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I've found you. The voice from before rasped in her head again.

Lilly straightened up and then turned to stare at the door. Her body tensed as her brows furrowed. She squeezed her hands into balls until her knuckles turned white. Was this the demon bastard who was after her? She was not afraid of him. She was done dealing with him. She did not want to have to look over her shoulder at him. If he wanted a fight, she would give it to him.

You've found me. Congratulations. Only took you over a decade. You must be proud. Lilly quipped back to the voice who spoke to her. She didn't know how she could communicate with him, but she could feel his presence in her mind.

An airy cackle was heard in her head. Good, you have a fighting spirit. You are going to need that.

What the hell do you want? Lilly was digging her fingernails into her skin causing small dots of blood to form.

Why don't you come and find out. The voice said provokingly.

You sure you want that? If I find you, I'll kill you. Lilly growled at him promisingly.

Again, his airy cackle was heard. Awe, not the pacifist like your mother, I see.

Lilly mentally snorted in irritation. I have no problem slicing your jugular open and watching you bleed out. In fact, I'd do it with a smile.

Ha ha... good, you will do just perfectly then. Let's play a game. Find me, before I kill the small child I found who wandered outside of your pack borders... oh and if you don't come alone... well, I also am fond of watching someone bleed out.

Lilly bit the inside of her cheek. She tasted the irony liquid as it seeped out into her mouth. Last time he didn't come alone, and he probably didn't come alone this time as well. She was banking that she could take the demon on one versus one... but not a band of others with a demon. Damn, it was a trap. She knew it was a trap, but she wouldn't risk a child's life.

Tick tock princesssssssss. The voice hissed out and dragged on the sound of the s.

Don't go alone! Suzaku ordered. Lilly was trying to focus on anything. She knew Tyler was busy fighting and was probably too busy concentrating on his fights to be bothered with her mild fluctuations. She didn't want to alert him. Suzaku was wrong. She had to go alone. She could not risk an innocent life just for her own safety. Suzaku, I'll have you with me. We have to save that child. She was not hearing Tyler's mind link to his

warriors as he gave orders, so she was hoping he couldn't hear hers as well. She needed to escape without being noticed.

This is dangerous. Be on high alert. Call for me and I will come to you. Suzaku's voice faded away and she was left to silently contemplate how to sneak out.

"Let's put on a movie or something I can't stand all this quiet waiting. I'm going to grab a quick shower and then we can start the movie." Lilly smiled but was being eyed by both Aaron and Cedric.

"Okay toots. I'll pick out the movie." Avery smiled and skipped over to the theatre room.

"I'll be down shortly." Lilly said one last time before she made her way up to her room. She didn't have a lot of time, they were definitely suspecting her. She turned on the shower and then tiptoed over to the window. She quietly sneaked out onto the small side roof. The night air was ominous and thick with wetness. A misty fog covered the area, while dark clouds were blocking out the light of the moon. Even the moon was hiding behind the clouds not wanting to see what was unfolding below it. It's go time, Kira. Lilly shifted into her wolf and leaped to the ground. She could hear the sounds of wolves fighting in the distance, but she turned in the opposite direction and followed where she was being pulled. She was following the feeling of dread.

The leaves softly crackled as she stepped on them. A strange scent was in the air and was becoming more clear, the sickening smell of black licorice. Funny, Lilly was not feeling anxious, she was feeling determined and angry. She could feel she was getting closer. There was suddenly a gentle tug coming from her back fur. She turned and looked to see sprites trying to stop her from advancing. She inwardly smiled at them. They were trying to warn her of the danger she was willingly walking into. She shook her head to them. I have to go.

The sprites gave her a worried look, but let go of her black strands.

Lilly! Where are you?! Tyler's voice sounded off in her head.

Crap he noticed.... She needed to make sure the child was safe first, but could at least have him on standby.

One of the children is in danger... Lilly answered him calmly. She was pretty calm even though she knew she was walking into a trap.

Where are you?! His voice echoed to her again sounding a bit more distressed.

Please concentrate on what you have to do and I will do the same for me. Do not worry about me, I am going to be fine... Lilly answered quietly as a heavy scent filled her nostrils. She heard a child whimper in the distance. She poked through the trees and stared off into the clearing. Just on the outside of their border stood a wolf of dull

charcoal coloring with white ticking. His eyes met with hers and had a red hue flicker in his irises. At his side was a child. She recognized the girl as the one who handed her a flower when she was introduced as the packs Luna.

She locked eyes with the demon wolf. She had finally come face to face with him.

Look at you, come all ready to fight. The wolf paced to the side as he eyed her up.

Kira was double this wolfs size. She took a couple advancing steps closer and lowered her head towards the intruder. Her ears were flat against her head as she bared her teeth.

Let the child go.

The demon wolf snorted, keeping it's gaze fixated on her. So hasty. I have been waiting a long time to finally meet you, little princess.

Who are you? What do you want? How are you able to communicate with me! Lilly growled viciously as she watched his every movement closely.

My name is Abaddon, princess... and what I want is you. I can communicate with whoever I decide to open the link up to. It is one of my many talents. The wolf licked his lips as he eyed Kira up greedily.

It's Lilly... and what do you want with me? Do you want me dead? Lilly kept her consciousness pushed forward. This was very much about her.

She heard the wretched laughter in her head again. I want you very much alive. I want you by my side.

Ugh, if you are insinuating what I think you are... you can forget it. I already have a mate. Lilly felt repulsed at the very idea.

The wolf stared at her thoughtfully for a moment. Are you pregnant? The wolf sniffed his nose in the air trying to see if he could pick up the scent.

Lilly felt taken back. Is she pregnant? What the hell did that have to... oh wait. Did he want...

I want access to Elysium. A child that has both fairy and demon blood running through it to be the next heir to the fairy kingdom. Abaddon sneered with fixated eyes that began to flicker red again.

You're disgusting. Not going to happen. I'm going to rip that head of yours from your neck. Lilly's voice dripped with venom. She glanced at the child still stuck there. She needed to get her to safety.

Abaddon watched her with interest. He was amused at the aggression of the fairy princess. His eyes flickered evilly over towards Lilly. He took his paw and clawed down the child's back making her scream in pain.

Rage flooded inside of her and she leaped forward towards Abaddon. She kicked the child backwards into the pack territory, putting distance between them. She then lunged forward again towards the demon wolf. How dare he hurt a child? Her ears flickered and then she quickly jumped back. She protectively stood between the child and the demon wolf, but that wasn't all. She first heard the sound, then she could see them. A small pack of wolves came into view. They all had their gaze fixated on her.

Go, get out of here now. Lilly ordered the child behind her as she stood off at the force in front of her. She listened to the sound of the girl jump up and run as she kept her gaze forward. Waiting for them to react.

The rogues attacking... those aren't rogues but more of your wolves. Lilly looked at the band in front of her. This was going to be tougher then she thought.

We can make this easy or we can do this the hard way? Abaddon's voice hissed in her head.

Lilly smirked inside of her head. Nothing in life was ever the easy way and she was not going to select it now. She growled lowly and braced herself to the barrage of wolves that would soon be upon her.

Three wolves lunged forward towards her while the others waited to see her strength. She was much larger than these wolves and there was a strong commanding power that flowed in her veins. She sank her teeth into the first wolf she could get a hold of and crunched down hard until she felt the snap. One down.

She yelped as teeth sunk into her back. Warm liquid poured into her dark fur as she spun her head to reach her attacker. She managed to land a blow to him but then felt another set of fangs sink into her side. The pain jolted through her body, but she stood strong as the wolves began to trickle in, attacking her. They had surrounded her and were taking turns attacking her flank. She had multiple wounds on her hind legs, as she tried to fend off her attackers.

A light blonde colored wolf leaped over the pack of wolves and was at her side. The wolf immediately started attacking the wolves that were attacking her. His beautiful light tan fur was being covered in both his and their blood as he desperately was trying to protect his princess.

Lilly was filled with worry for Cedric and she cracked a fire like whip over the wolves causing them to yelp and jump back. She was waiting to hold this back incase Abaddon had another trick up his sleeve. She couldn't wait any longer, both of their lives were in

danger. Another line of wolves charged at them, ignoring the flames and burns. She couldn't focus on the masses all at once. There were too many of them.

Suzaku! Lilly yelled in her mind as she began to get overtaken by multiple wolves. Instantly, a large fiery bird manifested out of thin air.

The fiery phoenix sent a precise roaring flame over the wolves on Lilly and Cedric. As the wolves retreated, it turned and stared off at the demon pack in front of her as her flames flickered brightly.

Abaddon let out a menacing growl. Damn you, you would get involved. Meddling deity!

Suzaku screeched loudly towards the half demon, as Kira shakily stood at her side. She could feel the slow oozing of liquid life seeping out of her body. The red liquid dripped to the ground and her legs slightly trembled from the pain. She glanced back towards Cedric, who was lying on the ground. Sticky dark liquid was creeping out of his body. He was breathing, but he was in terrible shape.

Abaddon was livid. The fairy princess was not only a monstrous wolf, but she also was a fire elemental with a fire deity on her side. He had numbers on his side, and he had already wounded the princess considerably. He could not just give up and leave yet.

A small brown wolf walked out from behind the demon wolves and walked next to Abaddon. Lilly recognized the wolf immediately, it was Jessica. So, she did get involved with these demons.

Lilly watched the shift in their eyes. Abaddon was so fixated on Suzaku with a few other select wolves from his pack. The rest, including Jessica, were staring intently at Lilly.

Lilly felt weak from the blood loss. How many times had she been bitten? She had lost count, but there was barely a spot on her body that was not oozing with blood. The ground was stained crimson around her, and the scent of iron had filled the air. Still, she straightened up and stood strongly staring at the advancing wolves. If she was going to go down, she was at least going to take that bitch out too.

Four dark wolves dashed into her and she lashed hot flames at them as they advanced. They began circling her, retreating and advancing in unpredictable movements all the while Jessica's wolf had remained watching and waiting for an opportunity. Out of the corner of her eye she saw Abaddon was now closing in on Suzaku. He was inching closer towards her. The sickening licorice scent blanketed her as she continued to fight off the barrage of attacks.

Suzaku spread her bright wings and flashed fire towards Abaddon and the wolves. The other wolves danced away, but Abaddon stood fast in the flames; they did not burn him. With out her fire how could she fight against Abaddon? Lilly used her large body to leap

over the wolves and in front of Suzaku. She stood off facing Abaddon, as Suzaku sent another swirling flame after the other wolves.

