

Fates Hands by Lori Ameling

Chapter 11

Duncan and Adira looked over the little cabin in awe. Adira thought it was the best thing she had ever seen. It had everything they could ever need, it had a warm and cozy feeling to it. It made her feel safe. She did blush a little when she saw the bedroom, knowing that they would be sharing it. The thought of sharing a bed with Duncan, surprisingly didn't bother her at all.

Everytime they touched there would be these little tingles along her skin, she found that she really like them. They made her think of things, she only had read in her romance novels. She really enjoyed his kissing, it made her weak in the knee's and hot at her core. His scent though is what drove her crazy. +

She felt safe when he had her in his arms, she wanted to kiss him again and maybe more if Artemis had her way. Artemis has been a little more quiet about pushing Adira, giving her more time to get used to all the new things. All this freedom without having to be sneaky about it was sometimes overwhelming. Lately though she found that she was looking less and less over her shoulder or thinking things are a trap.

She looked at Duncan as he was making a fire in

"It's ok he is our mate he will not harm us or reject our affections."

Adira tentatively reached her hand out and touched his shoulder.

It was the lightest of touches but Duncan could feel it all the way to his toes. He closed his eyes and relished the feeling, she was trusting him enough to touch him. He had to calm down Apollo, telling him to take it easy let her dictate how much for now.

Duncan did reach up to his shoulder and touch her hand, there were the sparks that drove him crazy, he took a deep breath and they stood there like that in silence for a little while. Then she did something that really surprised him, she moved forward till the front of her body was completely touching the back of his, she then wrapped her arms around him and just stayed like that for another long while.

She was showing him her trust and that she was willing to move things up another notch.

Duncan knew he had to go slow but this show of trust really made him happy.

He turned into her hug so they were facing each

other, he wrapped his arms around her in another hug. The sparks amped up and she let out a little moan of pleasure, it was almost his undoing. He pulled back slowly and returned to getting a fire going.

Adira stood there for a little bit unsure of what just happened but decided she liked it.

Duncan decided to make some conversation to keep things a little more toned down.

“So my little wolf, how did you get wolfsbane in your system?”

“I am not sure when it first happened, I think it was a gradual thing so I wouldn't notice. It was in the food I was stealing from the kitchen. I knew that it had become too easy. One night though it got really bad for Artemis, I stopped going to the kitchen for food after that.”

“When I went to school I would get us some breakfast and lunch and that is where I would eat my meals.”

“When I was old enough I got a job at the hotel where we met, it at first didn't pay that much

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“Artemis and I pretended to still be weak, we never shifted unless we really needed to and never where they could see us. Staying away from Alpha Micheal wasn't easy, he is really a creeper. I learned that he didn't like the end of town where I worked, the woods behind that hotel was almost never used and if it was it was by lower ranking wolves.”

“He did though rent rooms there and always made sure that it was in a section I was assigned to. He would have girls with him and sometimes my father too. They would drink a ton of really nasty smelling alcohol, whatever it was it came in jars like the one you can things in.”

“One night just as I was almost done with my shift they called the desk and requested more towels and sheets. Five minutes just five minutes and I would of been out of there and never seen nor experienced what they were doing. No, I have five minutes left of my shift, so up I went to their room with sheets and towels.”

“I knocked on the door, “Housekeeping.” I

didn't say it too loud I really didn't want them to hear me, it is hotel policy that if you request service and then don't answer the door, then that service can be denied.”

Duncan could see she was starting to shake and tense up, he put his arms around her and sat her down on the couch in his lap. She didn't say anything just leaned back into him, like she wanted him to keep her safe as she told the story.

"Unfortunately I heard a "Come IN!", I opened the door and there they were, every last one of them naked. Uncle Micheal was smirking as he reached out for the towels, looking down at his crotch where there was a girl sucking on him. He said in a growl "that he needed extra towels for

after.

"To bad you are not working tomorrow morning, then you would have the pleasure of picking up all these towels, I bet you would smell and lick them too. It's the benefit program for hotel workers." He winked at me and I turned to leave.

That was when my really drunk father tried to rip open the top of my uniform, the things he was saying were horrid and nasty. I got away and ran to the front desk, reporting their behavior to the clerk. One good thing came out

behavior to the clerk. One good thing came out of it, because that hotel is mostly for humans, Alpha and my father were never allowed in again.

