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Savannah's POV

"Oh....God" I moaned as I felt my skin tingling. I couldn't handle this torture.

"So responsive baby" Hardwick whispered in my ear before biting the skin harshly. I must say this man really looks gentle while he is flirting but when it comes to 'doing that thing' he is like a beast ready to devour his prey. He knows how to torture me until I gave up all my power to resist.

"Oh god, please..." I bit my lips trying to handle the pleasure rushing through my body. Hardwick's lips latched on my hard nipple sucking it while his other hand was playing with my other nipple. He pinched my hard bud then rolled it with his thumb and index finger making pleasure shoot through my hot core.

How did I end up in such a position? Lying half naked beneath my mate while he torture my body like a hungry beast. I thought after the good enjoyment of the dinner date I could rest but I never thought that my mate would have another mind. So once we were inside the house, he threw me on his shoulder before striding towards our room.

"You are really sensitive" he sucked my nipple rolling his tongue around the hard bud then releasing it with a pop. His other hand left my breast as it ran down lower then rested on my sensitive part which was already soaking wet from his action.

"You are so wet for me darling" he said as he cupped my woman's part . Before I could say he tore my panties then rubbed my wet fold slowly.

"Why do you always tear my clothes?" I held back my moan as it was trying to slip away from my mouth.

He chuckled "I don't like waiting sweetheart"

"That's not a good reason you know"

" There's no need for a good reason my love, I want you and this is the truth" he said before he stopped his acting making me almost cry out of frustration.

"Eager for me?" He smirked, then with an evil glint in his eyes he went down and lowered his head. I watched him leaning down and about to ask but all my questions flew out of the window when his naughty tongue latched on to my hotspot.

"Oh my" I moaned as I felt him licked my clit before his lips sucked on it. His tongue rolled around my wet core and he used his hand to part the wet lips then pushed his tongue inside me.

“Ah...” I clutched his head running my fingers on his silky strands.

“Hardwick ” I moaned with his each thrust that pushed me to the peak of pleasure. He rubbed my clit in circle motion as he fucked me with his tongue, raising my body to ride the extreme pleasure I even experienced in my life.

“Oh.... God, Hardwick, I amso close” I moaned loudly. My body couldn't handle such extreme pleasure that he was giving me and I wonder how come he is so skillful to bring me to the path of heaven.

“Cum baby, I want you to come in my mouth. You are so fucking sweet and I want you to milk my mouth with your sweetness” he said as he pushed his tongue in my wet core again.

I felt my pussy clenched around his tongue and my toe curled as I screamed when I reached my climax. My core leaked hot juices and I cum all over his mouth. Hardwick didn't stop but he continued to suck my pussy hard.

“Oh” He gave my wet core one last lick before he raised his head with a smirk.

“You know, how beautiful you look when you are screaming my name when I fuck this sweet little cunt of yours?”

I blushed and turned my head to the other side. God this position is so embarrassing. Me lying under him all bare for his eyes to see. His lusty stare made my body hot all over again.

“No” he growled and grabbed my jaw and made me look at him “you are not allowed to hide this blush sweetheart. It's mine to see and it makes you even more beautiful. I love it when this purple orbs of yours covered with lust and happiness”

“Hardwi-”

“I can't wait anymore baby” he joined his forehead with mine “it's fucking hard to control myself with each fucking days. You are so beautiful and you are all mine. I need to claim this sweet little cunt of yours, to claim it, to fill it”

My heartbeat got faster with his words. God, I knew one day I have to face this but so soon? But again what's the problem? He is my mate, the one moon goddess made for me to live for eternity. Besides, he has already claimed me as his.

“Hardwick”

“No, don't say anything. I need you right now. Now kissing is not enough anymore. I want to feel your sweet cunt. I am dying with need and Onyx want to claim you, claim his mate”

Now, I couldn't retort. He was not the only one who was craving this. Red got excited when she heard Onyx wanted to claim it as his. He is my mate and our love making will only make our bond stronger.

He got up then removed his clothes. When he removed his boxers I gasped loudly. Oh my god, he is so huge. His hard shaft sprang free from the boundary and stood still. Hard, thick and long enough to make anyone scream in fear. Though I have prepared myself about his size, I never expected that he would be this giant.

He chuckled when his eyes fell on my expression "scared?"

I gulped hard as I slowly nodded my head "do you think it can fit in me?" I bit my lips.

"Don't worry it is made for you. And it will definitely fit" he replied calmly, like there's nothing to worry about.

Okay, I am scared. And why shouldn't I be? I am Virgin and I have never slept with anyone. So my power is lacking here in this matter. Hardwick climbed on the bed with a smile.

"I won't say false, it will hurt you since you are a Virgin. But it won't last long. Once you are used to my size, you will appreciate it for being like this" he smirked.

My eyes widened. This man is shameless.

"Now part those sexy legs of yours" he commanded. Oh god it's really happening. Slowly I part my legs, opening for my mate.

Hardwick groaned as he grabbed my legs and parted it himself. He lowered his hips and positioned himself he was about to enter but stopped when his phone rang at such moment. We glanced at his phone. I bit my lips trying not to laugh loudly.

"Forget it" He said, then rubbed his member at the entrance of my pussy but all the fire got disturbed again when his phone rang for the second time. Hardwick growled loudly.

"I think you should pick it up. What if it's something important to call at this time?" I tried to convince him.

"Fuck" he cursed and got up from bed naked and walked towards the table. My eyes followed his action. I gulped as I saw his thick shaft standing angrily.

"This fucking needed to be important or I will chop your head" he growled as he picked up the phone. Then he went silent for a moment. When he hangs up his face becomes hard.

I frowned "what happened? "

He walked towards me and kissed my forehead "I am sorry darling I need to go. Something important came up which needed my presence"

"Right now? Like really now?" I asked not believing.

He nodded, giving a sexy smile "yes, but I promise once I deal with it. Nothing can stop me from claiming you"

I sighed "okay, go. Since it's important then I won't stop you. Just finish your business first"

"Okay, wait for me" he said and dropped a heart warming kiss before striding towards the bathroom but I still can hear his small curses he was making under his breath. I chuckled lightly as I grabbed the duvet and covered my naked body.

What a night!

Next morning I woke up alone. I stretched my arms and yawned again. I looked at the side where Hardwick used to sleep and sighed. To be honest, I miss him. Last night's action flashed in my mind and it only made me blush again. We would have made love if there wasn't any call in the middle. And I really miss his warmth that flattered my heart. He said he had some important work and then he was gone. I don't even know when he is going to come back. Shaking my head I wanted to slap myself. Mom said it before when your mate is the Alpha then you need to control emotions and stay strong to handle the situation. And she was right, before he became my mate, he was the Alpha of Dark Forest and he had many responsibilities to handle. He really could not stick to me all the time.

Sigh being a Luna is also hard work.

"Hi Jenny" I greeted as I walked inside the kitchen.

"Hello Mistress," she grinned.

"You look happy today?" I sat on the chair "what's the matter"

"Nothing, I was trying to make a new recipe yesterday and guess what it worked " Jenny looked so happy that she almost slipped from jumping.

"Careful" I hold her arm and almost laughed when I saw her face.

"Are you okay?"

