## Chapter 31 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate

### Nova POV:

"So it's your birthday tomorrow" I hear my brother mention, "I'm excited to celebrate with you."

"Me too Luca, goddess 25. Where has time gone?" I joke.

"I can remind you of when you were an annoying little toddler if you really want me to?" He laughs.

"Please don't" I chuckle back.

"Oh well I hope you're ready for all your baby photos to be on display tomorrow" he muses quietly.

"You wouldn't.." I panic.

"You know full well I would, so you'll just have to see if that picture of you dressed as the hulk is going to be shown" he chuckles down the phone.

"Oh goddess what have I got myself in for" I moan looking to the ceiling.

"So what are your plans during the day?" He asks.

"Not much, I'm getting breakfast with Flo, Naomi and Alice, then they're dragging me to the salon to get my hair done. I thought it was a relaxed BBQ but oh no, I forgot Alice had helped" I laugh. "What time are you getting here?"

"I'll be coming for 2pm, I offered to help Jax with any setting up that may be needed. I'm staying for a couple of nights as well" he tells me.

"You are?" I ask excitedly.

"Jax insisted, I'm glad he did" he comments with approval in his tone.

"So what do you think of Jax?" I ask quietly.

Just then the door of the office swings open and Jaxs scent engulfs me making my eyes darken immediately as I look up into his mesmerising green eyes making my breath hitch.

"He's great Nova, I'm glad you met him. He's also fucking huge compared to you and I find that absolutely hilarious. He'll be a great brother in law, plus an Alpha in the family like helloooo" he jokes.

"Cheers mate" Jax replies with a grin on his face.

"Oh...NOVA! You could have told me he was fucking listening to that answer" Luca shouts before calming down and replying nonchalantly, "hiya man what's up."

Giggling I try to control my breathing before replying, "he literally walked in as I finished the question, what was I supposed to say when you're already singing his praises."

Luca huffs down the phone before mumbling, "could have warned me. Now I can't do the whole big brother act and tell him he has to look after you and treat you right. I've been looking forward to doing that officially."

Jaxs eyebrows shoot up at that and he smirks before speaking, "I'll pretend I didn't hear anything. I'm intrigued to hear this speech of yours."

"Ok guys that's enough" I gasp as I continue to laugh. "You'll get on great."

"We know" they both reply making me burst into another bout of laughter, "goddess you're more In sync with each other than me."

Jaxs face heats up at that comments as he shakes his head in amusement. "Alright enough of the family bonding, see you tomorrow Luca" I giggle before hanging up.

I put down the phone whilst smirking at Jax, "so my brother approves" I shrug.

"Well of course he does" he replies full of Alpha confidence.

Rolling my eyes I laugh as I walk round and drop him a lingering kiss, feeling a sharp shock go through me I gasp as I pull back looking to Jax seeing his face looks as surprised as mine before breaking into a grin.

"Almost your birthday" he teases before pulling me in for a longer softer kiss.

"Is there anything you need help with for tomorrow?" I ask as we pull away from one another.

"I'm not going to ask you to plan your own party Nova" he replies rolling his eyes. "But no, it's all under control. Or rather I should say Alice has it all under control."

Gulping I look at him nervously, "should I be worried?"

"Maybe" he chuckles.

"So I won't be here tonight love, I've got to go to my parents as I've got some family visiting. Mums offered me to stay the night so I'll be back tomorrow at some point" he tells me.

"Oh" I reply trying to not let him see the disappointment in my eyes, shaking my head I continue, "yeah no of course. Say hi to them for me, are they coming tomorrow?"

"Definitely, they've been badgering to meet the new pack members but with everything going on I wanted you to have less to worry about" he explains.

"Thank you" I say shyly to him knowing I've had a lot of my mind.

"Anytime, come on I thought we could spend some time together before I have to go" he says pulling me up and out the room.

"What would you like to do?" I ask.

"I have a plan" he shrugs not giving anything away.

Hearing that my heart speeds up in excitement as I follow him. Walking through the forest I see we are heading down the path towards the lake, "swimming?" I ask him playfully.

"No" he smirks back.

Continuing in comfortable silence we reach the end of the path and I gasp as I cover my mouth in surprise. In front of us is a picnic blanket set up in front of the lake with some lanterns dotted around. "I thought we could watch the sunset together" he mumbles nervously scratching the back of his head. "I know tomorrow is a really big day for you so I thought it would be nice to just spend some time together and talk."

Smiling at his thoughtfulness I twirl to look at him, "this is beautiful, thank you Jax." I pull him in for a passionate kiss as are mouths move expertly together. Feeling his hard body press into mine I moan as I clasp my hands into his hair holding him close.

"You taste amazing" he breaths, "in fact you know how I said you smell of raspberry's and mint like my favourite summer drink."

"Yes?" I ask pulling away looking at him in confusion.

"Look in the basket" he grins.

Looking at him again with a smile I turn and open the basket before gasping when I see the bottle of raspberry and mint summer cocktail, "oh my goddess you brought it!"

"I wanted you to know what you smell like to me, cheesy I know but.." I kiss him again before he can finish what he's saying.

"I love it" I whisper against his lips. "Come on let's drink."

We sit there for a couple of hours enjoying each others company and talking about our childhoods before the sun begins to lower in the sky. "Come here" he says patting the ground between his legs. Moving over his leg I snuggle in between them with my back against his chest, "this is my favourite time of day" he murmurs in my ear making me feel tingles all over.

As the sun sets the still lake shows a perfect reflection of the sky, enhancing the streaks of pink, orange and yellow, "it's beautiful" I breath.

"Like you" he murmurs making my heart skip a beat.

"Wait" I say jumping up and picking something up off of the far side of the blanket. Showing him my phone I smile nervously, "I want a picture.. I don't ever want to forget this."

"I can take one" he says going to stand up.

Laughing I push him back down, "no turn around." With that he spins looking at me quizzically as I set my phone up on a pile of rocks, "ok it's going to be a timer, so in 10 seconds you need to smile" I say.

"I always smile" he laughs.

"For me you do" I reply cheekily making him nod his head in agreement.

"Ready?" I ask him.

"Go for it" he replies as I push the timer and race back to sit beside him. He wraps his arm around me tucking me into his side so my head is nestled into his chest and with his other hand he reaches over and holds one of mine tightly. The camera goes off and I jump back up to go have a look at the photo.

As I pull it up I gasp and my eyes tear up, "you ok?" He asks softly as I sit back down beside him.

Looking at the picture I see the happiness radiating from us both as we fit perfectly together smiling at the camera, the sky over our heads shining a warm glow over us making our eyes sparkle.

"It's perfect" I whisper.

"You're crying" he says softly as he wipes a tear away. Holding the phone to my chest I smile up at him, "I didn't expect to get emotional over a photo" I chuckle.

"But you did, why?" He asks.

"Because we look truly happy and carefree.." I trail off smiling again as I choke up.

"I love it, I.." he stops abruptly but I know what he stopped himself from saying.

"I know" I whisper giving him a soft kiss.

We sit in each others arms till the sky is dark above us, "I really should get going" he grumbles as he begins to pack everything away.

Soon we are walking back to the pack house, "have fun tonight. I'll see you tomorrow" I smile at him as we reach the stairs.

"I'll miss you" he mumbles embarrassedly.

"I should hope so" I tease before he pulls me in for a hot kiss. Moaning at the feel of his warm tongue dominating my mouth I push myself closer to his body. Feeling his hands reach my ass I go on my tiptoes for him to lift me up, wrapping my legs round his waist he pushes me against the wall without breaking our kiss. I feel the heat building below making me pull away eliciting a low growl of reluctance from Jax.

"As much as I'd love to continue we are in the entrance, I'm not sure the pack is ready to see us in this position just yet" I giggle bucking my hips into him.

Groaning he lowers me to the floor before looking at me and rearranging his trousers. "Nice, work me up for a visit to my parents why don't you" he jokes.

"Well you did say you and your right hand were very close" I wink.

"Pfft, I'd rather wait for you" he whispers before dropping me a kiss on my nose and turning to leave. "See you tomorrow Nova, sleep well" he says huskily and with that he's gone, leaving me a hot flustered mess.

"Let's get some sleep, big day tomorrow" Ki murmurs quietly to me as I head upstairs. Reaching the landing I look at the door to the room I was originally given before looking at the Jaxs.

"Jaxs room" I hear Kia order as my legs answer for me.

Opening the door I breath in his scent and smile as I relax, "bath and bed" I tell myself.

Mates

## **Chapter 32 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate**

#### Jax POV:

Jogging to my parents I can't help smiling as I replay the few hours I'd spent with Nova. As if on cue my phone pings and I look down to see she'd sent me the photo of us from earlier making me immediately save it as my new background.

Still looking at the photo as I walk into my parents house in a daze I jump when I feel my dads hand land on my shoulder as he says hello.

"Oh..hey dad. Sorry own world there" I laugh off.

"What had you so engrossed in your phone son?" He asks sternly.

I don't answer I simply look down at my phone before handing it over to him. He grasps it quizzically before looking at it and freezing.

"Everything alright in here?" I hear my mums soft voice ask me, "hello dear, it's lovely to see you."

"David?" She asks concerned as my father doesn't move.

"Yes love?" He asks snapping his head up to look at her.

"What's going on?" She asks slowly looking between us. Gesturing for him to show her he simply grasps her hand and pulls her to his side before shoving the phone in her eye line.

"Oh my goddess" she gasps looking at the photo. "Oh hunny she's gorgeous" she squeals excitedly.

"It's Nova" I explain quietly.

Hearing that my parents faces split into huge smiles, "oh you both look so happy, in that photo I can see my relaxed young boy again. The life in your eyes is bright" my mum praises.

"Thanks mum" I smile at her.

"That's an amazing photo son, we can't wait to meet her" my father says happily.

"So what brings you here tonight son?" My mother asks as she potters into the kitchen to fix us a drink.

I gulp as I run a hand through my hair, "I just fancied a night away from the pack" I try to shrug off.

Looking up I see both my parents looking at me knowing I'm lying but choosing not to say anything. Standing up I walk over and grab my drink uttering my thanks to mum before dropping on the sofa and relaxing.

