## **Her Cold-Hearted Alpha chapter 31**

A Decision ALEJANDRO I had spent the night running , hunting and even working out . I don't know why

but I couldn't face coming back . I had never been so thrown off after sex , all I could think about was

how I felt when I fucked her . I wanted to taste her again , to feel her against me once more . To taste

those lips of hers and to actually eat her out ... Yeah , that was something I never did ... I'd take the

favour willingly but I wasn't one to return it . Not until it came to her .

Kiara Westwood . Just her name

was fucking making me throb . Fuck it . I finally headed back home when the sun had risen .

I stopped in my tracks when I saw her standing there dressed in tiny white shorts that showed off her

thigh tattoo and her sexy legs , with a green top that only made her eyes look greener . She looked

directly at me . Her heart was racing and I had no fucking idea what she was expecting from me . I  $\mbox{didn'} t$ 

know what I wanted either so I just walked past her , feeling something tighten in my chest . It was

fucking strange , I never cared about anything but she was doing something to me , and it was getting

fucking hard to resist . It took my all not to turn , slam her against the wall and fuck her all over again .

I closed my eyes . What did I want ? my Instead , I headed inside , using all willpower not to go back and

call out to her . I needed to avoid her if I could . I guess I should focus on that fucker Bill so he can leave

the fucking pack . Not to mention there was the council meeting in a few days . I showered , before  $\min$ 

 linking Darien t o send Bill to my work office . I glanced towards my home office , last night vividly

coming back to me . Foreign feelings consumed me and I frowned , turning away . She was messing with

me and she wasn't even around ... " Alpha . " Bill said politely , entering my office and taking a seat opposite me .

" So , have you come to a decision about the land ? " I said , skipping formalities . He shuffled in his seat ,

his face changing to an interesting shade of plum . He was nervous , I could smell it from here . The dude

needed a shower too  $\dots$  I resisted wrinkling my nose . Disgusting piece of shit . " I have  $\dots$  and well  $\dots$  I uh

 $\dots$  I have a pre proposition for you ! " He spluttered , his face going darker . I raised my eyebrow . What

the fuck was this proposition .

That he couldn't even speak ? Fucking loser . " Keep talking , I don't have all fucking day 11 " I will give

you the land , free – to keep forever! As a gift , I mean – as a wedding gift . Take my daughter as your

Luna and after I die, even my pack will become yours!" He shouted.

The fuck? I wasn't deaf, why did

he feel he had to bark like a fucking dog?! " Chill the fuck out . " I growled , resisting the urge to massage

my temples . The Quick Fang pack was a decent size but I wasn't looking to expand my pack . I only

needed warrior wolves . As for the land , I'd take it one way or another ... Usually , I would have declined

the offer straight – up  $\dots$  I knew the council wanted me to take a mate  $\dots$  but  $\dots$  Kiara . I looked out the window at the shining sun .

What did I do? Kiara was young ... Yeah , I didn't seem to care when I fucked her . She deserved

someone who could love her ... Not someone who would destroy her . Even if my assumption was

correct and maybe just maybe she was my mate , I wouldn't be able to treat her the way she deserved to

be ... Jasmin was twenty – five , smart and knew when to shut her fucking mouth . She was the type who

wouldn't even dare to speak up against me if I fucked another woman .

The type who would just be

happy with the title of queen . Yet she had the experience to run a pack , as the default heir to her

father's pack after her brother's death , she knew how stuff worked .

The council wanted me to choose a bride of Alpha heritage. Jasmin had never found her mate, possibly

dead . I guess that was another reason to choose her when our situations were so similar ... Kiara was

eighteen , feisty and strong willed . The type to challenge and question my every decision ... The type to

keep me fucking grounded , or try to . She was compassionate , strong and entertaining . The type of

woman that if you had her , you wouldn't even consider looking at another woman . I stood up and

walked over to the window, looking out at my pack. She would be the type of queen who didn't care

about the title and care for this pack as her own.

If she didn't turn out to be my mate, then she would find hers sooner or later. And if she was destined

for me  $\dots$  Then one day , she would tire of waiting and take a mate o f her own choice . Who wouldn't

want her? I remembered a few council meetings ago when someone mentioned her eyesight . They had

said to Elijah , that they wondered why the Goddess had blessed them with a faulty pup . He had flipped

and said that any man would be lucky to have her but none would ever be fucking worthy of her . Back

then , I had rolled my eyes as I told him to let go of the other Alpha . But now ... I had to admit he was

right . The thought of her with another man , made my chest squeeze fucking painfully .

The very feeling sent bolts of shock through me, carrying the weight of realisation with it. I cared for her

. I fucking cared for her . Did I even have the capacity to care ? I don't know . Recently I was feeling stuff ,

stuff I've not felt in a long time ... My mind went back to many years ago when Kiara had given me a

flower for saving her . I had crushed that flower under my foot , and with it , I had probably crushed her

little heart ... That was what I was good at , hurting people . I didn't have the mental state to love , nor

did I want to ... My purpose was to govern the werewolf race and that's it ... @ " " A-Alpha ... " Bill

brought me back to the present and I schooled my face back into its usual 'I don't give a fuck 'look

before I turned to him . " First of all , who the fuck do you think you are trying to bargain with me ? " I

said coldly, walking over to him.

He cowered i n fear . " N - no , no , my king . Even if you refuse , you m - may take over the lands and do

what you need to ... " He spluttered , spit flying from his mouth . I looked at him in disgust . How the fuck

was he Jasmin's father? They were fucking opposites. I mean, with Kiara you could tell she was Elijah's?Oh hell no. I was never going to admit that. No. Fuck that. I glared at the pathetic Alpha before me, crossing my arms as I turned away. I had made my decision." I'll marry Jasmin." Moonlight Muse

Author Thank you for reading.

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**Determined To Succeed** 

**KIARA** 

I looked down at the man before me . He was in his early twenties from what I could see . His face looked

sickly and I could see some abnormalities in it . His skin looked sallow and there were grey veins around

his eyes and up his neck , it was also covered in a layer of slime – like sweat . " He was bitten by a

Manangal two weeks ago . We have tried several treatment methods . You can see his wounds ...

infected . Any suggestions ? I have tried all the herbal remedies , including your suggested method

yesterday. It hasn't made much difference at all. His blood is completely poisoned." Doctor Callum said

. I could tell he truly was a doctor who aimed to help his patients no matter how low the chances were

that was clear from the fact he was asking me .

Looking for any input I stared at the man before m e , analysing him quietly . He suddenly turned and

looked at me with his dilated pupils that were a pale yellow , most likely his wolf's eyes ... The urge to

help him overcame me . I looked into his eyes which seemed to be trying to speak . " It's his mind . "  $\mathsf{I}$ 

said suddenly , blinking a t my own words . Doctor Callum and the two warriors looked at me sharply . "

Mind?" I shook my head; I don't even know what I meant ... I stepped closer and one of the warriors

placed an arm in front of me . " It's dangerous . " He said , his bright , sharp blue eyes looked cold . " I'll

be fine . " I said confidently . I stepped closer , until I was right up against the bed .

The man growled , his eyes enlarging as he tried to reach for me a s if he wanted to attack me . The two

men moved forward but I raised i my hand . " Hold it . " I said , before I placed my hand o n the man's

forehead, forcing it back against the table. He struggled as I gently stroked it, it was clear he was in pain

. My heart was filled with sadness , wondering how much pain he was in . I understood the need to bind

him , but it was clear the restriction was distressing him too . " Do sedatives not work ? " I asked ,

watching the man calm down under my touch . No reply . I looked up at Callum who was watching me

with an unreadable expression on his face . " Doctor ? " " How are you doing that ? " He asked quietly . "

Doing what ?  $^{\prime\prime}$   $^{\prime\prime}$  Calming him ...  $^{\prime\prime}$  He said . I looked back at the man who now had become still , his

breathing more even.

My heart skipped a beat and I removed my hand . " I didn't do anything special . " I said . Callum grunted

. " I would assume you're a witch , but us wolves can smell witches . " I smiled cheekily despite the grim

situation . " Maybe I'm just a natural . " I teased , before looking back at the man . " We need to keep

him calm . I'm sure if he wasn't so distressed , he would heal better . " Callum looked at the warriors

before scratching his chin . "I'm not sure what to say , this patients 'chance of survival and recovery is a

less than five percent . I don't think just his mind being at ease will help . " 11 " Is there anything you can

do for him?" I asked, raising an eyebrow." Nothing more, we will of course keep trying but-"

<sup>&</sup>quot;Then that's fine . From today , can I decide what to do with this patient and take care of him?" I asked

. My gaze fell to his mark and another wave of sorrow washed over me . I wonder what his mate was

going through ... " Very well ... " Callum said . " I will make you a pass while you are here . This is against

protocol, but the Alpha made it clear that you were to be treated with the highest regards."

Despite the situation , those words made m y heart skip a beat . Did Alejandro really say that ? My heart

warmed and I knew my cheeks were heating up .. " That would be great, Could I start with some blood

samples?" I asked." Of course, I will give you access to the supplies room and lab. Warrior Julio and

Bryan , if you can both make sure Miss Kiara is kept safe . " Doctor Callum said , and the two men nodded

." What's his name?" I asked, looking at the man on the bed." Valentin." Callum replied." Maybe a

visit from his mate, may ease him." "That isn't really an option. It would only distress her, seeing his condition like this. H I didn't question further and nodded before I

moved to leave the room to get what I needed . Valentin suddenly grabbed my wrist , instantly the

warriors were about to interfere . My eyes flashed and I glared at them ." Please , unless I tell you

otherwise , don't butt in . " I said to them . Couldn't they see his condition ? Why was it that wherever I

went , people thought I couldn't handle myself ? I slowly freed myself and looked at the man . " I'll be

back .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I said before I walked out , welcoming the fresh clear air .

My stomach was hurting thanks to the fact I had no breakfast . I still felt tired and achy , but I was more

excited to focus on the patient . I knew I was half avoiding Alejandro , but I didn't care . Not after how he

ignored me this morning , Three hours later , I had several samples and assessments done . I was sitting

in the lab looking at the results and comparing them to the ones that were taken this morning , two days

ago and then a week ago . What caught my attention was the latest ones , which seemed to contain

slightly less poison . Was it the fact he was in a calmer state of mind ? I tapped my pen on the table as I

jotted down some notes.