She nodded "thanks Mistress" she laughed nervously "I almost slipped out of joy.

"Hmm...I guess so" I chuckled.

“Wait, I will bring your coffee”

“Um... what did you make yesterday?”

“Rustida” Jenny smiled.

“Rustida?”

She nodded again “I tried. I found the recipe online a few days ago and wanted to try it but never got enough ingredients. But because of the new delivery of the food stocks I finally have my needed ingredients and tried to make it yesterday”

“Wow, you are quite creative” I nodded. Just then a maid came and placed my morning coffee.

“I don’t have much work to do and I don’t go to train so after dealing with my works I cook to kill time”

“Tell me more about your dish” I sipped my coffee.

“You are interested?” She looked happy.

I nodded “you worked hard on it”

“Rustida is an Italian dish. I saw the recipe online and was quite fascinated with it. It look yummy too. It’s usually made with the combination of pork loin, pork hearts and lungs, crumbled sausage meat, butter, onions, tomatoes, stock, salt, and pepper. Though it was my first time cooking this recipe, I never thought it would turn out well. It’s a kind of miracle”

“Hard working always give good results”

“You are right,” Jenny giggled, “would you like to taste it?”

“Sure, I am somehow feeling hungry after hearing your recipe”

“Okay” Jenny laughed “I will get you to taste”

It didn’t take long for her to come back with the food. Rustida looks good on the plate. The texture feels right and it made my mouth water to taste it. Using the fork and knife I cut the small piece before shoving it in my mouth.

“You used wine?” I asked.

She nodded “yes, though it’s kind of uncommon combination for the recipe but I saw many comments who tried it”

"It tastes good. I can feel the flavours melting inside my mouth the moment I took a bite" I smiled at her before eating another piece. This is my first time trying Italian cuisine but my first experience is not bad though. I must say that Jenny is a good cook. In later days she can use her culinary skills to win anyone's heart.

"You really like it, Mistress?" Jenny was quite surprised and I can tell it from her expression.

I nodded "why not? Besides, it's my first Italian dish to try. I think you should focus on cooking rather than on accounting the delivery goods"

Jenny chuckled, "I can always try new recipes in my free time. It's not a problem" saying this she blushed.

"I will be your taster then" I laughed.

"Really?" Her eyes brightened immediately.

"Of course" I smiled and started to enjoy my Italian dish.

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After finishing my breakfast, which was quite heavy, I actually thought about taking a walk around. Luina was beside me telling me more about the pack, and I am glad she is here. Luina is very attentive and never neglects any small things related to me. Hardwick really knows how to choose people because his choice of Luina to be my personal maid is excellent.

"The children's go to school in the city. When they become the average to shift they come back to pack again and live here" Luina said.

"Average age? They don't go back to study further?"

"It depends on them, Mistress. Few go back and few stay. But whatever they decide, the Master makes sure to fulfill it. He never forces anyone to do anything. In all aspects, the Master is fair and sets his rules according to it. But if anyone goes and break the rules then he or she have to face the wrath"

I sighed "handling a pack is difficult. Besides, it's not like it will stay fair and peaceful all the time. There's some times when Alpha's had to face the hardships"

I have seen dad and Devak. How they handle the pack matters. Though I never interfered in their business, it's not like I don't know what they are doing or what kind of problem they are facing. Even mom is also involved in some matters and I have witnessed all the ups and downs of the ruling method in the pack.

“But it’s not the Master’s fault, Mistress. Master never makes false accusations or punishes others without any reasons. Whatever he does has great cause behind it”

I nodded. What she said is true. I can never doubt Hardwick’s decision as far as I got to know him.

“I can never doubt him-” I couldn’t complete my words as I bumped into someone.

“Aw...” The other person winced.

“I apologise, it’s my fault” I turned around only to see a beautiful woman standing rubbing her shoulder.

“Mistress, are you okay?” Luina held my hand as she asked.

“I am fine” I looked at the woman again.

“You should watch your way when you walk” Luina hissed using a cold tone. I looked at her with surprise. I never saw Luina using such a tone. She was always warm and gentle.

“I....” The woman stammered “I am sorry, I didn’t mean to bump. I was in a rush so I couldn’t see you coming. Please forgive me”

“It’s fine, it’s my fault too” I smiled at her. The woman looked charming. But I haven’t seen her before. Is she new or something?

“You should watch yourself in future. If something happens to our Mistress Master will break in rage” Luina added again.

The woman who looked gentle looked at us with a surprised expression “Mistress?” She blinked before her gaze fell on me.

I frowned at her actions. How come she was so shocked?

“I...it won’t happen again” she said again then turned and walked away.

“Who is she?” I asked, watching her leave.

“I don’t know Mistress,” Luina replied in her gentle tone.

“Never mind, let’s go” I turned around and about to step when a sudden voice stopped me on my track and had me stunned for a moment.

“Delaney” the scream echoed behind me.

I turned around swiftly as I looked at the scene behind me. Daisy was hugging the woman who just bumped with me. And she called her Delaney?

Delaney?

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Two days later....

I huffed as I looked at the screen. It has been two days since my mate left and there's no need for him. At least he could have called me once in these two days but no that man is really an idiot. He didn't even say anything about his work yet just left like that.

"Where are you Hardwick? You are already making me worried" I mumbled. I know he has works and his responsibilities but I am also his mate and does not I included in his fucking responsibility term?

"Breakfast is ready Mistress" Luina walked inside as she informed me.

I am losing my appetite here. First my mate is gone and second that Delaney woman popped out of nowhere. I don't know why but that woman makes me uneasy. Looking at her doesn't give any kind of assertive feelings in my heart. I pushed the laptop away and looked at Luina.

"Luina, do you know who Delaney is?" I asked. Though I have settled my mind not to interfere in this matter until Hardwick tells me everything first but now that Delaney is here it's making me more curious.

"That I really don't know Mistress. Since I have started to work here, there's no person called Delaney. I don't know if she is a member of this pack" Luina replied, smiling apologetically.

Hmm....looks like the matter of Delaney is kind of sensitive and more secretive than I thought. Is that why Hardwick refused to talk about her or there's more that made him avoid her topic rapidly.

"Do you know anyone who could have known something about this Delaney girl?"

"That...." Luina pondered for a while, hesitating.

"Luina, I am your Mistress. If you are hesitating because of your Alpha then you don't have to. I will handle him but this matter is really important. I need to know about this Delaney" I persuaded her. Fuck with the waiting, I will try to know about this Delaney girl

as much as I could. I don't like the restless feeling crawling in my chest whenever I hear her name. I fucking hate this feeling.

"Mistress, it's not that I don't want to help. It's my duty to fulfill your order. Master has ordered you to do everything you say or desire. But the point is The matter of Delaney is a past event and can only be known by those who were present at that time. Most of the elders of the past live in the east side so it's quite hard to get any information about past events. Besides it's also the rules of the pack not to reveal anything happened in the past"

I shook my head "it's ridiculous you know" I got up from bed and walked towards the window. In the field my gaze fell on the two figures hanging around happily.

"Sometimes the secrets of the past must be revealed to save the present and also the future because the past events are too dark. It affects the present and future as well. If one doesn't know anything about the past how could they handle the current problem? It's important to know who this Delaney is" I put my palm on the glass window as my gaze fixed on the two figures.