"We should be with Nova" Zeus grumbles in my head.

"I just can't" I snap back before taking a breath, "sorry" I mumble but he's silent on me. After watching tv for a couple of hours I excuse myself before heading upstairs to my room here.

"Will we see you for breakfast?" My mum calls up after me.

"I don't know" I call back down before closing the door softly behind me. Slumping on the bed I quickly strip off and climb under the covers. I toss and turn as sleep refuses to take me. Finally giving up I stand and walk over to the window to look up into the dark sky.

Feeling a sense of anxiousness wash through me I run a hand through my hair in frustration as I wonder about how Nova is doing. Glancing at the time I see it's almost 2 in the morning.

"Why don't we just go see her?" Zeus grumbles to me. I shut him back trying to calm my racing heart as I start to ask myself the same thing.

"FUCK" I exclaim in frustration as I give in and before I can think more I've opened the window and jumped down. Without thinking Zeus takes over as we race back towards the pack house, as we pass where Nova and I sat earlier we take a large inhale of her enticing scent and it spurs us on. Shifting by the pack house door I freeze as her scent surrounds me, making everything else fade. My eyes widen in realisation as I race up the stairs to my room, hearing her steady heartbeat I can sense she's asleep so I open the door quietly. Looking at her cuddling my pillow I smile in satisfaction as I realise even when she is sleeping she searches for my scent. Walking over I sit beside her and brush a lock of her hair from over her eyes. Feeling a strong shock surge through me blood immediately rushes to my cock making it spring to life.

Hearing me gasp Novas eyes flash open as she jumps up from where she was laying, "what?" She mumbles sleepily, "Jax?"

Looking at her in amazement as she rubs her eyes I reach my hand out and grasp her face gently guiding her to look at me embracing the sparks I get from her touch, as her blue eyes connect with mine I feel the bond snap into place as her mouth opens in shock.

"MATE" I growl.

"Mate" she whispers in awe.

We stare at one another for a moment as she takes a large breath in of my scent, smelling her arousal floating up I growl hungrily before pushing myself over her and lying her down. "Mine" i murmur before claiming her lips in my own. As sparks erupt around us I smile against her lips before biting down gaining entrance to her sweet mouth. Feeling her moan as she pulls me against her I kiss her deeply pouring my need for her through my touch. As I feel her hardened nipples pushing through her lace top I feel myself leak pre cum onto her top. "Off" I growl quickly, words failing me as my eyes glaze over with lust, reaching a hand up I extend a claw and rip down the middle freeing her perfect round breasts. Pulling away from her mouth I look up at her as I lower myself before sucking in one of her nipples and softly kneading her other breast.

Feeling her chest heave as she pants in anticipation, I hum against her, her face flushes in excitement as she bites down on her bottom lip. I pull away so she can shimmey her way out of her ripped top before I reach my hand out to pin her to the bed. She looks up at me questioningly but I just shake my head as I trail kisses down her toned stomach and over her soaked panties. Breathing in her scent of arousal deeply I feel my cock twitch against her leg, "fuck Nova" I breath before I rip her panties off of her and throw them behind me.

Smirking at her quickly I lean down and blow over her swollen clit, "so wet for me" I mumble before sucking gently. Feeling how wound up she is for me as she groans and writhes underneath me I splay my hand on her stomach to hold her down before reaching my other hand down and plunging a finger into her wet core.

"Yesss" she moans loudly before I quicken my pace sensing she's close to her release already. I lick over her wet slit and continue biting and sucking gently before I feel her walls start to tighten around me. "That's it love, cum for me" I order. She shudders and her juices flow at my words as she comes undone around me whilst screaming my name, "JAXX, oh fuck yessss" she moans as she grinds her hips on my hand prolonging her release. Lapping up her sweetness I rise above her and claim her lips in my own, feeling her reach down I quickly stop her, "I'll cum..you've got me far too excited" I say quickly as her eyes widen in realisation.

"Ready baby?" I check as I grasp my shaft and rub my head through her wet folds.

"Goddess yes" she moans arching her back trying to coax me in.

Teasing her I continue to rub my head through her folds and round her wet core making her a writhing mess below me, not being able to take it any longer I guide myself to her opening and look at her as I plunge myself in in one go. She gasps and her eyes widen as her tight walls adjust to my size making me pause momentarily. She grasps my hair before slamming my lips back on hers giving me all the encouragement I need to pull out and plunge back into her. Hearing her moan below me I pull my mouth away from hers and lift her hips in the air making me go deeper with each thrust. Admiring the way her lids flutter and she moans my name i reach over and pinch her nipple making her buck her hips up to meet mine.

"Fuck you're gorgeous" I rasp looking at her as I increase my pace. Pumping into her hard I watch as her tits bounce teasingly. Leaning over her I claim my lips in hers again as I suck gently on her neck where my mark would lay. "I'm not going to last" I warn her.

Seeing her eyes snap to mine she hums and before I know it she has flipped us so I'm lying and looking up at her, "let me show you just how much I've been looking forwards to this" she whispers as she straddles me. Lifting herself up she guides me to her hole before slamming herself down hard making us both moan loudly in pleasure. She rocks her hips a couple of times before she sets a relentless pace knowing exactly what I need right now as we are faced with primal desire.

"Jax you feel so fucking good" she moans as I lean forward and suck one of her nipples. Feeling her movements jerk slightly as her walls begin to tighten around me I jerk my hips up into her a couple of times as her movements become erratic. Pulling her towards me I feel my canines extend as I graze them over her neck causing her to shiver in pleasure. "Oh Jax YESSSS" she screams as I bite down on her neck hard causing her to hurtle over the edge as she comes undone on top of me. Feeling her happiness and love for me through the bond I growl and pump up into her hard for 3 more thrusts as she rides her high before my balls tighten,m. Feeling her canines graze my neck as she sucks gently my breath hitches when she bites down hard causing pain to flash through my body before it's immediately replaced with pleasure causing me to stiffen as my shaft twitches and her tight walls milk me for rope after rope of my cum. As we both slump down we both pull our teeth away from one another and lick gently over our new marks sealing them.

She slides off of me looking sad at the loss of contact for a moment before I pull her into my arms content. "You're mine Nova" I whisper in her head making her smile against me chest. "Yours" she promises.

After a minute she pulls back looking at me confused, "why did you come back? Naked as well?"

I chuckle as I stretch out on my back with one hand behind my head and the other right around her waist. "I missed you and I couldn't sleep, I was restless and to be honest I just felt like I was in the wrong place, I may have jumped out the window and shifted back" I admit.

"Your family aren't visiting are they" she says sitting up and cocking her head at me. I shake my head slowly in embarrassment.

"No, they are coming tomorrow but won't be arriving until after breakfast" I admit nervously. Hearing that she smiles at me as she leans down to kiss me.

"You were nervous" she states.

"Yeah" I admit, "I know everyone was saying we were mates and everything indicated we were but until it was your birthday and we knew for certain I just had this horrible voice in my head saying what if." "I get it" she says softly, "I knew as soon as you organised that for us yesterday. An amazing final memory if I perhaps did have another mate."

"I'm sorry" I whisper.

"Don't be" she shakes her head, "it was thoughtful and I wouldn't have changed anything."

"I would have" I smirked. Seeing her look at me I continue, "if I'd known for certain that we were mates then I definitely would have taken you up on the offer of swimming..naked. Plus I'd have got my way with you."

"Dirty Alpha" she teases.

"I love you Nova" I say suddenly. Looking at her she has tears in her eyes as she smiles widely, "I love you Jax" she whispers as I feel her love for me flow through the bond.

Hearing those words has my shaft hardening once again, my eyes focus on his breasts as they rise with each breath. Seeing her eyes dip down to focus on my cock I pump it slowly before grabbing her hips and pulling her over me.

"Let me show you just how dirty this Alpha is" I whisper in her as I bite her lobe making her quiver in excitement.

"I'm all yours" she says raising her brow at me challengingly.

Birthday Breakfast

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### Nova POV:

Waking up I stretch and moan in content as I feel sparks erupt around me.

"Morning birthday lady" Jaxs deep voice grumbles from behind me. Rolling over I smile up at him as I take in his sleepy state. "I like your morning hair" I comment making him chuckle.

"I think you've roughed it up a bit more than usual" he says making me blush lightly from his words.

"Let's go for breakfast" he suddenly says as he stops rubbing circles on my back and jumps out of bed. I pout making him laugh, "I want to make an announcement" he laughs wriggling his eyebrows as he points to his neck.

At that my eyes widen in excitement as I stand and rush over to look at his mark. "It's beautiful" I breath taking in the white and black wolves wound together with the letters J & N underneath them. Seeing a small crown in the corner of the mark I frown slightly.

"What is it?" He asks feeling my confusion through the bond.

Walking us over to the mirror I see my mark is the same, pointing at the crown I see him take it in with awe before also feeling his confusion filter through the bond.

"I'll have to speak to Laurence, he's a bit of an expert in these things. But I assume it's because of you being a Guardian Wolf. Either way..it's gorgeous" he smiles before dropping a soft kiss over my mark.

"If you do that we won't be leaving this room" I warn teasingly as his eyes darken at the thought. Chuckling he pulls away before saying "well as much as I love you I'd really rather keep my balls and if I risk upsetting Alice over your tight schedule today she will definitely ruin them for me" he shudders at the thought as I burst out laughing.

"Did she threaten the Alpha?" I mock.

"She is one feisty she Wolf" he comments as he pulls some clothes out of the wardrobe.

"Don't you want to shower?" I ask, seeing him look up confused I elaborate, "we stink of sex."

Hearing that he smirks proudly, pulling his top over his head and putting some casual jeans on he shrugs, "nope. I'd rather let everyone know, call it Alpha pride if you will."

"Of course" I reply drying rolling my eyes before pulling a light summer dress over my head and braiding my hair quickly. "Ready" I comment as I walk out the closet to see him taming his hair slightly.

"You look perfect" he compliments me as we leave the room smiling. "You ready to be introduced as the Luna?" He asks.

"I am" I reply confidently, "I like knowing my place, and unlike last time I know what I'm doing. I just hope the pack has faith in me."

"They already do trust me" he says.

