

## MizzLaura COMING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

### Chapter 41



Logan's POV.

"Kids, what are you doing on your computers? you're supposed to be getting ready"

"We are ready, dad, look"

"Yeah, mum even did our hair"

Logan Junior and Dayton stood up from their computer chairs and motioned to their bodies.

"My boys scrub up good"

I say with a smile as I look at my two sons who are wearing black suits with a white shirt and a black tie and their blonde hair has been styled into sleek combovers like mine.

Fuck.

They look even more like me now, not that I'm complaining.

"What about me, daddy? how do I look?"

My princess asks as she stands up from one of the bean bags and does a twirl.

She's wearing a black long-sleeved dress with the top of the chest area and sleeves in a see-through material and a pair of silver glittery

pumps with a bow on them.

Teddy's hair has also been curled into ringlets with a braid on top of her head going from the left side to the right and it's been clipped up with a silver butterfly clip.

She looks stunning just like her mom most likely does.

"You look beautiful, my princess"

"Thank you, daddy"

She says with a smile as a faint blush appears on her cheeks.

She's so cute.

"Where's your mom, kids?"

"She's in her room getting dressed, the people with all of those cases left not too long ago"

Logan Junior says with his eyes firmly fixed on his computer screen.

"Yeah, is it normal for girls to need that many cases to get ready, dad? mum never had that many people do her hair and make-up before"

Dayton says and I chuckle.

"That's because your mom has got me now and she'll never have to lift another finger for herself for as long as I'm alive"

"You're amazing, daddy"

"Thank you, princess"

Isaid with a smile giving her a wink.

"Boys, we've gotta leave soon, so finish up whatever you're playing, ok"

"Yeah, dad"

"Ok, Logan"

It's a painful sting in my heart when my son continues to call me Logan but I can feel our bond is getting stronger and one day soon, fingers crossed, he'll be calling me dad.

I left the boy's bedroom and headed straight for mine and Lacey's bedroom.

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"Hey baby, are you..wow"

I was stunned into silence when I walked into our room and I saw my gorgeous, sexy wife standing in front of the white long mirror.

She's wearing a beautiful, black, floor-length, one-of-a-kind gown which has got a glittery shimmer to it and a see-through corset-style top.

Lacey's not wearing any jewellery with her outfit except for her wedding and engagement rings which added an extra glimmer and glamour to her outfit.

Lacey's soft, long, light blonde hair has been styled in light wavy curls and from what I can see in the mirror, her beautiful, gorgeous face looks like she's got no make-up on at all but I know she has.

"Damn babe, you look sexy as hell, is there any suit you don't look good in?"

Lacey asks whilst eyeing me up and down as she bit down on her lower lip.

My suits just a plain black suit with a white shirt like the boys, there's nothing really special about it, well, except for the name of the designer on it.

"Nope, your man looks this delectable in everything he puts on, I also look delectable with absolutely nothing on as well"

I say with a smirk as I approach my wife and wrap my arms around her waist whilst placing a kiss on her neck earning myself a sexy moan from her.

"Mmm, you got that right, babe"

Lacey moans as she runs her fingers over the back of my neck.

"I see someone got some new claws"

I say and Lacey chuckles.

"Mmm-hmm, do you like them?"

She asks me whilst holding up her left hand and I smiled when I saw the black and purple ombre styled nails but that's not why I was smiling, I was smiling because the colour of her nails and her dress made her engagement ring pop even brighter which made me so happy.

"I like them even better when they're clawing down my back or my chest in the throes of passion or when they're wrapped around my oer

I say with a smirk and she gasps.

"You're a weird man, my love"

Lacey says with a slight chuckle.

I lean down and gently peck her lips before resting my forehead against hers.

"You say weird, I say it's a kink"

"A kink?"

She asks whilst narrowing her eyes at me.

My wife doesn't know yet how far I like to go with sx and I plan on introducing her to that very soon, I just hope it doesn't freak her out or scare her off when I do.

"You're not into the fifty shades stuff, are you?"

She asks with a nervous smile and this made me shake my head because I didn't wanna make her feel uncomfortable about the subject but

her next words not only shocked me but they made me feel insanely jealous as well.

"Hmm, that's a shame, I always had a thing for Christian Grey and it wasn't just because of how good-looking he is"

Lacey says with a smirk before pecking my lips and walking away leaving me frozen to the spot.

"What did you just say?"

Task after snapping out of my frozen state only to find my delightful wife briskly leaving our room.

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"Lacey get back here"

I chased after my giggling wife and managed to catch up to her before she could get to our son's room by wrapping my arms around her Upstodatee from waist and pinning her against the wall.

Tlooked down at my wife who had a cheeky smirk on her face which I could tell she was trying to hide by biting her lower lip.

"Don't do that"

I command her as I cup her face and gently pull her lip from between her teeth.

"Don't bite your lip like that, especially not now when I can't ravish or devour your perfect body, do you understand me?"

"Yes, sir"

She said with a chuckle and I sighed in annoyance as I closed my eyes and rested my forehead against hers.

"You're gonna be the death of me, baby"

"I hope not"

Lacey whispered against my lips before leaning in and placing a gentle kiss on them.

I was so turned on and wanted nothing more than to take Lacey back to our bedroom or another room in this house which is only available

to us and ravish every inch of her body but I couldn't because tonight is important.

I close my eyes and sigh.

"We need to go, love"

"I know"

I give Lacey one last kiss before grabbing her hand and leading her towards our son's bedroom.

"Are you ready to go, guys?"

Task the kids as soon as we enter Logan Junior and Dayton's room.

Yep"

"Let's go"

"Oh my god, you two look like two little Tom Hardy's from Legend"

Lacey gushes over our sons and I chuckled because it's a good description of them considering their accents and what they're wearing.

We all head downstairs and put on our coats before heading out to our limousine which will take us to the party.

During the drive, the kids talked amongst themselves as they played with their phones while Lacey and I sat together holding hands.

I could sense Lacey's nerves and I tried to calm her down by either touching her, holding her hand or kissing her but she still seemed very nervous, not that I can blame her.

Tonight she'll be seeing her parents, brothers and ex-fiance again after six years and we'll also be announcing not only our marriage and relationship but also our three children who are the future heirs to my empire. It's gonna be a long and crazy night for my girl but I'm hoping it won't be as eventful as I think it's going to be, especially if Luca hasn't heeded my warning and curbed his drinking.

"Everything's gonna be ok, babe"

I comforted Lacey as I gently gripped her hand.

"I know"

She said with a smile.

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"I've got you with me and you promised to always be by my side, especially in hard times like this, right?"

"Yeah, I did"

I said as I leaned in and kissed her lips.

Fuck, I can't get enough of this woman.

"So, who else is coming tonight?"

Lacey asked me and I knew she asked me this to take her mind off seeing her family again.



I gave her a quick list of people who I either know or who I think will be attending the party and I didn't miss the look on Lacey's face when I mentioned an old friend of mine GiGi Addams was possibly going to be there, she looked annoyed but also jealous as well.

"Are you jealous of GiGi, babe?"

Task and she scoffs.

"Pfft no, why would I be jealous of her? I'm a Carpenter heiress and a socialite, she's a social climber, I plan on being married to only one man for the rest of my life and that's because I love my husband whereas girls like her only marry men solely for their money, power and status"

"Oh come on, babe, GiGi's not that bad, well, Giana isn't, GiGi on the other hand is a rottweiler"

GiGi is Giana's nickname which she inherited from her grandfather who has since passed away.

When she became famous she decided to go by the name GiGi Addams instead of her real name Giana McAddams so that she could have a celebrity persona and keep her personal and private information a secret.

Lacey is clearly mistaking the two which is easy to do when you're only aware and familiar with one of them.

Hopefully, her opinion of her will change when she meets GiGi tonight and she gets to know the real her and not the fake, ditzy, celebrity version of her.

My wife looked at me with an are you being serious? expression as one of her perfectly shaped eyebrows was raised.

"Baby, trust me when I tell you that GiGi isn't the perfect little social princess you think she is, the girl is trouble and she's been looking for a rich husband to give her an easy life for a long time now and guess who's at the top of her wish list?"

She asks and I look at her confused.

"Who?"

"You"

She says shocking me.

"Babe, we're just friends"

"Ok, Logan"

Lacey groaned as she rolled her eyes and looked away from me which pissed me off for two reasons, one because of the disrespect she was showing me and two because it was clear she didn't believe me.

I quickly gripped her chin and turned her to face me.

I looked deep into her perfect green eyes as my thumb gently grazed over her lower lip.

"As much as I like seeing this jealous side of you, Lacey..."

"I'm not jealous, Logan"

She interrupts me and I groan in annoyance but I was also amused as well because it's clear that she is jealous when she's got no reason to be because I'm hers and only hers.

"Whatever you say, love"

I say with a smirk.

“Anyway, as much as I like seeing this side of you, I promise you that you've got nothing to worry about, Lacey, my queen because you're mine and I'm yours”

Isaid before giving her a kiss which was both passionate and full of all of the love that I have for her which is a lot.

## Chapter 42



Lacey's POV.

“Sir, ma'am, we've arrived”

Our driver says to us.

“Is the security ready?”

“Yes, sir, they're waiting outside for you, Mrs Black and the Black heirs as per your request”

"Great"

Logan says and I feel his body instantly relax next to mine but [ was confused.

“Security? what security?”

Task Logan who looks down at me and smiles.

“I hired some extra security for us for while we're here”

"Why?"

“Because [ don't want my family being bothered by anyone, especially the media, it's also my job as the head of this family to make sure my

wife and kids are safe at all times”

Logan says and I smile.

“You're insane, my love”

I say and he smirks at me.

“If being insane means my family are safe and protected then I'm the most insane motherfucker you'll ever meet, baby”

Logan says with a growl before kissing my lips in a slightly aggressive and possessive way.

He then tells me to wait here as he gets out of the limousine.

The door was opened slightly and I could hear a bunch of people screaming Logan's name, most of whom sounded like screaming girls.

I also heard Logan telling his head of security to make sure there were two men on each side of our kids and two men on either side of him

and 1, he also wanted a wall of security on either side of us to block us from the media and his fans.

Jesus Christ.

You'd think he was the president of the United States the way he's acting.

After about a minute or two, Logan helped me out of the limousine and our kids stepped out after me.

I immediately noticed Dayton and Teddy were ok with the atmosphere but Logan Junior was uncomfortable.

“Are you ok, baby?”

“I'm fine” Upstodatee from

He says sternly but I knew he wasn't.

I turned to face Logan who must've known what I was going to ask him because he immediately had eight security guards flank either side of us and the kids while the rest of the security guards blocked us from the screaming fans and media who were trying to find out who I and the kids were.