Still after that I never fully slept in my room ever again.

Duncan just held her in his arms, she leaned into him again resting her head on his chest. He tilted her chin to look him in the eye, "I promise Adira that will never happen to you ever again. I will kill anyone who lays a hand on you ever again." He bent down and kissed her lightly on the lips.

It wasn't meant to be passionate, only show her that he will protect her always. The fire inside them both took it as an invitation as she responded he made the kiss deeper as she started moaning in pleasure. He pulled back from the kiss before it got out of hand, if that were to happen again though he wasn't so sure he would be strong enough to resist the temptation.

She moved and lay down on the couch with her head in his lap while he stroked her hair absentmindedly.

He thought back to his meeting with the King....

"Duncan if you can find me proof, definitive proof. I will give you full carte blanche over their punishment, so as long as you let not one guilty party left alive. Except the leaders of this shit organization, I want you to bring them before me so I can punish them personally. As for the innocent bring them to my territory, then burn that whole area to the ground."

At first he thought that the king's orders were a bit harsh, the more he finds out though, the more he thinks about it, it isn't harsh enough.

He looked down at his mate, he loved the name that her wolf gave her. Thinking that tomorrow they were going to go for a run together so Apollo and Artemis could get to know each other better. He told Apollo not to do anything stupid and scare them away.

Apollo spoke up... "My mate is not scarred as yours is, Adira took the brunt of the abuse so Artemis didn't go crazy. I think that was their goal, to make Artemis lose her sanity thus influencing Adira to do their bidding."

"It's a really shitty thing to do, if you make your wolf go crazy they will start killing anything and everything or they will commit suicide. Then to try to poison her with wolfsbane to weaken them makes me think this isn't their first time

influencing Adira to do their bidding."

"It's a really shitty thing to do, if you make your wolf go crazy they will start killing anything and everything or they will commit suicide. Then to try to poison her with wolfsbane to weaken them makes me think this isn't their first time doing this sort of thing."

Both Duncan and Apollo had to stop for a deep calming breath because they were starting to get killing mad. He hoped the King was really sadistic with their punishment. He also hoped that the King would let him help or at least watch.

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Chapter 12

###WARNING....Graphic scenes, topics and language.###

Alpha Micheal went down to the basement in warehouse five to check on the pregnant females, he had two specials he had to check on.

Sometimes other packs would come to him because their wives could not give them pups. So he would loan out a girl for awhile till she was knocked up, then she would be put in one of the special rooms till she gave birth.

When he got down to the cages, he noticed that they were not clean and that his niece was nowhere in sight. He was instantly enraged, how dare she defy him. The specials he was supposed to check on were forgotten, as he made his way to his brother's pack house to teach his niece a lesson.

When he arrived he could hear yelling coming from inside. His brother and his stupid mate were fighting. They were always fighting these days, Joann didn't know about the business that was going on. Which caused problems for Eric because he was always gone.

Joann was no innocent per say, she was a stupid nasty bitch, she didn't know about the business because of her always flapping mouth. If she wasn't talking about something, she was thinking of talking about something. He really didn't know how his brother put up with it.

When he got to the door he just went right on inside. His brother hated when he did that, that was why he never stopped doing it.

He realised that the fight was about Lily, she wasn't home nor was she at the warehouse, where she was supposed to be.

"Where is she Joann, she isn't here and she is not at the warehouse, then where is she.?!!!!!!!"

"I watched her pack her things, then she drove off into the direction of the warehouses."

"You were supposed to go with her and drive her vehicle back here. Not just let her drive off trusting that she would go where you want her to, you dumb twit."

"Well maybe if you were home more often, these problems would not come to fruition."

On and on they went, it was starting to give him a migraine. He decided to put an end to it.

"WHERE IS SHE?!!!"

His yell finally got through to the both of them and they just stared in fear at him. He laughed to himself, they both look like they dropped a load in their pants.

"We don't know, Alpha."

"Then why are you here yelling at each other and not going out to find her?"

"Both of you just go and find her and don't bother to come back if you don't. Cause I can tell you, no one is going to go looking or even care if you are missing."