Walking into the dining hall hand in hand I see many pack members glance at ours hands hiding small smiles. "I think they've caught on already" Jax links me making me giggle lightly at the thought.

"Happy birthday Nova" Naomi squeals jumping up from the table and pulling me into a crushing hug.

"Thank you Naomi" I say graciously as I take a seat opposite her.

"Happy birthday Luna" Laurence comments smiling knowingly, blushing I shake my head laughing.

"Thank you Beta" I say back making him chuckle.

"Here's some food love" Jax says as he places a plate in front of me. Before he sits he claps his hands getting everybody's attention before his voice booms out "Morning everyone! I just have a quick announcement to make, as you know today is Novas birthday. I hope you're all looking forward to the party later on. Before I let you go about your day.." with this he clasps my hand pulling me up beside him giving me a dazzling smile as he does so, "I want to let you all know I have found my fated mate..please can you all welcome your new Luna..Luna Nova!" With that he pulls my braid aside proudly showing our new marks as the dining hall erupts in thunderous applause and cheers at the news. Hearing a barrage of congratulations through the mindlink I blush at the compliments.

"Thank you so much for all your kind words. I can't wait to help Jax with the pack and continue getting to know you all. I look forward to seeing you all later" I say softly.

"Enjoy your breakfast" Jax calls before sitting down as I do the same.

"Don't think I've ever seen you so happy" Laurence muses to Jax playfully.

"Probably" Jax agrees through a mouthful of food.

"Oh I'm so happy" Naomi squeals before clasping at her stomach, "damn they must agree" she laughs softly as the babies make their presence known.

"There you are, I've been looking for you everywhere" I hear Alice exclaim as she comes rushing to the table. "You've made her late" she says shooting Jax as accusatory glare.

He chuckles nervously holding his hands up in surrender, "sorry Alice, as soon as she's eaten shes all yours."

"And you" she exclaims twirling to look at me, "we have a lot to do today, could have some a little more enthusiasm."

"I can't wait to spend the day with you Alice" I say seriously, "I had a late night that's all, I wanted to make sure I was rested so I didn't have those dark circles under my eyes that you hate" I slyly add on knowing I've got her there.

Her eyes soften as she nods reluctantly, "you're right you're right." Sitting down she grabs an apple and starts eating before her eyes flash to mine. "What we're you doing last night?"

Laughing I just look at her for a moment watching her frustration grow, hearing a small growl escape from her as I don't reply I burst out laughing. Her hands fly to cover her mouth as she looks shocked by her reaction, "oh my goddess Nova I'm sorry, I have no idea where that came from."

"It's ok" I shrug still smiling.

Seeing everyone's surprised faces I chuckle as Theo sits down looking tired, "what's going on?" He asks, "happy birthday Nova, sorry I've been out on border patrol otherwise I would have wished you it sooner."

"No worries Theo, thank you" I smile at him.

Everyone else is still looking at Alice questioningly which doesn't escape Theo's notice, "ok seriously..what's going on?"

"She growled at me" i remarks casually.

"WHAT" he exclaims, "Alice we've spoken about this, what is going on?"

"I don't know" she mutters embarrassed as I see tears gather.

Reaching a hand out I grasp hers comfortingly, "I know."

"Huh?" Theo says looking at me.

"Smell her" I link him pointedly.

Seeing him inhale deeply I break out in a grin, "now listen to her closely." Seeing him concentrating I wait for the bell to drop, instead I see confusion cross his face.

"What the hell is wrong with your heart?" He asks panicked. Bursting out into laughter everyone turns to look at me in shock.

"Sorry" I giggle waving my hands at them, "Alice..you can snap at me all you want. I think you have a good enough excuse..you're pregnant."

Hearing that her eyes snap to mine in shock as Theo grins widely, "damn I'm good" he says proudly.

"I'm pregnant?" She gasps, "that quick?"

"Well you did mate and mark pretty much immediately Alice" I point out softly.

"Oh my goddess I'm going to be a mum" she squeals happily. Knowing it's what she has always wanted I stand and walk over giving her a large hug, "I'm so happy for you" I whisper tearfully.

"Theo congratulations" I smile bringing him in as well.

"You're going to be an Aunty" he comments making me smile, "I can't wait to tell Flo" he exclaims.

Seeing them kiss softly I smile as a wave of happiness flows through me seeing them together. As I continue eating Theo suddenly looks up at me, "you smell different."

Smirking I look at him, "do I?" I ask innocently.

He continues to look at me trying to decipher before I absentmindedly move my hair exposing my mark. "You found your mate?" He gasps.

"What?" Alice exclaims from beside him.

"Say hello to your new Luna" Jax says smugly as he wraps his arm around my shoulder.

Hearing those words Theo immediately grins as Alice begins to cry, "oh goddess I'm sorry Nova, it must be the hormones. These are happy tears I promise, I'm just so happy for you both" she sniffles as I can see the truth in her eyes.

"Thank you Alice, so would you take the honour of being my personal assistant again?" I ask softly

"You know I would love to" she cries as she holds my hand tightly.

"Brilliant" I hear Jax say, "I couldn't think of anyone better. Congratulations on your pregnancy, it will be exciting having some new pups running around in the next few months."

Ladies

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### Nova POV:

As Alice drags us away from breakfast I smile my thanks at everyone who wishes me their congratulations as they pass.

"Our new Luna" Naomi smiles happily, "I have a good feeling about this Nova."

"Do you think the pack will accept me after Genevieve? I know about what she did to Jax but when it comes to the pack I have no idea what kind of Luna I am following" I admit voicing my thoughts nervously.

"Hmm, she came across as a lady who put the pack first and in some ways she did. When she first met Jax everyone was happy with her as Luna but after the first couple of months her faults became obvious" Naomi admits. "To be fair I didn't dislike her but she wasn't someone people were able to approach with their concerns. I'm not sure you're aware but Flo deals with all new mothers and accompanies Jax on their first visit. This wasn't implemented once Genevieve had left, it began 2 months into her being Luna. She showed no interest in offering her support towards pups, new mothers, struggling mothers, the nursery etc. I'm not saying she wasn't helpful because she did help with the kitchen rotas and implementing a good work ethic within them - but again that was to make her dinner parties run smoothly. I guess what I'm trying to say is she was happy to put the hard work in if she herself was going to benefit from it."

Taking her words in I nod as I grasp what she's trying to tell me, "I get it. She wasn't necessarily the people's Luna."

"Yeah..exactly. She could fight but I wouldn't class her as a warrior. She could do the paperwork but I wouldn't class her as the most able. She could offer support but sometimes the words weren't meaningful because there was a lack of emotion and actual relations with the pack members. Before she betrayed Jax I believed she was trying, but maybe because she knew herself she didn't properly belong with Jax she held back" Naomi explained. "I think she saw herself as a temporary guest in the Luna role."

"That's sad in a way" I say quietly understanding her situation.

"Yes, it is. But it's in the past now, Jax has really dedicated himself to this pack during his time as Alpha and trust me when I say the pack is grateful for that. Everyone can see how you two belong together and your impact here already" she says with emotion in her voice.

"Don't cry it will set me off" Alice warns from my side making Naomi chuckle.

"I can't believe you're both pregnant, I am so excited for you both" i exclaim happily clapping my hands.

"You'll be my midwife won't you Nova? I know the pack hospital here is amazing but I would feel more confident with you leading by my side during the birth" Alice admits quietly.

Hearing that Naomi's eyes flit to mine, "you're a midwife?"

Blushing I look down slightly, "I'm a trained doctor and midwife yes. I helped at the pack hospital back in our old pack and with the Luna assisting with childbirth it seemed to improve the success rates and also the recovery time for the new mums" I explain quietly.

Hearing nothing I look up to see Naomi staring at me in amazement. "What?" I ask chuckling nervously.

"When did you find the time?" She asks amazed.

"Oh well I actually trained in midwifery when I was younger, I started helping when I was 15 as I had a certain nack for it. Ki has a very strong sense of hearing and we can detect pregnancies very early on, we can also detect how many babies. Kia is extremely caring and wants to help, as am I. Midwifery is a natural interest" I admit.

"That's how you could tell we were both pregnant" she realises.

"Yes" I smile.

"That's amazing Nova, I'd love for you to be present with Laurence and I also if you think it could be beneficial" she asks.

"If you want me there I'll be there, but I can offer any support you might need on the way" I say as I give her little bump a soft rub.

"Do you want to be a mother?" She asks.

"I'd love to be" I admit, "but not yet."

"You'd make an amazing mum Nova, I've always said so" Alice puts in.

"Thank you" I whisper as I give her a side hug. "So what's First Ladies?" I ask as we reach the high street.

"First we are going to have our hair and nails done" Alice exclaims happily, "Flo is meeting us there. I was in no way letting your sister miss this for some silly border patrol."

Laughing I shake my head, "silly border patrol? Necessary border patrol you mean. She's not much of a girly girl I would have understood."

"Nope, you've missed her like crazy I know you have. This is about spending time with your friends and family" Alice retorts back quickly making me know she has been waiting for me to give her the opportunity to say so

"Well I'm excited" I tell them as we walk into a gorgeous little salon.

"Hey ladies how are you all?" I hear Flos cheerful voice exclaim as we have all taken a seat.

"Good morning birthday lady, you look as stunning as ever" she exclaims drawing me in for a big hug.

"Kind as ever" I tease her, "but it's been lovely so far thank you."

"Good. Now call me intrigued but Theo said you have something for me and I'm a sucker for presents. I was going to wait but the suspense is killing me" she laughs turning to face Alice.

Seeing Alice trying to hide a grin as she blushes slightly I squeeze her arm encouragingly. "Well not necessarily a present I can give you Flo but..well..you're going to be an Aunty" she softly says as one of her hands rests on his flat stomach.

Hearing those words Flo freezes before her eyes flit down to focus on where Alice's hand is resting. After a few seconds her face breaks into a large smile showing her pearly whites as she steps forward and engulfs Alice's small frame in her arms. "Oh my goddess, you're going to be a mum. I'm going to be an Aunty! You have made me an incredibly happy lady" she squeals excitedly.

Laughing Alice returns her hug with the same enthusiasm before they separate as Flo rests a hand on her stomach. "Theo is going to be a dad" she whispers in amazement.

