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Tyler came running into the meadow carrying Lilly bridal style. He lowered Lilly next to Cedric. "How was the trip?"

"I felt like it was a tad bit slow." Lilly teased.

"Don't I at least get a tiny tip?" Tyler pouted inching closer towards her lips.

Lilly swatted at him playfully. Then, as he started to pout and walk away, she reached up and grabbed him by his shirt collar. She pulled him down to her and planted a hot kiss on his mouth. When she went to pull away he didn't let her. Instead, he captured her head with his hand and held it possessively, kissing her and nipping at her lips.

Tristan cleared his throat. "Kahem... there are children present. Even if there weren't you can't go and make us jealous like that. Tyler never kisses me that way."

"Yeah! When I wake up in the morning he has already bolted. Talking about making you feel used." Kade teased as well.

Tyler smiled against Lilly's mouth. "You going to root for me?"

"You boys aren't going all out right? This is just for fun to show the boys...right?" Lilly raised her eyes and looked at the two men. This was unquestionably for the two adult kids.

Rosa walked over holding the two boys hands. "They basically coaxed the boys into asking for them to fight."

"You two start getting too rough and I'll literally light your butts on fire." Lilly folded her arms giving the men a stern look.

"Awe Lills..." Tristan whined.

"Nope. We aren't at home. This isn't an arena. I don't need either of you getting all beat up for the trip back home." Lilly wasn't relenting.

"She's amazing... isn't she?" Tyler swooned while looking at her.

"Shut-up. You lovesick puppy." Tristan growled in annoyance.

"Come on boys. Let's move back some. I'll coach you on all the things they do wrong." Kade grinned back at Tyler and Tristan as he tugged the two boys along.

"If they get too out of hand I can always blind them?" Rosa offered with a giggle.

“I’ll keep that offer on the table.” Lilly grinned and winked over at Tyler.

They all left the two men. Making sure to give them enough distance.

“Wow his bear is huge!” “Look how cool the Wolf is!” “This is so cool.”

Jason and Cody were enjoying themselves. They were at the edge of their seats. Kade was commentating on the fight, making it more interesting for them.

Lilly!

A voice rang out urgently in Lilly’s head. Lilly come back to the palace quick. There is something wrong with one of the bear cubs and we don’t have a doctor here today. Lilly’s mother’s voice echoed into her head urgently.

“Watch the kids.” Lilly commanded to Kade and then jumped to her feet. She shifted into Kira and sprinted back to the palace. She could hear Tyler running quickly beside her.

I could have taken you back Lills. You shouldn’t push yourself. Tyler was worried about her shifting into Kira while pregnant.

Tyler... Werewolves shift all the time pregnant. You are so overprotective. It is adorable... at least at this very second. Later this is going to get real annoying though.

I just want to keep you safe.

I’m fine. Go back and wrestle with Tristan. I’ve got this.

I’ll wait... you might need my help.

Lilly mentally rolled her eyes. Jax was sprinting beside her. His eyes never leaving Kira’s body. He was an overprotective mess too.

They arrived at the palace and her mother was waiting for her in the garden. She already had a robe in her hands for Lilly. She unshifted and the robe was tossed around her.

“What seems to be the problem?” Lilly asked quickly.

“He’s in a lot of pain. We usually have several doctors here, but there was a conference, and they all went to it. We have him over at the infirmary.” Alice hurriedly explained.

“Tyler, I have this situation under control. Go back with the kids. I’ll link you if I need you.” Jax rested his head into Lilly’s side for a moment before turning to run back to the field.

Lilly followed Alice to an ivory building. It was very clean and fresh inside. It was so clean that it almost made you wonder if dust existed there. Lilly was led into a room down a short hall. She walked in to see a little boy about the age of five curled up in a ball on the bed. There was a man and woman standing near him on either side.

“These are his new parents. After you decided on Cody and Jason we let the other children go into their adoptive homes.” Alice explained quietly.

Lilly grabbed a few of the familiar objects on the counter and started going to work. The boy had a high fever and was having severe abdominal pain.

“Do you have a surgical room here as well?” Lilly looked up meeting with her mother’s eyes just as her father walked in.

“Yes, we do it’s down the hall. Why what is wrong with him?”

“I am pretty sure it is appendicitis. I will need to operate immediately.” Lilly frowned seeing the immense pain the child was in.

“I’ll give you a hand Lilly. As you know, I have assisted in operations before.” Ethan walked over and lifted the child up.

“We are going to take him now. I will do the best I can.” Lilly informed the boys parents before rushing out to follow Alice to the operating room.

“This is the room here. I’m sorry I can’t be of any help.” Alice stood outside of the door.

“You can be of plenty help. Just go and keep the new parents’ company. It’ll help calm their nerves.” Lilly watched her mother’s eyes light up knowing there was something she could do to help. She then shut the door and left.

“I know you don’t really need me in here, but you never know when you’ll need an extra hand.” Ethan said as he gently laid the child down.

“We will need to put him under. Wash up and put some gloves on just in case I need you.” Lilly barked orders to her dad as she walked up to the small boy. “We are going to make it better now. When this is all over you will have an awesome battle story to tell others. Now count backwards from ten with me. Ten...nine...eight... seven... six... five...” Lilly listened when the boy quit counting. She took in a deep breath. Time to work.

“Good job Lilly. You got to it before it burst.” Ethan was beaming with pride as he stared at his daughter who was washing up at the sink.

“He will need to be on antibiotics for ten days. When your doctors return, they will need to recheck him and see that he is healing correctly. He should be just fine though.” Lilly

sighed and shrank back into a chair. She was exhausted. She was lightheaded. The surgery took about an hour. By the time she finished with clean up she was approaching the two-hour mark.

“You feeling okay? We should get Tyler.” Ethan was as nervous as Tyler gets. Seeing Lilly suddenly becoming weak reminded him of when Alice used to get weak when she was pregnant.

“Dad, I’m okay. Remember it won’t kill me.” Lilly let out a tired chuckle. “We need to let his parents know that the surgery went well and that they can come in and sit with him. He will need to stay here for at least 24 hours before going home.” Lilly slowly rose on shaky feet. Ethan wrapped his arm around her and she gave him a crooked smile.

“I know, I know... you don’t need me to do this. Just humor your nervous father and allow me to escort my daughter down the hall.” Ethan grinned seeing her nod her head in agreement and walked her out of the room. “I was worried when you first left. I didn’t know how to act or what I should do. I wanted to go to your mother, but I was afraid of leaving too soon. What if you needed me? You never called to complain... but that was something you would never do anyway. You look good though, Lilly. You look happy, happier than when you lived with me at home.”

“I am happy daddy. I have a wonderful family with Tyler. The pack welcomes me. I have great friends there. I’ve... I’ve never been this happy before.” Lilly answered honestly. She hoped it didn’t hurt his feelings, but she wanted him to know just how content she was.

“It shows Lilly. It really does. When Tyler came into my door and said that you were his... my heart fell in my chest. How could the tough Diamond pack Alpha treat you right? Would he accept you for who you were? What if he was too rough on you? He was your mate though... I’m sorry... maybe I should have put up more of a fight. I regret that I didn’t.” It was true. Ethan felt like he should have handled the situation differently. She was not only his daughter, but someone extremely precious. He had to hope though. Hope that her mate was given to her for a reason. Just like him and Alice.

“Don’t daddy. There is nothing to regret. Tyler is the person I am meant to be with. I love him. And he loves me. I can’t imagine life without him. He treats me well. Though he can be overprotective, which can be annoying.” Lilly rolled her eyes, leaning into her father’s side. She was using him a bit more to aid her in walking. Something he could feel as well.

They walked into the waiting area and Lilly looked at the nervous parents. She understood their worries. She would be nervous too, if something happened to Jason and Cody. “The surgery went well. He is going to be fine. He is resting, but you can go to him and be there for when he wakes up.” The two parents eyes were filled with relief.

“Thank you so much doctor!” They both said and then hurriedly went down the hall. Alice walked up to Lilly.

“I’m so proud of you... Are you feeling okay? You are getting weak?” Alice took note of the time. She had been away from Tyler for two hours.

“Like you said. It isn’t going to kill me.” Lilly gave her a tired smile.

“No, but it is extremely uncomfortable. Call him. I don’t want you suffering.” Alice commanded of her daughter. She could see that Ethan agreed. Neither one of them wanted to see her in a weakened state.

Before Lilly could even say something, the door in front of them slammed open. Tyler’s eyes locked onto Lilly. He looked at her and how she was being held up by her father. He strode over to her, taking large strides. He reached his hand out towards her, and taking her hand, pulled her into his chest.

“I would have been here sooner, but I couldn’t find the infirmary. Are you okay? Are you feeling okay?” Tyler nuzzled his nose into her neck, planting small butterfly kisses and breathing in her scent.

Lilly giggled. He was worrying about her. “I’m fine Tyler. I was just starting to get a bit tired.”

I don’t like being away from you that long Lilly. I felt anxious. I need to be near you, too. I need it. Jax needs it. I can’t be calm without you.

Lilly smiled and leaned into him. If he was this overprotective now he would be ballistic when it was almost time to deliver.

Don’t I know it. Tyler smirked into her neck. “How was the kid?”

“He is going to be fine. He had appendicitis. I had to perform surgery on him, but he is going to be okay.”

Tyler pulled back and looked into her shining emeralds. “You are amazing. You know that? Simply amazing.”

“She is. I am so proud of the person she is.” Alice said as she leaned into Ethan’s chest. They were both swelling in pride over their daughter. If she hadn’t been there they would have lost the boy. Nothing bad ever happened there. They never thought that letting the doctors go for a day could have ended up being disastrous. It is a mistake they wouldn’t make again.

“You hungry? Last I checked they were preparing all sorts of food.” Ethan looked at Tyler and Lilly. He knew that a pregnant werewolf would be ready to eat.

“Yes, I am starving.” Lilly giggled.

“Let’s go get some food.” Ethan pulled Alice along while Tyler and Lilly followed them.

“How was your sparring session?” Lilly asked, glancing up at Tyler.

“We got taken down... by two rambunctious bear cubs. They wouldn’t let us fight and wanted in on the action. Those two aren’t afraid of nothing.” Tyler grinned.

“Well to be fair... you and Tristan are nothing to be afraid of anyways.” Lilly giggled and felt Tyler’s gentle tug on her side.

