

Chapter 35

Bree's POV

I was stunned to hear Nico's voice with so much anger threatening me, but to hear my mate defend me and threaten Nico back, and then claim my baby to be his own. I am happy, happier than I ever was with Nico. Travis never lets me doubt myself, he is building me up and he loves me. Jade had stopped me to speak with me after I saw the doctor when we got back and told me about Travis being rejected. I felt so bad for how he was treated, and I was so glad that the Goddess gave him to me. I want to have him as my mate. This bond is strong. I would say it is even stronger than what I felt for Nico.

I thought Travis was cute from the first moment I saw him, and then I was disappointed that we were not mates. We were still friends, but I have to say that I was almost giddy coming downstairs for dinner tonight, and I wore a cute little sundress for my mate. It was a pale yellow with a halter tie behind my neck and I pulled my hair up into a messy bun and applied some makeup. I hadn't



worn makeup since Asher and Jade's wedding as I had been battling depression for months after being ignored and made to feel like I wasn't important, or valuable, enough to be claimed.

I put on some strappy sandals, and I was ready to go. I headed downstairs with my parents, and mom and dad were smiling at how happy I was. They both liked Travis and were happy that the Goddess put us together so fast after Nico rejected me. I got off the elevator first as I wanted to go find Travis and I didn't have to even look for him at all. He was right there waiting for me as soon as I got off the elevator. He gave me a big smile and stepped forward to pull me into a hug.

"You look gorgeous, Bree," Travis told me. I blushed and said, "You look great too, Travis" and he did. His broad chest was covered with a blue button-down shirt that brought out the blue in his eyes, outlined his toned chest, and fit him very well. I looked down and saw that instead of jeans he had on some black dress pants and a black belt, and this was different from regular Travis, who always wore jeans or basketball shorts. I remember from this last spring at Lake Havasu that I used to check him out from behind my sunglasses, so he didn't realize I was looking at him. He was a really attractive man, and I was



lucky to have been blessed with him as a second chance mate.

He didn't have to worry about me turning him down. I was going to accept him. I just needed some time to remind myself that I have known him for a while and he is a good man. I also wanted to talk to him and make sure that he was aware that I was pregnant and that he wanted us both, as we were going to be a package deal. I was pretty sure that he was 100% serious about what he said to Nico. I just wanted to give him an out, if he just felt pressure to say it because he is such a good guy. I will be crushed if he agrees that he just said it to defend me, but I won't force him to have to raise another man's child.

Travis leans down and gives me a quick peck on the lips, as my parents are there and we all head into the dining room. I saw that they had slid several tables together for us to be able to sit together, and Travis followed me to see what they had on the buffet tonight. I am happy at being able to pick my own food, and not having to depend on someone else to guess what I want. I lost a few more pounds from not eating when I was being held in the room, and I hadn't worked out for almost a week, and I looked forward to getting to do that too. I need to stay on it, as I know Nico will



never leave me alone now that he knows about the baby.

I see Dixon sitting with a really pretty girl and I make a mental note to introduce myself to her, but as much as I look like mom, I knew she probably knows who I am. I see Jaden sitting with Nicole and he looks at her like she hung the moon and stars, and I can feel their happiness from across the table as well. We were the last two to sit down as I enjoyed walking around with him with his hand resting on my hip in a possessive way. I felt like he was claiming me as his, even then, and I loved it.

"I would like to say thank you to everyone who helped me today. I really appreciate all of you being there to support me, and to get the rejection accepted. I have not hurt at all today, other than the pain of Nico accepting my rejection, but that was over quite quickly. I love each and every one of you, and I just wanted to say thank you to you all" I finished, and everyone said that they loved me, or were glad to do it, some held their drinks up, and Travis squeezed my hand to give me comfort.

I sat down and before I took a bite of my food, I asked Jaden if he had the number to Gamma

James, and if he knew where he went because I knew why he had left, and it had Shelby written all over it. Jaden smiled and pointed over to another table near us and I saw a large man sitting with the Omega and her family that left Golden Summit

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today, eating dinner.

"He could sit with us if he wanted to. I would like to meet him and welcome him to Stone Moon. I am glad he knew that he could come here. I am glad he is safe. I don't trust Shelby at ALL. I feel a little responsible for him feeling like he had to leave there, as it was his home his whole life", I

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Jessica gets her Mate told Jaden.

"No, that was ALL Shelby. James also believes whole-heartedly in having a mate, and he was disappointed in Nico not choosing to stay with you and letting us handle the pack members being disbursed to the different packs. James had lost his mate when she was having his pup, and he lost them both. It was very hard on him and still is, but that was three years ago, and he hasn't found his second chance mate yet. James and I would have gotten it done for Nico, but he got all "Alpha" in wanting to control it himself. I don't think he was really fully on board about having to give up his pack. He probably thought that he could get past Shelby on it, and still keep you and Golden Summit, but Shelby wouldn't have let that happen. She knew how much he loved his pack, so that is why she had the paperwork drawn up like she did" Jaden told me, and I saw him reach out for Nicole's hand as a sign that he was stressed and needed her.

I glanced back over at the table James was sitting at and knew I would still need to go over and welcome them and tell them that I was glad that they were with us. I wanted to make sure that they had all they needed. I know that Jade and my mom would have done that already, but I enjoyed



welcoming people to the pack, and it was one of the duties that I had growing up here. I enjoyed meeting new people and helping others wherever I could. I was the most outgoing of our group of girls, which included Jade, Nicole, and Jessica, who was our friend, who was human and lives here with us in our pack. We had all just graduated in May from high school, and Asher had graduated from Alpha training that month as well.

I looked up as I heard a squeal and saw Jessica running towards me. She had a job and worked the second shift as the assistant manager at a clothing store in the mall. They sell evening gowns and special event outfits, and we had all been looking forward to being able to get a discount for the next big event that came up. It should have been my Luna ceremony, but that got blown out of the water, and wouldn't be happening. But I will have a Beta female ceremony that I can start planning for.

I jumped up to hug her, and she knew I was here, but I had gone to bed early last night knowing I had the rejection early this morning, and I had not been sleeping well either since I had been taken. I hadn't been gone a week, but Jessica had been really upset by all that had happened and when she saw Travis standing behind me, with a hand



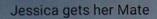
on me, she looked back and forth at us and said, "
Wait, are you two mates?"

I nodded at her and she screamed in excitement, drawing the attention of several people around us. I nod to her and Travis smiles at her and she starts hopping up and down and clapping for us. I think she was more excited than we were about it. She calms down and then she loses her happiness for a minute, so I had her sit next to us and asked her what was wrong.

"I wish I could have a mate. Someone created just for me. Who loves me as you are loved by Travis now. You are so lucky to be loved. That means I am the last of the four of us, and since I am human, I won't have a mate." Jessica said, and I could understand the feeling.

"Don't give up. There have been wolves mated to humans before. It could happen", Travis said gently to Jessica. He is so nice, she is a friend, and he is quick to comfort her, he will be such a great mate, and I reached out to take his hand.

"Excuse me", I heard someone behind us say and I turned to see James standing behind us. I smiled at him and stood up to speak to him and welcome him here to Stone Moon when I saw that he was looking at Jessica.



"Jessica, I would like to introduce you to James. He is new to our pack and was the Gamma for Golden Summit before he quit his position and came here with us." I said to Jessica.

"James, this is one of my good friends, Jessica, she lives here in the pack, but she is human," I said to James because I could see some confusion on his face.

"Jessica, I think you are my second chance mate. How is that even possible?" James said in a low tone.



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