Claiming His Tempting Mate novel chapter 16

Savannah's POV

"What happened last night? I heard Hardwick took you on a date" Tanea's excited voice filled my ears.

"Shut it" I pushed her away from me.

"Come on, don't be too shy. It's just a date and you are still hiding it from me" she prodded me with her elbow.

"What?" I narrowed my eyes on her.

"Tell me everything. What did he do last night?" She looked excited as she asked me, focusing her all attention on my face.

I rolled my eyes and sat on the couch before grabbing a book in my hand. Tanea plopped next to me grinning ear to ear. I can see she is much more excited than me. Since morning she is nagging me like a child asking for a favourite dessert.

"Sav you can't be that arrogant" Tanea accused, widening her eyes. I raised my eyebrows at her..

"I mean, come on. Your brother is an idiot in this dating thing. He only knows how to show his possessiveness. Even though I am not complaining but thinking about Alpha Hardwick I can clearly say that he is kind of romantic" she wiggled her eyebrows "isn't it?"

"You are seriously not gonna leave me until I paste the details on your face. Are you?"

She grinned sheepishly before waving her hand "I am just curious about that cold faced Alpha"

"Fine" I rolled my eyes "last night he took to beach"

"Oh, and I thought....WHAT?" Tanea jumped on the couch yelling at the end. I closed my ears and glared at her.

"Do you want me to become deaf?"

"I... seriously? He took you to the beach?"

I nodded again. Looks like she was not expecting such information either. But I can't blame her. I was in the same situation last night.

"I can't believe it" she got up and started to pace in front of me. Then she stopped and looked at me again "there's no beach as far I remember. You are not kidding right?"

"It's not here. It's outside the city" I shrugged before getting up. I walk towards the window where a few flower pots are kept. Picking up the plastic spray bottle I start watering the flower plants.

"Hell, this is so ROMANTIC...." I heard Tanea sing the word longer than needed. "Taking to beach for a dinner date, oh my god I still can't believe it"

"Even I was not expecting it" I told her. It was true. Who could have thought that stone faced man would do such a romantic preparation?

"As I said, Hardwick, though he looks cold from outside but he is truly a romantic person" Tanea jumped then fell on the couch.

Romantic huh? My mind flashed with the scenes of last night. The way his mouth kissed me and the way his hands roamed on my skin. Just thinking about it made me shiver. It was not a date but a wild date that will remain in my mind forever. I can feel my lips still tingling from his kisses. God, what the hell am I thinking again?

"Are you listening to me Sav? Hello?" Suddenly I felt my body shaking. I turned around and found Tanea frowning.

"What?" I placed the spray bottle on the table.

"What were you thinking? Here I am so excited and yet you are standing like a statue" she rolled her eyes.

"I was just thinking about the hunting event" I lied. Hell, I really can't possibly tell her what was going on in my mind or this woman will tease me to death.

"Come on, tell me already. How's the date arranged?" She looked so excited.

"Fantastic" I grinned at her "there was a tent placed already and the path was decorated with lights. It was beautiful" the scenery of last night flashed in my mind. That was the perfect date I could ever have imagined.

"Oh, I can see the dreamy eyes" Tanea teased "for a cold faced man like Hardwick to take you for a long drive and planned a great dinner date at beach, no one will believe even if I announce it publically"

I couldn't help but nod. He always stayed firm, and there's no much emotion on his face. But he is a gentleman before my parents and cold faced to others. But with me he is something that I couldn't understand. He was warm yet passionate. Even the way he held me while kissing I couldn't help feeling myself getting burned with desire and need.

I never knew Hardwick had such effects on me. No matter how hard I try not to respond to his touch but my traitor body does not listen. And my wolf is happy and leans more in his embrace.

"I never thought he would put such great efforts for me," I said slowly.

Tanea grabbed my hand and patted lightly "he is your mate and I am really happy to see how much you are glowing with happiness. This is what mates do, to keep their partners happy and content. I am so happy for you Sav" she hugged me.

"I am still trying to adapt to everything that is happening Tanea. But sometimes those past memories-"

"Come on what has happened, it's already happened. And we both know it's not possible to change it no matter how much we want. But living with the past is not worth living. Past is the past and what you need is the present. And I can say you are happy right now" she smiled at me.

I nodded. I do and I am really happy. Hardwick is giving me everything that I haven't expected. I stopped dreaming about my mate after rejecting Avan and almost thought I had to spend my whole life alone. But then the most unexpected thing is happened and when I realised I was already bound to my second mate.

"I guess I must say, I don't regret getting kidnapped that day" I joked. Tanea laughed.

"Don't tell me" she held her stomach laughing "that day you should have seen Devak's face. Though I was worried about you but the expression he held was priceless"

"He was too worried about me?" I frowned.

She shook her head and chuckled "more like worried being scolded by mom"

I rolled my eyes but smiled anyway. I know mom told him to take care of me every time we walked out of the house. She even gives him a warning glare. Though Devak behaves arrogantly with others but in front of mom he is like a lost puppy. And I can really imagine his expression.

"What are you two laughing at?" Devak's voice interrupted us. Tanea and I looked at each other before we burst into laughter again. Devak frowned before striding inside the room.

"What?" He asked again.

Tanea wiped the corner of her as controlled her laugh "nothing, we are just joking"

He pulled her up before wrapping his arms around her waist "oh, really,? Then I would like to know about it too" he leaned as he spoke.