Tyler... I love you. Lilly leaned her head onto his shoulder feeling his gentle hold on her waist.

I love you too.

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News had spread like wildfire how the princess had saved the small child. Everyone wanted to see the fairy doctor who would one day be queen. It started with someone complaining about having a splinter and then, before Lilly knew it, she was back at the infirmary seeing one patient after another.

“You sure you have regular doctors here?” Lilly giggled up to her mother who was bringing her in some cool lemonade to drink.

“I guess there are more people willing to see you for their medical needs. It also gives them the opportunity to get up close and personal.” Alice grinned, seeing how well-liked Lilly was already. She had told Lilly she didn’t have to treat them since nothing was life threatening, but Lilly outright refused. She said if someone wanted to see her, then she would be available to them.

Lilly was reaching up to the top cabinet to get some gauze down. One of the fairies she was treating had cut themselves while gardening.

“I can get that Lilly.” Tyler effortlessly reached up and plucked it down. He wasn’t leaving her alone this time and insisted on staying and helping her out. He was being her personal assistant.

“Thank you Tye.” Lilly gave his jawline a quick peck before heading into the next room. Alice followed her out and headed into the waiting room. She wanted to check on her people who were waiting to be seen. Rosa was also there and helping get a queue organized among the many random patients.

“Hey Tyler, has your boss taken advantage of you yet?” Tristan peaked into the room having come in from the back entrance.

“Not yet.” Tyler frowned. “Maybe I am dressing too modest?”

“You could always try crotchless pants?” Tristan chuckled.

“Do you think that screams desperate? Or just tastefully vivid?” Tyler looked over his body and spun around a bit.

“Does it really matter if it screams desperate?”

“Not in the slightest.”

“Hahahah, that’s what I thought... Hey, the boys seem a bit restless. I was going to take them out for a walk if you don’t mind.”

“No, that would be great. Take Kade and Cedric with you.” Tyler felt bad not hanging out with the boys already, but there would be plenty of time for that back at home.

“Already the overprotective father too.” Tristan winked at Tyler, who replied with a sheepish smile.

Tristan laughed and then left the room, leaving Tyler there smiling thoughtfully. He was being protective of the boys. Tristan being with them wasn’t enough. He wanted the other two men there as well. He knew that he would be the same way with his son one day, but he admitted to himself that he was going to be way worse with his daughter. He couldn’t help it.

Lilly walked into the room and crossed her arms looking at Tyler. “Now... don’t you think that is a sexist’s attitude to have?”

He smirked and shrugged. “Can’t help it. Females are typically weaker than male babies. I will be naturally more protective because of that.”

“Perhaps for normal females. I dare say I am stronger than most males.” Lilly started digging through the cabinet getting supplies for her next patient. Warm hands snaked around her from behind, tugging her body back, turning her to face him.

“You’re not stronger than me though.” His eyes flickered as he stared down at her. He watched her lips curl up in a playful smile.

“Maybe... but I can still bring you to your knees.” There was a glint of mischief in her eyes as she played her seductive part.

“Mmmm, promise?” He leaned his head down letting his hot breath fan across her lips. He grasped the back of her neck and pulled it into him. Closing the small gap between their lips. He crushed into her soft warmth. Tasting the sweetness of her lips. He gently bit down on her bottom lip. The moment she gasped he darted his tongue inside of her small opening. He deepened the kiss, passionately enjoying her. This rare moment alone finally made him act on his building up desire. She made him crazy, delirious with her kisses. Their tongues were fighting for dominance and finally they parted for air.

She sighed with contentment and leaned her head into his chest. “I have another patient waiting.” She whispered in a staggered breath. She felt his lips lower and plant a soft warm kiss on her marking spot.

“I can’t wait till I have you to myself again, back home, in our room.” There was a low promising tone in his voice that made Lilly shudder into him. Her eyes sparkled as she looked up to him.

“Me too.” She felt the same way as he did. It was nice to visit her mom and dad. And she was excited to take Cody and Jason home too. But she was missing having private time with Tyler.

“Better go and take care of your next patient before I put this patient bed to another use.” Tyler’s eyes were dark with lust as his voice was promising another activity.

Lilly giggled and pushed away from him. “You’re just going to have to control yourself a little longer.” She grabbed her things and heard him groan as she left the room.

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“Last one to the lake has to eat my wet sock!” Kade yelled and sprinted ahead of everyone.

“You sure you really want that Rosa?” Cedric grinned as they watched him run up ahead. Jason and Cody were racing after him.

“As long as I don’t have to eat his wet sock, I’ll keep him.” Rosa giggled as she watched him running just out of reach of the two small boys.

Tristan was frowning as they walked towards the lake. The lake meant kelpies... he was not a fan of kelpies. In his opinion a dark fairy was no better than a demon. The water began to break apart as they drew closer.

“Cody! Jason! Come back towards me.” Tristan ran up to the boys, keeping his eye on the disturbed water.

A seal suddenly splashed out onto the shoreline. It looked around at the intruders for a brief moment. Then it shifted. It shifted into a tan girl with dark brown curls already

clothed in a light blue dress. Her hazel eyes were twinkling in the sun. She looked confused. She turned her head and rested her sights on Cedric.

Cedric chuckled and rubbed the back of his head. "A selkie... is my mate."

"Well... this is a bit unexpected. A half werewolf for a mate?" The selkie girl tilted her head and looked at Cedric. He was good looking. She wasn't going to lie. She was attracted to him.

"I'm Cedric."

"Merida"

"I guess we should probably talk?" Cedric, who was always surrounded by women, suddenly felt nervous. He always thought the princess would always be the number one girl in his life.

"I'm thinking that is probably a good idea." Merida motioned to him with her eyes to follow her.

"I'm going to go off with her for a bit... if that is alright?" Cedric asked looking at Tristan and Kade.

"Have fun." Kade said with a cheesy grin and waved after him. He walked up to Rosa as he watched them walk away. "So... what was that?"

"That is a selkie. It is a seal that can shift into a human. It is a type of water spirit fairy... There is a lake within your pack territory isn't there?" Rosa asked seemingly remembering one.

"Yes, there is." Kade answered.

"Good. Selkies love the water. It is something they will not part from... even for their mate. They should be able to work things out, as long as they live near a large body of water." Rosa smiled. Cedric had always been a nice guy and deserved a sweet girl to be by his side.

"The guys are dropping right and left." Tristan chuckled. First Kade and now Cedric.

"Just wait until it is your turn." Kade said with a chuckle. There was suddenly an awkward air and silence.

"It won't be." Tristan said with a matter of fact tone.

"Huh?" Kade didn't get it. Why wouldn't it be?

"I already decided it. I don't want a mate. Even if I find one... I will reject them. Nothing... nothing will come between my loyalties to Lilly and Tyler. I don't want a mate." This was just how Tristan felt. It was true though, very few guardians have ever settled down. They take their job too seriously. They are not able to give their mate the attention they deserve so they don't take one at all.

"You could have both. I am sure your mate would understand your job." Kade tried to urge him. He knew how it felt having Rosa. He wouldn't want him to go without having a mate. He was still protective over Lilly. That hasn't changed... though... if he was to be honest. Rosa did come first in his mind.

"I know I can... I choose not to. I'm okay with it. It is what I want. I am happy. I have my family. I don't want a mate. This is my own personal choice." Tristan reached down and hoisted up both boys grinning at their excitement.

"I have only ever heard of a couple guardians ever taking a mate. It is actually normal for them to forgo having a mate. I have never heard of any of them regretting their decision over it." Rosa placed her hand in Kade's linking her fingers with his. This is just part of being a guardian. The choice they personally made. It was their individual choice and not forced upon them.

"We have to go back and tell Lilly and Tyler about Cedric. They would want to know of this news right away." Kade said excitedly.

"We don't have to go back. I already told Tyler and Lilly. We aren't far enough away that mind links don't work." Tristan chuckled at Kade. He really could be absent minded at times.

"Oh yeah... heh heh... I forgot about that." Kade gave them a crooked smile.

"You're a werewolf... how do you forget about mind linking?" Tristan raised his eyes and stared at him in disbelief.

"I just get excited and carried away sometimes and the obvious slips my mind." Kade grumbled out feeling a bit embarrassed.

"Wow... you are a lot like a kid. Perfect playmate for the twins." Tristan bounced the two boys up onto his shoulders causing them to giggle.

"Don't be jealous Tristan. I promise I'll make time to play with you too." He flashed him a wide white grin and received Tristan's signature eye roll.

"Come on boys. I'll show you how much faster I am then Kade by beating him in a race with you both on my shoulders." Tristan grinned at Kade. No matter what it was... there was always room for a little competition.

Rosa watched Kade and Tristan take off running down the shoreline. She knew that life was always going to be fun and exciting with Kade in her life. She was lucky. Lucky that she found her perfect match. In a short amount of time, she already knew, she couldn't live without him.

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Lilly walked back into the other room and draped herself into Tyler's arms. It had been a long day. She wanted to meet Cedric's mate and couldn't leave her patients, though, she was sure they needed some alone time anyways.

"Do you think Cedric is ready to share her yet?" Lilly asked with hopeful eyes.

"I think he has had her to himself long enough. I'll tell him we would like to meet her and to meet us here." If Lilly wanted something Tyler was going to make sure she got it... even if it was meeting someone else's mate.

Alice and Ethan were waiting out in the garden with them as they waited for Cedric. Alice was curious which one of her subjects would be leaving with Cedric.

Cedric walked hand in hand with a dark-haired beauty. She seemed a bit nervous as they approached the palace garden.

"Cedric, is this your mate?" Lilly asked happily.

The girl looked down at the ground and lowered her head to Lilly. "You're majesty."

"Now, now, now. None of that. It's Lilly." Lilly tilted the girl's chin up and smiled at her. "What's your name?"

"I'm Merida." She replied quietly. Cedric wrapped his arm around her comforting her, since he knew she was feeling shy in front of royalty.

"You are simply lovely." Lilly was gushing over the young beauty. The girl blushed and averted her eyes again. Awe, she is so sweet.

"Is it really okay for me to talk with you normally?" Merida asked, feeling unsure about it.

"Yes, in fact, I insist. I want us to become friends." Lilly beamed as Tyler pulled her back into his chest.

"Nice to meet you, Merida." Tyler nodded his head to the girl.

"Nice to meet you too, your highness."

"It is Tyler, please." The whole royalty thing was a bit much for Tyler. He was used to being called Alpha... but being called a prince and your highness felt over the top.