There was even one reporter who asked Logan a question which pissed me off and sparked the jealous fire deep inside of me.

"Logan..when are you and GiGi getting married, Logan?"

The gutsy reporter asked sparking off the rest of the media who started asking similar questions about Logan and GiGi.

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I sighed in annoyance while my husband groaned in frustration next to me.

"Ignore them, baby, they always ask stupid questions"

"It's ok, Logan, you're just friends, right?"

Lasked with a smile but it wasn't sincere.

I think Logan forgets that I've been in this world for a long time, therefore I've met many women who are golddiggers and would kill their

own grandmothers to land themselves a millionaire or a billionaire.

There was actually a girl who I went to school with who happily gave up everything at eighteen to be a mistress for an actor in his fifties

who offered to pay for everything including giving her a lavish lifestyle and all she had to do was please him and stroke his ego.

This is why I've got such a negative opinion of GiGi, it's not just because she's after Logan and is fueling all of the stupid rumours made by the media that they're in a relationship and they're getting married, it's because I know her and I know what she's like.

I also know what she'd do to nab herself a man like Logan and I'll be damned if I let her take my man away from me.

We headed inside of the hotel which has been decorated beautifully for Christmas.

There were two huge, beautifully decorated trees which were so big they went all the way up to the ceiling and the staircase was decorated

With a stunning red, green and gold garland.

There was also a mahogany fireplace with stockings hanging from it, as well as a garland which was similar to the one on the staircase and

some antique ornaments on top of it next to a small grandfather clock.

Next to this was a small booth which is where we went to check our coats and we thanked the event staff with a smile.

"Come on, love"

Logan places his hand on my lower back and I take a deep breath in and slowly release it as we walk towards the grand hall which is where

the main party is being held.

A slight gasp left my mouth when we walked into the grand hall and I not only saw how crowded the place was but also how beautifully

decorated it is.

I shouldn't be surprised at how beautiful this place looks because my grandparents are known for their parties and the exquisite decor at

each one but I always find myself surprised when I attend one of their parties.

“Lambchop darling, you're here”

My gramps greeted me rather loudly earning glances from some of the partygoers who were looking at us confused.

“Hey, gramps”

I greeted my grandfather back with a smile as he embraced me in a hug.

When he pulled away from me, my gramps wasted no time in hugging me as well.

“You look stunning, my girl”

She whispered in my ear before pulling away and gently cupping my face.

“And you're glowing, lambchop..I see Logan is performing his husband duties very well”

My gramps says with a wink and I roll my eyes.

“Grams, I swear to god, you need to learn to whisper things like that”

“Why? s\* is perfectly normal, Lacey”

She says with a smirk.

"What's s\*x?"

My precious daughter asks and I narrow my eyes to my grandmother who was looking at Teddy with a shocked expression.

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My gramps tried to explain the subject to my child in the best and easiest way possible but I think she's forgotten my children are incredibly

smart and using the old s\* is something beautiful between two people who love each other isn't going to work on them.

“s\*x is a beautiful thing between two loving people, Teddy Bear”

“Yeah, I know that but what is it?”

Teddy asks and I had to suppress a chuckle when I saw Teddy's cute inquisitive face and my grandmother's freaked out expression.

“L.erm...L.huh, what did you say? oh yes, I'll be right there, sorry children I've gotta dash”

My grams said as she faked hearing someone shouting for her before making her escape from the uncomfortable situation.

“You're such a chicken, Bunny”

My grandfather laughed along with the rest of us.

“Mummy, I think grandma Bunny has been drinking her special juice again, she's acting weird”

“No that's just Bunny for you, princess”

I said while rubbing my forehead earning louder chuckles from my husband and grandfather.

“Mum, can we get a drink, please? I'm thirsty”

“Of course we can, son”

Logan, the kids and T head towards the bar to get ourselves a drink while my grandfather goes to assist my grandmother with something.

I guess she really did find something or someone who needed her help.

“Are you ok, my love?”

Logan asks me and I look over at him with a smile.



"I'm fine"

"You're not still stressing over GiGi, are you? she really is just a friend, babe"

"Trust me, Logan, I've got bigger things to worry about than her"

I say whilst rolling my eyes.

"But you admit you were jealous, right?"

I look over at Logan who was smirking as he sipped on his bourbon.

"Of course I'm jealous Logan...men aren't the only beings who can get possessive over what's theirs, love, women can get very territorial as well"

"I know, baby, I'm just glad that you admitted to feeling jealous"

Logan says as he leans in and pecks my lips.

"Well, I wouldn't be normal if I didn't feel jealous, babe"

"That's true"

I take a sip of my champagne as I take a look around expecting to see some familiar faces but I don't see anyone that I recognise except for my grandparents.

"I don't think anyone is here yet"

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I say nervously.

"That's a good thing, love because it gives you a chance to relax and calm yourself down before meeting the family again"

"I'd rather just get it over and done with, Logan"

"I know you would, love"

Logan says as he kisses my temple.

After finishing off my champagne, I dismissed myself from my little family and headed towards the lady's room to relieve myself.

I don't know if it's nerves or all of the water, coffee and now champagne I've been drinking but I'm peeing more than normal today.

When I was done, I washed and dried my hands before looking at myself in the mirror.

On the outside, I looked like a strong, confident woman but on the inside, I was freaking out and panicking.

I take several deep breaths in and out before leaving the bathroom to go back to my family but I ended up bumping into a little girl as I did.

I looked down at the beautiful blonde-haired girl who looked so familiar to me but I couldn't put my finger on where I knew her from.

"Hi there, are you ok?"

Task and she nods her head.

"You're very pretty"

She says with a smile.

"Thank you"

I say while reciprocating her smile as I crouch down in front of her and take in her features.

Why does she look so familiar to me?.

"My name's Lacey, what's yours?"

Lask and she gasps.

"That's my name as well..well, it's my second name"

"Really? and what's your first name?"

Lask with a slight chuckle.

She's so adorable.

"Melissa, my full name is Melissa Lacey Carpenter-Tate"

She says shocking me.

Oh my god.

This is Luca and Dylan's daughter, this is my niece.

"Lacey"

Iheard a familiar voice coming from behind me which almost stopped my heart from beating for a second.

Istand up and slowly turned around until I came face to face with the ghost of Christmas past.

"Dylan"

Chapter 43



Lacey's PO.

©Oh my god, it's Dylan.

Dylan Tate, my ex-fiance is currently standing in front of me with tears in his eyes and a happy and relieved expression on his handsome

face.

He looks tired and exhausted but he still looks as handsome as he was six years ago.

"It's you, Lace, it's really you"

"Dylan, I."

I tried to speak but was cut off by him.

"I can't believe this..you're back, you're finally back"

Dylan tried to approach me but I backed up not wanting him anywhere near me.

"Lacey please, I just want a hug, I missed you so much"

Is this motherfucker for real?.

"You missed me, well, I didn't miss you, not one single bit"

I turned around to leave but was quickly stopped by Dylan who grabbed hold of my wrist.

"Lacey princess, please"

He begged me and I slapped his hand away from me as I glared at him.

"Don't you ever touch me or call me that name again, do you understand me, Dylan? you've got no right to do either of those things anymore"

"Please Lacey, I just wanna talk, I've missed you so much"

"So you've already said, Dylan but I don't care... truly don't care how much you've missed me"

I growled at him as a stray tear fell down his cheek.

"Please, I."

"Daddy, are you ok?"

Melissa asks interrupting her father's pleas to me.

"Daddy's fine, baby"

"Then why are you crying...you made my daddy cry"

Melissa glared at me.

Ifelt like being immature and saying something like he made me cry first but I decided against it.

"Melissa, don't be disrespectful to your auntie"

"Auntie?"

Melissa looked me up and down before her beautiful green eyes narrowed on my face.

"She looks like me, is she daddy's sister? the one who he said went on a vacation for a little while?"

A vacation? really, Luca?.

I thought to myself whilst rolling my eyes.

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"Yeah, this is your daddy's sister and your namesake"

He says with a smile whilst looking me in my eyes.

Dylan then stepped closer to me and I kept a very wary eye on him.

"Lacey, can we talk, please? L.I wanna explain what happened and I wanna apologise to you"

"I don't care about your explanations, Dylan and I certainly don't care about your pathetic and probably fake apologies either"

Isaid angrily.

I once again turned to walk away but was stopped yet again by Dylan who grabbed me by my wrist except this time, his grip was tighter so I couldn't shrug him off.

"Dylan, let go of me"

Not

He said sternly.

"Dylan, let go of me, now before I emasculate you in front of your daughter"

I growled under my breath as I narrowed my eyes between Melissa and Dylan.

"No, I'm not gonna let you go until you listen to me and hear me out"

"What's to hear out, Dylan?"

Task confused.

I once again narrowed my eyes to my niece who was looking at us both with a confused yet wary expression before looking back at my ex and lowering my voice so only he could hear me.

"You're my ex who screwed my own brother on our engagement night because you were too much of a coward and you weren't man enough to tell me beforehand that you were batting on the other side of the fence, so please tell me, what is there to explain?"

I growled at him.

Dylan and I had a staring contest if you will as he looked at me with a shocked expression.

I don't know why he'd look so shocked because what I said is the truth, he is a coward and he isn't a real man if he can't even tell the truth about his sexuality to someone whom he claimed to love so much.

Maybe he didn't love me...as a girlfriend, a fiancée, a friend or a potential sister-in-law, maybe I'm a fool to think he did.

"Lacey please, you don't understand how guilty I feel for how I treated you and so does Luca, Luca's been..."

"A pathetic, selfish, drunken mess, yeah I know, I saw the pictures and the videos of him falling out of a club, oh and the one of him with the drag queen...I bet you weren't happy about that, were you?"

I said with a smirk and he glared at me.

"Don't be a jealous b\*\*\*h, Lacey, it doesn't suit you"

He says and I chuckle.

"Jealous? you think I'm jealous of you and Luca?"

"Well, why else would you be acting like this?"

"Oh, I don't know, maybe it's because a boy who I grew up with, who was my best friend, who I fell in love with, who I thought was going to be my husband and the father of my children..."

I said as I once again looked down at Melissa who was listening to us intently before glaring back at Dylan.

I knew she and my nephews were blameless in this and I didn't want to destroy her view of her father, so I was trying to watch what I said around her.

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“Formed a special relationship with my brother and they had that secret relationship behind my back for god knows how long...maybe that's why I'm acting like such a bit..maybe that's why I'm acting like this, Dylan, did that ever cross your mind? that maybe I'm like this because I was betrayed by two men who I loved so much?”

