Chapter 7

Maxine

I could feel him carrying me when his hand touched my back I felt this light tingle where his hand was. I heard him say something but I was falling in and out it hurt so bad to breathe I couldn't take a deep breath I could only do short small breaths.

"Stay awake." I hear him say

I feel him lay me down on something.

I hear a door close I take my hand and feel for something anything. I feel leather

I tried to move but the pain shot through my body and I winced.

"Don't try and move." I hear his voice.

"Just stay laying down we are heading to the clinic now."

I lay my head down it felt kinda good it didn't last long when I started coughing I couldn't breathe.

"Shit." I hear and feel hands grabbing me and rolling me onto my side.

I taste a metallic taste in my mouth and I cough again and feel liquid running out of my mouth.

"Step on she is coughing up blood."

It was getting harder to breathe I felt myself gasping for air. I could feel my body going limp.

"No no, don't fall asleep stay with me."

I feel hands pushing my hair out of my face.

"I can't breathe" I managed to choke out.

"Take small breaths slowly. Just stay awake."

I could hear him and I tried to do as he said my body just couldn't I was in so much pain.

"I can't." I tried to say but my body gave out and all I saw was darkness.

Dexter

I could hear her coughing and I saw the blood on her lips.

"Shit," I grab her and roll her on her side and she coughs up blood.

I tell my driver to step on it. I knew she wasn't going to last long.

"Stay with me, " I tell her.

I think she has a punctured lung I know her ribs are broken.

"I can't." I hear her whisper out she didn't even get to finish her words and her body went limp.

"Stop the car" I yell at the driver.

He pulls over I open the door and climb out I reach in and pull her out I walk a little away from the car.

"Sir what are you going to do??"

"I'm shifting into my dragon I'm gonna fly her there she not gonna make it driving."

"What if someone sees you, Sir?"

"It's the night it's too dark for anyone to see. "

I lay her down on the ground I stand up and step back from her so I don't step on her after I shift.

I take my shirt off and kick my boots off I unbuckle my pants and toss them by my boots. I close my eyes and I can feel my dragon coming to the surface. My bones crack and I feel myself growing taller and my skin changes to black scales.

Once I fully shift I look back to the ground and see she's still laying there unconscious.

"Pick her up and lay her on me"

I tell my guy through the link.

He walks over and scoops her up bridle-style.

I laid down and put my front leg out so he can step up to reach my back so he can lay her on me.

He steps up and gets her situation on my back he laid her on her stomach between my spikes so she will stay there while I fly.

"I'll meet you at the clinic," he says as he picks up my clothes and heads to the car.

I bend my legs and launch myself into the air I flap my wings gaining more speed making me go higher up. I can feel her heartbeat growing slower.

I pick my speed up I need to get her there.

"Dad," I called through the link.

"Yes, Dexter. I'm at the clinic Jon called me I have a team ready for when you get here."

"Yeah about that I'm flying she's in bad shape she wasn't going to make it if we stayed driving so I shifted and she's on my back."

"Please tell me she is unconscious." he asked me.

"Yes, dad she is she started coughing up blood and passed out. I can feel her heartbeat getting slower as each minute passes."

"Alright, how far are you away?"

"I'm about ten minutes away I'll come to the back so people don't see me.

You will need to get her she is laying between my spikes. "

"I'll meet you in the back."

He says and cuts the link.

I know I don't want a mate but now that she's come in contact with me my dragon has recognized her if she dies it will put me at risk it will weaken my dragon.

I push harder when I feel her heartbeat faintly. I see the clinic ahead.

"Dad, I see the clinic I'm flying over now."

"I'm here Dexter I'm ready."

I look down and see no one is around I begin flying lower making sure I don't hit anything with my wings I'm a little large to be landing back here.

I reach the ground and land as light as I can I lay down and put my front leg like before.

My father walks towards me and steps up and reaches her he picks her up from between my spikes and carries her down.

"I'll take her in come in after you change back."

He walks towards the door and goes in and turns the corner.

"Sir, I'm here at the clinic where are you I'll bring you your clothes."

"I'm out back.." I tell him.

"Ok, I'm coming."

A few minutes later I see my guy walking out the door he comes over to me and lays my clothes down.

"Do you need anything else? "he asked.

I shake my head and let a snort out.

"Good night then Sir," he says with a bow and heads back in.

I shift back to my human body grab my clothes and get dressed I slip my boots on a walk to the door going into the clinic.

I walk to the front and ask the nurse at the desk where my father is she tells me he is up on the second floor.

"Thank you," I tell her.

I head to the elevator going in I hit the button for the second floor. I get to the floor I need the door open and I walk off I look around and see my father speaking to a doctor I walk over to them.

The doctor turns and goes back into the room behind him.

"What did he have to say?"

I asked my dad.

"He says she is not in good shape. She has a punctured lung her ribs are broken she has a broken cheekbone and nose a busted lip and her eyes are swollen shut.

He also said that she has black and blue on her legs and that they feel she was raped."

With all those words I feel anger coming through.

"They didn't rape her they checked to see if she was a virgin the buyer who wanted her wanted to know. I guess she fought back seeing how beat up she is."

I explain to my father. But I couldn't help the growl that left my chest.

He stops and looks at me he cocks his head to the side.

I had to close my eyes to get control of my dragon. I open my eyes and look at my hands and see black scales appear and then go away.

"Dexter this girl she is your mate isn't she?"

He asked.

Shit, I can't lie to him he will sense it.

"Yes, father, she is I caught her scent on the guys when we first went in but then when we got the head guy her scent was on him the most and I lost control my dragon came forward a little and I attacked him. The men got me to stop before I killed him I don't know what happen I've never lost control of my dragon like that. But then when Jon said one of the girls was hurt badly I went to help her but when I picked her up my hand touched her bare skin and I felt the electricity flow through my hand. My dragon called out Mate."

"Well, Dexter once our dragon recognizes our mates we have a habit of losing control that side of us wants to claim them and when another male has their scent it's natural for us to hurt that male.

You do know now that you have found her and your Dragon called out Mate you can't reject her it could kill your dragon."

"I know that. I also know if she dies it will weaken my dragon as well. I'm not going to claim her but I'll keep her safe so my dragon is safe."

"Son, you won't be able to stay away from her now that you found her. Your dragon won't stay in control you will end up losing all control over yourself."

"I'm not taking a mate dad we have been through this."