better than another. And trust me, you could never compare to my mate."

"Kayden that's enough—"A crashing sound interrupts my father.

Levi doubles down holding his chest looking like he is in immense pain with the tray that he was holding now on the floor.

"Levi what's wrong?!" I ask. We all look at him confused and with worry.

My father gasps. "That's.... he lost his mate." My father says.

"That doesn't matter. When you lose your true mate, even if you haven't met them yet, you'll feel the pain." My father says. "Before taking your mother as my mate, I lost my true mate and that's exactly what happened to me."

I am surprised, I never knew that. I look at Levi and sadness for him grows inside me. He looks at me with panic.

"Layla... it's Layla, I feel it." He says and now I panic. "But... she was with Rain." I say. Levi passes out in my arms. "S**t!"

I put him down
and run out the door to the front to find a commotion on the edge of the woods.
"What's going on?!" I shout in panic.

Grant is holding a bloodied dead body in his arms. It's one of the warriors
that were with
Rain and Layla. Panic rises inside me but it's quickly overshadowed by rage,

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-Rain POV

*Warning-Triggering Content. * My head feels heavy and my body aches. (What happened?)

I hear people I don't recognize talking but I can't make out what they are
saying. My eyes open slowly to pitch-black darkness. It smells
mossy, damp. My eyes adjust to the darkness and I can tell I am in a room, most
likely underground. The door is made out of metal, it looks old.

"He wants her alive."

"Yeah well, I'm not sure we are even going to make it back alive!"

"I planted a trail, we'll be fine." (They
smell like rogues. I can't see them.) "This is Alpha Kayden we are talking about. We
should leave her and go."

"And tell Evan what? Huh!? Besides, he's meeting us here. And James
got killed too and Trent got hurt, how are we going to explain that?"

"That we weren't able to get her and James died in the process, simple."

"No, he'll be here any minute. Too late." (Wait... where's...) Everything
comes back to me and it hits me. - Flashback

"Why so suddenly do you want to go for a walk? And where exactly
are we going?" I ask Layla while walking through the forest with
two warriors following us.

"To find the mated lovers well." She says with a smile. "The legend?" I ask.

"Yea, if I find it and throw a coin, it will show me my mate's face, right? I'm sure
it's Levi" She says.

"That's how the legend goes but that's not real Layla."

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(She's such a child.) "And besides, if your so sure that it's Levi, then why find the well?" I ask. "Because I want to be extra sure." She says looking excited. She stops in a clearing and starts to look around.

"Abraham told me that it was real and that it was here." She says.

"What? Abraham, told you that the mated lovers well is here? In this spot?"

"Yea, he was really nice for once." She says and I immediately panic and I look at the warriors. They look at me confused.

"HAHAHAHA! So gullible." Aman's voice comes from behind a tree. He walks out and the two warriors that are with me quickly stand into a battle stance. I look around us and we are surrounded by five men. They quickly attack us without any hesitation.

"Kill all except the Luna." The man in charge says.

I take Layla in my arms covering her from them. I feel like a mother protecting her cub. Our warriors start fighting but I know we are outnumbered.

(I can't just stand on the side.)

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I start to shift but then I feel the pain coming from the back of my head as I feel something hit me. One of the rogues hit me on the head. Everything starts to blur. I look up and I am able to see the rogue in

+5 Bonus

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My hairs stand on end realizing what happened. "N000!" I shout.

Then from the side, one of the warriors that were with us and were able to shift sinks his teeth into the man's throat killing him. I am overwhelmed by emotion and pain and then my vision goes dark.

-End of flashback

"No, no, no, no, Layla..." I cry unable to hide my pain.

The men hear me and open the door, they turn on the light and I was right. Looks like an underground old bunker.

"What do we do?" One of the men asks the other one. "Nothing, I'll deal with her."
I hear Evan's voice come from behind them.

I have so much heartache that I don't react to him at all. Evan's brown hair and brown eyes come into view. He looks like he lost a bit of weight, he used to be muscular. He has that smirk on his face, the one that has haunted me all these years.

