

Alpha's curvy bullied human mate

Chapter 76: Yours alone

Penelope

I felt like I was dying inside, the pain was excruciating, my chest was suffocating, and my body was shaking.

I could not believe my eyes, the scene seemed to be taken from a horror movie, or to be more precise, they seemed to have used my worst nightmares, my worst fears and made a show of it. Those fears and anxieties that I avoided thinking about at night.

All those negative emotions conquering every cell, intoxicating me like a cancer. Suddenly I felt myself collapse, and I screamed in pain.

And when I turned around, there he was, looking at me, suddenly aware that I was there, that I had witnessed this perverse performance.

"Penelope, no!" his eyes were red, and he came to the window and saw me tied up. I could hear his voice very low through the glass that separated us.

"My love! Come here!" Erica yells.

"Penelope... this is a trap! Please, my love, you have to get out of here..." he says, his voice breaking, and I see that he is crying. I've never seen him like this before.

"Nate! Come back," Erica yells, and he turns and lets out a roar that shakes the room.

"The human!" she cries, and I see her put on a robe and walk out.

Nate looks possessed, angry and desperate, and starts pounding his fists on the glass, tormented.

"I'll never have another woman, you know that!" he shouts at me.

But how can I deny what my eyes have seen? What I have experienced myself.

"You are my mate! I have marked you! I've loved no other but you..." he says with each stroke as if with each word he gains more strength.

I hear footsteps outside and inside the house, and this is not as simple as it seems, something is not normal here. But it's one thing to think it and another to convince my poor heart.

"Cover yourself, Penelope!" he shouts, and I duck as best I can. Suddenly there is a crash and the glass falls to the side.

He comes out, and when I see him, he has small pieces of glass in his arms and his hands, as if in his attempt to get out, he had done everything he could to keep the glass from falling on me.

He approaches me, frees my hands and removes my gag, he grabs me by the shoulders.

"Let go of me! Don't you dare touch me, don't you ever touch me again," I say.

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"Penelope!"

"You're a bastard! You were with another woman after promising another everything! She's your Luna now, isn't she?" I scream in fear and he looks terrified.

"No! Never!" he screams. I see blood on his clothes, his in pain and suffering.

"Just tell me the truth Nate... if this was a... game, if I was just a joke to you, someone to laugh at and take advantage of, or was it just for your power? Is that it?" I ask. I can't cry anymore, I feel like the pain will eat me alive.

"Please, Penelope!"

"I saw you with her... an Alpha's daughter. A she-wolf like you and your whole family always wanted, one who is not a disgrace," I say crying.

"Penelope, I am yours and I will always be yours! This is all a setup by my father, he has a deal with Crimson Fangs. That woman means nothing to me! I haven't touched her, I don't want her, I don't even remotely desire her! Her very existence near me makes my body ache! Because where you have been... no one else can be, Penelope..." he says, and his eyes look sincere.

It's amazing how I could tell more about him just by looking at him, and that instinct had never failed me.

Suddenly I hear noises in the back and he is alarmed. Warriors!

"There she is! The human!" and the movement is so fast that I only realize what has happened when I see warriors pierced by glass from the window and fall to the ground.

Nate is still shaking, shielding me with his body, I see he has wounds on his back, and his shirt is stained with blood. They're coming for us, everything is bad, I gasp and feel myself fainting.

"I can't stand it..." I say, and my teeth grind together, my body feels like it's going to give up, and he holds me, running trembling fingers over my mark and I can't help the feeling of pleasure that simple touch brings.

"The bond cannot be imitated or faked," he says, looking into my eyes.

"I feel what you feel yourself...you are weak because I am. I have been injected with wolfsbane, my love. I cry because you cry because I feel your doubts and the horror of what you must have seen. And believe me, I would rather die than have another..."

Nate puts my hand on his heart, and somehow I feel it, the bond calling us, the bond making itself known, claiming us.

"If I were with her...we would both suffer with uncontrollable pain. The bond, this mark unites us, makes us one...you are my soulmate...there is no other," he begs me, crying.

I think of all our enemies, his father, Regina. And I began to understand the chaos.

