

Chapter 373 Just Don't Do Anything Reckless Anymore

Janessa leaned against the railing as she gazed at the mesmerizing sight of the sea in front of her. She was in a good mood.

"What do you think? It's beautiful, isn't it?"

Janessa vigilantly looked around in search for the mocking voice that seemed to have appeared out of nowhere. At the balcony of the next room, she saw a familiar figure.

Now, Janessa understood why she couldn't find Imani even after her extensive search. She had been hiding there.

"What are you doing here?" Seeing Imani gradually approach from her balcony made Janessa feel nervous.

The balconies of both of their rooms were so close to each other that one could easily jump to the other side if they put their mind to it.

Janessa was vigilant of Imani.

Imani inched closer to Janessa. Her face was adorned with a sinister smile. The sight of Imani acting this way frightened Janessa. All she could think of right now was how much she wanted to not see her.

"I see you've come here to rest your bones. Did you have a good year, Janessa?" Imani's gaze reflected a strong killing intent.

"What... What are you doing?" Out of impulse, Janessa leaned back. Her actions couldn't help but make Imani smile.

"Janessa, hiding is useless. Have you forgotten about the things you and Rayan did to me? I'm here for payback. Do you have any idea what's in that room?" The tone of her voice was suggestive. As if on cue, Imani stopped laughing. She pointed at the room behind Janessa.

Janessa couldn't help but look into her room. She had not eaten anything from the party but still, Janessa couldn't help but feel wary about the place.

But it was impossible. After all, Alana had checked the room when she came in.

Imani let out a ballistic jolt of laughter. "Damn, you're easily scared. Janessa, what could you possibly have done to be that paranoid?"

Having said that, Imani laughed so loud that it almost resonated throughout the entire building.

"You..." Janessa seemed really agitated because of the baby in her belly. She never expected that Imani would set a trap for her.

"Janessa, I have a big surprise waiting for you today and I'm sure you're gonna love it," Imani said before leaving.

Janessa wanted to follow her and see what the woman was up to, but as of the moment, Janessa was on the balcony of the second floor, so she couldn't go.

"Imani, what the hell are you planning to do?" she exclaimed. Considering the fact that Imani was part of the Qiu family, Janessa would rather not be too rude to Imani. However, Imani and Aydın were always forcing her to make some ruthless decisions.

It made her wonder if it was because she just couldn't tolerate anyone from Aydın's family or it was the other way around.

'Imani had it coming,' Janessa thought to herself. If she hadn't adamantly decided to marry Rayan, things wouldn't have ended like this.

'What could the surprise be?' Janessa wondered.

After having waited in the room for a long time, she suddenly heard a knock on the door.

"Is anybody here?" said a strange man's voice.

'Is Imani trying to pull the same trick on me again?'

Janessa remembered what happened last time, and it made her very miserable.

'How many times is she going to pull this kind of crap?'

Janessa glanced at the furnishings in the room and found that there was nothing she could use as a weapon.

The man opened the door and came in before she could grab a makeshift weapon.

The layout of this room was a little odd. Next to the door, there was a small partition. Janessa was relatively short and thin, so it was easy for her to hide in that small cubby. There were several stuffed bears in the room, and she used them to hide herself.

This hiding place was near perfect, and Janessa figured it would be enough to hide and keep her safe.

Ever since that man entered the room, a strange scent pervaded in the air. The moment Janessa smelled it, she felt something wrong with her body.

'What the fuck? Something's wrong with that smell!' she cursed inwardly.

'No wonder Imani was acting so weird earlier! She really is playing her devilish tricks again.'

Janessa wanted to send Alana a text message, but when she turned around, she realized that she didn't have her phone on her. It was in the chaise lounge.

The man continued wandering around the room, and the air was becoming more and more polluted by that strange scent.

For the time being, Janessa decided to hold her breath. However, she wouldn't be able to hold it for too long. She glanced at the balcony, and then she assessed how far she was from the door. If she could manage to run out of the room, she might have a chance of escaping. The more she smelled that scent, the weaker she became.

Janessa wasn't going to let her child suffer for this, so she stared at herself and noticed the valuable necklace hanging by her neck. Even though this diamond necklace was given to her by Rayan, her safety was of the utmost importance right now.

After gathering her resolve, she threw the necklace towards the balcony. The necklace happened to hit the glass, and it made a loud sound.

When the man heard it, he walked towards the balcony with an unsteady gait. Janessa seized the opportunity and pushed the man into the balcony using a large stuffed bear. Then, she grabbed a stick and used it to lock the door. Once that was settled, Janessa grabbed her phone and bolted to the door.

But when she got there and realized that the door was locked from outside, she felt desperate. She looked at her phone, hoping to call someone. But unfortunately, she found that there was no signal in here.

Suddenly, Janessa wondered who would be able to use a luxurious house like this to host a party. That person probably had a good relationship with Imani. Otherwise, it would be impossible for her to put on such a well-prepared show, and make so many people cooperate with the plan.

'This whole thing must've been designed to antagonize me!' Janessa thought to herself.

'Who the hell did this?'

One person came to her mind, but she wasn't sure yet.

"Girl, you've got some tricks up your sleeve. Alright, I'll play along with your game." The man was tall and lanky. Due to the effects of the fragrance in the air, neither of them could speak for too long. Nobody would be able to keep a clear head, considering the paralytic effects of the scent.

Janessa noticed that there was a porcelain bowl on the cabinet. Without hesitation, she slammed it against the wall. The bowl shattered into pieces.

With courage, she used one of the fragments to nick a part of her arm. The blood flowing out of her system helped to clear Janessa's mind. However, the blood spilled everywhere, including her clothes.

When the man came over, moving like a zombie, Janessa cut his arm.

Their bloody wounds brought them back to their senses. The man looked at Janessa's face. Though he seemed startled, he did nothing.

"If I did something to you just now, I'm really sorry," he said. The man seemed ashamed of his actions.

"Just don't do anything reckless anymore," replied Janessa.