I asked while glaring at him as tears started to form in my eyes.

“As for me being jealous, Dylan, I'm far from being jealous of you two because I've got myself a real man, a man who doesn't lie and keep secrets from me, a man who loves me more than life itself and a man who isn't afraid to go for what he wants, he saw me, he took me and he married me and he didn't do it because he was being forced to by our fathers or because he's hiding his sexuality from the world, no he married me because he LOVES me and I love him more than I ever loved you”

I said with a genuine smile on my face as I thought about my beautiful husband and his infinite love for me as well as my infinite love for him.

My thoughts were interrupted however by several familiar voices.

"What the hell?"

“Oh my god, Lacey baby, is that you?”

“Lacey, you're married”

Jesus Christmas, not these assholes as well

I narrow my eyes to my right where my parents, my brothers and my sister-in-law are all standing.

They all looked shocked yet relieved to see me, well, except for my dad who looked stoic which was odd because my dad was never afraid to show his emotions or wear his heart on his sleeve but now he seems hesitant to.

My dad was also sporting a nice big bruise on his jaw, wonder how he got that?.

"Nanny, gramps, daddy look, it's auntie Lacey, she's back from her vacation" Melissa says as she runs over to Luca who picks her up whilst continuing to look at me.

I snatched my hand away from Dylan and glared at him before narrowing my glare to my 'family'.

"Yes, it's me, I'm back"

"Oh, my baby"

My mom says as she comes over to me and wraps her arms around me but I didn't wrap my arms around her, instead, I just stood there frozen with my eyes raised to god.

Probably sensing she wasn't gonna get a positive reaction from me, my mom pulled away from me and held me at arm's length as she looked at me with a sad and hurt expression.

"Can't you give your mother a hug, Lacey? it's been six years after all"

Really? it's been that long? I didn't notice.

"No, I thought I'd give you the same response you gave me after my dad slapped me across my face for not wanting to marry my cheating

fiancee, you know frozen, emotionless, kind of acting like the three monkeys, hear nothing, see nothing, speak nothing"

I growled and she looked at me shocked.

"Lacey baby, I'm 50 sorry"

Hmm, I bet you are.

I thought to myself whilst rolling my eyes.

"I'm sorry, did I hear you wrong? or did you say you were married, Lace?"

Liam asks me and I nod my head.

"Yes, Liam, I'm married"

I said while smiling genuinely at my brother before turning that genuine smile into a sarcastic and angry one as I glared at my dad.

"Sorry if my marriage destroys any plans you may have made to sell me off to the highest bidder, dad"

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"LLI never."

He said and I interrupted him because I wasn't interested in hearing his bullshit.

"Anyway, I'm a married woman now, a happily married woman which is more than can be said for you, Luc...you look like s\*\*t"

I said the last part whilst looking him up and down.

"Lacey Carpenter, watch your language"

"Actually, dad, I'm no longer a Carpenter, thank god for that"

I said with relief and happiness in my tone.

"If you're not a Carpenter then what are you? and who the hell is your husband?"

Justin growled and I couldn't help but smirk when I heard the sexy, husky voice of my beloved man coming from behind me.

"That would be me"

Logan said and my whole family watched in shock as my husband walked over to me and wrapped his arm around my waist as he kissed the crook of her neck.

"Isn't that right, Mrs Black?"

"Mmm-hmm"

I said with a smile as I closed my eyes and bit down on my lower lip when Logan lifted his head out of my neck and kissed my forehead.

Fuck, I love this man so much.

I thought to myself as I looked over at my family.

"You guys remember Logan, right?"

I asked and I couldn't help but smirk even bigger and brighter at not only their shocked looks but also their angry expressions as well.

My happiness and glee didn't last long however when all hell broke loose.

My eldest brother Justin attacked Logan and the pair started fighting hitting each other with hard lefts and rights.

"Justin, get off him"

I growled at my brother and attempted to pull him off my husband but I was stopped by my mom.

"Lacey honey, stay back, you might get hurt"

"Are you kidding me, mom? that's my husband"

I growled at her.

"I don't care, you're my daughter and I don't want you getting hurt"

It's too late for that, mom.

Iran a hand through my hair as several people including Liam, Luca and a couple of security guards tried to break up the fight but failed miserably.

It was only when a tiny yet very angry voice boomed throughout the room that the fighting stopped as we all stood there in shock but none more so than myself and Logan.

"HEY, GET OFF MY DAD!!"

#### Chapter 44



Logan's POV.

It all happened so fast.

One minute I was watching my beautiful, strong wife standing up for herself like the badass she is against her family and her ex-fiance

which by the way was a huge f\*\*\*\*g turn on, the next, I was embracing my beauty like the possessive beast that I am as I happily announced our union.

I don't know what I expected to happen after this, I certainly wasn't expecting a happy ending with my in-laws but I also wasn't expecting for Lacey's brother Justin, my best friend to attack me like the degenerate he is.

The funny thing is that Justin knows not to fight me because I'm a highly skilled fighter, so much so that I could've fought in the UFC if I wanted to but my parents forbid me from competing.

The reason why they forbid me from fighting professionally is that they wanted me to take over Black Enterprises and in their minds, a successful CEO and businessman like myself should always be clean-cut and presentable with a squeaky-clean image and they shouldn't look like they've just done twenty rounds with Conor McGregor which makes sense if you think about it.

Speaking of injuries, I knew I had at least a busted lip and eyebrow, as well as sore ribs from the attack but this was nothing compared to my so-called best friend and brother-in-law who looks like s\*\*t.

Anyway, Justin had somehow managed to get on top of me and was about to punch me in the face when the most incredible thing happened stopping Justin in his tracks.

“HEY, GET OFF MY DAD!”

What the hell?.

We both looked towards the sound and my heart skipped a beat when I saw a very angry Logan Junior run towards us and start attacking

Justin reigning down punch after punch on him before Lacey came over and pulled him away.

Oh my god, it was Logan Junior.

Logan Junior, my namesake, my son, my heir just called ME his DAD.

"Logan...Logan baby, stop"

"No mummy, he hurt my daddy"

Logan Junior growled as he tried to fight against his mother who was struggling to restrain him.

Seeing my son in distress, I quickly pushed Justin off me and I went over to my boy kneeling down in front of him.

"Hey, it's ok son, I'm fine, relax"

I said trying to calm my son down and reassure him that I was ok.

My heart broke however when a little sob escaped his lips and tears filled his eyes.

"You're hurt"

Logan Junior says as he lifts his little hand up to touch my sore cheek.

His touch was an oxymoron because it hurt where he touched but it also made me feel better as well.

My son's upset face suddenly turned to anger when he looked at his uncle before looking back at me.

"That bad man hurt you, dad"

He says and I shake my head as a bunch of dancing monkeys erupt in my stomach from hearing Logan Junior call me dad again.

"No son, he didn't, nobody could ever hurt me except for you, your mom or your brother or sister"

"But...but you're bleeding"

Logan Junior whimpers.

I instantly felt like an asshole for fighting with Justin because I should've known that I wouldn't walk away from this unscathed and it would hurt my little family to see me like this.

"Come here, son"

I pull Logan Junior closer to me and I wrap my arms around him as I nuzzle my face into his little neck inhaling his sweet scent which managed to calm me down.

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"You called me dad?"

Tam barely above a whisper but I know he heard me.

"That's what you are, you're my dad"

"Yeah, Tam"

I said happily.

"I'm sorry I didn't say it sooner, dad, I just needed to know that I could trust you"

"You can always trust me, son, I promise you"

Tam says and he nods his head as his hold on me tightens.

"I love you, dad"

Oh my heart.

"I love you too, my boy"



I let out a shaky breath as I look up at my wife who was watching us with teary eyes and she had both of her hands covering her mouth.

I carefully stood up with Logan Junior in my arms, I wrapped his legs around my waist and held him close to me before closing the space between my wife and me.

"Don't cry, baby"

I say as I gently cup her face and kiss her forehead before leaning down and kissing her lips.

"He called you dad, Lo finally called you dad"

She whimpered and I smiled as I caressed her soft cheek.

"Yeah baby, he did"

I said as I wrapped my arm around her shoulders and pulled her closer to me.

Lacey and I have been looking forward to this day for a long time now and I know it always hurt my girl whenever Logan Junior would call me by my name and not his dad, so it's not surprising to see her this emotional about it.

It's also not helping her emotional state that she's had to deal with her family, she was forced to watch me and her big brother fight and now she's witnessing our usually stoic son show some emotion and affection, it's a very emotional and overwhelming moment for her right now.

Unfortunately, this sweet and beautiful moment didn't last long when Lacey's family opened their mouths ruining it for us.

"What the hell is going on here? who's this kid?"

Liam asks and I roll my eyes.

"He's my kid, Liam, he's mine and Logan's son"

"Actually, he's our eldest child"

I said with a proud smile.

"Your eldest? wait, how many kids have you all got?"

"Only us"

A sweet little voice said.

We all look behind Lacey and see Dayton and Teddy standing there with Duke and Bunny.

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"Trip. triplets? you've got three babies, Lace?"

"Well, that's normally what triplets means unless there's another meaning for it"

Dayton says while rolling his eyes and I had to suppress a chuckle.

"Why are they talking funny?"

"We talk funny, are you being serious?"

Dayton asks whilst looking confused/shocked.

"Hold your tongue, Dayton, you don't wanna say anything that could offend our mum or dad, do you?"

Teddy says probably sensing her brother was gonna say something he shouldn't.

"Alright fine but if he runs his mouth again, Ted"

"Then I'll let you loose"

Oh my god, these kids.

I thought to myself whilst shaking my head and chuckling.

"Mom, dad, what's going on here? you knew where Lacey was? and you knew about...these kids?"

Lacey's dad asks his parents.

Duke and Bunny walked over to us with Dayton and Teddy.

The kids stood in front of us while my wife's grandparents stood next to her and her grandfather wrapped his arm around Lacey to give her some comfort.

"We've only known for a little while James and we..."

"James? is that who I'm named after, mum?" Upstodatee from Dayton interrupts his great-grandfather as he looks up at his mom.

Lacey nods her head and smiles at her son.

"Yes baby it is, now don't be rude, you know better than to interrupt people"

"Oh yeah, sorry gramps"

"You're forgiven, my boy"

Duke says with a smile before looking back at his family.

"Like I was saying before I was so cutely interrupted, we've only known about Lacey and the children for a short while and we've been wanting her to come home on her own but as we all know, our girl here is stubborn"

Aint that the truth.

"And you didn't think to tell us you'd found her or that she had children? you just sat back and watched all of us suffer as we worried about our daughter?"