"Mistress, maybe my aunt could help," Luina said. I shifted my body, turning around to look at her.

"Your aunt?" I frowned.

"Yes," she nodded. "My aunt was a head maid in the pack who worked during the period of the late Alpha Master. So maybe she could help"

I smiled "good, let's go then I need to meet her immediately"

"Yes"

It took a 15 minutes walk to reach Luina's aunt's house. It was a little further in the pack area. A middle-aged woman opened the door and gasped as she looked at us.

"Luina?" The woman called out.

"Aunt Rosis" Luina smiled "My mistress wanted to meet you so I brought her here"

"Mistress" Aunt Rosis's eyes widened "oh, please forgive my ignorance Mistress"

"It's fine" I waved my hand "how are you aunt Rosis?"

"I am a good Mistress, oh my bad please come inside" Rosis let out a nervous chuckle.

We went inside and settled in the small living room. Rosis made tea and served it. She looked good though she has reached middle aged. Her silver hair was tied in a bun but there's no sign of wrinkles on her skin.

"I never thought this would come and you will visit me here Mistress. How can I help you?" Rosis asked.

I smiled "Luina told me you used to work as head maid in the pack?"

"Yes, I have worked for longer periods. I have seen Little Master to grow up and become the Alpha. Those golden days are such remarkable memories I could never forget" Rosis smiled.

I nodded. Since she has worked for such a long period of time I guess she could have known about Delaney too. So without wasting much time I asked her.

"Aunt Rosis, do you know who Delaney is?"

Rosis's eyes widened "Mis....Mistress?"

And I really do expect such a reaction.

"Please don't hesitate, Aunt Rosis. You really don't need to feel afraid. I just wanted to know about her. I don't mean any harm"

Rosis sighed "Mistress it's hard. The matter of Delaney is kind of an important matter and because of that there's many changes in the pack. Though I don't know much about it but whatever I know is also prohibited to talk"

"Aunt Rosis I can understand your feeling but I need to know about her because it's not about me but it includes Hardwick and the whole pack too. If you choose to stay quiet today then whatever will happen next won't you feel regret? "

"Mistress, what are you talking about?"

"Delaney is here"

Rosis gasped "what-what? She is here?"

"Yes, that's why I am asking for your help. Please tell me whatever you know about her. Even if it's a small thing I need to know" I tried to persuade more.

Rosis still looked hesitant.

I sighed "fine if you don't want to talk about it. I won't force you. But you remember one thing, Delaney caused a big matter in the past and now history can repeat itself" I got up from the couch and walked towards the door.

I was about to push the door open when Rosis called out "Mistress please wait"

I turned around and looked at her waiting for her to continue.

Rosis got up and took a deep breath "I will tell you everything I know"

Jenny's POV

"Are you done?" I looked up and found dad removing his chef attire.

"Uh...yeah, it's just a simple account dad. Nothing's hard" I smiled.

Dad sighed "Bridge will take tonight's shift. I am taking a break"

"Are you okay dad? I mean you never took a break so .."

"I am fine" dad chuckled. "don't worry. Bridge wanted to take tonight's work and he almost pleaded so I couldn't say no to him"

I laughed "he is really interested in cooking?"

"I guess so. He has been with me a year already. Almost like clinging" dad let out a laugh.

"It's good then. You are old already. So you also need to take some rest for your health" I said closing the account book.

"Jenny"

"Yeah?"

"Are you happy?"

I frowned "what kind of question is that dad? "

"I just..."

"Dad, is there something wrong? I mean you look troubled today. What happened?" I asked as I touched his shoulder.

He shook his head "no it's nothing" he smiled at me "I couldn't give you a good life. After your mom died we are stuck here in the pack kitchen. Besides since my mate is dead

my wolf is weak and couldn't transform anymore" he sighed. There was sadness flashing in his eyes "and you are born with weak health. Your wolf is not strong like others and because of that you couldn't train yourself normally. I just feel that you are suffering here because of me"

My eyes moistened and I shook my head "dad what are you talking about? You are thinking unnecessary things. Please don't think like that and burden your heart. I am happy. Besides, I love cooking and there's no problem living like this. And about training then it's hard. They are competing with each other like enemies and I don't like it. I feel more secure to live here and try new recipes"

Dad looked at me with small smile "how lucky I am to have you as my daughter"

I laughed "because I am cute"

Dad chuckled and patted my head "you naughty girl always takes things in a fun way. When you are going to grow up"

"When it's time, I will grow up. But now I just want to live as your little daughter" I squealed and hugged him.

"Silly girl" dad laughed.

After talking to him I walked inside the kitchen. It's already evening so I wanted to grab some coffee for myself. I have a habit of drinking coffee in the morning and evening so when the sun sets my heart craves for it. I saw Bridge inside the kitchen.

"Hi Uncle" I smiled as I walked in.

"Hi Jenny"

"You are early here" I said as I grabbed a coffee mug.

"I thought of preparing the dinner menu. You want coffee?"

"Yeah, cravings you know"

He laughed "right. I saw an Italian dish in the fridge. Who brought it?"

I stopped pouring milk when I heard him. I turned my head to look at him "uh....you tried?"

He nodded "it tastes good. I am amazed. I was wondering who ordered it"

I felt blush on my cheeks "um....that I made it"

“Oh that’s right- what?” Bridge looked surprised “you did?”

“Yeah, I had free time so I saw it online and tried it” I replied shyly. I really didn’t expect him to try it.

“Good, good” he laughed “I never thought you are so good in cooking”

“It was a first trial uncle please don’t joke”

“I am not. It was really good. You should practice more you know”

I smiled “thanks for the application uncle”

“Okay, I have to prepare for dinner” he rubbed his hand and looked at the vegetables on the table.

“What’s the main menu?” I asked as I stirred my coffee with a spoon.

“I will go with beef”

“Oh, that’s great. I am leaving uncle” I said and walked out of the kitchen and sat in the dining area.

Now I can enjoy my drink slowly and peacefully. I thought and took a sip. It’s good. So favourable. I closed my eyes enjoying the feeling.

“Yeah that’s right, I will get it and then-”

My eyes shoot open at the voice. As expected the person stood holding the phone near his ear but his eyes stuck on me.

“Inform you” saying this he cut the call. He slowly walked forward.

“I was here to get some drinks but never thought you would be waiting for me,” he said as a smirk played on his lips.

I stood up and put the mug on the table “I am just drinking my coffee”

“Oh” he walked closer “so you didn’t miss me?”

“What are you doing?” I stepped back as he leaned more closer.

“You don’t know?” He asked as his eyes hardened.

I pushed myself back but stopped when my back collided with the tiled wall. I bit my lips as I cursed in my heart.

“I will see where you can run now” he came closer and put his hand on each side of me.

“Have you gone crazy?” I hissed.

“Crazy?” He laughed “I went crazy the moment I saw you. Tell me who’s fault is it to keep me hanging in the middle?”

I bit my lips angrily as I threw a hard glare “go and fuck your girlfriends who will be glad to warm your bed instead of disturbing me here” I snapped.

He smirked “why? Jealous darling?”

