

Chapter 21 - Alpha Alexa

Colter's POV

When I got the mind link from Mac that Alexa was hurt at training and was unconscious, I took off running to her. I was going to kill him. He was the one that she was training with, and he did this. I made it to the training field in record time and found her lying on the ground with Luca, Mac and Julian all trying to get her to wake up. I stormed over and picked her up and started walking away, not listening to what they said.

She started to stir in my arms, and I could feel the sparks from her body touching mine and the feeling was amazing. I could get used to this.

“Put me down, I can walk.” She said.

“No!” I growled at her.

“Put me down now. I don't need you to carry me.”

She was nuts. She had a head injury and thought she could walk. She wasn't going to let it go until I let her try, so I put her down and she started wobbling immediately, so I scooped her back up and started walking again.

“This is why I didn't want to put you down. Did you know that you about the most stubborn women I've ever met.”

“Nope, didn't know that.” She said.

We both just laughed because we knew she was lying. She guided me to her room and when we got there, I put her down so she could get her key out and as soon as the door was open, I scooped her back up and walked her to her bed and put her down.

“I will bring dinner to you tonight.” I said as I walked to her door.

“No, I want to get out. I will be fine by then”

“If, you're sure.”

“I am, I will see you at six pm.”

I walked out of the room to let her rest. It took everything in me not to stay with her, but I knew she wasn't ready for that. Grey was pissed that we left her, but we had to give her space and take it slow. Besides I had to get ready for tonight. I wanted to make this a special night for us.

I drove to town to get some flowers for her. Although I don't think she is the flower type, she still has to appreciate it. I also wanted to make sure the restaurant I wanted to go to would have a private space for us. I drove ten minutes to town and found the restaurant and went inside to speak with the manager. Julian said it was owned by someone in his pack and was supposed to talk to him for me.

"Hello, how many today?" the hostess asked.

"No table, I need to speak with the manager please." I told her.

"Is there a problem, that I can help you with?" she asked while eyeing me up and down.

"No, just want to make sure things are taken care of for me tonight."

She nodded her head and walked off and came back with another woman who looked to be in her mid-twenties.

"You must be Alpha Colter?" Asked the new woman.

"Yes, I just wanted to make sure that the table for tonight and that it would have privacy."

"Yes sir, if you would like to follow me, I will show it to you."

She took off walking and I followed behind her. She led me around the corner and through a door that opened up into a small room that had just a few tables set up and the one in the center of the room was a table set for two with candles and a single red rose in the center.

"Thank you this will be perfect."

She walked over to me and placed her hand on my arm and squeezed it and little before she said, "someone is a very lucky lady." Her eyes lit up as she said this and looked at me.

I shook her arm off me and left the restaurant without another word to anyone else. I got in my car and drove around looking for a flower shop. I finally found it and went inside.

"How can I help you today?" Said a young man behind the counter.

"I am needing some sort of flowers please."

"What is the occasion?" The man asked me.

“A first date and I have screwed things up so bad beforehand I am not really sure how I even managed to get her to say yes.”

“Is it your fated mate?” He asked me.

“Yes.”

“We’ve all been their man, let me put something together that will say I like you and I am sorry without saying I love you, because if your anything like most men you love her already and can’t wait to tell her.”

“Ya that pretty much sums it up.”

He laughed at me while he worked and when he was done, he presented me with the most beautiful bundle of flowers.

“These are great. How much do I owe you?”

“I get the feeling that you really need these to work some magic, so today they are on the house.”

“I appreciate that.”

I took the flowers and went back to the car and drove back to Julians pack house. I took the long route there enjoying the views. His pack was in the mountains with a lot of forest surrounding the area. I had finally made it back to the pack house and went inside and headed to my room when I ran into Mac.

“Hey where have you been?” He asked me.

“I have a date tonight with Alexa and had to take care of a few things beforehand.”

“Does she know about this date or is it made up in your head?” Mac asked with a stupid smirk on his face.

“Very funny asshole, she agreed to go out with me.”

“Ok, sorry. Where are you taking her?”

“Luciano’s.”

“Thats pretty upscale, does she know you're taking her there?”

“No, I wanted it to be a surprise. Why?”

“Because Alexa, doesn’t strike me as the dress and heels type and that place isn’t the jeans and boots type.”

“Shit, I didn’t think about that. How am I going to tell her that without insulting her.”

“I got you man. I will take care of it.”

“And this is the difference in growing up with sisters!” I told him.

“Ya, I know, I am good with the girlie stuff. You got time to run to town?”

"If it is fast. What do you need there?"

"Stuff for Alexa, I don't know any girls here and she is going to need a dress." He explained.

I turned around and went back to my car and he followed.

"How do you know what size to get?"

"Colt man, I had five sisters growing up. I can pretty much look at a girl and tell what size she is."

"OK, I am trusting you on this one."

We got to town and found the strip mall and we found a store that had dresses and I let him go in and do his thing. I didn't want to see it, I wanted to be surprised. He came back out about fifteen minutes later.

"That was fast, girls usually take forever."

"That's because they have to try on about a thousand dresses before they can make up their damn mind."

"Thanks for doing this for me man. I really don't know what I would do without you sometimes."

"I know but stop going on mushy on me. I may be able to pick out dresses and shoes, but I don't do the lovey dovey with other men."

"Me neither, just wanted you to know that I appreciate you."

"Good, I need a raise."

"Ya that's not going to happen."

We had finally made it back to the pack house and we went inside, and he headed up the stairs to Alexa's room and I went to mine. I needed a shower and to figure out what I was going to wear.

"Dude, you're sounding like a girl!" Grey mind linked me.

"What, why would you say that?"

"I have to figure out what I am going to wear? That's how girls think. We just put on whatever is clean."

"Don't you want to impress her? Don't you want her to think we look good?"

"She thought we looked good with only our towel on."

This brought a big smile to my face.

"Yes, she did."

It was then that we ran right into someone.

"Oh, I am sorry I was distracted and didn't see you." I said as I looked down and noticed that I had bumped right into Christina.

I didn't want to be rude and not help her, but I really didn't want to touch her. I finally stuck my hand out and offered her help. She grabbed a hold of it, and I pulled her up. I tried to let go of her hand, but she kept a hold of it as she stepped closer to me.

"Why don't we go grab some dinner? I thought that the other night we had a nice visit, and we could get to know each other better." She said.

"No thank you." I said as I ripped my hand out of hers.

You could see that anger that passed through her face. She didn't like being told no, but that wasn't going to change my mind. I stepped around her and went to my room. Once I got in, I locked the door and headed to the bathroom.

"Alright Grey, clean shaven or the five o'clock shadow look?"

"Totally the five o'clock shadow. When you're clean shaven you look like a baby."

"Thanks man."

"Just telling it like it is."

I cut my link with him and ran my trimmer over my face to give the look I was going for and then turned the shower on and stripped out of my clothes and got in. I let the hot water wash away the day I had and relaxed a little before my date. I had really never been on a date. I had girls that I slept with but never overnight and I had girls that would accompany me to functions, but again, never overnight and only once. To say I was nervous was an understatement. This one counted. If I wanted to continue anything with her, I had to make an impression tonight. This was my only chance since I had screwed up so badly.

I finally got out of the shower and dried off and ran a towel through my hair and then wrapped it around my waist. I grabbed my hair product and put it in my hair and styled it so it would stay out of my face for the night. I always kept it a little longer on top.

I left the bathroom and dug through my suitcase and found the jeans I wanted and a white button-up shirt. I would have to iron it, but it was my favorite since it was just a little tight on me and showed off my muscles.

I finished getting ready just in time to meet her at the bottom of the stairs.

"Grey, you have to promise me that you will keep complete control all night. If you screw this up, I will get rid of you." I told my wolf.

"I understand and I promise I will keep control, but if you mate her, I can't guarantee that we won't mark her either, so this is your warning."

"There will be no mating tonight."

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Alexa's POV

It was time to get ready and I needed to shower and figure out what to wear. He didn't tell me where we were going so, I didn't know what to wear. It's not like I had dresses and heels. They weren't really my style but once in a while it was nice to get fancy like that.

I was combing through my closet when someone knocked on my door. I walked out hoping that it wasn't Julian that was at my door. He knew where I was going, and he didn't look very happy about it. I got to the door and unlocked it and opened it. I was shocked when I saw Mac standing there holding two bags.

"Hey Luna Alexa, I thought you might need these. You don't seem much like the dress kind of girl and you guys are going to a fancier restaurant tonight and we didn't want you to be underdressed, so I brought you these." He said as he held up two bags.

"Thank you, I guess."

"You guess?"

“I mean I have never had anyone buy clothes for me and especially someone who doesn’t know me.”

“A simple thank you is all you need to say.”

“Look, I am not used to people doing things for me and I don’t do well with people telling me what to do and that includes what to wear.”

He ran his hands over his face and let out a big sigh. He had a look of frustration when he brought his hands down.

“I am sorry, thank you for the clothes.”

He turned to leave and mumbled “you and Colt are the perfect damn pair. You two will annoy the shit out of each other.”

He shut my door on the way out. I walked to my bed and emptied the contents of the bags on my bed. It contained one black dress that was form fitting and short. It had a strap that came across one shoulder and the other shoulder was bare. It also had a pair of black high heels in it. That was it, nothing else. I don’t even know if I had a bra, I could wear with this, but he was right I didn’t want to be underdressed.

I walked into the bathroom and quickly showered and stepped out to blow dry my hair and run the straightener over it. I applied make-up. Not something that I did very often either but growing up my mom made me learn how to do it myself, so she didn’t have to help me with any functions. It was now that I was thankful that she at least did that for me. I dug through my closet, and I don’t know where it came from, but I found a strapless bra in there.

I found a black lacey thong that at least matched my black bra I found. I put those on and walked to the bed where my dress was. I held it up and wasn’t sure it was going to fit. It looked kind of small, but we would give it a try. I put the dress over my head and pulled it down. This fit me like a second skin. It was so tight but stretchy, so I am guessing that it was supposed to fit like that. I picked up the shoes and put them on. They also fit and gave me about four more inches in height. I walked over to the mirror to see how I looked.

“Jade, what do you think?” I linked my wolf.