"He will be a brilliant dad" I whisper approvingly.

"How cute are your babies going to be. I mean Theo is HOT" Naomi says making us all burst out laughing.

"I'm going to say its a family trait" Flo replies cheekily.

"Oh of course" Naomi chuckles.

As the ladies start working on our hair I sit back and relax taking some time to go through the last couple of days. "Someone's happy" I hear Flo whisper to me as I realise I'm smiling recalling memories.

Opening my eyes I wink at her giggling softly. Suddenly Flo sits bolt upright much to the dismay of her hair dresser, "what's that on your neck?" She asks shocked. Realising my hair has been moved so my fresh mark is proudly on display I blush as I realise Flo hasn't heard the news yet.

"Oh that, say hello to our new Luna" Naomi smirks from my side.

"WHAT?!" Flo exclaims, "and I'm only just hearing this because?!"

"I'm sorry Flo" I say softly reaching out to grasp her hand, "Jax did make an announcement at breakfast, I know you were patrolling but I thought maybe you might have been told. He's my mate."

With that her eyes filled with tears as she clutched my hand, "I knew it! I couldn't think of anyone more perfect to be our Luna. I'm so proud of you you know Nova."

"Thank you Flo" I whisper trying not to cry myself.

"Oh my goddess does that mean I can help with the Luna ceremony?" She squealed. Seeing my eyes widen in shock at that question she pauses, "you are having one right?" She checks sharply.

"Well yes.. I assume so. I just was surprised you'd want to help to be honest. I thought you'd be more interested in organising security on the day" I laugh.

"Well Theo and I will organise that, but for my sister I can definitely be excited to help plan a Luna ceremony" she smirks.

"Then yes, I will take all the help I can get" I admit.

For the next couple hours we all sit and chat amongst ourselves throwing ideas forward for the Luna ceremony and chatting about future baby plans. For a little while I'm able to forget about the drama that is going on in my life and embrace the happiness of those around me and that of mine and Kia.

"Right ladies, we all look beautiful" Alice grins, "time to head back and make sure those men have kept to schedule."

"Goddess I hope they have, I wouldn't want you on my case I know that for sure" I tease her making her blush.

"I just want it to be perfect for you, you've had a lot going on and finding your mate is a big thing" Alice murmurs in embarrassment.

"I'm grateful Alice, I'm looking forward to tonight" I smile as we all thank the ladies at the salon and head back to the pack house.

Stolen Moments

## **Chapter 35 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate**

### Jax POV:

"Hi son, glad to see you're back" my father comments as i sheepishly walk into their house.

Scratching my head I glance up to see my parents looking at me expectantly.

"I'm sorry to rush off on you, I was a mess yesterday" I sigh not looking at them straight but focusing on the view from their window.

"Girl trouble?" My father smirks.

"Something like that" I chuckle before turning to face them fully. Hearing them both gasp as their eyes zero in on my fresh mark I look between them, my mums eyes are wide with excitement and my fathers are full of pride.

"You found your mate?" My mum squealed.

"Yes..Nova" I grin at her.

"That stunning lady? Oh my goodness how exciting!" She exclaims whilst rushing over to give me a hug.

"The Nova whose 25th birthday we are going to today?" My father enquires.

"The one and only" I smile proudly.

"But she's 25? Did she have a mate previously? Surely you've met before.." he probes, the alpha wolf in him curious for an explanation thinking factually like an Alpha does.

"She did have a mate before yes, alpha Axton was her previous mate but it was an arranged mate ship. We are fated mates pa" I explain.

Seeing his eyebrows furrow in confusion I explain further, "it's not my place to say but Nova has been unable to find her mate till this birthday. I'm going to leave it to her judgement to say more, please understand."

After a moment he nods, "I'm intrigued what can I say, but I trust you. We are looking forwards to meeting her son, congratulations!" He winks at me before coming and shaking my hand proudly.

"Will she allow my help in the Luna ceremony?" My mother asks, seeing the hope in her eyes at the thought I know it's because she had little input last time.

"Im sure Nova will be grateful, if Alice hasn't beaten you to it" I laugh.

"Haven't even thought of Naomi yet, you know what that ladies like with planning events" my father mutters pulling a slightly exaggerated worried face teasing me.

""I'll mention it to her ma" I say quietly giving her a squeeze. "I'd like for everyone else in the family be surprised at her party if that's ok? It's a birthday and celebration for the pack today."

"Oh I can't wait to see their faces, ok Jax we will be round at the packhouse at 4pm. I assume you won't want us coming to help to avoid seeing you?" My mother asks excited at the idea of a surprise.

"We have it under control yes, I'll just see you all there" I say before chuckling, "I'll tell Nova as well but she is aware my family are visiting today and coming to the party so she won't be blindsided."

"Well I'd maybe warn her about your sister" ma laughs before looking slightly worried herself.

"She would just insist on coming back with me to meet her if I stayed and told everyone now, this is just pushing all that squealing that's going to happen back a few hours" I laugh shrugging my shoulders.

"You're right love, we will see you later" ma says dropping a quick kiss on my cheek before bustling off murmuring about how excited she is to meet her new daughter in law.

"On my way back love, how is your morning?" I link Nova as Zeus lopes through the forest revelling at the memories of last night.

"Entertaining as I thought it would be, we have just got back to the pack house. Going to get a light lunch" she links me back with amusement lacing her tone.

"I'll ask for some to be brought to our room, meet me there" I instruct gently as Zeus picks up his pace.

A short 5 minutes later Zeus shifts back to allow me control at the forest edge where I swiftly put on a spare pair of shorts our patrol teams have hidden around. "Go see mate" Zeus purrs urging me to be faster in my movements. Chuckling to myself I nod in greeting at a few pack members I pass as I jog to our room.

Walking in I see Nova stood by an open window deep in thought, "hey you" I whisper as I wrap my arms tightly around her and draw her tight to my body. Breathing in a deep breath of her scent I feel my body relax of the tension I didn't know I held at being away from her. With a content sigh she turns and leans her head on my exposed chest, tracing my back lightly with feather like touches.

"Hey" she murmurs back to me as she raises her head and reaches up for a soft kiss.

Moaning softly against her lips I hold her close as I flick my tongue out gaining entry to her warm mouth and deepening our kiss. Grasping her top at the base of her back and reaching my other hand up to pull her even closer by the back of her neck I feel her hardened nipples graze my bare chest through her thin clothing making my member harden poking into her. Pulling away we are both breathing heavily as lust clouds our vision, "how long for food?" Nova asks quietly.

"15 mins" I whisper before claiming her lips against mine once again. Feeling her reach down and grasp my shaft through my shorts I groan as my hips buck involuntarily as she slowly teases me.

"Not much time then" she chuckles before dropping her hand and stepping away from me, seeing my face drop at her loss of contact she winks at me before reaching her hands up and removing the straps of her top. Maintaining my eye contact she drops her clothes to the ground leaving herself bare before me, "Nova" I breathe as my eyes travel lower taking her all in. Dropping to her knees she reaches out and swiftly pulls my shorts down releasing my hard cock before she grasps it in one of her delicate hands, "all mine" she purrs seductively before taking me deep in her mouth and humming in content. Throwing my head back I close my eyes in pleasure as her mouth works my shaft, feeling myself get closer to release all to quickly I promptly pull away and lift Nova to her feet. Slamming my lips down on hers in a possessive kiss I push her towards her vanity table before turning her around so her back is flush with mine.

"I want us to be able to watch ourselves" I growl possessively in her ear whilst maintaining eye contact through the mirror making her shiver in anticipation. Stepping back I push her back down my lightly so she is resting on the table before pushing her legs further apart giving me a glorious view of her behind.

"So perfect" i murmur before dropping down and licking her already soaking core. Delving in I feel my eyes roll back as the scent of arousal grows stronger, "Jaxxx" she moans arching her back and pushing against my lips further. Reaching a hand up I rub her swollen clit making her moan my name once again as her legs begin to quiver, "cum for me" I demand through the mindlink. Hearing those words has Nova hurtle into her release as her juices run and her legs shake around my head, lapping them up I moan against her soaked entrance. Standing swiftly i splay a hand against the small of her back holding her down as I instruct her "look at me."

Her eyes rise to reach mine through the mirror as I line my shaft up with her entrance, taking in her darkened eyes and flushed cheeks I smirk before slamming into her to the hilt. "Yess" she moans as her tight walls adjust to my size. Seeing her eyes widen as I rock into her steadily I see the need in her eyes grow. Pulling out of her completely I slam back in hard before setting a relentless pace knowing we both won't last long. Reaching a hand down I lift one of legs making me go deeper inside her as she bites her lip in approval. "Just like that" she moans as she continues to look at me through the mirror. Seeing her back arch further as she pushes back into me to meet my thrusts I grunt as I feel my balls tighten below. Watching our bodies move so well together I reach my other hand round and rub her clit knowing my release is imminent. Slapping her ass cheek her lashes begin to quiver and her gaze slightly glazes over as she tries to maintain eye contact the closer she is to release. "You like that" I comment smirking as I slap her arse once again.

"Goddess YEESSSS" she screams in pleasure as her walls quickly tighten around my shaft and her legs shake hard, holding her hips I help keep her upright before moving inside her jerkily a couple more times before my cock twitches hard in her as she milks me for rope after rope of my cum. Seeing her bite her lip as pleasure rocks her body I lean forward and suck on her mark prolonging her release. Slumping forward we both rest against one another as we steady our breathing.

"Stay there, I'll get you a cloth" I whisper in her ear before standing and pulling out of her, hearing her whimper at the loss of contact I wink at her through the mirror. "I'll be right back."

Walking back in I chuckle lightly as I see her still slumped on the table with her eyes closed. "I'd let you sleep love but Alice will be up shortly" I say as I gently clean her up.

Hearing those words her eyes flash open and she rights herself before turning and walking to the closet. "What shall I wear for the party?" She asks as she stands looking at her clothes.

"I think Alice has that sorted" I say shrugging my shoulders.

"Of course she does" Nova giggles before throwing on a pair of shorts and a tank top. "What are you doing for the rest of the afternoon?"

"I'm going to head down and greet some guests, Luca will be here soon he said he will meet you at the party and let you all get ready in peace. By the way I thought I should perhaps warn you about my family" I say cautiously.