I got up immediately and raised my arms "okay, no PDA in my room please. Go get yourselves a room"

Tanea pushed him away but Devak didn't let her go, instead he pulled her closer to him. Or should I say almost plastering her on him?

"Where were you last night?" He asked.

"Hardwick took her on a date" it was Tanea who replied before I had the chance to open my mouth.

"Date? You went out with that man?" Devak almost yelled.

"What's wrong with you?" Tanea slapped his arm "look how romantic Alpha Hardwick is. And now look at yourself. Have you ever taken me on a date?" She glared at him.

"We went on a date. Did you forget?" Devak raised his eyebrows.

"Yeah, how can I forget about your friend's birthday party?" Tanea made a face and I laughed out loud. So Devak's so-called date was a birthday party? I couldn't stop myself from laughing. Devak's face turned pink as he cleared his throat.

"Mom is calling, the time for the event is near so get your bags pack" he said, turning his attention towards me.

"We are leaving for hunting?" I was surprised. "Isn't it still a week later?"

He shrugged "the time is scheduled earlier"

"Oh, fine. I will pack my bags" I said as I felt excited inside. Back in the Bright Shine pack Alpha never said anything about this event so I never knew something like this even existed. But now thinking about it I have seen Avan being away from the pack for days. And even Reese was absent too. So they visited the event together but never informed me about it.

- ~ They thought you would be useless since you don't have me~ Red said in my mind.
- ~ I got to know that. I was such a fool for thinking they are doing pack works when they were enjoying their fucking~ I replied.
- ∼ You are not a fool. It's just you were too innocent to see the truth∼ Red coaxed.

I almost chuckled at her action ~ yeah, they made good use of it~

Those bitter memories rushed in my mind flooding it. I don't want to remember those but whenever I think of it, I can't control myself. I have suffered everything and there was no one who came to help me. I had to bear everything by myself.

"Sav" I heard my name being called. "Are you alright?"

Devak was looking at me with a frown. I cleaned my throat lightly coughing before nodding "yeah, I am fine"

"Get your packing done and then come to the hall"

"Okay" then I watched him pulling Tanea with him, who was struggling in his arms. Shaking my head I walk towards my wardrobe to arrange my clothes for the event.

"This year the scheduled time is much earlier than usual but that doesn't mean there will be any changes in rules. So don't rush and take care of yourselves in the event" dad said during breakfast.

"The distance between Tiwan Forest and Snow Moon is not too far. It's just a 2 hours ride. It's better if you guys set off today early so you can reach before evening" mom said smiling.

"Tiwan Forest? The place where Hunting event takes place?" I frowned. I haven't heard about it before.

"Yes, it was where the old tribe used to live. Besides this hunting is also a fun game which the old tribe used to play. But later it was made into a hunting event to keep the tradition" dad informed.

"I still wonder what kind of power this old tribe used to hold that their game even transformed into something like this" Tanea exclaimed.

"The old tribe is the very first generation of wolves. They chose the Tiwan as their home and resided there for many years. There are many more things related to them. I will tell you some other day" dad smiled.

"Now stop talking and eat more. Remember the foods in the event will be served by the organizers so be cautious before eating anything. Even though they took care of everything, the other pack who was there couldn't be trusted. It's better to stay alert" mom warned.

"Don't worry mom, I will take care of it" Devak replied proudly.

Mom narrowed her eyes at him "yes, I have seen your powers" she mocked.

Tanea and I snickered while Devak let out a groan.

"Mom you still want to pick on me over that matter" he shook his head.

"Do you think I have such free time?" mom said, then ignored him completely. Devak looked at dad who lowered his head and drank his coffee without any words. I wanted to laugh. Devak was clearly looking for dad to help him but dad knows clearly that he will be in trouble if he sides with Devak. Afterall he loves mom more to side with Devak.

After the breakfast as we planned we packed our bags and headed outside. Dad and mom was already there waiting for us including some other pack members. We are only 5 people who's going to attend this event presenting the Snow Moon pack. Me, Devak, Tanea, Jion and Shiny who is the Jion's sister and also a good fighter.

"If you feel uncomfortable there then just head back. No need to think about anything" dad said looking at me.

I smiled "thanks dad" then hugged him.

"Take care darling" mom pulled me for a tight hug.

"What, all hugs and love for her? What about me mom?" Davak groaned.

"You are already big, what do you want?" Mom scolded him "go and hug your mate"

Tanea's eyes widened before she blushed and looked away while Devak side glanced at her and smirked. I rolled my eyes. Really. My parents are something. They even tease like hell.

"Okay bye mom, dad" I waved my hand to them once we settled in the car.

"Have fun honey" mom said while dad pulled her to him, throwing his arm around her shoulder. I smiled and turned my head to others.

"I am excited already. Are there any games in the event?" Shiny exclaimed happily. Her eyes are shining like stars.

"There is but it's not as easy as you think," Jion replied.

"Easy games are too boring. I am glad that I won't die with bore in there" Shiny rolled her eyes.

"Just don't make trouble there and keep your horses under control," Jion said in a warning tone.

"Come on bro" Shiny pouted before turning her head away.

Devak started the car and drove away from the pack house. I checked my phone but there's no call from him. After dropping me home last night he left hurriedly saying he got some work. And then this sudden trip, I am not even able to meet him before leaving. I wanted to call him but what if he is at work? Won't he get disturbed with my calls? Thinking that I gave up the idea of calling. I put back the phone in my pocket then stared out of the car.

This hunting is going to be fun right? But the answer is who knows.