

# **The Billionaire Alpha's Contract Lover by Caesar Erickson**

## **Chapter 231**

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Griffon frowned. "Is there anything else?"

Stella hesitated briefly. "Alpha Knight, do you... care about Ms. Palmer very much?"

She thought that if the Alpha cared about Taya so much, it would be unfair for her to help Taya hide

how serious her illness was from him.

Griffon raised his head and arched an eyebrow as if reprimanding her for daring to ask him something so personal.

At receiving his look, Stella quickly wanted to apologize, but Griffon spoke before she could.

"She fulfills a need."

Stella was surprised. She'd thought for sure that the Alpha cared for Taya, given how anxious he was at the hospital. He'd rushed in, demanding the best

care for her, and then he's gone so far as to bring her to his personal pack home to ensure she was more comfortable as she finished more treatments,

She didn't expect that he would say Taya was simply a means to an end, someone to fulfill his physical desires...

When Stella heard Taya say she was a substitute, she added one and one and came up with two to figure out that Taya was the Alpha's long-term mistress,

Stella had worked for Griffon for many years and knew he had a mistress, but she had never seen her before. And the fact that'd he stayed with the same woman for so long...Stella had assumed Alpha Knight must have developed feelings for her.

But now, even though the Alpha was clearly not happy that he'd been questioned about it, Stella was glad that she had asked such a question. She would rather know just how Griffon felt about Taya. Since she knew that Taya was just a glorified sex toy for Griffon, she felt no guilt for helping Taya hide the

gravity of her illness from him.

Griffon had always been cold-hearted. Sometimes even to pack members. He did not keep useless people around, no matter if they were part of the Knight pack. The Knight pack was one of the most powerful wolf packs in the world for a reason.

Everyone must serve their purpose and do their duty...Taya's being to have sex with the Alpha.

And she couldn't do that in her condition.

If he discovered that Taya was seriously ill, he would probably abandon her before she died.

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The door to Taya's room was open, and the voices of the two people outside were clearly audible.

The harsh truth of Griffon's words ripped through her.

She meant nothing to him.

Five years.

Five years of her life-the LAST years of her life- spent on a cruel man who only viewed her as an elevated sex toy.

She'd hoped and hoped that he felt SOMETHING for her, but she had never before had a moment that made her completely lose hope like now...

She raised her right hand and increased the speed of the slow drip of the IV, thinking that if the fluid were infused faster, the symptoms would improve faster and she could get out of here.

After Stella left, Griffon looked toward the bedroom and saw that the door was open. A snarl crossed his face.

He got up and walked quickly to the room. As soon as he walked in, he saw Taya adjusting the IV.

Her face showed little emotion; she looked as gentle and obedient as before.

When she saw him coming in, she smiled at him and dispelled any worry he had that

she'd overheard

what he'd said to Stella.

Then again, he'd spoken quietly, so she probably did not hear them. If she had a wolf's senses, she would have easily heard what was being said. This was one time he was actually glad she was a human.

After letting out a sigh of relief, Griffon sat down beside her.

"Do you feel better?"

Taya pretended that nothing had happened and nodded. "I do now, yes.

Then, they didn't say anything.

The silence made the atmosphere between the two of them slightly awkward.

Seeing that he wasn't going to leave, Taya couldn't help but ask, "Alpha Knight, can you help me find my bag?"

Her bag had been left in the banquet hall of the Seaview Hotel, and her phone and other things were inside. She was afraid that Harper would be anxious if she couldn't find her, but she had no way of retrieving her belongings on her own right now.

Griffon felt a little uncomfortable when she called him "Alpha Knight."

She'd always called him that out of deference to his position of power and their power dynamic. But since

they had parted ways, he felt that she was getting farther and farther away from him. Every time she called him "Alpha Knight" made the distance between them feel even more vast.

Griffon frowned. He cleared his mind, took out his phone, and called Andre.

Andre had to return and forcefully take Taya's bag from Jackson's hands.

