

## A. Nocturne's 71

### Chapter 71 Make Amends

Narcissa froze as Ann watched the confrontation with interest. She hadn't really thought too much about how the population felt about a non-shifter inheriting the position of Luna Queen.

But this dialogue brought a slight smirk to her lips despite her attempts to suppress it. Maeve snickered gleefully inside of her head as they watched a murderous-looking cloud descend over Narcissa's face.

Narcissa turned slowly to face him and glowered fiercely. "Bold words for a lowly ranked guard in an office." She sneered, "I wonder how my husband will react when he finds out about the dissent amongst the lower ranks."

Instead of backing off, the guard snorted and narrowed his eyes, the swirling irises of his wolf visible even to Ann at the distance she was from them.

"With any luck, the Alpha King will come to his senses and get rid of the things he should have done a long time ago." He s

### Chapter 72 Nothing But A Trap

Almost instantly Ada's face seemed to darken at the sound of her mother's footsteps click-clacking away from the office and disappearing down the corridor. Her pouty lips curled into a sneer of disgust as she narrowed her eyes at Ann.

"You think you're so f\*uc\*king perfect don't you?" Ada spat furiously, the full force of her hatred burning clearly in her eyes as she glared at Ann intently.

Ann laughed suddenly, an ironic sound that seemed harsh in the quiet of her office, and completely out of place given the statement that Ada had just made.

"And there she is." Ann smirked, almost triumphantly, "I knew the real you was hiding under there. What is this? Keeping up the pretense of a remorseful, vulnerable woman so that my staff takes pity on

you?" "Shut up! I don't know how you got Adam wrapped around your little finger, but he was supposed to be mine!" Ada hissed furiously.

## Chapter 73 The Fake Blood

"Ada, don't do this..." Ann said lowly through gritted teeth as she held Maeve's furious attempt to take over at bay.

Ada chuckled lightly as she tipped over the potted plant on the floor near the door, and crouched next to it, shaking the ceramic pot free from the plant and examining it in her hands thoughtfully.

"Ada..." Ann tried again, her jaw clenching, but Ada didn't respond.

Ann watched as she positioned herself in front of the large glass windows and threw herself against them heavily, the blinds crumpling behind her back as she let out another fake scream that was so convincing, Ann's hairs on the back of her neck stood on end.

"Please, Ann! I know you hate me for everything that happened...I just want us to..NO!" Ada yelled suddenly before staring directly at Ann and bringing the plant pot crashing heavily down onto her head.

Ann watched the blood drip down the side

## Chapter 74 The Truth

Ann's face was expressionless as she swallowed nervously.

She hated being under scrutiny at the best of times, but to have so many judgemental eyes focused on her, the pressure was immense.

“Look at you! The guilt is written all over your face!” Narcissa hissed before turning to the office workers gathered at the doorway.

“What are you vultures staring at?! Someone call an ambulance! Why are you all just standing there?!”

The office workers seemed to be sparked into action, some running for whatever they could lay their hands on in order to cover Ada’s trembling body and restore some of her dignity at such a seemingly devastating time, and others hurriedly pulled their mobile phones out of their pocket and dialed for help.

Ann had to hand it to her, Ada was an incredibly good actress, as sickening as this act was to witness.

“Just you wait until your father hears about

## Chapter 75 We’ll Fix This

The three of them remained in Eva’s office until the commotion outside had died down.

Eva sat with Ann on the sofa as the guard stood by the door, leaning against the wall nonchalantly with his arms folded in front of him.

The atmosphere was gloomy, to say the least, and the tension was palpable.

The hushed tones of Narcissa seemed to waft past the doorway, accompanied by muffled sobs and words of reassurance from unfamiliar voices.

Ann assumed that this was the paramedics taking her to the hospital in order to run the necessary checks on Ada and her baby.

Ann suddenly snorted to herself. It was all so preposterous. They would find nothing. Both Ada and her baby would be completely unharmed, but that wouldn’t mean that Ann was vilified.

On the contrary, it would be a huge relief that Ada and the baby were doing well, and yet Ann would be crucified in the publ

#### Chapter 76 She Planned This!

“Just because you ‘can’ say it, doesn’t mean that you ‘should’, your highness,” Adam growled. “Are you not even going to ask her what happened?”