James says angrily and Lacey rolls her eyes.

"You see Jimmy, this is your problem, you never listen"

Bunny said whilst swirling her drink around in her glass.

"What's that supposed to mean, mom?"

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"You know the old saying god gave you one mouth and two ears for a reason, right? well, maybe if you used those two holes on the side of your head and also the organ in between them then none of this would've happened, would it?...Lacey wouldn't have left and maybe she and Logan would've been married a lot sooner and these three adorable little monkeys would've not only known their father and had a bond with him...but they would've known all of you as well"

Bunny said and I immediately noticed Lacey's body stiffened at her grandmother's words as guilt covered her beautiful, flawless face.

I've told her umpteen times that she doesn't need to feel guilty about the past but she does anyway and I really wish there was something I could do to change that.

Maybe I can spank the guilt out of her later on, that would be fun.

"But no, you had to use your hands, didn't you? and where did that get you, hmm?"

"Your mother and I have always told you to use your words and not your fists but you..."

"Hey, mum taught us that as well"

Dayton says with a smile before realising what he'd done.

"Tinterrupted you again, didn't I, gramps?"

Dayton asks Duke who just nods his head but he and Bunny where smiling at my cheeky son.

"Grams, gramps, please don't do this in front of the kids"

Lacey pleaded with her grandparents not wanting our children to hear all about her father being abusive but unfortunately for her, old

habits seemed to die hard for her dad because he didn't listen to her pleas.

"I didn't use my fists, dad and you all know that I've regretted my actions from back then"

"Well, actions have consequences, my boy and these are the consequences of not only your actions but also Luca and Dylan's actions as

well"

Bunny said before taking a sip of her drink.

I swear when this woman dies she'll be buried with a gin glass in one hand and a bottle of gin in the other.

Tlooked down at my wife who was looking uncomfortable and I knew that she wanted to get away from where we are and away from the

people who are making her feel this way.

I know from personal experience that there's only so much Lacey can take before she just shuts down and ignores what's going on around her.

It's almost like her brain goes into safe mode to protect her but she doesn't need to do that anymore because she's got me, her husband to look after and protect her.

"Duke, Bunny, if you don't mind, I'd like to take my wife and children back to the party"

"Of course, Logan go, we'll be through in just a moment"

Duke says as he leans in and kisses Lacey on her cheek.

"I love you, gramps"

"I love you too, lambchop"

IT wrapped my arm around Lacey's waist and we attempted to leave when we were stopped by her dad.

"Wait, stop, you can't leave Lacey, sweetheart, we need to talk"

"I'm done talking with you all, dad...you didn't listen to me when I needed you all the most but now you expect me to do as you say and listen to you? what a joke"

Lacey says leaving her family shocked.

"Come on, love"

I pull my wife closer to me and kiss her temple as we made our way back into the grand hall leaving Duke and Bunny to handle their family.





Logan's POV.

How did I get so lucky?.

How did I manage to land myself a wife who is not only beautiful and sexy but is smart and strong as well.

Talways knew I'd feel incredibly lucky and insanely proud to have Lacey as my wife but I never thought I'd feel this lucky and proud.

As for my love, my love for this woman is off the charts and I honestly believe right now as I sit here looking at her as she nurses my

wounds from my fight with Justin that if I ever lost her, I would literally die of a broken heart, that's how much I love and adore this woman.

"Are you ok, babe?"

My baby's sweet voice asked me but I was too lost in her beauty to answer her.

"Baby"

Lacey says as she gently caresses my cheek with her fingertips.

"Have I ever told you how much I love you, Lacey Black?"

Task and she smiles.

"Yes, Logan Black you have told me how much you love me, you tell me every single day, you tell me during every text and phone call we

share, whenever your hands or your lips touch my body but most importantly, you tell me every single morning when we wake up together

and every night before I fall asleep in your arms"

She says and I smile as I grab her hand and kiss her palm before looking back at my wife.

"Ok then, have I ever told you how proud I am of you? because I am, I'm unbelievably proud of you, Lace, I'm proud of you for having our babies and raising them to be the amazing human beings they are and I'm proud of you for being an incredibly strong, brave, beautiful, kind, sweet woman who I'm proud to call my wife..you did incredible out there, baby"

I say as I lean in and kiss my wife's nose before resting my forehead against hers and brushing my lips against her soft, thick lips.

"Are you sure about that, love? I don't feel like I did incredible"

"Oh trust me, my love, you were amazing, the way you stood up to your family and Dylan and put them in their place...fuck, it was the hottest thing I've ever seen"

I say and she giggles.

"I mean it, Lace, you were amazing..I'm the luckiest man in the world right now"

"And I'm the luckiest woman in the world"

Lacey says as she leans in and kisses me.

I wasn't able to enjoy my wife's kisses for long because we were interrupted by the last person I was expecting to see.

"Well, well, well, isn't this a sight for sore eyes"

Lord kill me now.



I pull away from my wife and look to my left with an annoyed expression on my face.

"Rachel, what the f\*\*k do you want?"

Task before groaning in pain when Lacey slaps my chest.

"Don't be rude, Logan"

"Ok fine, to what do I owe the displeasure?"

Task and Lacey glares at me.

Fuck, she looks so freaking sexy when she's angry.

"Oh I just heard from a little birdie, my BF that my big brothers were back in town and one of them brought with him a ready-made family

featuring none other than the Crapenters long lost princess, so I thought I'd come and check it out for myself"

My little sister Rachel says whilst smiling at Lacey.

"Your bf?"

T asked with narrowed eyes.

"My boyfriend" Upstodatee from should've known.

"Who's your boyfriend, Rae?"

"Logan never told you?"

Rachel asks Lacey sounding confused and I frustratingly rubbed my forehead.

"It slipped my mind"

I say as Rachel scoffs and mutters figures under her breath.

"Ok, so who is it?"

Lacey asks as she looks between the both of us with a confused expression.

"Liam"

Rachel says with a smile.

"My brother?"

"Mmm-hmm"

"Wow"

Lacey said as numerous different emotions spread through her face.

"Well, that's not weird or anything"

Lacey says while rolling her eyes and I chuckle.

"So, how long have you all been a thing?"

"A little over five years...he was a heartbroken and devastated mess after you left and I helped pick up the pieces for him"

"Lucky Liam"

Lacey says with annoyance and anger in her voice.

I grabbed hold of her hand and gently caressed the back of it to comfort her and calm her down which worked because she let out a slow breath as she smiled at me.

"Yeah, lucky him...you leaving f\*\*\*\*d your family up, Lace and it broke..."

"Please Rachel, please save me the my family are the heartbroken victims and I'm the evil b\*\*\*h who left without a word speech because it's boring and it's so far from what's actually the truth"

"Nobody's saying that, Lace..."

"Yes, you are, Rach"

Lacey once again interrupted my sister.

“Everyone always talks about my family's pain, my family's heartbreak, my family's guilt and my family's loss like they're the victims and they're not, [am but most importantly my kids are”

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“I'm sorry, Lacey”

"Don't be, it's not your fault my brother and the rest of my family have tricked you and the world with their sad puppy dog faces"

My poor Lacey.

I can't even imagine how it feels to be betrayed by your own family and fiance just for those same people to turn around and play the victim after your disappearance.

"I'm sorry, Lace, I didn't mean to upset you"

"It's ok, Rach"

She says with a smile and Rachel smiles back at her.

"So..Ryker said you all have got three beautiful babies together, how the hell did that happen?"

"Really, Rach? you're asking us how two consenting adults created three children? I'm surprised you don't know the answer to that question considering how much you and Liam love to f\*\*k"

"Logan, EWW!!"

Lacey groaned in disgust and I chuckled as Rachel glared at me.

"I know how babies are made, dumbass, I just didn't know you two were a thing before Lacey left"

"We weren't, it's complicated"

"It doesn't seem that complicated to me"

Rachel says with a smirk and she's right, it's not complicated but it's also not something either of us want to discuss right now or ever.

"At least mom and dad can relax now"

Rachel says confusing us both.

"What do you mean, Rach?"

Task and what she said next not only pissed Lacey off but it made me feel absolutely livid.

"I overheard mom and daddy talking the other day, actually, they were more like fighting and it was because that skank GiGi Addams

wanted daddy to arrange a marriage between her and Logan and he was seriously considering it as well"

"What?"

"Are you being serious? please, tell me you're joking"

Lacey and I ask Rachel sounding shocked and my sister shakes her head.

"Unfortunately, I'm not, brother"

"But why would dad even entertain this BS when he knows that GiGi is just a friend and that I'm in love with Lacey and she's the one I've

always wanted to make my wife?"

Task my sister who rolls her eyes.

"You know why, Logan, you're not naive"

Once again she's right, I just hoped that this wasn't the case.

"Men like daddy are willing to do anything to capitalise on their already burgeoning wealth and they'll do anything to keep their high status

and stay up there as one of the powerful top dogs and GiGi knows this, she knows that rich men like dad are willing to do anything and risk

everything including their own children's happiness and future to make sure their rich, comfy and luxurious lifestyles stay the same. just like

what James Carpenter did with Lacey and Dylan"

Rachel said and Lacey's body tensed at her words.

"So...50, your dad agreed to an arranged marriage between Logan and GiGi for...for what?"

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Lacey asks confused but there was also a lot of anger in her tone as well.

"Well, it's definitely not to merge two powerful families together considering she comes from a poor family in South Amboy New Jersey, so

my only guess would be it's to appease the board members at Black Enterprises who aren't happy that their CEO is approaching thirty and he's still not married and hasn't produced an heir to the throne yet"

"Jokes on them because I completed both of those tasks in London"

I say before downing my bourbon in one go.

Rachel didn't understand what I meant at first until she looked down at our hands and saw our wedding bands and Lacey's expensive engagement ring.

"Oh my god"

Rachel gasped but thankfully it wasn't loud enough to attract anyone's attention.

"You guys got married?"

"Yeah, we did"

Lacey says with a proud and very happy smile on her gorgeous face.

“Wow...you know mom's not gonna be happy about this, right? she's been planning all of our weddings since I can remember”

“Well, no offence to mom, Rach but I really don't care, I had finally found the love of my life after six long, torturous years and I wasn't leaving the country without her tied to me”

"EWW!!, gross”

Rachel said whilst looking at me in disgust and I rolled my eyes.

Of course, she'd take it the wrong and dirty way.

“Anyway, I don't care, Lacey is a way better choice for a wife than GiGi Addams, that b\*\*\*h doesn't deserve the Black name attached to her”

She said as she made a disgusted sound and rolled her eyes.