Abaddon fixed his eyes upon Lilly. His eyes were wide and menacing, filled with greed and desire. He took a slow step forward towards her and Lilly braced herself for a brutal battle.

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A group of wolves advanced towards Lilly, but they never reached her. Suzaku raised a fiery wall on one side while a streak of silver barged through on the other. Tyler's wolf, Jax was tangling with two of the other wolves, as more continued to advance. Abaddon and Jessica stopped and pulled back slightly as the Alpha wolf entered the scene. Lilly wanted to go after them. She did not want them to get away, but with her wounds, she knew there was nothing she could do.

More wolves around her began whimpering in pain, as two more wolves entered the fray. It was Kade and Caleb, but that wasn't all. There was a monstrous sound of trees being knocked down, as a wrecking ball was hurled their way. Tristan came in with a crushing force. He was like a train, steam rolling everything in his path. Wolves were flying around everywhere with every powerful swipe from Tristan. The wolves around Lilly had retreated following Abaddon's lead. They were not prepared to face a guardian, as well as Suzaku. Lilly caught Jessica following after Abaddon with her tail tucked behind her. A couple wolves were left behind to sacrifice themselves so the rest could escape.

Tyler and Tristan stood side by side as they finished off the remaining wolves. This was not the time to pursue them. They both were worried about Lilly and Cedric.

Tyler's silver wolf had streams of red ribbons flowing down his fur as he turned to face Lilly. She could feel his heart rate picking up as he looked at her with worry. She had so many wounds on her body, that it was impossible to feel the pain of his wounds on her, but she was sure he could feel hers. She knew she was a gory sight to behold.

Thank you for your help Suzaku. I need to help Cedric now. Lily watched as Suzaku faded away and then limped over to Cedric's side. He was still lying there. Immediately looking at him, Lilly knew it was not good. His eyes were closed and his breathing was ragged.

We need to get him to the infirmary now. You guys bring him. I'm going back ahead to get the stuff I need ready. She took off as fast as her injuries would allow, with Tyler on her heels. Every step was painful, as the red liquid continued to drip from her.

Lilly you are hurt, you need to take care of yourself. You haven't even stopped bleeding yet. I'm worried about you. Jax was whimpering, as he ran at Kira's side.

Lilly shifted into her human form and rushed into the infirmary. "Tyler, we have to worry about Cedric first. He is in worse shape than me."

Tyler was looking over her body with worry. There were so many wounds all seeping with blood. He knew she also was not in good shape. He didn't want to lose her, or Cedric, and she was the only one who could help Cedric now.

Lilly could hear his thoughts and worry. She grabbed a large shirt and threw it over herself to hide as many injuries as she could for now. She was hurting, but she couldn't worry about herself right now. Cedric was fighting for his life because he came to help her. Tristan and Kade carried in Cedric, who had shifted back to his human form, and laid him on the examination bed, pulling a sheet up to his torso. Lilly scrambled to grab the things she needed and rushed over to his side. She quickly gave him a shot of something to help with the pain and began to bandage up the wounds the best she could.

"Tyler, hold pressure here." Lilly wrapped a bandage up tight and showed Tyler exactly where to hold it.

The wounds were bad and she was in real danger of losing him. Her heart was pounding wildly as she continued to scramble to get the bleeding under control. What more could she do? She rubbed her hand over his forehead and looked into his pale face. She couldn't lose him... she just remembered him. He was her best friend who always looked out for her, even though she didn't know it.

She felt the warm tears trickle down her face as she felt his thready pulse. His body was in distress. She could only hope that his werewolf healing kicked into overdrive soon.

"Are you okay?" Tyler asked in a soft voice.

She didn't realize it, but her body was trembling. She had also lost a lot of blood.

"How was the fight with the rogues? How is everyone else?" Lilly asked quietly she wanted to make sure everyone else was okay too.

"They've been taken care of. You and Cedric are in worse shape than everyone else... of course no one else was dealing with several dozen wolves at a time." Kade answered quietly.

"And you think fairies are weak." Cedric scoffed quietly.

Lilly watched as his eyes opened heavily. "Cedric... you shouldn't have come." Lilly let the liquid crystals flow from her eyes as she held his hand.

"Now don't be greedy and hog all the fighting for yourself." Cedric gave her a weak smile.

"How are you feeling?" Tyler asked quietly.

"I feel like I've been in a fight with a pack of wolves... oh wait I have." Cedric rolled his head to his side to look at Lilly. "You don't think I am that weak to die over something like this now do you?" Cedric gave Lilly a half smile.

She could see the color coming back into his face and his pulse was returning to normal. Lilly let out the breath of air she had been holding and leaned her head back into Tyler. He was going to be okay. It might take him a few days to recover, but the important thing was, he should recover.

Tyler gently put his hands-on Lilly's shoulders, "You need to sit down. We need to get you taken care of now." He then turned his head to look at Kade and Tristan. "How long do you two plan to stand there naked in front of my mate?" Tyler said with playful irritation in his voice, trying to lighten the somber mood.

"What's the mater Tyler? Afraid she isn't going to want a pup like you when she see's my grizzly?" Tristan smirked.

Tyler scoffed at Tristan and then looked over at Kade. "There should be some shorts in the next room, grab me a pair too." Tyler waited for Tristan and Kade to leave the room before he turned the girl around and wrapped her gently in his embrace. "I was so scared Lilly... look how chewed up you are... I can't lose you."

Aaron came into the room, he left Mattie to watch over Cadence so that he could find Lilly. He wanted to immediately go and search for her, but Cedric was afraid that he might get mistaken for a rogue, so he asked them to wait there. He looked at Lilly and his face paled. The shirt she was wearing was covered in blood and there were wounds all over her arms and legs. His eyes teared up as he looked at his precious sister.

"Geez... Lilly..." Aaron looked over at Tyler. "Tell me who did this to her is a least dead." He was livid seeing his sister this way.

"Some of them are dead. She was fighting with dozens of wolves... The main culprit got away. We couldn't afford to pursue, not with how bad these two were wounded." Tyler said softly meeting with Aaron's gaze. "Lilly... we need to get your wounds cleaned up."

Lilly could hear her brother and Tyler's voice as she leaned into Tyler. She was needing his body for support. She could finally relax about Cedric. It was only now that she could feel the protests her body was making. Her head was light and spinning. Her body was trembling slightly. Her world was fading dark.

Tyler soon felt Lilly collapse into his body. She was unconscious. Shit.

"Lilly."

A gentle voice called to her in the depths of her mind. Lilly opened her eyes. She was standing in a green meadow that was filled with flowers. The sky was the brightest blue she had ever seen and the sun was shining in all it's brilliance. Where was she? In the distance she saw someone walking towards her. She knew this person. It was her mother.

"Lilly." Her mother's voice was warm and gentle. Her almost white colored hair shined like silver in the sun, as the wind played with the ends of her strands.

"Mom? Where am I?" Lilly asked. Wait... was she dead?

"This is Elysium. Well this is the dream state of Elysium. I was able to bring you here so we can talk. It takes a big toll on my body so it isn't something I can do often or for long, but I needed to help you." Her mother fixated her gaze on her daughter with a look of urgency.

"Help me? How can you help me in a dream? And help me how?"

"Lilly, we are healers. It is one of our powers that have been passed down over countless of generations. It takes a long time to learn and develop our healing powers, but I can help you discover just enough so that you can recover."

"Am I in that bad of shape?" Lilly knew her injuries were serious, but with her werewolf healing she didn't think it was life threatening.

"You've lost a lot of blood and we shouldn't risk it since we don't have to. I want you to focus. Focus on the warm yellow light inside of yourself. As you do, feel for the wave of energy you want to connect with. It should feel soothing and energizing. Let it out and feel it flow over your body. Once you do this, you will wake up from this dream state. Lilly, you must make the journey to Elysium, not immediately but very soon. There is much to talk about. You need to gather a strong escort that can protect you from Abaddon. There is a lot we have to talk about and there is a job that you have to do. Your guardian will be able to lead you here. Now... focus on that light." Lilly's mother gently commanded.

Lilly concentrated on the warm energy inside of her and searched for the glow that felt soothing and energizing to her. She let the warmth spread over her body and she felt herself drifting out of the dream state. As she was regaining consciousness, she heard her mother whisper 'I Love You'.

When Lilly woke up, she was back in her bed in the pack house. She was lying between Tyler's legs with her head resting on his upper leg. His hands were rubbing her arms gently and soothingly. His scent was filling her nostrils and she was taking in her

personal hits of his intoxicating drug. His well-defined arms, strong thighs, heavenly smile-

"You are just recovering and what do you think you are thinking about?" Tyler said with a low whisper.

Lilly spun her head to the side to look up to his face. She smiled as she saw the concern over his face. He had been worrying about her. She shifted to sit up so she could hug him.

"Easy Lill." Tyler was worried she might reopen her wounds.

"Were you not able to read my mind while I was dreaming?" Lilly thought he would already know what happened in her subconsciousness.

"No, everything was blank. It was like you weren't there." His voice hitched a bit from the worry he was recovering from.

"I'm sorry for worrying you. How long was I unconscious?"

"Just a couple hours."

Lilly nodded her head and shifted her body around as she continued to sit up. "Tyler, it's okay. I think everything is healed." Lilly lifted up her shirt and was checking where the wounds were. They were no longer there.

"How are you completely healed?" Tyler asked as he gently touched her healed skin.

"Wait... How is Cedric?!" Lilly asked with wide eyes. She wanted to make sure he was still doing okay, after all, his injuries were really bad too.

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"Cedric is going to be okay. He has been moved back here and is resting in his room. Now, how are you all healed up?" Tyler reached his hand out and gently tilted her chin up to his gaze so he could look into her eyes.

"It is one of my powers. My mother came to me in my subconscious and told me how to discover it. She also said that I need to go to Elysium soon. We will have to prepare for the journey and be ready for potential attacks, but I have to go." Lilly looked at Tyler who was frowning at this news.

"I don't want you traveling outside of the pack with that demon after you. We don't even know what he wants." Tyler looked at the change in her eyes. "You do know what he wants?"

"Me... More specifically he wants my firstborn child to be his." Lilly heard the loud throaty growl Tyler made as he scowled hearing this. "Abaddon wants to gain entry to the fairy kingdom and wants to acquire the power through a blood tie to the kingdom."