"These people are family to me Mere." Cedric smiled with pride at her. Her hazel eyes sparkled as she gazed back up at him.

Awe, look how cute Tye! They are already so smitten with each other. Lilly gushed into Tyler's head.

I know the feeling. He cooed back to Lilly.

"Will you be returning with Cedric right away?" Alice looked at Merida, who quickly bowed her head to Alice.

"I'm actually going to wait and travel to him next month. I need to settle some affairs here before I leave." Merida replied quietly.

"Are you going to be able to be apart that long?!" Lilly asked in shock.

"Actually... if it was okay with you... after I drop you back off in pack territory I plan to come back and stay with her until she can come." Cedric looked up to Lilly and Tyler with uncertainty.

"Awe, Cedric. You don't have to escort me back. We will be just fine without you. You can stay here." Lilly thought it would be silly for him to travel all the way just to escort her.

"No, I am escorting you back. On that, I won't budge." Cedric set his determined gaze upon Lilly. He needed to be there to escort her back. They may need his powers.

"Okay, if you insist. Then, of course you can come back and stay with your mate until she can come with you. You two staying in the pack house with us?" Lilly asked and Cedric averted his eyes again.

"Actually... Tyler... I was going to ask if it was okay if we moved into one of the houses by the lake. Merida here loves the water. I thought it would be nice if we had a house right beside it." Cedric felt a bit bad about leaving the pack house. He wasn't leaving the pack though and would be really close by. He was just trying to make the move as easy as possible for Merida.

Tyler could feel Lilly get a bit bummed out hearing he was moving out of the pack house. She was adorable. She wanted everyone to live in one big house together.

"That's fine with me... provided that you still join us daily for meals together." Tyler smiled at Cedric who gave him a knowing smile in return.

“Thank you very much.” Cedric wanted to remain close with Lilly too. Joining them for meals together was perfect to make sure they kept their relationship strong.

“I’m sorry. I don’t mean to cause a problem.” Merida frowned, feeling a bit uneasy of all the changes Cedric was making on her behalf.

“You are not a problem. When we meet our other half, we all have to make changes and adjustments. I left my pack and moved... with a mate I didn’t want at the time... to a pack I didn’t think would want me. It was the best thing that ever happened in my life. I’ll be forever grateful to the family I gained because of it.” Lilly felt Tyler squeeze his arms around her, kissing the side of her head. “I know it can be scary leaving your home, but I promise that I will be there for you. One day we will be moving to Elysium... I am sure Cedric will bring you back here then as well.”

“Yes, that is already the plan.” Cedric leaned his head into Merida’s and smiled into her luscious curly hair.

“Looks like I’ll be bringing almost half of my pack with me when I move.” Tyler chuckled. Kade would be coming with Rosa and Cedric would be coming with Merida. If only he could bring Avery and Caleb here too... though to be honest, he would be happy if they would stay and watch over the next Alpha, whether that be his son or not.

We can always visit. Lilly whispered into Tyler’s head as she picked up on his thoughts.

Who is the little thought eavesdropper this time. He teased.

Can’t help it... best to quit thinking. Lilly kissed his jawline and smiled up at him.

“Well Lilly, if you are up for it... I say it is about time you make Jason and Cody official future guardians.” Alice smiled as she watched Lilly’s eyes light up.

“I’m ready.”

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Her mother showed her how to bless both of the little boys. She did need extra love and cuddles after that. It completely drained her. Since then though, the boys have been extra rowdy. Tristan and Kade have stepped in on chasing them around. Lilly helped her mother so she would be able to leave Elysium, finally completing her last task, now that it was time to depart.

“I’ll be back for you soon, within the week.” Cedric kissed Merida passionately and openly on the lips. He held her tightly. He didn’t want to leave her. He had just found her, but he wouldn’t let Lilly make this journey without him. He swore to protect her no matter what. So regretfully he pulled away from Merida. He gave her a longing look. He leaned into her ear. “When I come back... I am going to need a lot of private attention.”

His words heated her cheeks red. His kissed her forehead before turning to walk away from her.

Lilly hugged her father tightly before switching to her mother. They promised they would visit shortly, since Lilly would not be able to make the journey anytime soon.

“I love you, my baby girl. You make me very proud.” Alice whispered into her ear.

“Thanks mom. I guess we better be going. Love you both.” Lilly backed away and into Tyler’s arms. It was tough leaving. It helped to know they would see each other again soon. With one final glance, she turned and left Elysium, her future home.

Cody and Jason were running down the trail, while Kade and Rosa followed closely behind them. Tristan was keeping an eye on the boys, but was now taking his duty as a guardian as his first priority while they were traveling. He was staying close to Lilly and Tyler.

“This is nice. I actually get to walk with you this time.” Cedric playfully jabbed as he strolled next to Lilly.

“I like having you close by Cedric. Thank you for coming back with us, even though you didn’t have to.” Lilly went to explain the situation to Cedric later, but he already knew. He was also being suspicious of Rosa because of the timing of everything. He understood completely and thought that Tristan made the right call. It was better to be safe than sorry.

“Of course, I have to. You’re still my girl too.” Cedric winked at her causing the Alpha to ripple out a protesting growl.

“Baby let me carry you. I really don’t like you walking this much.” Tyler pouted tugging her into his side closer.

“Tyler. Walking is good for me. It’s healthy. I managed to walk here and I can walk back.” Lilly thought he was being ridiculous.

“I was thinking the same thing. I can carry her as well. I’m not part horse for nothing.” Drake trotted up to them wanting to be of assistance.

“It’s not a problem for me to carry her.” Tyler possessively shot it down. He wasn’t about to allow another male the privilege of holding his mate close.

“Ummm hello?! I’m right here.” Lilly waved her hand out in front of her. “There is no problem with me walking.”

“I’d feel better if you didn’t walk the whole way too.” Tristan didn’t dare make eye contact with her. He knew she would be fuming.

"I don't usually do this... but I agree with them." Cedric dragged his feet a bit moving further behind Lilly.

"Oh, my goodness will you boys relax? Everything is fine. I feel fine." Lilly snorted in irritation.

"What is going on here?" Kade was carrying Cody on his neck while Rosa was holding Jason.

"Oh, they are just being silly. They don't want me walking."

Kade gave her the deer in the headlights look. "You weren't planning on walking the whole way, were you?"

Lilly wanted to scream. "You too?!" Just then she felt herself being scooped up. Tyler was carrying her bridal style never skipping a beat as he continued to walk.

"Tyler!" Lilly growled.

"Just let me do this." He cooed into her ear softly. "It'll make me, and my wolf feel better. I know it isn't necessary. Do it for me though. I need this... please."

Well hell. How was she supposed to argue with that? She sighed and leaned her head into his chest. It was warm and calming. His scent relaxed her body. She could feel her whole body being soothed. Okay... so maybe being carried wasn't so bad.

They reached the first campsite uneventfully. Tyler lowered Lilly to her feet, keeping her body flush to his. He wanted to take extra care of her. He couldn't let anything happen to her. The fact that she needed him around was sort of perfect for Tyler. It gave him a reason to constantly hover and dote on her. Not that he needed a reason. He lowered her to a blanket that Tristan had laid out onto the ground. "Relax here princess." He kissed her hand before going to give the other guys a hand.

Jason and Cody rushed to Lilly and jumped into her arms. She wrapped her arms around them gently, holding them both close to her.

"I bet you two are getting hungry huh?" Lilly saw their eyes light up. Poor little boys. They were hungry but wouldn't complain. They were probably tired too. Already, they were like miniature Tristan's. "Come on. I packed some snacks. Let's see what we can get into to hold us over."

Lilly opened up a bag full of different snacks. There were chips, jerky, beef sticks, cookies, juice, and snack cakes. She gave both of the boys a beef stick to eat and opened them up juice boxes.

"Can we sleep with Uncle Tristan tonight?" Jason asked as he concentrated on his food.

“Of course, you can. The best part about that is, then you’ll be near me too since Tristan will sleep next to me.” Lilly smiled at their adorableness.

“Is it really okay... calling you momma?” Cody asked shyly.

Lilly pulled him up into a big hug tugging Jason along too. She squeezed them both tightly and kissed both of their foreheads. “Yes, it is because that’s what I am. I am your momma. You two are my sons now and forever.”

“We will be the best big brothers ever and the toughest guardians who have ever lived.” Jason proclaimed loudly.

Lilly giggled. “I’m sure you will be. One day you’ll be just as tough as Tristan.”

“No way. We will be tougher.” Cody cheered.

“You think you are going to end up tougher than me?” Tristan sat down next to the two kids. They both turned and tackled him.

Lilly giggled as she watched Tristan fight like a little kid with the two three-year old’s. Maybe she should see if Tristan wants to call her momma too?

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“You still feeling okay?” Tyler asked rubbing Lilly’s arm. They were sitting around a fire and he had her pulled into his side. He couldn’t feel when she was feeling bad so he had stuck close to her side.

“You don’t give me a chance to feel anything other then okay. You haven’t been away from me for more then a minute.”, Lilly giggled.

“Good, then I am doing a good job.” Tyler looked over at Cody and Jason, passed out on each side of Tristan. The two boys have taken to him like a big brother. It was plain to see that Tristan was just as smitten with them.

“Something feels... I don’t know... off. The forest feels off.” Rosa frowned as she stared out into the darkness. The nearby bodies noticeably tensed up. This had been a fear about traveling.

“I don’t sense anything...” Tristan looked around into the darkness. Everything seemed calm.

Kade rubbed Rosa’s arms soothingly. “Maybe you are just tired? It’s been a long day.”

Rosa nodded with a weak smile. She didn't even know what she was feeling. Being a wood fairy, she was connected to the forest. She couldn't tell what was quite off about it though. Just, something was not feeling right.

"I'm going to have a few of my men on patrol all night, so please, rest peacefully knowing we are on guard." Drake looked at Lilly and Tyler. He wanted to make sure Lilly rested in her condition. If there was something wrong, his men would deal with it.

Tyler nodded his head acknowledging what Drake said, as he watched him walk away. Still, he wanted one of his guys to constantly be on alert as well.

"We will take shifts." Tristan seemingly understanding what Tyler was thinking, answered confidently.

"Yes, I think that is a good idea. I want to be alerted as soon as possible if something is amiss." Tyler nuzzled his nose into Lilly's neck. Hopefully, it is nothing. He needed to get his family home, back in his pack's territory, where they would be safe.