"Are we moving?" One of the men asks.

"No, there are pack warriors sniffing close by, we have to lay low for a few hours." Evan says. The men nod and leave.

Evan steps into the room and closes the door behind him. It's just the two of us now. He stinks, his scent is different now.

"You know... I have actually missed you. And in other circumstances, I would have just taken you but you really have made me suffer. And so, I am going to make you suffer first."

"Nothing can be worse than the pain that I feel right now in my heart." I say.

(Somehow, I feel brave. Layla was my little sister, or at least to me she was. I watch her grow since she was brought to the packhouse at only five years old. She was part of my little family and now... she's gone.)

I look at him not feeling afraid at all because nothing he does to me will compare to this pain. (The only thing that scares me right now is not knowing if I will ever see Kayden again. That terrifies me.)

(But him, Evan, him I can survive, I have done it before. He won't control me anymore.) I look at Evan and all I feel is anger.

I don't know where this courage is coming from but I'm holding on to it.

He narrows his eyes at me. I'm sure he was expecting me to stare at him with pleading eyes but I don't. He takes a backpack that he was carrying and opens it. He turns it over and lets its contents fall on the ground. Chains, whips, and other objects I have never seen before fall.

"Come here." He says.

I take a deep breath and stay where I am leaning on the wall on the ground with tears still falling for Layla.

Then he takes something from the items and then a slashing pain that makes me scream hits my

arm.

"Come here, now!" He says holding the whip.

I know it's going to hurt more but I am not going to comply, I stand up and stare at him but make no move towards him which I can see pisses him off even more.

He walks over to me and takes me by the back of the neck, I whimper because of the pain. He pulls

Chapter Twenty Four chains and walks over to the wali where there is a nook. He attaches the chain on it and goes to the opposite side to do the same with the other chain.

While he does this, I quietly get up, and once on my feet, I run to the door. I open it but unfortunately am met with the two men from before. I try to maneuver by them but they quickly catch me.

"No!! Let me go!!" I scream as they hold me and take me back to the room.

They throw me back inside and close the door. I look back and Evan is leaning on the back wall with a smile not looking worried at all.

"You can't run this time." He says. "What do you want!? It can't actually just be me? Why go through all this trouble?" I shout.

"I am not the mastermind of this plan. But getting to see you makes it worth going through all this trouble." He says.

He walks over to me and lifts my chin up to him.

"I guess the men in my family can't resist the women in yours." He says looking at me with a stare that I only see Kayden give me. I am very confused now.

He then grabs me by the hair. I fight and scream but I can't overpower him. He kneels me back on the floor and puts a shackle around one of my hands. As much as I fight, he manages to do the same to my other hand. I stand there with my arms being pulled by the chains unable to move or to lower myself to the

ground.

Evan steps back and stares at me with excitement in his eyes. He looks me over and stops at my neck giving a low growl.

"He marked you?"

His expression changes again to an excited one. "Tell me, how much does it piss him off that you were mine first?"

(What? How delusional is he?) "I was never yours. I will never be yours!" I shout and he scrunches his face in anger. He holds me tight by the chin and gets close. "You will always be mine." "Never." I say defiantly. He gives me a rough kiss and then steps back. "Yes, you are."

He lifts the whip up and starts hitting me. I grunt and whimper in pain.

(That's it, I have to remember that. I know I won't be able to get out of this but I need to remember that no matter what he does to me, I am Kayden's always.... he is all I want.)

I close my eyes and reserve myself to my fate. He continues to hit me, I can feel blood dripping mostly from my back. When he is finally tired, he throws the whip to the floor and gets closer to me.

"Beg me to stop, beg me as you have done before." He says into my ear.

I keep my eyes closed and my mouth shut.

"Fine, be a tease." He says.

I lift my head and look over to the door, hoping that we will be interrupted.

"No one's coming you know. We have lots of time so I suggest that you start enjoying this a bit more. This can be pleasurable for both of us if you let it."

"NO!" I shout

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He goes to my back and puts his arms around my waist getting me closer to his chest. He then starts kissing my neck and goes to my mark.