My stomach rumbled loudly and I saw the other doctors who were working on stuff look at me . I

blushed in embarrassment until one of the women came over . " Miss , you've been here for hours . Why

don't you call it a day?" She suggested." I think I will, I wanted to prepare some medicine for him

before I leave . " I said .. " Just don't burn yourself out . " She replied before walking off . I looked down

at my notes , I needed to look through the journal copies I had made . Glad that I had brought them

along. There might be something in there that could help.

Apart from that , I wanted to visit his mate . I placed my notepad aside and labelled all my vials and

research before storing them in a container and placing them in the fridges at the back . I then got to

making the medicine . I finally left the hospital holding my notes late in the afternoon . I took my phone

out , realising I had a few missed calls from Raven and two from a number I didn't know . I frowned as I

unlocked it . Ignoring Ravens 'countless messages , I sent her a quick message telling her I'll be back a

little later . The unnamed number had also left a message . ' Hey Kiara , It's me , Rayhan . Could we talk

when you're free?" I let guilt wash over me and I took a deep breath . Yeah, maybe we did need to talk

Sure, I'm heading to the pack hall for some food. Meet me there? By the way, I'll be cheeky and ask

you to bring some money – I forgot mine when I left this morning . I hit send and then decided to head to

the pack hall's diner . I was halfway there when none other than Carmen came in front of me , I saw the

flicker of annoyance in her eyes . I didn't need this right now . " How are you finding your visit ? " She asked .

I looked into her dark , piercing eyes . " Great actually . " I was about to walk past her when she stepped

in my way . " Can I help you with something?" I asked, my eyes flashing. " Calm down, I'm just curious

... I heard you're an impressive fighter from your pack member , Greg , was it ? I was wondering if you

ever wanted to match m e . I'm just curious how good you are . " I knew what she wanted to do : beat

the shit out of me, if given the chance.

I was strong but she was way more experienced . Her bulging muscles and battle scars spoke for

themselves . Not to mention , she was at least ten years my senior and one o f the head warriors of this

pack ... But I was my mothers 'daughter . " That would be fun . You're said to be one of the finest

warriors of this pack . It'll be nice to see how I fair against you . " I said confidently . She seemed

surprised when I agreed . Brushing her hair off her face , she smirked . " How about tomorrow .... Night?

"" Night ... " I said , why did she choose night time?

Her lip curled .  $^{\prime\prime}$  My bad , I forgot you can't really see at night . I

wondered if that rumour was true 11 or

not ... " No night is fine . " I said quietly . " Great . I'm not sure the Alpha will be ok with it . I mean , I

don't want him to get into an argument with your Dad . Maybe you should ask his permission first . " I

wasn't blind to hear the mockery in her voice . I clenched my jaw , trying not to get pissed off . " Don't

worry , I don't need anyone's opinion . I'll see you at 10pm tomorrow by the training grounds ? Is the

time suitable? It will be completely dark by then?" Her smirk faltered; I knew what she was doing.

Stupid bitch . If she wanted to play like that , I was ready . 11  $^{\prime\prime}$  Sure . I didn't bother replying or bidding

her farewell and continued on my way.

Rayhan was already waiting outside , leaning against the wall with his arms crossed . Once again , I

noticed the resemblance between Alejandro and him . His long hair was left open today though . He

wore a white t – shirt and blue torn jeans . I stopped in front of him and I saw him looking me over in

concern . " Shall we ? " He said . " Sure . " I said , as I fell in step with him and we went inside . We were

seated after ordering some pizza and french fries . We didn't have to pay , everyone knew who we were

and the place belonged to the king , no payment was required . " I'm not your Dad or your brother , so all

I'm going to ask is, are you ok?" He asked.

I felt my cheeks burn under his piercing dark grey eyes . " Perfectly . I'm sorry that he hurt you ... But it

was consensual. "I said, avoiding his gaze. Goddess, this was mortifying! I was discussing my sex life

with someone I hadn't talked to in ages!" You're a woman . So that's up to you ..

But don't get so deep into it that you get hurt in the end . " He said this quietly , picking up a pizza slice .

"Got it . "Too late for that , he used me and didn't seem to care ... Or maybe he didn't know what to say

... What was I expecting anyway? There was never a chance for more between us . I took one too and bit

into it . " How's your head ? " " Almost healed . " " I guess that's why your hair is not tied ? " I asked ,

feeling guilty . " It's no big deal . " He said grinning , running his fingers through his shoulder length curls .

I frowned standing up and placed my pizza down . " " Let me see . " " It'll heal , I'm an Alpha . " He said ,

picking up another slice.

He sure ate fast . I ignored his remark and walked up to him , parting his hair until I saw the wound that

was not fully healed. How hard did he slam his head ... ? I sighed deeply. " What are you doing?" He

asked , tugging away .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Just looking at your wound ... It still has a way to go to heal .  $^{\prime\prime}$  No big deal .  $^{\prime\prime}$  He

said , picking up some fries . " I'm sorry .

It was my fault . " " Not at all , but I'm curious to know ... you see in him ? " what did I blushed at the

blunt question . " Can we not discuss my sex life . " I said , glancing around . " No names spoken . " He

said smirking . " He's handsome .... but I don't know , we clash a lot . " I shrugged . " Now enough about

me , what about you ? No lady on your arm or are you waiting for your mate ? " " Let's just say I'm

waiting for the right girl . " He said , with a smirk . " Are you looking forward to finding your mate ? " " I

always have been ... " vanished .

I said , my smile The excitement I'd felt my entire life about finding my soulmate seemed to have faded ...

All thanks to one person . Alejandro . " Not so much anymore . " Rayhan stated , picking up his can of

fizzy . " Let's just say it's kind of complicated . " I said quietly . " He's already affecting you . Don't let him

hurt you , Kiara . That's all l'm saying . " 11 l didn't reply , the dull ache l felt this morning when he

ignored me settling into my chest once more . " I just think people don't see that he's human too ... " I

said after a moment . I didn't know why , but I felt the way he was viewed was because people feared

him for what he was ... Forgetting that beyond that he was just a human , with feelings .

"He's ruthless and cares for no one, Kiara. Everyone knows that." He said quietly, glancing around. I

didn't reply . I didn't agree . " Maybe . " I said , simply falling silent as I continued eating . Once I was

done I felt a lot more energised , not to mention the ache had gotten a lot less . I decided to ask

someone about Valentin's mate and pay them a visit

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Bake Off

**KIARA** 

I knocked the door to Valentin's apartment and it was opened quite soon by a young woman, who was

heavily pregnant . Instantly I realised why Callum had said it wouldn't be ideal ... " Can I help you ? " She

asked . I could tell instantly she was stressed , tired and distraught . I could also see she had been mated

into this pack because she lacked the muscles of the females of this pack .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I'm just someone from the

hospital , I just 11  $^{\prime\prime}$  No ! Selene no !  $^{\prime\prime}$  My eyes widened in surprise , realising what she was assuming .  $^{\prime\prime}$ 

No no! He's fine! I mean, he's still healing but his bloods are looking better than yesterday." I said

quickly, placing my hands on her shoulders and gently giving them a squeeze." Oh ... But there's not

much hope for him is there?" She whispered .. I gave her a small smile." There is always hope. I came

here for something actually . " I said gently . " Sorry I didn't get your name . " She said . " Oh sorry , I'm

Kiara and yours?" "Jean. "She said. "Jean.

Well , I was wondering if I could have some worn clothes , bedding , anything with your scent on it . I

think it would help Valentin feel at peace .... I know you can't be there but I think your scent would calm

him .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I asked gently . Not wanting to stress her out . She stopped and looked at me .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Do you think it

would help? "She asked . I saw the hope in her eyes and I swear I a m going to make sure he's ok!" I

think it will . " I said with resilience . She smiled and nodded . " Then I'll go get you some items!" She

waddled off and I wondered how far along she was . She looked to be near the end of her third trimester

and I wished Valentin could be by her side when she gave birth . She was back soon enough and gave me

a tight hug as a thank you .

With reinforced determination , I took the large bag of clothing and headed back to the hospital , lugging

the heavy bag with me . I ignored the looks I got from some of the doctors and nurses as I had to ask

someone to let me in , Doctor Callum didn't have a pass ready for me yet . Once I was in the ward , I

entered Valentin's room with three items from the bag . I placed them under his head as I stroked his

head gently . The room smelt slightly better with the windows now open , although they were just small

vents right at the top , every little helped . " Jean sends her regards ; she's waiting for you . " I said ,

hoping he could hear me and hopefully smell her scent . He seemed to calm down and the two guards

exchanged looks.

I stayed there for a while , until Valentin had fallen asleep , before I left and headed back to Alejandro's

mansion ... I wasn't looking forward to this , but I knew I had to face him sooner or later . I stepped inside

and his scent hit me strongly . My stomach did a flip and I hesitated in the hallway . I could tell from the

scents that Raihana , Raven and Jasmin were also there . " Please ? " Raihana asked , her voice was a lot

softer .. " I don't have time . " Alejandro's cold reply came . " It's just one movie . I'll bake . " Jasmin's

voice came . " Oh , why don't we do like a bake – off and uncle can guess who cooked what ? " Raihana's

excited voice came . " Bake – off for the king?" Raven's voice came .

She sounded quieter and I didn't

miss the hostility in her tone. "Why not? I think it'll be nice ... So he and Rayhan can be the judges ... "

"What does the winner get?" Jasmin asked in a very flirtatious tone." A kiss from the King." Raven

stated . I raised my eyebrows . What was going through that head of hers ? I didn't go into the living

room or bother to hear Alejandro's reply . Instead , I made my way upstairs . He was the one to blank me

this morning . If he wanted to acknowledge m e , he could do it on his own . I was not going to let him

walk all over me . I took a quick shower , seeing that most of the hickeys had vanished apart from one o r

two that left a slight bruising . By nightfall , I was sure they'd be gone too ... I traced my finger over one .

With its fading away , I felt like I would lose the memory o f last night too ... I had just pulled on a deep

purple crop top with black cropped high waisted pants, and was towel drying my hair when there was a

knock at my door .

I walked over and opened it to see Raven standing there . She didn't say a word and hugged me tightly .

Ok , now I'm worried . " I'm sorry . I know I was a bit harsh earlier " I'm sorry for hiding stuff too . " I said

, sighing as I hugged her back . Glad that things were ok between us . " Good , now how about you get

that sexy ass of yours downstairs and let's bake . Raihana somehow got him to agree to a 11 movie .  $^{\prime\prime}$ 

I'm surprised . It doesn't seem like it's something he'd do . " I said , as we left the bedroom , my hair was

still wet and my face was make – up free . " Yeah , well , he said he will be the one to choose the movie .