“I thought you two were BFFs, Rach?”

Lacey asks confused and so was I.

"We were until she tried to steal Liam from me around a year ago, after that, I cut off all ties with her"

"Good, she's bad news"

Lacey says with anger and some jealousy in her tone.

I gently squeezed her hand to give her some comfort and she offered me a half-hearted smile in return.

“I know that now, Lace...oh man, I can't wait to see her face when she realises she's lost out on becoming Logan's wife, I really hope someone takes a picture of it so that I can frame it”

My sister says excitedly and both my wife and I chuckle.

“Anyway, I've gotta dash, Liam's waiting for me, I'll come and see you guys later, ok, I'm dying to meet my new nephews and little niece, see

ya

"Bye, Rachel"

"Bye, kid"

When my sister left, I sat there thinking about what she said and I couldn't help but feel angry at my father for agreeing to sign my future

away to GiGi Addams without my consent but I was also confused as to why GiGi would request this from my dad when I've told her

umpteenth times that I only see her as a friend and nothing more.

What the hell is she up to?.

#### Chapter 46



Lacey's PO.

“Relax baby, you've got nothing to be nervous about”

My delightful husband said whilst trying to relax me as his hand gently stroked over my hip.

Tlooked up at Logan with an are you being serious? expression on my face and he chuckles.

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“It's not funny, Logan, my grandparents have just told us they'll soon be announcing not only my return to New York but also our marriage



and our children as well and I don't think I'm ready for this"

"Yes you are love, you're more than ready for this"

lear blue eyes.

"How do I know?"

My husband asked me with a smile on his stupidly handsome face as he gently gripped my chin between his thumb and forefinger.

"I know because you're Lacey Black, my wife and you're one of the strongest women I know"

Tam?"

Lask probably sounding like an insecure i\*\*\*t as Logan nods his head, his smile never faltering as he did.

"When you were at the lowest point in your life, Lace, you left your family, your friends and your city behind and moved to a foreign country

on your own with life growing inside of your stomach, you didn't know that you were carrying three precious babies at the time and even

when you did find this out, babe, you didn't cave in and come back to New York, no you stayed and you built a life for yourself and our

children, that's how I know you're strong, my love, so please don't ever doubt yourself, ok"

"ok

Inod my head and smile when Logan kisses my forehead.

"Good girl"

He says and I smile.

I narrowed my eyes to behind Logan and my heart skipped a nervous beat when I saw Logan's parents graciously walking through the entrance to the grand hall together.

I didn't think it was fair that they found out about their eldest son's marriage as well as their grandchildren when everyone else did, so swallowing my fear and panic, I braced myself to tell Logan.

"Babe, your parents are here"

"What?"

"Your parents are here, should we..we should go and tell them about us and the kids before my grandparents announce it"

"You're right"

Logan said as he turned to look at his parents before looking back at me.

"Let's go, babe"

Logan grabbed hold of my hand and led us towards the bar area where David and Ruth Black were currently standing.

I was feeling nervous and my heart was racing wildly.

I really didn't wanna do this but I knew that this was something that we needed to do and I'd just be preventing the inevitable if we didn',

besides, I'm already harbouring a lot of guilt for keeping my babies from their father, I don't want that guilt made worse because I've kept

them from what's rightfully theirs.

So, with my babies at the forefront of my mind, like they always are, I suppressed these feelings and put on my strong facade as the space

between myself and the Black patriarch and matriarch got smaller and smaller.

"Hey mom, dad"

Logan greeted his parents.

David and Ruth Black turned around with huge smiles on their faces as they greeted their son but then a look of shock encased their

features when they saw me.

"Logan darling, you're...Lacey..Lacey sweetheart, is that you?"

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"Yes, it is, ma'am, how are you?"

Ruth looked me up and down with a shocked expression on her face as her mouth gaped open at me.

Even David Black was looking at me like he'd just seen a ghost. Content held by

"Mom...mom, are you ok?"

"Am ok?"

Ruth whispered as she looked at Logan before looking at me with pure excitement on her face as she embraced me in a hug.

"You're home, you're back home where you belong..I'm not dreaming this, am I?"

"No, I'm really here"

I said with a chuckle.

“We were so worried for you, sweetheart, we didn't know where you were or if you were ok, you just took off without so much as a note or a text left behind”

David said and I felt my guilt intensify.

“I'm sorry, Mr Black, I had to get away, I couldn't stay here and marry a man who didn't want me or wasn't in love with me”

“I don't blame you, honey and to be honest with you, Lacey love, I always shipped you with a certain someone”

Ruth said whilst not so subtly nodding her head towards a smirking Logan.

“And what's with this Mr Black nonsense? am I no longer your uncle, Lacey?”

David asked sounding hurt and offended but he also looked like he was joking as well.

“Actually dad, we were hoping she could call you something else”

“Oh yeah, like what?”

“Like dad”

Logan said and it felt like my heart had stopped beating at his words.

“Dad?..what do you mean, son?”

David asked as he looked between us.

Logan's smirk got bigger and brighter as he came and stood behind me wrapping one of his arms around my waist in a possessive grip as his free hand grabbed hold of my left hand and lifted it up to his lips kissing my knuckles.

David looked at us with a confused expression while Ruth was looking at us with a hopeful and excited expression.

"Mom, dad, say hello to your new daughter in law"

Logan said all giddily.

"Wait, what? I don't understand"

"Do you remember that wish I made on a shooting star when I was a kid, mom?"

Logan asks confusing both myself and his dad.

"Yeah, you wished that one day Lacey would be your..oh my god"

Ruth gasped as she looked between us both.

"You guys got married?"

"Mmm-hmm"\*

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Logan said with a cheeky smile on his face.

"I can't believe this...my baby is married and he married the love of his life"

Ruth said with tears in her eyes as she embraced the both of us.

"How did this happen? and when?"

She asks sounding shocked but also excited as well.

"In London right before we came here, we got married in a registry office"

I say and Ruth's face drops as she glares at her son.

"You married this beautiful girl in a registry office, boy? please, don't tell me this is true, Logan David Black?"

"I wanted her to be my wife, mom"

My grown ass husband says in a whiney childish voice and I chuckle.

“Besides, I plan on giving my girl the wedding of her dreams one day”

Logan says as he leans in and kisses my cheek.

“I just can't believe this”

“Is there anything else you two wanna share with us?”

David asks rhetorically but what he didn't know is that we had another pretty big thing to share with them.

“Actually, there is one thing”

I say nervously.

“It's more like three things, baby”

Logan says confusing his parents.

“What are you two talking about?”

“Well..”

Logan was about to answer his dad when the sound of our child's voice interrupted him.

“MUM! DAD, grandpa Duke and grandma Bunny said it's time”

“Yeah, grams said we had to hurry up because someone called Jim was calling her name”

Oh my god.

“I'm pretty sure, she meant Gin, son, not Jim”

“Because that's any less confusing, dad”

Logan Junior said while rolling his eyes and we chuckled.

“Dad..did this young man just call you dad, Logan?”

"Yeah, he did"

Logan said while smiling proudly.

"You, you said, y.you've got, you've..you, huh"

Ruth said not making any sense.

"Mom, dad...meet your grandchildren, Logan Junior, Dayton and Teddy, kids, meet your grandparents, my parents David and Ruth Black"

David and Ruth looked at the triplets in shock as they looked at their paternal grandparents with confused expressions.

"You've got children?..you've got three..oh my god"

Ruth said whilst holding up three fingers with one hand as her free hand covered her mouth.

"You all have got triplets?..we've got three grandbabies?"

"Why do Americans find it so hard to understand that three kids means triplets?"

Dayton asks whilst looking baffled.

"Don't be so offensive, Dayton, it's not all Americans, it's just this nice lady and that dumb boy from earlier"

Teddy scolds her brother before looking towards Logan's parents.

"Ignore my brother, his brain is smart but his mouth is dumb"

Teddy says and we all chuckle at my blunt as f\*\*k daughter.

"Well, aren't you a beautiful little thing, you look just like your mother when she was a child, except you've got your father's eyes and hair colour"

"And she's got Lacey's smart mouth too"

Logan's parents say as they look at Teddy in awe.

"Told you so, my queen"

Logan whispers in my ear before kissing below it.

Teddy does look a lot like me but I always felt like she looked more like her father because she looks like her brothers who are Logan's doubles.

I looked down to my right when I felt someone grab hold of my hand and I wasn't surprised to see Logan Junior standing as close to me as humanly possible as he looked at his grandparents with scepticism.

"Logan baby, are you ok?"

Task and he nods his head.

"Grams needs us, mum, we should go"

He says stoically and I gently stroke his hair.

"You're right, baby"

I say with a sad smile as I look up at my husband.

"Logan we need to go, my grandparents are waiting for us"

"Ok, babe"

Logan says before kissing my temple.

"Can we finish this later, guys? Duke and Bunny need us"

"Of course son but just so you both know, this isn't over with, do you hear me?"

Ruth says with a don't mess with me expression on her face and I mentally roll my eyes.



"Yes mom, come on Lace"

I smile at my in-laws as Logan leads us away towards the stage.

What I didn't know is that somewhere in the grand hall was a nasty serpent who was slithering around and was completely unaware that she was about to flip my b\*\*\*h switch.

Chapter 47



AN J J

GiGi's PO.

Oh, I'm so excited about tonight.

I've been looking forward to Duke and Bunny's annual Christmas party ever since the summer and I've been carefully preparing the perfect

Q quifit for when I'm announced as Logan Black's fiancée because the future wife of the most prominent man in New York City, actually, in

all of America needs to look perfect and classy but most importantly, she needs to look better than everyone else in attendance.

I was hoping to wear this one-of-a-kind black dress which I've had my eyes on since the early spring but when I went to buy it, the store

owner said that it had already been purchased which pissed me off because that dress belonged to me.

It irked me that I couldn't have my dream dress for this event and I had to settle for a sleek red, silky, backless ballgown dress which shows

off my curves perfectly including my chest which I know my baby Logan will love because he's always been a breast man.

I mean, I don't know for sure but come on, he's a guy, if he's not a t\*\*s or an ass guy then he must be gay, especially if he doesn't like mine.

I've worked hard and suffered many hours of torturous pain for a body like mine and what god couldn't give me naturally, a plastic surgeon

in Florida happily gave me.

I haven't had much work done just a nose job, a boob job, a BBL and lip injections all of which has helped elevate my beauty and my status

as a celebrity, well, my looks only got me halfway, being associated with families like the Carpenters, Tates and Blacks has taken me from owns © this.

being just another failed reality TV star and mediocre model to an A list socialite.

speaking of the Black family, I've been working hard to secure my place as the future mistress of the Black family through my marriage with

Logan by trying to get close to his parents but it hasn't been easy.