I glared at him “don’t call me that”

“I can call you anything I want. What are you going to do about it?” He challenged.

“Ryan Wolf you are such a manwhore. You go fucking around with other woman as you please and now here you are flirting with me. You should have some shame on you for your act” I snapped and pushed him away. Glaring I walked past him but before I could step a few steps I felt my body being pulled back to a hard chest.

“You think I care about those women? They are a fucking gold diggers only trying to hook up for money. But it’s not completely my fault because you didn’t stop me. You just stood there watching me going with those women yet didn’t say anything why? Now you are angry because I slept with them? You are throwing all the faults on me now?”

I wiggled “let me go”

“No, today I am not going to stop. I have had enough of it” he growled.

“Shut up. What do you think you are doing?” I tried to free myself from his arm.

“Not so fast darling. There’s no way you are going to get away from me now. You are mine” he said before kissing my cheek.

“You bastard, how dare you kiss me with that filthy mouth of yours” I snapped angrily.

He chuckled “filthy? You like it darling. And for your good information I am totally clean if you fearing about that”

“Who wants to have anything with you?” I hissed.

“You will have everything with me baby. Of course your wolf is purring with delight yet you are trying to refuse huh”

I huffed “I am not interested in going through any argument with you. Let me go”

“No, I have been waiting for it already. And you are ignoring me for whole fucking 2 month. Now there’s no way I am letting you leave my arm” Ryan said as he tightened his hold.

“Go back to your sluts” I hissed again.

“Shh.... Curses do not suit your mouth baby. The only thing that’s suits your sweet mouth is my name” he said then pressed his lips on my ear “specially when you moan”

My eyes went wide with his shameless act, “you....how dare you?”

“I dare everything. You are my fucking mate” he growled then picked me up in a bridal style.

“What are you doing?” I gasped and held his shoulder for support.

“I’m claiming my mate, what’s the problem in that?” He asked as he started to walk out of the dining area.

“Ryan, are you out of your mind? What will others say?”

He frowned “why the fuck would I care about others?”

I couldn’t think of any excuses as my heart started to beat faster “I don’t want to be ridiculed by others saying that I am a playboy’s mate”

He looked down then chuckled “don’t worry darling, before they could say that I will pluck their tongue and play with it”

My jaw dropped as I heard him. I know he is strong and too arrogant to handle. I also know about his playboy ways but in the end he is still my mate. I have been ignoring him since I got to know about it. I hated his playboy ways and because I refuse him he plays it in front of me to make me jealous. And to be honest I am. Ryan took me in his room and placed me on his bed.

He smiled charmingly “I have been dreaming about this night for such a long time” . He was about to kiss me but I stopped him.

“Wait, I don’t want to sleep on this bed”

He frowned “why?”

“I don’t want to share your bed which you shared with another woman,” I snapped.

He chuckled "I never brought any woman to this bed darling. It was all outside with a card of one night stand. And fuck none of them could not handle me nor ever able to satisfy me. Before coming to an end then run away not looking back"

I rolled my eyes "liar"

"It's true" he pecked my lips "You are my mate and my wolf will only be happy with you. No one can satisfy the need of me and my wolf other than you" he joined his forehead with me.

"Ryan"

"Yes"

"It's my first time," I said shyly.

"I know and that's makes me so proud"

"You can't look at other woman after today"

He laughed "I can never get enough of you darling let alone looking at others"

"Shut it" I pushed him but he didn't even move.

"I love you" he said before dropping his head and sealing my lips.

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Savannah's POV

I looked at the sky and sighed. Rosis's words flashing in my mind again and again. I don't know how to react on this matter nor I know how true the story is but one thing is sure that the event really happened. Is this why Hardwick was hesitating to tell me the truth? Because he was deeply involved in this matter? But I am his mate and he can't hide it from me forever especially when the past is knocking hard trying to barge inside in our present life. I don't know how long it will take him to return but I really want him here with me. I want to ask him about it to confirm myself and to know how much of a true story it was.

"Mistress"

I was pulled back to earth when Luina's voice rang in my ear "what?"

"This is your dress." She put the violet-colored silk dress on the bed. Only then I realised that I was still in my bathrobe.

“Thanks Luina” I said before picking it up.

“It’s my pleasure Mistress”

After dressing up I walk towards the dining area to have my coffee. Just as I walked inside I saw Jenny. I was about to greet her but something caught my eyes.

“Hi Jenny” I greeted as I walked towards her.

She turned around and smiled “good morning Mistress” . She placed the new flower pot on the table.

“You look beautiful,” I said as I sat down.

“I...I will bring your coffee” she almost ran away. I chuckled as I looked at her running back. Looks like something really happened. I tapped on the table as I waited for her to come back.

“Here Mistress” Jenny placed the coffee cup on the table. The cup was still hot and I could see the steams.

“You look so happy today. What happened?”

“Um....nothing”

I looked at her up and down and then smiled “this shirt looks good on you but don’t you think it’s oversized?”

Jenny gasped “uh....this ...” She looked down on her body then suddenly a blush appeared on her cheek staining her skin in pink light.

I raised my eyebrows as I looked at her closely. It’s clear that the shirt she was wearing is a man’s shirt. But looking at her posture looks like she had a good steamy night. There’s also a biting mark on her neck. But who is he?

Ryan’s smirking face flashed in my mind. I shook my head. Hardwick said they don’t have any connections. Is it really true or is he also unaware of the fact?

“There you are, why did you leave the bed leaving me alo-” the manly voice stopped in middle.

I looked up and gave a smile “Good morning, I was not expecting you to be here in the pack Ryan”

“Ah.... Luna, are you here too?” Ryan walked in with an awkward smile.

“Uh... I am here to grab my morning coffee” I replied as I sipped on my coffee. “Well I must say You really did have good choice Ryan”

“Choice about what?” He frowned.

“Shirt” I smiled “specially the one Jenny is wearing right now”

Ryan’s eyes raked on Jenny who was standing at the side blushing from head to toe.

“You two are mates?” I asked.

“Um....yes” Ryan ruffled his hair.

“And I guess Hardwick also has no idea about it?”

“That” Ryan looked at Jenny.

“Okay, let it be. Tell me why are you two hiding it from everyone?”

Both of them looked at me. Ryan sat down on the chair across from me while he pulled Jenny with him. Jenny looked nervous while Ryan looked careless.

“Well?” I started looking at them waiting for answers.

“I wanted to tell everyone when I found out she is my mate” Ryan smiled and hold Jenny’s hand “but I guess my playing ways came between us”

“Jenny rejected you?” I asked.

“What ...no no.....” He shook his head “that’s not what I mean. I wanted to announce publicly but Jenny started to avoid me when she found me as her mate” he rubbed the back of his neck.

“Oh, when did you discover the bond?” I asked again.

“3 months ago. Jenny’s wolf is quite weak compared to the others in the pack so it took time to form the bond and recognise each other as mates” Ryan replied.

I nodded “So you both were avoiding each other for a long time then what happened last night?”

Jenny blushed again, making me laugh inwardly. I still couldn’t believe that this shy girl really had a way with her mate. But of course I am happy for her.

“I had enough of the distance” Ryan laughed then glanced at Jenny. There was a hidden adoration shining in his eyes.