" " Oh . See , I knew there'd be a catch . " I'm a little tired- " " " You are not giving me that ! Who told you

to get busy last night ... Soo tell me how was he? "Raven asked, wiggling her brows . I blushed deeply ."

Incredible." I said blushing.

She smirked , pushing me towards the kitchen . We entered and I looked around the gorgeous kitchen

which was all black gloss doors and black granite worktops . A huge double door black fridge stood to

one side and there was a large island in the middle . The walls were tiled and the floor was white tiles . "

Come on , we are baking ! " Raihana said from where she stood , her hair up in a bun and an apron on . "  $\;$ 

Uncle and Rayhan will be here for the movie in under an hours time . " " Yeah , I'm making brownies , so

no one else make brownies . " Jasmin said with a toss of her gorgeous hair . I didn't bother replying and

instead began doing a loose plait in my hair just to keep it out of my way. I didn't have a band to tie it

back so left it , as long as it got me through my baking . " Well , I'm making fairy cakes . " Raven said

confidently . " Girl , can you bake ? " I asked her sceptically . " 4 " Of course , I can . " Well , I have to

admit, I love her confidence.

I decided on making some blondies . We had to wait ten minutes before the Omegas got us all the

ingredients . I was surprised to see the two women who worked here , they were barely seen around .

Even at dinner last night , I hadn't seen who served . I learned that they were twin sisters who both lost

their mates to a rogue attack . Carla and Claire . They were i n their mid – thirties and originated from

Alejandro's brother's pack . Jasmin kept making a mess and taking up more than half of the huge kitchen

. I worked slowly , too lost in thought as I tossed my mixture together . Only stopping to answer a video

call from Mom and Dad . " Angel!" Dad said the moment he saw me . I saw him look me over . " Hey

Dad , Mom . " I replied , waving as I poured the mixture into a tray . " What are you doing ? " " Baking . "  $\rm I$ 

said . H  $^{\prime\prime}$  Hey aunty Red , uncle El , looking good .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Raven added , popping her head in front of the screen .

"Dressed like that ... "Dad said, frowning a t my top." What's the big deal?" Mom asked him."

Rayhan's there . " I rolled my eyes . Dad , you're way off the mark . It's not Rayhan that you should be

worried about  $\dots$  I saw Raihana watching me , I gave her a small smile and motioned her over . " Dad ,

Mom , we're not alone . Raihana's here and the daughter of the Alpha of the Quick Fang pack . " 11 " 1 "

Jasmin Bloom. " Dad said in understanding, then turned to Mom.

Maybe he's agreed . " " Agreed to

what ? " I was confused . " Oh shoot , my cuppy cakes ! " Raven exclaimed , rushing to the oven .

I turned , looking at the smoke that was coming from the oven .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Dad , we got to go . My day's been

great and I was at the hospital for most of it . I'm enjoying myself . Love you both and give Liam my love

too! I'll speak to you guys later." " Take care of yourself." Mom said with a small smile. Dad didn't

look too pleased that I rushed the call but told me he loved me and to take care of myself before ending

it . I shook my head at Ravens slightly burnt cupcakes ... Ok , I'm being nice ; those things were as black as

charcoal . I knew this would happen . If anyone could burn cupcakes , it was Raven  $\dots$  " Gosh , someone

open a window ! "  $\mbox{\sf Jasmin said}$  , wrinkling her nose . Raihana rushed to open one and  $\mbox{\sf I}$  looked a t  $\mbox{\sf Jasmin}$  .

She hadn't thrown any digs at m e all day today . Although , after Alejandro's comment about talking to

me yesterday, she had thrown daggers at me all throughout dinner. But today she was i n an

exceptionally good mood . I didn't think too much into it as I placed my blondies into the oven . I knew

Alejandro liked my brownies . I wondered if he'd like these too ...

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A Reward

**KIARA** 

Half an hour later, we had arranged the desserts on a tray. Raven had smothered her burnt cupcakes

with so much icing you couldn't even see the cake at all – they looked anything but appetising . The icing

dripped down the sides , making me feel a little sick . I was going to feel sorry for anyone who tried them

. I didn't tell her that though . Maybe they'd pick up the smell and not taste them . Jasmin's brownies

looked good and so did Raihana's cookies . " I'll do the honours . "  $\mbox{\ }$ 

Jasmin was about to reach for the tray

when Raihana stepped forward , her gorgeous black ringlets bouncing . " I'll do the honours . " She said

sweetly . " I want to present this to my uncle and brother . " I saw her eyes fill with slight sadness and I

had a feeling she was probably remembering last night . " Ok . " Jasmin said , rolling her eyes .

She adjusted her dress and smoothed her hair out . We all trailed into the living room and I ran my

fingers through my hair that was now almost dry . I felt his eyes on me and I looked up slowly , letting my

fingers continue to run through my hair before I looked away . The room was large , with dark walls ,

black carpet and the large windows that had black curtains which were wide open .

There were black leather sofas , a coffee table , some canvases and a 60 – inch television on the wall . "

Ok , so you take a bite of everything , choose the winner and then they get the reward . " Raihana

explained . " Perfect . " Jasmin said , taking the seat next to Alejandro who was sat in the middle of the

sofa , his legs sprawled out in front of him with a completely cold , 'I don't give a fuck 'attitude .

While Rayhan was sat on the other sofa on one side . " Ok , no hinting or anything . " Raihana said ,

excitement clear on her face . I felt guilty for the trouble I caused last night . said , popping it into his

mouth . " Too dry . " Jasmin's face fell a little but she said nothing as she watched Alejandro , who didn't

speak . Rayhan grabbed a cupcake and Alejandro went for a cookie . " These smell burnt ... " 11 " They

taste fine . " Raihana said innocently . " Meh ... " He shrugged and took a big bite . Oops ? The guys

definitely took big bites ... He gagged and spat it out into his hand . " Who the fuck made such crap ?! "

Me and Raihana burst into laughter at the look of complete annoyance and unhappiness on Raven's face

, as she stood there hands now on her hips . " They are not that bad! The icing takes the edge off!

"She grumbled . "I'm a werewolf! Our senses are heightened! Nothing can take the edge off!" He

stood up and rushed out of the room, most likely to grab some water. I giggled as Raven grumbled

something incoherent . " He was an idiot to even risk it when you can smell that they're completely

charred . IT Alejandro remarked as he ate his cookie . " Not bad . " Raihana's face lit up . Just then ,

Rayhan re -entered with a large glass of milk and took a blondie , as he grumbled that the burnt taste

was lingering in his mouth . Still , it seemed he hadn't learned his lesson , when he shoved a full square into his mouth .

My eyes were on Alejandro though , as he finally took a piece of the blondie , observing it for a moment

before he bit into it . His eyes instantly went to me as he swallowed and I tried not to look at his Adams

apple bopping behind those tattoos that covered his neck .  $^{\prime\prime}$  These , whatever the fuck they are , are

fucking delicious .  $^{\prime\prime}$  He said in his deep voice . His comment sent my heart racing and m y stomach

knotted. Raven smirked.

"They're blondies, Alpha." She said as Raihana smiled and turned to her brother. "And you, Rayhan,

what did you like ? " " Yeah , the blondies . " He said , shooting a glare at Raven , who stuck her tongue  $\,$ 

out a thim . " So , Kiara gets the reward ! " Raihana said with an amused smile . " What reward ? "  $\!\!\!$ 

Rayhan asked . " A kiss from the King . " Raven said smugly . " Is it necessary ? He didn't agree . " Jasmin

said , her lips now pressed together . " He didn't refuse either . " Raven shot back . " It isn't necessary , so

what are we watching?" I asked, my heart was racing and I wished that werewolves didn't have such

good hearing , knowing that everyone could hear it . " Uh ... " Raihana looked between us , the room felt

tense and I determinedly kept m y gaze on the TV.

There was a movie on screen , ready to play . The tension in the room was thick and I was glad when

Raven picked the remote up and pressed play . " " This movie isn't for Raihana's age ... " " Hey! No fair!

Even Raven isn't eighteen! "Raihana protested." Stop being such a fucking grandma. "Alejandro said,

his eyes meeting mine before they dipped lower, running over me slowly." You might not look as

young as you are but you're still eighteen , act the fuck like it . " It was the first words he had spoken to

m e , and they rendered me speechless . Was that a compliment or an insult ? I didn't say anything more

as Raven now sat next to me and we all began to watch the movie . I wasn't able to focus on it .

I realised Rayhan didn't even talk directly to Alejandro once , who sat emotionlessly , his dark aura

swirling around him . I felt his intense gaze on me a few times but I tried not to pay attention to him .

The few times I did glance at him , I found myself admiring his physique or wondering what Jasmin was

to him . She seemed content and happy , even leaning on him a few times . And he didn't seem to mind

 $\dots$  They seemed  $\dots$  intimate . But then why did he fuck me ? It hurt seeing that , but at the same time I

don't know why I should feel like that . The movie suited Alejandro well . It was a dark thriller – " The  $\,$ 

Law Abiding Citizen ' – and although I was a werewolf who had seen blood many times , watching him

gruesomely torture the man who did deserve it , was still horrible .

My blondies were gone and I was a little proud that Alejandro had ate more than half . her The movie

was over and it was now dark outside . Raihana had fallen asleep , it seemed she really hadn't slept well

last night . Jasmin's eyes had been glued on Alejandro and I didn't miss the way I hand often found its

way on his thigh . He didn't seem to care either .... that hurt . Was last night just a pent up want ? Once

he had me , he was now done and dusted ? Pushing the thought from my head , I tried

to focus on something else . I could smell the delicious food being cooked in the kitchen and felt my

stomach rumble . " You sure can eat . " Rayhan said . I couldn't see him properly thanks to the black

screen for the credits . "I won't deny it . "I said standing up . I could see the line under the door .

Keeping my eyes on it , I slowly edged forward . " Want- " I heard Raven begin . " I'm fine . " I cut in . I

didn't need help; I didn't need the reminder that I was seriously lacking something. Knowing I was being

watched . " Wait . " Alejandro's deep voice came and I stopped in my tracks .