Her eyes flash to mine as her worry filters through the bond, "don't worry, my sister is just very enthusiastic. She will be ecstatic I've found my mate so I thought I should warn you beforehand."

"Oh" she laughs in relief, "I'm looking forwards to meeting them."

"They'll love you" I smile as I quickly throw on some shorts and a top.

Scenting Alice is drawing closer to our room I quickly walk over and pull Nova into my arms, "I'll come and meet you before the party starts love, enjoy your afternoon" I say as I drop a soft lingering kiss on her lips.

"Don't miss me too much" she smirks against my lips. Pulling away I flash her a wide smile, "I always miss you" I wink causing her to chuckle lightly as a blush lightly stains her cheeks.

"See you soon" I say before opening the door to an expectant Alice who has some food in her hand for Nova.

"She's all yours" I laugh before heading downstairs.

Jaxs Family

# **Chapter 36 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate**

#### Nova POV:

"You ready for this?" I hear Alice ask me as I finish putting on my slick of lip gloss. Stepping back I look at myself in the mirror, I have to admit Alice knows how to dress me for any event. Wearing a flowing sage green summer dress that ends at my knees fitting snugly around my breasts and waist I look perfect for a pack BBQ, with my heeled wedges accentuating my toned legs I smile happily to myself.

"Dressed like this I am" I wink at Alice before turning and giving her a big hug, "thank you for organising this Alice."

"You look gorgeous" she compliments stepping back and looking at her handy work.

"As do you" I grin back at her, Alice is dressed in a long maxi dress with some heels giving her small frame a little extra height.

"Yes well I thought I'd make the most of this dress before my belly is too swollen to fit anything" she chuckles.

Linking my arm through hers I rest my head on her shoulder, "I can't believe you're going to be a mum. It's amazing news."

Seeing Alice smile softly as her hand rests gently on her belly I can't stop the sense of longing that pangs in my heart. "We will have pups one day Nova, we are still young" Ki murmurs to me.

"I can't wait for that day, but I also know now isn't our time" I confide to Kia, "I'm more than happy being an Aunty for now."

Walking downstairs I can hear the music from the back lawn and lots of excited chatter, "will you be here soon?" Jax links me anxiously.

As we leave the back door my eyes scan over the crowd before focusing on Jaxs muscular frame standing with Luca and some warriors chatting animatedly, the afternoon sun glinting off of his tanned skin and adding a shine to his dark hair. "I'm behind you" I link him giggling.

With that he stops talking and spins round, his eyes searching for mine before he spots me and a large grin spreads across his face as he makes his way swiftly to me. As he gets closer I see his

eyes briefly glance over my figure as they darken slightly, "you look gorgeous" he murmurs in my ear dropping a kiss on my cheek as he says so.

Blushing I smile up at him as I rest a hand on his firm chest, "you don't look too bad yourself" I reply playfully.

"I know" he smirks back confidently.

"Shhh calm down Alpha ego" I laugh at him lightly tapping his arm making his chest rumble with a deep chuckle.

"Come let's go see Luca, he's been waiting for you" he says quietly as he leads me towards my brother.

"Nova!" Luca exclaims happily as I reach him, "you're finally here" he laughs giddily.

"Eh oh, has someone been drinking" I giggle at him as I take in his slightly unfocused eyes. He simply smirks at me whilst shrugging his shoulders, "you know me Nova, I won't get wasted don't worry. But I certainly plan on enjoying your birthday and my time off."

"I wouldn't want if any other way...where's my drink?" I am raising an eyebrow at him expectantly.

"Coming right up" he smirks before turning to walk away. He pauses mid stride before spinning back round and running to twirl me round happily, "I forgot to say congratulations sister...you will make an amazing Luna. I'm very happy for you both." Setting me down he steps back to look at my new mark with a happy gleam in his eyes.

"Thank you Luca" I whisper trying to hide the emotion in my voice. Seeing an emotion flit across his face which I'm not used to seeing I grasp his arm and step to one side with him.

"You ok?" I ask quietly.

He looks down at me and nods slowly with a little smile on his face, "I am truly happy for you Nova. But I'm not going to lie, I've enjoyed having my sister around the last few years."

Looking at him steadily I raise a brow knowing there is more to it. He sighs lightly before continuing, "where's my mate?" He asks quietly almost to himself.

Hearing those words my eyes soften, "your mate is coming Luca. I know you have been waiting a long time but I also know you are going to be perfect for her as she will be for you. It will be worth the wait." I say hoping to comfort him.

After a moments quiet he shakes his head, "enough about me. It's not everyday my sister turns 25 and finds her mate becoming a Luna, let's celebrate!"

Grinning at him as he jogs over to get me a drink I step back beside Jax. "Everything ok?" He links me whilst smiling at Naomi and Laurence who have just joined us.

"Yes, he's been waiting 10 years for his mate. He's happy for us, but it must be hard watching those close to you meet their fated mates whilst you're still waiting" I reply.

"It is hard, but it will be worth it" Jax comforts me.

"That's what I told him" I say before continuing, "he's ok don't worry."

Nodding his head slightly to show he understands he turns his attention back to the group, "so how's the birthday Luna?" Laurence asks smiling.

"Good thank you Laurence, this looks beautiful" I gesture around the garden. Seeing all the lights twinkling above I can imagine how gorgeous it's going to look once the sun has set.

Seeing the men's chests puff out in pride Naomi and i snigger quietly, "of course it does. We did it" Laurence beams with pride.

"Men's ego honestly" i mutter playfully rolling my eyes at Naomi.

Sensing Jaxs attention elsewhere I look up at him inquisitively, with a smile he looks down at me as he lowers his mouth to talk in my ear, "my family have arrived. Ready for introductions?" He murmurs huskily sending a shiver down my spine. Stepping back I straighten myself whilst sending him a small glare as he smirks knowing the effect he has on me.

"I'm ready" I say confidently as he holds his arm out for me to grasp. Walking towards the drinks table I see an older couple with the air of authority surrounding them as well as two men who look similar to Jax but are slightly smaller in their build next to a tall leggy blonde who is openly admiring the warriors bringing in the food for the BBQ.

"Hello Ma, Pa..everyone" Jax starts with a smile as we reach them, "I'd like you all to meet Nova, my mate."

"Hello, it's a pleasure to meet you all" I say graciously looking at them all clearly.

"You are stunning my dear" he mum says as she steps forwards clasping my hands in hers, "welcome to the family. I'm Amelia, Jaxs mother."

"Its lovely to meet you, I can see where Jax gets his warmth from" I note as she embraces me in a loving hug. Stepping back I see the smile stretching across her face at my words, "thank you Nova."

"Don't go telling everyone I can be like that Nova, I have my Alpha image to maintain" Jax laughs from beside me.

Looking up at him I cock an eyebrow before replying, "well maybe it will knock your alpha ego down a couple of notches, goddess knows it seems you men need it..do I need to get Naomi over to back me up?"

He breaks out in loud laughter as his eyes crinkle, "fair enough, you got me there."

"I know" I wink at him before turning back to his families amused faces.

"Hello Nova, I'm David his father" his father says stepping up and grasping my hand in his for a from handshake. As I look in his eyes I see a slight coldness emitting from them making me furrow my brows slightly before I smooth my expression out and maintain eye contact with him.

"It's a pleasure Sir" i murmur quietly. He steps back for a moment looking at me with an unreadable expression.

Hearing a throat being cleared from my right I look away from David to see his sister practically bouncing on the spot, "hello you must be his sister" I giggle softly stepping towards her.

"Hello" she exclaims before drawing me in for a tight hug, "I'm Mila, I am so excited to meet you. It's about time one of these found their mates, honestly the amount of testosterone can be over bearing at times. I can't wait to spend time with you." She fires off excitedly making Jax step forward and grasp her arm gently.

"Calm down Mila" he says gently.

"Don't be silly Jax, it's lovely to meet you Mila. I'm looking forwards to spending some time with you" I assure her graciously. Seeing the smug look she throws Jaxs way I chuckle before looking to his brothers.

"Hello Nova, we are Axel and Evan, his twin brothers" they announce simultaneously.

Chuckling I step forward and shake both their hands, "ah another set of twins who speak in tangent" I grin at Jax. "It's a pleasure to meet you both."

"Strong shake" Axel comment's approvingly glancing down at where our hands met a moment ago.

I simply smile at the comment before stepping back into Jaxs side.

"So Nova, I hear you were mated previously?" David asks looking at me pointedly.

"Father.." Jax starts stepping forward before i clasp his arm shaking my head slightly indicating I can handle this.

"Yes Sir, I was mated with Alpha Axton of the White Mountain Pack. We entered a chosen mate relationship to help the pack, my brother is the Beta" I inform him not looking away from his gaze.

"You loved him?" He asks sharply.

I pause for a moment to look into his eyes, seeing the lack of trust in them I understand his Alpha Wolf I struggling to wrap his head around what has happened with the knowledge available whilst he's wanting to be supportive of his son.

"I did, admittedly it is nothing compared to how I now feel for you son. However for 3 years I was treated well, Axton and I worked hard to better the pack and we were successful in leading together. He found his true mate however and i in no way was going to stand between them. I will not deny at the beginning of the mateship it was for the pack but we did grow to love and respect one another. However, I can assure you that is no longer the case, I will always look back on my time there with happiness with when I left the exception. But I am now focused on my life here, with Jax" I assure him smiling up at Jax who is looking at me in pride.

"You met Jax previously though?" He probes looking at me with an unreadable expression.

"Father.." Jax warns again, I once again shake my head before meeting David's gaze.

With a slightly colder voice I speak clearly maintaining eye contact with David, "I did meet Jax previously a couple of times yes. I could not meet my mate until the age of 25, I'm sure in time you will come to understand why but for now I cannot tell you. I can sense the distrust in you and I want to assure you that I love your son. Waking up to him being my mate this morning was the best moment of my life, I've met my soul mate, my other half. I can also assure you I will take the role of Luna very seriously, I have the packs best interest in my heart and I am excited to work alongside Jax."

"And you can fight" he states not replying to my previously spoken words.

