



Chapter Nineteen

Sharon pulled up to the compound, she had been calling Y/N all a ernoon with no response. It wasn't overly out of character for Y/N to get wrapped up in her work and forget to check her phone, but Sharon couldn't shake the feeling that something was o .

So as soon as she'd finished up at her o ice, she had headed straight to the compound. As she got out her car, Sharon saw Natasha and Yelena both coming out the main entrance.

"Are you here to yell at us some more about the laws we broke? You do realise we were just trying to do what was best for Y/N. Someone who doesn't understand their powers is a risk being le to their own devices" Natasha said angrily as she confronted Sharon.

A look of complete confusion crossed Sharon's face as she looked between the other two women. She had no idea what Nat was going on about. Y/N didn't have any powers.

"Nat what the heck are you going on about? Y/N doesn't have any powers, I'd like to think I'd know it if she did" Sharon shook her head slightly, "Is this meant to be some kind of joke?"

"Come on Sharon you were here an hour ago yelling at us for breaking some codes because we'd put Y/N in the cell" Yelena spoke now, "But she was the one that blasted Steve, Clint, Wanda and Nat or their arses. So you know Y/N kinda started it."

Sharon frowned deeply, what the hell were these two on about?

"How much vodka have you two had? Honestly nothing you have just said makes any sense. Where is Y/N?" Sharon was losing her patience now and had a mind to just ignore the pair of them.

Nat and Yelena exchanged a glance, in the same moment they both realised that something had gone horribly wrong.

"Sharon, where have you been today?" Nat asked, as her mind tried to piece the situation together.

"I've been at the CIA field o ice in the city all day. I told Y/N that I would meet her here once I was done. So if you'll excuse me I'm going to see my girlfriend now" Sharon went to step past, but Nat put an arm out to stop her.

"Y/N isn't here Sharon. Like we said an hour ago, someone, who we thought was you turned up here with a bunch of government agents and took Y/N" Nat explained carefully, aware that right now this whole situation had become a new level of bad.

Sharon felt her heart sink as she listened to Nat, this couldn't be true, Why would someone be risking so much just to get hold of Y/N? The whole thing just seemed ridiculous.

"Alright I'm really done with this really bad joke now" Sharon told them both.

"Sharon, they aren't joking."

She turned to find Steve standing there. He had caught the end of what Nat had said. From that he had quickly realised the massive mistake that had been made. Their attempt to keep Y/N safe had actually walked her right into the enemy's' arms.

"No... no take that back" Sharon's voice broke slightly as she stepped to Steve, "you take it back now!"

Sharon's hands pushed against Steve's chest. Tears formed in her eyes as she pushed Steve again, begging him to tell her this was all a lie.

"I'm so sorry Sharon" Steve said sadly as he allowed her to take out her anger and frustration on him.

Overwhelmed with emotions, Sharon fell against Steve, her hands gripping the front of his shirt as the tears rolled down her cheeks. She had lost Y/N before but at least when they'd broken up she'd known Y/N was safe, this time though, this was entirely di erent.

Steve put an arm around Sharon, holding her gently as she cried. The fact that the compound had been compromised so massively was a huge concern. They should have realised that something was wrong, that the people who'd come for Y/N weren't who they claimed to be.

"I'll call Fury and get Shield notified so they can liaise with the FBI" Nat said to Steve as both her and Yelena went to head back inside.

"Are you going to tell Wanda or do you want me to?" Yelena asked Nat quietly as they walked away, she didn't want Sharon overhearing.

"Let's wait until we actually have more of an idea as to what's going on. But try to keep her distracted and far away from Sharon, the last thing we need is Sharon finding out about Y/N and Wanda and all hell breaking loose on top of this" Nat said before leaving her sister to go and make the phone call to Fury.

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Wanda replayed the moment over and over in her mind, the way Y/N had run to Sharon, how she had clung to the other woman. Y/N had seemed desperate to get as far away from the compound, from her as possible and it made Wanda hate the choice she'd made to help stop Y/N from leaving.

Moments before Sharon had arrived, Wanda had been ready to tell Y/N how she really felt about her, the words had been on her lips. Now it felt like she would never get that chance, her actions following what had happened by the lake had only pushed Y/N right back to Sharon.

"Mind if we join you?" Yelena stepped into view, Kate and Fanny following behind her as they looked cautiously at Wanda.

"Have you been sent to babysit me?" Wanda asked as she gestured for them to take a seat on any of the chairs and couches scattered throughout the communal area of the compound.