I heard someone move and then his scent became stronger as he neared me . My stomach knotted and

my heart was thumping . " What is it?" I asked quietly , wondering what a werewolf's sight was like at

night . Was everything the same colour as it was during the day ? Or was it like night vision glasses you

saw in the movies? My breath hitched when he took hold of my wrist. Tingles rushed up my arm and I

was very aware of the way his rough finger pads felt against my soft skin . " Not going to collect your win

?" He asked mockingly . " No , it wasn't that tempting for me to claim . " I lied . He pulled me close , his

hand gripping my chin as he tilted my head upwards . I looked into his glowing red eyes , the only thing  ${\sf I}$ 

could see in the darkness.

My heart was thumping but his was racing too ... " Shame you don't get a fucking choice then . " He

whispered huskily . He didn't seem to care about the audience we had . He bent down and my eyes

fluttered shut as his warm breath hit my face . Just when I felt he was going to tease me and pull away .

His lips met mine in a rough , bruising kiss , setting off fireworks deep within me . My breathe hitched as I

felt the need behind his touch . His hand let go off my wrist and wrapped around my waist , pulling me

flush against him . I let out a small whimper when I felt him throb against my stomach .

Goddess ... I slowly kissed him back , my hand gripping his shirt as I now reciprocated the kiss with equal

passion . Our lips trying to dominate one another's . Pleasure coursed through me and I just wanted this

kiss to never end . His tongue ravished my mouth before he sucked on m y tongue , a soft moan left my

lips . But all good things have to come to an end , right ? " Wow , seeing my fiancé kissing someone else

is something else .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Jasmin's voice came , laced with irritation and disdain . Loud and clear in the

suddenly very quiet room ...

Her Cold-Hearted Alpha chapter 35

A Shock

**KIARA** 

I froze and I felt Alejandro stiffen . I pulled away as if his touch burnt . " Slut . " Jasmin's quiet voice came

. 'Slut 'Alejandro had called me the same . If I knew ... An excruciating pain pressed against my chest ,

suffocating me . I felt like I was being forced underwater . I couldn't breathe . I turned and rushed to the

door . The strip of light was the only thing guiding me , I stumbled as my hands desperately felt around

for the door handle . When I sensed another presence and Raven's scent filled my nose , then the door

was pulled open by her . I stepped out and rushed for the stairs . "

Kia ... " She whispered but I couldn't

look at her as I ran up the stairs and straight to  $my\ room$  .

I was about to lock the door when she slipped inside just before I could slam it and locked it for me ,

pulling me straight into her arms just as I broke down . " I didn't know . " I whispered as she lowered us

to the ground . " Oh , he is such a fucking bastard . " She hissed as she caressed my hair . I could feel her

anger and sadness . Why hadn't I listened ? A loud sob escaped my lips and I clamped my hands over my

mouth to muffle the sounds . It hurt , so much . Why did he play me when he had someone ? And then

kissed me in front of her? I rocked myself, trying to ease the pain that was battering my chest.

Raven hugged me tightly but it wasn't enough . " It's ok ... It's going to be ok . He's a dickhead . I swear if

Uncle El and Liam "knew-'" They are never going to know." I whispered, looking up at her. "I want to

g o for a run . " " Kia ... It's dark . " She whispered , sadness i n her eyes . " I don't care . " I can smell fine .

I would be ok , I just wanted to be alone . " I can come with you . " " No , you can't shift . I just want to run .

You will slow me down ... Please Raven . " I whispered . The room was too suffocatingly tight . I needed

space and fresh air . " Kia ... Fine . " She sighed in defeat . " Cover for me . " I said quietly . She nodded ,

watching as I stood up and walked to the large windows . I looked down into the darkness , all I could see

was black with a few dots of light . I pulled my top off and stripped my trousers off before I slid the

window open and jumped out . I shifted in mid – air and ran ahead , not caring that I couldn't see

anything , it didn't matter if I got hurt .

The pain I was feeling in my chest was a thousand times more than any that could be inflicted upon me

physically . Jasmin's words echoed in my mind and I felt horribly stupid . How could I not have realised it

from the way they were sat? What game was Alejandro playing? I knocked into a wall, whimpering as

pain sent a spasm through my side . I got back u p and felt along the wall . Was this the one around the

edge of the mansion ? I backed up , trying to remember the height of the wall , readying myself for the

leap . Three , two , one ..... I broke into a run , leaping into the air and over the wall , landing on the

ground . Agonising pain shot up my leg but I didn't hesitate before I took off blindly into the darkness .

ALEJANDRO When she tore herself from my hold, I was shocked ...

The way she stumbled blindly and felt for the fucking door handle , hurt like a bitch . Physically , the pain

I felt rendered me fucking stunned . I just stood there as she ran up the stairs , unable to process

anything with the foreign emotions that I was feeling .. I kissed her because I couldn't hold back . I

needed to taste her again . The way she had sat there , crossed legged , watching the movie . Her breasts

were in nothing but a tiny crop top ... The way she pouted o r wrinkled her nose at a scene in the movie .

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crop top ... The way she pouted o r wrinkled her nose at a scene in the movie . The way she kept twisting

a strand of her hair around her finger . The way she had reached for a cookie when the screen was at its

brightest . It fucking hurt . I wanted to fucking hold her and give her whatever she wanted ... It was

fucking with my mind . "You're engaged?" Rayhan's voice came . I swallowed, trying to compose

myself. I looked back at Jasmin as she sat there, clearly fucking jealous.

My anger blazed u p and I clenched my fists , resisting the urge to tear her head off . " What I do , and

with who , is none of your fucking concern . We're getting married by fucking name . If you even think for

one minute that I'll be loyal to you , then you're way more fucking delusional than I thought . " I said

coldly . My anger whirled around me as I glared at her . Her face drained of colour and she whimpered in fear .

"I kissed her . Next time you call her a slut "I didn't finish my threat, turning and storming out of the

fucking room . What do I do ? Wasn't this my decision ? To marry Jasmin ... I stopped halfway up the

stairs , I couldn't go after her . What was the fucking point ? What the fuck was wrong with me  $\dots$  "

Uncle . " Rayhan's voice came . I turned and looked at him , my eyes flashing red , silently warning him to  $\,$ 

watch before he spoke.

I was in no fucking mood for shit . " What the fuck do you want ? " " You're marrying Jasmin . So please

leave Kiara alone , she doesn't deserve this . " He said quietly . I felt a pang of guilt and fucking jealousy a

t the fact that he was telling me what the fuck I should do , and that he was worrying about Kiara . "

Don't tell me what to do , Rayhan . " I warned dangerously . " If you care , even an inch for her  $\dots$  If there

was anything in that kiss apart from sexual attraction , then please just don't hurt her .

That was it . I'm fucking done . In a flash , I was down the stairs , slamming Rayhan into the wall . This

time he seemed to have been expecting it . Saving his head from being smashed into the wall . " I don't

care . I've never cared . Women are women . The harder they play , the more satisfaction I get in

breaking them .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I said coldly . Guilt . Something I've not felt in fucking years was eating me up .

Screaming at me t o stop , with every fucking word that left m y lips .  $\H$  Kiara was just another one in an

ever growing pile of women I've fucked . " I said coldly . Yeah , guess I'm being a fucking dickhead . Well

then , I guess I best go the full fucking way . Rayhan shook his head , his eyes a deep emerald green . "

You really don't have a heart ... Wow ... You hurt an eighteen – year – old girl , thanks to your fucking messed up games .

Do your worst . I don't give a shit . " Rayhan snapped . " I will do my worst in whatever way I want .

You're a fucking pup . If you weren't Rafael's , I would end your fucking life right now . " I let go of him

roughly, turning away." Do it, since when has blood ever stopped you from killing one of us?" I

stopped in my tracks . So , Rafael had told him ... The one thing I asked him never to tell anyone ... This

betrayal wasn't something I could push away . Only adding to the hurricane that was growing within me .

"Well then ... I guess one more to that list won't make a difference . "I growled , turning as I glared at him .

He didn't know what he was messing with ... He stood there , anger clear in his eyes . His Alpha aura

rolling off of him but it was nothing compared to mine . " Shame your Dad didn't warn you to stay away

from me ... I'm a fucking monster after all . " With those words , I shifted and lunged at him , unleashing

all the pent – up rage that I could no longer contain ...

Her Cold-Hearted Alpha chapter 36

The King's Rage RAVEN Kiara's pain lingered, even when she jumped from that window. I hated seeing

her like this , I just wish I could do more for her . I sat on the ground feeling a little lost , I wanted to go

down and beat that big , bad Alpha up . He really needed to remove the stick that was stuck up his ass

and stop being such a dick! How could he just do that to Kiara? I wish she understood this wasn't like

the Damon and her situation , it was clear she liked the king more than just sexually . I mean , yes , the

man had a fine ass that made you want to squeeze it – not to mention , he was absolutely tasty looking –

but for him to hurt Kiara like this, outshone all his hot looks.

I sighed deeply wishing I could ask Liam for advice , but I knew I couldn't . I missed him and Damon .

Things seemed so much calmer knowing they were there looking out for us both . I was torn out of my

thoughts when I felt the entire ground shake . Something had happened . I hurried to the door and left

the room , shuddering when I heard the scariest growl I had ever heard . It filled m e with fear , I felt

myself tremble under the power that seemed to seep into every corner of the mansion . I hesitated .

Should I go see ? I could hear things breaking and shouting .

I slowly made my way out of the room . " Alpha! Stop!" " Alejandro! You will kill him!" Darien's voice

came . I stopped at the top of the stairs ; my heart seemed to pause at the sight before me . The entire

hall was unrecognisable, whilst a wolf and Lycan were fighting. I had never seen such a terrifying sight in

my life . A Lycan ... It was true ... He was something completely different ... He towered far above his

human height of 6 foot 5 inches . His fur was so black it looked almost blue and the suffocating aura that

rolled off of him made my knees weak . Twelve warriors were trying to stop him from killing the large glossy black wolf .

Rayhan ... I could smell the blood and my heart thumped , feeling a fear I had never felt before . I saw

Serena making her way around the warriors and Darien as she hurried upstairs to me . " What happened

?! Claire mind linked Darien . " She whispered , dragging me back down the hall .. " He ... He kissed Kiara

... Although he's engaged to Jasmin ... and then I don't know what Rayhan must have said ... " I said .

Kiara needed to stay away from him , he was dangerous ... " What ? Engaged to Jasmin ? That ... Oh hell

 $\dots$  but I thought  $\dots$  " Serena shook her head  $\dots$  " Stay with Kiara  $\dots$  When he's like this , it's better everyone is

out of his way . Jasmin took Raihana out the window and is staying away . It's better if you come with me

too . The both of you . " "  ${\sf Umm}$  , Kiara went for a run ... "  ${\sf I}$  said . I felt a little unsettled . Serena frowned ,

before we both flinched as the entire ground shook once more .