Leopold laughed darkly as he narrowed his eyes where the two of them stood.

“What is there to ask? I’ve seen the results of her own handiwork with my own eyes! Why would I ask her what happened? Do you think I want to hear my own daughter lie to my face and make excuses for her despicable behavior?!”

Ann’s heart sank even though she had been expecting this reaction.

But she couldn’t say nothing. She had to at least try. “Father, please...” She said quietly with a pleading tone to her voice, but it fell on deaf ears.

“Isn’t that what Ada said to you when she was begging for you to stop your attack?” Her father answered coldly. Ann felt Adam’s strong arms wrap around her shoulders as she hardened her expression. She wouldn’t le

#### Chapter 77 I Just Want Answers

Ann froze as the enormity of her father’s words hit her. “You’re seriously going to disinherit me and remove my livelihood?” Ann whispered in horror.

Leopold smiled a cruel smile as he glared directly at Adam.

“Let’s see how long Alpha Nocturne sticks around now that you’re no use to him anymore.” he chuckled.

“You’re making a huge mistake,” Adam growled as he glared back at the Alpha King.

This had descended into madness far quicker than he had dared to imagine. It was true that he and the King had never truly seen eye to eye, but as a child, he had looked up to the strong and seemingly capable Alpha King, and for a time at least, had held him in high regard. But Ann was right, something had changed drastically in the King. Now, he was nothing more than a middle-aged man, past his best and seemingly teetering on the brink of madness.

Leopold laughed at Adam’s sta

## Chapter 78 Only You

Ann blinked rapidly a few times as she felt Maeve receded from her awareness and she was pushed forward again.

In an instant, Adam’s arms wrapped around her to steady her as she got her bearings. He smiled down at her as he saw her eyes regain their focus and watched the corners of her mouth curve upwards in a faint smile. “Thanks...” Ann murmured as he chuckled in response and leaned down, kissing her forehead.

“You need to handle your wolf better.” Leopold’s still shaky voice grumbled from across the room.

Ann tensed slightly as Adam whipped his head around to stare warningly at him.

“No, she doesn’t. They are perfectly balanced as they are. Despite what you may think, I hold no interest in wrenching your crown from you, ‘my king’. I’m content enough to watch your grip on power slowly slip away. We won’t be the cause of the end of your reign, you will have that honor yourself.” Ad

## Chapter 79 Works Both Ways

As soon as they returned home, Adam insisted she relax and persuaded her to head straight to the ensuite in the bathroom.

He ran her a bath as she chose her clothes to change into afterward, and as soon as she sank into the water, she felt Adam's firm fingers land on her shoulders, and begin massaging the aching muscles across her back.

Ann groaned appreciatively as she closed her eyes and allowed her head to fall back onto the edge of the bathtub.

"Oh, Goddess... I just thought..." Ann said suddenly, trying to bite back a laugh, "Can you imagine Ada as heir to the throne? Running the kingdom and representing the Alpha's and Luna's in an official capacity with other races? It's a recipe for disaster."

Adam chuckled darkly as he kneaded the knots from her back, desperately trying to ignore the raging hard-on that was bulging unashamedly at his crotch.

Ann sighed heavily

## Chapter 80 I'm Yours

Adam's expression was strained as Ann slowly unzipped his trousers and undid the fastening, allowing them to drop to the floor.

"Ann..."

"Hush, my Alpha," she purred as she slid his boxers down, "I want to you a little while you finish what you started."

Ann ran her hand gently along the and began stroking it in a rhythmic motion as he growled lightly and leaned forward once more, his c\*oc\*k right above Ann's face as he ravaged her body with renewed vigor.

His touch was rougher than before, a little more insistent as he nipped and s\*cked fiercely at her , as she m\*oa\*ned her approval.

His fingers resumed their work on her cl\*toris, but he wasted no time in slipping three fingers inside of her this time, earning a cry of from her lips as he thrust his fingers in and out of her with little care for her limits.

Ann matched the speed of his thrusts with the speed of her st