

Chapter 0019

The crack, crack, crack of bullets sounded as the people in the car started firing off rounds. Judging from the men that attacked me, I think it was safe to assume they were using silver plated bullets.

As they rounded the corner, barreling onto the street, Alpha Caius was flung off the hood. He hit the pavement just as a bolt of lightning split the sky, followed by a vicious roar of thunder.

"Shit, fuck!" He bellowed, his chest heaving. Blood trickled from his nose and from a gash across his forehead. Eyes burning like molten gold turned my way, "I thought I told you to stay the fuck inside."

I ignored him because I'd spotted something better. A street bike sat a few feet away, it's driver gawking at Caius.

"Take care of those two." I shouted at him.

Time froze as I reached the driver and jumped onto the running bike. The BMW's engine purred beneath me, creating a heady song that sent adrenaline trickling through my veins.

I released my magic and squeezed the clutch lever, pressing down on the gear shift. With just a little bit of gas I shot out onto the street, the exhaust crackling behind me.

Alpha Caius's bellow was lost to the wind.

My hair whipped out behind me in a sheet of gold. Lightning continued to arc it's way across the sky, followed by blasts of thunder that sounded an awful lot like Caius's growls.

I caught up to the car within minutes. Freezing time as I reached red lights, I was able to glide the bike around cars and pedestrians with ease.

The guys in the car slammed on the gas when they noticed me, shooting out of the city like a falling star. A grin played across my lips as we finally hit winding backroads. I shifted gears and twisted the throttle, quickly gaining on them.

We hit a sharp turn, and I ducked low, keeping my body close to the bike.

The growl of an engine was approaching me from behind. My stomach bottomed out when I spotted an SUV. It wasn't the vehicle that gave me pause, rather Alpha Caius was at the helm of it, and he looked pissed.

The clouds above us were growing darker now, so dark that it almost felt like night time. Lightning crashed and crashed, raising the hairs along my arms. Finally, it slammed into the car up ahead.

"Oh, shit!" Ziva exclaimed.

The windows shattered and the car spun out. Fire poured from the engine bay, followed by thick plumes of smoke. As the men inside began to panic, shots started firing off.

Alpha Caius swerved the SUV into the lane to the right of me and kicked open his door. Before I could freeze time to keep from barreling into the out-of-control car, he leapt from the SUV and slammed into me, completely knocking me from the bike.

The force of him sent us both flying off the road, rattling my teeth

and skull. His body seemed to curve around my own as we tumbled through the forest and down a hill.

Sharp barbs of pain lanced me as branches and stone nicked my flesh. It was followed by a burst of freezing cold when we landed in a small embankment.

I landed on Caius's chest with a groan. The world around me spun like a fucking merry-go-round, and my head ached as though my brains had been pulled out through my nose.

Stumbling to my feet, I held onto a nearby tree until the world righted itself. By that point Alpha Caius had climbed to his feet. His dress shirt was shredded, soaked, and covered in blood, and his hair was plastered to the side of his head.

I lunged at him, punching him in the chest. "What the absolute fuck was that? Who tackles a person from a moving bike? I had it handled you sexist brute!"

"Enough with the petty name calling!" He snarled, "I was merely trying to protect you since you chose to disobey me and put yourself in fucking danger. How did you even learn how to ride a bike like that?"

I jabbed my finger at him, "Do you think I only stick to stealing cars? You know what, it doesn't even matter. The only person you need to protect is yourself because I am going to kick your ass."

Alpha Caius went still. The tension was still there within his body, as was the absolute fury burning its way through his eyes. I paused as well, confused as fuck by his sudden shift.

He cleared his throat, "Your tit is out." 2



I looked down. Sure enough, it was. Then again half of my dress was in shredded tatters, so who could blame me for a little nip slip?

"Tit?" I scoffed, "You even sound like a barbarian." 1

Alpha Caius must've mind-linked his brothers because when we hiked out of the embankment and up to the road, they were waiting there in a flashy sports car.

"One day of dating and I already can't stand you."

"Likewise." He snarled.

Knight peered at us with wide eyes through the driver side window. Even Damon, who was emotionless on the best of days, had shock written across his face. The two of them looked us up and down, but it was Knight that broke the silence.

"What the fuck happened to you two?"

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