"Tyler, you shouldn't take a shift. You need to stay by Lilly's side." Kade pinned his gaze at Tyler. He watched him frown inwardly, debating the issue.

"Kade is right. You can't be leaving her side. The three of us can handle it." Cedric chimed in. "It is just being a look out anyways. There isn't any fighting, so be the stereotypical boss and make everyone else do the work."

Tyler chuckled and smiled at the three men. "Thanks, I appreciate it."

Lilly listened quietly taking in everything she was hearing. Kira seemed relaxed at the moment, so she didn't feel that danger was imminent, not that it wasn't out there though. She settled into Tyler's chest. The long journey finally taking its toll on her and she drifted off to sleep, relaxed and among the safety of her important people.

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The next morning everyone was in good spirits. It had been an uneventful night and they only had one more night out in the woods before they would be home.

"Do NOT!"

"Do SO!"

"Do NOT!"

"Do SO, SO, SO!"

"Do NOT, NOT, NOT!"

The two boys were yelling at each other angrily. Their little faces were red with anger. Ah, there is that Tristan temper too.

“What are you two fighting about?” Lilly asked as she knelt between them.

“Jason said everyone likes him the best.” Cody crossed his arms and growled at his brother.

Lilly giggled. “I think you both know that isn’t true. We love you both the same.”

“What about Tristan? Do you love him the same?” Jason asked with wide eyes.

“Yes, even Tristan. I love all my kids the same.”

“Hey!” Tristan growled marching up to Lilly. “Are you calling me one of your kids?!”

“Sounds like it.” Tyler snickered, giving him a playful shove.

“You want to roll, pup?” Tristan smirked and straightened up, while making direct eye contact. He was openly challenging him knowing he wouldn’t refuse.

Tyler chuckled and pulled his shirt off over his head. “It’s your funeral.”

“What about Tyler? Is he one of your kids too?” Cody asked, as he tugged on Lilly’s arm.

“I’m beginning to think all the boys I live with are my kids.” Lilly rolled her eyes at the two men... scratch that... boys in front of her. The two men were soon tumbling around wrestling just like children. Lilly grabbed onto Jason and Cody’s hands. “Come on boys. You don’t want to learn bad habits. After all, this is an example of how not to fight. Watching them will only make you weaker.” Lilly teased. In a ball on the ground, both men turned and looked at her.

“Did you hear that Tristan? She’s telling the boys we are weak.” Tyler raised an eye while staring at Lilly.

“Girls... when are they going to learn that they belong in the kitchen. Stick to what they know best... baking and cleaning.” Tristan smirked, as he noticed the deadly glare he received from Lilly. Tyler gulped and took a retreating step away from him.

“Don’t lump me in with him Lills. I didn’t say it.” Tyler was tucking tail and backing out of that one.

Lilly smirked at him and with a flick of her wrist she sent a quick flame to whip across his arms.

“Ouch! Liiiiiiiiilly.” Tristan rubbed his arms and furrowed his brows. “That was a bit extreme... look who has the bad temper now.” Tristan gave her a full toothed grin.

“I’m not going to have you teaching my boys bad things. I’ll have to show them just how tough their momma is.”

“I think you already impressed them.” Tristan smiled looking at the two kids, who were looking at Lilly awestruck. She had just made fire come out of her hands.

“Can you teach me how to do that too?” Cody asked excitedly.

“I wish I could. You two are awesome enough without the fire though.” Lilly wrapped her arms around them both.

“The biggest lesson you should get from this is that even though he talks a big game, you noticed that Uncle Tristan won’t challenge your momma.” Tyler winked at Lilly walking up to her side.

“That’s because Uncle Tristan is her guardian. He said that Lilly is his little sister that he protects. Just like we will have soon.” Cody said looking over at Jason.

“Yep, and that we will understand soon how our new sister will become our gravity... what’s gravity?” Jason asked with a scrunched-up face.

“Gravity is a force of attraction that tends to draw bodies to something. Lilly is my gravity too. She is the one who I revolve my life around.” Tyler tugged Lilly into his side. “She is a force greater than gravity.”

Cedric walked back to where they were standing. “Are you guys about ready to join up with the rest of us?”

This is when they all realized they had been left behind. They could see Kade and Rosa standing in the distance where they were waiting on them.

“It’s all Tristan’s fault.” Tyler said with a shrug.

“Tsk Tsk Tsk. You’re the Alpha. You need to take responsibility. Quit blaming others for your own negligence.” Tristan grinned smugly and pushed past him brushing him with his shoulder.

“When we get back home, I am lighting you up in the training grounds.” Tyler growled at him.

“Hahaha, bring it pup. You’ll be getting a nice view of the sky because I’ll have you on your back the whole time.” Tristan chuckled.

“Will you two knock it off already? I’m about to leave you two and just walk with Cedric.” Lilly scolded the two bickering boys... yes boys not men.

“You need to do something about her. She is starting to get too big for her own britches.” Tristan nodded his head over towards Lilly.

Lilly was suddenly scooped up and Tyler took off running with her in his arms, while Tristan grabbed the two boys and ran after them.

“Tyler! Put me down.” Lilly squealed, laughing at her childish mate.

“Tyler find woman. Woman Tyler’s mate. Take woman to cave. Woman give Tyler babies.” He said, in his best caveman imitation voice.

“You can’t make her anymore pregnant than she is now.” Cedric laughed, as Tyler quit running and turned and smirked at him.

“Maybe not... but I can have the fun of making one.” Tyler leaned in and began assaulting Lilly’s neck. Placing small kisses and flicking his hot tongue on her delicious skin.

“Tyler stop that.” Lilly breathed out and swatted his head away.

He grinned down at her triumphantly. He could feel how he was making her feel. Tomorrow they would be back home... and he would thoroughly enjoy her body. He mentally promised her all the things he was going to do to her. He felt her body shudder in his arms.

“Tomorrow princess.”

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Antsy. Fidgety. Pacing. Jumpy. This is what was rolling through Lilly as they made it to their next campsite. Kira was on alert. She was sending out the warning growls. She darted back and forth. The hair on Lilly’s arms were raised. Something was wrong. She wasn’t the only one who could feel it. She could feel Tyler going on high alert. And she could see the noticeable shift in attitudes. Something was wrong. The sound of the nearby river and waterfall was the only noise that was heard. Not even the birds were greeting them. Lilly was holding Jason and Rosa was carrying Cody. The two boys were suddenly on edge as well.

Tyler walked up to Cedric. There was a knowing glance between them. Then she felt it... felt the disconnect. Tyler had her blocked out... She did not like this at all. What was he hiding from her? She knew he didn’t want her reading his thoughts about something. Why?

Lilly looked around the quiet woods. Nothing. There wasn't anything there but clearly something was. She could feel that something had set its sights upon them. She held on to Jason tightly. She had to make sure the two defenseless little boys were safe.

A swift breeze swirled around her, swaying the grass and tops of the trees. The breeze brought about a murderous intention. She shivered from its chilling touch. The centaurs began to slowly move around her. They were strategically encircling her to the outside danger. She scoffed in her head. Whatever was coming... they were going to need her. This was not one of those moments where she needed protected. It was the time for her to help protect the ones she loved.

Tsk Tsk Tsk... you shouldn't have left the safety of your pack... princessssssss

The hissing sound of Abaddon sounded in her head. She immediately straightened up and glared towards the forest. She could feel him. She handed Jason to Rosa.

"When the time comes... you give yourself a diversion and run. You take the boys and run. I won't let anyone follow you." Lilly commanded to Rosa. She could see the girl was nervous but nodded in understanding.

Haven't learned your lesson yet I see? Lilly shot back angrily. She could feel it. Feel his presence but she still couldn't see him.

"Prepare yourselves. It is Abaddon." Lilly shifted into Kira, wanting to be ready. Her party members turned and stared at her sudden transformation. Tyler was instantly at her side, as well as Tristan. The men all shifted into their feral animals.

Tyler. When the moment comes, we make sure no one follows Rosa. I told her to flee with the boys.

You go too. Please.

Tyler! I'll be followed after. I need our boys safe. They won't continue to chase after her. We only need to make sure she isn't followed. Lilly growled into Tyler's head. This was about making sure two babies were not caught up in this fight.

Fine. But if I tell you to run away with me then do it! Jax nuzzled his head into Kira's side and then stared off into the woods.

Lilly mentally rolled her eyes.

A loud growl rippled in her head. You damn slut! You are pregnant. I can smell the stench on your body.

Lilly growled as she tried to pinpoint his location. I told you. I would never be yours.

I guess I'll just have to keep you. Then keep your daughter when she is born. Abaddon's disgusting voice sizzled out.

Kira snarled loudly. Drawing the attention of those around her. She was having a conversation that they couldn't hear.

You'll never touch her. I'll rip you apart. And the traitor she wolf that joined your ranks.

HAHAHAHAHA too late for that princesssss. I already took care of that pathetic creature.

Lilly was stunned. You... killed her? She was on your side?

I have no use for the weak. She no longer had a purpose, so I disposed of the trash. I am only interested in the strong. I will create a world that only exists for the strong. You could exist in it princess... you would be welcomed by my side.

Kira's eyes fixated on an area in the distance. There. That was where he was. You assume you'll be able to create such a world. It will never happen. I will stop you.

Abaddon cackled in Lilly's head. It isn't just me you have to stop. You are no match for Leoric, demon of the deep. Even the dark priestess fears him. It is too late for this world. There is no army in existence that will be able to defeat what is coming.

There is a power at work that you demons can not possibly understand. It will be your downfall.

Abaddon's wolf walked into view. He was looking smugly at Kira. The centaurs raised their weapons defensively. As Tristan took a few protective steps forward.

Say goodbye to your friends, princess, for tonight... you will be embraced by the dark. Abaddon let out an ear-piercing howl. The moment he did, wolves started peaking in through the forest line. There was something else, though.

It took a few commanding steps into view, setting it's gaze on Tristan. It's fangs dripped, the eyes glowed red, as it glowered over at Tristan. Lilly knew this creature was here to fight with Tristan.

"It's a hell hound... they are impermeable to fire." Drake said almost breathlessly. "He had to of dragged it out from the deep... Damn, this just got real serious."