"Him and Jessica are dead. I can't believe she was there too. Her brother Cody would have been so disappointed in her. How can we travel to Elysium knowing this? It is too risky." Tyler leaned in and kissed her forehead tenderly. He knew he was going to have to take her there, but he still had to voice his objections over the idea. It was dangerous. He couldn't lose her, and he almost did. They were trying to weaken her enough so that they could take her and they succeeded. If he had not arrived when he did she could be in the that demon's clutches right now.

"I have some ideas about traveling. We will need to talk with Tristan to see how long the trip will take us and how we can get there. We have to go. There is something important. Either something I have to know or do, but it is important. She said we didn't have to leave right away, so we do have time to prepare. Besides, I don't think Abaddon will attack again anytime soon. He will need a plan. He might not have been bothered by the flames, but the others were. With you and Tristan around he won't have his way easily." Lilly leaned up and kissed Tyler's jawline.

Tyler sighed and tilted his head so that it was resting on her forehead. "We will work it out Lills, if it is important then we will make it happen. Now, since you seem fine, how about you get a quick shower and see your brother off. He is still here worried about you."

Lilly flashed him a wide grin and kissed his cheek. "Give me five minutes and I will be down. I want to check on Cedric too."

Tyler watched as she quickly skidded off to the shower before he left the room. He would talk with Tristan and get an idea of how far and long this trip would be. He was going to have to make pack arrangements too while he was away. At least he had some time to get everything sorted out.

Lilly ran down the stairs after the shower and smiled as she saw her brother sitting at the table with Mattie, Tyler and Tristan... oh Cadence was there too.

"Lilly!" Aaron stood up and scooped her into his arms. "I'm so glad that you are alright. I can't believe you left like that! I trusted you. It's me. You could have told me and I would have been right there with you. Don't you ever pull a stunt like that again."

"Okay daaaaad." Lilly sighed with a giggle as she took the lecture her brother was giving her. "Thank you for staying and checking on me, but it is getting late and I am fine. Go ahead and go back home... you still have the trip ahead of you." She appreciated him staying and checking on her. She knew that he was worried, but she also knew that he was busy since he just took over as the Alpha.

Aaron looked at her. He felt conflicted. He didn't want to leave his baby sister. She was just attacked by a demon. It wasn't like he could take her back either. Not to mention, the Diamond back was the stronger pack. She would be safer with them and he knew it, he just wished he could be there to protect her too. "I'll let dad know what happened and tell him to get in contact with you. I love you Lillibug... take care of yourself and don't hesitate to let me know if you need anything from me."

Lilly smiled and nodded. It was weird watching her brother leave. She knew she would see him again, but not sure when. They were both caught up in their own lives now, with their own respective packs. Plus, she was also the fairy princess. She knew he loved her and she loved him and that both of them would always be there for the other. She gave him and Mattie a hug goodbye (of course Tyler was mentally objecting to the hug to Mattie).

"Sorry about what happened with Jessica, but now you can find an even better mate. Trust me, she was no prize." Lilly scrunched up her nose in disgust thinking of Jessica.

Mattie played with her head gently. "Don't apologize, Lills. I am just happy that I am back to normal again. I feel like me again... Promise me that you will take care of yourself and if there is anything... I can ever do please let me know." His eyes lingered on her for a moment with a longing stare before he finally walked away from her. It was good that he walked away when he did because Jax was going out of control with his possessiveness and making Tyler fight for his self-control.

Lilly gave Cadence a simple smile with a nod and then watched the two cars drive away. She smiled as she felt Tyler's back against her. "You did good Tyler holding in your wolf. We will keep working on your training, there is hope for you yet." She teased as she felt his arms wrap around her.

"You think you can train me? I'm a wild Alpha wolf babe. I'm a feral animal when it comes to you." He grinned as they walked back into the house.

Kade and Tristan were standing in the kitchen as the two walked up to them.

"Cedric is resting now. I stayed with him until he fell asleep. Avery is sitting with him now. He is doing good. In a couple days he will be as good as new." Kade wanted to update Lilly so that she wasn't worrying about him.

"Aww I wanted to see him. I guess I can wait until he wakes up. I need to yell at him. He was almost killed because he charged into that mess-"

"He saved you Lilly. If he hadn't shown up, you might have been captured before I could get to you. I told you to wait here." Tyler couldn't help the pain in his chest when he remembered how she looked and the wounds over her body. She couldn't have fought much longer.

Lilly could feel his agitation and before she would have thought that he was being a jerk. Because of their mating bond though she knew that it was just his worry coming through. She could feel the pain and his fear of losing her radiating inside of her.

"I'm sorry. There was a child involved. I couldn't let her die. I hope she's okay." Lilly's thoughts went back to the child who had been injured by Abaddon.

"Yes, the child is fine. Her wounds weren't too deep, and she is safely back with her family." Kade was a bit bothered by something with the child though. "Luckily in this case her wolf hasn't awakened. Her wound was laced with wolfsbane. How did that happen?"

"It is probably one of the demon's abilities. That means in the future you need to let me face him. Wolfsbane doesn't affect me. If he lands a blow on any of you in a vulnerable area you'd be in real danger." Tristan was looking at Tyler as he spoke because he knew he would be wanting to hunt down the demon wolf.

"Well he won't hurt Lilly since he wants her to have his pups so he can take over the fairy kingdom." Tyler snorted as his anger rose mentioning the demons plans with his mate.

Tristan's eyes narrowed and then he looked back at Lilly. "When he couldn't get to your mom, he decided to try next with you... You know he wouldn't be interested in you if you were pregnant." Tristan smirked and eyed the two in front of him. Tyler seemed on board with this idea too.

"No he wouldn't need me, but then he would want my daughter to fulfill the purpose. I don't know how long his lifespan is, but it needs cut short. We need to find him and kill him." Lilly was angry thinking that he would go after her daughter if he doesn't get what he wanted from her. "I don't want my descendants to always have to watch behind their backs. I am strong and have strong allies. If there is a time to kill him it is now."

"I'm all for killing him." Tyler smirked and he shrugged looking at Tristan and Kade.

"So, we will kill him after we go to visit my mother... or on the way if the opportunity presents itself." Lilly smiled and then turned her attention to Tristan. "So, how do we get to Elysium and how long will it take?" Lilly looked at Tristan as all eyes rested on him.

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A few weeks later....

Cedric had made a full recovery since the attack. Things had been pretty quiet except for the planning for the trip they would be making in the next week. They had made a lot of preparations in order to make this trip as smooth as possible. Tristan had told them that they could only travel part of the way in their vehicles and then they would have to

hike the rest of the way on foot. Tyler was planning to leave Caleb in charge of the pack as the acting Alpha in charge. But before they disembarked on this little adventure, Tyler had something up his sleeve. He involved Cedric and was able to have his mind blocked from the mate link. He didn't need Lilly to figure out his surprise.

Tyler had a small bag in his hand as he walked out of the doors to the pack house. Tristan, Cedric, Avery, Caleb and Kade were outside with Lilly and were all in on the fun. Tyler walked up to where they were all standing and pulled Lilly back into his chest. Then she leaned her head back to look up to him and he lightly brushed his lips against her forehead.

"Want to go for a drive?" Tyler asked as he watched her eyes widen in excitement.

"Really?! Can we? I mean can we really? You aren't teasing? And...wait a minute... why can't I read your thoughts?" Lilly watched his grin widen and caught Cedric's smile out of the corner of her eye.

"No reading my mind today. It is a block Cedric cooked up special." Tyler grinned and looked over at Cedric.

"Yeah, I had to try to figure out a way to block your mate link that was separate from the mind linking. A little bit of trial and error but I figured it out." Cedric said proudly at his accomplishment.

Tyler was happy he was able to keep today a surprise from her. He could see how excited she was, and it made him melt. It was a shame that because of everything he hadn't been able to do more fun things with her more often. Not anymore. He decided that even after their trip to Elysium, that they would just have to use some precautions. They had a life to live and he had a mate to spoil. "Alright everyone let's load up."

Moments later, they were humming along in their vehicles. Avery, Caleb and Kade took one car while Tristan drove his truck with Tyler, Lilly and Cedric. Tristan insisted on driving his 'baby'. Lilly and Tyler sat in the back seat while Cedric rode shotgun with Tristan. It was a fun ride, full of laughter and teasing. Tristan and Tyler were teasing Cedric about his gold dust and how, with his attractant, he still couldn't find a mate. These people were Lilly's family and she was more happy in that moment than she had ever thought was possible.

Lilly was growing excited, the longer they were on the road. She had no clue where they were going, and she would glance out the window in anticipation. They finally arrived in a nearby city. There were sizeable buildings that shadowed over their vehicle as they drove through. She was leaning up now so she could peer out the front window, trying to catch of glimpse of their destination. When the truck pulled around the bend, they pulled into a big open lot. That was when Lilly saw it. There was an amusement park in the distance, and they were driving right towards it. Lilly turned to look at Tyler, who was grinning back towards her. Her eyes were dancing with excitement. This was better than

anything she could have thought of. It was pure fun and was exactly what she needed. She had been to the carnival a few times with Aaron before, but she hadn't had much time for fun lately. Not between studying to become a doctor and then her new venture as a mate... and as a fairy princess.

"This is going to be so much fun!" Lilly squealed as she bounced back into Tyler's side.

He chuckled and wrapped his arm tightly around her. He wanted to plan something fun for her where she could let loose and just be herself. Who doesn't like the chance to feel like a kid again? Today she was not a Princess or a Luna... she could be just Lilly.

"AHHHHHH!" Lilly yelled, as the roller coaster descended from the slow agonizing climb. Her body was pressed tightly into Tyler's while the roller coaster tossed them around the track. The two were laughing as they exited the coaster, though Cedric and Caleb looked less then amused.

"Don't tell me you are afraid of heights?" Tristan scowled as he looked back at Cedric and Caleb.

"It's not the heights... it's the falling." Cedric said with a grimace.

"I'm not afraid of heights... but man did that make my stomach flip." Caleb held his stomach looking a bit green.

"Aww... we were going to go and get some snacks too." Lilly frowned as she looked at Caleb, who suddenly appeared to be back in the game.

"I'm in!" Caleb cheered as Avery gently nudged his side.

"See, you are just being a baby. It isn't that bad." Avery teased as she lovingly pecked his cheek. He smiled warmly and tucked her deep into his embrace. Everyone could see how crazy they were about each other.

"Let's do the go carts. I will race you fools." Kade said as he pointed excitedly in the distance.

Cedric smirked and looked at Kade. "You think you have what it takes, turtle?"

Tyler and Tristan instantly locked eyes with each other. They wouldn't miss an opportunity to compete. "I wonder if bears are faster on the track then what they are as an animal." Tyler grinned. His wolf was faster than Tristan's bear. One had power while the other had speed.