Finally the forever playboy finally met his mate. He really looked smitten already.

“Since you got your mate, I think you should stop fooling around”

“Haha ...” Ryan laughed “don’t worry Luna. That’s not going to happen. It was all one night stands. Afterall” he threw his arm around Jenny who looked up glaring at him.

These two. I shook my head.

“Anyways, where’s Hardwick?” I asked Ryan.

“He is busy,” he smiled.

“I know that. I just want to know when he is going to return”

“I don’t know exactly. I was here in the pack to get some files and I need to head back by afternoon”

“What kind of problem do you guys have that’s making you so busy that it’s making you unable to give a call or message?” I asked, getting annoyed.

“Don’t worry Luna, it will get over soon. If the matter was not serious then Alpha wouldn’t be working hard to handle like this” this time all the playfulness of Ryan vanished and his face turned serious. It’s like he was trying hard to persuade me not to take Hardwick in the wrong way for his absence.

I sighed “I am doubting him. It’s just I couldn’t see him so I am worried”

Hearing me say this Ryan smiled “as I said, Alpha will be back after the matter is solved. He will be back soon to you”

I nodded “I will be waiting for him”

The rest of the afternoon went by hurriedly and I spent my time in the library with Luina. Without Hardwick it is really boring. I miss his naughty hands that could not stay still and his naughty mouth which could not refrain itself from talking dirty in my ear. I miss him so much that it hurts. But I don’t have any choice either. All I can do is wait for him to return so that I can throw myself on him and tell him how much I missed him.

Shaking my head I closed the book in my hand. Luina who was sitting on the chair stood up “are you finished Mistress?”

I nodded.

“Do you want another one? I can search again”

I laughed "no it's fine. I can read many books in one day"

"What would you like to do then?"

"I want to go out and take a stroll. Sitting here all day making my body stiff"

"Okay" she nodded and I placed the book on the table before heading out of the library room.

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"It feels good" I smiled to myself as the cold air hit my skin. The library room was comfy and it could make you sleepy while reading. I was reading a novel the whole afternoon and now my body started to feel numb. But it's a great time-killing method other than sitting in a room alone and looking at those furniture.

"The gardeners will be planting new flowers, Mistress. Would you like to add some of your choice?" Luina asked as she followed behind me in slow steps.

"The garden is already full. Why are they planning news posts?"

"It's kind of a collection in other words. To get all types of flowers "

"Since that's the case" I pondered for a while. "then I think types of Orchid will be fine"

"Okay I will inform the gardener about it"

We walked for a while enjoying the weather and the cool breeze. My mind is clear now and I hope that he will be back soon.

"Um...Mistress" I turned around only to find the woman who was getting on my nerves standing behind me. She was wearing a yellow sundress and stood there looking meek.

"Can I have a talk with you?" She asked.

I looked at her from head to toe "you say anything you want"

Delaney glanced beside me where Luina was standing. She looked like hesitating something.

"She is my personal maid. She won't leak anything you are going to say" I assured. I really want to see what she wants to say to me.

"It's too personal. I hope you can understand me" Delaney insisted, smiling slightly.

I glanced at Luina who nodded and stepped away from us. Delaney looked at her before looking at me. Though she looks beautiful with those innocent eyes, I know it clearly that she is not what she seems outside. She sighed a few times before opening her mouth.

“I know you are his mate. But before you came I was in his life. And we have shared so many things that you can’t imagine” there was a small smile playing on her lips. It’s like she was trying to recall everything that happened in the past.

“What are you trying to say?” I asked her seriously.

She smiled gently “My name is Delaney. May be you don’t know me but Hardwick and this pack knows me well. We almost grew up together and have deep bonding for each other. It’s unfortunate that we are not bonded by fate but no matter what we could deny whatever we have between us. So I want to tell that please let us stay together”

I frowned “what do you mean by let you stay together?”

“I know you can’t understand at this moment. That’s why I am trying to tell you the truth. Though Hardwick and ai don’t have mate bonding but we have made it clear for each other that we don’t neglect the connection. Besides.....” Suddenly she blushed.

“Besides He already made me his”

I raised my eyebrows at her “his?”

“Yes” she nodded shyly “I know it may hurt you since you are his mate but I want to clear everything with you so I have to tell you the truth. Hardwick and I had sex before”

My heart jumped as she said that. I clenched my fist as I looked at her coldly. She really has the gut to tell her past on my face. Looks like she really wants me to lash out or leave my mate for good.

“So?” I asked as if it’s a small thing. I refrained myself from getting angry, controlling my emotions with all my power.

Delaney looked surprised for a moment before collecting her expression “so ... You are his mate and I really can’t ask you to leave him because it will hurt him. But at least I can expect you to be a little generous to let me stay by his side. I promise I won’t come between you two. It’s just as long as he marries me I will be happy and you can take the Luna position. I just want stay by his side all life”

“And what if he refuses to do that?”

“Refuse?” She smiled “it won’t happen because I know how much Hardwick is fond of me. He always cared for me and if there’s was not any misunderstanding between us

then we could have been a happy couple or maybe you could never get the chance to be here”

I looked at Delaney carefully. This woman looks like she is gentle and charming but all I could see was her pretense. How could anyone be this shameless? Till now I have seen 3 people who are kind of shameless beyond imagination. One is Avan then Reese and next is Delaney. They all have the same goal, mind and personality that could never change.

“Are you done Delaney? Looks like your purpose got fulfilled” I said after some time.

“What do you mean? ” She frowned “I am requesting you because you are his mate. All you have to do is to be a little open minded to accept me”

“Sorry I don’t have such ability to open my mind more than its limits”

“Don’t be so jealous” she suddenly hissed. “Hardwick and I are childhood partners and had more experience than yours. I know you are his mate that’s why I am pleading you because I don’t want to hurt you and make him hate me”

I smiled “I never heard him talking about you. Are you sure about your point?”

“That’s all his anger that he was avoiding my topic but I know he still cares about me. If not then he won’t send the car to pick me up” she blushed again “there’s a little misunderstanding between us but I am confident that I will clear it once he is here. So I wanted to clear everything to you for the future”

I sighed “are you done? I am tired and I want to rest for a while”

Delaney’s smile froze “I am serious here. You don’t believe me, do you?”

I shook my head “it’s not that I didn’t believe you. It’s that I don’t care about it” I walked past her but stopped when I heard her yell.

“You will see when he returns. You will see how much he adores me and how much he respects me. You will see in your eyes then you will understand. Hardwick is mine and he will always be. Just wait and watch”

My blood started to boil as I fisted my hand. Delaney really has the guts to spill this before even after knowing everything. I guess Daisy has told her everything then she is here to confront me? I told him to tell me the truth. But he refused, avoided as much as he can and now all his past is dancing before me revealing all the secrets. My body started to feel hot because of anger. Now I know what I should do. It’s all his fault for hiding it from me.

Suddenly my phone vibrated. I can see the familiar name flashing on the screen.

“Hello”

Suddenly my lips curved up as I heard the words from the other line. Perfect.

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Hardwick's POV

“Ah....”

-whip-

“Ahmmmm....”

-whip-

The painful groan echoed in the dark cell but there's no one who could help the person in pain. Another whip fell on the already bruised skin making the groan louder.