I thought I wouldn't have to work so hard because I'm literally the perfect choice for Logan.

I mean, I'm beautiful, smart, loyal and kind, my family may not be part of the elite but we're of Italian ancestry just like Logan and his family

are which should mean something to them but unfortunately, they weren't interested in hearing me out.

Ruth Black immediately dismissed me and I got the feeling she didn't like me and only tolerated me when she had to, like when we're in

front of strangers or the press or if we're both around my Logan because the b\*\*h knows he won't allow her to disrespect me or treat me like crap.

David Black, on the other hand, is a completely different case.

At first, David was just like his wife and he wouldn't give me the time of day but then I found out from a friend of mine at Black Enterprises

who is on the board that David and the board members were starting to worry about the future of the company because Logan is almost

thirty and he's still single without a future heir, so I used this as my opportunity to manipulate David into giving me what I wanted and it worked.

David said he'd consider an arranged marriage between myself and Logan which is basically a yes in my book and I'm hoping tonight is

when our engagement will be announced, after all, there's no better time to do it than at a party where all of the elite will be.

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Tarrived at the party fashionably late and I made sure to get plenty of photos taken, as well as answering all of the media's questions about

Logan and me.

One of the reporters asked me about some woman Logan apparently came here with but I wasn't worried at all about it because it was

either his sister Rachel or some nobody who I can easily bully into staying away from him.

Anyway, after spending quite a bit of time with the press, I headed inside of the hotel and gave my coat to the coat check guy before heading straight for the grand hall.

I entered the room and grabbed myself a glass of champagne from one of the waiters as I looked around for my man.

I knew he was here somewhere, I just had to find him.

Unfortunately, before I could go and look for him, I was stopped in my tracks by Duke and Bunny Carpenter who were about to bore us all to death with their speech or at least that's what I thought.

"Good evening everyone and welcome to our annual Christmas party"

Duke said and everyone clapped.

"First of all, we'd like to thank you all for joining us here tonight, as we all know Christmas is the most magical and beautiful time of the year, it's a time to come together, to spend time with one another, to strengthen familial bonds but most importantly, it's about appreciating the important people in one's lives"

Bunny said and I rolled my eyes.

Ugh, if you say so old lady.

"Family is the most important thing in a person's life and my husband and I are incredibly lucky to have not only been blessed with our son

James and our daughter-in-law Louise but also with our grandchildren and great-grandchildren as well"

"As you all know, our one and only granddaughter Lacey disappeared six years ago and we've been waiting patiently for her to return home

to us and I'm proud and honoured to say that my beautiful granddaughter is back home where she belongs and she's not alone”

WHAT?

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Lacey Carpenter is back.

No way, there's no way this is happening.

If Lacey Carpenter is back then this won't just throw a wrench in my plans but a whole f=\*\*\*g toolbox because anyone with a decent set of eyes and some brain cells in their head knows how much Logan is infatuated with that little b\*\*\*h.

I don't even know why, she's a basic Betty who couldn't even keep Dylan Tate on the straight and narrow, no pun intended, whereas I'm a sexy siren and I'm definitely the better option between the two of us.

“Lacey darling, would you like to come up on stage with your little family?”

Family?.

What the...oh my god.

My eyes widened and I almost dropped my champagne glass in shock when I saw Lacey walk up on stage wearing MY f+=+\*g DRESSI, she was holding hands with MY f+=\*\*g MAN! and she had three little bastards with her as well.

What the hell is going on here?

Why is Lacey back in New York?.

Why is Logan with Lacey?.

Who do these kids belong to?.

I knew the answer to this question because the more I looked at them the more I noticed all of the similarities between them and Logan but

I didn't wanna believe it, I didn't wanna believe that all of my hard work to get my perfect man and the perfect life was all for nothing thanks

to that b\*\*\*h Lacey Carpenter.

There was numerous gasps and murmurs heard around the room when Lacey stood next to her grandfather looking even more beautiful

and radiant than she did six years ago.

Don't get me wrong, she was pretty back then but she was very mousy and quiet and she'd only ever dress up if she had to but looking at

her now, she looks completely different and worst of all, Logan can't seem to take his eyes off her.

Fuck, I'm so fd.

I eventually got the answers to all of my questions and to say I was livid would be a major f\*\*\*\*g understatement, I was feeling apoplectic

and murderous.

"My darling little lambchop is back and as you can see she's not alone, Logan son, do you want to do the honours?"

Duke Carpenter asked Logan who smiled and said with pleasure as he took the microphone from him.

"Good evening, everyone"

Logan said in his sexy, husky voice which turned me on even despite how pissed off I was currently feeling.

“You all know I'm not one to beat around the bush and I prefer to get straight to the point so here we go..many, many years ago when I was a young boy, I was infatuated with my best friend's little sister and as I got older that infatuation turned into love”

Logan stopped to take a breath.

“One night six years ago, I thought I was finally going to get my happy ending with the girl of my dreams but then I lost her and I spent six torturous years looking for her..not too long back I found the love of my life again and I vowed to never let her go again and that this time, I was gonna make her mine forever and that's exactly what I did”

Logan said as he looked down at a smiling Lacey and winked at her before looking back out at the crowd.

What he said next made me not only want to throw the mother of all tantrums but it also made me wanna rip that f\*\*\*\*g w\*\*\*e to shreds for stealing what was rightfully mine.

“I finally made this beautiful, perfect woman who is standing next to me mine and I'm so incredibly proud to introduce you all to my wife

Lacey Black and our three children Logan Junior, Dayton and Teddy Black”

WHAT THE fk.





AN J J

GiGi's PO.

"I finally made this beautiful, perfect woman who is standing next to me mine and I'm so incredibly proud to introduce you all to my wife

Lacey Black and our three children Logan Junior, Dayton and Teddy Black"

WHAT THE fk.

This is a joke, right? I mean, it's gotta be.

There's no way Logan, MY Logan married that basic Betty over someone like me, it's just not possible and those kids..where the hell did

they come from?.

The last time I checked, Lacey was head over heels in love with her fiance Dylan and there's no way she would've cheated on him even if he

was cheating on her because she was too mousy and prudish to have s\*x with him back then, let alone have s\* with the hottest and sexiest

bachelor in New York City.

Unless Miss Lacey isn't as sweet and innocent as she's led us all to believe, maybe under that I'm a good girl facade is a nasty, vindictive,

manipulative b\*\*\*h who planned to steal my man away from me.

Yeah, that's gotta be it, otherwise how else could she have nabbed him with women like me in the world?.

"With that being said, enjoy the party and Merry Christmas"

Logan said and everyone cheered and raised their glasses to him.



I watched with a glare on my face as Duke and Bunny helped the three kids off the stage whilst Logan helped Lacey and he was treating her like a piece of fine China he was afraid to break.

My glare intensified and hot, boiling rage flowed through my veins like lava as I watched Logan and Lacey smile at each other like they were each other's worlds while kissing each other.

URGH!L what the f\*\*k.

He was supposed to be mine, MINE!L.

I looked around the room and spotted David Black standing alone as he watched his son with happiness and pride on his face.

He looks so happy to see Logan and Lacey together but why? why is he so happy when he promised his son to me?.

I've been in love with Logan for as long as I can remember but he never once reciprocated my feelings, so I did what any woman in my position would do and I used every billionaire's worst nightmare against them.

All rich top dogs are required to have a wife and at least one heir to succeed them, this is to not only secure the future of their companies and to keep their names relevant but also to keep their board members happy and their stocks high.

Logan has never had a serious girlfriend and he's never shown any signs of settling down any time soon which put the board members at

Black Enterprises on edge, so being the wonderful human being I am, I went to see David Black and I poured my heart out to him about

how much I love Logan and asked him to arrange a marriage between us which he agreed to.

This is one of the reasons why I'm so angry right now because David Black promised his son to me and now he's standing there like a proud papa.

Oh hell no.

Logan is mine, he belongs to me and I'm gonna get my man no matter what.

With my confidence renewed, I sashayed my way over to David Black fully intending to sort this mess out and get him back on my side.

"Hi, uncle David"

Isay in my sweet voice.

David turned around with a smile on his face but it quickly dropped as soon as he saw me.

What's that all about?.

"Oh, GiGi hi"

"How have you been?"

"Good"

He answered in a clipped tone and I glared at him.

"So, what's this about Logan being married to that frigid b\*\*\*h Lacey Carpenter? I thought we agreed that I'd be his wife"

I growled and David glared at me.

"First of all GiGi, don't you ever and I mean EVER insult my daughter-in-law again, do you understand me? Lacey isn't just my son's wife or

my grandchildren's mother, she's family and I won't stand for anyone, especially not someone like you insulting her and secondly, I never

promised or agreed to anything with you, you came to me with a sob story and you lied to me about my son being in love with you"

"I never lied..."

"Yes you did, GiGi"

He interrupted me with a growl which startled me.

"You did lie to me and I know you did because Logan had told me many years ago that he was in love with Lacey and had been for a very

long time, he also told me that he was planning on making her his wife one day, not to mention that anyone with a decent set of eyes on

them can see that Logan only had eyes for one girl and that one girl was never you, GiGi"

"But you agreed, you said you'd arrange a marriage between us"

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"I never did anything of the sort GiGi and you know it..you came to me and I appeased you by saying I'd consider it but I was never actually planning on considering it"

What the f\*\*k?

"But why? I thought you liked me?"

Task and David sighs in frustration.

"Look GiGi, you're a nice girl but you're not the type of woman my wife and I want for our sons, the Black family has got standards and unfortunately, you don't meet any of them"

What?

Is he being f\*\*\*\*g serious.

“Is this a joke, David? I'm perfect for your son, I'm beautiful, strong, I'm ambitious and I'm a way better option than Lacey freaking Carpenter”

“Black...her name is officially Mrs Lacey Black and you need to accept that, you also need to accept that Logan is now a married man and he's a father, you need to go and find yourself a new man to prey on”

David growled before walking away leaving me with a shocked expression on my face.

Did he just walk away from me?.

Nobody walks away from GiGi Addams and nobody takes what belongs to me.

Logan Black belongs to me and I'm ready and willing to do everything I can to get him even if it means destroying his mousy wife.

Lacey's PO.

Tonight has been an odd night.

First, there was the crazy confrontation between Dylan, my family and me, then there was Justin and my husband beating the crap out of each other which resulted in Logan Junior FINALLY calling Logan his dad and then there was the conversation Logan and I had with Rachel about GiGi Addams which has been running through my mind ever since and even more so since I saw her watching Logan and me on stage with a scowl on her face.