"I guess we will find out pup." Tristan pumped his fist in his hand, getting himself jacked up.

"Don't feel too bad guys... someone has to come in last place." Caleb beamed widely, as he got a cast of looks from the other men.

"Avery and I will go get some snacks for when you are finished." Lilly pointed in the direction of the concession stands.

"Toots and I aren't getting involved in your need to pump testosterone battle. You know Lilly, it is silly. They act all big and bad, but if you would give them a harsh look, you could hear the lot of them whimpering from miles away." Avery giggled, as she walked up to Lilly.

"I'm going to need a basket of fries and two cheeseburgers for my victory feast." Tyler pecked Lilly on the lips as he declared his upcoming victory.

"That's a pup's snack. I need four corn dogs and a batch of onion rings for my victory feast." Tristan smirked as another competition began to brew.

"Ah ah ah. Stop. We are not competing to see who can eat the most. We will get a spread of things." Lilly reached her finger up to Tyler's lips to stop him from countering Tristan. He smiled and gently nipped at her fingers.

Tyler winked at her and the guys walked off towards their speedy battle. There was no second place, only the first loser and up. All of them had their eyes on one prize... and that was victory.

Avery and Lilly were chatting happily as they approached the food court. The two had become best friends and it was a friendship they both had craved. Avery could come off as a bit abrasive, even though she wasn't much of a fighter as a werewolf, and girls avoided her because of it. Lilly loved her tongue in cheek ways and felt a closeness with her that she had always craved.

The girls ordered enough food for an army and had to have some of the employees help them take it to a table.

"A lot of food for you two pretty ladies." One of the young men said, eyeing the two girls with interest.

"We are here with a big group. Trust me, they are going to smash this." Lilly giggled, knowing the appetites of the savage animals that were with her.

"Any of them your boyfriends?" The other man said. His eyes were fixated on Avery intently as he took her sight in.

"Yes, we both have our boyfriends with us." Avery smiled. She didn't mind having the attention as long as it stopped there.

"How committed are you to your boyfriend?" The first young man said as his hazel eyes met with the emerald ones of Lilly's.

"Sorry, I am pretty crazy about him. There are plenty of other single young girls here though, that I'm sure you will have luck with." Lilly was politely encouraging him to look elsewhere. Lilly could feel that Kira seemed agitated with these young men, but as far as she was concerned, they hadn't done anything to cross the line. They were just showing interest. There was no crime in that.

He gave her a small smile and then glanced around. "The good ones are always already taken. Sure, there is quantity here... but very few are quality. Like you. Enjoy your meal." He took a few steps away and waited for his other co-worker to follow.

Lilly turned and saw that Avery was looking uncomfortable now. The other man was standing close to her and was piercing into her with his eyes. They looked a bit possessive staring at her.

"I would recommend leaving soon. Not that we can't handle ourselves, but her boyfriend is possessive. I don't think he would appreciate your close proximity to her... I know I don't." Lilly's green eyes bore into him with evident disdain for the man.

The man snapped his gaze over to Lilly with irritation. Lilly watched as the man tried to appear intimidating, she couldn't stop the smirk that spread over her lips. This was a simple human; he didn't smell like a werewolf. Most humans were blissfully unaware of the existence of anything but themselves. He might be a guy, but he was a human guy. No match for a female werewolf. Though Avery wasn't a fighter and she had not developed the means to push her werewolf strength forward. Lilly had though. She has been in fights, killed, and had been able to push her werewolf strength forward since she was young. Intimidate her? Pfft.

"You look like you don't like me?" The man straightened himself up and looked over Lilly. He let his eyes wander over her body as he licked his lip doing so.

"I don't know you." Lilly walked in front of Avery to protect her friend. "I do know that she doesn't like you being so close to her. I also know that you are going to be in a bad situation if you are still here when our boyfriends get back."

The guys openly scoffed.

"Come on man, we need to get back to work. Take the hint." The other employee urged him.

The guy smiled down at Lilly. "Why didn't you just say you were jealous and wanted the attention all to yourself? I can oblige you." His lips were pulled up as he looked over the beauty in front of him. He reached his hand out towards her. Lilly stood there looking at him defiantly. All but daring him to continue. She would lay him down flat. The opportunity was gone. The blur in front of her. The man laying on the ground. The blood trickling from his nose. The hush of the crowds. Meddling guy. Took away her opportunity.

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"WHAT THE HELL, MAN?!" The man laying on the ground reached up and felt the warm liquid oozing from his nose. He looked up to see his other co-worker standing in front of the girls he was trying to pick up.

"Enough already! They aren't interested. Why do you have to keep pushing yourself at them?" The man turned and looked back at Avery and Lilly. "I'm really sorry about him. He is spoiled and isn't used to being told no. Sorry if he made you feel uncomfortable."

"He didn't make me feel uncomfortable. He should be happy that you were the one that hit him. I would have broken a bone." Lilly smiled sweetly causing the protector to laugh.

"I'm sure you would have." He winked at her. Obviously not taking the tiny looking girl seriously. He walked up to his co-worker on the floor and lifted him up. "We still have work. Let's go."

Lilly and Avery watched the two men walk away. Lilly shrugged it off. No harm done. She was bummed she didn't get to injure the man... wow she had a thirst for blood. She turned and looked at Avery. Her bright eyes seemed a bit dull and there was a small frown on her lips.

"Ave... you okay? You're not going to let a goon like that bother you, are you?" Lilly nudged towards Avery who gave her a weak smile in return.

"I've been with Caleb... for so long. I never had to deal with the advancement of other men. His was just creepy. At first, I thought I liked having other men's attention... I don't. I don't like it at all. In fact, I feel dirty. The way he was looking at me, like I was a piece of meat. And then..." Avery looked at Lilly with round eyes that glistened with water. "He whispered next to me that he would be seeing me later. It was creepy."

"Avery. You are a strong tough werewolf. Don't let him rattle you. I understand that feeling though... the feeling of feeling dirty... yeah I understand that all too well." Lilly rubbed her neck as she remembered the night of the banquet. "Don't worry Avery. I'm here and me and Kira have no problems fighting... though he wouldn't even be a fight."

Avery and Lilly sat at the table. "I think it is best not to tell the guys, especially Caleb." Avery whispered out quietly.

"I agree. All they need is a reason to flex their muscles." Lilly let out an exaggerated eye roll at the hot-tempered men they were with. Lilly didn't think the situation really was a big deal, but Kira was still agitated. She was bringing herself more to the surface. She had stayed fairly quiet since her powers were released. Today...not today, but now, in this moment, she felt Kira at the surface. She was restless and irritated. Her presence was loud in her head. She never realized how much her presence pained her head until now. After going without it and feeling it again, she felt the strain. 'Kira... what's wrong' Lilly tried to talk to her wolf. 'It's not over...so be careful' Kira's voice was gruff and intense. Lilly couldn't understand how a human had her wolf so worked up.

"There are the guys." Avery looked up to see the guys walking over. She felt relieved seeing Caleb and could stop herself from hopping up from her seat and jumping into his arms. In his arms. Where everything felt right, warm, and safe. He spun her around and smiled at her curiously before leading her back to the table with the rest of the guys.

"So, who won?" Lilly tried to force Kira back as she focused on something else.

Tyler sat next to Lilly and then reached under her chair. He hooked his fingers under the bottom rim and pulled it as close to him as physically possible. He slid his arm around her and frowned. Tristan sat down, grabbed a corn dog and started eating with a grimace.

"I'm taking it that means neither of you won." Lilly watched both men curiously as a proud Cedric sat next to her, followed by the rest of the group.

"They were no match for fairy power." Cedric grinned, grabbing for a basket of fries.

Lilly giggled. She traced her finger over Tyler's jaw line. "Aww, baby are you upset?" Lilly teased in a cooing voice.

He smiled and leaned his head into her neck. He teased her neck with his lips before planting a kiss on the side of her forehead. "There all better."

"My turn to feel better." Tristan smiled as he looked over at Lilly while Tyler shot daggers at him.

"Find your own. This one is mine." Tyler looked Lilly over in adoration, proud that she was indeed his.

Lilly looked over at Avery, she was acting like herself again. She wanted to rip that guys throat out for spoiling a good moment. She had never seen that vulnerable side to Avery and it hurt her heart. Though she understood it.

Lilly was picking at her fries, while the rest of the men were devouring the food like it was their last meal.

What's bugging you Lills? You look fine, but I can sense your mood. You seem... off. Tristan's voice rang into Lilly's head.

Lilly continued to eat her fries and not look up to him. She was trying not to alert everyone that he was speaking to her. It's fine Tristan. Nothing to worry about.

Come on Lilly? Or I'll tell Cedric to unblock the mate link. Tristan teased in her head.

Don't you dare. Just let it go. I don't want to make anything a big deal. IT ISN'T a big deal. Kira is just being overprotective. That's all. Lilly wanted to continue to enjoy her day. This wasn't a thing, to make a thing.

Kira is upset... What is she upset over? Tristan's voice was no longer teasing. It was serious and full of caution hearing that Kira was upset.

Tristan. Please. Everything is fine. Okay? Lilly was begging him in her head to drop it. This was her fun day. She wasn't about to let some odd guy ruin it.

Tristan snorted angrily, stuffing another corndog in his mouth. The gesture didn't go unnoticed. The group looked around each other, noticing Tristan's grumpy demeanor.

"You still sour about losing?" Tyler raised his eye looking at Tristan. He glanced at Lilly out of the corner of his eye and noticed she was still concentrating on her food. That was when Tyler was first hinted that something else was amiss. "Lills?" Tyler squeezed his hand on her side and watched as her eye looked up to him. "Is everything alright?"

Lilly smiled and kissed his lips gently. "Yes, everything is. I can't decide if we should visit the arcade now or wait until the end. I want to go on some of the roller coasters too, but maybe we should wait until we digest a bit. Okay, that settles it. The arcade is next." Lilly stuffed a few more fries in her mouth and looked around everyone curiously. "Wha?" She was trying to play oblivious. Like she was so deep in thought she couldn't focus on the world around her.

"Tristan seems a bit grumpy." Cedric eyed over towards Tristan who was staring back at her.

"Did I not get enough corn dogs? I mean, you ate four already?!" Lilly met with his eyes calmly. They also were reading loud and clear. Don't you dare ruin today.

Fine. He would play along. For now. But he wasn't letting her out of his sight. "These aren't just corn dogs. These are amusement park corn dogs. They are in a league of their own."