With that Jax and I exchange a knowing smirk, "yes I can. I trained with the elite warriors from the age of 15 at the academy when I resided in the Red Moon Pack. I ran the training program at the White Mountain Pack and I have been assisting Gamma Flo and Gamma Theo during my time here." Seeing approval in his eyes I smile internally.

"I heard you knocked Jax on his ass" Axel sniggered earning a glare from Jax.

"Yes..I did" I laugh lightly, "sorry babe" I add on to Jax.

With a loud sigh he looks away before turning to me with a playful look, "well someone had to. Embarrassing that it was my Luna who can do it but weirdly enough I find it strangely attractive."

"Oh I know" I wink earning some more sniggers from his brothers before turning back to once again look at David.

"I know you have your worries and the lack of knowledge is concerning you, I understand that. But I am asking you to please take the time to see how much your son and this pack mean to me. They took me in when I felt broken, everybody has been welcoming and a pleasure to be around. I am looking forward to getting to know you all better" I assure him whilst showing him I will stand up for myself.

"I spoke to the council.." his father starts earning a growl from Jax.

"You did WHAT?" Jax exclaims.

"Shhh Jax, he's an Alpha of course he's tried to find more information" I shrug unbothered by his father's announcement.

"They had very little to say but what they did was very promising" he continues.

I look at him waiting for him to speak once more.

With a sigh he looks away for a moment before he turns his attention back to us, "I'm sorry Nova. It's hard to stop being an Alpha at times, especially when it comes to family. After meeting you I can sense how genuine you are and I should have trusted Jax from the start, for that I apologise son" he says whilst looking between us. "I am looking forwards to us all spending time together and I have faith you two will be great leaders."

"Thank you Sir" I say graciously.

"David" he says simply to me before stepping forward and embracing me gently, "welcome to the family Nova."

Sophie

# **Chapter 37 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate**

### Jax POV:

"What was that about?" I glare at my father as Nova heads to get some food with the rest of my family.

"I'm sorry son" he sighs, "you know what I'm like when I don't have information. I was just thinking of you."

"I know" I reply sharply, "but you also need to remember I am now Alpha. I understand your concerns but I can assure you now that Nova is a blessing. Do not doubt us."

Hearing the conviction in my voice my father meets my gaze before nodding his head in understanding, "of course Jax, she seems like a wonderful woman."

"She is" I hear Laurence agree as he joins us, "we are incredibly blessed to have her as our Luna."

Hearing those words from my Beta has a large grin spreading across my face, "that's kind Laurence" I smirk at him.

"Just giving credit where it's due boss" he says shrugging his shoulders. "I actually came to tell you her father has just arrived."

"I thought you said her parents were dead?" My father interjects inquisitively.

"There has been a lot going on pa" I sigh, "I should probably warn you though. Nova was adopted by Lucas family at the age of 3 weeks. We very recently found out her father is Kingsley..the Rogue King."

With that my fathers eyes whip to meet mine, "what?" He growls.

"Don't you dare growl at me pa" I glare, "Kingsley has brought order to the rogues. He took over from the previous Alpha King, every rogue that joins his pack has to make an oath alongside their pack witch to cause no more violence unless justified amongst other things. If they break that oath..they die."

"Surely you are aware David that there has been much less rogue activity in the last couple of years" Laurence mentions quietly.

"Well yes but you can never trust a rogue" my father grimaces.

"I know your history with rogues pa and I'm sympathetic to your views, but I assure you this is a very different scenario. Kingsley is a rogue through no fault of his own, he did it to protect his daughters and I am positive you would have done the same if you understood the circumstances" I tell him clearly.

"Perhaps after speaking to him you will understand more, for now I ask you to be patient and understanding. Today is Novas birthday, do not ruin that" I growl lightly at him showing my conviction.

"Ok son" he says after a moments quiet.

"I'm going to meet Kingsley, if you could let Nova know I'll be back shortly" I say to Laurence as he nods and turns to let her know.

Striding round the front of the packhouse I see Kingsley leaning on his car with a young woman by his side.

"Good afternoon Alpha Jax" he says happily smiling at me.

"Jax is fine" I say waving my hand, "you're family."

Smiling at the young lady shifting nervously next to Kingsley I extend my hand for her to shake, "you must be Sophie?"

"It's a pleasure to meet you Alpha" she says timidly shaking my hand and glancing up at me through her long blonde hair.

"The pleasure is all mine, Nova will be happy you have come" I say gently trying to calm her nerves. Seeing her gulp and look at her dad with worry he grasps her hand lovingly.

"Calm down darling, Nova was more than understanding and after spending time with her I know she will welcome you with open arms" he assures her.

"Please excuse my nerves Alpha Jax" she says quietly after a moment, "I have had little time around packs before and they got the better of me."

"That's more than understandable Sophie, but please call me Jax. You are Novas sister, being called Alpha by you isn't necessary. As for meeting others, this pack is welcoming and will be happy to meet their Lunas sister. If you would like I can ask Nova to meet you beforehand?" I ask.

"I'd like that" she whispers.

"Nova love could you meet me at the front? Your father is here" I link her.

"Coming" she replies quickly.

"She's on her way" I let them know. Turning to look at Sophie I note she has her fathers eyes like Nova, "you have Kingsleys eyes" I comment making her smile softly.

"That's what everyone says, I look like my mother with my fathers eyes" she chuckles.

"Funny that's exactly what I said about Nova" Kingsley comments.

Scenting Novas intoxicating scent I turn to see her approach round the packhouse, seeing her pause momentarily I link her quickly "it's Sophie, she's nervous."

As she approaches I see her with a warm smile on her face with her eyes full of excitement, "hello dad" she murmurs bringing him in for a hug.

"Happy birthday Nova" he says, "and I have to say congratulations to you both officially. I see you wasted no time" he jokes to me making my cheeks flush slightly.

"Don't embarrass him" Nova smirks winking at him before turning her attention to Sophie who has moved slightly behind her father.

"Sophie?" She asks gently causing her sister to look at her. "It's a pleasure to meet you. I've been so excited since dad told me I had a sister, I hope we can spend more time together and get to know one another."

Hearing those words I see Sophie's shoulders relax as she steps forward, "thank you Nova. I've waited a long time to meet you, you're as beautiful as father said."

With a tinker of a laugh Nova opens her arms offering a hug which Sophie steps into gratefully, "thank you. I see we have our fathers eyes."

As we all chuckle Nova steps back and glances at us, "what?"

"We just said that" I shrug with humour.

"Are you ready to head in?" Nova asks her sister quietly.

Seeing Sophie brace her shoulders and hold her head high I smile noting the similarities between the sisters, "yes we are" Kingsley says gesturing for me to lead the way.

As we head back round I hear the soft padding of someone's footsteps running towards us, looking up I see Luca run around the house before lifting his head up and taking a deep sniff before his head whips to meet our gaze. Seeing Sophie freeze out of the corner of my eye I reach my hand out to grasp Nova, "wait" I murmur quietly.

As Luca makes his way over slowly I look to Nova and see her trying to hide a large smile.

"Mate" Lucas deep voice growls as he stops in-front of Sophie, seeing the nerves flash through Sophie Nova steps beside her and holds her arm softly.

"Mate" Sophie whispers. Seeing the confusion cross Lucas face at Sophie's nerves Nova looks at him pointedly gaining his attention.

"Luca this is my sister...Sophie" she says calmly. Hearing that understanding crosses Lucas face as he smiles softly at her, "it's a pleasure to meet you mate" he murmurs.

"Sophie this is my brother Luca, his family are those that adopted me when I was 3 weeks old" Nova says quietly introducing her brother.

"Hello Luca" Sophie says with a small smile as she looks up at him nervously.

"Please don't be nervous around me Sophie, I've waited a long time for my mate and I am very happy that I've found you" Luca says holding his hand out for her.

She looks at it for a moment before reaching out her own to grasp it gently, feeling the shocks run through their bodies they both gasp slightly.

"Will take some getting used to" I chuckle as I see Luca looking down at their joined hands in awe.

"This is great news, congratulations" Kingsley exclaims stepping forward and patting Lucas shoulder. "Sophie hasn't been around other packs much Luca as you most likely gathered, please be there for her."

"Always" Luca promises looking at Sophie with soft smile. "If you need some quiet time if it becomes a bit much just let me know, I'd be more than happy to go for a walk."

"Thank you" she whispers shyly.

"Let's go get a drink, we have another reason to celebrate" Nova says happily, "see I told you it would be soon" she smirks elbowing her brother playfully.

"Smart arse" he retorts making Sophie giggle quietly much to his delight as we all head back to the party.

Shock

## **Chapter 38 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate**

### Nova POV:

As I stand to one side looking around the party I can't help the smile that's plastered on my face as I look at those I've grown to love enjoy themselves.

"You look happy" I hear Mila comment as she comes to stand beside me.

"My adopted brother found his mate in my biological sister, he's been waiting for many years so I'm over the moon for him. Plus this is a great party, it's lovely to relax and spend time with everyone" I grin turning to look at her.

Raising her wine glass to clink mine she winks, "the alcohol is a bonus."

"Definitely" I laugh.

"It was nice to see you stick up against my father earlier" she says turning round to look around the party again.

"I understand where he's coming from, it wasn't upsetting so I'm not offended. I know what it means to look out for family and that's what he was doing, but I'm glad he knows I'll speak up for myself" I shrug casually.

"Oh he's aware alright" she smirks, "he's a great father and was a brilliant Alpha."

"I have no doubt about that" I assure her.

"But as you're probably aware Alphas like to be in control. Handing the reigns over to Jax was hard on him, he lost the feeling of being in charge and knowing everything going on" she continues, "Jax has always made sure to keep my parents in the loop. They have the right to know as the previous Alpha and Luna and my father knows Jax is a brilliant Alpha himself. There are just times, such as now, where he knows there is more going on and his Alpha mindset is pushing him to find out."

"Trust me I understand Mila. I'm grateful to you all for being understanding and not pushing me to say more, please know that in time I will. But before I do Jax and I need to find out some more information" I start explaining.

Mila quickly grasps my arm making me look at her, "Nova you don't need to explain. Even from the very short time I've known you I can sense the kind of woman you are, and Jax is lucky to have you. We have faith in you both and just know that when you are ready to talk...we're here."