“Stop..... Stopstoppppp” the person shouted on his top lung.

I waved my hand and Ryan pulled back the spiked whip away. I got up from my chair and smirked when the ruined face of my enemy became more torn.

“Are you liking my welcome dear Messiah? Do you want more?”

Messiah looked up. His face was covered with cuts and it was bleeding. His face looked horrible and I guess that even his subordinates couldn't recognise him. His face looked painful yet there's not an ounce of pity in my heart.

“Hardwick let me go” he said as he panted.

“When did I tie you?” I asked, shoving my hands in my pocket and throwing an annoying smirk at him “I am keeping you without any bound so why are you complaining about letting you go?” I stepped forward “you can leave anytime you want it's just this leaving is also depends on you, whether you could or not”

His body shook then it trembled “you are torturing me here you bastard. You think you are giving me an opportunity?”

“If I were in your place then I wouldn't have raised my voice like you. You know what I hated the most is invading my territory without any notice. If you were that much interested in war all you needed to do was inform me instead of sneaking around”

Messiah glared at me “huh, don’t probe Hardwick. Just because you have a large army it doesn’t mean you could always take the winning crown. Let me tell you there will be one day when you will be helpless even with your force” he snapped.

“You think only an army is enough to build an empire?” I laughed “it has been years yet your IQ is still stuck in elementary position Messiah. Tsk, tsk looks like even all these years you haven’t learnt much”

“Fuck you bastard” Messiah hissed.

“Shut it” I mocked “throw your temper to those who will be scared by that. Since you are not aware of that I will teach you some. You were talking about training and having a large army gives you an advantage to win? Is that? ” I smirked “but let me clear your conscience, having an army is not enough, having strong force is not enough. Even if it has possibilities of your advantages but if you are weak and your mind works in an elementary position then you are destined to lose. For example YOU”

Messiah’s face turned paler. Even through the brushes I can clearly determine his expression. His paleness made my smirk turn into a grin. God, it’s really entertaining.

“And about me being helpless then you can only dream. There’s no one who can do that” I told him arrogantly.

~ Huh, wrong there’s still someone who can make us helpless. My sexy mate ~ Onyx growled inside my head.

Right but that’s only for me to know.

“Fuck you Hardwick” Messiah growled “don’t get so high. If I get the chance I will drag you down to hell with me”

I smirked “looks like you still want to enjoy the welcoming process”

“Come on man. Let’s just finish this. I am getting impatient” Ryan said, rolling his eyes.

“Not so fast” I replied as I fixed my gaze on Messiah who was on the dark floor of the cell. If it was not because of him I wouldn’t have come here leaving my mate at such a moment. I have no idea what she would think of me leaving her after progressing so much. I was about to take her, I was about to get a taste of heaven but this bastard had to interfere and ruin everything. How could I let him go so easily?

I squatted down before Messiah “you like to intervene in my territory isn’t it? I have been giving you chances to stop and get the hell out of my place yet you could not keep your claws to yourself and had to ruin it. Huh the rogue master, are you enjoying my welcome gift?”

“Don’t talk like it’s all my fault Hardwick” Messiah glared “it was you for whom I was kicked out of the pack. If you were there then I would still be living in the pack holding a high position but it’s all because of you that I had to leave. You think I like living like this? It’s it was not for you then I would still be happy with my life”

“Don’t throw your sins on others you bastard” Ryan growled from behind. “It was you who raped the teenage girl who didn’t even shift. You think ruining one’s life is a small mistake? Because of your fucking shit she lost the ability to shift. It was all because of you, bastard” he shouted.

Messiah glared at Ryan but didn’t say anything.

“You have done many sins Messiah and even after that just kicking out of the pack was just a small punishment that didn’t even enter my eyes. If I could I would have put you to death. But alas those elders..... You were lucky enough because of them. But now you dug your own grave. I hope you won’t think too much about it”

Messiah gritted his teeth “if you let me go this time I will leave and would never come back”

I laughed out loud. Does he think all these are funny? He thinks just because he said so he will be able to leave? Is there any more naive person than him?

“You think it’s easy?” I smirked at him “I have given you thousands of chances yet you never picked them. And now that there’s no route for you, now are trying to probe huh?” I grabbed his chin and pulled his face so that we could look at each other.

“At first I was not interested in dealing with you but you forced me to do this. If it’s not for you I wouldn’t have to leave my mate alone and come here. You really have the guts to interfere in my work. Since you enjoy it then I will give you what you desired” I said and shouted again “Kristopher”

“Master” the huge man walked in bowing his head. Kristopher is a wild man. He is taller and has a huge body beyond normal so it makes him look giant.

“I have a new pet for you. Would you like to play with him?” I smirked.

Kristopher raised his head and looked at Messiah. I could see the drool on his face. And mother thing about Kristopher is he is a sex starved wild beast. He doesn’t like women but his taste sticks on men. And for a handsome man like Messiah is definitely his type. I could definitely guess Kristopher’s intention so I got up and smirked at Messiah.

“I think you are gonna remember this night forever”

“Let’s go Ryan” I said as I walked towards the exit door.

“Are you sure about it?” Ryan asked as he walked beside me.

“I want to put end on this chapter”

There was a scream in the cell.

“And I hate disturbance when I am with my mate” I said as I walked towards my car.

“Are you missing Luna?” He smirked.

“She will be mad at me” I hissed “I fucking left her alone at night” I shook my head.

“I want to tell you something”

“What?” I opened the car door.

“I found my mate”

I was about to get inside but stopped suddenly when he said that.

“You found mate?” I frowned.

He nodded “yeah”

“Who is it?”

“Jenny”

“How come she became your mate?”

“It’s a long story. I found her long back but couldn’t say anything because she didn’t accept me so I had to stop myself from speaking about it.

“It’s good you got a mate. Now you will understand what it feels like” I said as I sat inside the car. Fuck because of this rogues I had to leave my mate on my warm bed. I couldn’t even call her or give any messages. I wanted to finish this matter for good and it had me work loaded. I shook my head and started the engine. I need to get my mate before it’s too late. Then I speed up to reach the pack house soon.

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It didn’t take time to reach the pack house. Finally I can meet my mate. I was so disturbed and now I can explain. Because of the work I couldn’t call her nor meet her. She must be angry with me for leaving like that. I hope she is not angry. I said in my mind my but stopped on my track when I saw Luina. I smiled and walked towards her.

“Where is Mistress?” I asked curiously.

“Master” she bowed.

I waved my hand indicating her to stop “where is she? Aren’t you supposed to stay by her side?”

“Master that...” Luina hesitated.

I frowned “what happened?”

“Master, Mistress is not here. She left the pack”

I felt like my world stopped for a moment. She left? But why? She couldn’t leave like that. Though I know she must be mad but the reason is not serious enough for her to leave like this. I gritted my teeth.

“What the fuck happened behind me and why she left?”

“Master, Mistress was all fine and good. She didn’t say anything about leaving. I don’t know why she suddenly urged me to leave. I wanted to stop her but I couldn’t”

“What happened?” I asked through gritted teeth.

“Master, miss Delaney talked with-”

“What did you say?” I frowned. Did I hear right? Delaney? How come Delaney is here? And I was not informed?