Andre looked at the small white leather bag in his hand and couldn't help shake his

head. This was probably the most childish thing he had ever done.

When Andre arrived at the villa with Taya's bag, Griffon had already left the guest bedroom where Taya was and was now buried in his work in the study.

Andre knocked on the door.

"Alpha, here is Ms. Palmer's bag."

Andre placed it on Griffon's desk.

Griffon raised his eyes and glanced at Frank, who was standing beside him.

"Take it to her."

"Yes, Alpha," Frank answered, then took the bag and turned to leave.

After Frank closed the door, Andre began to report the latest situation to Griffon.

"Jackson is sending people to look for Taya. It seems that he won't give up until he finds her."

"And Ms. Thorin is also looking for the woman you were holding yesterday. I'm afraid your mother will be alarmed if it goes on like this..."

Just mentioning Griffon's mother made Andre break out in a cold sweat, let alone what consequences they would face if they really angered her.

"Let Stella deal with Tara. As for Jackson..."

Griffon's eyes narrowed and turned to the amber of his wolf's eyes. It was as if Andre had touched his sore spot just by mentioning Jackson's name.

"Let him look for her."

If Jackson was as great of an Alpha wolf as he thought he was, he would be able to find her. He would deserve to find her.

As for whether he could see Taya or not, that decision was not up to Jackson.

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Andre glanced at Griffon. The look in his Alpha's eyes was borderline terrifying, and Andre could tell how crazy his possessiveness was from the gleam there.

He had wanted to persuade Griffon to return Taya to Jackson, but when he saw Griffon's expression, he tactfully shut his mouth. He knew better than to challenge his Alpha when his mind was set on something.

Griffon probably felt something for the woman, even though he didn't want to admit it, so he decided to fight with Jackson.

However, the Alpha didn't express his thoughts, so Andre couldn't point them out.

He respectfully replied with a "yes, Alpha" and tried to block all news of Taya being at the pack manor.

Although the pack members who worked in the personal, private house were all the Alpha's trusted followers, they could not resist the means of the mother Luna in the old house of the Knight pack.

Andre felt he should clear all the obstacles for the Alpha as best he could.

Taya didn't know about what had happened in the study. When she saw Frank bring her bag in, she quickly sat up.

"Ms. Palmer, this is your bag."

Taya took the bag from him with both hands and thanked him repeatedly. "Thank you."

Frank smiled kindly. "Alpha Knight found it for you. If you want to thank someone, thank him."

The corners of Taya's mouth curled into a polite smile, but she didn't reply.

It was not proper for Frank to stay in the room for a long time without anyone else in there, so he turned around and went out after saying, "Have a good rest."

After he left, Taya opened her bag and took out her phone to look.

Harper had been calling over and over.

Frightened, Taya immediately called her, and Harper answered on the first ring.

"Taya, what's going on? Why is Silas at our door? He couldn't possibly still be seeking revenge after five years, right?"

Taya didn't expect Jackson to come to her house.

"He's not there to harm me."

She told Harper about the MPC's request for her to entertain

Harper, hiding at the stairs, glanced at the man who was guarding the door.

"Taya, his head is wrapped in gauze, and he's wearing a hospital gown. He looks a little strange."

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Hearing this, Taya felt even more guilty. "Harper, he got injured to save me. Can you help me?"

Tell him to return to the hospital and wait for me to find him in a few days.”

Harper only processed part of what Taya said. “Save you? What’s going on?”

Taya gave a general explanation about Roman’s attack at the hotel. She hated telling Harper these things, because Harper’s wolf was more than a little vengeful. When Harper learned the truth, she insisted on finding Roman and tearing him into pieces.

However, when she heard from Taya that Griffon had already sent someone to deal with Roman, she suddenly shut her mouth.

“So... you’re with Griffon right now?”

Taya could only nod in agreement and mumble a “mmhmm”. She dare not hide anything from her best friend.

Harper sighed long and muttered, “What a bad relationship.” Then, she hung up the phone.

