

Chapter 3 Food

Deimos

We sit down in our seats as the King motions everyone to quiet down and it takes a few minutes before everyone is quiet, except of course for a few females that think talking about whatever is more important. The King keeps quiet until a few of the Alphas finally realize it is because of the females with them that the King isn't speaking.

Goliath points out that everyone at the table of Moon Stone Pack has a smirk on their faces and I have to stifle a smile as I look at each of them, "The females are better at hiding what they are looking at than the males." I say to Goliath and we both chuckle as one of the females shoves her elbow into the side of the future Alpha.

I see the brunette smiling as she looks past us for a second and I wonder what the hell is so damn funny, "Someone is trying to get your attention, Son." Dad says through the mind-link and I already know what he is talking about, probably also the reason why the brunette is smiling.

The King's speech is something we all worked on and we tried to get as many words in without actually saying a damn thing, it was good fun making this speech.

Our Queen had made the start of the speech in which he welcomes the Alphas and Lunas for attending and Asha was the one to put in the Pups that were accompanying their parents.

We had laughed our asses off when she tried to find subtle ways to tell them to stop fucking around, but in the end she had managed to find a rather romantic way of putting the message out there.

"Alphas and Lunas, your brought along the Pups of your current leadership and they will be our future.

A future we as the Royal Family have been granted already, we found a Daughter in your future Queen and our Son's fated Mate. Something we all are longing for, something we are all waiting for and when we find our fated Mate we will become stronger and better.

Prince Ammon and Princess Asha had both been waiting for their fated Mate to step into their lives, and both of them want to express to all of you how grateful they are that they waited for the other to start their life's journey, to have all the firsts as adults with one another." He says.

I know he had struggled with that last sentence and he had thrown a few things my way every time I laughed my ass off, he had choked on the words every single time. I hear Ammon laughing in our mind-link as the King looks from Ammon to Asha and we all see the look he gives Asha.

Eryx, the future Royal Beta, and I had taken it upon ourselves to put the meetings into the speech, but like Asha, we struggled to put down a lot of words that meant absolutely nothing and we needed help from the others to get anything on the paper. The King had said it was never easy to say a lot without actually saying anything.

At least we got the chance to practice, because in the future we have to do this for ourselves and it is not something I am looking forward to.

"In the next few days, we all hope to have good and meaningful discussions about a variety of subjects, from training to security and from Balls to meetings.

We all hope that by the time each and every one of you goes home, that it will have been a fruitful event in one way or another and that we all can look back on a successful meeting." He says as we see a lot of the Wolves and Lycans smile, but Asha points out that the members from Moon Stone Pack look as if they know that the King actually said nothing at all.

"Lunch has been served in the main dining room. I ask you kindly to stay seated until a Warrior comes to your table and he will guide you to your table in the dining room. It will be the table you will be seated at during every meal for the next few days." He says before we all get up and follow him out of the meeting room.

We get some food from the buffet before we sit down and the Queen nods her head at her assistant, giving the unspoken order to let the others join us for lunch. The first Pack to be seated is Moon Stone Pack and they are at the table closest to ours.

The Alpha and Gamma sit down while the Pups walk over to the buffet and the brunette is joggling three plates with ease. I know everyone is watching her as she fills each plate with food, before she heads back to their table and places a plate in front of the Alpha and the Gamma and both of them thank her with a smile.

Many females look at their table with anger or envy in their eyes, but I know it is an unspoken rule that Moon Stone Pack gets seated near the Royal Family and I know they will not cause any problems with us. They like to keep to themselves just like we do.

Every female that walks to the buffet looks at our table for as long as they can, but none of us respond to it and I can feel their anger growing more and more. I see them walking in their high heels and it doesn't look very steady to me, but with a plate of food they sway even more on their legs.

I keep my eyes on my plate as I hear Eryx chuckle when a blond nearly loses her balance.

"Who the hell let her walk off without a guard?" Asha snarls through our mind-link and Sila, Eryx's Mate, asks her why she is so concerned.

"What will happen if that plate of food flies out of her hand and onto another Alpha's Daughter?" Asha asks.

Zalia

This food is amazing and I can't wait for everyone to have had their first serving. I need to get to that buffet again. Twilight agrees with me as a blond walks past us swaying on her high heels.

"Why would you wear those if you can't even walk on them?" I ask over the mind-link and as expected the males call out in unison, "Because they think it is sexy."

I stare at each of them before I ask over the mind-link, "They really think it is sexy that they look drunk?"

Kali and Elinor burst out in laughter with me. Slater just chuckles as Dad shakes his head and Donovan just stares at me. And as always Gibson thinks my question is sincere and answers that they meant the high heels.

"Okay, you did notice that the Queen is also wearing high heels, but she doesn't walk around as if she is drunk." I say as I look at him and he finally realizes I had been pulling their chains.

"Zalia, how did patrol go last night?" our Alpha asks to change the topic we are discussing.

"When I got there at eleven there was nothing to report, but about an hour into my shift, we had two Rogues at our eastern border. When they saw me they thought I was ripe for the picking, but Twilight decided to show them that we don't back down from anyone and both were dead in a minute or so.

We didn't have any other problems during the rest of our shift and before we left, I checked in with morning patrol, but between six and eight there had been nothing to report." I answer him as I ask Kali through the mind-link if the buffet is finally free again.

She tells me that everyone has gotten their plate of food, but before I can get up my Dad growls at me, "Zalia, you are telling me you stayed out on patrol all night, that you haven't slept at all?" He says and as I get up to head for the buffet I say,

"Just like always, Dad. Why would going to this meeting need to change my routine?

I didn't ask to be dragged down here. I didn't ask anyone to make up this stupid rule that the Pups of our leaderships need to be paraded in front of everyone and I sure as hell didn't ask anyone to force the future leaderships to be present at every damn boring meeting.

Now, if you'll excuse me or not for that matter, I need some more food before Twilight decides she is going to eat and then it won't be from a plate."

I walk away knowing full well that everyone in the dining room heard his question and my answer and I know that is what Dad was going for.

I keep my eyes on the buffet, but I can see a lot of males staring at me and I know I will get a lot of questions during our mingling session after lunch. Yippie, already looking forward to it, Not. At least now all of them will know that I am a Gamma's Daughter and that means that their attentions will most likely be far from sexual.

"You run border patrol often?" I hear the King's voice ask as the entire room goes quiet and I turn towards him as I answer him, "Yes, Your Majesty. I run border patrol in the same shift as my team, just because I am the Daughter of our Pack's Gamma doesn't mean I have to act like a spoiled little brat.

I can take care of myself as I have been training since I turned seven and I started running border patrol when I was forced to come to these meetings. I told our Alpha if I was old enough to be dragged down here, I sure as hell was old enough to run border patrol.

Just between you and me, Your Majesty. I think running border patrol is a lot safer than coming here." I make a little bow before I head back to our table and I can hear the King chuckle behind me, everyone at the Royal table is chuckling and giggling.

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How the hell does she look so good after missing a good night's sleep? I always feel like crap after running patrol at night and I always need most of the day to sleep it off. Goliath is rolling down the aisles when she answers her Father and I hear Ammon laughing through our mind-link.

"Dad, can we keep her?" He asks and I know exactly why he is asking, she isn't shy with her opinions.