“Lex, were a smoke show and if we make it to dinner, we will be lucky.”

“OH, were making it to dinner because I am hungry and also, I am not sleeping with him tonight.”

“Buzz kill.”

“What the hell, Jade? Buzz kills? Really?”

“Yes, he is our mate, and we are supposed to mate. We need him. We want him. I bet you that he will have your panties wet before the end of the night.”

“You need to stay out of my head tonight you horn dog.”

“Shut up you are just as bad as me.”

I cut our link and put up a block so she could encourage anything tonight. I walked to my bag and realized I had no purse for tonight. I grabbed some money and shoved it in my bra. I shouldn't need my ID because I don't drink.

I left my room and headed for the stairs, but Julian caught me before I made it.

“Wow, Alexa you look amazing.”

“Thank you.”

“So, you're really going out with him tonight?”

“Yes, I have to give him a chance, you know that.”

“I know but I am not giving up just yet.”

“Julian, please don't do this.”

“Just remember that I am here for you no matter what. You are a part of my pack, and you will always have a place here. Even if you leave and need to come back.”

“Thank you for that.” I kissed his cheek and walked away.

I made it to the top of the stairs and saw that Colter was waiting for me at the bottom of the stairs and holy shit Jade was right. My panties were wet just looking at him. He looked like a sex god. He had on dark blue jeans and black boots, but it was the white button-up shirt that did it for me. He had the first couple of buttons undone and it was tight. Not so tight that he couldn't move but tight enough that I could see his muscles. His hair had been styled so that it was out of his face. He had the same look on his face that I did on mine.

I made it to the bottom of the stairs without falling, which was a miracle in itself. Dumb heels.

“Alexa, you look, wow, I mean wow.” He said as he grabbed my hand and brought it up to his mouth kissing the back of it. I instantly felt the familiar sparks of the mate bond.

“You don't look so bad yourself, Alpha Colter.”

“For you it is just Colter or Colt.”

“In that case, please call me Lex.”

“I don’t know I kind of like Alexa. It’s sexy.”

I just smiled and turned a little red at that.

He grabbed my hand and led me out to his car. He walked me to my door and opened it for me and on my seat was the most beautiful bouquet of white flowers.

“The flowers are for you. I wasn’t sure what you like.”

“Thank you, it doesn’t matter all girls like any flowers. They are beautiful.”

“Just like you.” he said as he walked around the car to his side.

We both got inside the car, and he took off. It was a little awkward and I had some questions. I was going to rip the band aid off.

“I know we got off to a rocky start but before I can decide anything I have some question for you, and I need honesty with your answers.”

“You can ask me anything.” he said.

“Why did you try to buy me with the alliance with my father?”

“What I am about to tell you has to stay between you and I.” He said to me.

“OK, if it has to do with my parents, you do know that I don’t love them, and I plan on challenging my brother for the pack.”

“I know that. My parents died when I was fifteen. My mom was kidnapped, and my dad went after her. It was a trap, and they were both killed.”

“I am so sorry. That is horrible. Do you know who did it?”

“Not for sure, but I believe that your dad was the one behind it.”

I didn’t know what to say. I knew that my parents were horrible people, but did they actually kill his parents.

“So, you were going to buy me to punish my parents and do what with me?”

We had arrived at the restaurant but were sitting outside in the car.

“My original plan was to take you and make you my chosen mate and make your life miserable. That was before I knew anything. Most people love their kids and want the best for them and

when they thought you were miserable, I would be able to get information about my parents. I quickly changed my mind and was going to make you my personal Omega.”

“So, you were going to force me into mating and marking with you?”

“I would never force that on anyone, I wanted your father to believe that I would. You may have been my chosen mate, but I would never force mating or marking on you.”

I didn’t know what to think. He was going to make me an Omega. Not that I had a problem with that, it’s how people think they can dictate my life.

“Let’s go inside and eat, I am hungry.”

We got out of the car, and he came around to my side and held my hand. I instantly felt the sparks. They were a nice feeling. It was comforting. We walked inside and were immediately led to a back room where the lights were dim and there were candles lit on the center of the table and two red roses in a vase.

“Did you arrange all of this?” I asked him.

“I did, I wanted tonight to be special.”

“This is the nicest thing anyone has done for me.”

He came around and pulled my chair out for me. The waitress came over and brought warm bread and a bottle of wine which she poured into our glasses for us.

“I would like to continue to talk about things that have happened. I really want to understand everything and maybe we can move on from it.”

“I will answer anything you want Princess.”

“I am trying to understand how you think by taking me my father would give you any information?”

“Well, most people don’t treat your kids like you have been treated. I am sorry but I am trying to be honest with you, but you were a means to an end. Most Alpha daughters are spoiled brats who I cannot stand.”

I had to laugh about this because he is right, but I didn’t have the same upbringing as most Alpha’s daughters. He truly was being honest, and I appreciated it.

“Do you know what your little alliance cost me?”

“I do and I am sorry about that. When this is all over with, and we take care of your father and his pack you can go to the academy. I know some people there I am sure that I can get you back in.”

“Thanks, but that part of my life is over.”

“Don’t say that you have a dream, and you should follow through with it.”

“I have a new dream. I want to take my dad down.”

“That is something that you and I can agree on.”

“Can we please just start over and put the past behind us. You have been honest with me, and I would like to give this an honest try. I will warn you that I don’t take orders from anyone, so if you think you can boss me around, I won’t take kindly to it. You may be an Alpha but so am I.” I told him.

He just smiled at me and pulled out his phone and typed something in and then some music started to play.

“Alexa, will you have this dance with me?” He asked me and stood up and held out his hand to me.

I accepted it and he led me to an empty space in the room. He pulled me as close to him as I could be and placed an arm around my waist and held onto my other hand. I placed one around his neck and let the sparks fly between us. I could hear Jade purring in my head. She was so happy to be this close to our mate. I just basked in the sparks and his intoxicating pine scent. I heard the song come to a stop and I pulled away from him, but his hand came up behind my head and he looked at me with his eyes turning black.

“Alexa you are the most beautiful woman I have ever laid eyes on.” He said in a low tone that was doing something to lower half.

He brought his face to mine and lightly brushed his lips against mine before pulling back with a smile on his face and walking me to the table again.

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Julian’s POV

Colter's tech guy arrived, and he was your stereotypical computer nerd. Glasses and pants that were too short for him and scrawny.

"Hi, I am Leo, I work for Alpha Colter. He called and said there were some problems that needed to be address."

"Yes, thank you for coming so quickly. I am Alpha Julian." I told him as I led him into the house.

I motioned for him to follow me to my office. We made it there and before we went in, I wanted to explain what was going on. I didn't want to talk once in there because I didn't know what that thing was capable of.

"Look I have found one bug in there and I don't know what all it is capable of, so I didn't want to talk once in there."

"I understand. I have a machine that will tell us where any of them are located."

I just nodded my head and opened my door for him to go in. He had a suitcase that he was dragging behind him that I hadn't noticed before. He walked to the center of the room and opened the suitcase up and pulled out a little black machine and turned it on and started to walk around the room. As soon as he got to my desk it started beeping loudly.

He started searching my desk and I walked over and grabbed the bug that was under it. His face lit up as he looked at it. He made a motion with his head to go out of the room. We both walked out and shut the door.

"That bug will tap into your computer and transmit any data; it will also record any conversations that take place in your office and the person who planted it can upload it. This is a very sophisticated device."

"Shit, can we deactivate it. Can you tell who is at the other end and do we know how long it's been there." I asked him.

"I can try. It depends on how smart the other person is. First let me check for any other ones. Hold this one and stay out here so I don't pick it up with my machine."

He went back into my office and shut the door. I could hear him walking around and then I could hear the machine start to beep again. It wasn't long before he opened the door and handed me another bug and shut the door again. He spent another five minutes or so in there. He came back and opened the door again and took both bugs and went and put them in my office and came back out.

"OK, I found two bugs. The one under your desk and one under your table."

I was so angry; I can't believe someone would do this. Let alone someone in my pack.

“Can you check the rest of the house. Including rooms.”

“Of course, Alpha Julian. Please just point in the direction you want me to start in and if you could let your pack know that I am here and will be in their rooms. I don’t want trouble.”

“Follow me.”

I took him up to my room and had him start there. He walked around with his machine, but it stayed quiet, which I was thankful for. I had him check all the rooms on that floor even though they weren’t occupied. He came up with nothing. I took him down to the next floor, so he could check Luca’s and Alexa’s room. He was in Luca’s room when Alexa stepped out of her room. She took my breath away. She looked absolutely stunning.

“Wow, Alexa you look amazing.” I told her as I walked over to her.

“Thank you.”

“So, you’re really going out with him tonight?”

“Yes, I have to give him a chance, you know that.”

“I know but I am not giving up just yet.”

“Julian, please don’t do this.”

“Just remember that I am here for you no matter what. You are a part of my pack, and you will always have a place here. Even if you leave and need to come back.”

“Thank you for that.” She said as she walked away. I wasn’t ready for this. I had to find a way to let her go but I couldn’t. I still had hope that she could be mine. It was a dangerous game, and I knew it.

Leo walked out of Luca’s room and handed me two bugs and walked to the next room. This was bad. I am almost positive they would find them in Alexa’s room as well.

“Luca, I need you to meet me outside your bedroom.” I mind linked him.

I dropped those bugs with the others and headed back to Luca’s room, where I found him waiting, looking confused.

“What’s up man? Why are we meeting here?” He asked me.

“Because Colter’s tech guy found two bugs in your room.”

“And I found two in this other room.” He said walking out of Alexa’s room and handing them to me.

“What the hell? We knew there was one your office but my room and Alexa’s room.”

“Yes, and now he is going to look over Christina’s room. Come on Leo follow us.”

We headed downstairs to Christina’s room. When we got to her room I knocked and there was no answer. So, I pulled out my master key and opened the door and allowed Leo to go back in.

“Luca please take these to my office and put them on my desk with the others.” I said as I handed them over to him.

I was taking deep breaths to keep my anger at bay and not have Zion take over and rip someone’s head off. I heard someone coming down the hallway and looked up to see Christina headed this way. She had a fake smile plastered on her face as she approached me.