GiGi Addams is like a weeping sore that never heals or goes away and I've got a feeling that she's up to something, especially after I saw her hanging around Logan's dad like a nasty rash and I witnessed them having a heated argument which left GiGi raging like an angry bull.

Hmm, I wonder what he said to her to make her so angry?.

GiGi's not the only one who is pissing me off, my family are also driving me up the wall as well.

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If they're not looking at me and the kids with sorrow, guilt and longing in their eyes and on their faces then they're trying to talk to me and gain my forgiveness but unfortunately for them, Logan has always intercepted them when they do.

The only person who he didn't intercept was my sister-in-law Sabrina which I was grateful for because she's an absolute sweetheart and I know for a fact that she never agreed with anything that had happened back then.

I know this because a couple of days after I had arrived in London, I received an email from her in which she expressed her anger with our family and her pride in me for not lying down and letting Dylan and my family trample all over me and also for not accepting a miserable future were I would be tied down to a gay man who wasn't going to be faithful to me.

Sabrina also told me in the email that our family deeply regretted everything after I had left but she understood my feelings and she also understood if I didn't wanna come back home, she just hoped that I was happy wherever I was.

During our conversation, Sabrina apologised for Justin's actions and expressed how angry she was with him for attacking Logan, especially in front of kids.

I didn't know it at the time but Melissa wasn't the only kid there, apparently, Dylan and Luca's twins and Sabrina's two kids were also there as well, luckily three of them were newborns and didn't even know what day it was let alone the fact that their dad/uncles were fighting each other.

We also discussed my relationship with Logan and I let her meet our kids as well which may or may not have been a good idea but I was happy for it to happen and my gut was telling me it was ok, so I did and it was a beautiful sight to see, especially when Teddy met her auntie for the first time. Content held by Dayton was sceptical of his auntie at first but eventually warmed up to her whereas Logan Junior was just closed off and didn't have any interaction with her other than saying hi.

After my conversation with Sabrina, I was feeling overwhelmed so I went over to the bar to get myself a stiff drink.

Normally, I don't like to drink and I'll have at the most two maybe three drinks if I'm at an event like this but sometimes I'll make an exception for occasions like now when my emotions are all over the place.

"Can T have a glass of bourbon, please?"

"Coming right up"

The bartender pours me my drink and hands me it.

"There you go, ma'am"

"Thank you"

I quickly downed my drink in one go just as the most annoying sound in the world hit my ears.

"Well, well, well, look who it is, it's mousy Lacey"

Urghtt, lord give me strength.

Chapter 49



Lacey's PO.

"Well, well, well, look who it is, it's mousy Lacey"

Urghtl, lord give me strength.

"What do you sant iio"

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"I just wanted to say hi to an old friend, it's been a long time since we last saw each other"

old friend?.

I never have been and we never will be friends"

» bartender.

"Another glass of bourbon, hmm? what's wrong? trouble in paradise?"

GiGi asks and I chuckle but there was no amusement in it.

"Actually GiGi, everything is perfect in paradise, I've got my three wonderful kids and a drop-dead sexy husband who makes me very happy if you know what I mean?"

Isay with a smirk and she glares at me.

Her glare then turned into an evil smirk.

"Oh I know exactly what you mean, Lacey because before you tricked him into marrying you, he was making me very happy as well"

"Really? so, you and Logan have had s\*x then?"

Task and she lets out a scoff-like sound.

"We weren't just having s\*x, Lacey, we were in a relationship"

Is that so?.

"So, you've seen Logan naked then? you know what his body is like and if he's got any scars or tattoos?"

"Of course I do, Lacey, I'm not blind"

She said while rolling her eyes and I smiled.

"What's your favourite tattoo of his?"

Task and GiGi looks at me with a stumped expression.

"What?"

"You heard me GiGi, what's your favourite tattoo of his? mine's the one on his back, you know the one of the giant skull which covers his entire back"



"Yeah...yeah, that's my favourite as well, I love that tattoo"

She says and I chuckle.

"Why are you laughing? what's so funny?"

"Oh nothing, it's just that Logan doesn't have a tattoo on his back"

Isay with a smug smirk as GiGi's face drops.

"You think you're so smart, don't you?"

"Actually no, I don't think I'm smart GiGi, I know that I'm smart and I'm clearly smarter than you are since you don't even know what your

alleged lover's body looks like"

Tsay while still looking smug and this pissed GiGi off.

"Ok, so I don't know what tattoos he's got, it doesn't mean we haven't f\*\*\*d, Lacey..I mean did you ever think that maybe we were both so

lost in each other to notice what one another's bodies looks like?"

"Actually no, I never thought about that..I guess it's because when Logan and I make love to each other he makes sure to pay attention to

every inch of my body just like I do with him"

GiGi's face flamed with anger after hearing my words as she stepped closer to me with both of her hands clenched tightly into fists.

For a split second, I thought she was gonna hit me and I was ready and willing to knock her out if she even attempted to swing at me but

luckily for her, she didn't.

"So, you've already whored yourself out to him, have you? it's not surprising, I mean, it's a well-known fact that girls with daddy issues tend

to spread their legs for any man who says hello to them"

She says with a smirk and I glare at her.

"Well, you'd know, GiGi, wouldn't you?"

I growl at her and her smirk drops.

"Besides, I don't have daddy issues unlike you, I mean, do you even know who your father is, GiGi? because we all know the man who is currently playing house with your momma in New Jersey isn't your dad and as for Logan, I've got every right to have s\*x with him, he is my husband after all"

I say whilst holding up my hand to show her my engagement and wedding rings.

Her eyes widened when she saw the beautiful yellow canary diamond sitting on my finger, she even tried to grab my hand but I backed up away from her.

"What the hell are you doing?"

"That's my ring, that belongs to me"

"No, it doesn't, it belongs to me"

"But he brought it for me at Tiffany's"

She growled as she stomped her foot like a child.

Tknew she was talking out of her ass but I still can't deny the painful sting I felt in my heart at the possibility of her telling the truth, after all, there was that time on the news when they reported Logan and GiGi shopping together for rings at Tiffany's.

There's also the fact that Logan has always remained adamant that he and GiGi were friends and nothing more, so why would my husband

buy not just an engagement ring but an expensive engagement ring for someone who is just a friend?.

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It doesn't add up.

"If he brought it for you then why didn't he give it to you? why didn't he propose to you? why did he fly all the way to London the second he found out I was there if you're the one that he wants to marry?"

"Maybe it's because of those kids you've tricked him into thinking are his"

"Or maybe it's because he loves me...he didn't have to be in a relationship with me to be involved in his kid's lives, GiGi, he could've still

married the woman he loved and been a father to our babies, I would never have stopped that from happening...the only time I would've

stepped in is if his chosen bride was a danger to my children"

I told her honestly and she looked genuinely shocked at my words.

"Look GiGi, I don't wanna be a b\*\*\*h but I will be if you continue to spread lies about you and Logan...I don't get territorial about many

things but I do with my family and I will do anything and I mean anything to protect them"

"I'm not scared of you, Lacey"

GiGi said whilst glaring at me and I smirked at her.

"I'm not saying you should be scared of me, GiGi, I'm just giving you a simple warning to let whatever you think you feel for Logan go

because he's never gonna want to be with you, he knows you and the type of person you are and so do L.nobody wants to wife up

someone like you"

I say and she chuckles.

"And what type of woman am I, Lacey?"

"You're an opportunist, you're a gold digger and you're an attention seeking fame w\*\*e, you've been trying to be famous and get on any

trashy reality TV show that would have you ever since you were sixteen, you've also been trying to get your claws into any rich bachelor you

can get your hands on, it doesn't matter if he's ugly or good looking, if he's a bit on the chubby side or he's got muscles and six pack abs or

if he's single or married, all you care about is nabbing yourself a millionaire so that you can never work again and you can live a luxurious

lifestyle which you don't deserve with money you didn't earn, that's the type of woman you are, GiGi..you're not interested in Logan

because you're in love with him, you're interested in him because of his wealth and what opportunities and perks you'll receive from not

only having the Black name but also from being affiliated with the top three families in this city because we all know the Blacks, the

Carpenters and the Tates are New York's triquetra of power, wealth and status"

I said and she looked at me with a shocked expression.

I didn't wanna be mean to her but she deserved it.

She's a threat to my family and even though I trust Logan wholeheartedly, I don't trust this b\*\*\*h and I'm willing to do anything including being mean and putting her in her place to protect not only my marriage but also my family.

"I'm warning you, GiGi, stay the f\*\*k away from my husband, he doesn't want you, he never has and he never will want you"

Twarn her before walking away from her hoping that she takes the hint and backs off.

Logan's POV.

Where the hell is my wife?.

Ihaven't seen her since I left her alone with her sister-in-law Sabrina and now I'm starting to worry about her.

Iwas about to pull my cell phone out of my pocket to call her but before I could, I was grabbed by my shoulder and turned around by Justin

Carpenter.

"What the hell, Logan? what are you playing at with my sister?"

"What do you mean what am I playing at? I'm not playing anything"

"Oh don't bullshit me, Logan, you're clearly up to something"

"And why would you think that, Justin?"

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Task with a shocked/confused expression on my face.

"Because she's Lacey, our Lacey, our princess, remember?"

"Yes, I remember, Justin, she's my wife, for f\*\*\*s sake"

I groan in annoyance.

"Well, why would you wanna marry her? you've never shown any interest in her before and you've always thought of her as your sister, so why now?"

"First of all, she's not my sister and I've never ever thought of her as one and secondly, have you banged your head, Justin?"

Task him and he looks at me confused.

"What? of course not, why would you ask me that?"

"Because if you haven't banged your head then you need to get it checked because you're clearly losing your memory, Justin"

I say before looking around the grand hall for my wife.

My kids were safe with Duke and Bunny, it's just Lacey I'm concerned about now.

"What are you talking about, Logan?"

I look back at Justin who looked genuinely confused by my words.

"Do you remember a few months back when me, you and our dads were playing poker at my dad's house?"

"Yeah"

"Well, if you remember that then you'll also remember that I asked you and your dad for your permission for me to marry Lacey and I even showed you both the engagement ring I got for her"

I say and his eyes widen in shock.

"Are you being serious, Logan? we thought you were joking"

“And why would you think that?”

Task annoyed.

“Because you're my best friend and Lacey's my sister”

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Task as I frustratedly shrugged my shoulders.

He was getting on my nerves and I wanted this stupid conversation to be over and done with before I did something I'd regret.