They ran around like chickens with their heads cut off, till finally they grabbed what they needed and left. Micheal just sat there for a minute holding his head. Pulling out his phone he contacted another one of his enforcers and sent him on his way to find the girl.

Lily had driven the four hundred and some miles to the gate, where she was currently sitting in her car, waiting to see if anyone was going to come out to

talk to her. It had been well over an hour, till she finally just got out of the car and yelled into the silent woods.

:05 PM | 1694 "Hello, anyone there? If you are listening I have information and pictures, as well as camera footage of the Rising Moon pack that would be really interesting to you."

Just the wind and the trees moving was her response, she couldn't even get a scent of anything to know if there was someone close. With a sigh, she went back and sat in her car. It was twilight now and the air was getting cold. She always hated this time of day, it wasn't day, nor was it night.

It was hard to see even with her enhanced vision, there were just too many shadows dancing in the dim light. She was very tired, coming off that mindless rush you get with fear and anger.

She started to go to sleep, she forced herself to stay awake just as she was about to give in, there was movement outside her car. Something big was sniffing her out. She sat perfectly still not moving a muscle.

She thought that she was going insane, maybe she was just over tired and stressed out. She started laughing, god the locks was going to get eaten by the three bears.

Suddenly the door to her car was ripped off and a naked man reached in with a syringe, she

backed away as far as she could with a look of absolute terror.

She started babbling "No please not again, please I will be good. I won't tell I promise, please don't, not again please no no no" She was in a catatonic state, rocking back and forth in the back seat of her car.

Geesh, one of Jacks men said, "I feel bad to knock her out but at the same time I think I would be doing her a favor. Is there any one in that pack that isn't fucked up?"

"Just do it and be done with it, so we can get her out of here, hide the damn car and all the evidence that was here."

One stayed behind to get rid of the evidence of her being there and the other carried the female back to their Den. Once he was done with the car, he carried all the females bags back to his leader. Swearing all the way, why do females always pack so much shit.

Alpha Micheal was looking around at his brothers house, he was so pissed that he destroyed almost everything in it. He was pretty sure he was going insane. His wolf had left him long ago, not being able to abide by things that

Micheal loved doing.

He felt empty inside all the time now, which made him more angry. He always had a punching bag though, so it wasn't so bad. Laughing to himself, he had over five hundred punching bags. He walked out of the house, leaving the door wide open.

Making a memo to himself for the next time he goes visiting relatives, make sure he has a full gas can in the car and box of matches.

When Micheal got back to the warehouse to do his original duty, he was stopped by his Beta. We have another delivery from those stinking asshole bears. Micheal sighed, he was surrounded by idiot's. "Fine lets go see what ever creative shit, they sent us back this time."

Again the delivery truck was different, the driver was human and already paid. He had no idea what it was he was delivering. The driver *drove* off after unloading. There in front of him sat three small crates. Having his men open them he already knew what was in them.

Again his men came back to him in pieces, all the arms in one crate, legs in the other and the heads in the third, where the rest of them was, he didn't really care to know.

As before there was a note for him to open and read.

He grabbed it and went to his office, the next thing his men heard was a roaring growl that shook the walls. Micheal sat down at his desk and opened the note.

Dear Idiot flea bags,

Failed yet again, why not try one more time. You know what they say, third time is a charm.

Not sincerely,

The Smartass Bear clan.

He was so pissed he let out another roar, balling up the note and whipping it at the door. Then proceeded to destroy his office, even ripping off the door and tossing it down the stairs.

Hearing all this Alpha Micheals Beta decide it was for the best to lock all the doors that led to the females. Can't make money with damaged goods. He learned that lesson the last time the Alpha went off the deep end. He ended up having to get rid of the bodies of six females, good ones too.

After Micheals Beta took care of the crates and hodiack he lacked the Alpha in the warehouse

bodies, he locked the Alpha in the warehouse, knowing that the Alpha had a stash of moonshine in his office. The Alpha will get drunk and pass out somewhere in the warehouse, for him to find in the morning.

"Sigh, the Alpha was really starting to be a pain in the ass. He said to no one as he got into his car."