“Alpha Julian, if you wanted to see me, you could have sent me a mind link I would have come to you.” She said as she came up to me.

I didn’t reply as I wanted to know what Leo found before I did anything. It didn’t take him long to come out of her room. He had four in his hand.

“Who the hell are you and why are you in my room?” She shouted as he came out of her room.

“Alpha Julian, here is what I found in here.” He said as he handed them to me, but the look on his face told me that there was something else.

I turned to Christina with so much anger radiating off me that you could feel it. She had bared her neck in submission but was fighting the urge to drop to her knees.

“Mind telling me what the fuck these are?” I growled at her.

“I don’t know what you're talking about.”

Luca came up at that time and saw that I was holding four more.

“Luca, take her to the dungeon.”

“What? You can’t do that to me. I haven’t done anything. It’s all that stupid bitch Alexa. We didn’t have any problems until she showed up.”

I didn’t reply because if I did, I would likely kill her. I had to figure this out quickly. Noah grabbed her by the arm and started dragging her away. She started screaming at us, but I just ignored her and turned to Leo.

“You gave me a look that said you had more to say.”

“Yes, there is more in her room, but I heard you talking to someone, and I didn’t want to give anything away.”

We walked into her room, and he walked over to her computer and started typing things into it. It took him a few minutes when he finally turned to me and pointed to the monitor. I walked closer to take a look and it was a bunch of emails between her and Robert. She had been working with him for a while.

“What else do you have for me in here?”

“She has other equipment used to spy. Little cameras and other type of bugs.”

I ran my hands over my face in frustration. I can’t believe she would do this. We took her in a few years ago and we helped her. Something is off here.

I started to go through everything in her room to see if I could find anything else. I threw drawers on the ground and pulled everything off the shelves. I was really making more of a mess than anything.

“Alpha Julian, I think I have found everything in her room. Are there any other rooms you want me to go through?”

“No, can you take this all to the conference room and set it up so we can go through it?” I asked him.

“Yes, can you show me where it is?”

“Yes, follow me.”

I led him to the conference room and had a guard come down and watch over Leo, giving instructions that only Leo, Luca and I are allowed in there. I had to get out of here for a while. I had to let Zion out to run or he was going to take over and kill someone.

I headed out back and to the forest to shift. I took my clothes off and called Zion forward. He took over immediately and took off running. He was as angry as I was. He ran as hard as he could before we got a mind link from patrol that they had smelt something off on the Northern border. We turned back around and headed that way. It took us a good fifteen minutes to get there.

“What is going on?” I mink linked all of them that were there.

“We got a scent of a few different rouges but couldn’t find them. I am not sure if they were just passing through or if they were here for a reason?”

“Where did you pick up their scent?”

“About a mile south of here.” One of them said.

“I will go check it out.” I said as I took off.

Zion had his nose up in the air trying to smell what they did, and we found it right where they said they could smell it. We followed it for a while, but it kept going in directions that didn't make sense. It was like they were leading us in circles. We took back off towards the group of guards.

“You guys were right it didn't make sense; it was like it led us in a circle and then disappeared. I am going to send a tracker out and let me know if you find anything else.”

I headed back to the pack house to see if I could find a tracker and send them out. I got back to my clothes and shifted back.

“Sorry Zion, I know that wasn't the run you wanted but I have to handle this.”

He just huffed and laid back down in my head. I got dressed and went to the pack house and started looking for a tracker and thought to myself why am I searching and just sent a mind link out to all of them.

“I can go Alpha.” Amy said.

“Thanks, let me know what you find.” I linked her back.

I went to the conference room and found that Leo had everything he found lying on the table and was working on Christina's computer.

“Alpha Julian, I have everything ready for you.”

“Perfect, now tell me what I am looking at.”

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Colter's POV

When Alexa came down those stairs my jaw hit the floor. She looked amazing. All I wanted to do was take her back up those stairs and peel that dress off and see what was underneath it. I will have to thank Mac later for helping me out with that.

As our date got underway, I knew she was going to hit me with hard questions, but I did expect her to be so up front about them. All I could do was tell her the truth and hope that she would forgive me. After answering all of her questions she surprised me when she said “Can we please just start over and put the past behind us. You have been honest with me, and I would like to give this an honest try. I will warn you that I don’t take orders from anyone, so if you think you can boss me around, I won’t take kindly to it. You may be an Alpha but so am I.”

“I would love that and baby I will tell you that you can be Alpha all you want but when that bedroom door closes, I will be the Alpha and you will be listening to my commands.” I told her back.

Her face flushed red, and she grabbed her wine as she stared me down.

“We will see about that. Alpha Corter.”

“Is that a challenge? Because I like a good challenge and just so you know I don’t play fair, nor do I lose” I told her back.

“We will see about that; you have never challenged me.”

I could see her eyes swirl with black as her wolf was fighting for control. I could feel Grey wanting to push for control, but we had a deal. He was supposed to stay back tonight.

“Are you ready to leave Alexa?”

I was ready to take her out of here and see just how much I could challenge her. I wanted to push her buttons and see how much she could take.

“Yes, Alpha lets go.” She said batting her eye lashes at me. I can tell she also didn’t play fair. This was turning into a fun night.

I threw some money on the table and grabbed her hand and led her out of the restaurant. I wasn’t going to take her home just yet. I thought maybe we could take a drive up the mountains and find a place to park to look at the stars and see the moon. I opened the door for her and went to my side and got in. Before I could get all the way in, she had scooted over and was sitting in the middle, so we were right next to each other.

I started the car and started driving out of town and up the mountain. Alexa had moved so close to me that she was pushed all the way up against me and she started to run her hand over my bicep.

“Alpha Colter, you’re so strong, your bicep is bulging.” She said in a low tone.

She was playing dirty, and she knew it. She continued to rub my arm and started to move her hand closer to my chest. If she kept going, I wasn’t going to be able to stop.

“Alexa, if you don’t stop doing this, I am going to find us a back road to turn down.” I growled out to her.

I could feel her shiver and it wasn’t long until I could smell her arousal and my cock was getting harder and harder. She snaked her hand down my chest and abs and then down my leg and found my hard cock. She started rubbing it on the outside of my pants.

“Alpha, please find that back road. I want to see what you have in these pants.” She said as she started kissing my neck and her had continued on rub my cock.

“Grey, you have to keep control and not push forward tonight.” I linked him.

He didn’t respond but I knew he would be on his best behavior. I kept driving as she continued to tease me. Two could play this game while I was looking for a back road. I moved one of my hands off the steering wheel and started to run it up and down her thigh lightly and kept inching closer and closer to the edge of her dress until I started to sneak my way up her dress. I could feel her body become covered in goose bumps and her arousal was getting stronger. I didn’t know how much longer either one of us was going to wait.

She shifted her body so her legs were open a little more and I could get my hand up further. She started to undo my pants, when I finally found a back road and turned onto it.

“Baby, just wait a few more minutes and we can move this into the back seat.”

I drove a few miles down the road until I thought we were far enough back that we would have anyone drive up on us. I shut the car off and turned to her and she crashed her lips against mine. The sparks that I held felt the whole way here were amazing but when her lips touched mine it was like an explosion of fireworks. She crawled across my lap and was straddling me now as she deepened the kiss and started to grind herself on me.

“Baby, slow down, let’s get in the back seat.” I said as I opened my door and she slid off me and I got out, but I didn’t give her time to get in the back as I threw her up against the car and smashed my lips to hers and started to tease her the way she did me. I trailed kisses down her jaw to her neck and finally to her marking spot. This caused her to moan out in pleasure and thrust her hips forward into me. I continued to kiss her anywhere my lips touched as I slowly worked the one shoulder of her dress down and continued to pull her dress down.

She pushed me forward and shimmied out of her dress and opened the back door to my car. She had on a black bra and a matching black lacey thong. She crawled in facing me and gave me a perfect view of her pussy making me even harder. I crawled in behind her and was in between her legs. She made quick work of my shirt and started running her hand along my torso feeling my abs. I started to kiss her again and the sparks were erupting from everywhere in my body.

“Baby, this is your only chance to tell me to stop because once we start, I won’t stop until your screaming my name.”

“Make me cum Alpha. I want to feel you inside me.”

I let out a growl at her challenge and reached down and ripped her panties off her body. I ran my hand along her slit feeling her wetness. She was so wet it was dripping out of her and her arousal was all I could smell now. She pushed her hips up trying to get my hand further into her. I obliged her and slipped my finger through her slit and hit her clit and as I moved my finger down to find her hole.

“Oh please touch me. Make me cum.”

I pushed her body up as far as it would go and moved down so my face was between her legs. I wasted no time as I couldn't wait to taste her. I separated her folds and brought my mouth to her clit and kissed it before I started to swirl my tongue around it enticing moans out of Alexa.

“Thats it baby moan for me, let me hear your pleasure.” I said into her pussy as I continued to lick her and started to thrust my finger into her hole. She was getting louder with her moans and started to buck her hips. I could feel her starting to contract around my fingers, so I added another finger and added more pressure with my tongue and that is when she let go and came all over my face.

“OOHHHHH goddess YES!” she screamed out. I kissed wet trails up her body and stopped to undo her bra and took her nipple in my mouth and started sucking on it hard and bit down on it a little bit causing her to moan a little. I grabbed her other nipple with my thumb and forefinger and started to roll it and bit harder on her other one. The more pressure I applied to them the more she moaned.

“Alpha, please I need to feel you inside me. I need you to fuck me now.”

“Someone is impatient.”

“Ya well I want you now. Either you do it or I will.” I stopped what I was doing and cocked an eyebrow at her.

She used both hands and pushed me up until I was sitting down. She reached down and pulled my pants down until my hard cock sprang free. A drop of precum sat on of the head and she reached down and wiped it up with her finger and then sucked it off her finger.

“MMMMM, I like that, but it will have to wait until later, I need to feel you in me now.”

This girl was going to be the death of me. Everything she did was sexy, and I was ready to explode by just her touch. She finally straddled me and lined herself up with me and slowly moved all the way down until she was sitting on the base of my cock.

She leaned in and whispered “Alpha your cock feels so good, I want to cum all around it and I want to feel you cum in me. I want to feel your cum leaking down my thighs on the drive home.”