Jax took a protective step in front of Kira, leaning his body into her. He wanted to get his mate and unborn pup out of there. This was looking to be a fierce battle. For once... he really wasn't sure if they would win. At the very least... he needed Lilly and the kids to live. Getting her to leave while he created an opening would be impossible. She would never just leave. This was going to be tricky.

Lilly looked at the monstrous hound. It was smaller than Tristan's bear, but larger than their wolves. It looked incredibly dangerous. She wanted to protect Tristan... even though he was there to protect her.

Don't worry about me. I can handle this thing. The problem is Abaddon and his wolfsbane. I don't want you two near him. Tristan's voice rang in both Tyler and Lilly's head.

This couldn't be helped. With Tristan unable to fight Abaddon, that only left Jax and Kira who could fight him. Tristan... don't worry about us. You just take care of what is in front of you. Please. Don't get distracted. Lilly begged him. She was afraid they would be a vulnerability to him. They could pull this off. Lilly knew it. They could win... but it would take all of them.

We can win this. All of us need to do our part though. Trust in each other. Lilly linked with the wolves and Tristan.

The demon wolves took a few spaced-out steps closer. The anticipation of the battle was rising. The tension was building up as both sides were bracing for what was to come.

In a blur they attacked. Wolves charged forward. The hell hound leaped. And Abaddon waited.

The battle had begun. Kira ran in front of Rosa prompting her to flee with the boys. Rosa blinded the wolves as she ran off with the children.

Suzaku! Lilly yelled. Instantly the fiery phoenix entered the fray. Don't let anything pass towards them!

The wolves began to recover from the blindness as a fiery wall spread before them. Allowing for Rosa and the two children to disappear into the woods.

Kira lashed a whip of fire over the wolves as she leaped into them. She was fighting the group of wolves with the aid of Suzaku. She felt fangs begin to sink into her side, but was suddenly removed. Jax ripped into the wolf's neck. Blood poured everywhere as it's body sunk to the ground. He attacked with out mercy. Everything he encountered, he was giving a death sentence.

Abaddon growled and then looked off in the distance. Suddenly, he raced in the direction where Rosa and the children escaped to. The fiery wall had no effect on him as he dashed through it.

Jax raced after him. Kira tried to as well, but was surrounded by another batch of wolves.

They kept coming. No matter how many she fought off. No matter how many she burned. Even with Suzaku... they kept coming. Like lambs for the slaughter.

That was it. They were just there to be slaughtered. They were a distraction. Abaddon was letting them be senselessly slaughtered... His objectives were killing Tristan and Tyler.

Kira looked over at Tristan. He had blood dripping from his body. He was panting heavily. The hellhound was showing no signs of stopping. Kade, Cedric and the centaurs were facing off with more wolves. Another group lunged towards Lilly. Then, behind her she could hear the sounds of two wolves clashing. Jax and Abaddon were battling alone.

She needed to get to Jax. She needed to help him. With every wound Jax would get from Abaddon, there would be more and more wolfsbane in his system. This was the reason for the disconnect. He didn't want her feeling his pain. He didn't want her to know how bad he was being injured. He planned this from the beginning. He already knew he was going to fight with Abaddon.

The desperation rose inside of her. The sound of fighting echoed in her mind. The need to protect rose inside of her. She had to protect them. She had to protect him!

In that moment. When things were looking bad... they suddenly became worse. Charging down towards them was another small band of creatures. They were imps, creatures of the darkness. The situation was becoming grim.

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First, she heard the loud thudding behind her. Then a blur through the air, followed by the sounds of yelps from the wolves and screeches from the imps. There, shining in his black beauty was Rowan the Kelpie, along with another dazzling horse, his mate. They had heard the ensuing battle and leaped into action from the nearby river. They charged into the battle with no hesitation and immediately started landing fatal blows to the creatures they came into contact with.

A kelpie was a dark fairy. Think of them as the battle fairies. They liked fighting... they craved fighting... sort of like a werewolf. They were strong magnificent animals. Not only could they trample and kick... but they could also bite! The two of them adding into the mix was like a small pack of wolves coming to their aid. The imps were no match for them. Their eyes were wide with fear as they began to back away from the blood thirsty horses.

The fight was far from over though. Cedric and Kade had made their way to Lilly's side. The three were tired but continued to meet with the onslaught of demon wolves. Tristan and the hellhound were a wrecking ball of fury. They were each slamming the other into the ground and nearby trees. They both had deep wounds and were getting exhausted.

Lilly couldn't see Tyler and Abaddon anymore. She could hear them in the distance. The fighting had taken them deeper into the woods. She had had enough. Rage. Pure rage filled her insides. Her mate was fighting her battle. Tristan's body was battered. They were all wearing down. Enough. She had to end this. She needed more.

Dark clouds blocked the sun, creating a gray hue over them. Suzaku screeched in approval. It was time to end this battle. Lilly pushed through the exhaustion. She was born with power. She was born the Alpha's daughter...the princess of the fairies. It was time to see if that meant anything. It was buried. Deep inside of her. It was there. A warmth that bubbled to the surface. A light she embraced. A power she called out. She combined her elemental powers, her fairy powers, and her Luna powers. She didn't know what she was doing. It was in an act of desperation. Whatever it was... it was draining her.

A burst of light surrounded her body. In a streak it whipped up to the dark clouds. Suzaku swirled around the clouds in a fury. A fiery hue of red and blue streaks swarmed the clouds.

SLAP

A blue bolt of energy flashed down into the body a of wolves.

CRASH SLAP

In a rippling surge of energy, the streaks laid siege to their opponents. Shocking, burning, and incapacitating them.

Wolves scattered... imps scattered. Pulling back in full retreat mode.

The hell hound and Tristan continued their circling challenge. They were both running low on stamina. All eyes were on the battle. The two charged at one another. The hound sunk his fangs into Tristan's shoulder, creating a deep gash. This was planned. While the beast had its fangs in Tristan he turned his head down and latched onto it's throat.

Red. The ground was drinking the red liquid as the dark pools collected on the ground. The sickening smell of burning iron flooded the area, as the wind tossed it's scent in the breeze.

The beast fell to the ground, giving out its last few twitches of life before finally coming to a still.

The remaining wolves and imps disappeared. They fled with urgency leaving their dead like discarded trash.

A loud yelp was heard.

Kira cried out in pain as a huge, winged creature sank its talons into her back. The claws went in deep. Her dark fur was immediately soaked in blood. Suzaku was instantly on it. The two clashed in the sky. The phoenix faced off with the harpy. The harpy was a traitor. They were creatures that belonged to the fairy world. This one had chosen to align with the demons. It was no match for the deity though. In a millisecond, she was charred, and her ashes swirled in the wind.

Tristan was shakily at Kira's side. He was looking her body over. She had various wounds covering her body. The most recent lacerations from the talons were deep and bad. Her black coat was glistening wet from her life liquid. His sweet princess was in bad shape. He took note of her body. It was trying to give out on her. She needed to rest before she ended up further injured.

Kira was shaking. Blood was dripping down her back. Her legs were trembling, barely supporting her weight. She couldn't collapse yet. The sounds were gone. There were no more sounds of fighting. Where was Tyler and Abaddon? She turned and ran in the direction she heard them last. What was fueling her? It had to be pure adrenaline. She had nothing left. Her body was oozing with fresh blood from the harpy. Her last attack had exhausted her. It was her drive to get to her mate that moved her feet. She was ignoring the exhaustion. She was ignoring the pain. She only had one thing on her mind. It was her driving force.

Behind her, the rest of her party followed. They were all exhausted and wounded. However, they all had the same idea. They had to get to Tyler... wherever he was.

As they got deeper in the woods the blood on the ground started showing. Signs of the fight that had ensued. It was quiet. Kira met with Kade's eyes. He was conflicted. Worried about Tyler and Rosa.

Go find Rosa and the boys. There are enough of us here to help Tyler. Lilly knew the feeling since she had it herself. The feeling of despair not knowing where your mate was during a time like this. She wanted to make sure her two boys were safe as well. Kade's wolf gave a quick nod as he heaved his exhausted body to start trailing his mate.

Where was Tyler at? She couldn't hear the battle anymore. She caught the nervous glances of those around her. She had to ignore them. Her world faded dark for a moment. She shook her head. She couldn't black out now. He needed her.

They continued to follow the blood trail. The forest showed the signs of a battle. The trees and shrubs were bent and broken. Blood splattered the area. The ground was disturbed with deep claw marks. There was nothing though. She couldn't smell him... she couldn't smell either of them.

They came to a small clearing as they continued to follow the gruesome trail. When it suddenly came to a stop. Right at the edge of the waterfall the blood trail stopped. Kira

ran up to the edge and looked across the river. It hadn't been disturbed. She looked down the falls that crashed into a raging river of heavy rapids. Oh no. They went over the falls. Before she could say anything the two Kelpies jumped down the falls and crashed into the river below. A soft whimper left her throat. Even in the best of conditions the river would be a challenge. She had no clue what shape Jax was in when he went over the falls.

You need to rest. Tristan's soft voice sounded in her mind. He was noticing the nonstop trembling from her body. The ground was constantly dripping with her blood. She was going to get herself killed if she didn't stop.

Kira turned and glared at him. Rest?! He wanted her to rest?! She snarled at him and then leaped over the hillside. She tumbled down the steep hill following the river. She was going to search for her mate. She could hear the frantic calls and steps behind her. She didn't care. There was only one thing that mattered.

A blaze of light landed in front of her. Suzaku blocked her path. She knew that Lilly was running on fumes. She had nothing left. In the short pause as Lilly met with Suzaku's eyes she felt her world drift away. At first, she lost her sight. She collapsed onto the ground. Her world began to spin. She tried to push herself and will herself to stand. Her body ignored her. Lastly, she felt herself shift back into her human form as she slipped into unconsciousness. Suzaku faded away with her consciousness. One last frantic thought was left. Tyler, where are you?

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Pain. The first thing she felt when she started coming around. She shifted. Trying to put together the foggy pieces. Tyler! She shot up. Wincing from the pain as she did. Her body was healing, but not fully healed. This pain was different though. This was pain past the point of exhaustion. She had been away from her mate for too long. She was wearing a long shirt and someone had put shorts on her. She glanced around. She spotted Rosa and her two boys. They were safe. She felt arms on her and turned to look. It was Cedric.

"Lilly? How are you feeling?" Cedric's calm voice called out to her.

