

## Her Secret 68

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Lana let out a pained hiss as Avery cleaned the sole of her feet with a disinfectant wipe. She glanced up at the girl who was clearly trying her best not to move under her touch. After River ran off, Avery wanted to chase after him but she did not think that it was the best idea to leave Lana alone since she was clearly confused as to why she was even in the forest in the first place.

Avery then decided that they should probably treat Lana's messed up feet before she got an infection. As Avery drove to a nearby pharmacy to get the supplies, Lana told her everything that happened prior to their meeting at the forest. Now, Avery was particularly sitting on the tarred ground tending to Lana's wounds while Lana sat in the car sideways with her feet extending outwards.

"So let me get this straight, you felt weird ever since you were in the car with Zane earlier but after dinner your body just started to heat up?" Avery repeated the story Lana told her when she tried to explain what happened to her.

Lana nodded, wrapping the jacket she was wearing tighter around her chest as she was starting to feel the cold night air getting her. She found it funny that she had to borrow Avery's jacket yet again.

"Yeah. I remember calling Ray and telling him that I really wanted...needed to go to the forest. But he basically dismissed me and I don't remember much after that. I blacked out and when I came too, I saw you and River..." she confirmed.

"And I'm guessing this is the first time this has ever happened to you?"

"Yes. I don't even know or understand what even happened." She said, dejected.

"I think you just experienced your first rut." Avery suddenly said as she rummaged into the paper bag next to her to grab the bandage she bought.

"My what?" Lana gawked. She knew what Avery was saying but she did not understand how she could even experience a rut when she never displayed any alpha traits besides smelling like one.

"Usually when an alpha gets their rut, they release some sort of pheromones that attract other alphas. These pheromones are different from our usual smell and the scent is stronger and has the ability to induce another alpha's rut if they are exposed to the pheromones enough."

"Wait...Wait! That doesn't make sense!" Lana argued as she involuntarily squirmed in her seat. Avery's grip on Lana's leg tightened as she pulled her leg towards her, causing Lana to stay still.

"It does make sense since you are half werewolf, and an alpha at that."

"But when Griffin and Ray were explaining everything to me they said that an alpha experiences their

rut when potential alphas are around. I've been around you and River all these time so why is it only happening now?"

Avery shrugged as she placed the bandage over the sole of her feet. "Being the only known hybrid only means that whatever that is happening to you is a mystery. Also, the fact that you said you felt the need to go to the forest doesn't make sense. I've never heard of any other alphas going through that when they get their rut. And there's also the question of why you fell into a trance-like state..." she muttered to herself.

Lana stayed silent as she tried to make sense of this newly gotten information. She knew she couldn't even go to Ray with questions because he will be extremely mad when he finds out that she snuck out of the house.

Lana then let out a frustrated groan as she leaned her head against the car seat. "What's going to happen to River?" she asked, watching tentatively as Avery finished up treating her wounds.

"Since you induced his rut, he is probably suffering right now."

Lana's eyes widened. "What?"

Avery then let out a sigh. "Let's just put it in layman terms from now on so you can get a better picture of what happened to you earlier. You just experienced your first monthly horny period and because River was near you with all your horny pheromones surrounding the air, you induced his horny period even though it wasn't his time to get his horny period yet. Are you following so far?"

Lana frowned at the blonde. "Could you go back to using the term rut instead of horny period?" she said, feeling her face heat up.

Avery rolled her eyes. "Fine. Long story short, induced ruts are different from regular ruts because it's a pain to get relief from it by yourself or with the help of others. The only way River can calm down is for him to mate with the person who caused his rut to appear in the first place and that person is—"

"Me?" she muttered, gawking at Avery.

"Bingo." She said as she stood up and dusted the back of her pants. She went to the backseat and opened it to take out a pair of spare slippers for Lana to wear.

"But what about you? Did my scent not induce your rut?" she questioned.

"I felt it coming but the moment I pushed you off River, the pheromones went away. All I could smell then was your normal scent and of course, River's strong desire."

"And there's no other way for him to...calm down?" she asked.

"I mean eventually he would but as I said before, he is probably in a lot of pain right now. It's basically a throbbing erection that won't go away no matter how many times he ejaculates. That truly sounds like hell to me." She said casually as she came back to slip Lana's feet into the slippers.

Lana could feel a headache come up but at the same time she felt flustered over how casual Avery was talking about this topic. "What should I do...?" Lana asked, feeling incredibly guilty that she even put River in this situation in the first place.

"Nothing. I'm driving you back home and I'll go to River. Even if I won't be able to get rid of his rut, at least I can help him feel slightly better." She said, looking down at Lana who was clearly still distressed over the issue.

"You're going to have sex with him?" she asked, pressing her thighs together unconsciously.

"Basically."

"I see..."

A smirk appeared on Avery's lips. "What's wrong? You sound almost disappointed. Do you want to have sex with him instead?" she teased.

"...well I do feel awful that he is in this situation because of me."

Avery's smile dropped as she could see where this was going. "It's not your fault. You didn't even know that could happen to you."