She started to move up and down. Her tits were bouncing in my face and her words had me on edge. I wanted her to cum with me and I knew it wouldn't take me very long at all, so I reached down started to rub her clit while she bounced up and down on me.

“Yes, Alpha don't stop.”

“You better hurry because I am going to cum.”

She picked up her pace and started moaning loudly. I could feel her walls starting to contract around me and I started to thrust my hips up to meet her and as soon as her orgasm hit her mine did too. We both screamed out in pleasure at the same time.

She stopped moving and laid her head on my shoulder and we both sat there catching our breath.

“Baby, that was amazing. I really didn't plan on doing that tonight. I wanted to take my time with you.” I told her.

“Me too, but I am a very sexual person and once you challenged me, I couldn't stop myself.”

“Baby you can do that to me anytime you want.”

“Trust me I will.”

She crawled off my lap and we just sat there holding each other for a while. It felt like we had turned a corner and we could make it work.

“We should get back. It's late and you have an early morning.”

“I know but it feels nice to be here with you. Thank you for tonight. It was the perfect first date, but I expect more dates. They just don't have to be so fancy.”

“We will have lots of dates don't worry.” I told her as I kissed the top of her head.

We both got dressed and got back in the front of the SUV. This time she sat in the passenger seat, but I didn't like it, I wanted her right beside me. I wanted her beside me for the rest of my life.

I started the car and headed back down the road to the main road. We were really only about a mile off the main road. It didn't take but just a few minutes to get back on the main road and headed back to the pack house.

“Baby come here; I like it better when you sat in the middle beside me.” She was quick to take her seat belt off and scoot over to the middle. She tucked her legs up under her and wrapped her hand around my arm and slid it down until she was holding my hand and then laid her head on my shoulder.

“This is perfect baby, you are perfect.”

I looked up from her just in time to see a large truck headed our way. They were driving on the wrong side of the road and were barreling straight towards us. I started honking my horn trying to get them to move but they weren't moving and were going to hit us. I served to the other side and so did they. They acted as if they wanted to hit us.

“Alexa, buckle up.” I told her.

I didn't know if we were close enough to the pack house to get a mind link to Mac, but I would try.

“Mac, someone is trying to hit us, head towards town on the highway. I don't know what is going to happen.”

“WHAT?? I am on my way.” He linked back. At least he got it because the second his link was cut the car served over so it was right in front of us, and I couldn't stop in time from hitting them.

I remember a loud band and Alexa screaming and then nothing. I woke up in the back of a van with my hands tied behind my back and my ankles tied together.

“Who the fuck are you?” I yelled at the people in the front.

I got no response. I tried to reach out to Grey but got nothing. I knew I had silver around me as I could feel it burning my skin. This would keep it so I couldn't reach my wolf and it would keep me from healing.

“Who the fuck are you?” I screamed out again.

I heard someone up front laugh and then they turned in their seat and slammed a needle into my neck and everything quickly went black.

Chapter 24

Chapter 25 - Alpha Alexa

Alexa's POV

I was trying to put my seat belt on when the car coming at us hit us. I started screaming and then woke up on the hill side. There was nobody around and it was quiet.

"Jade you there?" I linked my wolf.

"Yes, but we need to get help. You need to mind link Julian."

I stood up and fell right back down and that's when I felt burning pain through my leg. I looked down and saw my leg bone sticking out.

"Julian, we need help. We wrecked please can you hear me?" I linked him.

I was met with silence.

"Julian please." I tried again.

I still got nothing, so I started to crawl down the hill dragging my leg with me. It hurt so bad that I was seeing stars, but I had to get help and find Colter.

I started yelling for him but again nobody answered me.

I kept yelling for him and for help. I was finally down to the road and couldn't go any further. I was afraid if I went onto the road I would be ran over. I lay there just screaming but my voice was becoming weak.

I finally heard a car pull up and Mac jumped out of the car along with Julian and Luca.

"Help" I screamed out, but my voice was so weak you could barely hear it.

"Julian, I'm on the side of the road behind the car. I can't walk." I mind linked him.

I saw him turn and start scanning the area. I tried to yell out but again it was just a squeak. He finally saw me and came running over.

"Baby, what happened?" he said as he kneeled down beside me.

"I don't know." I mind linked him.

He reached down and started to pick me up but the second he started to lift me I screamed out. He stopped and removed his hands.

"I'm sorry it's going to hurt but let me get the car closer."

"Where Colter?" I linked him.

"We're not sure. Mac and Luca are looking."

"Go help them. You have to find him."

"No, you need medical help first."

"I won't leave without him."

"We will find him but let us help you first."

I had started crying in fear that he was gone forever. Luca and Mac came over and started talking with Julian.

"Alexa, we're going to pick you up and move you to the car. Scream all you want because it's going to hurt, and we can't stop it."

I braced myself because I knew it was going to hurt. Julian leaned down again and wrapped his arms around me and started to lift and someone grabbed my leg and held it, so it didn't flop around.

I was screaming and crying and started to see stars because the pain was so bad. It didn't take them long to get me to the car and lay me in the back and Julian got in with me.

"You're going to be fine. We will take you to the pack hospital and they will fix you up." He said as he stroked my hair trying to give me comfort.

"Please go find him. I can't lose another mate. I need him." I sobbed out. It was muffled and barely a whisper, but he heard me.

Someone took off driving the car and I just laid there crying. I can't lose him.

"Jade, where is he?"

"I don't know. He's not dead we would have felt it. We will get him back."

We made it to the pack hospital and people were rushing to the car and asking me questions, but I was numb to everything by now. I didn't care.

They got me inside and cut my dress off me and started hooking up all sorts of machines and asking me questions, but I didn't answer. Julian got down in my face talking to me.

"Alexa, you need surgery now. They are going to take you back. I will be here when you wake up." He said.

"Just go find him." I said and closed my eyes. They must have given me something because I was so sleepy and couldn't keep my eyes open.

I could hear people talking around me, but I couldn't hear Colter or smell him. I wasn't ready to talk to them yet. So, I kept my eyes closed and linked Jade.

"Jade, have they found him."

"No, they haven't but there looking."

"How long has it been?"

"I'm not sure. They gave us powerful drugs I've only been awake for an hour."

I started crying again and Julian came to my bed.

"Alexa, what is it? Are you in pain?" He asked me.

I just shook my head no and kept crying.

"We will find him I promise." He said knowing why I was crying.

I grabbed his arm and pulled him down to me and snuggled him. I just needed to be held.

Everyone thinks of me as this strong girl who doesn't break but this has broken me.

Everyone else left the room and we just laid on my bed for a while. He finally got up and left the room but quickly came back with some water for me.

I drank it down as fast as I could. It felt so good on my throat. It was so raw from screaming yesterday. I handed him the glass back and sat the bed up. I groaned out in pain. My whole body hurt.

"Tell me what you know." I told him.

"Not a lot. The driver of the truck died. The truck was stolen so there is no lead there. I have Christina in the dungeon as she has planted bugs throughout the house, and she has been working with your dad."

"That has to be who has him." I said.

"I think so too. We have a group of scouts Colters pack scoping it out."

I started to get out of bed trying to ignore the pain.

"Where are you going?" Julian asked.

"To find him."

"You are going to nowhere, now lay back down."

"If this was him here, would you stop him?" I asked.

"Yes, I would. Now lay down we are doing everything we can."

I laid back down because it really did hurt. It wasn't long before the doctor walked in.

"Hello Alexa, I'm doctor Rene. I patched you up last night."

"Thank you, when can I leave."

"Well, your leg was broken pretty badly so it's going to be at least a week until it's healed. I would like to keep you for three days at least. You also have some broken ribs and a lot of bruising."

"Look I will settle for tomorrow and then I will be out of here so whatever needs done needs to be by then."

"Let's see how you feel, and we will go from there."

"Ya that's not negotiable." I told her.

She ignored me and came over and checked my injuries.

"I will be back later to recheck your wounds. They were dirty from the wreck. I don't want you to get an infection." She finally left. I wasn't a fan of hers.

"Julian, where is Mac? I need to talk to him."

"He went back to his pack. To head up the search party."

"Ok, I have a phone in my nightstand in my room. I need it please."

"Ok I will go get it and if you try to move, I will have you medicated until you're healed." He said. I knew he was joking but I didn't like it right now.

"Jade, can you heal me faster?" I asked her.

"I'm working as hard as I can, but you had some pretty big injuries."

"I don't care!"

"You need to chill. We will find him."

"I can't. I literally feel like part of me is missing."

"It is. Since you mated you accepted the bond, and he is missing so is part of you. He is the other half of your soul."

"I feel it. We will do whatever we have to get him back."

Julian finally walked back in holding my phone. He walked over and handed it to me, and I turned it on, and it started going off with text messages.

They were all from Sloane and all asked me to call her ASAP.

I pulled her number up and called her.

"Lex, where are you? I have been trying to get a hold of you all day." She said not bothering to even say hello.

"We got in a car accident, what is going on?" I asked her.

"Your dad he has lost his damn mind. Wait, you got in a car accident? Are you ok?"

"Nothing I won't heal from. What is my dad doing"

"He has Liam in the dungeon and wants to kill him. He is accusing everyone of hiding you. So many people are locked up right now. I am afraid to leave my room."

"I will be there as soon as I can." I said as I heard banging in the background on the phone.

"Lex, I have to open the door. I am going to put the phone down but don't hang up please."

"OK." I said.

"Who are you talking to?" I heard my father yell at her.

"I was thinking out loud."

"Don't lie to me. I know you know where my daughter is and if you don't tell me I will kill you." He yelled and then I heard Sloane scream and a thud.

I had tears running down my face listening to this and not being able to do anything about it. I sat there listening, being completely helpless.

"Hello, who is this?" my dad said into the phone. He had found her phone and picked it up.

"Dad, leave her alone. It's me you want and it's me you will get." I told him.

"Where in the fuck are you? You cost me a million dollars and you will pay for that." He said his voice dripping with hate.

"I will be there in five days' time. If there is so much as a head hurt on her head, I will kill you."

"Ya, well how about if I hurt your mate then, I thought when I sold you to him you would live a miserable life but jokes on me because I found out that he is your mate. Trust me when I say he will not be alive in five days if you are not here before that."

