

Lycan Queen

Chapter 10: That's A Lot Of Bacon

I am startled awake. I reach over and the bed next to me is empty. In a slight panic, I hop up and rush out my bedroom door to find Con sitting at the bar in the kitchen looking at his laptop. He's got his head tilted down and both hands are in fists in his hair.

"Hey handsome! Are you okay."

I ask as I walk up behind him and wrap my arms around him. He sits up taking a deep breath and rubs his hand over my arms.

"I'm trying to figure something out for my security company. We were hired to bodyguard for 3 high profile people and I just found out it's all on the same day. So I'm trying to make a game plan for it"

"Well can I take a look. So this person Client A is a VP going to a political event, he will be accompanied by his wife and daughter. I would think you only need two Conrad's or four Luca's."

"Huh?"

"Well babe, I don't know how beefy your guys are so I was using y'all size differences as examples so you can think of the guys you have scheduled for that night."

Con lets out a light laugh "okay I'm following now"

"Client B is attending Fashion awards, accompanied by husband and she is pregnant. I would go with two Anderson no three and here's why, if she wants protection, that means that she's concerned someone might hurt her so add that extra to make her feel comfortable since she is pregnant. Since the husband will be there, we don't want to make him feel like he's unable to protect her at all, causing tension which could hinder our guys doing their job. So one at her open side and two behind. Third client is a young female child actor who is having an appearance. Soph and I could handle her."

I say with a teasing smile.

"I don't doubt y'all's pairing at all"

I just give him a laugh.

"But no seriously you could give her an Anders and a Soph. But make sure you have a female there not so much for protection but a little girl might tense up with two big men that are complete strangers around her. Having a female with her will soften the situation, the tiny human makers trust you with their tiny human. You want everyone involved comfortable and at ease. If you don't have a female, I don't mind going, kids are just drawn to me for some reason."

"I don't know how I feel about that. I would want to add two more just to protect you."

"Baby, you know if god forbid something happened, I

could get her out of there while you handled the problem. It's just a thought. Not like I have anything else going on."

I say with a shrug.

"Wow, those are really great set ups. How did you learn to be so good at strategy planning?"

"Baby I was captain of the flag football team making strategy plans was my job, it's like I could see the whole game played out on paper days before the game."

"Oh! Well isn't my baby girl just full of surprises, coming out here making this look all easy."

Con says as he wraps his arm around my waist.

"I'm just really glad I got to help you out for a change. Thank you again for all the stuff for the house. No one has ever done anything like that for me before."

"You're welcome baby girl, I will continue to do stuff like that for you, you deserve to be given the world."

"You coming to bed?"

Wow that comment came out so naturally, like we've been living like this for months.

"Yeah, just need to finish up one more thing."

Con said as he slapped me on the butt on my way by

heading back to my room. I just sent him a smile and kept walking. I wonder if that was too forward, maybe he's just here because I asked, he may have been planning on sleeping on the couch and now I just invite him to the bed like some hussy. He's probably just being nice and staying only because I asked.

A few minutes later I hear Con come in and slip into bed. He let out an exhausted sigh. He slid up behind me and wrapped his arms around me.

"Hm, see isn't this bed way better?"

Con says as he kisses the top of my head.

"You've made everything in my life way better since the moment we met." Wow I've never been that open with anyone ever, but it's like when I'm with Conrad it all just flows out with ease.

"You too baby girl, you too."

"How are you feeling about all this?"

"It's as natural as breathing."

He snuggles his head closer to mine and not long after I heard his breathing become deeper and even out. As I lay there was a small smile on my face, my heart filled with an emotion I had never felt before. I drifted off to sleep trying to figure out what these new feelings were.

The next morning I woke up hearing Con lightly snoring

was a sign he was still fast asleep. As I tried to sneak out of the bed, I was almost fully out of the bed when his grip slightly tightened and he pulled me back over to him.

"Where do you think you're going beautiful?"

he asked in a whisper.

"I was trying to sneak out."

I said with a teasing grin playing on my lips. He did a little pouty bottom lip, peeking at me through one eye.

"Why would you want to leave me."

"Awe handsome! I'm not leaving you, I was just trying to go make you breakfast."

I said, feeling so guilty by that sweet face of his.

"Well I guess that's okay then. What were you going to make?"

He said as he closed the eye he was peeking through as a small smile appeared on his lips.

"What's your flavor, if I have it I'll make it."