"I don't like this smell one bit." He says and then I feel him biting me with his fangs. I cry in pain.

"I know that it won't do anything because a marking can't be erased, but at least I know that you'll

laugh.

"Never, you won't ever take the good memories away and replace them with yours."

He smiles as if he's not listening to me. "I marked you too now." He says and goes to the items he brought and takes a wooden long thin cane. He looks at me and smiles wickedly. "You are not going to enjoy this at all."

He walks over to my back and hits me with it. I clench my mouth tight and hold the whimper that is about to escape me. (Kayden... think only of him. Block it all and think only of him. Will I ever see him again?) I cry but not because of the physical pain, but because of the thought of never seeing Kayden again.

-If there is no spacing in the words, it is the app. I have edited the books over and over and from my side, the spacing is perfect.- (Have to repeat it because people don't seem to read it at the beginning.)

I sit at my desk with my hands covering my face. I am numb and desperate. I lift my head and look at the mess I have made. Tables are broken, the windows are shattered and some have chairs stuck on them. All the papers that I have worked on are scattered all over the floor.

"I need her." "GRANT!!" I shout knowing that he is waiting outside the office. He comes in, cautiously. "Anything?" I ask. He takes a deep breath and shakes his head. "Not yet."

"Dammit!!" I slam my fists on the desk. "How the f**k did they get in so easily!" I yell. "You've told everyone, right?" I ask.

"Yes, every nearby pack is out looking." He says. "And you're sure that they left our territory?"

"Yes, we are sure. We lost their scent outside our borders and our pack warriors have spread to the outskirts." He says.

(It's been an hour now.) "No one sleeps until we find her." I say. He nods. "Of course." "What about my father?" I ask. "He went to his room and Penelope is in a guest room as you instructed." (I don't want her to leave yet, I don't know if she has any involvement in this.) – Flashback I throw a chair and it hits the window breaking it. "Did you do something to her?!!" I shout at my father. "No, haven't done anything!" He says backing away. "And you Abraham?! Was this you!?" I shout pointing at him.

"Alpha, this must be someone who has a grudge against you. You've claimed her as Luna, so it makes sense. Why would you look to members of your pack as suspects first?" He says calmly but also backing

Richard doesn't say anything and watches from the back.

Thit the lamp on the desk and it slams against the wall breaking into pieces, "You both have been very vocal about how much you don't like her and don't want her as Luna."

"Yes, true but we haven't done anything to her. How can you."

I cut him off. "I'm not so sure about that! Tell me what you two are hiding! She said that you two know what you did, what did she mean by that?"

My father and Abraham share a look that I don't like.

"So you are hiding something!" I say now surprised. Abraham looks at me nervously and I look at him intently.

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"What?" I sit slowly shocked not knowing what to think.

–End of flashback (Is that really it?) I take a deep breath. "How is Levi doing?" I ask Grant. "Not good. He is sedated in the pack hospital right now." He says looking down. "Has she been taken care of?" I ask lowly.

He closes his eyes in pain. "Yea, she's in the hospital morgue with our other warriors that also died... she was just a kid... Preston and Avery are taking it a bit harder. They were the ones who took her to school every day."

I nod. (She was a sweet girl. And I can't imagine what Levi is going through right now.) Someone knocks at the door taking us away from the conversation.

"Yea?"

Richard pops his head in. "Can I have a minute with you Alpha?"

Inod.

"Alone?" I ask.

"No, it's fine. I just wanted to talk to you about what Abraham said before. About him having an affair with Rains mother."

Inod. "Yea, what about it?"

"You asked me a few days ago if I knew anything. Well, when Abraham mentioned the affair, I recalled something like that. It might be nothing but I think there might be more to that story. If I recall correctly... your father banished Amelia, Rain's mother. But that was only known to me, Abraham and Allen, Rain's father. I am not sure if Rain knew, she was young." –

"But why go to those extremes?" I ask deep in thought.

"Well, there were also rumors that both Abraham and Amelia loved each other. Not sure if that was true but I do recall Abraham acting erratically when he found out that Amelia was banished."