"Leave him alone. He has nothing to do with this." I screamed.

"He has everything to do with this. He stole you and didn't pay up. He will not have you and I will have his money when this is done."

"Leave him alone. I will trade places with him." I pleaded with him.

He just laughed and sounded like a lunatic.

"Dad, listen to me. You don't want to do this."

"I do want to do this. His mom and your mom have ruined everything. I give you three days to show your face at my pack alone or he dies. He may die anyway I don't know how many beatings he can handle but we're going to find out."

The line went dead. He hung up on me.

"Julian, you have to do something, I have to get here now." I said as I tried to get out of bed.

"Alexa, sit down. You cannot get out of bed right now. We will get him back and take care of your father."

"No, I have to go, he is going to kill him and if dies I will die." I screamed at him.

"No lay down. You need to heal a little more. Trust me, I know Colter and he is strong he will be ok."

I was breathing hard and having a hard time catching my breath and my chest felt tight. I tried to suck in as much air as I could, but it felt like I was getting nothing.

"Jade, what's wrong? What's going on?" I asked her.

"You're having a panic attack; you need to calm down."

I couldn't calm down. Julian was talking to me, but his voice sounded like I was underwater. I continued to gasp for air when people started coming into my room all shouting at me, but I couldn't answer them. Someone must have given me something because I was suddenly able to get some air. I could breathe easier, but I was so tired.

"Alexa, you're OK, you had a panic attack, we gave you something to calm you down. You're going to sleep for a while, you need the rest." The doctor said.

"I can't sleep I need to find Colter." I mumbled out. I was fighting sleep with everything I had but I was failing because blackness took over.

Chapter 25

Chapter 26 - Alpha Alexa

Colter's POV

I woke up in a dungeon cell. I am not entirely sure where I am or what has happened to Alexa. Goddess, I hoped that she was ok, I hoped that whoever took me wanted nothing to do with her. It's the only thing keeping me sane right now. I still had my hands and feet bound together with silver. It was keeping me from reaching my wolf or healing. I had no clue how long I had been down here either. They gave me wolfsbane which also prevents me from healing and from reaching my wolf.

I heard the door open, and someone came down the stairs. It sounded like two people. They came and stopped in front of my cell.

"Hey mutt, get up." one of them said.

"How do you expect me to do that? My hands and feet are shackled up." I spat back at them.

One of them grabbed some keys off the wall and opened my door and they both walked in and yanked me up to my feet. I groaned out in pain. I am pretty sure I have some cracked ribs from the wreck, and they haven't healed yet.

"Where am I and what do you guys want?" I spat at them.

"You will soon find out."

"Seriously guys, you help me out and I will help you out."

"Ya were not going to fall for that."

They dragged me into another room. It was a torture room. I had one at home also. Most packs did. I didn't know who had me but I had a feeling that it was Robert. I knew he was pissed about everything and that I didn't follow through on our alliance.

They threw me down in a chair and secured my ankles to it and walked out of the room. I started to try and get my hands untied. I don't know what they used to tie me up, but it was good shit. I couldn't get it to budge at all. I continued trying when Robert walked in.

“Well, it seems you have found yourself in quite the predicament mutt.”

“What do you want?” I spat at him full of disgust for this man.

“Well, we had an alliance, and you broke it. So now I am going to collect.”

“I didn’t break the alliance, that was you. You didn’t deliver your daughter when you were supposed to.”

“That bitch is no daughter of mine. Why do you think I got rid of her so easily.”

“Excuse me?”

“You heard me, her mother is a whore, and she isn’t mine.”

“What do you want from me?”

“Right now, just the pleasure of knowing that you are hurting and that your mate can’t stop me.”

“You don’t know my mate.”

“OH, but I think I do. She has called me dad her whole life.”

Shit, he knew. I don’t know how but he did. I just hoped that she stayed away because if she came for me, he would kill her. He wasted no time in inflicting his pain. He had a whip in his hand and started to hit me with it. I just closed my eyes and endured it. I wasn’t going to give the satisfaction of him seeing me in pain. I wouldn’t show it no matter what.

By the time he was done with me I was in excruciating pain and completely bloody. He went and dropped the whip on the table and walked up to me and grabbed my face, so I had to look at him.

“Neither of you will leave this alive, mark my words.”

I looked up at his disgusting face and spit a mouth full of blood into his face. He turned red with anger and cocked his fist back hit me in the face and it was lights out for me.

I woke up some time later still in pain and still tied to the chair. I could hear a girl screaming outside the door and a man telling her to shut the fuck up. Her screams were getting quieter and quieter until I couldn’t hear them anymore. Someone came stomping up to my door and flung it open.

“Your next mutt.”

He came and untied my feet and yanked me to my feet. I stumbled a little when I was too my feet, I was weak from the wreck and the beating and the fact that they had silver on me, and I couldn’t heal. He led me to a cell and opened the door.

“If you try anything I will kill you, do you understand me?”

“Yes.”

He reached behind me and untied my hands and shoved me into the cells. I rubbed my wrist and stretched my arms. It felt nice. The most relief I have had since the wreck.

“Hey how long have I been here?”

He didn't answer, just walked away.

“Alpha Colter is that you?” Someone asked me.

“Who are you?” I asked back.

“Beta Liam.”

“Why are you down here.”

“Because the old Alpha is psycho. My mate is down here also. I have to get her out. She is pregnant. She just found out.”

“Right now, I can't do much, besides the beating that I took today, and the wreck I am guessing it was yesterday, and they wolfsbane and the silver on me I am weak and not healing and can't reach my wolf.”

“Fuck this keeps getting worse. Your mate knows where you are, and she is coming.”

“No, she can't, he is going to kill her.”

“I know. Our only hope is that he sends someone down that is still willing to help us.”

I hobbled to the little bed in the corner and laid on it. If anything would help it would be food and sleep and my guess, is I am not getting any food. So, sleep it was.

I don't know how long I have been asleep, but someone opened my cell door and threw something on the floor. I looked up to see a tray with some food on it. I got up off my bed and my entire body was screaming at me in pain. I got to the tray, and it had a piece of bread, an apple and some water. It wasn't much but it was better than nothing. I inspected the food as best as I could without my wolf senses, and it seemed ok.

“Liam you there?”

“Yes, I am here.”

“Is the food ok to eat?”

“Yes, well ours is.”

I decided to eat it because I was starving and willing to risk it. I inhaled the piece of bread and drank half the water and put it to the side to save for later. I don't know when I will get more. I wanted to eat my apple but thought maybe I should save it, so I put it to the side with the apple. I went and laid back down and filled my mind with thoughts of Alexa.

Our date was perfect. It had started off a little rough, but it got better. The more I was honest with her the more she loosened up and talked to me. After dinner was my favorite. Her confidence in herself was the sexiest thing ever. The way she owned what she wanted and wasn't afraid to tell me so and to challenge me.

I heard the door open again and someone walked towards my cell. I just laid there waiting for them to come back in my cell.

"Get up" someone yelled at me.

I just turned my head and looked at him. He wasn't a big guy. I could take him and if I could get the keys I could free Liam and his mate and we could escape but I don't know anything about the pack. If it was my pack, I would have multiple guards and you would be dead before you got twenty feet out of the dungeon if you even made it out.

He opened my door and came at me and grabbed my arm trying to drag me up, but I wasn't in the mood. I didn't want to go with them or really move at all. I just turned my head and looked at the ceiling.

"I said get up." He growled at me.

"No, I'm good." I said back.

"Either you get up and follow me or I was instructed to take you by force."

"Good luck with that."

He reached into his back pocket and pulled something out and while he was distracted with whatever he was getting I swung my feet off my bed and swept them across his feet causing him to fall to the ground. I was up and on him in an instant. I had to try and get out of here.

"Get off me." He yelled.

I wrapped my hands around his neck and started to squeeze with everything I had. I didn't want to kill him but rendering him unconscious was my goal. It didn't take long, and he was out. I grabbed whatever he had in his hand to see what it was, and it was a fucking taser. He was going to tase me. I put it in my back pocket and dug around for some keys in his pocket. I finally found them and hobbled out of my cell.

"Liam, what cell are you in?" I yelled out.

"Just a few down from you."

I walked down each cell and they all had people in them, but I didn't know them and didn't want to let them out if they were bad people. I found him and handed him the keys. He quickly dug through them to find the right one to get his cell door opened.

"Here man, use this one." He said as he handed the keys back out to me.

I unlocked the door, and he ran out and grabbed the keys from me and went to his mate letting her out as well. They were holding each other, and she was crying.

"Guys, we don't have a lot of time. We have to get out of here." I told them.

Liam came back over to where I was and bent down and undid the shackles around my ankles. I stretched my legs out and rubbed the raw skin around them. It felt so good to be free.

"Where do we go from here?" I asked them.

"There is a back door that isn't guarded because it's hidden. However, I know they were talking about putting a lock on it, so I don't know if we are able to get out of it, but we have to try."

He grabbed his mate's hand, and they started running towards the back and I followed as quickly as I could, but I am slow because I haven't been able to heal. They slowed down and waited for me.

'Sorry man, but we need to hurry." Liam said.

"I know, I am going as fast as I can. How long have I been down here?"

"I think three or four days."

We got to the back door and found that it was locked.

"Alpha Colter, do you think you can help me try and break this door down."

I shook my head at him, and we both stepped back and ran towards the door, and it flung it open easily, and we both tumbled to the ground. I rolled on the ground moaning in pain, but Liam's mate was right behind us.

"Guys get up, we have company."

I looked up and saw people running towards us. I was assuming his patrol.

"Laim, do you know them?"

"Yes, they Alpha Roberts little minions. They will do whatever he says. We need to run." He says.

"Can we beat them in a fight?"

"Not with the shape that you are in?"

We all took off running but I knew I was slow and couldn't outrun them because of my injuries.

"You guys go, I can't outrun them." I told them.

"No, we're not leaving you. You are Alexa's mate, aren't you?"

"Yes, you know here."

"That's for another day but she would kill me if I left you, so we better get ready to fight."

We all stopped and waited for them to come to us. We were going to try and conserve as much energy as possible, if we were going to fight them. It looked like there were ten of them. They quickly made it to us.