"Where is Tyler?" Lilly looked around. He wasn't there. Tristan and Kade were also gone. She winced as she felt a rippling pain inside of her body.

"We haven't found him yet. Kade and Tristan are still looking. Rowan and his mate are searching the rivers while Kade and Tristan are searching either side of the riverbanks." Cedric's voice was quiet. He was worrying about Lilly. He knew she needed to be with Tyler.

"Cedric... undo the block." Lilly looked at him and then noticed his worried look.

“Lilly... I... I already did.” Cedric’s voice was barely above a whisper as Lilly held her hand up in a gasp.

She couldn’t feel him. She couldn’t hear him. Maybe he was unconscious... but she should still be able to feel him.

“Maybe he is too far away.” Cedric tried to reassure her seeing the distress in her eyes.

“Momma!” The two boys echoed out as they ran into her arms.

Lilly scooped her arms around Jason and Cody. “I bet you two were so scared. I’m so glad you are all right.”

“Rosa kept running and running and running. She was really fast.” Jason said excitedly.

“She ran until she couldn’t anymore then she climbed us up a cliff side and hid us in a small hole. She said we had to stay there no matter what. Even if she left us, we had to hide there. Then Kade finally came and brought us back.” Cody explained to Lilly.

She smiled as she rubbed their backs. Pain was coursing through her body but she refused to show it. She didn’t want them to worry.

“Is daddy dead? Did we lose another daddy?” Jason finally whispered out what he was afraid of.

“Why would you say that? Your daddy is strong.” Lilly felt her chest tighten as her voice constricted with her words.

“That’s what I heard them saying. They don’t think daddy made it.” Cody looked over at the centaurs in the distance.

Lilly squeezed her hands in anger. How dare they give up on him?! They didn’t even know how strong he was. He was fine! He is out there waiting for their help and they have given up on him. She snorted out an angry gush of air.

“Don’t worry. Your daddy is fine. In fact. Mommy is going to go and bring him back. You be good boys and stay with Rosa. I’ll be back soon.” Lilly motioned for Rosa. “Please watch over them a bit longer.” She kissed both boys on their heads and gave them a gentle push into Rosa’s arms.

“Lilly... you need to still be resting. On top of your injuries-” Cedric began but was cut off hard.

“I know about my condition Cedric. You think it is going to get any better just sitting here waiting for him? It won’t.” She then softened her voice. She didn’t mean to lash out at

him. "Cedric. If I was missing... if Merida was missing... would you be sitting here and waiting around?"

"What if we miss them? What if while we are out looking, they find him and bring him back? Then we are out there searching while he is back here." Cedric protested minorly. He knew he would be out there looking too. In fact, he wanted to be looking for Tyler but needed to be near Lilly's side.

"Surely we can be reached by a mind link. Honestly, anything is better than waiting around here. I can't not look for him. He would be looking for me. You know he would be out there looking for me. He is always keeping me safe..." Lilly frowned as her bottom lip began to quiver. She walked away and out towards the river. Cedric stayed at her side. "He is always protecting me. The one time he needed me, and I couldn't be by his side. I don't even know where he is."

The soft sounds of clopping came up behind her. "We don't heal as fast as you guys do. A lot of my men are wounded. I am good enough to help you search though."

Lilly turned and looked at Drake. He had cuts and bites on his legs. He was in no condition to help search for Tyler. She gave him a thankful smile. "Please just keep my boys safe. I'll be back as soon as I find him. I'll feel better knowing you are here with my boys."

He sighed. She was protecting him now. He nodded to her with a smile. "I'll make sure they are safe."

"If we are not back by tomorrow, take my boys back home. Please." Lilly wanted them back in the safety of her pack's territory.

"Okay, but then we will be coming back to help you." Drake turned and walked back to their camp.

Lilly took in a deep breath and started walking down the river's edge. Cedric was carrying a pack of supplies, in case they found Tyler. He also brought food and drink for them. He reached his arm out and clasped it around Lilly's waist. She looked at him, but didn't protest. He knew she was exhausted and in pain. Without Tyler being around she wasn't getting recharged. He didn't need her collapsing. So, he would keep a supporting arm around her.

Tyler... where are you... Lilly echoed the call in her mind, hoping that he could hear her. Pain shot through her like bolts of lightning. Her body was feeling limp and unresponsive. She cursed her body. Her mate needed her. All because she was pregnant, her body refused to give her energy. Instead, it devoured it all for her little princess.

They heard a noise in front of them, the soft snapping of twigs. Then, they got the scent. It was Tristan and Kade.

I have Lilly with me. You guys aren't far ahead of us. Cedric linked to Kade.

What?! Why isn't she back resting? Kade growled in his head.

The sounds came towards them. Tristan came through the brush and immediately lifted Lilly away from Cedric and into his arms.

"You are in no condition to be walking around." Tristan growled out, though his eyes were looking over her warmly.

"I have to find him, Tristan." Lilly smiled at him weakly.

"I know. I know. We will find him. We have scoured the area. He must have gone further down..." Tristan frowned. He and Kade had searched both sides of the river with not a trace. The Kelpies haven't reported anything either, which was a good thing. It meant they didn't find his body in the water.

"I can't feel him Tristan..." Lilly frowned as she leaned her head into his chest.

His heart was breaking for her. He glanced at Cedric and Kade, who were also looking concerned. A mate not able to feel the other is very serious. Either he is that far away... or... he didn't want to think of or. Tyler was about to have a baby, he had to be there to see her. Tyler had a pack to lead and he had Lilly who needed him. She needed Tyler while she was pregnant. How would she get through the pregnancy without him? It would be so painful for her. Mentally... physically...

Tristan held her body close as they continued to trail the river. Suddenly, Lilly gripped at Tristan's chest. "I can smell the faint smell of licorice."

He also smelled it too.

"Over here!" Kade yelled at the side of the rivers edge. Someone washed up to shore over here.

"It was Abaddon... you can smell his scent. It looks like he wandered back into the woods." Cedric looked at the trail. It was old. Still... there was no sign of Tyler.

"If Abaddon was able to make it to shore, then Tyler had to have too." Lilly said confidently. She felt the warm arms of Tristan tighten around her as he held her to his chest.

"I'm sure he made it too Lilly." Tristan smiled down at her. "Let's keep searching."

It had been days. There was just no sign of him. The centaurs had joined in the search. A fresh healthy herd of them showed up joining in the search. Lilly had sent Cedric back to let her parents know what was going on. Lilly refused to leave. She could not head back to the Diamond pack without him.

Tristan was carrying her. She was weak and in pain. Her wounds were all healed, but her pregnancy was taking a toll on her. A few hippogryph's screeched in the air and landed nearby. Alice, Ethan, Cedric and Dylan all hopped off and walked up to Tristan and Lilly.

"Lilly. My dear baby. Look at you. You need to rest. This isn't good for you." Alice reached up and stroked her daughter's hair.

"I won't leave him out here." Lilly shook her head.

"Lilly... by now his wounds would be healed." Ethan's eyes met with his daughters. He watched her green glow pin against him. A rage built up behind them. "I know you don't want to hear it. Damnit Lilly! I know. Okay? I have been through it. I have lost my mate before. Can you feel him? Can you sense him? It's been days now. If he was alive, he would be here."

"Then, where is his body?" Lilly spat back angrily.

"Lilly... Abaddon probably took the body with him. The fairy prince's body would be a prize." Ethan looked down the river. There were so many people looking for him. Cedric had filled them in on everything. "Between the kelpies searching the water and everyone searching up here... baby... I'm so sorry. You know it's true. You all know it is true." Ethan's hands shook slightly as he watched their eyes fill up with tears. He was gone.

Lilly felt the warm liquid hitting her cheek. She glanced up to see a steady stream trickling down Tristan's face. She looked over to Kade and Cedric... they were crying as well. No... no... no... I won't believe it... I can't believe it. I need him. Lilly bit her bottom lip. And stared at everyone. They all were telling her...that Tyler, her mate, the love of her life... was dead.

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No... it can't be. He promised me... he promised he would always be there for me. We were supposed to have another movie night. No... No... I can't believe it... It hurts too much to believe it.

To hell with all of them. She pushed out of Tristan's arms. Her body ached as it steadied itself on the ground. It was protesting as she tried to manage her weak legs.

“You all can go. You can give up. I won’t... I can’t... I need him.” Lilly met her gaze with the sympathizing ones she was getting. They all thought he was dead. She couldn’t help the fury that was igniting inside of her.

“You are the Diamond Packs Luna! Right now, they need you. They need you to help them mourn for the loss of their Alpha.” Ethan commanded with his Alpha voice. He was trying to shake his daughter. Instead, she met him with a challenge.

He would not use his Alpha tone on her. She already had an Alpha. It was her mate, and he was out there somewhere. He had to be. They had two boys waiting for him to come home... a daughter who he still needs to meet.

“Lilly... for how long? How long do you need to search before you will understand? Staying here and searching what can’t be searched for won’t change anything...” Ethan softened his voice trying to reason with her.

“So... you are telling me that Abaddon took his body?” Lilly glared at her father as she watched him shake his head.

“Then I am going into the depths of hell to bring it back.” Lilly narrowed her eyes at her father as he shook his head no.

“You can’t. You can’t go there. You will never get out. They’ll keep you there.” Ethan adamantly refused her. She couldn’t go there.

“What if they took Tyler alive?!” Lilly gasped out wondering if that was exactly what happened.

Ethan was quiet and then rested his eyes on her sadly. “If they have him there... then, he is theirs now.”

“Would this be your answer if they had taken me?!” Lilly growled back.

“Yes, there is no saving you from there.” Alice answered quietly.

Lilly smirked. Tyler would go there for her. She knew he would. “I’m not like you. Any of you. I don’t care where I have to go or what opponent I have to face. If Tyler is there... then I am going after him.”

“In your condition?! What can you do? You can’t do anything.” Ethan yelled angrily at his stubborn daughter.

“You guys are awful quiet... what are you thinking? Thinking of abandoning Tyler too?” Lilly snapped at Tristan, Kade and Cedric.

“I’d never abandon Tyler. NEVER! This... this is different Lills. The Diamond Pack needs you. You have to come back to them.” Kade quieted his tone towards the end.

“If Tyler thought I had been taken... what would he do?” Lilly raised her eyes to Kade. She knew damn well what Tyler would do. He would try to come for her.

“Lilly. There is no way Tyler would have been taken alive... there would have been signs of a struggle.” Cedric said softly.