"Thank you Mila" I say softly.

"So your brother has found his mate?" She asks.

"He has" I smile.

"Well I have to say congratulations, although that's now one more hotty I can't admire anymore" she smirks.

"Pfft do not let Luca hear you say that, I swear all the men around here have no issues with their huge egos" I chuckle as she joins in.

"So you have a mate Mila?" I ask.

"I do, he's Alpha Bruno of the Deep Forest Pack" she says with an odd look in her eye. Seeing she has no mark on her neck I wait to see if she has more to say. "He didn't want me" she murmurs.

"He rejected you?" I ask shocked.

Grimacing she gulps her wine down, "oh no. He had a chosen mate, one he had been with for 4 years from the end of school. Her mate died two days after they met in suspicious circumstances. He wanted to keep us both" she growls.

"What?" I ask horrified.

"I know" she rolls her eyes, "I uttered my end of the rejection when he demanded I become a mistress to ensure he has a strong heir but he would mark his chosen Luna but he has yet to accept it."

"Damn.." I trail off.

"I was broken for a while but now I'm just glad we were never marked although I'm not sure he would have even considered it. I don't think I'm strong enough to deal with the betrayal like my brother had to" she shrugs.

"Hurts like hell" i grimace at the memories.

"Oh Nova, I'm so sorry" she says twirling to face me.

"Don't be" I wave off, "so what are you going to do if you don't mind me asking?"

"He has a month left, that's what Jax gave him. If he doesn't accept the rejection by then we will contact the council" she says with confidence.

"I assume because you rejected him you don't feel him with another as strongly?" I ask intrigued.

"I do, but it's minimal. When I rejected him our bond was massively weakened, then with the distance between us it's only grown fainter. But I can still sense it, Alia my wolf felt sorry for his wolf as he was against Bruno's love for his chosen mate but he also understands why we cannot stay with him. Now Alia takes the pain whenever we experience any as she says she wants to, to remind herself that our fated mate does not respect us" she explains.

"Wow..Alia is amazing then" I compliment.

"I couldn't ask for a better wolf" she smiles.

"I'm sorry you had to go through that Mila" I say quietly.

"So am I, but what's done is done. I hope to be granted a second choice mate, goddess knows my first was not worth me" she laughs. "I've been staying at our cousins pack who is joining us later but after next week I'll be back here."

"Well im here if you ever need someone to talk to" I offer.

"Thank you Nova, I'd like that" she says giving me a hug.

Hearing raised voices I see my father and David involved in a heated debate.

"Oh goddess what now" I groan, "can we ladies not enjoy our wine in peace." With a slight chuckle from Mila we head over to them.

"What's going on here?" I ask loudly interrupting the men

"David has an opinion on rogues, which I understand why. He asked what I do differently and I explained however I don't think I've filled him with confidence" my father grimaces at me with an apologetic look in eye.

"Where's Sophie?" I ask calmly as I see the anger in David's eyes.

"Luca took her for a walk" Jax says as he stands beside me.

"Ok, right you two with me...now" I growl before turning on my feet and storming into the packhouse.

Entering the lounge I gesture to the sofa "sit."

"I do not appreciate being told what to do Nova" David warns me as he takes a seat.

"And I do not appreciate your attitude at a celebration. It is my birthday, the pack is celebrating having a new Luna and my adopted brother and biological sister have found out they are mates. This negative discussion is not necessary and I'm going to clear it up...immediately" I tell him my eyes flashing with that of Kia's.

"I'm sorry Jax I know he's your father but until he knows more this is going to be a problem" I say turning to look at Jax with an apologetic look in my eyes.

"Nova don't apologise, I already warned my father but he hasn't listened" he says throwing a dirty glance in his fathers direction.

Turning to speak to my father and Jaxs I harden my gaze. "My father is a man who has suffered greatly in the years we have been separated. What I am about to tell you needs to be kept between ourselves. It is not public knowledge as of yet and until we have met with the council we don't know what is going to happen." I start.

"Your father is the Rogue King" David starts in anger.

With a loud growl Kia pushes to the forefront and my aura releases causing everyone, including my father, to bow their necks in submission.

"Our father is a strong man, a good man. I strongly advise you listen to Nova" she growls to David who is looking up at us in shock.

"W..what?" He stutters out as he realises the power behind us.

"I'm sorry David, I truly am. I wish for nothing more than a nice relationship between my mates father and myself. But until you put your alpha pride to one side that is going to be a struggle.

Taking a deep breath and reigning my aura in I feel Jaxs hand land on my shoulder showing his support. "Let me start again. My mother, my fathers mate was a human. Her parents were hunters who have done nothing but cause harm to her and our family. They came after my parents very shortly after I was born where my parents had to separate. To protect me my mother made the heartbreaking decision to leave me with my brother Lucas family, I was 3 weeks old. My mother to our knowledge sacrificed herself to protect me, my father could not join any pack and had to live life as a rogue to this day ever since attempting to lead the hunters away from my mother and myself. He has become the rogue King, ensuring there is order between the rogues that are in the rogue pack, tracking those who are turning feral and bettering those who are part of his pack. When looking for me he approached packs peacefully and showed no violence as Jax can confirm." Seeing David look at me dubiously I shake my head.

"There is something you need to know about us David, let me ask you. What is your history on myths?"

"It's an interest of mine" he admits slowly looking at me in confusion.

"Father would you mind?" I ask gesturing to the large space to the side of me.

"I'd be happy to" he snarls at David offended by the attitude the latter has shown him.

He quickly strips off his clothes and immediately his magnificent wolf is standing before us. "Hello" I whisper as I go to stroke his neck as he huffs in greeting.

"My father is a Guardian Wolf David, are you familiar with those?" I ask sharply as I turn to see his shocked face.

"Y..yes" I stutters out.

"So you must know that for my father to be a Guardian Wolf he has a good heart. Everyone around him is a priority and he would give his life to protect them" I say fiercely.

"They're real" David murmurs in awe.

Stepping back I look at Jax who nods his head slowly. I turn and strip before shifting seamlessly into Kia, hearing David gasp in shock we pad over to him quietly before sitting directly in front of him.

"Perhaps now you will know that our love for Jax and Zeus is genuine. Guardian wolves cannot find their mates until they are 25 which I'm sure Nova would be happy to explain more on if you gave her the chance. If Jax dies..we die. We will do anything within our power to protect those around us and better this pack. Do not ever doubt us again" Kia warns him.

"You can link me?" David asks in shock.

"I can link anyone" she huffs before shifting back. I quickly dress behind Jaxs broad figure as my father does the same in the corner.

"Ki has grown" Jax tells me with pride shining in his eyes. "Let's go for a run later, Zeus is desperate." Grinning at him i nod in agreement.

Turning to see David staring at me in shock I step forward and sit down beside him. "I know this is a shock, however I hope that now you know..I would never harm or deceive your son or anyone here. My father is loyal, trust worthy and kind. We will fight ferociously to protect those we love and to right any wrongs."

"Pa..Nova is my soul mate, my other half. Kingsley is her father, we are family" Jax says as he comes to stand before us.

After a moments silence David schools his features and turns to face me, "Nova I cannot apologise enough. I had no idea and I should have had more faith in Jax. I should have respected today of all days. Please accept my sincere apologies for my distrust and the attitude I have shown you and your father. I promise from now I will trust you both."

Turning to face my dad he stands and offers his hand for a firm shake, "it's an honour to meet a Guardian wolf. I hope you can put my initial comments to one side and we can move past this."

"Of course" my father murmurs before turning to speak to me.

"Thank you Nova, that could have ended very differently" he says.

"I want no more fighting, after everything we have gone through I want to enjoy the rest of today" I say firmly to everyone.

"I second my Luna" Jax says before turning and offering his hand, "shall we go dance?" He asks with a smile.

"Let's" I grin at him putting the drama behind me once again.

### Persuaded

# **Chapter 39 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate**

### Nova POV:

"That was fun" I laugh as I blow the hairs away from my face whilst looking up at Jax as we leave the others that are dancing.

"You can dance that's for sure" he murmurs huskily in my ear making my cheeks flush lightly "those hips.." he trails off with a wink.

"Are you insinuating something Alpha?" I flirt back.

With a rumble of deep laughter he shakes his head, "don't give me any more ideas Nova" he says running his hand through his hair as I've noticed he does when he's frustrated with his darkened eyes trained on mine. Flicking my eyes down I see his trousers seem tighter as he tries to contain his excitement.

"Sorry love" I whisper dropping a chaste kiss on his lips. "Shall we get a drink?"

"I'll get you one, be back shortly" he says with a toothy smile. As I sit down on one of the benches I watch him walk gracefully away, admiring the way his clothes show off his rippling muscles. Sensing someone is walking towards me I drag my eyes away from my mate to look into those of his father.

"David..hi. You enjoying yourself?" I ask politely.

"Very much so thank you Nova, do you mind if I sit?" He asks pointing to the space next to me.

"Go ahead" I smile.

We sit together in silence for a moment before he takes a deep breath and turns to me. "I really am sorry Nova. It's not how I wanted your first impression of me to be and I regret the way I spoke to you. My son..you, you both deserved better than that. Seeing you both dance and be carefree together was enlightening. I haven't seen my son that happy since he was a teenager, and to know you're the cause of his happiness i will never stand in the way of that. My unease wasn't to you as an individual..it was the circumstances."

"It's alright David really. You knew very little about me but you knew I just came out of a chosen mateship less than a month ago. I understand your inquisitiveness to want to know more, it is in your blood being an Alpha after all. Fortunately for you I know what it means to want to

protect those around you, hearing my father is the Rogue King must have been a big shock, I'm well aware of the stigma around rogues. But he is different I can assure you of that. Wanting to have knowledge to be able to help your family is normal" I say clearly.

"My first mate was killed by rogues" he says suddenly.

Hearing that my eyes flick to his as understanding dawns on me, "I'm sorry David I truly had no idea."

Shrugging he looks away as I see his eyes cloud over slightly, "I met her a month before she was killed. We planned our mating ceremony, back then we marked in front of the pack now I know it's very different. On the eve of our ceremony the rogues attacked and Minerva was killed protecting the pups. Because of her no one else died, but my distrust of rogues began there."