"How the hell did you guys get out?" One of them questioned.

"Because your security people down their suck." I spat at him.

He lunged at me, but I easily sidestep him. He got back up and came at me again. He was predictable, he jumped up and cocked his fist back aiming it at my face. I brought my fist back like I was going to punch him but as he came down, I jumped up and linked my arm through his and slammed him down on the ground and jumped on him and snapped his neck as quickly as possible. This was the beginning of the end. All hell broke loose at that point. People came running out of the pack house and the others surrounding us started attacking.

"You two run." I yelled out but they ignored me and kept fighting.

Two men came running at me and I cocked my fist back and let one of them have it but the other one jumped on me and wrapped his hand around my neck and started to squeeze. I tried to get him off me but someone else came up behind me and swept my feet out from under me and I hit the ground.

"Shackle them all and take them back to the dungeon." Someone boomed out.

I looked up to see Robert standing there.

"Let her go. The rest of us will go with you." Liam said pleading with him.

"No, she is a traitor and will be put to death soon. In fact, I might start with her and make you watch Liam."

I tried to throw the people off me that were holding me down, but it was no use they had three of them holding me down, but I wouldn't let them do this. I kept trying to fight them off and so did Liam. I had managed to get an arm free which allowed me to hit the other guy who fell to the ground, I was trying to get the one behind me off when I heard a gunshot go off. It took me three seconds to register that I was the one who had been shot.

I crumpled to the ground with white hot pain in my abdomen. I had blood quickly pooling out of me and creating a puddle on the ground. Everyone around us had stopped fighting and were all staring at me.

"Leave him, he will die soon, and we don't need to be bothered with cleaning anything up." Robert said as he walked off.

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Alexa's POV

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I threw the covers off me and got out of bed. I was sore still, but I could manage. I got out of bed and hobbled to the bathroom. This cast is going to have to come off. I washed my face and found a toothbrush and hairbrush and cleaned up.

"Luca, will you bring me clothes." I mind linked him.

"Can you leave?" He replied back.

"Yes, I am leaving."

"I will be there shortly."

I hung out in the bathroom and so I didn't wake up Julian. I didn't want to hear him right now. He would try to talk me out of it, but nothing would stop me. I heard the door to my room open and Luca walked in. I put my finger to my lips and gave him the quiet signal. He walked over to me and handed me my clothes.

"I thought you said you were being released."

"No, I said I was leaving. I have to find Colter."

"This is a bad idea."

"I don't care, are you going to help me, or do I have to do it by myself?"

"Of course, I will help but Julian is going to kill us."

"He will get over it."

I took the clothes and shut the door softly. I took the tape off around my IV and then pulled it out and grabbed a washcloth to wipe up the blood that trickled out. I pulled the hospital gown off and gingerly put my clothes on. I had bruises everywhere and was still sore. Once I was dressed, I walked back out into the room and found that Julian was awake and had a scowl on his face.

"Back in bed now."

"No, I am going to get Colter and you can't stop me. So, either you help me or leave me alone."

"Fine I will help but I am not happy about it." He said.

"Good, now help me get this cast off so I can put on a shoe."

“No leave it on, you need your leg to heal.” Julian said.

“It will be fine; I can’t fight with this on.”

“Fight? Who said you were fighting.”

“You’re wasting time, I need to get to my old pack. You already wasted time when you had them drug me last night.”

“Let’s go to Colters pack and make a plan with Mac. It’s a five-hour drive, you can rest in the back seat.”

I nodded my head and left the room. I had to get this cast off before we headed to my old pack. If anything, I would just shift, and it would be shredded.

“Jade, can you speed up the healing at all?”

“I am trying as hard as I can. Your bruises will be gone by the end of the day, but your leg will take a little longer.”

“Thanks, are you doing, ok? I mean we’re going to have to fight and shift soon. Will you be able to handle it?”

“Just rest as much as you can and eat more, please it helps.”

“On it, and if there is anything else just tell me.”

“Let me concentrate.”

I cut the link so she could work her magic and headed to my room to throw a bag together real fast. I got to the stairs and turned to the boys.

“Be ready in ten minutes. I just need to throw some stuff in a bag.”

I started to go up the stairs, but Julian came up behind me and packed me up the stairs.

“Thank you, that made it much faster and easier.”

“I told you I am always here for you no matter what. Just wait to go down. I will carry you back down.”

“OK.”

I got in my room and grabbed my bag and threw some clothes in there and some toiletries. I grabbed my pillow for the car ride and a small blanket. I promise Jade I would rest and that is

what I am going to do. I walked back out my door and waited for Julian. It didn't take him long and Luca came out of his room at the same time as Julian was coming down the stairs.

"You guys ready?" Julian asked.

"Yes!" I said.

Luca took my stuff and Julian packed me down the stairs again. We made it out to the SUV and piled in. Someone from the kitchen came out with a small cooler and handed it to Julian before he got in.

"Breakfast?" I asked as he got in the car.

"Yes, it's early still and none of us have ate yet."

"Thank goddess, I am starving." I said.

He handed the cooler back to me and I opened it up to find lots of breakfast burritos and drinks and a small bowl of fruit. I grabbed a burrito and dug into one.

"MMM, so good, anyone want one?" I asked.

"Yes, pass those up here." Luca said.

I took a drink out of the cooler and handed it up to Luca. I sat there eating my burrito when it dawned on me that I hadn't talked with Mac about coming to his pack.

"Hey, has anyone talked with Mac?"

"Nope, thought we would surprise him." Luca said.

"Very funny, what is his number, and I will call him."

Luca rattled off his number and I typed it in the phone and hit the dial button. It started ringing.

"WHAT?" He growled into the phone.

"Beta Mac, it's Alexa."

"Sorry, how are you?"

"I am fine and will be there in about five hours."

"I thought you were in the hospital?"

"I was but I have to get Colter."

“We have to find him first.”

“My father has him. I called my friend there and my father found her phone when she answered the door. He has both my mate and best friend locked in the dungeon. We will move in on them ASAP. Get a team ready.”

“I will start putting something together and get some rooms ready for you.”

“See you soon.”

I hung up the phone and asked for another burrito. They were so good. They had potatoes, bacon, sausage, eggs and cheese in them. I filled my belly with them and closed my eyes. I really was going to try to rest as much as possible so Jade could heal me as much as she could and be ready for a fight tomorrow.

It didn't take long for me to fall asleep, and Luca woke me up when we pulled through their pack gates. I sat up and rubbed the sleep from my eyes and looked around. He had a huge space here. There were cute little houses scattered around and big yards filled with kids' toys and plenty of forest for running. We came to pack house, and it was huge. It was bigger than any I have ever seen. We pulled up front and Mac stepped out the front door, onto a large porch that was wrapped all the way around the front and what looked like one side.

I got out and started to hobble towards Mac, but Julian came and picked me up and took me over there.

"You have to let me walk. I can't let them think I am weak." I told him.

"You need to let your leg heal; we will find you some crutches."

"How about we just take the cast off and then I will be good to go."

"Nice try Luna." Mac said.

"Also don't call me that. Let's go somewhere we can talk and work out a plan."

Mac nodded his head and turned towards the house and went inside and we followed him. I was getting weird looks from people that were in the pack house. I mean I am sure it looked weird that Julian was packing me around, but I didn't care I needed to know what they had come up with because we needed to move in soon. I would prefer it if we already had. We walked into a conference room and Julian put me down in a chair.

"Mac, can you get someone to bring her some crutches. She needs to stay off this leg for as long as possible."

"Sure can, I will have someone bring some in here."

"Can you just tell me what you have come up with, so we can formulate a plan."

"I really don't have one. I just thought we could storm the place and attack and go find him."

"That won't work. My dad will have guards everywhere. He is expecting me so I can get in, but you guys will have to sneak in. Do you have any maps that show their boarders."

"Yes, let me have someone bring those in as well. Anything else you need?"

"Are you mocking me?"

"Nope!" Mac said.

"Sure, seems like it and I don't see that you have come up with any type of plan to get him back." I snapped back at him.

Someone knocked on the door and walked in with a set of crutches for me.

"Please give them to Alexa over there." Mac said, giving me a glare.

She walked over and handed them to me. I just rested them on the table and started at Mac. He is going to piss me off. He has done nothing productive, so I was going to take charge here and if he had a problem with that, he could get over it. I would lead this mission.

"Mac, what do you guys have for warriors?"

"What is that supposed to mean? Are you saying that we don't have good fighters?" He snapped at me.

"You need to chill out, she is just trying to see what we are working with. She doesn't know your pack." Julian snapped back at him.

"Sorry, I'm a little on edge."

"It's fine just tell me about your warriors." I said.

"We have three hundred warriors, and I can have more if we need them." He said.

"How big is your pack?" I asked. If they had that many warriors, they had to have been huge.

"We have about two thousand in our pack, and we have alliances with packs arounds us that we can call in."

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"Do you have a highlighter; I can use to mark on this map. I have a plan."

He walked out of the room and quickly came back and handed me a couple of highlighters to use. I started marking out territories on the map. I circled my old pack and marked out the territories that surrounded it. I know that this pack boarded it but if my dad had any brains he would have that heavily guarded.

"Do you have an alliance with any of these packs surrounding my dad's?" I asked

"Yes, we do with the Red Moon Pack." He said.

"Will they let us enter through their lands?" I asked.

"Probably. I will have to call the Alpha."

"OK, here is my thought, I am going to drive and go to my dad's pack myself and I want half of you to enter through the Red Moon pack and half through this area that doesn't belong to anyone. We can attack from both sides and catch them off guard."

"That's actually a really good idea." Julian said.

"Where did you learn to read a map?" Mac asked.

"I studied hard to get into the Elite Academy. This was something that we had to know how to do."

"I am impressed Alexa." Mac said to me.

"Jade, is this going to work?" I mink linked my wolf.

"It has too. We need to get him back."

After we all agreed on the plan and Mac called the Alpha from Red Moon Pack, we called in warriors to sort out who was going with us and who would stay back. After everything was done and ready, I was ready to go but had to wait until morning, so everyone had time to pack and say goodbye.