After putting her phone into her pocket, Harper grabbed the soup she’d brought and walked to the front door.

She’d been coming to bring Taya something to help her feel better, but as soon as she saw Silas, she’d hid at the side of the front steps where he couldn’t see her. She waited there for a long time, but he didn’t leave. Now that she’d talked to Taya and knew what was up, she walked behind Jackson, frowning when she saw him motionlessly leaning against the doorframe.

“Taya asked you to go back to the hospital. She’ll come to you in a few days.”

She conveyed Taya’s message and turned to leave.

Jackson suddenly grabbed her arm. When Harper turned around and saw his bloodshot eyes, she froze.

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“Harper.”

The word he choked with sobs made Harper’s heart tremble.

She wouldn’t admit that he was Jackson. She had always thought that he was Silas.

Therefore, it would be a lie to say that Harper was not shocked when he called her by her name like before.

However, she did not give him any response. She just stared coldly at his scarlet eyes.

Back then, she had accompanied Taya to Wolverly Capital to find him, but his pack guards had driven them away.

Later, Taya persuaded her to return to Arcadia, and then the Sterling pack robbed her of her photos.

At that time, the rented house was in a mess, and all the furniture she had was destroyed.

What made Harper even more disappointed was that he wanted to kill Taya.

These things were lingering in Harper’s heart, and even after their reunion, she still felt extremely resentful.

“I’m sorry.”

Jackson seemed to have mustered up all his courage to

This apology had been delayed for five years.

“The person you should say sorry to is Taya.”

The only person he had let down was Taya, not her.

“I’ve let you down, and I’ve let Taya down even more...”

say that.

After muttering to himself, Jackson subconsciously tightened his grip on Harper’s hand. His bloodshot eyes that were shining with his wolf were pleading. “Please tell me where she is. I have something very important to tell her.”

Although Harper’s wolf felt something was wrong with Jackson, she didn’t want to think too much about it, so she pushed him away.

“She said she would come to you in a few days. If you have anything to say, wait until she comes to you.”

“No, she won’t. Griffon took her away. He won’t let her come to me...”

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As soon as Jackson mentioned Griffon, he felt a sharp pain all over his body, as if his bones had been pierced. His wolf howled within him.

He knew that Taya had sold herself to save his life, but he didn’t know that the person who had bought her was the Knight pack Alpha.

If he hadn’t taken her away from him that day, he would still be in the dark.

Jackson felt terrified at the thought of Griffon, who was even more powerful than him.

There weren’t many wolves in this world that had that effect on him, but Alpha Knight was one of them. Griffon could ruin him with no effort at all, and wouldn’t even have to touch him.

He grabbed Harper’s hand again.

“Please, tell me where she is. If I can’t find her, I will go crazy...”

Harper looked at the irrational wolf and suddenly felt he was the same as when he discovered that Taya had sold herself after the car accident.

At that time, Silas was no longer as gentle as he used to be. He scolded and kissed Taya and was not like a normal person at all.

Now he was holding Harper's hand with red, desperate wolf eyes. He looked stubborn and crazy, which made her feel pity for him for a second.

She couldn't help but ask him, "Since Taya is so important to you, why did you want to kill her five years ago?"

Jackson froze, his blood freezing. "I...tried to kill her?"

Seeing that he didn't admit to what he had done, Harper put away her pity. "Five years ago, she went to find you for the last time, but you kicked her hard in the heart. If it weren't for the fact that passers-by discovered her, she would have died on the side of the road. Don't tell me that you didn't do it or don't remember it."

No wonder Taya never came to see him again. It turned out that "he" almost kicked her to death.

Jackson curled his lips and smiled. The bitterness and helplessness in his smile made him more painful.

He slowly released Harper's hand, held the doorframe, and slumped over in pain.

Seeing him like this, Harper frowned even more. "Are you going to sit here and wait for her to return?"

Jackson didn't seem to have the strength to speak and could only nod slightly.