"Well go get more then. I think you might be a bear who identifies as a pig." Kade cracked a joke as he side eyed Tristan.

"I want another one too!" Caleb pouted. "Avey baby will you get us a few more?"

Lilly watched as Avery tensed up. Her eyes flew over towards Lilly as she shifted in her seat. She didn't want to go back up to that concession stand. She also didn't want to explain why she didn't. She looked to Lilly for help here.

"How about we do the arcade first? You can get more food later." Lilly looked at both Caleb and Tristan. She was hoping to avoid that concession stand for now since the moment was still raw.

Tristan looked at her for a moment and then directed his gaze towards the concession stand. He noticed a couple guys had their eyes on their table. He figured that they had done something or that they had something to do with what was going on. He felt the lava begin to boil in his chest. If they did something to his princess... he felt his anger rising. He looked back at Lilly and his eyes flickered towards her. Their eyes clashed in an unspoken battle. As much as he wanted to throw his hammer down, he also wanted to make Lilly happy. It was a good thing Tyler's mate link was being blocked right now.

"Fine, but I am ordering a couple dozen corndogs for the ride home." Tristan submitted but left a hidden promise for Lilly. He was telling her he was going to take his time over at the concession stand before leaving by ordering a large amount of food. And spend some extra time with the gentlemen who had taken an interest with their table. More importantly, with the princess at the table. A dark glaze washed over his eyes as he thought about what must have happened.

"Okay glutton, no need to get that serious over it." Kade patted Tristan on the back and stood up. "So, competition round two? Let's see who can win the biggest stuffed animal at the arcade." Fire lit in the men's eyes at the promise of a new competition. It was time for redemption.

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Lilly and Avery were standing behind the men as they were all battling it out in the arcade, each one trying to win the largest prize to claim victory. The arcade owners would be happy with the exorbitant amount of money the men were spending. Lilly turned and looked in the distance at another game. It was a ring toss game, but one of the prizes was an all-black wolf that was the size of her.

"OOHHH Avery look! I want that." Lilly pointed at the wolf at the other stand. The men turned around and eyed what Lilly was pointing at.

"Hey Lills." Kade said with a smirk. "How about you have to ride the Ferris wheel alone with whoever wins that for you." An evil glint in his eye beamed towards Tyler.

"Sounds good to me. May the best man win." Lilly winked over at Tyler, she knew he was going to be desperate to win.

"Looks like I'm going to be having a Ferris wheel date with the princess." Tristan said as he cracked his neck to the side.

"I'll win it for you Lilly, but if it's all the same to you, I'll pass on the ride with you. I'd rather take my girl." Caleb winked at Avery whose cheeks heated red. It didn't matter how long they were together; they were still very much in love.

The guys were tossing rings like crazy. All just wanting to win and claim victory.

"Well, that's one way to get what you want." Avery teased.

"You feeling better now Ave?" Lilly watched Avery nod happily.

"I guess I felt really creeped out and I can't explain it. I feel better now and sort of dumb for how I reacted." Avery shrugged her shoulders and smiled. She did feel silly now that she thought about it. He didn't even touch her, just made her feel uncomfortable by being too close. And then there was the weird comment.

"That's understandable. Don't worry about it. I'm just glad you are feeling back to normal again. This is our fun day." Lilly looked back over at their crazy, competitive, group of guys. She loved her family so much, tempers and all.

Tristan turned and beamed victoriously as he held the big black wolf in his hands. "Looks like I get the princess all to myself for a ride." He grinned over at the scowling wolf.

"Cheer up Alpha. If you promise to behave yourself, I'll let you take me on the Ferris Wheel with you." Kade said and batted his eyes up to Tyler. "I mean it though, don't get fresh with me. I am saving myself for my mate."

"Ride with Cedric. I'm not riding it. I'll wait for you guys at the bottom." Tyler scowled wanting to ride with Lilly.

Lilly walked up to him and wrapped her arms around his neck. "You might not have won, but you still have me at the end of the day." Lilly tiptoed up and pressed her lips into his. She felt his arms wrap around her lower waist, pulling her deeper into him.

"I'll be waiting for you at the bottom." Tyler whispered lowly into her lips. He looked up to the group. "Let's get this ride over with." He escorted Lilly all the way until she boarded the ride with Tristan and then stood off to the side. He could share her for a ride, even though his child like self didn't want to.

Lilly was looking out the window as the wheel slowly began to spin. She was taking in

the sights of the park and watching the people running around down below. She caught sight of Tyler and smiled at her pouting mate.

"You going to tell me what they did to you?" Tristan was looking out the window as his voice tersely asked.

"Tristan. I said not to worry about it." Lilly sighed in irritation.

"Well I am worrying about it. What happened?" He turned his eyes onto hers and pinned into her green orbs.

"Tristan, you are my guardian, but not everything about my life needs you to act as a

buffer. I can handle myself too, you know? I know you are saying this out of concern... I appreciate your concern. I really do. But this is nothing for you to worry about. I handled it. So please drop it before I get angry." Lilly's green eyes burned threateningly towards him. This was his warning to drop it.

Tristan chuckled as he looked at the fairy princess who was glaring at him angrily. "Lilly, I told you before. If I am happy, it is for you. If I am sad, it is for you. If I am hurt, it is for you. And if I am angry, it is for you. I can't help how my emotions are connected with yours. I can't help how protective I am over you. I am much more then your guardian, your protector. I am your friend Lilly. I'm your family. I am the one who will never abandon you. When I know there is something bothering you, I can't just let it go. I'm sorry."

Lilly listened to him quietly. She understood what he was saying, but he wasn't factoring in her. He wasn't understanding her. There were somethings that she needed to handle on her own. She wasn't the damsel in distress. She wasn't the girl who needed to cry to a guy to fix her problems. She was a fighter. If this was a demon issue, it would be different. This was something she did handle herself already. It was over. There was no need to keep talking about it again. Especially, when she knew the moment the mate link was back she would be hearing about it from Tyler.

"I understand what you are saying. Now hear what I am saying. There are some things that I can take care of by myself. That I don't need you to know about or interfere in. This is one of those things." Lilly's voice was quiet, and she calmly got out the main point. All she was asking for was for him to understand that some things she could take care of on her own.

"Lilly, just tell me what happened?" Tristan said with a bit of irritation in his voice. She didn't get it. It was his job to protect her. He was bound to her. If something happened to her it might as well be like it happened to him.

Lilly let out a breath as she turned her head and looked out the window of the ride. They were both not understanding the other.

"Tristan. I'm on the verge of getting angry. So, let it go." This was Lilly's last warning; he wasn't hearing her. All he cared about was answers. Would it have hurt to tell him? No. But that wasn't the point. The point was that she asked him, she asked him nicely to let it go. And he didn't. She didn't understand him exactly, but he wasn't understanding her either.

"Well then get angry at me. I'm going to protect you. I don't care if you get angry about that or not, but I am going to do my job. Now tell me what the heck happened." Tristan growled at Lilly. Raising his voice at her for the first time ever.

"Now I'm someone so important to protect? Now it is so important to know about my business. Where were you for the last twenty years? When I could have really used having a good friend?" Lilly's eyes flickered at him angrily. She watched out the window as Avery and Caleb exited their cart. Their cart would be next.

"Lilly, I wanted to be there with you. I had to get myself and temper under control. All I ever wanted was to be near you. I just want to protect you. Please, I am trying to protect you." Tristan's eyes softened looking at her. He didn't want to fight with her. All he wanted was to keep her safe and happy. She was the only fairy princess. She couldn't be replaced. She had to understand her importance... not only to the fairy kingdom, but to him too.

"And I am trying to live a life here Tristan. I have a life to live and I haven't been living it. I've been blocked out, locked up. I have missed out on so much and in so many different aspects. So what if I had to tell a couple of guys to take a hike? That isn't public business. It is just a part of life. I can handle it, let me handle it. If there was a serious threat I would have told you." Lilly felt the rock of the bucket as it stopped to let them off.

Tristan's eyes were dark as he stared back at Lilly. "Did they try something on you."

That was all he heard? Her whole rant and he didn't listen. "Damn it, Tristan. Just give me space." Lilly hopped out and stormed away from him. She had so much to say and he couldn't take his blinders off to see her pouring her heart out. She wasn't able to conceal the anger on her face. Not that Tristan's dark glare helped keep things discreet. The group looked between them. It was obvious that they were fighting.

"Lilly? Everything okay?" Tyler placed his arm around her before looking back up towards Tristan.

"Just tired of not being listened to." Lilly's voice was flat and dry as she spoke.

Cedric looked up at Tristan. "What the hell did you do?"

Tristan snorted and folded his arms. "Just looking for answers."

Lilly felt her fists ball up as she flashed her gaze back to Tristan. "No, you are just looking for an excuse to get into a fight. I gave you answers, you just didn't care to listen. I can handle some things on my own. So let me! I don't need you to be my white knight. You don't have to jump in front of every sword that is pointed in my direction."

"You're downplaying your importance. You don't get it. You're it. It's just you. You can't be replaced. You have a whole kingdom that is depending solely on you. It is my job to make sure nothing and I mean nothing happens to you. But you want to get mad at me for being a bit overprotective? No, I'm not being protective enough! You want me to neglect my role just so you can fill this need of being able to take care of yourself. Forget it. You are the one being irresponsible." Tristan snapped back at Lilly. If something happened to her it would fall back on him. 'Why didn't he do his job at protecting her?' 'Because she said she could take care of herself'... yeah that wouldn't work.

"Nice, so disregard what I am saying entirely? Who cares what I think or what I have to say about anything? It doesn't matter, because you have a job to do. No more thought to it than 'Sorry you feel this way Lilly, it's just a damn shame... oh well when's lunch?" Lilly's voice mocked Tristan's.

"Whoa whoa whoa you two... where the heck is this all coming from?" Tyler squeezed his arm around Lilly's shoulder and looked into his mates hurt eyes.

"I just need some space." Lilly said quietly.

"Want to walk with me to the washroom toots?" Avery extended her arm towards Lilly who took it with a sad smile.

Tyler watched the two girls walk away before turning his dark gaze towards Tristan. "What the hell was that about?"

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Tristan groaned and slapped his hand into his head. That damn temper of his made him snap. And not just at anyone but towards her, his person. She was his family. He only had her. He was taken away from his family as a toddler in order for him not to develop loyalties towards anyone but her. His whole life is built around her. He lived for her. She has not put that together yet. That she is the only family he has. Her and Tyler now. He would even fight against James, the fake brother he grew up with, for her. No one topped her spot, and no one ever would. That is why most guardians never ended up with a significant other. Because their number one spot in their heart is always the royal family.