“Delaney. She talked with Mistress 2 days ago then Mistress suddenly left in rush”

My fist clenched. Fuck. Delaney, that slut had to come back and ruin me again. That whore, fucking witch. I cursed as I thought about her. What kind of information she pushed to my mate that my mate left suddenly? It’s all because of her again. Looks like I am paying to keep a group of bastards who couldn’t even send me information earlier. Fuck. What am I going to do now?

I marched towards my room but stopped when someone called me from behind.

“Alpha”

My body stiffened as I heard the tone. A kind of urge started to run in my blood while pushing towards the sea of anger. I turned and glanced at the person behind me.

“It’s really you” Delaney walked forward with teary eyes. “I still couldn’t believe it’s really you. It has been so long afte-”

“What the hell are you doing here?” I asked.

Her smile froze as she looked at me “you still didn’t forgive me?”

“Don’t make me repeat my words. What fucking hell you are doing here?”

“Alpha I am here because of you” she made a sad face. “You don’t know how much I beg the elders to let me come here. I came here for you. It has been so long and I was afraid that if I am late you will forget about me so-”

“Forget?” I laughed “your deeds are something that no one can forget you. You really don’t have to worry about that. You have printed your name in my heart where even disgust couldn’t be used to express” I hissed.

“You are still blaming me?” She almost yelled. Her eyes shed tears “it was not my intention. I only wanted to make you happy and we were also young. Why are you still stuck at that point? It has been years yet you still couldn’t forget that incident?” She wiped her tears and said again “I know that mistake is huge but it expresses what we feel for each other. We can understand what we have for each other. Can’t you understand that?”

“Looks like you are still living in your imagination huh?” I smirked “even after years you are still infatuated with your own built imagination?”

Her eyes widened “no it’s not. You know it too. It’s not infatuation, it’s love. You know it from the start that I love you right? Why can’t you see it? Just because you have a mate now?”

“You fucking have the gut to bring her in this conversation” I growled “what the hell did you say to her?”

Delaney straightened her expression “I have said what’s true. Even though she is your mate she needed to know about us. If she could be little generous and try to understand our situation then she could definitely accept it”

I glared at her “there’s no fucking us. Not in the past nor will be in future”

“You can’t say that” she shook her head “I know we were young at that time but now we are matured enough to take decision” suddenly she grabbed my arm “Hardwick please consider my feelings. You know I have loved you for such a long time and we already mated. You have to take me as your wife”

I shoved her hand away and growled angrily making her flinch “get your filthy hands away from me. I fucking hate the fact of being touched by others. And you should know that you have no right to call me by my name. It’s Master for you” I glared at her. She swallowed hard as she looked at me scared.

I turned around and was about to walk when she suddenly shouted “why are you rejecting me? Because of that woman? What does she have that I don’t? She is just a slut who knows how to use her face to seduce you. Mark my words one day she will leave you for another ma- ” before she could complete my hand, grabbed her neck and slammed her on the wall harshly.

“Your gut is really high to talk ill about my mate. You even dared to compare your filthy self with my mate? Since you wanted to know about her so much then let me satisfy you. She has a pure soul and pure heart which made me fall head over heels for her. Something that you don’t have and something that you will never have. If you dared to insult my mate one more time I would wrong your neck then send you to meet the king of hell” I pressed her neck harder making her choke. She started to gado for air but I didn’t leave her. She struggled in my grip trying to remove my hand from her neck. Her face started to pale then it started to become blue.

Gritting my teeth I threw her on the floor “you better refrain yourself from appearing in front of me or the consequences will too bad”

I turned around and let her. Fuck I need to bring my mate back. No matter what.

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Savannah’s POV

“Oh my god, I still can’t believe you are here” Tanea hugged me tightly as she squealed. I laughed and hugged her back.

“I had to. I really can’t miss such a big day”

“Sure enough. It’s been so long since I met you. Besides, days here are too boring without you” she pouted.

“Why?” I raised my eyebrows “doesn’t my brother keep you company?”

“Don’t talk about that man” Tanea rolled her eyes “these days he seems so busy that he hardly makes any time for me. I am still in shock to see his suddenly changed behaviour”

“Wow, looks like Dev is changed huh”

“Exactly so” she nodded her head.

“Savannah”

I turned around and grinned “mom”. I almost ran to her. I missed her so much that it brought tears to my eyes.

“What happened sweetie? You are crying?” Mom pulled back when she heard me sobbing.

I chuckled “nothing, I am just too happy”

She laughed, “silly girl. Since when did you start to become this emotional?” She patted my shoulder with a warm smile.

“Maybe after I started to live separately” I joked and mom laughed again.

“Let’s go inside. Your dad is waiting for you. He was so excited when he heard you will be coming here”

I nodded and we walked inside the pack house. After so many days it felt like a home again. My family, my loved ones that I missed so terribly. I looked around the familiar decoration and my heart felt content.

“You are here my princess” dad was sitting on the couch and got up immediately when he saw me.

“Dad” I smiled widely as I threw my arms around him.

“I missed you so much darling” he kissed my temple.

“I missed you too dad” I hugged him tightly before releasing him.

“I am glad you are here”

I nodded and looked around “where’s Dev? I haven’t seen him since I arrived”

“Looking for me” a voice said from behind. I turned around and saw my brother standing there in his glory.

“Dev” I smiled and ran towards him. He hoisted me up and twirled me around, making me giggle.

“How are you?” He asked once he put me down.

“I am good” he nodded then looked around “where’s that mate of yours?”

“You are still against him?” I shook my head.

“I couldn’t help. I don’t trust that man” he frowned.

“Speaking of him, where is Hardwick?” Dad asked.

“Hmm...he went out a few days ago because of some urgent matter. He was so busy these days that I couldn't even see him” I explained.

“Oh, so he is not here” Dev mumbled to himself.

I rolled my eyes “no, and he don't know that I am here”

“It's fine. Besides, Alpha's do have major responsibilities to take over and sometimes they couldn't ignore it no matter what” mom said as she walked towards me. “You must be tired from the journey. Go first and rest for a while. Besides the ceremony will start soon”

I nodded “okay”

“Let me walk you to your room” Tanea grabbed my bag and led me towards my room.

“I am glad you are here Sav. I feel lonely when Dev is busy with his work. Since dad decided to give the pack responsibility to him, he became more busy” Tanea said as she placed the bag on the bed.

“Everything will be fine. Besides I am having the same problem you know. Hardwick seems so busy with his work that I couldn't even meet him for several days” I smiled at her.

“Are you happy Sav?” Suddenly Tanea asked.

I looked at her and pursed my lips. Sighing I nodded “it's not that I am not happy. But Dark Forest is still like a mystery to me. Sometimes it felt like stranger to me”

“Sav, this kind of feeling ...it happens. Because I have experienced the same thing. You just need time to relax yourself in the pack. And Hardwick is also there isn't it?” Tanea patted my hand.

I nodded “yeah. But there's so many things that made me confused and I couldn't decide what to do. It's hardin every way” I sighed.