"Yet he just lied and said that Rain's mom killed herself after he broke it off." Grant says.

Richard nods. "That's what was strange to me. And then, two days later after Amelia died, Allan was killed by rogues and their house caught fire the same night."

I stay deep in thought for a while. (So many questions but, right now all I want is Rain safe by my side.) "Thank you, Richard, let me know if anything else comes to you." Richard nods. "Of course, sorry I couldn't be of more help."

"No, that piece of information was a lot. So, thank you."

He bows and leaves.

I lean over my desk and cover my face with my hands.

(I am so worried and feel so desperate. I'm sure it was that fucker that took her.)

"What are your thoughts on this Grant, who do you think took her?" I ask him.

"Evan... I am pretty sure. I tend to act nonchalantly around others but I am always watching them. And I watched him after you killed Asher. He has a fixation with her. I don't think she ever noticed but he would

I look at him ready to kill him. "And you never told me!"

"If I would have told you, then you would have done something stupid. And you weren't Alpha yet. Besides, when I noticed, Preston and I would take turns watching her. Making sure that he didn't do something to her."

I feel angry but I know that he would have told me if I needed to know. I trust him completely. I close my eyes. (If he has her.... goddess what is he doing to her?)

"Grant, we need to find her." I look up at him with desperation written all over my face. "I... I need her. She is everything to me."

He looks down. "I know. I'm going to go check on the Alphas again." He says and walks out. I am left here alone and I feel distraught. I don't know what to do with myself. "I need to find her. I can't let him hurt her. She was finally starting to trust me and now..."

I know she's alive because I haven't felt that pain that Levi felt. I can't bring myself to think about what she is going through right now. What he's doing to her.

I clench my fist as anger rises inside me again. **f**k!!" I yell.

"Alpha Kayden" Penelope opens the door and walks in.

I look at her feeling irritated.

"What?" I ask in a low tone.

"Oh, I'm just worried about you. Is there anything I can do to help you through this?" She asks. I'm not sure what her intentions are right now, but I'm not even looking at her.

"Do you know where my mate is?" I ask her.

"...No."

"Then there is nothing you can do." I say.

Then she starts walking closer to me. "Well, maybe I can keep you company." She says putting a hand on my shoulder.

"What the hell do you want?!" I shout at her not hiding my anger. "I just thought..."

"Thought what?" I ask, cutting her off. "That I would be vulnerable enough to fall for whatever the hell this is." I say motioning my hands at her.

She stays quiet.

"You know what you are doing right now?!" I ask her and she just stares at me now looking scared." Pissing me off even more than what I already am! So, I suggest you go back to the room and stay there!" I growl and she quickly turns around and leaves.

I pinch the bridge of my nose feeling tired of everything. I lean myself back in the chair and close my eyes. I take deep breaths and somehow, I fall asleep.

-dream "So, who is she? Who has the great Kayden Byron acting like an i***t?" A sweaty Landon asks. I laugh and sit on a bench all sweaty because of training. "A beauty... my mate." "WHAT! You found your mate?" He asks surprised. "Where? How?"

I laugh again. "She's from my pack. I never knew she was my mate because she was still young when I left the first time."

I smile. "I do feel motivated. It's like... a spark ignited inside me the moment I saw her." "Dang, look at you being so poetic. I take it back. I don't want to start acting like you at all." I chuckle. "Asshole."

I abruptly wake up. I sit up and look at the clock. "I slept for half an hour." I sigh and close my eyes. "Goddess please, please let me find her." I pray.

I take a deep breath and get up. I walk out of the offices and out to the front. It's already dark outside. I lean on one of the columns at the entrance and just stare at the moon.

("Do we really have to go back to the pack?" That's what she asked back at the hotel... We should have stayed back there.)

"Kayden!" Grant walks out of the house. "Alpha Cristian called. They found a blood trail in his territory. He has his warriors following it." He says.

"Get the warriors and the cars ready. We are all heading there now." He nods and immediately start walking to the garage.