"Get Rayhan to the hospital now!" Darien growled. My heart sank. Was he ok? Goddess, this Alpha

really was an A – grade asshole!" Ok girl, come on we need to leave. I'll find Kiara ... Can she ... I mean,

she can't see at night, can she?" Serena asked me as she pulled me towards Kiara's room, clearly not

wanting to come off as offensive in any way . " We will leave out the window . I'll tell someone to find

Kiara . You can stay at mine until things are ok , Raihana's already there . " I nodded ; this trip was

turning into a nightmare ... I just hoped Kiara and Rayhan were ok ... KIARA I don't know how long I've been running .

Blindly knocking into things at times , not that I cared . The pain took the edge off the one in my chest . I

had ignored the patrol wolves around his territory and just ran past them . My leg was hurting now and

m y limp was worse . I finally sunk down near a river , but I didn't get to rest when Greg's voice filled my

head. 'Princess, where are you? There's an entire squad out searching for you! It's not safe out there!

'He sounded alarmed and I cursed internally , hoping he didn't tell dad .

'Relax Greg , I'm just chilling

near the river . ''The Beta says you need to tell us your exact location . We need to make sure you are

safe . Alpha Elijah will have our heads . 'I sighed . 'I'm not sure where exactly , I can't see remember ?

Just, near a river ... 'I replied.

They'd probably find me soon , I'm sure the border patrol would probably know what direction I went in

. I covered my eyes with my paws although all I could see was the glow of the moon . The pain I had felt

had eased up a little , I was now angrier at the fact that he had gotten to me again . I swear by Selene the

Goddess , I won't let it happen again . I would focus on Valentin and the hospital , leave early in the

morning and return late at night . Hopefully , when aunty Indigo comes , we can go stay at hers . I'm sure

she'd happily let Raihana stay too ... I sighed deeply , trying to ignore the anguish that was eating me up

from inside \* 'Princess!' Harry's voice came . I resisted a groan and stood up , trying not to limp .

I had overworked myself . 'Come . 'He said . I felt him brush my side , urging me forward . I took a few

steps before I stumbled , he growled . 'He said . 'Shift . I'll carry you . " 'I don't have clothes . 'I whined .

I preferred Greg , he was nicer . Harry was a meanie! I could sense a few other wolves around and then

heard Serena's voice . " You're in pain Kiara . Here , change into this , " She pushed something against my

mouth and I caught it before I stumbled , unsure where to change . " All of you turn around . " She

commanded . I loved the Beta female , she was cool . Her commanding voice was clear and I was happy

when she told me I was ok to change . I shifted , wincing at the pain that was spasming up my ankle to my knee .

She helped me put the oversized shirt on . " Right . She's dressed . " She said . I felt her shift and the

sound of bones breaking, then Harry's annoying muzzle prodding my back. 'Get on . I made a face and

got onto his back . The man was annoying ! But in all fairness , I was glad , I could barely walk . " The

Alpha got angry . Is that why you left ? Greg and I saw several warriors go to restrain him ; he was going

to kill his nephew from what we heard . 'My blood ran cold . 'Oh no! Is Rayhan ok?! 'He was taken to

the hospital . He was impressive and actually attacked back , got a few hits in too , but the Lycan king is a

beast . 'Harry said . "I'm not happy with you staying there ... " 'He won't attack me . 'I said through the

link with such conviction that I wondered why I was so sure.

He had hurt me emotionally ... What's to stop him from hurting me physically too? " Take me to the

hospital . 'I sensed his disapproval through the link . 'I'm not sure that's a good idea . " " That's an order

. ' My command resonated strongly and he didn't reply . If the situation wasn't so dire , I'd have smiled at

how quickly he submitted . After all , I was the daughter of two Alphas . Blood , wounds and broken

bones . Rayhan had it all . Three doctors were rushing around tending to him as I stared through the

glass . We had reached the hospital quick enough and I was shocked a t the state he was in .  $^{\prime\prime}$  He's

bleeding too quickly ! " " Blood pressure is to low . " " His heart rate is dropping ! " I simply stood outside

the door, knowing he was in this condition because of me.

I had to help . I could see Doctor Callum rushing around . Would he let me help ? The urge to go to

Rayhan was growing , without even bothering with Serena and Harry , I pushed the door open and

stepped inside .. " Kiara! You can't go in! " Serena called, alarmed.

Doctor Callum looked at me and

motioned for Serena to leave . I didn't speak to him and made my way over to the bed . I placed my hand

on Rayhan's bleeding chest, looking at three large gashes that ran across it from his shoulder to his waist

. How could Alejandro have done this ? I saw him flinch when my hand touched the open gashes . Yeah , I

knew this was not hygienic or smart but there was something deep inside me urging me along . I wanted  $\,$ 

him to get better.

Blood coated my hands like water and I didn't even notice that the doctors had stopped working and

moving , " Kia uh ... " Rayhan groaned . His eyes fluttered open slightly . " What are you ... ? " He looked

down at his stomach, then back into my eyes that were fixed on him. I didn't realise what else he said

because suddenly I felt my energy drain as I collapsed . All I remembered was someone catching me

before I hit the ground ...

Her Cold-Hearted Alpha chapter 37

A Little History

**KIARA** 

Shouting . It's all I could hear , then the clean smell of a hospital hit me ... I frowned , Goddess why were

they so loud?" I want to know what happened?!" Greg's growl came." Calm down sir, you must

understand , she only overexerted herself . " Doctor Callum's voice . " I don't care , I'm calling Alpha

Elijah! "Greg snapped." Don't! Please ... I think Kiara will wake up soon." Raven's voice came. Thank

the Goddess for her! I mean, I didn't want Dad to come! I forced my eyes open and looked up at the

ceiling . Yeah , I was right , this was a hospital room . " Guys shut up . " I groaned .

They fell silent and I realised there were more than just the three in the room , Serena and Raihana were

also here . They all looked at me and I stared back . Was I naked ? I looked down . Nope , all covered .

"Something on my face?" I asked sitting u P. "More like what's in your hands." Raven said, smirking.

I raised an eyebrow , looking at my hands . " Oh , you're so dumb at times . " She said , making Raihana

smile . " You have a gift Kia . " She said . OK , I'm dreaming . Right ? What were they talking about ? The

door opened and my eyes widened in surprise when none other than Rayhan , stepped through the door

. Although a little paler than usual and with some bandages covering his chest and shoulder , he actually

looked fine . The state he had been in earlier , it wasn't possible for him to be up already .

This was definitely a dream . Should I pinch myself? "I never realised you were that special . " He said

with a wink, breaking the thick silence that had fallen over the group." Okay, either I'm dreaming or

this is a weird prank ... "I grumbled . I didn't feel tired anymore and it was dark outside , so it was still

night , right ? " Let me explain , Miss Kiara . " Callum said , coming over . " Remember how I said you may

be a witch with the way your touch calmed the patient? Well, there was more to it. It seems you're

blessed with some healing abilities .  $^{\prime\prime}$  It took a moment for me to understand his words . Ok , this was

ridiculous , I was definitely dreaming .

I raised my hand to m y mouth and bit down on it hard . Oh fuck! That hurt!" Kiara!" Raven said

alarmed . " That makes no sense!" I complained, massaging my poor hand. Doctor Callum chuckled."

I've heard of it . It's rare , but there are at least 3 recorded cases of wolves with the ability to heal

throughout our history . You are a healer wolf Kiara , your sight is clear proof of that . " 2 I didn't say

anything, trying to comprehend what he was trying to say.

" My sight? The part where I'm blind as a bat?" I asked, unhappy with this weird situation. "I'm really

curious to know what this means too . " Selena asked with intrigue . " The wolf who is blessed with the

gift of healing often lacks something . The first one recorded in history was a mute , she was born

without a tongue and therefore she couldn't speak, but the gift of healing ran through her veins.

The second was blind and the third was paralysed from the waist down . Very little is known about

healer wolves and some even think they are a myth , but for someone like myself who loves medicine

and healing , I have done extensive research . I believed in it , but there is no clear proof . The healer

wolves hold many abilities, although knowledge of what exactly those are has been lost. It also means

you are without a doubt of Asheton heritage . The past healer wolves were all known to be from that

lineage. " Callum explained.

I was beyond stunned, unable to really believe his words. Rayhan standing before me perfectly well,

looking at me smiling was proof enough, right? It seemed Callum wasn't done "The Asheton blood is

said to be from one of the very first werewolf families that came into existence . " " Wow ... " Raven

murmured . " It would also make sense for your mother's special abilities . Giving birth to a healer wolf is

very dangerous and not something an ordinary she – wolf would be able to do . Apparently , if we go by

the myths and legends, Selene was gifting her children the ability to grant life something the other Gods

disapproved of . So she made a deal that she would only grant this ability to a rare few , and in return ,

take something else from them to compensate . In your case , your night vision .

 $^{\prime\prime}$  He took a deep breath and continued .  $^{\prime\prime}$  It is said that some of the Gods tried to cheat her , to kill the

women who carried these healers , so Selene granted them the strength to protect their p pup . Your

mother's extreme self – healing must have played a part in her own and your survival . " Doctor Callum

looked grave now . Just the thought made my blood run cold . . If it hadn't been for the mention of the

name Asheton in my Great Uncle's books , I wouldn't have believed it so easily . " So long story short ,

when you touched m y wound , you healed it somewhat .

By tomorrow or the day after , I'll probably be as good as new . " Rayhan said , now walking over to the

bed and taking a seat . I could tell he was still in pain . I glared at him ; I was not going to let him off the

hook!" Can you stop challenging him?!" I said annoyed. He raised an eyebrow." Well, he acts like

he's the damn ... " He trailed off , making a face and I knew what he was going to say — ' Like he's the

damn King or Alpha '. unfortunately he was both . " Exactly , so please , if you want to do something for

me then please don't piss him off . " I stated . " Are you alright ? " He asked me , not even caring about

what I just said . I felt a sting of pain at the memory but I was not going to let him get me down . I was

Kiara Westwood , I was not a pushover . 2 " Perfectly . Just annoyed that he didn't mention his

engagement .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I said sighing .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Well ... Excuse me .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Callum said leaving , knowing the conversation was

getting serious . " Care to share what happened?" Raihana asked . " Never you mind , Uncle and I kind

of fought . " Rayhan said , it was clear she didn't really know the full story . It was better this way . I knew

she had been asleep when we kissed ... and I didn't really want to make stuff more awkward . " Well ,

that house is a wreck ... Do we go back there ? " Raven asked . " No , I can set you Serena said . all up

elsewhere . 11  $^{\prime\prime}$  Raven , you can do as you wish but I'm going back there .