Harper knew he had been stubborn since childhood, and it was

useless to persuade him to leave, so she told him the truth cruelly.

"Every time Taya is taken away by Griffon, she won't be able to return for at least two or three days. You can't stay here forever, can you?"

Judging from his expression, he seemed to know whom Taya had sold herself to.

It didn't matter if she told him.

There was nothing he could do when it came to Alpha Knight.

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To Jackson, Harper's words were a fatal blow.

"Every single time?"

He raised his blood-red eyes in disbelief and looked at Harper.



"The past five years... she has been with Griffon?"

"Yeah," Harper replied indifferently.

Her words cut through Jackson like a knife.

He had thought that she had only sold herself once, but he hadn't expected that she had been with that man for five years.

No wonder Griffon looked at her with a wolf's possessive eyes.

Then what should Jackson do? He had loved her for so many years...

From the beginning of love to the deep love before amnesia, it was almost engraved into Jackson's bones.

He loved her so much that he would rather die in a car accident than let her be with another man to save him.

He couldn't accept that Taya was lying under another man's body and being possessed by another wolf.

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He couldn't bear it, not even once, let alone for five years...

Taya, whom he had been reluctant to touch since she was a child, had been with Griffon for five years...

His heart convulsed, and even his limbs and bones ached. His vision darkened, and then he fainted.

Seeing Jackson suddenly fall in front of her, Harper was shocked and quickly called for someone to take him to the hospital.

When Jackson came out of the hospital, it was already dark. Harper sighed helplessly and took out her phone to send a message to Taya.

[Taya, you'd better come to the hospital earlier to see Silas. He seems to have something very important to tell you.]

When Taya saw this message, she breathed deeply and wondered why Jackson hurried to find her.

She looked at her body. Although she had taken special medicine, it was not that effective in a short time.

Especially with the wound on her back. It hurt so much if she moved a little. Even if she wanted to leave now, she couldn't.

After thinking for a while, she replied to Harper.

[I'll do it as soon as possible.]

Then, she put down her phone and looked at Griffon, who was helping her pull out the IV needle.

It was not until the evening that she finished her IV drip. Griffon changed the medicine bag and fed her food and water.

He could have asked the servants to do it, but he insisted on taking care of her himself. Looking at him, Taya felt that he was doing this just to help her get better as soon as possible so that she could help him solve his wolf's primal needs.

Thinking of this, Taya felt as if a basin of cold water had been poured over her body. When Griffon pulled out the needle, he pressed his slender fingers on her hand. As soon as he pulled it out, she immediately withdrew her hand.

In Griffon's eyes, her avoidance of touching him was somewhat harsh, and he swept her a cold glance.

"I've touched every part of your body. Why are you avoiding me?"

His tone was always interrogative and dismissive.

Taya used to think he was overbearing, but now she felt he had never taken her seriously.

She pursed her lips and did not reply. Her pale face was tinged

with loneliness.

Griffon lifted his fingers, pinched her chin, and forced her to look at him.

"You want to go find Silas?"

When Taya heard Silas's name again, she felt her heart skip.

Then she quickly realized he must have seen it when she replied to Harper.

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Taya had planned to tell him about her departure after she got out of bed. Since Griffon had taken the initiative to ask, she could take the opportunity to ask him.

"He must have something urgent to discuss with me. Could you please have someone take me home?"

"Are you so anxious to see him?"

Griffon looked down at her from where he stood, towering above her. Under the

shadows of light, his face looked even more sinister and frigid.

“Yes.”

Taya was a little afraid of him but still nodded, against her heart's wishes.

Even if she didn't want to see Jackson, she had to leave immediately.

Since Griffon was planning his mating ceremony to Tara, it was inappropriate for Taya to stay at his house overnight.

She had only forgotten about his mate-to-be because she had been touched by the warmth he showed.

Now that she had completely woken up, she felt she should no

longer be entangled with a man with a fiancée.