"I'm not asking you to believe me...although it kills me that you hate me. But right now you have every right to. If I had found you in the same situation... I don't know what I would have done. I would be dead. But right now I need you to run, Penelope. You're in danger, if they want to pair me with this woman... it means they have other plans for you... and I couldn't stand that," he says.

We hear more footsteps and Nate gets up to fight when we see the warriors drop dead within seconds.

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"What...?"

My brothers! They attacked the warriors!

"Boys, thank the Goddess..." says Nate.

"My boys!" I say happily and Luther helps me up. But they are not cheerful or relieved, they are in warrior mode.

"We escaped from the dungeons, but we don't have much time..." Luke says, and for the first time, I see them worried.

My brothers have always been the carefree kids who just wanted to fight and prove themselves strong. Fear was not one of their characteristics.

"Dungeons?" I ask horrified.

"Let's go we have to escape," Luther says.

"Take her... run away without looking back..." Nate says, and I feel my panic returning.

"Alpha, we can't leave you here, everything is against us, the pack is full of enemies, our people were attacked, your mother is hurt, and so are you!" says Luke.

"I can't leave my pack, I need to get my strength back. I'll be fine when I know my love is safe. And even if I could run away... I need to buy you time, I need them to think that she has run away, or even that she has abandoned me," he says seriously and adds.

"Penelope can't stay in Moonstone another minute. Right now, it's the most dangerous place for her to be.... "

"But Nate... I can't leave you like this..." I say crying, and I don't know if it's the bond, or if I'm a fool, or if I'm completely in love with this man, but I can't leave him. My gut is screaming at me to trust him again. To choose him again.

The minutes that pass could determine our lives, but through it all, Nate can't help but move closer to me, resting his forehead on mine.

He looks at me with joy, and I see some peace in him, knowing that I don't want to leave him.

"Forgive me for not being strong enough for you. I thought I could have it all, that I could accomplish everything. I sacrificed everyone... and I would sacrifice even more for you..." he says, holding me and caressing my face as if he wanted to see me one last time.

"More warriors are coming!" Luke says as I hear them running to fight.

"Come with me...you are hurt... I'm afraid..." I say, babbling like a fool. I am afraid of not seeing him again, of losing him.

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"I told you a while ago that we would have to part at some point, and unfortunately that time has come. Once again, I'm not the Alpha and mate you deserve... but by the goddess... I was the luckiest man alive as long as I had you," he says, looking at me lovingly.

"We will be apart, but I will remember all these moments together, seeing you in the restaurant, those kisses in the kitchen this morning... even now, touching you and hearing your voice... it is the most beautiful thing in the world. And all this will give me strength," he says, tears in his eyes.

"My mate..." I tell him, and he doesn't even let me speak as he kisses me, a trembling, anxious kiss, a farewell, full of uncertainty.

We heard more screams coming from the house, and he stood up as best he could, my brothers had already returned and took me in their arms.

"Leave immediately... leave the pack... and don't come back," he says coldly, and we are shocked.

He's kicking us all out.

"Nate! No!" I scream in panic.

"Alpha..." my brothers say, clutching their chests.

"It's an order from your Alpha! You are no longer welcome in Moonstone! Your only duty is to protect her and keep her away from here!" he says in an authoritative voice.

"Is that understood? Leave now!" he yells, and my brothers grab my arms as I kick and try to get closer to him.

Nate makes no effort to approach me, but I can see tears streaming from his eyes. Warriors are already in the room, approaching and shouting.

"Take her!"

"I love you...and I will always love you, remember" he says to me, his lips trembling.

"Let's get out of here...!" says Luke and he throws me over his shoulder.

"No...No! Please!" I scream.

I see Nate already fighting the warriors, attacking them with everything he has, his screams are powerful, and the warriors fall one by one.

My brothers are already running, and I think of our kiss in the morning and our promises to celebrate tonight.

It's all over.

Nate grows smaller in the distance, and the last thing I see is him kneeling on the ground, surrounded by the bodies of the warriors.

His face is covered with his hands, and a howl of pain echoes through every corner of the territory, of the forest, and goes straight to my heart.