I'm not going to let him think he had an effect on me . " I said firmly . My eyes flashed a brilliant purple .

Rayhan sighed . " You're more stubborn than your mother 11  $^{*}$  " And you're nearly as hot – headed as

your Uncle . " I shot back . 2 Raven huffed , giving in . " For you , I'll go back there ... " She muttered . "

Me too ... I mean , Uncle's been ok with me 11 Raihana said , looking at her brother . Rayhan didn't say

anything , as if contemplating what he should say . " Sure , whatever you prefer . " " Well then let's head

back . " I said , climbing out of bed . " Oh no , you two are staying at the hospital today . " Serena said  $\,$ 

firmly, making me pout. "Get some rest and just stay put. "1" Luckily, Uncle is leaving tomorrow

evening , so maybe we can all just chill together ? " Rayhan suggested . " Sounds good . " Raven nodded

her agreement . " As long as it's in the evening . I have stuff to do all day ... ' " I said . And at night I

thought, remembering the match with Carmen.

I was glad I was staying here tonight, but I didn't want to tell them that. I did feel tired but the main

reason was I didn't really want to go back to the mansion ... Not right now . I just needed a little time to

pull my thoughts together before I faced him . Serena nodded and told us that she'd take Raven and

Raihana to hers for today . Rayhan returned to his room and I lay down again . So much had happened , I

wouldn't be able to forget how he made m e feel . Or that night ...

Would I ever find anyone who awoke

the animalistic side within me the way he did? That deep desire that he ignited? I closed my eyes,

remembering the way he fucked me , the way he buried his nose into my neck and said my name .

I shivered as I felt my core throb . Don't Kiara ... Don't think about it .

Alejandro Rossi , the Lycan King , is

bad news . I would never be a side piece for him , and never would I hit on a man who was tied to

someone else . The mistake was made because I didn't know ... and for that , I'd apologise to Jasmin ...

But if she was willing to stay with a man like him , then that was on her ... So consumed by m y thoughts ,

I didn't even realise when sleep overcame me once again .

Her Cold-Hearted Alpha chapter 38

Lying To Myself

## **ALEJANDRO**

I don't remember it . All I remember is Darien screaming at me to get a grip . I came to , only to realise

the entire hallway was fucking destroyed . Blood was fucking everywhere and Rayhan was a bloody mess

. I won't lie , I felt fucking guilty seeing him like that , but the fucker kept pushing me . This is why I prefer

to be alone . No one around me to piss me off , n o one to risk hurting . I told you it was all I could fucking

do: inflict pain, cause pain.

It's what I was good at ... I stormed upstairs , not caring about anything as they rushed Rayhan to the

hospital . I didn't care if Rafael flipped or not . Maybe I just wanted to hear it from him , rather than just

sense it and see it in his eyes . I wanted him to scream that I was a fucking monster , just like everyone

else thinks I am . Was that the reason I kept lashing out at the fucking kid ? Got to admit he was pretty

good ... I looked at the marks that covered my entire torso . Fucker ... I dropped into my office chair ,

irritated to find that Kiara's torn clothes were gone.

The room was cleaned and I couldn't even smell her . Where the fuck did they all go? I didn't give a shit

anyway ... I took a packet of cigarettes from my drawer and lit one up , taking a long drag . Kiara . I

couldn't get her out of my mind ... I had hurt her ; I knew I shouldn't have kissed her but I couldn't stop

myself . I stared at the ceiling , not even moving when I heard Darien enter and run up the stairs . Did he

want to die too?

The door opened and he glared at me . " Alejandro . " I didn't reply , not even bothering to turn my

attention to him . " Seriously Alejandro , what happened ? " " I'm just considering if I should fucking

castrate you or tear your head off . " I said , looking at him murderously . He sighed . " Tell me , man . "

He said , closing the door behind him . " I fucked Kiara last night . " I said .

He gasped , like a fucking girl . Do men ever gasp ? I looked at him . Was he for fucking real ? " What ?!

You what ?! Elijah! Alpha Elijah is going to fucking kill you dude!" Yeah, this is why I don't like telling

him shit .  $\H$  I'm not scared of that dickhead .  $\H$   $\H$  Well , he and your brother together might be able to do

some damage . Throw i n Rayhan and Liam ... " Darien said . " I'm so fucking scared . " I said mockingly . "

Alejandro , why the hell would you fuck a teen ? " He asked , rubbing his forehead . " She's a woman . " I

said carelessly , remembering her perfectly smooth skin ... her pussy ... Pleasure rushed south and I

pushed the thoughts away . " You usually go for women over twenty at least ... " He remarked . Yeah , he

wasn't fucking wrong ... But there was something about her ... " Who knows? I found her fucking sexy,

so I fucked her . She wanted it just as much as I did . " I said coldly . " That's hard to believe . " He scoffed

. " She's a sweet young woman . " " Who doesn't want a piece of me ? " I said arrogantly . " Me . " He said glaring at me .

Well, someone wasn't in a fucking good mood." I'm still pissed off, so better watch it." I warned, my

eyes flashing dangerously . " Ok fine , so then what happened ? " He asked , sighing in defeat . " Then I

ignored her , agreed to marry Jasmin , then went and kissed her in front of Jasmin – who let it out that

we were engaged . She ran out , Rayhan tried playing the fucking knight in shining fucking armour and  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{I}}$ 

snapped . " I said in my ' I don't give a fuck ' tone . He looked confused and shocked .

Probably more because of my unbothered attitude . " Ok , about Jasmin ... Are you sure ? " He asked

quietly . " I need someone to play the role , I won't b e tied to her . " I said firmly , puffing out smoke . "  $\,$ 

You will have to mark her . 11 " Yeah , if I want fucking kids . Which I don't ... " " No. If she is to be the

Queen of this pack , will need to mark her . " then you "  $\rm I$  " Then  $\rm I$  will , but she's not marking me . " said ,

firmly tossing the cigarette butt into an ashtray and taking up another .

My entire neck was covered in tattoos , a decision I made years ago ... No one will ever mark me . I was

no one's fucking bitch . That was the plan even when I hadn't minded the idea of a mate . " Having a

mate is a beautiful thing . Destined or not ... Do what makes you happy Alejandro , not what is expected

or what you think is best .  $^{\prime\prime}$  He said quietly .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I always do whatever the fuck I want .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I shot back .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Yeah

, what you want , not what makes you happy . " He countered , now crossing his arms . " Look  $\dots$ 

Rayhan's in quite a bad state ... " I don't care . Get the fuck out .

" My tone held finality, my anger igniting once more. He just looked at me, knowing he wasn't going to

get more out of me . Not if he wanted to make it back to his mate and daughter alive . His gaze locked

with mine for a few seconds before he lowered his head in submission and then walked out . The door

shut with a click and I stared at the ceiling once again . Sooner or later I'd probably kill Jasmin in a fit of

anger, that's why she was ultimately the better option.

I wouldn't give a fuck if she died ... But Kiara Fuck , she had done something to me ... 2 I sat up , mind

linking Callum . 'What's happening down there?' I asked coldly . 'Alpha, Rayhan is almost fully healed.

''Wasn't he in a bad state?" I asked, frowning." Yes, but there is something I need to tell you. It's

about Miss Kiara and Rayhan's current state . 'He said , excitement barely contained in his voice . I

frowned deeply . What exactly was going on ? ' T'II stop by later ... ' I walked through the silent hospital

hall . I twas past midnight and everyone was mostly asleep . I was pondering over what Callum had just told me .

So , I had been correct , there was something different about Kiara ... Kiara was definitely different , not

to mention having the blood of one of the oldest werewolf families . I hadn't really ever heard of healer

wolves , nor had I ever come across the name Asheton before . I wasn't one for research and history

anyway . Not unless it involved Lycan's and that was research I did fucking years ago ... Callum had said

she would have special abilities aside from the healing . My was , if no one even knew of her ability and

even I could barely sense it , how did the wendigos track her down? Something wasn't adding up .

Witches could be the answer, but how capable are witches? The smell of hazelnut chocolate overcame

me and I knew she was close.

I made sure no one saw me as I slipped down the hall until I reached her room . What was I doing here ?

I hesitated but I couldn't stop myself . I needed to see her ... Opening the door , I slid inside her room ,

silently shutting the door behind me . There she lay on the bed in a clingy oversize shirt . The only light

was the moon shining in through the window, emphasising her perfect body. A thin sheet draped over

her from her waist down . Didn't they leave a lamp or light on for her ? I frowned as I pushed the thought

away . Why do I fucking care ? I looked at her once more . One hand rested above her head on the pillow

and the other was loosely draped over her waist . Her breasts rose and fell rhythmically .

A fucking siren , that's what she was . Without even trying , she had fucking messed with my head  $\dots$  I

inched closer . Her heritage was a surprise , and something inside of me told me she was the type of

queen I needed . The befitting Queen to stand by my side , but the two of u s were just too different to ever fucking work .

I was too fucking far gone , and dangerous . I know I can't say it was just the sex I craved . Well , I did

want that , but I'll admit that I cared too that was the reason she would never be an option . Being by my

side would make her a target . Although I knew she was already a target , I wouldn't make it worse for

her . Besides , monsters didn't love .

I slowly brushed the few stray strands of hair that hung over her face back , before letting my knuckles

brush down her soft cheek . She pouted in her sleep , nuzzling her cheek against my hand . I smirked

slightly . She was fucking cute ... Her lashes touched her cheeks as she slept and her plump lips were

parted slightly . She was the most beautiful woman I had ever laid eyes on . Yeah , I admit shit like that in

my head, but I wouldn't fucking dare say it out aloud.

She turned on her side and I slowly moved my hand away , watching as she tucked both hands under her

cheek , relaxing once again . I crouched down near the hospital bed , my face inches from her own . It

had fucking hurt when she had run from that room , seeing her so fucking vulnerable like that ... I was

sorry for being such a fucking dick to her, but I wasn't sorry for fucking her or for that kiss ... It was all I

wanted , to fuck her one more time . Who am I kidding ? One more time or ten more times . I'd never get

tired of her, and that was all the more reason to stay away. If I could.