Jack looked at all the evidence that the female had brought to them. Duncan is really going to go crazy when he sees all this, there is enough here to hang them all twice over. It was so much worse than either of them thought, that pig of an Alpha needs to die a slow death, while hanging by his balls over hot coals.

As for the female herself he knew enough about her to know that she was one of Duncan's mate abuser's. That little scene though that happened in her car made him think that there was more to that story. For now he put her in one of their guest rooms under lock, key and guards.

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Maybe he would have an idea about what to do with their new guest.

Chapter 13

Duncan and Adira were out for a run, her wolf Artemis was beautiful and fast, Apollo was completely smitten. They played, hunted and ran races with each other. They even took a nap together under the bow's of a pine tree. Duncan thought back to when they woke up this morning.

Another kiss, this one was a lot hotter than the other two, Duncan could sense her need building up inside her, it would be just a matter of a little bit more time.

They were heading back to their cabin, when both wolves sensed they were being watched.

Duncan mind linked Marco his location and what was going on. Then Duncan mind linked Artemis telling her to pretend to be normal.

When he said run, she was to run to their cabin. There were protection barriers in the cabin that would keep her safe. 2

Marco was the master of stealth, he mind linked Duncan to tell him he was staring at a sniper, using his scope to watch them. He was also down wind from him, he smelled like one of those Rising Moon bastards.

97 The last thing that Duncan heard, was a loud snarl and choking sounds coming from the trees ahead. Duncan took off to the sounds and the smell of blood.

Duncan managed to get there in time, before Marco killed him. "We need some questions answered, so we keep this one alive for now."

Alpha we already have one in custody, I was on my way to find you when you mind linked me. This piece of shit was aiming his rifle at Adira.

"Oh, well then it looks like your luck has run out then." The spy got a look of total horror on his face. As the Alpha reached down and tore his head clean off.

Marco sniffed the air, "Duncan do you smell something off about these guys?" Duncan sniffed the air, "yes it is there, it is faint but it is there." Then it dawned on Duncan, "this guy was a were, he was born with a wolf, but there was no wolf present in him now."

"Duncan, I don't like this, in order for you to lose your wolf. You have to do something so horrible, that your wolf leaves you or dies. What kind of fucked up shit are they into in that pack?"

"I don't know Marco, we will find out though, whatever is going on in there it has to be stopped."

Duncan turned around, he sensed something coming at them from the opposite direction. He recognized the scent and calmed back down.

"Perhaps I can be of some assistance in the information department."

As Jack Dawson walked out of the shadows.

Eric and Joann returned home without their daughter Lily. Their house looked like a bomb had gone off, both of them knew who to thank for this mess. Eric went to his hidden wall safe, with a sigh of relief all the money and account books were there.

"Eric we can't stay here, we have to pack what we can and go as far away as we can. We can always go to High Garden and seek an audience with the Prince, he could protect us from that insane mess you call a brother."

Eric looked at Joann for a bit, thinking that once they got the help they needed, he was going to make sure his mate came up missing. She was really grinding his nerves to a pulp, whatever

she really grinding his nerves to a pulp, whatever he saw in here was gone.

It probably had something to do with the night his wolf left him. Since then he'd lost his ability to give a shit. He felt no attraction to her at all, his need to kill, was stronger too since he lost his wolf.

"Yes, let's get our stuff and go to High Garden, we will find a small place there to live, while we wait for the prince to grant us an audience."

Joann was sick of her husband. He was a wonderful mate, till that fateful night when she was about to give birth to Lily, that he brought in another child. Right there in the birthing room. He wanted her to raise his bastard, he asked her this as she was screaming in pain. Now he doesn't even feel like her mate, it was like something died in him.

Doesn't matter though as soon as they are in High Garden she was going straight to the Prince to request her own audience. She was also going to visit one of the local herbalists to get a poison that will put her husband out of his misery and hers.

They packed everything they would need, plus a few things they could sell at a pawn shop for more money. They hurried to their car and was

gone before anyone was the wiser.

They may have changed their plans a little bit, if they knew that the Alpha had a spy watching them. As soon as they were in the distance, the Alpha's spy came out of the shadows already reporting what he had seen.

Adira stood behind Duncan, she was unsure of who had just joined them, he was huge. At least 6'8 and all muscle he had a deep voice. He kept trying to get a look at her but she kept hiding behind Duncan.