“Tristan...” Lilly’s voice was but a defeated whisper.

He stared at her. He couldn’t just give up on Tyler either. Even if it was hopeless. He would walk into hell if it meant retrieving his body to put him to rest.

“I’ll follow you. Wherever you go. I’ll go and retrieve his body so that he can rest in peace... but I want you to stay here. I can’t lose you both.” Tristan meant it. He may not return from the demon’s lair... but he would give his life trying.

Thank goodness she had Tristan.

“Kade... I order you to return to the Diamond pack and perform the duties as Alpha in charge. Cedric, you can return to your mates’ side until you both can join the Diamond pack.” Lilly looked at the two men who hesitated without moving. “GO!” Lilly boomed her Luna voice at them. Forcing them to obey her.

“Lilly...” Alice started.

“Mom... you need to trust me. Tyler and I have a destiny. I refuse to believe that was all we were meant to do. My body may be weak, but I am going to push it. I wasn’t born with all of this power for nothing.” Lilly set a determined gaze on Tristan. She had an idea.

“Kade... Cedric... wait before leaving.” Lilly saw the two stop and wait.

Kira... we are still connected to Jax aren’t we? Just because we can’t feel him... It would be different if he was dead... right?

HE’S NOT DEAD! Kira growled back loudly. Lilly had Kira on her side too. Then let’s find him.

Suzaku... I need you to lend me your strength... She heard her screech in approval. She was going to try something. She was going to try to force find him. He was her mate... no... her soul mate. That meant their souls were connected. She was going to try to find him through her souls’ connection.

“Tristan... I need to borrow your strengths... Mom... yours too.” Lilly reached out and held onto both Tristan and her mother. Her mother was the key. The two of them together could unleash extraordinary abilities. Now that she was there... she could try what she had been hoping to try.

Alice didn't hesitate. If there was some way her power could help her daughter, then she would give it to her.

Lilly closed her eyes. She drew power from Tristan, from her mother, from Kira and from Suzaku. She connected it to herself. Linking it to her soul. The soul that should be connected to Tyler. It was quiet though. She didn't like how quiet it was. They were going to hate her for what she was going to do next. She didn't care though. She didn't care if this would be her end. She would go to Tyler. In a brilliant flash; she was gone.

Alice stood there blinking before cupping her hand over her mouth. “Oh no... Oh no.”

“She used our strength to teleport herself to his body.” Tristan growled angrily. He couldn't lose them both and she disappeared where he couldn't follow. He fell to his knees and grasped at the ground. This was too much for him to bear.

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She saw a dark blue hue. She was in a cave. The soft trickling of water was heard as it dripped into a body of water. Where was she? Tyler... He should be here. She teleported to him. She pulled her wolf senses forward in order to see in the dark. There in the distance was a body, in dark blue clothes, laying up against the stone wall. Her breath caught in her throat. She could smell him. But more importantly... she could hear him. She could hear his breath. She mustered her strength to go to his side. Collapsing on her knees beside him. She pressed her hands on him and rolled him over. He looked fine. Her movements must have startled him though. He jumped up and stared at her. She watched as he raised a shaky hand up to her face. He looked shocked to see it make contact with her.

“Lills? You are really here?” Tyler's voice croaked out.

“Tyler!” Lilly swung her arms around him as his crashed around her. She started sobbing. The sobs that she wouldn't let come before. The sadness from thinking she may have lost him. “They all said you were dead... I wouldn't quit looking for you though. They tried to make me. I knew you weren't dead. I couldn't feel you... I couldn't mind link to you...”

“Shhh... baby. I'm okay. You're okay. I have been so worried about you. I couldn't get back to you. I have been sick wondering how you have been. How you managed in the fight... and then how you were holding up without me near you... I have been a mental wreck. I guess we were too far apart to be able to mind link and feel the other. Thank goodness you're okay.” He planted soft kisses all over her tear-soaked face.

“Where is this place?” Lilly asked looking around wiping her eyes. How far away was he if they couldn’t connect together?

“It’s underwater. When I went over the falls I was dragged under. I was pulled and then left in this cave by a siren. There were clothes laying in the cave, so I found some that fit and threw them on. Not sure who they belonged to before...heh. But, we are completely underwater in a cave. I can’t find my way out. I tried. For some reason, the siren keeps stopping me from leaving.”

“Is that so? Pfft. Sounds like she was trying to keep you for herself...” Lilly crawled over to the water muttering angry words under her breath.

“Lilly what are you doing?” Tyler asked in concern.

“Calling for reinforcements...” Lilly dipped her head into the water and yelled “ROWAN.” Her muffled watery shout hardly made any noise, but she knew he would hear her. She then lifted her head back out of the water.

SPLASH

The loud sound of water lifting and falling onto rocks was heard. And there in front of them was Rowan. He shifted into his human form and a huge grin spread across his face.

“Hot damn you found him Lills! Atta girl!” Rowan walked up and lifted Tyler to his feet and embraced him in an awkward hug for Tyler. Everyone was thinking he was dead, so this reaction was natural for them. Tyler on the other hand had only met this guy once...

“He said a siren has been keeping him here.” Lilly’s irritated voice rang out. Because of this siren, she had been suffering for days.

Rowan’s eyes turned black. Black as night. There was no color as he turned an icy gaze to Lilly. “Is that so... so she thought she could keep the fairy prince here as her personal toy? Well, well, well. She is about to learn the hard way what happens when you cross a Kelpie.”

“When did you guys get so close?” Tyler chuckled nervously at the ominous aura the horse was letting off.

“Rowan and his mate Liza came to our aid. They helped fight off the imps and wolves. Then, they have been searching for you tirelessly since then. Heh... it’s a good thing I found you this way. I was getting ready to walk into hell, thinking Abaddon took you.”

“WHAT?!” Tyler and Rowan both yelled.

Lilly gave a grin and shrugged. "I don't give a damn where I would have to go. If you have my mate, I am coming for you. No matter where that would lead me. Tristan was going to come too. He was the only other one who hadn't given up."

"Geez Lilly. Never ever just be willing to walk into the demon's hands." Tyler rubbed his forehead. She almost went into danger thinking he was there.

"How did you get here?" Rowan looked at Lilly with some confusion.

"I teleported. I borrowed some power from my mom and Tristan, and I used my link with Tyler to teleport to wherever his body was." Lilly walked up to Tyler and felt his arms come around her. "I wasn't sure if it would work, but I had to try to get to him."

"Don't do that ever again. If I am in danger, I don't want you coming to me." Tyler scolded her...though inwardly he was glad she was there. He wasn't sure how he was going to make it out of there. The only escape he could find was underwater and every time he tried the siren ended up showing up. He could only hold his breath for so long. He was trapped.

"Oh... so if I am in danger, you wouldn't come for me?" Lilly looked up at him with a grin. She already knew what the answer to that was.

He grinned down at her and kissed her forehead. He knew he would scale the cliffs of hell in order to protect Lilly. "Okay Rowan... can you get us out of here?"

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Tristan was pacing angrily along the rivers edge. No one would come near him. It was clear, his anger was out of control and he was just looking for a reason to snap someone's neck. Even Dylan was making sure to give him plenty of space. A guardian losing his important people... they would be dangerous. It would be like losing your reason to live. It was only the small thread of hope that was keeping Tristan sane.

Kade and Cedric were sitting down next to each other. They were both depressed. They lost their Alpha and Luna. They didn't know where Lilly went to even try to follow her. Their hearts felt so empty in that moment. There was a hole that could never be filled.

Alice was leaning into Ethan's arms. They were in shock. In their minds... Tyler's body was in the demon's lair. Their daughter willingly teleported into the enemy's clutches. She was their hope... their future. She was gone now. The enemy had her and would never let her go. They had lost everything in that moment and they felt numb.

The water suddenly parted. A black horse leaped out of the water. Everyone's eyes widened in surprise, for on his back was Tyler and Lilly. Tyler slid down and helped Lilly down and into his side. He swooped his arm around her and lovingly held onto her.

“Thank you, Rowan.” Tyler nodded his head in appreciation.

“If it is okay to do the honors... there is a siren I plan to deal with.” Rowan, back in his human form, said darkly.

“Go ahead... just make it painful.” Lilly said icily.

“AHAHAHAHA, Princess you are the best. I can tell we are going to be good friends.” Rowan chuckled, shaking his head, leaping back into the water and turning back into a horse.

Crushing arms swooped around Tyler and Lilly. “Damnit, I hate you both.” Tristan started crying as he flattened their bodies into a big bear hug. “If you two don’t take me with you the next time you disappear, then I swear I quit being your guardian.”

“Sorry Tristan. I am sorry we worried you. Sorry I left you.” Lilly apologized as she felt him pull apart.

He then slapped Tyler’s back hard. “Where the hell have you been, man?! Do you know how worried we were about you?”

Tyler didn’t have a chance to respond. Kade crashed into his back. Sobbing like a child. “I thought you were dead, man.”

Cedric pulled Lilly into his side. “I thought we lost you both... you are lucky I am not old. I know I would have had a heart attack right there.”

“Lilly!” Alice and Ethan called out as they walked up to them. Lilly walked out of Cedric’s arms and into her parents. They both held onto her tightly.

“You’re so damn stubborn.” Ethan cooed into her ear.

“I get it from my father.” Lilly giggled.

“You teleported! That is amazing!” Alice suddenly gushed, now that the danger was gone.

“Sorry about worrying you all. I had to go to Tyler. I could never return to life without him.”

“So, what did happen to Tyler?” Ethan asked, as the others quieted down wanting to hear too.

“A siren put me in an underground cave and wouldn’t let me leave... I think Rowan is dealing with her.” Tyler saw anger in Alice’s eyes. The first time he had ever seen her look angry.

“It looks like I will need to have a chat with their leader.” Alice said bitterly.

“Mom! Look at you developing a temper. See what happens when you keep werewolves as company?” Lilly giggled, as her mom scrunched her nose up in embarrassment.

The weight of the world had been lifted off of Lilly’s shoulders. It had been days of buildup, days of agony. She needed to process everything quietly. She watched Tyler happily surrounded by Kade, Cedric and Tristan. She took this moment of distraction to slip behind her parents and walk away from everyone. Back near the hippogryph’s, Dylan was waiting quietly. She walked up to where he was and sat down on the ground next to him. She cupped her head in her hands and quietly let her emotions run freely.