I leant forward, placing a soft kiss on her lips, relishing in her sweet taste. I felt her breath hitch and

swiftly moved away as she stirred . Her heart rate quickened as she moaned , beginning to wake up . I

needed to stop doing this  $\dots$  Every touch , every kiss , was messing with  $\operatorname{\mathsf{my}}$  fucking head and body , in

more ways than one.

I was out the door , leaning against the wall by the time she sat up . " Is someone there?" She called out

, her soft husky voice slightly thicker than usual . I didn't move or reply , remaining a s silent as possible .

After a moment, I heard her sigh softly and I wondered what she was thinking. "You must be dreaming

Kia . " She murmured before laying down once again .

I silently made my way out of the hospital . I was going to leave on business later in the evening . But

right now , I needed to get away from here and maybe it was best I left earlier . With all the pent – up

emotions and frustration that coursed through me , I needed to vent somewhere . What better way than

to find a fucking Rogue hideout?

Her Cold-Hearted Alpha chapter 39

Healing

**KIARA** 

The next day , I awoke with a spring in my step . The only downside was that I had a dream that

Alejandro had kissed me . The thing was , it had made my entire body ignite with a need that I was so

desperately trying to ignore . It wasn't like he would have come to visit me; he was engaged to Jasmin .

In my half asleep state , I had even imagined his scent . I really needed to sort myself out and I had a plan

! This hospital would be m y escape .

I borrowed a phone before texting Raven to have some clothes and my phone dropped off to me . I was

then relieved when a nurse came in with some food , I was ravenous . After missing dinner last night , I

didn't even realise how hungry I really was . Raven came soon enough and dumped my bag on the bed . "

Ok , I'm off to shower!" I said , sliding off the bed . " Ok whoa! No! I need to talk to you . We need to

talk. "She grumbled." Can I go shower first? Then we can talk.

Promise . " She sighed and nodded in defeat .

I took a quick shower and pulled on the black lingerie, black leggings and a fitted long sleeved black top

that she had brought for me . One thing about Raven is , if you ask her to get you clothes – she will

choose black! Followed by purple or red ... Once I had slipped my flats on I returned to the room , towel

drying my hair . " Alright shoot , what is it ? " I asked as I sat on the bed and put some moisturiser on my

hands and face whilst looking across at her . " Kia . Tell me , are you ok ? " She asked with concern in her different coloured eyes . " Yes , perfectly . I was upset because if I knew

he was engaged , I wouldn't have gotten with him . I'm not that kind of girl Raven . I would never steal

someone's man , not unless he was my mate . " I joked . She didn't smile , as she picked up my Fenty lip

gloss and put some on herself . " I don't know , you hide how you feel often please don't . " She said

quietly . \*\*\* I sighed and looked towards the door . Raven was the closest to me , like she knew literally

almost everything about me apart from that one major secret about Damon and me that I had kept . I

didn't keep on hiding stuff from her . want "Fine , I am attracted to him , but I'll get over it .

I am not going to let him mess with me when he's going to get married and mated soon enough , I'm

guessing. "I said, applying my gel liner to my eyes and trying not to imagine Alejandro with Jasmin."

Hmm ok . Thanks for sharing , but if things get hard , remember we're all here for you . " She said . " I'm

planning to avoid him as much as possible . Besides  $\dots$  the blood moon is so close . I think I'll find my

mate. " " She smiled at me and nodded. " I'm sure you will. " " Who's finding who's mate? " Rayhan

said walking into the room . I frowned at him . " Ever heard of knocking Rossi?" I asked . 15 " No , I kind

of lost my manners as I got older .  $^{\prime\prime}$  He said , before holding out a bag . Darien went into town earlier

and got fresh doughnuts.

I thought 'I'd share  $\dots$  But if you girls don't want any- " Doughnuts  $\cdot$  Hot , fresh doughnuts  $\cdot$  My mouth

watered just at the very thought , I rushed across the room and grabbed the bag .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Thank you , of course

we'd like to share . " I said , opening the brown wrapper and pulled out a sugar — coated doughnut

before taking a bite .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Goddess , this is amazing . 11 He chuckled as Raven took one too before I handed

the bag back to him . " Not sure if I should have shared with " He Raven , after those deathly cakes . "

said , making her glower at him . " If you hadn't nearly died , I wouldn't let you off with that . " She said .

" How do you feel now ? " I asked him . He was dressed and I couldn't really see the bandages underneath .

He tossed the doughnut bag on the bed and lifted his shirt off over his head, making Raven whistle. I

had to admit , the man sure was fine ... Yes , maybe not as ripped and dominating looking like Alejandro

was – his skin looked more tanned and defined ... But he was still very sexy ... I stopped admiring his

perfect six - pack and looked at the wounds . It was almost as if he hadn't even gotten injured the day

before . I walked closer to him . How was that even possible ... ? 11  $^{\prime\prime}$  Wow ...  $^{\prime\prime}$  I'd like to pretend you're

saying wow at my body , but it's the wounds , right ? " He said , with a small smirk . " Yes , the body is

great too , but I do mean the wounds . " I said , amused as I traced m y finger over the almost fully

healed cut and felt him tense . " Sorry if I'm hurting you . " I said , removing my hand and leaning closer

as I examined it . "You're healing so well . " "Thanks to you . "He said quietly . "No , it's my fault you ended up getting hurt .

I honestly can't believe I did that . " " Well , it seems unknowingly you tapped into it . Remember Kiara ,

sometimes when one of the pups got ill , didn't they enjoy your touch?" Raven asked suddenly . "That's

because I was gentle and not whacking their heads to run away . " I retorted , amused . " Alright , alright

! I get it . But thinking of it , didn't those comments start more after you turned eighteen ? " She asked .

She wasn't wrong ... " Ok guys , I need to go ! " I said , grabbing the doughnut packet . I rushed from the

room , stumbling a little as I hurried through the hallway heading for the second floor . If I had this ability  $\,$ 

, then I could help Valentin , right ? How did I tap into it ? Was it the urge to want to see them get better

?" This is a hospital, Miss Kiara." Callum's voice came as I almost knocked straight into him." Sorry!" I said embarrassedly.

He gave a small smile . " Heading to Valentin's room ? " " Yeah ... " " Here's your card and I think I'll come

with you . If you're planning to use your ability , I want to monitor it . We don't want you to overexert

yourself . " He said firmly . " I ... " I trailed off . He had a point . I was really excited as I impatiently waited

for him to lead the way . When I was finally able to reach Valentin , I noticed the smell in the room had

eased up a little since the day before and he looked visibly calmer, holding on to the item of clothing

that I had left under his head . " Do you think we could get the blood pressure machine in here?" Doctor

Callum said quietly to one of the nurses who stood by the door . She nodded before walking off .

The two guards stood close behind as I placed my hand on his forehead . Ok , here I go ... I thought ,

taking a deep breath . " Do you have any idea how you will do this?" Callum asked me . " I don't really

know . Whenever someone's ill , I just have this urge to want them to be alright again . " I said . " So I

think I got this . " I took a deep breath , watching as the nurse pushed the stand with the machine on into

the room, leaving it with Doctor Callum." We haven't been able to check his heart rate or anything due

to his behaviour, but he's calm right now, so let's see ... '

I slowly peeled the bandages of the herbal paste I had applied off and wiped them clean . Trying not to

flinch at how deep and garish his wounds were . I had seen they had tried to stitch him up too , but it

didn't work , not with the infection eating up at the flesh . I waited until the machine was hooked up and

then closed my eyes , placing my hand firmly on his forehead . I wanted him to get better , to be there

for Jean and his unborn child . My heart raced at the sadness that I had felt for her , the fear that she  $\,$ 

may lose her mate filled my heart with fierce determination .

No matter what , I was not going to stop trying until h e was better . I heard a murmur . " By Selene ... " .

" Callum whispered in awe . I opened my eyes , seeing the faintest of light around my hand . It instantly

vanished when I realised, and I blinked. "His heart rate calmed and his wounds!" Callum said, rushing

forward . " You are a miracle . " He added , now looking at me . I looked down at Valentin to see that

indeed the wounds didn't look as infected as before and were visibly smaller. My heart leapt in

happiness . He was going to get better ! " What was that ... " Julio asked with clear curiosity in his voice .

"Something you are not to mention to anyone . " Callum said firmly , his face becoming serious , as if he

had just realised something. " By order of the King. 11 I mean it.

This stays in this room . " " Alright , Doctor . " Bryan said quietly . I closed my eyes once again . " Miss ,

you need to make sure you don't overwork yourself . " Callum said . " I feel fine . " I said . With that same

emotion and mind – set I opened my eyes , focusing on healing him with whatever ability I possessed . I

watched with awe as the wounds began to clear up . He gasped for air , his eyes flying open – now a

startling blue as they were no longer stuck in the colour of his wolf's eyes . " Where the hell am I ? " He

asked hoarsely, looking around before looking at me.

It was the last thing I heard before I felt myself toppling backwards, someone catching me and then,

everything went black . Two hours later , I had woken up and heard a twenty — five — minute lecture from

Doctor Callum in which he told me to use my common sense and not overwork myself . I didn't even

know I was , I wasn't able to sense it ... He then refused to let me near any more patients today and I was

kicked out of the hospital in a rather unceremonious way . ( 10 MINUTES AGO )  $^{\prime\prime}$  Take her out of here !  $^{\prime\prime}$ 

Doctor Callum ordered Bryan and Julio . " I don't want to see you until tomorrow ! " " But doctor ! I did

good!" I protested . om "You don't even know your limits . If you collapse or end up exhausted , it will

be my head the King and your father will want to have!" He muttered." If either of you dares touch me

, I will kick your asses !  $^{\prime\prime}$  I threatened as the bulky duo towered over me .

This couldn't be happening! How could they throw me out after I healed Valentin?! I wanted to help!"

Sorry princess but he's right , I still need to live a while longer . " Bryan remarked in his deep voice ,

before grabbing my tiny arm in his huge hand . " Ow ow ow! That hurts!" I lied . He raised an eyebrow,

not falling for it , before grabbing my other arm and lifting me clean off the ground .  $^{\prime\prime}$  Oi ! Don't you dare

do this ! " " This is a hospital , Miss ! Lower your voice . " Callum said , as he stood with his arms crossed .