"You don't need babysitting Wanda, but you are our friend and we wanted to make sure that you were okay" Yelena explained as she sat on the couch across from Wanda, Kate sitting with her as Fanny laid down on the rug.

"I'm in love with someone who thinks I'm a monster and will probably end up hating me forever for what happened today" Wanda's voice was filled with sadness as she spoke, "Tell me how I'm supposed to be okay about that?"

It caught Yelena and Kate o guard to hear Wanda admit out loud how she felt about Y/N. Of course they had all noticed it, it had been pretty obvious but for Wanda to finally say it was a surprise. Now Yelena could understand why Nat didn't want Wanda and Sharon's paths to cross, the love triangle was a total minefield.

"I mean maybe you could talk to Y/N, like when this has settled down a bit. There could still be a chance Wanda" Kate o ered, trying to sound encouraging.

Wanda caught the expression and shi in Yelena's body language, it was a tell, a tell that told Wanda something wasn't right.

"What aren't you telling me Lena?" Wanda asked her eyes focusing on the blonde russian.

Yelena shi ed slightly, uncomfortable with the focus on her now.

"Nothing, I was just thinking Kate is right. There still chance that Y/N and you could work things out, right? I mean she ignored the deal with Nat and you both were kissing at the lake, so that's a good sign really" Yelena stumbled awkwardly over her words.

It was she said the last part about the kiss though that Steve and Sharon walked into the communal area. Sharon came to an immediate stop, anger flaring in her eyes at what she had just heard.

"What deal?" Wanda asked before she noticed that others had come into the room.

"Oh Shit..." Kate whispered as Yelena adjusted her position ready to grab her and get her out the way if things went south like they had done when Vision and Wanda had argued.

Yelena was unable to say anything more as Sharon made her way over.

"Really?! You just can't help yourself can you Wanda?" Sharon's voice cut through the momentary silence that fallen over the room, "Y/N picked me, she didn't want you but you're still chasing a er her! Was it you? Did you set up some kidnap so that you could swoop in and save the day, so Y/N would feel like she owes you and that would lead to her being in a relationship with you?!"

Steve's eyes went wide at the accusations that Sharon was making and he knew that this was in no way going to end well if she continued to push Wanda like this. He pressed the button on the side of his watch, it was a silent alert built into the compound system, it would let the others know that something was going down.

"I would never do anything to hurt Y/N!" Wanda snarled as she stood up from the couch, "Are you really that blind Sharon? Can you not see that by cornering Y/N in the hospital that day you really gave her no choice but to say yes to trying again. Can you really say that you haven't been ignoring the fact that things aren't the same, that it seems forced, that Y/N's feelings for you are not what they used to be and that the only reason she's there is because of the guilt she'll feel for breaking your heart again! I mean come on Sharon, if Y/N had ever really trusted you then she would have told you about her past and the powers she has!"

Sharon felt tears fill her eyes again, she had known for a little while now that Y/N had been being distant. She had wanted to put that down to everything that Y/N had been through recently, she'd been trying to convince herself that it would just take a little time for their relationship to be what it was before. Really though, it was clear that Y/N's feelings and thoughts had been on someone else.

"That's enough!" Tony spoke firmly as he stepped in between the two women, "I don't care about what personal issues are going on, right now we need to be focusing on the fact that someone came into this compound and took Y/N right from under our noses. There will be no point in arguing over who Y/N wants to be with if we can't find her. So I suggest we all take a breather and then come back focused on figuring out what is going on."

Wanda tilted her head as she looked to Tony.

"What do you mean? Y/N le the compound with Sharon" Wanda's eyes flared red as she unleashed her magic to read the minds of everyone in the room, fed up with the way everyone seemed to be keeping secrets of some kind.

Wanda saw it all, the memory in Yelena's mind of Nat telling her about the deal she had made with Y/N, the thoughts in Steve's mind as he had realised Sharon hadn't been the one to take Y/N and how Tony had just come from being with Nat on a call to Nick Fury discussing what had happened.

All of this had been done from her, because they were all fearful of what she would do a er the way she had reacted to Vision's interference. They were meant to be her friends, her family yet they all seemed to be willing to shut her out from things.

"Wanda please, just let us explain" Steve tried to reason as he saw the wisps of red magic dri ing around their heads.

"No we're done here" Wanda said as she summoned the Darkhold to her.

It appeared in front of her and Wanda reached out, her hand taking hold of it and as she did she used her magic to create a portal, allowing her to instantly vanish from the compound.