“So, you've never shown any interest in her, Logan, I've never once seen you show any affection towards her and as your best friend, I think

I'd know if you had feelings for her”

He says sounding exasperated and I rolled my eyes to god.

“You never knew, Justin because I kept my feelings for her a secret out of respect for our friendship and her relationship with Dylan but if I'd

have known back then the pain you all would've caused that poor girl, then I happily would've taken her away and protected her from you

all because she didn't deserve all of the bullshit you an...

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Lacey's POV

Can Task you all a question and get an honest answer?

Ama bad mom and wife?

I feel like I've done so much good as a parent but I also feel like I've done a lot of bad as well

I mean, I've always made sure my children were clean, I always made sure they were healthy, I made sure they had a beautiful home to live

in and that their residence was secure by making that home ours

I always made sure my fridge was fully stocked, I made sure they had the best clothes money can buy and I always made sure they got what

they wanted or asked for without spoiling them, yet for some reason, I feel like I've failed them majorly

One of the things I felt blessed for having when I was growing up was my family

That had two incredible grandparents, two amazing parents and three fabulous big brothers, we may not have been a big family but we were a

family and I loved them dearly but my kids didn't have that because of me : text © owner.

I stole their aunts and uncles, their cousins, their grandparents and great-grandparents from them but worst of all, I stole their father from

them

My children missed out on five years with their father but worst of all, Logan missed out on a hell of a lot more

He missed out on my entire pregnancy and experiencing it with me,

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he missed out on their birth, he missed all of their firsts, as well as all of the incredible things that I got to experience with them as their



mom and these are things that can't be replicated or replaced

just feel like a nasty, evil monster

So, answer me honestly, am I an awful mother and wife? and also, does the guilt of keeping your kids from their father ever ease up or go away?

The only reason I ask is because right now, I'm watching Logan Junior, Dayton and Teddy hanging out with their cousins Melissa, Justin and Sabrina's daughter Emily and Liam's daughter Jade and they're all getting on like a house on fire

It's almost like they've known each other for the entirety of their young short lives and are BFF's

Speaking of BFFs

"Damn, look at that ass, wait... recognise that thing"

"You should considering you always walked in on me when I was getting dressed"

I say with a smirk as I turn around and face my gorgeous best friend who is dressed in a sexy, silver, mermaid-style, floor-length gown

"Hey, Carmella"

"Hey, girl"

Carmella says while wiggling her fingers at me in a little wave

I didn't waste any time in hugging my girl because I've missed her like crazy

We've talked on the phone and we've texted and facetedimed with each other every single day, sometimes numerous times a day depending

on the time but there's nothing like seeing your loved ones in person

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"God, I've missed you, Carm" "I've missed you too, love" She squeezes me a little before letting go and pulling away

Carmella then looked me up and down with a happy and satisfied expression on her face

"Why are you looking at me like that, Carm?"

Task and she shrugs her shoulders

"You just look so happy and relaxed, that's all, you look...peaceful"

She says and I smile

"That's because I am..I'm very happy, Carm"

"And you're glowing as well..does that mean Logan has been giving you a daily dose of his anaconda?"

Carmella says while wiggling her eyebrows at me and I roll my eyes

"Don't start with the song lyrics again, Carm because I swear, I'll kick your ass if you do"

"You wouldn't do that, while you're dressed so classy, Lacey Lace"

"Actually, would so try me"

I say and we both chuckle

"Why do you look like you're on edge anyway? you haven't run into dickface Dylan, have you? no pun intended"

She says and I chuckle

"Yeah, I have but I don't really wanna talk about him"

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I groaned in annoyance

It's amazing how someone can go from being your whole world one day to being a major freaking thorn in your side

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"Anyway, what about you? why do you look like you're hiding from the mob?"

Task as I chuckled slightly

"That's because I am"

Carmella said as she looked around the grand hall

Oh god

"Who've you pissed off now?"

Task as let out a bored sigh

Carmella loves to dance on the edge of danger and tango with bad guys

Twouldn't be surprised if she's pissed off the biggest and nastiest dog

in the yard because that's my bestie for you, she loves to live on the edge and piss people off

"I haven't pissed anyone off..I'm just hiding from my lover boy" She says whilst mumbling the last part so I couldn't make it out

"What are you doing, Carm?"

"I'm erm..I'm hiding from my lover"

Huh

"You're hiding from Danny Glover?"

Task confused and she looks at me with a really b\*\*\*h? expression

"No, I'm hiding from my lover"

She says perfectly clear this time

"Your lover? wait, your lo..oh my god" I gasped loudly

"Are you seeing someone?"

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"Yes 1am, gobby"

Carmella growled in annoyance as she looked around and glared at the few people whose attention I had caught

"Oh my god, who is it? what's his name? what does he do for a living? what's he like? wait, is it that guy Jamal with the really adorable

Jamaican accent?"

Ifired off question after question feeling very eager to find out who my best friend's mystery man is

"No, he's married, remember? he married Daphne about a year after we broke up"

"Oh yeah...that's a shame because he was cute" "Yeah, he was"

Carmella said looking a little sad but also like she was happy for him as well which I know she was

"So, who's your mystery lover then?" I ask and she sighs in defeat

"Ok fine, I'll tell you...he's one of the PAs for a really rich and powerful billionaire who just so happened to get married recently"

She said with a look on her face like she was waiting for me to click on straight away but the penny didn't drop until it was too late and my best friend was embraced from behind by her mystery lover

"Oh my god...oh my god, Cade, you're..you guys are..oh my god" I said in shock as the couple smiled at me

"Nice one, jackass, you've made my best friend malfunction"

Carmella said whilst tapping Cade on the side of his head as he smirked at her

"Wait so, you're the girlfriend Logan told me about?"

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Task and the pair look at me with angry expressions

"Logan told you about us?" Carmella asks with annoyance in her tone

"Yeah and no...he thought I had a crush on Cade because I asked him how he was doing and the jealous, possessive asshole told me that he was happy with his girlfriend but he never said who that girlfriend was"

Isay whilst rolling my eyes and they both chuckle while a deep groan is heard in my ear

"What did you just call me, my love?" Oh god, that voice

"I called you my loveable and adorable husband, babe"

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us now and continue your journey!

I say with a smile as I look up at my man and he chuckles as he kisses my forehead

"No, you didn't but I'll let it go...for now"

Oh, brother

"To be fair to Logan, Lace, he never knew who I was dating" Cade said frustrating me

"But why would you hide your relationship in the first place you weirdos?"

I growled and they all chuckled

"Well, I never told you because I didn't know how you'd react"

"And I never told him because he's my boss and my personal life is none of his business"

Cade says sassily causing myself and Carmella to chuckle while Logan narrowed his eyes at him

"You're not funny, asshole"

"On the contrary brother, I'm very funny, how do you think I landed

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this beauty here?"

Cade said as he kissed Carmella's temple

"Well, it's certainly not because of your brain or your d\*\*k size,

Cade"

me

her

Logan said offending the couple

"Hey, I'll have you know he's got a very large..."

"Carmella"

I growled interrupting her

"Nobody asked and nobody's interested"

"What? I was just gonna say he's got a very large brain, that's all" Hmm, I bet you were

I thought to myself as three adorable voices screamed from behind

"Auntie Carmella"

The triplets shouted as they all ran over to their auntie and embraced

"There's my little Monsters Inc, I was wondering when you all would join us"

"We were busy with our cousins, auntie Carm" "Really? and what are your cousins like?"

Carmella asks my babies but what Dayton said next hurt my heart a little

"They're really nice even though their daddies aren't"

"Yeah, one of our cousin's daddy's hurt our dad but I stopped him like a big boy because no one is allowed to hurt our mum or dad"

Logan Junior says shocking his auntie who looked up at me with a what the f\*\*k? expression

Chapter 50 - BFF Reunion. Y "Dad?..h.he's calling Logan dad now? when did this happen?"

"He said it earlier on, it shocked the hell out of us when he said it as well"

I've been filling Carmella in on everything that's been happening ever since Logan showed up in my life again

She's been like a therapist to me, especially with things like Logan Junior's reluctance to calling Logan his dad

Carmella made the valid point that it was probably a trust issue and Logan Junior just needed some time to learn to trust his father before saying it but it doesn't mean she's not entitled to feel shocked to hear him finally say it just like we were

"What's wrong with Junior calling Logan dad if that's what he is, babe?"

"It's complicated"

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Carmella and I say at the same time stumping Cade in the process

"Auntie Carm, who's that man?"

Teddy asks her auntie who smiles happily and proudly at the handsome man next to her

"This is my boyfriend Cade"

"You were at our mummy and daddy's wedding, weren't you?" Teddy asks and Cade smiles at her

"Yes, [ was"

"Does that mean you're our uncle now?"

"Duh Teddy, what do you think? he's auntie Cam's boyfriend and dad's friend"

Dayton said while rolling his eyes

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"Do you and uncle Cade want to come and meet our cousins, auntie Carmella?"

Teddy asks and I didn't miss the love in Cade's eyes as he looked at my brood

"Of course, come on"

Carmella and Cade leave with the triplets leaving Logan and me alone

"So...I heard you had a very heated discussion with GiGi earlier?"

Logan asked me as soon as we were alone

"Yes, I did"

"What was it about?"

He asks with a stern expression on his face

"Oh I was just marking my territory by giving her a little warning, that's all"

I said with a wave of my hand like it wasn't a big deal which it's not

"Really?...what did you say to her?"

I look up at Logan and smile

"I just simply told her that we're married and you're mine and that if she ever messed with me or us for that matter then she'd meet the

worst side of me, I'm not someone you wanna mess with when it comes to the ones I love, babe..I'm a very territorial woman when it comes

to you and our family, Logan"

I say and he throws his head back while laughing

Logan then wrapped his arms around my waist and nuzzled his face in my neck as I wrapped my arms around his shoulders and sighed in

contentment

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/ love being in his arms

“I love it when you get territorial, baby even in circumstances like this where you've got nothing to worry about”

“I know, babe and I trust you, I promise you I do, I just don't trust her”

I say with a slight growl!

“Well, neither do I now after this little stunt she tried to pull with my dad”

Logan said as he lifted his head out of my neck and looked down at me

“I'll never do anything to hurt you or break your heart, baby”

“I know you won't because I'll cut your balls off and wear them as trophy earrings if you do”

I said being serious

“I know you will, love”

Logan said with a chuckle as he leaned in and kissed me

I don't know why he finds this so amusing because I'm being dead ass serious

Lacey Black is not a woman to be messed with and you shouldn't take me as a joke either, I may look like a weak and fragile little girl to

some but I'm stronger than you think

Go ahead and try me GiGi and I'll show the world your real face when you do

