

Chapter 3: A Friend?

Penelope's P.O.V

Walking into the forest going to my cabin, I look around the nature that was surrounding me. Trees were tall, scattered everywhere, bushes in some odd places here and there, the leaves on the trees began falling, though really little. August was about to end, September beginning.

Sticks on the forest floor, I picked one up and examined it. There was a ladybug on it. I put my finger near the ladybug and slowly, it went on my finger.

I played with the ladybug a little longer until I set it back on the forest floor, and walked towards the cabin.

I heard some shu ling, and became scared. I never encountered anyone while walking in the forest. I began walking fast, then breaking out into running when I heard someone say, "Wait!"

Someone tackled me and I covered my face with my hands, "Please don't hurt me." I said, trying not to let the tears fall.

My hands were taken away by this stranger and it was a boy around my age. "I'm not going to hurt you. My name Cameron." He said.

"M-My name is Penelope." I said. I took a look at his appearance, he has black hair with shining blue eyes. He has muscles, but not where to the point it was bulging. He had a plain white t-shirt and black jeans with Vans.

He slowly let go of me and helped me sit up. "Why were you wondering around in the forest alone?" He asked.

Should I trust him? I looked into his eyes and saw confusion and worry. Why would he worry about me? I'm weak, he probably couldn't tell I was werewolf until he smelled up close, I'm not pretty, I'm skinny, I'm pale as a vampire!

I already told him my name, so why not? It's not like he's not going to care besides this moment.

I explained why I was wondering around the forest by myself, and said I was going to my cabin. "Are you going to move into this cabin or?" He asked.

I shook my head, "My brother had to move with his mate. Her parents did not approve of our cabin. I'm visiting, though it had only been days." I said, sadly.

"You really like this cabin." He said, I nodded my head. "Our parents built it for us. It's the last thing they gave us. Except for the necklace my mother gave to me."

"If you don't mind, what happened to your parents? On vacation?" Cameron asked. Tears started rolling down my cheeks, "N-No, t-they are d-dead." I said, trying to control the sob.

Cameron comforted me by hugging me, "I'm sorry, I didn't know it would affect you this way." He said, patting me on my back trying to comfort me. Surprisingly, it worked.

"Why don't we walk together?" He suggested. He wanted to walk with me? No one has been this nice to me, except for my brother and Cynthia.

I bet he would only care now, and later on he wouldn't even acknowledge my presence.

I nodded my head, wiping the tears off my face. We started walking in comfortable silence until I stated seeing the cabin.

"Is this it?" I nodded my head, and unlocked the door with the key our parents gave us.

He looked around the cabin, "This is a nice cabin." He complimented. "Do you want anything to eat? I have brought chocolate." I said quietly.

He chuckled, "Sure. What kind of chocolate?" I searched through my backpack, "Crunch, Kit Kat, Toblerone, Ghirardelli, Lindt, Ferrero Rocher, Hershey-" Before I could finish the word Hershey, Cameron had already taken the candy bar from my hand.

"I guess Hershey's it is." I said cracking a smile. He smiled back, showing his now brown teeth, due to the chocolate.

"Let's play a game." He stated. I nodded my head for him to continue, "It's called 20 questions." I tilted my head to show I was confused. "You never heard the game 20 questions?" He said, I shook my head.

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"Well, it's basically a game where you ask a person questions. We go back and forth." He explained. My mouth began shaping like an 'O' I assume.

"Okay, I'll start. What's your favorite color or colors?" He began the game.

"Blue, green, red, black, and white." I answered.

"What are your favorite color or colors?" I repeated his questions.

"Red and black. I don't mind any colors, but I like the colors red and black."

We continued the game, and what I learned from him was, he was 17 turning 18 on November 13, he was afraid of spiders and I was too, he wasn't of age to find out who was his mate, he loved chocolate especially Hershey's, and he has a pet dog.

I ate a bar of chocolate, which was Crunch. "Have you heard of the Moon festival?" He asked, excitedly.

"Yes, I have heard. It is in 3 days, right?" He nodded his head. "Where is it being held?"

He looked at me like I was crazy, "You haven't been to a Moon festival?" I shook my head, "I never went to any. It wasn't a requirement until now."

"Oh, that's why you weren't familiar. Anyways, it's being held in the pack house and in the backyard."

"Oh okay." I munched on my candy bar, is he considered a friend of mine? I think so, I've told him my favorite stu, and he told me his. Should I ask, or would I embarrass myself? I gathered enough courage to ask him.

"Cameron, are you considered a friend of mine?" I asked. He looked at me in my eyes, telling him I wasn't joking.

"Yeah. I considered you as a friend once I've told you may name." He smiled. "I've never had a friend before." I confessed.

"You haven't?" He looked at me shocked. I shook my head. "You are my first friend."

He looked at his wrist watch, "Oh crap. I need to go." He said. "Oh, okay. I'll see you tomorrow?" I asked. He nodded his head, "Yup. see you tomorrow." He smiled before he le.