“Are you... okay?” Dylan said nervously. He broke the princess?! She started crying the moment she came near him.

“I’m okay. I just need a minute.” She choked out between soft whimpers. Her emotions were on an intense roller coaster ride. Now that she was finally off the ride, she needed to finally feel everything she had refused to feel. It came crashing down on her. The battle, the killing, losing Tyler, the physical exhaustion and pain, and being told he was dead.

After about fifteen minutes of soft crying she heard Dylan quietly walk away as another set of footsteps came closer. Sitting behind her and then pulling her back into his front. “Baby...” Tyler’s soft voice cooed to her.

She turned her body and curled into his arms, burying her head into his chest, softly crying as she clung her fingers into him. What would she have done if she had lost him? How would she have moved forward and raised their child? She wasn’t strong enough to live on without him. That was the biggest realization. As strong as she was... without him she would crumble.

She felt his lips gently placing kisses on her head. “I can’t imagine how hard this has been on you. I’m sorry I wasn’t there. I’m so sorry for making you suffer with worry. I’m here though, Lilly. I’m fine. Everything is okay.”

“I can’t do any of this without you, Tyler... I know it. I can’t live in this world without you.” She quietly confessed between her hushed sobs.

“You don’t need to. I am here... Just so you know, though. You could continue on without me. You would be strong for our kids. You would find the strength to go on for them.” He felt her shake her head no and he smiled into her hair. “I love you too, baby. I know how you feel.”

Lilly looked up at him and looked at him in confusion. “How are you okay? The wolfsbane... how did you fight Abaddon without getting injured?”

Tyler chuckled. “Baby, I am good but not that good. I received my fair share of injuries fighting him... but you know what I found out? My fairy powers make me immune to wolfsbane. Without that weapon up his sleeve, Abaddon was losing ground fast. If it wasn’t for him knocking us over the waterfall, I would have ended his miserable life. Sorry I missed our chance to be rid of him.”

“It isn’t just him we have to worry about. He mentioned a demon named Leoric. From what I gather, he is the real mastermind behind all of this. He is the one who will be in charge during our big showdown.” Lilly finally quit crying and took in a deep breath.

“Doesn’t matter who it is. We will overcome them... you feeling better now?” Tyler asked, as he tilted her head up to meet his.

“Just needed to release my emotions. I didn’t allow myself to let them out until now.” Lilly smiled, as she gazed into his grey eyes. She was afraid she would never see his eyes again. She felt his hot breath fan against her skin. Then, she pushed forward, closing the small gap between them. She passionately met with his lips. Pouring all her want into it, emptying her emotions into his touch.

“Mmm baby. I am needing you. Can’t wait to spend some private time with you back in our room.” Tyler whispered into her lips.

“You promised me that days ago... remember?” Lilly smiled into his lips.

“Then I guess I’d better really deliver.” He shot her a wide grin. “You ready to join everyone? They are worried about you.” Tyler didn’t want to share her, but knew they were all sitting over there looking at her with concern. They all wanted to go over to her, but it was clear she walked away because she wanted to be alone. There was only one person who could go to her... and that was Tyler.

They told him how aggressive she had been. She refused to give up on him and how she even dismissed her father’s Alpha voice. Nothing had mattered to her. She traveled hurting and exhausted, never giving up. His heart was hurting as he heard from them. He knew she had to have been suffering with worry and stress. Hearing how she wouldn’t give up on him though... it made his chest swell. She was just like him in that aspect. He would have thought to hell with all of them. He would never have given up on her either. It didn’t matter where he would have to follow her. He would go.

He pulled her up to her feet, kissing her lips lightly, before leading her back. Their eyes looked relieved as they saw Lilly’s smiling face as she stared up at Tyler. She had her glow back. Her eyes beamed with adoration and love. There was no doubt about it... Tyler made her a better person. They made each other better people. They were not just simple mates... they were soul mates.

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They were almost back home. They all traveled together up to where they had left the trucks. It was a short trip back to the fairy kingdom from there since they brought the hippogryph's with them. Alice and Ethan promised they would visit soon. Cedric returned with them to be with his mate until she could come. Tristan was joking with Tyler and Lilly how he would be bunking up in their room.

"You can, but you better prepared for an x rated show." Tyler smirked.

"Keep it in your pants while I am around." Tristan teased back.

"Everything is fair game if its in my room." Tyler grinned, as Tristan forced a fake gulp.

"On second thought, I'll stay in my own room. I don't need you ravaging my virtue." They all laughed at Tristan as they were in good spirits. Kade was driving the other vehicle back and was following them closely when they pulled up to the pack house.

Tyler hopped out happily, he was glad to be back home. He turned and scooped his arm around Lilly, pulling her beside him. "Let's go see our boys." Tyler grinned and Lilly nodded excitedly up to him. They hadn't seen them in days and already were missing them.

On their way to the pack house, Caleb crashed into Tyler. He patted his back and held him close. "Rosa told us what happened... I was afraid you wouldn't be returning." Caleb sniffed.

Lilly thought it was adorable to see these big muscular men showing their emotional side. They rarely showed it. So, when they did... it showed just how much they cared.

"Hey, you should think more of me than that. That demon didn't know what was coming for him. And I have something else to tell you. I am immune to wolfsbane!" Tyler talked excitedly over the last part.

"No shit, dude?! That is awesome! So, did you kill the demon?"

"No, the coward escaped. He knew he was in trouble! That's why he took us over the falls... I think he is scared off for now though. He knows he can't beat us alone." Tyler was hoping that they could at least have some peace. Though, Abaddon would have to be dealt with still. It wasn't like they could just hunt him down. They couldn't do anything until he showed his face again. "How have my boys been? You been keeping them on their toes?" Tyler watched Caleb chuckle.

"They've been keeping us on ours. Come on, they are in the house. They've been asking for you two." Caleb pulled away and winked at Lilly. He was excited to have his Alpha and Luna back home.

"Rosa in there with them?" Kade asked eager to see her.

“Yes, her and Avery are wrestling with your boys to try to get them to eat.” Caleb chuckled and shook his head. The boys sure were a handful.

“Well let’s go!” Tristan excitedly pushed forward and opened the doors to the house. “Where are my favorite nephews at?!” Tristan growled playfully.

“Uncle Tristan!” The boys jumped down from the table and pounced on him. Then, looking up they saw Tyler and Lilly walk in.

“Mommy! Daddy!” They yelled, and each chose a parent to leap into. Cody was being squeezed in Lilly’s embrace while Jason was being held tightly in Tyler’s.

“We’ve missed you boys so much.” Lilly kissed Cody’s head as he grinned up at her.

“You said you would bring daddy back and you did.” Cody was beaming at her proudly.

“Of course, I did. He wasn’t skipping out on me already.” Lilly winked at him.

“No way would I leave my boys. Just had to show a demon who was boss... then I got trapped by a siren. The things that happen in the fairy world.” Tyler chuckled with a small shrug.

Avery squealed and ran over to Lilly. “I heard you are pregnant! I’m getting a new little cousin.”

“Yes, we are going to have a houseful real soon.” Lilly giggled as she lowered Cody down to go see Tyler. Jason running over to her for his hug.

“I told Avery that she has to give me a pup now too or I’ll be jealous.” Caleb pecked her cheek causing it to glow.

“So, does that mean Rosa has to get pregnant already too?” Avery turned her gaze onto Kade who had Rosa pulled deep into his arms.

“Hey, give us some more time. We would like to have some more alone time before we bring kids into the mix... but, just so you know Rosey girl... I’m willing when you are.” Kade watched her adorable cheeks turn red as she buried her face in his chest.

Jason and Cody were full of excitement. They turned around excitedly and then bull rushed into Tristan. He tumbled onto the floor and the wrestling match began.

“I don’t think this place is ever going to be quiet again.” Tyler grinned, as he reached and pulled Lilly into him. “I like it this way.”

“Me too.” Lilly leaned up and kissed his jaw line. They had made it back home... they survived a dangerous battle. And now, they could enjoy the countdown until their little

one arrived. They wouldn't worry about Abaddon. They wouldn't borrow trouble from tomorrow. From the sounds of it, he was part of their destiny. They were meant to meet him again.

"I'm sleeping with Uncle Tristan tonight!" Jason yelled out excitedly sitting on Tristan's chest.

"No, I'm sleeping with Uncle Tristan." Cody challenged back defiantly.

"Boys, you can both bunk up with your Uncle Tristan." Tristan wrapped his arms around the boys and rolled them onto the ground.

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That night, after tucking the boys into bed with Tristan, Lilly and Tyler finally made their way up to their room.

"We are going to need to go shopping for the boys. We need to get them clothes and toys and—"

Tyler leaned in and captured her lips with his, interrupting her rambling. He smiled into her lips. "We will get them everything they need. What do you think about bunk beds?"

"No. Then they will fight about who gets the top and who gets the bottom." Lilly knew that wasn't a good idea.

"But baby... we don't have bunk beds and we fight about who gets the top and bottom." Tyler smirked into her lips.

"Who's fighting about it? I don't mind sharing." Lilly smiled up at him.

Tyler chuckled softly and pulled her into his chest. He took his free hand and settled in on her stomach. "How are you feeling? How's my two girls doing?" He gently rubbed her stomach with massaging motions.

"We are both doing well. Much better that we have you around now. She was giving me a hard time without you."

"Lilly... I know that... well I know that things started off a bit rocky in the beginning with us. I have a lot of regrets for the things I did and how I acted. If I could change it, I would. I promise though, I won't ever be like that. I can't promise I won't get jealous again. But I'll never make the whole pack ignore you or take another woman to a dance." He smiled at her sheepishly at the last part.

"I know you won't because next time I'll barbeque you." Lilly smirked and lit a small flame on her finger. Then she blew it out and winked at him.

“I know I should probably find that intimidating, but it turns me on.” Tyler’s voice grew a bit husky as he spoke.

“Oh yeah? Well... what do you plan to do about it?” Lilly tilted her head up to him.

Tyler chuckled down at his little temptress. He leaned his mouth down to her ear and whispered lowly. “I’m going to ravage your body tonight. Every inch of your body will be mine... and I am going to enjoy it all night long.” He heard her breath hitch from his promise. He tilted her head up to his and inched down to her lips. The sweet kiss soon became needy and urgent. He tugged her backwards towards the bed where he made good on his promise. All night long.

NOTE: Book 2 is called The Fairy’s Forbidden Mate