"Anything that has a lot of bacon with it."

"Oh I can do that, I'm loaded down with bacon. Now get some more rest, you had a long night of working. I'll bring it to you when I'm done."

"There has to be payment before you can be released."

I leaned down, gave him a kiss and felt his arm release me from where I sat.

"You are shameless!" I laughed as I gave him another kiss.

"No, I just know what I want and do what I have to do to get what I want Baby girl."

"Oh really! What is it that you're wanting?"

"You baby girl, that answer will always be you."

"Oh stop, it's way too early for that Casanova!"

I said with a laugh as I walked out to go to the kitchen.

When I got into the kitchen I connected my phone to my speaker and opened Spotify then to my Katy Perry Playlist. As I was pulling out 3 packs of bacon I got a text.

"Hey Lover! What are you and Con doing this morning?"

"Hey sweet cheeks, I just pulled 3 packs of bacon out of the fridge, you and Anders want to join us for breakfast?"

"Once you said bacon we were already headed to the car."

"Alrighty girl I'll see y'all shortly!"

"Go ahead and pull out 3 more packs of bacon"

"oh my god y'all can throw back some bacon." I sent as I laughed.

I laid out bacon across two cookie sheets and threw them in the oven then pulled out my two skillet grills and laid out bacon across those two. Damn I've never made this much bacon at once. Glad I grabbed a few more packets when I was at the store the other day. As I'm about to plate some bacon I hear a knock at the door. I take a look at my bacon and see I have about 2 seconds and take off to the door, fling it open and run back to the kitchen. Soph and Anders come in laughing.

"What was that about lover?"

"Listen sweet cheeks, it's a crime to burn bacon and I don't look good in orange okay. So no burnt bacon today!"

"Good call B! Where's my little brother?"

"He was up late working so he's still sleeping. I didn't want to wake him up till I was done cooking."

"Damn you're way nicer than I am."

"And better looking!"

I said as I pointed my tongs at Anders. He just laughed

and sat down on the bar stool.

"Coffee is over there if either of you want some."

"Now that's what I'm talking about, see Soph this lady knows how to deliver."

"Hey watch it sweet face, I know where you sleep."

Anders gave Soph a fake scared face.

"Alright you two calm down before I have to separate you."

They both just laughed at me as Anders got his coffee and Soph started opening and closing all my cabinets.

"Soph, what in the world are you doing?"

"Well B I feel like I'm on a Scavenger hunt looking for a dang mixing bowl."

"Oh those are in the cabinet I'm standing in front of."

Soph turns around and gives me a little hip bump so I'll scoot enough she can get the bowls out.

"OH SHIT!!! BACON IN THE OVEN! Damn I totally forgot about it! Move Soph!"

As I pass getting on my oven mitts she does some little shimmy dance so I can squeeze by.

"Thank the holy bacon gods it❖❖s not burnt!"

I pull the trays out.

"Hey creeper over there staring at my sweet cheeks, make yourself useful and flip that bacon on the skillets so I can handle these."

"On no sweet face you sit over there, you'll end up burning the house down. I got the bacon. I need a skillet to start these eggs anyway. B do you not listen to any better music?"

"What? it's Katy Perry"

"I know but it's her sappy shit."

Soph grabs my phone and starts playing California Gurls. I'm singing at the top of my lungs, Soph is dancing around the kitchen when I pass by her to get some plates, I smack her on the butt and keep singing into my Tongs.

"Hey! That's my butt you can't touch."

Anders says pointing at me.

"Hey sweets cheeks, can I slap your butt?"

"Any damn time you want lover."

"You can slap my butt if you want bro."

Con says coming into the room as he points to Anders

but making his way towards me. He places both hands on either side of me on the counter leaning over and giving me a kiss on the cheek.

"Morning baby girl."

"Morning handsome!"

I say as I turn and kiss him as well.

"Go have a seat and I'll make you some coffee and a plate of food."

"Okay"

Conrad says, giving me one more kiss and walks to sit next to Anders. I grab a coffee cup and make the coffee how I would normally make mine and put on the counter in front of Conrad.

"Damn! This shit is good. What did you do to it?"

"Um added liquid caramel syrup I buy from Starbucks and creamer."

"This is way better than that crap Anders brings me when we are working in the office."

I place a plate stacked high with bacon, a big pile of eggs and a few buttered biscuits.

"That's because I don't put anything in it. Babe why don't you make my coffee and plate of food?"