"But I didn't do anything bad!" I shouted a s Bryan tossed me over his shoulder. "Go do something

kids your age do! You can't spend the entire day in here!" Callum said." I am going to tell the King

about this ! " I growled at the two warriors , ignoring the grumpy  $\operatorname{Doc}$  . " We will see . " Julio said ,

walking alongside Bryan lazily . I was then placed outside the hospital doors and the annoying men just

stood there guarding the entrance . " Off you go , princess . " Julio said . " Shoo . " Bryan added with a wink .

I glared at him , my eyes blazing purple . " Oh , I will get my revenge . " " Of course . " Bryan said . I

turned and stormed off . Now here I was storming back to the mansion , cursing Callum , Julio and Bryan

. May they get bitten by mosquitos and stung by bees! May they bald early and lose their teeth ... May

they never be able to perform sexually ever again! I cackled at the last one then covered my mouth, giggling.

Now I need to think of a plan for revenge ... My smile faded as I paused when I saw the training grounds .

Tonight, was the match with Carmen ... I should have kept up with training whilst I was here too ...

Maybe from tomorrow . Now in a serious mood , I decided to hatch an excuse to fool Raven and Rayhan

before I snuck out at 10 pm . I had heard at the hospital Alejandro was out of town and I was glad . I

didn't need him to be another one to face today ... Well Carmen , you wanted a match , I'll give you a

match. You may be one of the head warriors here, but i'am the daughter of a Queen game on, bitch.

Her Cold-Hearted Alpha chapter 40

**Playing Dirty** 

**KIARA** 

Night had fallen and we had just finished a game of monopoly , with Raihana winning . "  $\mathsf{Ok}$  , end the

game, I'm done. "Rayhan said, sitting back with not a single monopoly note to his name." You are

awful at this . " Raven remarked . " It's a game of luck , what do you mean awful ? I was never landing on

an unbought property and then I kept landing on all your guys 'houses ." He complained , running his

fingers through his hair . I faked a yawn , stretching . " Alright guys , I'm off to bed , I'm tired . " I said

while massaging my neck . " Already ? " Raven asked . " It's only 9.30 . " " Healing takes a toll . " I lied . I

honestly felt fine , after I was kicked out so rudely ! " Oh yes ... That's kind of cool though , that you've

got that ability . " Raihana said . " Yeah , something we need to keep on the low . " Rayhan added .

" Alright , well I'm going to go FaceTime Mom and Dad . " " Don't tell them what's been happening if you  $\,$ 

ever plan to visit again . " Rayhan told her as both of us got up and walked out . I was glad no one

questioned me much , as I silently made my way to my room and changed into some sneakers .

I pulled my hair into a messy bun and looked in the mirror, before picking up the staff that I had brought

along with me . Well , here goes nothing ... I snuck out silently through the back door of the mansion ,

using the light on my phone as a guide . I wasn't even sure where I was meant to meet Carmen so just

made my way to the training grounds . Sure enough , there she stood . " That's something to see , a wolf

using a torch . " She chuckled . " Well , there's a first for everything . " I said . " So , I was thinking the

training grounds might be the best option . Or should we go t o an indoor hall ? " She asked mockingly . "

Up to you.

I don't care either way, I've trained to fight without my sight. If you need the advantage of the training

grounds , or should I say the darkness , that's fine by me . " I said , walking over to the low wall and

jumping over . I heard her growl . 2 " Watch it pup . " Stating facts , did I hit a nerve ? " I asked . I wasn't

wrong . If she wanted to use my blindness to her advantage , then fine .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I think it may be better we go

inside then . " She muttered . " Nope , this is what you wanted . Let's carry on . I actually want to see

how much of a disadvantage I am at , compared to a warrior female who is trained to fight and kill .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I

said , now placing my phone down o n the wall after switching the light off . I spun my staff and looked at

her . " Are you sure ? I don't want you crying later . " " I'm sure . " I said confidently .

" I'm a Westwood , we don't back down . " She knew I'd agree anyway . I wasn't actually sure how I'd  $\,$ 

fair against her . After all she had experience on her side , plus extensive training from this pack . I also

had no idea about her fighting style . " I'm using a blunt weapon too . I thought it should be a little fair .

"She said and I heard her come closer . " Of course , fair . " I said mockingly . Was she for real ? Fair ? I

was blind here ? Stupid bitch . " I don't really want to waste time talking , so let's do this . " 11 She didn't

reply and I heard her lunge towards me . I blocked her , aiming for a low kick .

Spinning around , I swiped my staff , satisfied when I heard the sound of it connecting and a low grunt .

2 " What the ... " " Don't underestimate me simply because I cannot see . " I said quietly . I spun around

as I advanced now . I was not going to let her get the upper hand . She definitely had power and probably

stamina on her side . She was bigger and stronger , whilst I was probably faster . What people didn't

often realise was the change in their breathing or heartbeat before they made a move . That was what I

relied on , not to mention I could roughly smell where they were . Sure , it was still risky not knowing what angle they would hit from , but I had learned how to have complete

cover from all attacks . I sensed her move forward and quickly retreated , backing away slowly . I turned

m y back towards her as I pretended to keep up , wondering if she'd fall my defences for it . I sensed her

approach quietly and pretended to search for her in front of me , although I knew she was right behind me .

She was good at keeping her heartbeat low and steady , but I was better at this game . I timed my attack

and when I felt her get ready to pounce, I spun around and felt my staff connect with her stomach,

throwing her backwards with a painful thump . She was up in seconds and hit me with the heavy metal  $\,$ 

weapon she was holding . I bit my lip to stop the hiss that almost left my lips . Whatever she was using

contained silver . " Bitch . " She swore , yanking my staff from my hand , surprising me . I then felt a

heavy kick to my head and went flying as shooting pain rushed through my skull . " I never knew you

were aiming to disarm . " I said . Hadn't we silently agreed to weapons?" Well , rules change in seconds

in a fight . " She said . " You should have known that .

I frowned but said nothing, trying to hear her make her next move. It was hit after hit, she was strong

and resilient . I blocked some , some I didn't . I did get a few in too , but without my staff I was losing ,

not to mention she still had the weapon that I had no idea of what it was . She charged at me and I raised

my arm to block her attack . Hearing the swing of her weapon I dived and pushed myself forward , hitting

her hard with my shoulder as I felt my foot give way , making me stumble . I heard her chuckle a s she

brought the weapon she was holding down on the back of my head .

I twisted around , grabbing the silver blade of what was definitely a sword , and yanked it from her grasp

. I felt the silver burn my hands and cut into my palms . I could smell her growing anger and frustration .

The slight smell of sweat and my blood hung in the air, mixing with the fresh smell of the crisp night air.

She growled as I kicked her in the stomach and finally managed to tear the weapon from her grip .  $^{\prime\prime}$  If

I'm not using a weapon , then neither are you !  $^{\prime\prime}$  I said , putting space between us . Without my staff for

support, I had a higher disadvantage. "Fair enough." She scoffed.

I heard the scuff of her foot as she ran at me but this time I was prepared . " Gotta admit , you lasted a

lot longer than I thought you would . " I could hear the clear anger she was trying to hide . 2 " Yeah ?

Well , I guess I'm the queen my mother taught me to be . " I said breathlessly . I blocked her kick and

twisted her foot whilst she punched me in the shoulder , I felt something crack painfully in it , making me

wince. The moment we both moved away,

I snapped it back into place. I was adamant on ignoring the excruciating pain that was now shooting up

my ankle . " Hmph , we will see . ' " The Blood Moon pack is second to none , although we are a pack of

not just warriors , it seems we are still pretty impressive .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I said . I was proud of my pack and I would

make that clear . She came at me again , her anger and annoyance clear in her aggressive attacks . At the  $\,$ 

last moment , I ducked and tackled her to the ground . We both hit the floor , knocking the wind out of

her . I went for her throat , squeezing hard . Pressing my knee over one of her arms and stomach . "  $\mbox{\sf Tap}$ 

the ground in defeat or I will give you up to 10 to get free . " I said , tightening my grip . She grunted ,

trying to wrench free .  $\hbox{\ensuremath{''}}$  Not happening .  $\hbox{\ensuremath{''}}$  She wheezed .

She let out a choking growl and I felt her claws elongate before they dug into the back of my neck ,

making me gasp in pain . " What a disappointment . You broke literally every general rule of a match . " I

said in disgust , punching her across the face . " Yet I'll still win this without doing s 0. " I squeezed her

neck before lifting her head off the ground by her hair and slamming it back down on to it , hearing a

sickening crunch . She groaned in pain , her eyes flashing dangerously . " Ten .... nine .... eight ... " I began

counting slowly, unbothered by her venomous gaze.

I could feel she was going to black out soon enough , so I eased up a little . Five ... four .... three ... two ... '

11 11 She raked her claws down my back, slicing through my top and bra strap as pain seared across my

back . What a fucking cheater . Was this what they were taught ? She chuckled , but I shook my head .  $^{\prime\prime}$ 

One .  $^{\prime\prime}$  I let go of her roughly and stepped away from her . I wished I could see her facial expression , but

I couldn't . " It disgusts me that this is the level you lowered yourself to , just to win a simple match to

check someone's level.

I may be a handicapped wolf , or a defective wolf to you , but I worked hard to be the very best version

of myself that I'm capable of being . It's disappointing that such a proclaimed warrior , who is

complimented in most packs , would resort to such tricks . The rules of a sparring match are common

knowledge , but for you to break them , it's pathetic . " I turned away . My entire body ached and I still

would have to feel for my phone along the wall . I just want a long shower and then my bed . I heard her

scoff." You're still a fucking defect, everyone knows that."

I decided to ignore her . I wasn't sure why she was so hateful towards me , if it was because of the small

issue over dinner that day then she really had some shit to deal with . I heard her get up as I reached the

wall and began feeling along it , hoping I wasn't too far from my phone . What I wasn't expecting was

something to ram into my already painful right foot , making me scream in agony .

The sound pierced the air as I fell to my knees , clutching it as the pain took over . My eyes sting with

tears of pure anguish . I heard her chuckle . " In real life , you'd be dead . There's no such thing as a

friendly match . If you duel , you duel to win . " 11 " You lost , whether you think so or not . " I said coldly

. " Unless you want me to 11 humiliate you further , go . ' She scoffed . " Whatever , loser . " She spat

before walking off . I stayed on the ground , praying the pain eased up . Couldn't I heal myself ? The

sudden thought made a ripple of curiosity run through me and I closed my eyes in determination , taking

a deep breath as I focused ...