"I think she hates me now." Tristan groaned into his hands.

Tyler smiled at him. He wondered if he looked this pathetic when he thought Lilly was mad at him too. He was close enough with Tristan to know that he would never be malicious towards Lilly. He knew that his anger was directed towards keeping her safe. What he was irritated about was not knowing what to keep her safe from. Tyler slapped Tristan on the back. "She doesn't hate you. You just made her mad. On that note, I want to know why? What is it that I don't know?"

"UGH! I don't know. That's the problem. I don't know. I want to know... I need to know and it is driving me to the edge. I know something happened, but I don't know what. Something happened when we were racing, I have my suspicions... but I don't know anything. She said Kira was upset... she wouldn't be acting out for nothing." Tristan grunted as he pulled his fingers through his hair.

"Relax rabid animal." Tyler turned and looked at Cedric with a serious demeanor. "Get rid of the mate block." If there was something going on with Lilly, he needed to know and was going to know. If her wolf was sounding the alarm at something, he wanted to know what.

"Sorry for all the prying Lilly. I'm sure it is hard having everyone always in your business. You even have that soul mate link so there is zero privacy in your life." Avery held on to her dear friends arm as they strolled together.

"I guess Tyler doesn't have any privacy either. The only difference is he is expected to fight and even encouraged. While I am supposed to stand at the top of the tower and wave our colors in support. It isn't me Ave. I want to be there too. I want to be standing side by side and fighting with the rest of them. Even if I am important, I am not weak. I can be a big help. I don't want them risking their lives just like they don't want me risking mine. It is necessary sometimes though. That's really what this fight is about. It is about me fighting for my place." Lilly was steadfast in her views. She was strong and knew she was meant to be at the front lines as well.

"You are strong Lilly, both mentally and physically. You make me proud of you every day." Avery smiled at her Luna. She was such an amazing person.

"Awe, thank you Avery! You are your own bowl of awesomesauce."

Avery and Lilly strolled up to the washrooms and then noticed a small walk through attraction next to it. It was a fun house.

"You want to?" Avery nodded her head over at the house and Lilly nodded with a huge grin.

Avery had tears in her eyes laughing at Lilly walking through the dizzy tunnel. She kept falling over and finally relented to just crawl out. She was thoroughly dizzy when they

walked over the tilting floor. Both girls swayed side to side and were using the wall to steady themselves.

The two girls were holding hands as they walked into the mirror maze. They wanted to make sure they were not separated. A child threw a rubber spider at them over the wall and they both squealed in fear. Tough werewolves zero... fake spider... one.

Lilly are you okay? Tyler's voice rang out into her head.

"The mate link is unblocked." Lilly gave Avery a crooked smiled. Yes, everything is fine. I just got spooked going through the fun house.

You are in the fun house? I'll be waiting for you at the exit. Tyler's voice echoed into her head.

It was weird. You would think that having your mate as your mind reader would be a pain. But she missed feeling him in her mind. It was like having Kira there. She would miss her if her presence vanished.

I hope you'd miss me more than Kira. His snarky voice rang in again.

Hey, get in your own mind. Never mind, it is annoying. She heard his chuckle in her mind and she smiled. She wouldn't have to explain herself to Tyler. He would be able to understand exactly how she was feeling. She just hoped that would be enough.

"What's left?" Lilly asked as they freed themselves from the crazy mirrors.

"The haunted room and then the slide with the ball pit." Avery beamed a bright smile towards Lilly. They felt like kids and the ball pit was icing on the cake.

They waited their turn and then walked through a light blocking curtain. The room was dark with faint lights from red glow sticks staggered throughout the room. But they were werewolves. All they needed to do was push their wolf senses forward... but Avery wasn't good with that so she clung onto Lilly. Lilly would brace herself when she could see something coming up, but purposely wouldn't tell Avery. These motion scares had her squeaking and jumping from being startled.

"Lilly, tell me next time." Avery giggled as she took her other hand to her chest.

"What? I thought you liked scary stuff? This is payback for the scary movies." Lilly said proudly.

"I didn't pick them though." Avery whined putting out her bottom lip.

Kira began to growl in Lilly's head. She stopped, walked and scanned the area. She noticed one person in the distance...well one was for sure a person. The other... was

different. She already knew who they were. No wonder Kira was on high alert. She was sensing what Lilly was finally able to, now that she brought her senses forward.

Avery... I want you to turn and run.

What? Why? What's wrong? Avery was scrambling to see in the dark.

This is an order from your Luna. There is an emergency exit to the side. Go now! Lilly used her Luna voice and commanded Avery to leave. She watched as the girl clenched her eyes and obeyed her order. She knew Tyler would be worried. She couldn't just leave. After all, it wasn't in her nature.

Damn it Lilly. Get out of there. We are coming. Tyler's voice resonated in her head.

Lilly took in a breath and ignored the voice that continued to urge her to leave. She was curious about the other body. She walked towards them.

She saw the man from earlier whose black and blue nose looked as if it had seen better days. Then she looked at the other 'man' beside him. It was the other guy employee. So punching him in the face was just for show. Now that she could sense him clearly, there was more to him. He still seemed like a human, but something more.

"Where is your friend?" The black nosed man asked.

"I told her to leave when I knew you were up ahead." Lilly's eyes flickered between the two men.

"Yet, you still came?" The other man asked with interest.

"Well your friend here really pissed me off and almost ruined my fun day. Letting him get off with just a black and blue nose just isn't my style." Lilly glared at the ugly nosed man. She smirked antagonizing him to advance towards her.

"You should have run girl." The man walked towards Lilly.

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The sound of an arm breaking, and a loud thud echoed in the room. The man was lying unconscious on the floor a few feet away from Lilly.

"Well I guess I feel a tiny bit better." Lilly shrugged and then turned her gaze towards the other man. She was studying him curiously.

"It's Reed. My name is Reed." The man spoke up.

"Introductions? Really? What do you want?" Lilly looked at the man named Reed and she felt her world shift. It was like she was above the area but in another dimension. She was standing above where she was at before but on air. She looked around the area fascinated. "Is this an astral plane?"

Reed's eyes danced in amusement. "You aren't scared?"

Lilly looked back up towards Reed and couldn't help the slight laugh that came out of her throat. "Not at all. I'm actually pretty fascinated. Like, am I on air or is there a floor here in another dimension?"

Reed chuckled. "You are a very amusing person. Yes, this is an astral plane. And technically you just can't see what you are standing on right now."

"So, are you like a witch?" Lilly was thinking this was the most logical assumption.

"Warlock, witch is what the women are called." He eyed her curiously. She wasn't scared at all.

"So, is this how you get women? You trap them in an astral plan? Please tell me you aren't that lame." Lilly looked up at him with her eyes raised. "And your friend there... he is sick. Are you like him too?"

"No, I'm not like him. He has a problem. And no, I don't use this as a pickup for women. You're the first." Reed's voice was calm and quiet as he watched Lilly.

"I feel so special." Lilly said in a mocking voice. "So, what was all this? An attempt for your friend to get with mine? That isn't ever going to happen."

"He wanted to see if he could persuade her into it. I came along just to make sure he didn't get dirty. I'm seriously not a bad guy." Reed shrugged with a crooked smile. "I am really curious why you seem so unphased by this. Most humans would be freaking out right about now."

"Yeah, your right. Most humans would be. That would be true... if I were human." Lilly's eyes flashed up to his as a small smile rested on her mouth.

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Lilly watched as Tristan, Tyler, Kade and Cedric came crashing into the room below them. They were storming around the room frantically. She couldn't hear them but could see them. Likewise, she couldn't mind link or mate link to them either.

"Man you weren't kidding about your friends. They look like they are ready to kill... What did you mean when you said if you were human?"

Lilly redirected her gaze to him as she watched the men scatter in different directions looking for her. Kade stayed in the room near the body of the man she had laid unconscious. Most likely to question him when he woke up. Sorry Kade, he isn't waking up anytime soon.

"I meant exactly the way it sounded. Maybe, if I were a normal human, then this would freak me out. I'm not." Lilly was watching the wheels turning in Reeds head.

"You aren't a witch or a demon I can tell that right off. Are you a shifter or a fairy?" Reed was looking at her with interest.

"Yes." Lilly grinned and then giggled. She was both. She probably shouldn't be telling a stranger, but he showed her he was a warlock. A secret for a secret. She would keep the fairy princess off the table though. Kira was no longer antsy and was back to being calm. She also wasn't perceiving him as a threat anymore. Suzaku also never showed up. Which she was sure she would if there was any real danger. Though she didn't exist in Lilly's head. She would come only if she was called she only hung around in the beginning since it was new to Lilly.

Reed began chuckling. "Well, no wonder you knocked him out cold. My stepsister is a fairy. Her dad, who is a fairy, married my mom. My dad died before I was born and her mother died from a demon. So technically, she is my stepsister, but we have been together since we were toddlers. She is my straight up sister to me."

"Your sister and dad are fairies? I'd like to meet them one day." Lilly was curious to meet more of her kind.

"My sister is here somewhere. I'll introduce her to you." Reed looked down and saw the worried look on Kade's face. "So... if I bring us back am I going to die?"

Lilly chuckled. "No, but why did you project me here in the first place?"

Reed looked away and then back towards Lilly. "Okay... but don't tell anyone. It was a reflex at first. You sort of scared me, haha. I thought this would be safer for me..."

"I'm Lilly. Let's be friends." Lilly walked up and extended her hand to him. He shook it gently and gave her a big flashy smile. Lilly felt her world shift and in the next moment she was standing beside Kade.

"LILLY!" Kade's arms crashed around Lilly and he pulled her deep in his arms as he glared at the man in front of him.

"Ugh. Easy Kade. I'm fine. This is my new friend Reed." Lilly pushed herself back out of his arms and motioned towards Reed.

"I take it this is the boyfriend?" Reed noticed how deep Kade had embraced her.

"No. This is just my friend." Lilly giggled. Oh yeah, speaking of boyfriend. Tyler I am fine. I am in the haunted room with Kade and my new friend. Sorry for worrying you.

A loud commotion was heard and then, in a blur, she was in Tyler's arms. He scooped her up and held her flush against him.

I couldn't feel you at all. You're okay, thank goodness you're okay. I felt numb. I could feel you. I couldn't reach you. That's enough heart attacks for me. I'm just going to sew you to myself. Tyler's mind raced with word after word. Never needing to speak any. They both were able to communicate everything.