"I understand" I say softly grasping his hand, "what they did was wrong. No one deserves to die in that way."

"Your father is a very knowledgable man, I actually am looking forward to seeing him a little more" he laughs lightly at me with a shake of his head at his earlier actions.

"I'm glad to have gotten the chance to have a relationship with him again" I smile.

"Your secret Nova, and that of your fathers I promise to never tell a soul until the time is right. Your father has filled me in on what has happened..to believe his mate was killed for the last 25 years only to realise she must be alive must be heartbreaking. I will do anything I can to help" he says with conviction.

"Thank you David, for now I just want you to relax and enjoy yourself, perhaps you should tell Amelia I wouldn't want this kept from her when you know" I say standing as Jax returns.

"Everything ok?" He checks his eyes flitting between his father and myself.

"Yes of course" I reply quickly, "I was just about to invite your parents to breakfast tomorrow actually" I say turning to look at David.

"We would love that" he smiles at me before dropping a swift kiss to my cheek and walking back to Jaxs siblings.

"Here's your drink Luna" Jax smirks at me as he holds out me glass.

Seeing the lust in his eyes I smirk back, "you like that huh?"

"Very much so" he says stepping close to me and pulling me flush to his body. Feeling his hardened length press into me I can't stop the gasp from escaping me.

"Jax don't tempt me" I moan breathlessly.

"I'm like this all the time for you Nova, somehow you make me like a horny teenager all over again and you're not even trying" he whispers as he nibbles on my ear before kissing my mark softly.

"Eh oh are we interrupting" I hear Laurence joke as he and Naomi come to stand beside us.

"Yes" Jax replies shortly as he spins me round holding my back flush with his front and wrapping his arms around me.

Sniggering Naomi winks at Laurence "payback for the many..many times you have interrupted us."

With that Jax throws his head back and groans loudly, "don't remind me" he mutters as Laurence let's out a loud laugh.

Chuckling lightly I rub Jaxs arm "don't worry love I'll show you just how much of an effect you have on me later" I link him making him stiffen behind me as I feel his length twitch against my back.

"Tease" he growls in my ear making me laugh again.

"We actually came to say goodnight, it's been lovely celebrating but I am absolutely shattered now" Naomi says trying to conceal a yawn.

"Oh of course, go get some rest. We will see you in the morning, and thank you for both of your help organising this..it was really great" I say stepping forward and giving them both a quick hug.

"Laurence we will have a meeting mid morning, I won't need you before then just thought I'd let you know now" Jax says as he pulls me back against him.

"No problem boss, goodnight Luna" Laurence says with a little bow making me blush heavily much to his approval. Watching them walk away Jax lowers his head into my neck and takes a deep breath.

"Mmhmm your scent is intoxicating" he murmurs whilst grazing his teeth against my mark eliciting a moan from myself.

"Jax" I growl in warning as I feel heat pool below, "you know exactly what you're doing."

"And?" He replies huskily.

"We have company" I say with little conviction in my tone as he continues by littering a trail of kisses down my neck.

"Then let's excuse ourselves" he says shrugging behind me. "It's after midnight don't you think it's time we celebrate our own way?"

With that I bite my bottom lip as my need for Jax grows even further. "Do you not want to go for a run?"

Hearing that his eyes flash between his own and Zeus, "we can run in the morning..Zeus has decided" he replies with glee. Feeling his hand trail down by back I push myself back into him before he grasps my bum in his firm hand and gives it a squeeze.

"Fine" I breath as I give in, "let's go say good night to everyone."

Seeing he's persuaded me he grins as he straightens and quickly adjusts himself before leading me back into the party. Seeing my father we head over and quickly bid ourselves goodnight.

"We will see you at breakfast?" I check before we walk away.

"Definitely, good night Jax, Nova" he says with a smile.

"Have you seen Luca?" I ask quickly pausing in my stride.

"I believe him and Sophie left a little while ago, it's good for them to spend some time together" he says happily.

"That it is" I say excitedly.

"See you tomorrow" father says giving me a quick hug.

After issuing our thanks to those around us and promising to spend some time with his family in the morning we finally reach the pack house where it's quiet.

"To our room" Jax smirks as he lifts me into his arms.

"Hmm..to our room" I agree as I suck on his marking spot making him hiss in pleasure.

After

## **Chapter 40 - The Guardian Wolf and her Alpha Mate**

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Kicking the door closed behind us I stalk over to our bed and drop Nova causing her to bounce slightly. Seeing the need in her eyes makes me growl lightly as her eyes darken with lust. Climbing over her I hover above and cage my arms by the sides of her head, "you're mine" I whisper in her ear causing her to tremble as I kiss down her neck slowly. Feeling her body arch so her hardened nipples graze my chest I bite back a groan as she pants lightly in anticipation.

Lifting my head above hers our eyes meet as we pause for a second, seeing her eyes flash down to focus on my lips her tongue darts out and wets her own. That's all I need to crash my lips against hers as we fight for dominance, sweeping my tongue in she moans into my mouth lightly as her hands tug on my hair holding me close. Our lips move in sync as her hips lift to graze her warm core against my hard shaft confined in my trousers. Her hands scratch lightly down my back before grasping my waistband and with a swift jerk has them ripped off freeing me from my confines. Breathing a sigh of relief I see Nova smirking up at me as her hands move round my front and grasp my shaft pumping it steadily. Bucking my hips up into her I reach my hand round and squeeze her boobs before lowering my mouth and sucking a hardened bud into my mouth. Seeing her bite her lip through my lashes i surge up and claim her lips with mine again before her legs lock around my waist and she swiftly turns us so she's straddling me.

Tracing her hand down my chest she bites her lip as she grinds down onto me, winking at me quickly she swiftly flips herself so her glistening core is perfectly placed above me. Feeling her warm lips surround my shaft I take a deep scent of her arousal before grasping her hips and pulling her down to meet my tongue. As she sets a steady rhythm bobbing her head I match it as I lick her core and suck on her swollen clit. Feeling the tension grow she starts to move her hips to meet my tongue, Nova sucks me harder before reaching a hand around to play with my tightening balls. As I bite gently on her clit she hums against my shaft. "Let go love" I link huskily as I feel her legs quiver near my head. Feeling her move jerkily up and down my shaft I lift my hips to meet her mouth as I slide a finger in and curl it making her tighten as her juices flow as her body is rocked with pleasure.

"Fuck Nova" I shout as my hips jerk and my cum spurts down her throat. As I feel her relax above me I quickly lift and spin her round ripping the rest of her clothes off of her before moving over and thrusting deep inside her making her gasp. Smirking down at her I hold her hips down with one of my hands and place the other on her neck lightly showing her who the Alpha is between us. As her eyes darken showing her pleasure I increase my pace grunting as I thrust into her hard making her gasp in ecstasy.

"Oh my goddess Jax YESSS" she screams as I rub her clit with my thumb.

"You're mine Nova, MINE" I growl as I lift her hips to meet mine making her tremble, as her walls tighten I thrust into her and lean down biting her neck on her marking spot making her convulse towards me as pleasure fills her body and flows through our bond. Feeling her walls clench around my shaft I release a guttural groan as she reaches up and bites down on my own mark making my shaft twitch as I release deep inside her.

Slumping down over her I gently kiss her shoulder as we try to steady our breathing. Rolling over I grin at the ceiling, "damn" I whisper, looking over at Nova I see her eyes closed as her breathing quickly evens out.

"Tired her out" Zeus smirks to me smugly.

"Good" I murmur as I let myself drift off into the darkness.

Waking up I feel Novas leg draped over me as her head rests of my chest, the sunlight filtering through the curtains making me groan as i look to see what time it is.

"Nova love you need to wake up, it's 8am. We have breakfast with everyone" I whisper as I gently kiss her cheek. Sitting up she slowly rubs her eyes before stretching as she wakes up.

Yawning she rolls her shoulders a few times, "I slept so well" she smiles at me.

"Glad to have been of service" I reply cheekily before standing and walking into the bathroom. After freshening up quickly I swap with Nova to quickly get dressed. Checking my phone I see I've got a missed call from Axton which I immediately call back.

"Morning Alpha Jax" he answers on the 2nd ring, "I hope you enjoyed Novas party?" He asks politely.

"It was great thanks for asking, I'm sure that's not why you're calling though" I chuckle lightly.

"No..no it's not. It's about Caroline. I can arrange for her to be transported to your pack this afternoon, I didn't want to do it earlier and cause Nova more stress but now her birthday is out the way I don't see the need to put it off any longer" he explains.

"I agree. That's fine, Luca will be staying here until tomorrow evening as arranged so I believe it could be beneficial Caroline being brought here so Luca is supporting Nova when we attempt to wake her" i muse walking over to stand by the window.

"Definitely. I'll have my Gamma and 4 warriors as well as 2 medical professionals transport her, is 4pm ok for her arrival?" He checks

"Yes I'll make arrangements with our pack hospital this morning so they are ready for her arrival. Can I check, has she woken at all since her detainment?" I inquire.

"Not once, she was knocked unconscious during the attack by Novas mother, sorry her adopted mother. Nova is the one who made the decision to transport her to the hospital and she was later transferred to the long term unit when she showed no indication of waking. I trusted Novas judgement and obviously now I understand why she had the feeling even though she didn't understand at the time" he sighs.

"Well thank you for calling to organise it Alpha, if you could notify me when your Gamma is on the way I'd appreciate that. Good bye Alpha" I say before disconnecting the call as Nova exits the bathroom dressed and ready to go down.

Holding my phone up I shake it before speaking "Axton just called.. Caroline is being transferred to here this afternoon so we can try and wake her" I say looking at Nova closely. Seeing her pause slightly before shaking her head then nodding she smiles lightly.

"Well it's best to get everything in motion and that's the first step which is good" she says positively.

"It is, I'll speak to the pack hospital this morning and arrange everything" I assure her as I take her hand leading her downstairs.

"Thank you" she whispers before dropping a kiss on my cheek and smiling widely as we walk into the company of others.

"It'll be ok" I link her quietly.

"I know it will be..I've got you" she links me back making me smile to myself.

"Morning everyone" I smile as we sit down to enjoy breakfast.