Duncan knew that Adira was just learning to trust people, that meeting a giant like Jack was intimidating for her.

He reached around behind him and grabbed her hand, He then pulled her out in front of him, wrapping his arms around her like a shield.

"Adira, this is a good friend of mine, Jack Dawson he is a WereBear. He is big and intimidating, but don't let that fool you though, he is a sweet fuzzy teddy bear on the inside."

Jack gave Duncan a look that said he was going to get even later. Duncan laughed.

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"Hello there Adira, I am Jack Dawson Leader of the Stone Mountain Clan of WereBears. We will also accept the term Pack. If you ever are need to slap this idiot around some, just let me know I will come over and fix his attitude up really nice for you." Then he gave a courtly bow, which made Duncan role his eyes.

This did seem to make Adira a bit more comfortable. As she relaxed in Duncan's arms. Jack was staring at Adira, Duncan let out a warning growl. Jack put both of his hands in the air and backed away. "I am sorry about that, its just that she is a twin and her twin looks nothing like her."

Adira stiffened up again but asked, "You have met my sister, Lily?" "Yes, she is at my Clan house at the moment, until I decided what to do with her. She came to us with all kinds of information. That is why I am here, you're going want to know what I have to tell you and show you."

He held up what looked like a backpack, it was then that Adira let out a small hiss. "That backpack belongs to Lily, she never goes anywhere without it, not even in the house."

Once I show you what is in here, you will know why she never went anywhere without it.

Duncan gestured for Jack and Marco to follow them back to the magical house, it was the perfect place for privacy. He had a feeling what he was about to find out was going to make him beyond killing mad. Duncan also hoped that it wouldn't hurt Adira anymore, she is strong but still you can only take so many punches.

Lily woke up in a strange room, she looked around it was a nice size room and was a little spartan though. It was then that she realised that she was wearing a really huge shirt, that oddly smelled pretty good.

She got off the bed and explored the room, there was a bathroom it was huge. Had a shower and a tub and everything else you could want in a bathroom. She looked in the empty closet and drawers but she didn't find any of her things.

She went to open the door to go out but it was locked. She could break it down, if it was a normal door but the damn thing looked like it came out of an old prison movie.

"Hello?! Anyone?"

She

sat there on the edge of her bed for what seemed forever, till the door opened and a really big biker guy came in carrying a tray of food.

Another brought in her bag that had her clothes in it. She tried to talk to them but they just acted like she wasn't there.

With a sigh she sat back down and looked over the food, it was bacon, eggs, toast with jam and *orange* slices. On the side was a cup of coffee and a glass of chocolate milk. She thought that it was a little odd, chocolate milk?. She was really hungry so she began eating the food. It tasted like heaven.

When she'd eaten everything and even drunk the chocolate milk, she lay down on the bed feeling really tired as she was drifting off she yelled to her wolf, Zinnia.... They drugged us!" As she was almost out she said three words..."Damn chocolate milk

Chapter 14

###WARNING#### Strong language and sexual situations.....

Alpha Micheal woke up face down on a loading ramp in his warehouse. The place was quiet, it was still too early for his type of business to start. He didn't remember much about last night, he'd never had hangovers before. That is the fault of his stupid wolf being gone.

He had to be born with a fucking coward for a wolf, always nagging for him to change, stop hurting our mate. When finally one night his wolf went silent and never spoke again. It was only a matter of time when Micheal couldn't feel its presence.

His pack didn't know his wolf was completely gone, though he suspected that several of his enforcers were suffering from the same condition. The werebears must of found them not much of a challenge, basically we are just a bunch of worthless humans. Micheal started laughing at that irony.

He got up and went to his office to make some coffee, he mind linked his asshole of a Beta that he was up and sober again. He waited for his

Beta to answer and then he went to the bathroom to wash off some of the crud from last night.

When he looked up in the mirror it wasn't his face staring back at him, it was the face of his wolf. He was shocked, how is this possible?.

"I am here to warn you, the goddess sent me here for one final message. You are to stop all this abusive dark shit that you are doing, then you will make it right again. Then and only then can I return to you. You have till the next full moon."