“Problems are always like this. But you need to believe in yourself and your heart, you know. And you also need to believe in your mate. If there's something you can't understand then ask him freely instead of hiding it from him. I know he cares for you so I think it's better if you have good talk with him”

I smiled at her “thanks for the suggestion”

“Now, get freshen up and take a good rest before the ceremony starts”

I nodded and watched her leaving. I sighed and unpacked my bag and pulled out a dress to get ready. I left the pack in a hurry and only Luina knew where I was going. I don't know when Hardwick will be back. I hope everything goes fine. Shaking my head I grabbed a towel and headed towards the bathroom to take a shower and relax my body from the tiredness of the journey.

Few hours later it was finally the time we all have been waiting for. I walked towards Tanea's room and smiled when I saw her. There were two more girls with her who were helping her to get ready. Tanea was looking beautiful in her silk white A-line dress which was hugging her body showing her beautiful curves. The two girls beside her really did well. From the makeup to her hair style.

"Wow, someone's looking so beautiful" I said as I walked in.

"You are flattering me" Tanea blushed.

"Hmm... Though everything seems beautiful but there's still something missing"

Tanea frowned "is there?" She looked at the mirror. Even the two girls beside her frowned.

"What's lacking? Oh my God, today is a big day and I can't really miss" Tanea gasped. I chuckled at her reaction.

"You are taking it in serious way" I shook my head and pulled out a box "here"

"What's this?" Tanea looked at the box then to me.

"Something that will make you complete"

"Yeah?" Tanea took the box and opened it. She gasped as she looked at the shining diamond.

It was a flower crown which was made from fine white diamond. The crown will match her dress and also the ceremony.

"It's so beautiful" Tanea smiled "thanks Sav"

"Come on, wear it. Dev and others are already waiting for you"

She nodded and the girls helped her wear it. Once she was done we walked out the room. Outside the pack house everyone was already waiting for us. Dev was wearing white suit and looking so handsome. This is the first time he was wearing something formal and I must say it looks good on him. Once Tanea stood by his side, dad walked to the center.

“Thank you for attending this ceremony. As you know I have been ruling the pack for so many years and we together have faced many ups and downs. The role of Alpha is hard but I am glad that I could live my life for my pack. But today on this special day I want to hand over the responsibility to my son. It’s time to rule the pack for the next generation. So hereby I announce The New Alpha of the Snow Moon Pack is My son Devak Lang and the new Luna will be Tanea Lang. I hope you all will support and love him like you did all these years” dad finished his speech. All the pack members cheered loudly.

I smiled as I looked at the scene. Finally dad is retiring from the Alpha position and now Devak will be taking everything. Tanea was complaining about Devak not giving her much time. Now he will be more busy. Alphas and their works. I rolled my eyes. Only knows how to work and work. I flipped my hair over my shoulder and walked towards the mini bar set at the corner.

The bartender smiled at me “what would you like to have, Miss?”

“Is there any strong Gege?” I asked as I sat on the chair.

“You want to go for hard liquor?” He looked surprised. Of course he will be. Because I never drank alcoholic beverages before.

“What’s there?” I asked instead of replying.

He smiled “you can try Absinthe I guess. It’s highly alcoholic so let me add water to soften the effect”

After a few seconds Gege placed the green liquor before me. I looked at my family who were busy chatting then to the liquor again. Sigh, I am tired and my mind is not working properly. I guess a strong drink will work for me now or maybe it can also help me clear my mind. Biting my lips I grabbed the glass and gulped down the liquid. My throat burnt as I swallowed the liquid.

“Ah...you drank it in one go?” Gege gasped “you should drink it slowly since you are trying it for the first time”

“I am fine” I waved my hand at him. Gosh my mind is dizzy. Is it the effect of Absinthe?

After drinking the first shot I couldn’t think for more. So I walked away from the bar but my head was still dizzy and I felt my body swaying as I walked. I tried to stabilize myself but because of the drink I couldn’t. My body swayed and I almost fell but suddenly a pair of arms held me before I could land on the ground.

“Looks like my mate is a little drunk huh” a familiar smell filled my nose which made me sober. Is it real? I tilted my head to look at the person. My gaze collided with the dominating brown orbs again.

He is here? Oh my god. Is he really here? Or the alcohol point is so high that I am starting to imagine things?

“Hardwick?”

“So you still remember my name” his cold voice made my body chill.

But right now I really don't care about it. What I care about is that he is here. Right in front of me. My mate, my other half. I felt him pulled up and made me stand properly again. But he didn't let go yet secured my body by placing his arm around my waist.

“I thought you were angry but you are here drinking your heart out and getting drunk,” he said.

I frowned. “I am not drunk” I refused.

“Yeah, I can see that,” he mocked.

I rolled my eyes. Even though this alcohol is starting to affect my mind, I am still sober and I can hear him clearly.

“It's my first time to drink you know so I don't know my alcohol limit”

Hardwick looked at me “what did you say? First time? Fuck” he cursed “woman you know it's your first but you still went for a strong one that you don't even know you can handle or not? Damn Savannah”

I poked his chest “don't talk to me like that. It's all your fault”

“How come it became my fault?” He frowned.

I glared at him “if you just said whatever I wanted to know this kind of thing would not happen in the first place but no. You always avoided my questions and tried every possible way to hide it from me. But look at the current situation. What happened? The truth came out by itself. So it's all your fault” I blurted out.

His face turned serious and his eyes darkened “fuck! What the hell did she say to you?”

“Go and ask her yourself” I turned my head to the other side.

He grabbed my jaw and made me look at him “I am asking you something. What the hell did that bitch tell you?”

I looked at him “she said you had sex with her and you both have deep feelings for each other”

“Fuck that damn woman” Hardwick cursed again. He looked at me seriously “look, don’t listen to her words. Do you understand what I am saying?” He shook my body.

“Why is that? Isn’t it true?” I frowned.

“You think it is?” He raised his eyebrows.

“You-” I was about to say but suddenly mom appeared out of nowhere.

“Hardwick dear, you are here”

“Yes mom” he replied as he tugged me to him closely. “These days I was quite busy so I couldn’t come earlier” he explained further.

“It’s fine” mom waved her hand and laughed “Devak is succeeding his father today . It’s such a big day and how could it be complete without you two”

“I am glad I could join,” Hardwick replied.

“Oh, Savannah, are you okay dear?” Mom asked. I looked at her and grinned.

“How come you are so drunk dear?” Mom gasped.

“I just had a glass of Absinthe I guess” I replied, still grinning at her.

“What?”

“Fuck”

Mom and Hardwick said it at the same time.

“I will take her to her room. I don’t think she can withstand more in such state”

“Yes, please take care of her. After the dinner the ceremony will be over. I will send food in your room”

“Thank you mom” he thanked then looked at me “let’s go darling”

Before I could say anything Hardwick scooped me up in bridal style.

“What-what are you doing?”

“Taking you back to your room”

“But the ceremony is not over. I have to attend it”

“You have attended a lot. Now it’s time for you to take a rest”

“But-”

“No buts. You are taking rest and that’s final”

I pursed my lips “what an arrogant man!”

Hardwick smirked “you haven’t seen my arrogance darling ”

I rolled my eyes but didn’t say anything. I came alone with a heavy heart but I never expected that Hardwick would come after me. Though I am still feeling confused, I couldn’t stop my heart being flattered to have him so close to me again.

It’s going to be a long night.