Taya looked calm, but there was a hint of anxiety in her eyes. It seemed that she couldn't wait to leave.

When Griffon saw her like this, the complicated emotions he felt gradually disappeared and were replaced by coldness.

“It's only been a day since you two parted, and you miss each other so much. It seems that you two have rekindled your love.”

In the face of his sarcasm, Taya did not explain anything. She lowered her long eyelashes to hide her eyes.

Seeing that she was silent, the shifter became increasingly livid, and his hand holding her chin became more and more uncontrollable, claws starting to come out and poke into her flesh.

“Didn't you say you don't love him anymore? Why do you still want to get back together with him?”

Trying to ignore the sharp pain in her chin, Taya smiled at him.

“I could be your lover for many years even though I don't love you. Why can't I rekindle my love with him?”

She didn't know if the first half of her sentence made him choke or the second half made him so angry that he was speechless.

Taya looked up at him and saw that his eyes were completely his wolf's right now.

There wasn't just the hint of his wolf...it was

But she quickly suppressed the emotion she couldn't help feeling for him.

Griffon suddenly pressed down on her and pressed her against the bed. His lips were almost pressed against hers.

He didn't touch her, but such close contact instantly made her suppressed feelings rise again.

"Didn't I warn you that Jackson is the future son-in-law of the Knight pack? How dare you be with him?"

"Do you think that after he called off his mating, you will have a chance to become his new mate? That's why you're eager to rekindle your old relationship?"

If she hadn't heard with her own ears that his thoughts about her were limited to his physical needs, Taya would have surely thought that he was jealous.

Fortunately, she no longer had any expectations of him, so she remained unmoved by what he said.

"Alpha Knight, you know I want to marry into a wealthy pack for protection, and now that my ex-lover has come knocking, naturally, I'm tempted. As for the warning you gave me, you said he was the future son-in-law, but no one knows what will happen, right?"

Her question made Griffon feel she didn't even care about her

dignity and had no limit to how low she would stoop.

No wonder after learning about Jackson's broken engagement, she moved into his house and went in and out of hotels with him.

Did she think that as long as she could control Jackson, she didn't have to take the Knight pack seriously? That she could look down on Griffon?

She was provoking him...but what about him? What was he doing? He kept going to her again and again...

Griffon stared at her pale face and wished he could strangle her to death with his claws, but... he couldn't bear to do that.

"Taya, you really don't know what's good for you..."

After a long moment of silence, Griffon slammed the door and left.

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Taya heaved a sigh of relief.

She thought that since she had fallen out with him, he would send someone to take her home.

Not only did he not send someone take her home, he also asked Frank to take good care of her.

He had never appeared again, as if he had completely forgotten about her.

Stella had given her special medicine for heart failure for the past few days, and her body had quickly recovered from the very worst of her symptoms.

She could leave the bed and walk, but her body was still really weak. Just getting up and going to the bathroom was enough to half-destroy her.

Stella said that special medicine could relieve pain and symptoms, but it wouldn't extend her life. She was destined to die as scheduled, and no one could save her.

When Taya came out of the bathroom with the help of the bathroom wall, Stella was packing her medical items up. Seeing that Taya was sweating, she quickly walked over to help her.

"Taya, you'd better go to the hospital for the last treatment.

Don't force yourself. You won't be able to stand it..."

"No." Taya shook her head firmly.

Stella sighed. "Alpha Knight will find out if you keep doing this."

Taya pursed her lips and forced a smile. "So... Stella, can you take me away from here?"

Stella gave a helpless smile. "No one dares to take you away without Alpha Knight's permission.

Taya did not make things difficult for Stella anymore. With her help, she sat down on the bed again.

Stella picked up the water glass next to her and handed it over. "You probably can't eat much now, so drink something."

Late-stage heart failure patients were prone to stomach bleeding if they ate too much, so they could only rely on water to maintain hydration. However, it wouldn't be long before she couldn't even drink water.

When Taya took the water, she looked up and wanted to thank Stella, but she saw the scratches on her face.