Just like that his wolf was gone again, Micheal scoffed at his wolf's message. "There is no chance of me stopping now you idiot. I'm getting way too much money and fun that it doesn't matter what you say."

Just as the words left his mouth, a deafening growl was heard then the words, "till the next full moon."

Micheal sat down at his desk drinking his coffee, waiting for his Beta to come let him out. His Beta is getting more and more defiant. If he takes it too far, he would just have to replace him.

Duncan sat listening to all the stuff that Jack had found, it was enough evidence to hang them all twice over. He looked over at Adira she was so far holding her own, occasionally adding in a few details that she remembered.

Jack looked over at the two of them, he was happy his friend had found his mate. It was then that he caught Adira's scent again.

"Duncan, I would like to know if it will be alright to get some DNA from Adira?"

"Why do you want it?"

"It is just a hunch, if I'm wrong then no harm, no foul but if I'm right then I think that it will *prove* that Adira and Lily are not full sisters, definitely not twins."

Both Adira and Duncan stared at Jack. Saying nothing

"Jack are you saying that I am not a twin, how is that possible?"

"I am not sure Luna Adira, what I can tell you is that when I smell you and your sister there are some big familia differences. Makes me think that you two only share a father."

Duncan put his arm around Adira for comfort,

while kissing her on top of the head. He couldn't help thinking, how did this pack end up so messed up.?

Marco spoke up.." I don't think they are going to stop trying to get our Luna though, I think that its for the best that we let the mages see if they can extend the magick on this little house. Just for a couple of weeks, we caught their assassins easily this time, I am going to go and interrogate the one we have in custody see what answers he can give us." 2

"Marco we tried to question the two that we kept alive, we got nothing out of them."

“Jack if you like you can come with me, I can show you how to get a wolf to talk.”

With that Jack and Marco left, Marco mind linked Duncan informing him that he will keep the link open during the interrogation, so if there was anything Duncan wanted to know, Marco could get the answer for him.

Adira was still sitting in Duncans lap, with his arms wrapped around her. Thinking on all the information she just heard, it gave her some really mixed up emotions. Could Lily be so messed up cause she was abused too? Why does Alpha Micheal want her back so badly?”

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She was so lost in thought that she didn't even know when Duncan carried her to their bedroom. She finally came out of her thoughts, when Duncan sat down on the bed with her still in his lap. He started to kiss her neck, right where he will mark her his.

She couldn't help it she let out a moan of pleasure.

“She whispered into his ear, Duncan I want you to make me yours, I want you to mark me. I don't know why I feel that is so urgent that you do so, I just want it.”

“Adira” he whispered her name and it sent tingles down her spine and straight to her core.

“Are you sure, my little wolf? Once it is done it can't be undone. There will be no me without you, no you without me.”

“I know what I want and I won't regret it ever, I want, I need to be yours. I want you in my mind, I want to be in yours. Please, Duncan fill up this emptiness inside me with your love.”

Duncan was lost, there was no way to resist this kind of temptation, nor did he want to.

“Ok, we will take it slow and if you want to stop we will stop.”

With that she reached up and pulled his head down for a hard passionate kiss, No more talking. Duncan removed his clothes a little at a time while she watched.

He watched her eyes go from that warm coffee color to deep black. Her wolf was here with her. That brought out Apollo, he didn't take over he was just blended with Duncan.

"Adira I want you to take your clothes off slowly for me, let me see you uncover that gorgeous body, one piece at a time."

Adira felt her panties getting wetter, Duncan's voice was a low deep growl, his scent was everywhere driving her crazy. She was getting so hot, it was too much. She had to have him end this painful pleasure she was feeling, it was urgent she wasn't sure what was wrong with her.

"Duncan I need you right now"....Duncan could smell her arousal and then he smelled something else. Oh, god she is going into heat."

He quickly mind linked Marco, telling him that Adira was in heat and that he was to keep every male away. Marco linked back that he would keep them away, he also said that the mages will be there in two hours at sunset, to lengthen the time on the cabin I will warn them not to

the time on the cabin. I will warn them not to bother you

Duncan wanted the first experience to be a slow romantic kinda thing, Adira was going crazy. He went into the bathroom as Adira whined his name. He can't take her like this, it is too fast he is going to have to slow things down.