Chapter 28

Chapter 29 - Alpha Alexa

Alexa's POV

I got everyone on board with my plan. Mac called the Alpha at Red Moon pack he agreed to help us. He said we could go through his territory and if we needed any warriors, he would provide some of his. We all agreed that we didn't need any.

Half are leaving with Mac tonight to stay at his pack so that they could be in position first thing in the morning. The other half will be heading out early in the morning to get into position. I would take a car and drive it to my dad's pack and plan on being there at nine in the morning. The warriors would move in about ten minutes later. This gave me enough time to at least get into the house.

"Alexa, let me show you to Colter's room. I am guessing that is where you would prefer to stay tonight?" Mac asked.

"That would be great actually."

We got up and I followed him to an elevator. I was so happy that they didn't have stairs that I would have to try to get up tonight. I had to also find a way to get this damn cast off. When the elevator doors closed Mac turned to me and handed me a card.

"What is this?" I asked

"This is how you get into his room and also you will need it to use the elevator."

"Is there anyone else on this floor? Like family I should be concerned about?"

"No, it should just be you. I am the only other one that has access to this floor."

"Thank you." I said.

"Look I am sorry about how I acted earlier; I just want to get him back safely." He said.

"I know me too."

He led me to a door, and I swiped my card, and you could hear the door unlocked. It was like at a hotel. He opened the door for me, and I crutched into the room. It was beautiful. It had a big open living area with a small kitchen and dining area. The walls were bright white with dark grey carpet and navy-blue curtains. There was a large couch and TV above a fireplace. It was cozy.

"His room is that door right there. There is an ensuite and a closet in there. You have my number if you need anything. I will also send up an Omega with dinner."

"Thank you, Mac. Let's get our boy back tomorrow."

He just smiled at me and walked out the door closing it behind him. I walked over to the couch and plopped down. My senses were in overdrive. Everything smelled like him, and it was nice. It calmed me down a little bit.

“Jade, any idea on how we can get this cast off?”

“Let’s get it wet and see if we can peel it off.”

“Good idea.”

I walked to his bedroom and was amazed at how clean it was. I wasn’t sure if he had someone come clean it or if it was because he was a neat freak. It was a simple room but beautiful. It had a king-size bed with a dark wooden bed frame and nightstands on each side. There is a large dresser and TV opposite the bed. There was plenty of space to add more furniture later on. I found the bathroom. It was large with a huge walk-in shower and a tub that would seat four easily. The sink was a double sink and marble counter tops.

I walked up to the shower and tried to figure out how to turn on the hot water. I stepped in and there weren’t any faucets anywhere. I walked back out and found a tablet looking thing. I tapped it with my finger, and it brought up options to turn on the water. I found the temperature I wanted and hit start. I undressed and walked in. I had a shower head above me that had water coming down and some spraying out of the wall that was also hitting me. It felt amazing. I washed and tried to soak my cast as much as I could.

The cast made a huge mess, but I was able to get it off. I was going to have to find a garbage sack and clean it up later. I stepped out of the shower, and I defiantly had pain in my leg, but I would get by. I wrapped myself in a towel and walked out of the bathroom and into his closet. I was going to take one of his shirts to sleep in. I knew it would smell like it him and it made me feel better. I found a shirt and slipped it on and dropped my towel and headed back out to find some underwear.

“Who the hell are you?” Someone screamed at me when I walked into the bedroom.

“Me, who the hell are you?”

“I am Colters girlfriend. I come to his room to sleep when he is gone. You need to leave.” She yelled.

“Ya well, I am his mate so you can leave.” I spat back at her.

“You are not even a member of this pack. You have no right to be here. We are in a bit of a crisis at the moment. So, leave.” She yelled.

I was done messing with her. If she really was his girlfriend, he could deal with her later and if he wanted her than he could have her I will not be the other women and he won’t have a side piece either. I grabbed my phone and called Mac.

“Alexa, is everything ok?”

“No, I need you to come get some dumb girl out of Colters room. She won’t leave and says that she is his girlfriend.” I told him while glaring at her.

“That would be Lauren and she is not his girlfriend; they have slept together before, and she wants to his girlfriend. I will be right there.”

It didn’t take him long to get here. He just barged right in with a pissed off look on his face.

“Lauren, how did you get a key for up here?”

“Colter had it made for me.”

“No, he didn’t. He would have told me and as far I know you guys aren’t together and he slept with you a few times. This is his fated mate. She has the right to be here. You need to leave. If you don’t, I will have you removed and sent to the dungeon.” Mac said.

She turned around and left stomping her feet the entire way and slammed the door when she walked out. I started laughing at her little temper tantrum.

“I am sorry about that. I am not sure how she got access to get up here. I know for a fact that they are not together so don’t let her fool you.” Mac said.

“Thank you for coming so quickly. She wouldn’t leave and I didn’t want to piss anyone off just yet.”

“I am sure she will be pissed regardless. Watch yourself with her. She is physically harmless, but she is going to run her mouth I can promise you that. I am going to go to bed. You should do the same.” He said as he left my room.

He was right, I needed to go to sleep. I went to his bed and crawled in. It was the softest thing I had ever laid on. I closed my eyes inhaling his scent that was infused in his bed and found sleep came pretty easy. When I opened my eyes again, I saw that it was about six thirty am and my alarm was set to go off soon. I got up and got ready for the day. My leg was feeling better but still sore.

“Jade, how is the healing going?”

“It’s good, your leg isn’t fully healed so please be careful with it.”

“I will be as careful as I can. Now let’s go find some breakfast.”

I figured out how to get downstairs and wandered around until I found the dining hall. It was huge. I found Julian sitting there eating by himself. I grabbed a plate and went over. He sent his

group with Luca and decided to hang back with me. I would drop him off about a mile before the gate and he would shift and follow me in case there were any issues.

“Hey Julian, you ready for today. I want to get on the road in like forty-five minutes.” I told him.

He just nodded at me and kept eating. We didn’t say anything throughout breakfast. When I was done, I went back up to Colter’s room to grab a few things and then I would wait for Julian downstairs. I sat downstairs for about thirty minutes when Julian showed.

“You ready?” He asked me.

“Yes, what is your problem? You’ve been really short with me.”

“Nothing, just focused on today.”

We got to the car and took off. I was driving and he wasn’t talking. I was fine with that my mind was racing a million miles a minute. I didn’t know what my father had planned but we were going to get Colter, Liam and Sloane out of there and then deal with taking over the pack later.

It was the quietest drive of my life. Julian didn’t utter a single word the whole time. We got about a mile from the pack house, and I stopped the SUV so he could get out and shift. He opened the door, but I stopped him.

“Julian, wait.” I said.

“What Alexa?”

“I don’t know why you’re so mad with me but thank you for everything. Whatever happens today just know that it means the world to me.”

“I know.” he said as he walked off into the forest to shift.

I pulled the SUV back onto the road and drove to the gates. When I got there, two guards were standing out front. I pulled up to it and rolled my window down.

“Hey Alexa.” One of them said.

“Hi, I am here to see my dad.”

“We know and you can go through.” He said.

They opened the gate all the way and I drove to the pack house. I pulled up out front and my dad was standing on the porch waiting for me. I took a deep breath to steady my nerves and got out of the SUV and walked up to my dad.

“Look who returns, the pack slut. We need to have few words in my office.” My dad said.

“First of all, I am not a slut. I will talk to you, but I want to know that Colter and Sloane are ok first.” I told him. I had Jade losing her shit in my mind. She was pissed that my dad would speak to me this way.

“We will talk first and then you can have them. Maybe.” He said as he walked away.

I knew I wouldn't win that battle, but I had to try. I walked through the pack house, and everyone stared at me like I was some type of criminal. I tried to smile at a few people, but it was no use, they all just gave me dirty looks. I don't know what he has been telling them, but it wasn't good. We made it to the office, and he had guards at the door. This wasn't a good sign. I followed him inside and my brother was in there along with my mother.

“Look who finally showed her face.” My mother said with a voice filled with venom.

“What is the deal, why do you guys want me here?”

My dad came behind me and threw something around my neck. It burned like silver. He tightened it so I could still breathe but couldn't move my neck around.

“What the fuck?” I yelled as I tried to pry it off but couldn't.

“You cost me a million dollars by your little stunt and now you're going to pay for it.”

“I didn't do anything. You killed my mate, and you think that I would stand by and let you sell me to some Alpha.”

“Alexa, really get over your mate. He died two years ago.” My mother spat out.

“Yes, I will never forgive you guys for everything you have done. Now get this off me.” I yelled out.

I could see that my dad was mind linking someone by the look on his face. When his eyes cleared up, he looked at me and he looked lethal.

“Alexa, did you bring warriors with you? Why are we being attacked in two different areas?”

“Did you think that I would walk in here blindly and trust you?”

He stormed off with my brother and left me sitting there with my mother. She was glaring at me as well.

“Mom, why do you guys hate me so much?” I asked her. I really wanted to understand this.

“Really, you haven't figured it out by now. You weren't wanted. I didn't know I was pregnant until it was too late to abort you. He isn't your father. I cheated on your dad and got pregnant with you. He has never let me forget it either.” My mom said glaring at me.

“Mom, I was a child I didn’t have any control over it. Why didn’t you give me up for adoption?”

“Because the pack knew I was pregnant, they were excited for you. I may have not been able to kill you then, but I can now. You’re considered a traitor.” She said as she jumped at me.

She knocked my chair over and started swinging her fist at me, but my mom hadn’t trained a day in her life. I easily dodged her hits and swung back. It didn’t take much to get her off me. I ran to the door. I knew the guard that was standing out there and hoped he would help me. I had to get this damn collar off.

“Eddy, you need to help me. Can you take this off?” I asked him as soon as I got the door to their office closed.

“Alexa, I am not supposed to help you at all.” He said.

“I am sure my father has given out orders but if you take it off me, I will explain everything later.” I told him.

He reached into his pocket and pulled out keys and unlocked the collar on my neck and I could instantly feel Jade back.

“Thank you.” I said as I ran off.

I ran straight to the dungeon. The guards that were usually there weren’t right now. I am sure they have gone to help in the fight. I threw the door open and ran down the stairs. Every cell had someone in it. I found the keys hanging on the wall and each cell I came to I looked to see who it was and when I finally found Liam, he was curled up on the floor not moving.