Lilly felt the small trembling in his hands. She could feel how he was feeling and she knew how he was thinking. He suddenly couldn't feel her, couldn't mind link with her. It was like she vanished and that made him race towards a dangerous conclusion. Regardless, something had happened to her and he couldn't find her. She pressed her face into his neck and nuzzled into his mate mark. She gently kissed it and squeezed her arms around him to calm her mate.

It was a simple gesture, but it was one that brought a relaxed smile to Tyler's lips. He pulled back and leaned his head into hers. His world wasn't collapsing; she was right here in front of him. He glanced up at Reed. He knew from Lilly's thoughts that he was not a bad guy... even if he was interested in his girl at first.

"My mom wasn't kidding when she said that werewolves were passionate creatures that worshipped their mates." Reed grinned awkwardly at the intense moment in front of him. Most people cared about having an audience. For the couple in front of him it was as if they were the only people who existed. It was very clear there would be no room for anyone else in their hearts.

"A warlock huh? I have met a few before. Though I never met one who could astral project." Tyler straightened up, keeping Lilly locked in his side, and extended his hand towards Reed who shook it firmly.

"I have never met a werewolf before... well at least knowingly." Reed chuckled.

"What should we do with this guy? And what happened here?" Kade asked as he nudged the guy with his foot.

"Lilly is probably the scariest girl I have ever met. That's what happened here. I swear she broke his arm and knocked him out in a single hit. It's enough that I am going to try my best to never tick her off... As for him, I say just leave him there and we bail. Let the next group find him and take care of it." Reed shrugged his shoulders. He didn't care to get involved with taking his co-worker to the hospital.

"Sounds good. Let's head out the side. Avery is worried about you... and maybe a bit angry you ordered her to leave." Tyler raised his eyes towards Lilly who shrugged indifferently.

"I was protecting her. I don't regret it and would do it again." Lilly let Tyler lead her towards the side exit while Reed and Kade followed. When the door opened there was Cedric and then Avery, with liquid crystals on her eyelashes, leaning into Caleb's arms. Then, there was Tristan, standing a few feet away in the distance. His face looked void of expression.

"Ordered... so are you like a higher rank werewolf?" Reed asked.

"She's our Luna and right there is the Alpha of our pack." Kade said as he motioned to Tyler.

"No shit?! Wow I got to meet a real Alpha and Luna. That's amazing." Reed's cell phone started going off in that moment. "Hello. I'm over by the fun house.... No I didn't leave without you... but...if...listen...fine! Man, my sister is a pain. She's on her way over here though, Lilly. So you will be able to meet her soon."

Lilly nodded towards Reed and then smiled at Avery. "You mad at me?"

Avery shook her head no. "I'm supposed to protect you. Not the other way around. I felt so helpless that I knew I was only a hindrance to you." Caleb's arm tightened around her.

"Thank you, Lilly. For protecting my Avey girl. She's my everything and I selfishly appreciate it." Caleb lowered his head in appreciation towards Lilly.

"Stop Caleb. Avery is my friend. Plus, you are wrong Avery. It is my job to protect you too." Lilly watched as a girl with dark hair and sun kissed skin walked towards them. She had an orange glow around her and was looking directly at Reed. When she got a few feet away she stopped and turned her gaze to Lilly in shock.

"Oh, my word.... I don't even know how to act right now..." She bowed her head towards Lilly and Tyler while fidgeting nervously.

"That's not necessary. Please come closer so we can meet." Lilly's voice was smooth and gentle.

The girl looked up in excitement. "I can't believe I am actually meeting 'the' princess and 'the' prince. This is like the best day ever."

"How does she know who we are?" Tyler leaned his head towards Lilly in confusion.

"All fairies recognize the royals. You can't see it, but there is a special aura and scent that comes off of you. It leads us to you and lets us recognize you immediately. Hey Rosa, long time no see." Cedric flashed a smile towards the girl.

"Cedric, nice to see you again. You been taking good care of the royals?" Rosa asked sternly.

"I try." Cedric chuckled out. "But our royals sure are a handful."

Rosa then looked over at Tristan who had walked up closer towards Lilly. Her body became noticeably rigid and fear flashed over her eyes. Guardians were not someone any fairy wanted to upset.

"Don't be frightened Rosa. I would like for us to be good friends. Don't be worried about Tristan he won't bother you... that's something special he likes to do to me." Lilly looked at Tristan out of the corner of her eye and watched a side smile curl on his lips. She knew he was upset about their fighting and would be worried if she would be mad at him. It was a conversation they could have at a different time.

"I won't bother you... unless you give me a reason to." Tristan looked over at Rosa and then back to Lilly. She was too trusting. Sure, most fairies would never harm her. He was readily willing to take that chance on this girl and extend his hand in friendship. They knew nothing about her to know if she was a problem or not.

She watched Rosa looking a bit confused suddenly. It was like she was searching for something. Then her gaze directed over towards Reed... but it wasn't Reed it was the guy next to him. Her eyes were locked with Kade.

"MATE." Kade's voice resonated loudly as he looked at Rosa.

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"MATE." Kade's voice resonated loudly as he looked at Rosa. He walked up to the girl slowly. Not wanting to scare her. She might not have a wolf in her screaming mate, but she should feel the pull towards him as her other half. Still he wanted to make sure she was receptive to him.

"I have been waiting for you for a very long time. You are the half of me that has been missing." Kade reached his hand out and gently touched Rosa's cheek. His eyes teared up as he looked at the girl with a look of pure adoration. He didn't know this is what it felt like to find your mate. How instantly someone could become more important than everyone else.

Rosa looked up at Kade. She could feel herself being pulled to him. She had heard from other fairies before who mated to werewolves what it was like. That they instantly felt drawn and connected to the person. And then once they received their mating mark,

they were consumed with thoughts of only them. They were right (though she didn't know about the mark yet). She just knew. Knew he was the one she had been waiting for. She was meant to be his. She smiled at him and allowed herself to get lost in his eyes. He looked at her like she was the only person who existed in the world.

Tyler cleared his throat. "You two kids want to go and get acquainted?" He watched as the two snapped back to reality and noticeably reddened.

"Do you want to walk around with me so we can talk?" Kade asked and watched Rosa nod her head. "If you don't mind Alpha then I would appreciate it." Kade watched Tyler nod his head for him to go and he reached and grabbed Rosa's hand.

Tyler watched Kade walk away with Rosa. He knew what Kade was feeling right now. He had found his reason for living. Nothing would ever be the same. He was happy for his Beta. In this moment for him, life was beginning.

"I guess I can talk with her later." Lilly giggled with a shrug.

"Baby, you'll be able to talk to her whenever you want. She is Kade's mate. She will be joining us in our pack and in our house." Tyler gave her a wry smile.

"What if she doesn't want to?" Reed suddenly shot off, feeling protective over his sister.

"Of course, if she doesn't want to then that is one thing, but that unlikely. You can see it. She felt it too." Cedric looked over at Reed and nodded.

"Yeah, she did look quite smitten with him... didn't she?" Reed looked out in the distance where his sister disappeared. As long as this is what she wanted then he had no issues with it.

"Don't worry Reed. Kade is a great guy. I love him to pieces, and I know he will treat Rosa well." Lilly knew just how wonderful Kade really was. Any girl would be lucky to have him. "Well, I guess this means we will get to see you often too."

"Yeah, maybe I'll be lucky, and I'll be a mate to one of your pack wolves. Instant girlfriend sounds great to me." Reed grinned at his idea.

"Just be careful, some of these she wolves are troublemakers." Tyler tugged Lilly and winked at her.

"Sounds like most women I know then." Reed teased. "I need to get back to my job. I still have a shift to finish. Let's exchange numbers and talk more later?"

"Okay sounds good. I imagine we will be making a trip to your home soon for Rosa's things." Lilly said with a wink. Reed nodded his head and walked back towards the concession stands.

Another fairy would be joining their pack. That was exciting for Lilly. Plus, she met a witch... warlock and witnessed an interesting power. There was still an elephant in the room though. She needed to talk things out with Tyler and Tristan. More so with Tristan. The two of them were fighting and he couldn't read her mind. Tyler already would know what she was thinking. She could sense that he had mixed emotions over it. That while he didn't like it... at all. He understood. She was too powerful to keep locked away. She was an asset and regrettably, one they would have to use. She wanted Tyler with her though to help talk with Tristan. After all, he was her mate. No one wanted to keep her safe more than him.

"Would you three mind excusing us for a moment? We have something to discuss." Tyler, knowing Lilly's mind, took the initiative and asked Avery, Caleb and Cedric to give them some time to sort things out. He knew that Tristan was still feeling bad about fighting with Lilly and that Lilly felt uncomfortable with it too. He wanted to get everything right and back on good terms. He wanted everything patched up since this was supposed to be their day of fun. He watched his three pack members head off towards the arcade again then turned and faced Lilly and Tristan.

"I feel like Kade getting a fairy for a mate is much more than coincidence. Feels like fate is playing with our deck of cards." Lilly pondered, openly thinking of the odds. What are the odds for both the Alpha and the Beta to have fairy mates?

Tristan looked at her and then back to Tyler. He felt a bit insecure suddenly because he couldn't take it if she was still mad at him. He watched as Tyler did a head motion over towards Lilly for him to say something. "Can we talk about earlier?" His voice came out meeker then he had planned.

Lilly turned and looked up at Tristan. She knew he just wanted to keep her safe, but smothering her wasn't the answer. They were both being a bit stubborn honestly. She couldn't help but feeling bad when she saw the vulnerability in his eyes and heard it in his voice.

"Yes, I think we need to talk about earlier. Tristan. I know your job is to keep me safe, but I have a job too. I sometimes take risk unnecessarily... I'll give you that. However, the time will come when I have to fight too. I have too much strength to be hidden away. So let's work something out... I'll try to not take unnecessary risks and you will be understanding and stand by me when I do need to fight." Lilly was trying to be fair about it, after all.

Tristan nodded his head, after seeing Tyler nodding in agreement as well. "Lilly, I do want you to know something. I know I am overprotective of you, but you are all I have. You and Tyler are my family. Guardian's are taken away from their family so that their loyalties are honed for only the royal family. I don't have anyone else, not even a pack to return to. If something were to happen to you two... there would be no point for me."

Hearing this broke Lilly's heart. She felt it stir Tyler's too. He was admitting that the two of them were his only family and that he didn't have a purpose without them. She was able to understand him better in that moment. If something were to happen to Tyler, she was still surrounded by her pack and also had the fairy kingdom. All Tristan had was them. However, she wanted to make sure he knew something. Both her and Tyler wanted him to know this.