He filled the tub with ice cold water and then added all the ice he could find to it. He ran into the bed room and scooped her up.

"Adira listen to me, you are going into heat. You are not in control of your body, if we mate during your heat you will get pregnant. Is this what you really want right now?"

I only want what is best for you, if you can tell me that this is what you truly want then I will, if there is a doubt in your pretty mind though, we will take another route. I will do all I can to get you through this, I have to know your answer. In order to get your true answer, I am going to put you in the ice bath to calm down the heat and clear your mind.

Lily sat in her room, there was nothing to do but stare at the walls. She couldn't even look out the windows, they were boarded over.

She'd been feeling agitated and uncomfortable all afternoon, she no longer was being drugged, though she wouldn't mind if they did right now. The room just seemed to get hotter and hotter with no end in sight.

It was then that she realised what was going on, Oh my goddess I'm going into heat. She realised that since she has been here that she wasn't able to take her daily potion keeping her heat at bay.

She went to the bathroom and ran an ice cold bath. This is going to turn into a nightmare. She had managed to suppress her heat for two years now, she knew that the Alpha was waiting for it, and she wasn't going to give it to him. Not after what he had done to her and the one she loved.

This one was going to be a bad one, she had suppressed it for far too long, her poor wolf was rolling around in agony. "Hang in there, I will get us through this."

Chapter 15

###WARNING### Triggering scenes as well as some harsh language!

Duncan mind linked the Doctor, to see if there was anything that he could give her to get rid of the heat.

The Doc mind linked back, "I will be there shortly, I have her blood tests back and there is something there you need to know about. I will also bring an antidote."

Duncan became alarmed, antidote!?. "What do you mean Doc by antidote?"

"It's alright Alpha we discovered it in time. I will be right there, as soon as your Beta gets back with one of the elders and show's me the way. Alpha don't engage with her in a sexual manner, it will only make things worse."

Duncan went back to the bathroom to add more ice, Adira was moaning and rolling around, as the ice melted more and more. It was a good thing that the ice maker was magically made or he would be in big trouble right now.

Finally Duncan heard a knock at the bathroom door, he yanked it open, there stood the doctor and the elder Healer Sarah. She pushed past

them both and shut the door leaving them in the bedroom. She talked through the door,

"Doctor explain to the Alpha what is going on and what has to be done to save the Luna."

Adira stared at the woman and let out a cry of pain. "Luna my name is Sarah I am a pack healer, I am going to help you through this. It is not the heat, rather the results of a poison that slowly was entered into your blood stream, once it was there it would build up for years till the third year of the poisoning."

"Then it will cause your body to go into a false heat, this heat though is far worse than the normal version, if it wasn't for your mate putting you in this ice bath, you would be going insane with need. It wouldn't matter who you were with, it would never be enough."

The Drug is called Aphrodite's Kiss. It is banned just about everywhere. In the werewolf communities it is punishable by death if you use it on a female."

Sarah started to roll herbs between her palms and let the leaves hit the water. "These will help ease the pain of the burning, the antidote I am afraid to say, is going to be a painful experience."

Adira began to cry, "I can't get away from them. It doesn't matter how far I go, they still will find a way to hurt me."

Duncan was smashing things left and right as Marco tried to calm him down. He was saying words and smashing at the same time.

"HOW COULD....SMASH!!!!, IM GOING TO KILL.....SMASH!!! THEY ARE GOING TO.....SMASH!!!!, DIE!!!!!!.....SMASH!!!"

After a little bit Marco managed to get him to settle down.

"Those bastards, after all the shit she has had to endure, they go and do this to her too. It wasn't a spur of the moment thing either, they planned this shit out for the long haul."

"How is she ever going to trust anyone ever again, she just got out of that hell hole and was starting to learn to trust, learning to enjoy things without fear of repercussions. Now she has to go through more pain."

It was then that Duncan heard his mate crying, it sent him over the edge and into a killing thrall, he went outside shifted into Apollo and just ran. Marco went after him. Marco also mind linked Marnie, told her to get to the cabin as

also told Marnie to call Jack Dawson back here to help with Duncan.

Jack was about 5 miles out of Duncan's borders when he got a phone call from Duncan's sister. He pulled the bike to the side of the road and answered the call.