“Liam, get up. We have to get you out of here.” I yelled at him.

He slowly rolled over and looked at me. He looked like he hadn’t been fed in weeks. He was so skinny, and his eyes were sunk in.

“Alexa, is that you?”

“Yes, now get up.”

He came over to the door as I unlocked it.

“We have to find Sloane. She needs us. She is pregnant.” He said as he started to cry.

I didn’t have time to process what he said. I just started running to each cell looking for her. I couldn’t find her. There was only place left to look and I swear to goddess if my dad had her in the torture room, I will kill him slowly and painfully. I ran there and unlocked the door and found her pinned up by her arms. She was unconscious and had whip marks on her back and bruises covering her body.

“Liam, take her and go to my SUV parked out front. Take it and go to the Full Moon Pack. Tell them that Colter and Mac sent you and that you both need medical care.” I told him as I reached into my pockets and handed him the keys.

“Lex, Colter is outside. They shot him. He is out past the tree line. Head North and you will find him.” I didn’t even look at him, just took off running.

There was fighting going on outside so I snuck around the edge and headed to the tree line to see if I could find him. I called Jade forward to help me with her wolf senses. I was running as fast as I could and kept smelling the air to pick up his scent.

I ran for about fifteen minutes when I finally smelled him. I took off even faster to him. I came to a stop when I saw him lying there completely lifeless in a pool of his own blood.

Chapter 29

Chapter 30 - Alpha Alexa

Colter’s POV

I waited until they were gone to make any noise. I didn’t want them to see me in pain, but I was. Every breath hurts more than the last one. I couldn’t even move without wanting to scream out.

“Grey you, their buddy?”

“Ya, but I’m weak the bullet has silver in it. I am not sure how much because it seems to be taking a while to work but it defiantly has some.”

“What do I need to do?”

“Can you take it out?”

Oh, goddess please be on my side. I don’t know if I can do this, but I had to try. I stuck my fingers in the wound and started screaming. It was so painful that I was barely breathing and seeing black spots. I kept digging until I felt something hard. I grabbed a hold of it and yanked. The pain was so intense that I blacked out.

“Colter, baby wake up. Please wake up. I need you to open your eyes for me.”

I could hear her, but I couldn’t get my eyes to open or say anything. I still hurt so bad that I couldn’t move. I could hear her start to cry. She laid across my chest crying, I instantly felt

sparks wherever she was touching. It brought a new strength to me. I tried so hard to open my eyes but couldn't. She started to stroke my face as she continued to just lay on me crying.

"Has he been awake?" I could hear Julian ask.

"No, he is still breathing but won't open his eyes or talk to me." Alexa said.

"OK, let's get him to the hospital." Julian said.

I don't know who was all here, but I was being lifted up and moved. I felt myself being laid down on a bed. People were talking all around me. Mac was answering a lot of questions.

"Colter, baby I will be here when you get out of surgery. Please stay strong, I need you. Jade needs you and your pack needs you." Alexa said as she leaned down and kissed my cheek.

My mind was getting fuzzy. They must have given me something to go to sleep. I didn't fight it and just gave into the blackness.

I started to hear a steady beeping noise. It was annoying as fuck. Someone needed to turn it off. I tried to open my eyes, but I still couldn't. I could feel the sparks in my hand where Alexa must have been holding it. It always made me feel good when I felt it. It made it a little less scary. I can't understand why I can't make my eyes open.

"Grey, you there?" I mind linked my wolf.

"Yes, and you need to wake up. So much has happened."

"How long have I been asleep?"

"A week.

"What the hell? A full week?"

"Yes, I have been trying to get you to wake up, but you wouldn't budge. Alexa hasn't left our side at all. She needs to rest, and she will only do that once she knows your OK."

"I am trying but I can't open my eyes or move any part of my body. How do I wake myself off?"

"I don't know just open them."

I stopped talking to him because he wasn't helping me any.

"Baby, I will be right back, I am just running to the bathroom." Alexa said as she kissed my cheek.

I could hear her walk away and I wanted nothing more than to open my eyes. I took some deep breaths and tried really hard to move my hands, but it didn't work. I groaned in my head in frustration because I certainly couldn't do it out loud.

Someone opened the door and walked in while Alexa was in the bathroom. I am guessing it was Mac by the smell. Alexa opened the bathroom door and walked out.

"Any change today?" Mac asked

"No, nothing. The doctor said the test they ran yesterday didn't show anything wrong. They don't know why he isn't waking up. He is breathing on his own and had complete brain function so there is no explanation for all of this." Alexa said.

"So weird. He will wake up I know it. Why don't you go back to the pack house and shower and get a nap and I will stay here with him."

"Thanks, but I am not leaving him."

"I figured you would say that. Go shower in there, here is a bag of clothes." Mac said.

"Thank you."

I could hear her walk away and a door shut.

"Colt, man I don't know what is going on, but you have to wake up. Things are not the same without you and frankly I am tired of doing your job. I hate doing paperwork."

That asshole would say that. He was never one to do paperwork. He always bitches about it whenever he has had to do it. I heard the door open again and someone walk in.

"Hello Doctor. Anything new today?" Mac asked.

"Not really but I was talking with another doctor, and they remember a case like this a long time ago and there was something that woke them up."

"What is that?"

"Let's wait for Alexa and I will tell you both at the same time."

How is this happening? I don't understand why this is happening. Goddess I am so angry right now and I can't do anything which just pisses me off even more. I finally heard Alexa open the bathroom door and her scent was increased with the steam that came out of the bathroom. It eased my frustration.

"Hey doctor, what is going on? You already did your daily check up on Colter, I wasn't expecting you again. Wait do you know how to wake him up?"

“Well, I was talking with another doctor who remembered a case similar to this one and they were able to wake her up when her mate marked her.”

“I can’t mark him against his will. I won’t do it, so you better find another way.” Alexa yelled.

She can mark me right now. I want her too. I was ready to mark her when I first laid eyes on her, shit I almost did. Please Alexa just do it I promise I won’t be mad. I thought to myself.

“Grey, can you reach Jade?” I linked my wolf.

“No were not marked.”

“Alexa, are you sure about that? I know for a fact that he wouldn’t be mad.” Mac said.

Yes, Alexa listen to Mac. He knows what he is talking about. I was so tired of talking to myself and Grey. I just wanted to see her beautiful face.

“No, I am sorry. He almost forced his mark on me, but I was able to stop him and right now he has no choice, and I won’t take that away from him.”

“I understand Alexa but please think about it because his body is going to waste away laying here and we can only provide him with so much nutrients but him and his wolf will slowly start to die.” The doctor explained.

I could hear her start crying and she came over and laid down beside me and laid her head on my chest. I just wanted to wrap my arms around her and comfort her. Everyone left the room but her and she stayed on my bed with me. I could feel her breathing slowly even out and I am guessing she was asleep.

“Moon goddess if you can hear me, please let me open my eyes. This is torture. You gave me a mate and now you’re slowly taking me away from her. Please don’t do this. Give me the strength to open my eyes.” I prayed to the moon goddess; I didn’t know what else to do.

I shut my mind off and fell asleep. I was walking around in blackness. This was new, I could always sense light when I was awake but not awake. I don’t feel the tingles from Alexa anymore, in fact I don’t feel anything anymore. Oh, goddess did I die. I must have died. Suddenly there was a bright flash of light and a woman was literally floating towards me. She was beautiful, ethereal even. She wore a long white dress with golden hair and bright green eyes. I didn’t move, I was rooted in my spot in utter shock. I think I am looking at the moon goddess.

“Hello my child.”

“Moon goddess is that you?”

“Yes. My child and you called me here, how can I help you?”

"I can't open my eyes; I can't move ever since I got shot. Am I dead or am I dying?"

"Not yet, you are stuck in between worlds. You either have to let go of Alexa and be with your parents or you need to let go of your parents and be with Alexa."

"How do I do that; I love them both."

"You can continue to love them both, but you harbor hate in life because of your parent's death and some of that hate still extends to Alexa. If you chose her, you could have an amazing life together."

"So, once I chose, I will be able to wake up."

"Yes, my child, but remember the heart will always know if you're lying."

"Thank you, mood goddess."

There was another bright light, and she was gone, and I was left alone. I could feel the sparks in my hand and knew that Alexa was holding it. She had gotten off the bed and moved to a chair.

"Colter, I don't know if you can hear me, but we are going to move you back to your pack. It's time to go home. I will be with you the whole time. Please don't make me mark you because everyone is telling me to do it all ready. I can't force that on you, but I also won't survive losing another mate. I need you." She leaned down and kissed me after she said this. I could feel the wetness on her face, she was crying again.

I heard people come into the room and she stepped back. I could hear them doing a bunch of stuff around me and then suddenly they lifted me up and put me on another bed and I could feel them moving me. They had made it outside I could feel the outside air hitting me and it felt amazing. The warm sunshine kisses my skin and warms me up, not that I was cold, but it felt amazing.

I knew I wanted Alexa but letting go of my parents was hard. My goal since their death when I was thirteen was to kill the family involved for killing them. When I got the deal to get Alexa, I never intended on killing her, but I was going to make her miserable and then she was my mate. What a cruel world to make me give up the one thing I wanted and that was to kill Alpha Robert. I had to let that go but couldn't just yet.

I felt the sparks start up in my hand and knew that Alexa was with me again. She really hasn't left my side.

"Colter baby, were on our way back to your pack now. Mac said everyone is excited for you to be home even if you're not awake. I met a few people from there before I found you. Also, I met Lauren."

She let out a laugh when she said that, and I can only imagine what Lauren did when she learned about her. She always thought she was my girlfriend, but I never really stopped it. Great another fire that needed put out.

"She snuck into your room while I was staying in there. I had to call Mac to make her leave. She is a real peach. I also slept in your bed. Your scent helped calm me and I may have stolen your shirt and slept in it."

She got quiet after that, and it was a peaceful drive back to my pack. They pulled up somewhere. I don't know if they are putting me in my bed or back in the hospital. I was pulled out of the vehicle I was in, and the sunshine was hitting me again. I wish I could tell them to let me sit in the sunshine for a while, but I couldn't yet. I really had to decide what to do. I know deep down what I want but it was hard for me to let go.