

Chapter 11

Maddox's POV

The moment we ended the meeting I was up out of my chair and out the door. I was excited to get back to my mate. The meeting took a lot longer than I thought it would though. I linked the guards I placed on my mate and said, ‘Has my mate tried to leave the room yet? Has she asked about me?’ I knew I sounded whipped already, but I couldn’t care less. There was no one more important to me than my mate.

‘There hasn’t been any movement at all your majesty. All is quiet.’ Stuart said.

‘None at all?’ I asked.

‘Correct your majesty.’ He replied back.

Something isn’t right. She should have been up and moving around by now. It is nearly two in the afternoon. I picked up my pace and ran back to the frat house where I left my mate guarded. Once I arrived I knew something wasn’t right. I rushed up to the room where I last saw my mate and saw my guards standing outside the door on their phones. The moment they saw me they put them away and stood up straighter.

As soon as I was outside the door my fear and anger rose in equal measure. She wasn’t here. How can my men be so incompetent as to not take notice that there are no signs of life in the room. I rushed into the room and it was as I left it, minus my sleeping mate. Even the note I had left on the bedside table was left untouched. I released a loud growl that shook the house on its foundation and my men came running into the room.

“When did you arrive here? Because I highly doubt in the two minutes from when I left to the time you said you would be here that she woke up and vanished!?” I growled at them.

I watched as their faces paled. Neither said a word and just had their heads bowed and necks bared to me. I felt King take over and he grabbed Stuart by the throat and held him in the air and growled out, “Answer me!”

Kurt came running into the room and said, “Maddox. Madd. s**t! King! You need to let him go so he can speak. You are squeezing him too tightly to be able to answer, alpha.”

I was ghting with King to get control back when I realized that Kurt was right. There is no way for Stuart to answer me. His face is purple for goddesses sake! ‘King! Let him go. We won’t get answers from a dead man.’ I said.

‘There are two of them. The one not in my hands could speak,’ King said. I admit he has a point, but he can’t go around killing guards like this.

‘I understand buddy I do, but we need to have all our men to look for our mate. If you kill him, that is one less person out there searching for her.’ I tried to reason with him.

‘Fine! But I want him punished the moment we get back into the kingdom. He lost his Luna for whatever reason, and I am sure it isn’t even an acceptable reason because he is alive and not injured. Yet.’ King said, as he released his hold on Stuart and let him drop to the oor gasping for breath.

“I would suggest you start talking and answer his majesty before King comes back out and nishes the job.” Kurt said.

“We stopped for coffee rst, your majesty. We had been up most of the night, and needed a small pick me up. Stuart said we would be ne. We didn’t think it would take as long as it did.” Austin the other guard said.

“You stopped for coffee. How long did this coffee break take exactly?” Kurt said. I am glad he took over questioning these imbeciles. I don’t think I would have been able to keep calm enough to let them answer me.

Austin started to shift on his feet. He wanted to say something but was afraid to. ‘Kurt. Have Eric take Stuart to another room. We will question him momentarily. I have a feeling that Austin wants to talk, but is afraid of Stuart.’ I mind linked Kurt.

A few minutes later Eric came into the room. “Take Stuart to another room and tend to his injuries. King got a little carried away.” Kurt said to Eric. That was quick thinking on Kurts part. This is why he is my Beta.

“Yes, Beta. Come on Stuart. Let's get those claw marks on your neck cleaned up. Man. What did you do to piss King off?” Eric said as he was escorting Stuart out of the room.

As soon as we heard a door down the hall shut I turned to Austin and said, “Now answer your Beta’s question.” I growled out.

“Stuart got to talking to a she wolf. He was upset that his time was cut short with another she wolf because of the new assignment. He said that it wasn’t likely the girl would wake up in the time he took to get his d**k sucked. I tried to talk him out of it your majesty. I did. He outranks me so I couldn’t do much else when he had me keep guard for him. We didn’t get here until about an hour ago.” Austin said in a rush. He knelt down on his knees, bared his neck to me and said, “I will take my punishment now, your majesty. Because of our negligence Luna disappeared.”

“Whose idea was it to stop for coffee?” Kurt asked.

“Stuarts sir.” Austin replied.

Stuart has been a guard with me for almost two decades. He has never been a problem until now. What on the goddesses earth is going on at this academy? “I want Stuart to be detained until he can receive his punishment when we get home. For now I want every other guard aside from Jason who will watch over the prisoners searching for my mate. Get every guard in here to get her scent and search her out. I want my mate and Luna found NOW!” King and I growled out together.

“Yes, your majesty.” Kurt said and bowed his head before he left the room to do his job.

I walked over to the bed and sat down on it. I grabbed the pillow that had her scent on it and took a whiff. I got lost in the scent of vanilla, pecans, and cinnamon. I didn’t notice that my men were standing waiting for their orders until one cleared their throat and said, “Your majesty?”

I looked up and saw my men. I cleared my throat and stood up and said, “I need you to all get the scent off of this pillow and nd the woman it belongs to. She is my mate and your future Queen and Luna. She must be found immediately!” I hand the pillow reluctantly to my men so they could latch onto her scent. I watched as they passed the pillow to each other one by one and as soon as they got the scent they were out the door quickly. When I got the pillow handed back to me her scent was still there and I was thankful for that. I decided to keep the pillow with me in case they needed to grab the scent again. At least that was what I was telling myself I was doing.

Now all I have to do is wait for them to nd my mate. It shouldn't take that long. Right?

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The next day around midday. (After Ari’s meeting with the alpha)

I was having a hard time keeping King contained. Our men have searched all night and half of today with no success in nding my mate. Kurt and I even started in on the search as well and still nothing. It was as if she completely disappeared from the academy. I was starting to wonder if she was a visitor at the party and not a student. Kurt wasn’t having much luck nding his mate either. Both of our mates seemed to have vanished.