"You know, the Diamond Pack is your pack now. I want you to look at the pack as your home. If something was every to happen to both of us, you belong there. They would also need your strength. Just something to remember. You wouldn't have to return to the fairy kingdom; you could stay here. Tristan, you are our family. From now on, you will be considered a brother to us. And when the day comes, you can be our children's Uncle Tristan." Lilly hugged Tristan tightly while Tyler came and patted him on the back. "Of course, you know, the closer you are with someone, the more likely you are to fight. Just because we fight, doesn't mean you should think the world is over." Lilly teased tapping into Tristan's chest.

"In his defense, I feel the same way when we fight Lill. I always regret this temper I have because it gets me in trouble with you and then I'm left with out my air." Tyler put out a fake pouty lip towards Lilly.

"Smooth. I bet you tell all the ladies that." Lilly walked into Tyler's side letting him drape his arm around her shoulder. She felt his lips brush against her head. In that moment, Lilly felt that she really could take on anything with the special group of people she was able to surround herself with. She could never imagine going back to how life was before. How incredibly lonely she actually was. She loved her family, her strong pack. Whatever destiny had in store; she was certain that they would overcome it. She wouldn't borrow trouble from tomorrow though, she was going to live right here in the present. She was going to make memories and seize life. No longer would she miss out. She looked up at her two overprotective animals. She loved them both dearly and couldn't imagine her life without them. "Who wants to take me on in bumper cars?"

"You sure you want to do that? I will show you no mercy." Tristan flashed his bright smile towards her.

"Oh? You aren't going to go all knight on me and protect my car from getting hit by strangers?" Lilly looked up from under her eyelids at him.

"Naw, you're strong remember? You don't need a white knight." Tristan teased with a chuckle.

"Man, I wish I had that recorded." Lilly said with sly amusement.

"You two might want to just sit out. I mean, you can't compete with an Alpha sooo...."

Tyler watched as the two raised their eyes up at him.

"To the bumper cars! I'll mind link the others." Lilly grinned as they marched towards the battlegrounds. She might love these guys to pieces but when it came to a competition... all was fair in love and war.

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Lilly and Avery sat there pouting outside of the bumper cars exit. The guys all ganged up on them and got their cars stuck in the side railings. It was utterly unfair and dirty.

"It makes sense. You have to take out the biggest threat first. They were afraid of us Avery." Lilly felt a bit salty, especially seeing the guy's smug faces. For some reason, Tyler had Cedric put the mate block back up, so she was guessing there were more surprises up his sleeve. So she didn't know exactly what he was thinking, but from his face it looked cheeky. Lilly looked over at Avery who had the devil in her eye. Then her lips curled up and there was a mischievous twinkle in them.

"Come on Lilly. Let's hit the water slides next. It's pretty warm out and I wouldn't mind getting cooled off." Avery's eyes flashed at Lilly's as she helped her to her feet. "Come on let's head to the locker rooms so we can change into our swimsuits."

Lilly read her loud and clear. She turned and stuck her tongue out at the guys and walked with Avery to the locker rooms. The guys chuckled at the poor sports and then walked to their side of the men's locker rooms.

The men were waiting on the water side of the locker rooms. Cedric, Tristan, Tyler and Caleb had all changed into their swim trunks and were joking around beating up on the girls. Lilly and Avery came out of their locker rooms wearing matching black bikini's. The girls were laughing together and were no longer in a sour mood after the cheap male victory.

Tyler's eyes were looking over Lilly with an animalistic greed as she walked closer. He reached his arm out to scoop her into his side.

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"No touchy." Lilly snuffed out and curled her lips up at him. If the boys wanted to play dirty, then she could at least reek revenge on Tyler and Avery could on Caleb.

"Are you punishing me?" Tyler asked in amusement. It seems his sweet princess was a bit vindictive.

Lilly shrugged. "Nope, not at all. Just keep your hands to yourself please." Oh yeah, she was punishing him.

Caleb received the same treatment from Avery. "Hey that's not fair. What are you going to do to Cedric and Tristan they are just as guilty..."

"Yeah. I wonder what we will do to them..." Lilly smirked at the two other guys. She and Avery then hooked arms and walked towards the nearest water slide.

"I suddenly don't feel very good." Tristan let out a dry chuckle as he nervously wondered what they had in store. "Go beg for mercy and get us off the hook." Tristan demanded to Tyler.

"No way, I want to see her play her little game." Tyler's eyes flickered as he followed after Lilly. His girl was always full of surprises. He wanted to see how long she planned to play her own game... at least until he went crazy and couldn't take it anymore.

The girls were basically ignoring the guys existence. They went down slide after slide and were now lounging on rafts in the lazy river. They had on sunglasses and were each sipping drinks as they flicked their toes in the water. How long could they go with being ignored before they popped a blood vessel? This was the thesis they were now exploring.

The men opted out of the lazy river. They were seemingly pouting as they watched the girls float along. Tristan and Cedric were also pouting from being ignored.

"Well I'm not to proud to wave the white flag." Cedric furrowed his eyes as the other men gave him challenging glares.

"No way. We can't submit first. If Tyler and Caleb are managing, then we can too." Tristan encouraged Cedric to keep holding strong. After all, their mates were enduring the harsher punishments.

Tyler and Cedric were barely managing to endure though, especially now. There were several male eyes that they were catching looking at their girls. Their possessive wolves were tugging at their lines and snarling to claim their mates. The men were clashing between their stubborn side and their possessive, jealous wolves.

"Hi there." The men turned around to see a few young ladies standing behind them. "We noticed you guys standing there and thought maybe you'd like to join us? We are going to play pool volleyball and need some more players."

Avery tilted her sunglasses down and looked towards the boys in the distance. "It looks like our boy's have been discovered." She tilted her sunglasses up and leaned back. Unbothered by the female attention towards her mate. She knew she had nothing to worry about.

"Well they are a good-looking bunch... even if they can be buttheads." Lilly giggled. Neither girl was worried, nor felt threatened by it. As long as the other girls kept their hands to themselves, they would be granted clemency to continue to live. They were

almost towards their end of the lazy river and their skin was toasted warm in the sun. Lilly reached her hand in and splashed the cold water onto Avery who squealed when it hit her.

"Ahh, Oh it is on!" Avery hopped off her raft and the two girls engaged in a water battle.

Tyler smirked. He already knew that was a bad idea. He had made enough mistakes to see this one in bold. He was supposed to just sit there and take his punishment. "No thanks. I'm waiting for my baby to get done with the lazy river." He looked away completely dismissing them. He wasn't about to get himself in more trouble. He didn't want to ruin the rest of the evening and he could care less playing games without his girl.

"Oh... what about you guys?" The girl looked between the other men.

"My girl is over there too, but thanks all the same." Caleb said politely while Tristan and Cedric just shook their heads no.

"Oh... okay." The girl turned away a bit dejected and her group walked to look for other potential players.

"AHHHH"

The sounds of the girl's shriek and screams made the men jump in panic. They turned to see Avery and Lilly having a blast splashing themselves with water.

"Eat my tsunami Avery!" Lilly giggled as she shoved a massive wave of water towards Avery.

"Tidal WAVE!" Avery hurled a massive water strike successfully drenching Lilly.

"CANON BALL!"

SPLASH SPLASH SPLASH

The four men jumped into the water in various areas around the girls. Lilly squealed as she felt a pair of hands snake around her legs, hoisting her up from the water.

"Back to the cave, men. We got the women!" Tyler ordered as he launched Lilly over his shoulder while Caleb followed suit. The men were being obnoxious and grunting like cavemen, thoroughly embarrassing both girls.

Lilly giggled and kicked her feet as she was carried out of the water. Tyler lowered her down in front of him and wrapped his arms around her back. "You win." His lips brushed

her forehead and then traveled down to seize her lips. He pressed on her back, pulling her into him. Heating their bodies with the other. He gently pecked her lips one more time before lifting up from her. "No more getting pinned against you. I am on your team for the rest of the day."

Lilly nodded and smiled sweetly on the childish man in front of her. She was crazy about him. Though, she could go for not getting embarrassed again. "I'm ready to get changed into something dry and could go for a warm funnel cake."

"Funnel cake? Yup, I'm down." Tristan perked up happily.

Lilly squeezed in as much fun as possible in the short day. They rode everything and made lots of memories. Avery and Caleb left to take Kade and Rosa back to her house to collect her bags and then would head back to the pack house. He wouldn't be parted with her even for a night and she seemed to feel the same way. Cedric and Tristan went to compete in a few more arcade games before they headed back home for the night.

Lilly and Tyler were sitting on a bench looking up at the night sky that was being peppered with stars. He had his arm around her, and she was leaning her head into his side. They were both completely content and blissfully happy. Fireworks soon began to launch into the night air creating a kaleidoscope of colors in the dark.

"This isn't very traditional for werewolves. And you aren't just a werewolf either. I wanted you to know just how amazing you are and how special you are to me. I couldn't think of any way to make up for our rocky start except to make sure that you always know your place in my heart from here on out. Luckily, our mating link helps with that." Tyler smiled and turned and looked over to her, meeting her emerald gaze with his eyes. "Spending eternity with you is a given. It is the biggest blessing that I couldn't even imagine getting. I'm so lucky... so grateful that I have you in my life. You're beautiful, strong, loving and have compassion for others. Your forgiving nature is humbling. I can't imagine a life with out you. You are my mate, my Luna, my fairy princess and I am hoping you will also be my wife?" Tyler opened his hand holding a diamond ring that sparkled under the fireworks.

Lilly was shocked. She was not expecting a proposal. That was why he had the mate link turned off. Her eyes twinkled in the light as she nodded her head. Glistening streaks trickled down her cheeks as he slipped the ring on her finger.

"I love you Lilly." Tyler was looking at the most beautiful girl in the world, both inside and out. Whatever he could do to make her happy, he would do it. His life was hers for the taking and hers to command.

"I love you too Tyler. You have given me a family and a life where I belong. I will forever be grateful to you for that." "After we come back from Elysium, let's get married." Tyler watched her nod as he tilted her chin up to him. He slowly closed the gap and let his lips capture hers, pouring in his kiss, his love for her, his passion for her, his need for her.

That evening when they returned home, he took her straight to their room and worshipped her body, pleasing her, passionately making love to her, blissfully exhausting their bodies in euphoric pleasure. He made sure she had no doubt about his feelings for her.