"But still...as you said before, even if you or anyone else tried to help him with his rut it won't go away right? But...if I did it...would he feel better?" she spoke in a hesitant manner, slowly becoming unsure over the words that were escaping from her lips.

"You do know what you are saying right?" Avery asked her in a serious tone. "You would really have sex with him just because you caused this problem?"

"Is that so unbelievable?" she asked. "It's just...sex..." she uttered, trying her best not to show any signs of excitement over the thought. It was strange, the fact that Lana was somehow intrigued over the idea of having sex with River. She never saw him in that way before since her mind was clouded with Zane and Zane alone but today...something was different.

Avery studied the girl for a second before nodding. "I see. You are still experiencing your rut, aren't you?" she questioned.

Lana averted her gaze. "I don't know...all I know is that I should take responsibility and help him right?" she asked, almost as though she needed a second opinion over this massive decision.

“Well you said it the best, it’s just sex.” Avery said, emphasising on the last word.

“...no...I’m sorry I even suggested that. I’m so sorry Avery, I don’t know what came on to me. Even though I know you want to be his mate...the fact that I—” Lana started to panic when realisation kicked in.

“Shush. I told you, it’s not like I’m in love with him. Besides, it might be easier if you do it instead of me. He’ll calm down faster after all.”

“Wait...so you—”

“I’ll be right back.” Avery said as she rushed back into the pharmacy. Lana silently watched the girl leave before an overwhelming feeling crept up on her. She wanted to scream at the ridiculous situation she was in right now. But the more she thought about having sex with River made her body heat up.

Avery then came out of the pharmacy and gestured to Lana to close the door as she made her way to the driver’s seat.

“What did you get?” Lana asked as Avery wore her seatbelt.

“Morning after pills.” She announced as she tossed the pack to Lana. It landed on her lap as she stared down at it. “It’s just a precaution. If your father could impregnate a human, what’s there to say that River won’t be able to impregnate you, and a hybrid at that. Besides, he would probably come inside you alot since it’s in his genes to mate so...” She said, as she reversed out of the car park.

“Wait...um...” she gulped as she felt her words trailed away as obscene thoughts of River and her together filled her mind.

Avery then stopped the car and turned to Lana. “Are you really sure about this, Lana?” she asked her. “I’m just assuming this won’t be your first experience having sex but I should warn you that alphas who are going through their rut are...well...uncontrollable and he might hurt you with that brute strength of his.” She said, genuinely concerned over Lana.

Lana nodded. “He has helped me out countless times before and...I want to repay him.”

“With sex?” Avery asked with a playful tone but her silly smirk disappeared when she saw how serious and earnest Lana looked.

“I just want to help him feel better and I’m willing to do anything.” She said. She then looked up at Avery who was watching her. She felt her face heat up instantly. “I mean...after this we’ll be even and he can’t say things like ‘oh remember that one time when I saved your life?’” she frantically said.

Avery laughed at Lana’s attempt to mimic River’s voice. She then started the car and drove towards River’s apartment. “Well, after tonight, you can say to him ‘remember that one night when I had sex

with you’?”

Lana let out a nervous laugh. “I rather not say something like that.” She sighed. There was a moment of silence as Lana tried to calm herself from the thought of sleeping with River. She then turned to Avery who was focused on the road. “Can I ask you a question?” Lana said.

“Hm?”

“Have you done it with him before?”

“What’s this? You want pointers or something?” Avery grinned.

“N-No! I’m just curious.”

Avery laughed “No. He used me to masturbate once in a while—you know like thigh sex and stuff like that but we never actually had sex-sex before.”

“I see.” Lana mumbled. She was certain that the two of them had that kind of relationship but she started to wonder why River never went all the way with Avery. She examined Avery’s features silently, she’s ridiculously beautiful and paired with her voluptuous body and seductive nature...anyone would be head over heels over her. Even Lana herself sometimes found herself questioning her own sexuality whenever she was near Avery.

“I can feel you staring at me with such lustful eyes, Lana. Do you want a quickie before you move on to River?” she asked with a sly smirk. Lana gulped hard. She wasn’t sure if it was her rut causing her to feel this way but she really wanted to take Avery up on that offer. “Just kidding.” Avery teased.

Lana looked away as she did not want Avery to see the disappointment in her face. She then bumped her head against the window, cursing at herself for feeling like this. Was it really just because of her rut as Avery mentioned before or was she just incredibly pent-up to the point where she was willing to have sex with just anyone?

She then thought about it for a moment and wondered if she was only attracted to both River and Avery due to their alpha status. If that’s the case—then wouldn’t that mean that her alpha traits were more dominant now? Yet again, she found herself with more questions than answers.

As Lana pondered over this predicament, she could feel herself growing anxious as they were getting closer to River’s apartment. It’s just sex. She tried to remind herself because she was afraid of what would happen afterwards. Would their hate-hate relationship turn even more sour? Could her decision to go to him ultimately be the wrong one...? All these questions were then pushed aside as Avery stopped the car and Lana perked up. For the first time ever, Lana could faintly smell a sickeningly sweet scent lingering in the atmosphere.