Anders says giving Soph a pouty face.

"Because B is a lot nicer than me."

Soph said, sending me a wink.

"Oh Soph, here Anders I'll make you a plate too."

I put one piece of bacon and a baby scoop of eggs and only the top of a biscuit on a plate and put it in front of Anders. Con glanced over to Anders' plate then choked on his food and he was laughing so hard. Pretty sure I saw eggs flying across the kitchen.

"Now don't eat it too fast, okay."

"Oh little sis you think you are so funny."

"Well these two think I am" point my thumbs at Soph and Con who are wiping tears from their eyes just looking at Anders' shocked expression. I turn around and start making another plate and set it front Anders and slide one down the counter to Soph who caught it with ease. I made myself a much smaller plate and sat down in the chair next to Conrad and we all ate while carrying on with the playful teasing.

When I finished my eating, I started clearing off the counters and stacking the dirty dishes by the sink.

"Anders I've been thinking. Instead of everyone living in the pack house, building separate houses just off the

main area. One for you and Soph on one side and Luca on the other side. Being here I just found that I like having that relaxed space where I don't have to work five steps from my bedroom door and it's just..."

Anders cut Con off mid sentence "Home. A place to call home for just you and your lady. I totally get that. Soph and I love how close we all live right now, for things like this where we can come together and hang out. But also we can have meals just the two of us if we wanted too."

"I love my job don't get me wrong, but it's been like I've been able to breathe being here with Blake just having down time and watching movies. I haven't had someone knocking on the door every five seconds asking me work questions."

"Con I've been around you and Anders forever it feels like, our lives rotate around work even for our parents. So needing some distance for a private home life is completely understandable. And something I've thought about talking with you two about once Anders and I had kids."

"Soph if you desire private space for your family you shouldn't feel burdened to talk to me about it. I would completely understand."

Con says as he reaches over and puts a hand on top of Soph's that's resting on the counter.

"I understand I don't have much say in this, but I will throw in a recommendation, Soph make sure there's

some kind of path connecting y'all's house and his. Because those two aren't going to be able to be apart for extended periods of time."

I said with a teasing smile motioning towards the two guys flinging a few bubbles in the air.

"Yea you have a point there, I'm in if there's a path between the two houses and I get to have girls night and sleepovers with my new lover."

Soph said, throwing her thumb over her shoulder at me.

"Sweet cheeks you can have me any night you want."

I say while shooting her a wink.

"But I don't know how much of a bargaining chip I can be for you. That's Con's house not mine."

Anders and Con look at each other, give a shrug then look back at us.

"I'm in!"

Anders says, raising his hand.

"I'm with sweet face"

Soph is now raising her hand.

"I'm in as long as I get as many sleepovers I want with my top girl"

Conrad now raising his hand too. I feel their eyes on my back as I'm washing the dishes. I slowly turn around to see that all three are in fact staring at me with all their hands still raised.

"I love sleepovers."

I say, raising my hand. Not entirely sure why they wanted my vote, maybe just didn't want me to feel weird being around their family conversation.

"Alrighty it's settled then, I'll start calling some contractors now. Oh which reminds me, B I heard back from my attorney he said since dipshit didn't file a case against the bar so he can represent you. Said he is going to talk to the judge today or tomorrow in hopes of bringing it into judges chambers on Friday for a decision instead of having to appear in court. You won't even have to go."

"Oh wow that happened fast"

"Well I said I wanted it settled by Friday so it will be. Robbie isn't the only one who has connections in this town, baby girl. You would be surprised who I'm connected with."

"Oh well aren't you just Mr. Popular."

"What can I say I'm a cool dude."

Conrad says flashing his million dollar smile.

"Okay guys give me your plates and get to work while me and B clean up. If you don't get on those laptops soon my cell phone will start ringing and I have a long history of not being nice when I have to answer my cell phone."

Soph says, raising an eyebrow at them.

"OH I almost forgot Con I need your credit card."

"Is it for you or for Blake?"

"Blake duh, I already have Anders' cards."

"Yea sure here."

Conrad says as he hands Soph his whole wallet.

"What the hell just happened, what is it that I need?"

"Listen B, I love you but I was checking out your closet last night and well your clothes kind of suck."

"Well damn Soph tell me how you really feel."

"Okay then, they don't kind of suck they actually really do suck. Plus we need some hot outfit for Thursday and from what I saw in there, you wouldn't even be able to pick up an old guy from an old folks home."