“Stella, what’s the matter?”

She didn’t look closer at Stella when she was doing her checkup and IV.

Now she saw the deep nail marks on her face and realized she had been injured.

Stella touched her face and said calmly, “A patient scratched me.”

Griffon asked her to handle Tara, and the simplest way was for Stella to admit that she was the woman Griffon carried into the car.

After that, Tara brought a group of her pack mates to break into the hospital, hitting and smashing things, and even scratched her a few times.

However, she didn’t want Taya to know or ask any questions.

“Be sure to use vitamin E on them so they won’t scar,” Taya said.

Stella had a beautiful face, so it would be a pity if she were to be disfigured. And oftentimes, doctors put other needs before their own.

Stella nodded and left with her medicine bag.

When she left, Taya thought of Griffon, and she felt suffocated.

Taya didn’t know what he meant. He was going to mate someone else, but still kept Taya locked up at his home.

Did he want Tara and want her?

If that was the case, then he was too greedy.

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While Taya was hugging her legs and leaning against the headboard in a daze, bright headlights hit the floor-to-ceiling gla\*s.

Then, the sound of wheels rolling on the ground came from downstairs, and a luxury car stopped at the villa’s gate.

A pack guard holding an umbrella opened the rear door, and a tall man slowly got out of the car.

He tore off the tie around his neck with one hand and ordered coldly, "Don't let him in."

The pack guard replied with a "yes." After walking the man to the door, he turned around and walked toward the iron gate outside the garden.

Taya stood before the French window and followed the pack guard's line of sight. From a distance, she saw a man outside the iron gate.

She was too far away and it was raining heavily, so she couldn't see the man's face clearly and didn't care much about him.

Withdrawing her gaze, she struggled to walk down the stairs with the help of the wall.

Griffon hadn't returned for several days, and she hadn't had the

chance to propose leaving.

Taya had to seize the opportunity now that he was back.

Griffon had just taken off his coat and handed it to the servant when she got downstairs.

His gloomy and cold face became even more of a snarl when he saw her coming downstairs.

However, Taya didn't notice and quickly went up to him. "Alpha Knight..."

She wanted to say a few words to him, but he didn't even give her a look and went straight to the bathroom.

Frustrated by the rejection, Taya's face darkened.

He left her at home, ignored her, and even glared at her. Did he think she was a punching bag?

Taya wanted to give up on asking him about leaving, but when she saw Frank, who was following her closely, she resisted again.

Without Griffon's permission, Frank, the servants, and the pack guards would keep an eye on her. Even if she wanted to escape, she had no choice.

Thinking of this, she gritted her teeth and sat down on the sofa in the living room,

After about an hour, the bathroom door slowly opened.

Then Taya quickly got up and walked over.

"Alpha Knight, you said you would take me home after a few days of rest. Now that I'm almost recovered, can you let me go?"

The wolf still ignored her. He just glanced at her with a growl and then walked to the second floor.

Taya felt embarrassed when she was ignored by him, and she dared not approach him anymore. But she couldn't stay in his house all the time.

"Alpha Knight."

"Alpha Knight..."

Taya mustered up her courage and strength to catch up with him.



She didn't expect him to stop suddenly. Before she had time to stop, she bumped into his back.

The impact was so strong that she almost rolled backward down the stairs. Fortunately, Griffon reacted quickly and wrapped an arm around her waist.

The two of them were extremely close to each other. Their eyes reflected each other's appearance...

Taya lowered her head and whispered, "Thank you." Then, she stood still and pushed him away.

Griffon glanced at her indifferently and asked with a growl, "Have you discussed this with him?"

"What?"

Taya raised her head to look at him, her eyes full of confusion.

Griffon looked at the figure outside the window and asked, "He was able to find this place. Didn't you ask him to come to pick you up?"

Taya followed his line of sight and looked out the window, but she couldn't see clearly. She had no choice but to take a few steps.

Looking down from above, she could see everything outside.