I sighed and laid back. I got my iPod and headphones and listened to songs that I had downloaded.

I woke up when someone knocked on the door. I turned on my phone, and the clock on it said, 1:02 P.M.

I quickly got up, and opened the door. Cameron was waiting there, hands stuffed in his jean pockets. He smiled once he noticed me.

"I see you've just awoken." He observed. "Yeah." I said, closing the door. "I'm going to take a quick shower." I said. He nodded his head and sat on the couch.

I took a 5 minute shower and wore the same clothes. Cameron was sitting on the couch, playing on his phone.

I guess he finished whatever he was doing and told me to sit. "What do you want to do today?" He asked.

"I was planning on taking a walk in the forest. I love the nature." I stated. He nodded and let me lead the way.

I was thinking of a place to go. It was my special place I found when I started cutting myself. I dragged Cameron to my special place. Before we could enter it, I told Cameron to close his eyes. I waved my hand in front of his face to make sure he wasn't peeking.

I pushed him forward, and when we finally got there I told him to open his eyes. He looked around and was astonished.

It was a meadow with variety of flowers. Butterflies still flew around here, and there was only one tree, an oak tree. With that, sunshine was shining everywhere.

"Wow. How can people find places like these where sometimes I can't find my mom in a grocery store?"

I shrugged and smiled, "I don't know. I just take walks in different parts of the forest and explore."

We sat near the roots of the oak tree and talked about our childhood, actually Cameron's.

I was leaning on Cameron's shoulder and I think I fell asleep because Cameron was shaking me awake. I looked around us, and it was almost sun down.

"I need to get going. I didn't want to leave you out here by yourself." He said. I nodded my head, Thank you for waking me up. People would have left me out here by myself." I said quietly.

We walked where we came from and he separated from me there. "Bye." I said and waved my hand. Cameron chuckled, "Bye Penny."

I sighed. I think I haven't been this happy in years. Don't get me wrong, I love my brother to death but he's always busy to comfort me. He has a job, a mate, and has an education. I think his life would have been perfect without me.

I walked back to my cabin, just in time to see the sun set. I walked behind my cabin, a perfect view of the sun.

Orange, red, pink, and dark clouds started to form. I stayed out there until the sun was gone. I smiled to myself. Sun rises and sun sets are beautiful.

I went inside the cabin, and went into my old room. I jumped onto my bed, and once I hit the pillow, I was knocked out.

I woke up, and checked my phone. It was 5:32 A..M. It seems like the sun was rising because I see orange, pink, red, yellow, and blue skies that are forming. A smile started forming my lips.

I looked at my bedroom window, and waited until you can only see the blue skies. It was a long wait, but I think it's worth it.

I decided to shower, walking in the bathroom I passed the razor. I stopped and stared at it. I guess a few cuts won't hurt.

I finished my shower washing my hair with. I let it air dry my hair, while I make something to drink. I ended up making hot chocolate with marshmallows.

Someone knocked on the door. Could it be Cameron? I opened the door, and it was indeed Cameron. He had a smile, "Excited for the Moon festival?" He asked.

"No. There's going to be so more people." I mumbled.

Cameron laughed, "Of course there is. It's the whole pack." Shivers ran through my body. The whole pack, yay. Note, the sarcasm.

"Are you going to be here tomorrow?" He asked. "Yeah. I'm going to tell my brother I'll walk there myself."

"Oh, okay. Mind if we walk together?" I shook my head, "I don't mind at all."

We fell into comfortable silence, until I broke it. "Which high school are you going to?" I asked. "Red Moon High School." He informed me. "Which one are you going to?"

"I'm going to the same high school as you." I replied. He nodded, "Well, what do you want to do today?" He asks.

I shrugged my shoulders, "Maybe we can try cooking?" I asked. He laughed, "Only because I'm bored. If this cabin burns down, it is not my fault."

--10 minutes later--

The oven caught fire, the kitchen is a mess with eggs, flour, mixing liquids, and milk on the floor, cabinets and counter, and Cameron has eggs on his head, flour powdered on his face like make up, and milk and liquids on his shirts and pants. "Whoops?" He said with a nervous smile.

I smacked his head lightly, causing him to pout. He helped me clean up nonetheless, and sat on the couch again, bored.

"I'm hungry." Cameron whined. "I still have some Hershey bars, want some?" I asked. He nodded his head instantly, and kept nodding his head until I gave him the chocolate bar.

He ravenously ate it, like he hadn't eaten anything in days. Thanks. I'm still hungry though." He said, patting his flat stomach. I giggled, "I can make cookies?" His face lit up like a kid getting a present he desired on Christmas and nodded his head.

I got up and walked to the kitchen. I grabbed ingredients to make cookies, and started baking. I eventually baked 3 dozens of cookies, because Cameron kept begging for more.

Cameron had to leave, without taking 2 dozens of cookies and said 'goodbye'. I laughed at his hunger. Once Cameron left, I decided to go to Phoenix's house to get my outfit for the festival.

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