In a fury Jack raced back to the pack to find Duncan, if he is in a killing frenzy, it's going to be a hell of a fight to calm him down. He was going to calm him down even if it meant he had to beat it out of him, that pretty little mate of his needs him.

Adira was calming down a little, the herbs were helping a little but the pain was still there, just more manageable. Sarah held her hand and added more herbs, this made things a bit more comfortable.

"We will wait just a little bit longer for the herbs to take more effect, then I am afraid we are going to have to give you the antidote."

"I don't understand Sarah, how were they able to poison me and Artemis? We were very careful what we ate or drank, none of our food or drink came from them."

"I am afraid Luna, that the poison is meant to go on your skin. It could be put in your body wash,

shampoo, body lotion, hair gel and so on. It is odorless, so you wouldn't have sniffed it out either"

Adira made a low groan, "I didn't guard that stuff all that well, I didn't think they would mess with that."

Another knock sounded at the bathroom door, Marnie peeked in, "Hey, can I come in to help to?" Adira smiled and nodded Marnie wasted no time, she came straight to Adira, holding a popsicle out for her to eat, it did help a little. I also have ice cream too, as well as all kinds of chocolate stuff."

Jack and Marco managed to corner a very angry Apollo, it was all Apollo too. Both of them knew that their only chance, was to talk Apollo into letting go of the control so they could talk to Duncan.

Jack decided to wait before he shifted, getting Apollo calmed down was the priority here, shifting to his bear could be seen as a threat and Apollo would attack.

Marco was sitting in his wolf form, as close to Apollo as he would let him. Then Marco did something that was almost comical, he started to roll around on the ground with his tongue hanging out like an idiot.

Apollo seemed to calm down upon watching Marco, he sat down but refused to look at either Marco or Jack. That was when Jack came over to his other side and sat down next to him, they stayed that way for a bit in silence.

"You know Apollo, your mate needs you at her side right now. Yeah, this is a real shit show for her to have to suffer through. With your help though, she might just make it through this with a little less pain."

That is when Jack felt something, he never thought he would with his friend, Apollo mind linked him directly.

"You're a great friend Jack, I will be letting Duncan come back, it was stupid of me to react that way, I just couldn't stand to hear them in so much pain any more, I had to do something to make it right again. If that meant going to that poor excuse of a pack and ripping them all to shreds then so be it."

With that Apollo turned and ran back to the cabin, to his mate. Marco and Jack right behind him.

Duncan shifted just outside the cabin as Marco and Jack did the same, there were caches of clothes hidden in the trees. Once they were dressed they entered the cabin. It was really

you, that this has to be done to purge your system of the poison. I will be here every moment with you." Adira reached up and touched Duncan's cheek wiping away a tear. To think that this big strong Alpha wolf would shed tears for her, it was the greatest gift he had given her so far.

With that he lifted her out of the tub and into a towel, quickly dried her off, he didn't want to touch her anymore than he had to. One lingering touch could cause her to go fully back into heat. He then wrapped her in a soft blanket and carried her to their bed.

The Doctor wasted no time, he uncorked the little flask and poured it down Adira's throat. Adira didn't feel anything at first and then she started to feel really cold. Then it turned to freezing. Her teeth were chattering as Duncan held her tight to him in their bed. Duncan felt Apollo adding his body heat to Duncan's it seem to help, taking of the bitter edge of the cold.

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quiet. The Doc came up to them holding a really nasty looking potion in a small flask.

"The Luna has been informed of what is to come, before I give this to her, I want you to know that you can't have anymore outbursts like you just did. She needs you to be with her through this, you are her anchor."

"Duncan looked at the Doc and then hung his head, I won't be doing that ever again so you don't have worry anymore. The fact that you have known me since I was a Pup, Means that I will forget about the tone you used with your Alpha."

Duncan held up his hand, I am sorry Doc, I'm still coming down from the thrall."

The Doctor smiled, "I can understand it all Duncan, I would of done the same thing if anything like this happend to my Betty. Now lets go get this over with, it is going to be a long night. Come on Lads lets go save our Luna."

Everyone was in the bed room waiting for Duncan, he requested to have a minute alone with Adira.

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