"Ouch! Well my bad I didn't know I was needing clothes to go pick up guys with."

"Hey watch it Soph, I don't want to have to start busting dudes heads because they are trying to flirt with my girl. Blake, you and Soph go shopping and have fun. Take the black card Soph."

Conrad said pointing towards the wallet in her hand. Soph gets a devilish smile on her face, that card doesn't have a limit!

"Eeekkk!"

Soph says as she does a happy dance. Soph walks out the kitchen dancing with a little black card in her hand.

"I still don't know what just happened here."

Conrad gets up with a chuckle, walks over to me and pulls me in a hug.

"Baby girl that was Soph's weird way of saying she wants to go hang out and do something nice for you by using my card."

Conrad said while laughing.

"But you've already done so much with my house just yesterday."

"Get used to it baby girl I'll be doing it a lot more."

I give him a soft smile still trying to process everything.

"Lover go change so we can get this card smokin already."

"We've got some serious shopping to do!"

She yells from the couch where she's sitting with Anders. I step closer to Conrad and stand up on my top toes moving my finger at him to come closer. He leans down so his cheek is touching mine.

"Save me please! I absolutely HATE shopping." I whispered as I did a fake cry.

"HEARD THAT! Now go change or you're going like that, bare feet and all"

Conrad looks down, gives me a smile and a kiss, puts his hands on my shoulders turning me in the direction of my room. He lightly pushes me so I'll start walking in front of him towards our room.

I've reluctantly gotten ready. Denim shorts, blue T- shirt and white chucks. Conrad is laying across the bed watching TV.

"Baby girl, come here."

I walk towards the bed. Conrad moves to sit on the side of the bed and grabs my hips pulling me between his legs so we are closer.

"Talk to me, I can hear the wheels turning in your head. What are you thinking about?"

"Nothing, it's stupid."

"Nothing that bothers you is stupid to me. Plus you said you wouldn't lie to me and you just did."

Well he had gotten me there. I let out a sigh looking down and started picking at one of my fingernails. "Why are you doing this?"

"Doing what?"

"Being so nice, and so sweet, redecorating my house and now going to buy me clothes."

It all came out in a rush. He puts a finger under my chin and gently lifts my head so I'm looking at him.

"Because you're my girl."

"There's where I'm having a problem, I'm not entirely sure what the relationship status is for that."

"Well baby girl what status do you want with me? my girl, girlfriend, fiancé, wife, mother of my children. Pick one, you can have all if you want. They are yours for the taking."

"See that right there blows my flippen mind. Like whoa I just met you Saturday, it's now Tuesday and you just threw the word kids in the same sentence as girlfriend."

Conrad gives me a chuckle and pulls me to sit on his lap.

"I can't tell you everything just yet, but I can tell you this. I was raised, Soph and Anders as well, that there was one

person out there for us. That's how all our parents and grandparents lived as well. I never wanted to date because I knew in my gut I would find her one day and didn't want anyone else but my soulmate."

"So again why me? I'm not anyone special."

"Baby girl, don't ever say that again. I'm here because I can feel it in me that you are my soulmate. I've waited a long time to find you. So now that I have, I want to spoil you, show you how much you mean to me and feel how much you mean to me."

"So being your girl is equal to a soulmate?"

"Baby girl it is for me. I'm going to marry you one day when you're ready, you've brought so much light, joy and laughter into my life, it would never be the same without you in it."

"Okay. Wow, you sound like the dang Underworld movie when the Lycans meet their mates, the whole galaxy shifts and shit."

Conrad looks down and starts watching his fingers run circles on top of my hand.

"Would a mate bond be a bad thing?"

"Um, I... uh, I don't know I've never thought about it."

I can tell he's holding back. I grab his face in both of my hands and lift it so we are looking directly at each other.

"Conrad, telling people half of a story is still a lie and lies don't sit well with me. I'm a big girl whatever it is just say it and we will work through it."

I can still see the hesitation in his eyes, so I go well out of my comfort zone.

"Handsome when you're around I can't think straight, I can't breathe half the time, you make me feel things I can't even explain what they are. I've never had that I've met a lot of people in my life and no one, I mean absolutely no one has ever given me the peace and security I feel when I'm close to you and when I'm not close to you I feel almost empty or missing something."

Conrad wraps his arms around me and pulls me in for a tight hug.