

## The Beta

"Yeah, you won't be seeing me again, alive."

Mira felt a shudder run through her and she took a step back at his dangerous gaze trained on her and his words.

He chuckled lightly, his eyes lled with amusement, "That was a joke. My name is Casper, beta to the night demons pack."

Night demons pack? Just what kind of creepy pack name is that? Still, for some reason, it sounded familiar to her but as she tried hard to search her memories for where she had heard it before, nothing came up.

Mira swallowed as she eyed him again, warily. She saw how his eyes were unfocused for a moment. It looked as if he was mindlinking someone.

Could it be her mate was his Alpha? Then why the hell was he not showing up?

They both sensed some presence and looked to the left. There, a few wolves she recognized were running forward at an insane speed. Her brows scrunched up when she saw Jason and his beta and even Eli with them.

"Looks like your people came to save you luna...?" Casper paused not knowing what to call her.

"Mira." She told him her name, "And... Thank you for saving me just now, I can't start imagining what those rogues would've done if not for you."

"Ah, you seem to have forgotten we invaded your lands and attack... "

"Attacking the pack is a different business and saving me also. I didn't say I'm letting you go." She smirked and lunged forward before he could react but Mira only ended up meeting air. He already disappeared from where he was.

How can someone be so fast?

She re-evaluated him again and concluded he wasn't from a simple pack.

Jason and the rest arrived at that moment and started to attack him but he simply evaded them effortlessly. After a moment, he threw a metallic object towards her which she caught in her hands and examined it then looked up just in time to catch his playful wink.

"You can nd him with that. Till the next time we meet luna." He said and just like that he was gone.

Mira stared at the ring like object in a trance as she remembered his words-- "You can nd him with that."

Does that mean her mate? And geez, he had just said luna, without adding her name which means he knew. Then was her mate really an alpha?

She looked up to see Jason and the rest already shifting and wondered if any of them caught a clue.

"Why are you here?" Her suspicious gaze darted from Jason to Eli. She had clearly mindlinked a warrior she knew and not any one of them so why were they the one here instead?

"We heard that you were in trouble and..." Eli started, her voice getting smaller as if she was intimidated by her.

Mira resisted the urge to roll her eyes, "Ah, I didn't know I was so loved by you all." She said and added a 'thank you' seeing how their gazes landed on the dead wolves lying on the oor.

"They're rogues." Mira told them.

"They're so big. How come you took them down by yourself?" Andy said.

"I didn't" Mira shrugged moving forward and walking past them. She didn't want to talk about all that but Jason grabbed her arm, halting her to a stop.

"Who was he?" He asked in a commanding tone, "And don't give me that crap saying you don't know. I saw very well how you were talking to him."

"You think I have an idea?" She resisted the urge to laugh and just crossed her arms, "Oh, then. Tell me how I was talking to him?"

"You should know better." He smirked and Mira only realized something weird at this moment.

Deep inside this forest, she was surrounded with people who didn't even have good intentions towards her. They could kill her right here and now and no one would know about it.

Her eyes widened at this realization looking at all three of them. It couldn't be that they planned this right? To do something to her here?

"I... I will go back rst" She stuttered but didn't waste any time turning around and starting to run.

Away from them. From all the horrible memories that swarmed inside her head uncontrollably. She realized that she didn't have one person on her side. Someone she could trust fully and tell everything that was bothering her. The only person she had was Ashley, her best friend was far, far away from her at the moment and she didn't think she was ever going to come back.

After Ashley losed her mate mysteriously, she had taken a leave from the pack. Its already been months now yet she didn't show up. Mira knew she wouldn't anyway. Even before she died in her previous life, Mira never saw her.

She stopped running when she spotted the warriors probably waiting for her. Looking around carefully, she saw no dead bodies or blood. It didn't look as if a ght just went on.

"What happened? Where are they?" She asked one of the warriors.

"They left." He also looked confused as he answered, "They all suddenly left when we were ghting..."

This pack was really strange. It seemed as if they weren't really here to attack them but were here for a different reason. What could it be?