

LOVE ME AGAIN MATE By Katie Spheres

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Chapter 31

Jace.

“Are you avoiding me?” I ask the girl sitting on the kitchen counter in the middle of the night.

After the earlier incidents, everything around is tense.

It turns out that Ana’s mum is alive, and has been kept away all this time. The body they buried couldn’t be identified because it was burnt and because it was found in the forest, they quickly assumed it was hers.

Leo’s mum didn’t survive the king’s rage though. She barely survived and the king only spared her for one reason. Tomorrow we will use her against his son. The king ordered Leo to be put in a maximum security cell, and tomorrow he will teach me his first lesson; interrogation.

My dad came back and he is in one of the guest rooms. Chase is here too. Apart from the king who didn’t leave his office, everyone else is asleep.

However, my mate hasn’t talked to me since the attack. It was my mistake. I shouldn’t have left them vulnerable like that. I didn’t know what was to come and Dad needed me. When we heard the alarm, my first thought was them, and I had to seek the king’s permission to come back to the house.

My heart broke at the condition I found them in.

I could smell their fear a mile away, and I hated myself for causing it. It’s my job to ensure their safety.

Then my baby’s words just added salt to the wound.

He was scared for his mum and himself.

Ana” I fully walk in the kitchen but she doesn’t respond. ” Baby, talk to me what’s wrong?”

“You saw how worried he was right?” She whispers staring at the cup of coffee in front of her. “I let my son smell my fear, do you know how that feels? Being unable to protect your own baby?”

Baby, stop blaming yourself” I place my hands on her shoulder and gently squeeze them.

“He kept asking for you and his reaction when he saw you...I just feel useless” Hey, sweetheart....”

No Jace. We can’t always depend on you, what if something happened between us and Liam has only me to look out for him?”

You know it won’t happen again again”

Look around us Jace, everyone we know is turning against us. They got to you once, how sure am I it won’t happen again”

I hate it when she keeps doing this. She needs to trust me.

For how long will I keep assuring her I won't repeat my mistakes?

"I am tired of having the same conversation Ana. If you don't trust me don't voice it out, it will hurt less that way" I mutter and turn around. I am tired and stressed too, and I am completely not in the mood to fight with my mate.

I ignore her sniffles and continue walking to our room.

, I didn't do anything wrong, did I?

I lay on our cold bed and wish things were different. Everything happens. for a reason I believe, no matter how hard it might seem. We can't make things go our way and that is what makes this, life. Life is full of shi t, but we have to learn to live through it without looking back.

I made mistakes, and through them, my eyes opened and made me notice and appreciate things that matter. I learned to be strong and to fight for those I care about. I learned to embrace courage, and goddess knows I love her and our son.

I understand her fear, and I know she is just frustrated. She will never do anything to hurt me. I have felt that way countless times. The fear of failing those you love. Being helpless.

Everything will change when she shifts, and I think her dad was right when he said we need to start vigorous training. This world is not for the faint-hearted. Ana was right, I will not be always around to protect them. What if I am caught up somewhere and Liam just has her?

I think that training should start tomorrow morning. I am positive something else is worrying her. It's not just about Liam.

I shouldn't have left her in the kitchen like that. Her emotions are hurting. Baby, come to bed' I link her but her end remains silent.

I quickly get up and run to the kitchen. Ana is not where I left her, and LOVE ME AGAIN, MATE

her scent is faint.

My ears perk up to catch any sound, but all I can hear are heartbeats and snoring. She is not in danger though, I could have felt it. She blocked her scent.

I go to my son's room and sigh in relief when I find them safe. She is sitting on his bed and holding his hand in hers.

I am d for walking out on you like that" I mumble kneeling in front of her. She is calm.

No baby, I am sorry for saying what I said. I trust you Jace, I was just agitated that Liam feels safe with you and not me" She whispers, fondly staring at our son.

"Come on" I slowly scoop her from the bed and she lets me.

Whatever this woman did to me, may she never stop.

I gently lay her on our bed and hover above her. Supporting myself on my

elbows so I won't crush her.

"When you shift, that will no longer be your worry. Tell me what is troubling you. I know you Ana, and I know it's not about Liam feeling safe with me and not you" That is specifically male wolves' job, to protect our mates and pups. We take pride in doing so, and everyone knows it.

Ana sighs and looks away. I don't think I did something wrong. In fact, I have been on my best behavior since she came back, and I'm not tripping.

"Chase said his mate rejected him because of you. I am worried Jace. What if she succeeds in taking you away from us? It will break our son" My brows furrow in confusion at her words.

"For real?" I am forced to laugh because of all the things I assumed, this is just hilarious. Is this what has been stressing her up? I lay back on the bed. and face upwards.

"You think it's funny, what if she blackmails you with something or joins our enemies just to reach you? She rejected the mate bond for you Jace" Ana faces me and I immediately quiet down at her seriousness.

"Baby, come here" I lift her up and place her body on top of mine. I have never met a beautiful girl like her. My heart, soul, and body belong to her. No matter what happens, Ana is the only one for me .

Why will I leave my mate and son for a power-hungry bitch. There is only one way that will keep the predators away though. If we complete.

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The mate bond, no one will come between us again. With each other's marks on our uecks, we will be completely united.

Ituck away the hair flowing between us and trace my thumb on her cheek. The mate

od is so strong and beautiful. I h a v e I oved her since 1 was seven, and sixteen years later, my heart still skips when look into her beautiful eyes.

Her eyes still hold me hostage, and I still marvel at how green they appear.

My thump slowly circles on the mark I gave her and her breath hitches. My mate's lips part, and it doesn't take a minute before I smell her beautiful scent of arousal. It pleases my wolf and me, and I lowly growl in approval.

That's what a mate bond does. Just a single touch and she is ready for me. "I want you to do something for me, okay" I murmur, licking her lower lip and staring back into her hooded eyes.

"I want you to take our clothes off. Then, you will ride on me, and when we can't take it anymore, put your mark on me, Okay?" I trace my thumb on her lower lip and she nods with a moan.

k, she is beautiful.

"Make me yours tonight, baby"Chapter 32

Jace.

The naked body is tightly clasped on mine. My mate has her arms around my neck, and her whole body is laying on me. She smells amazing.

Yesterday marks the best night of my life. She did her job so well, and now our mate bond is completed.

Slowly, my hands find her sex y a s s and I can't help myself but knead it.

"Jace, stop being naughty" Ana grumbles opening her eyes to look at me.

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Can we do it again? For the last time, I promise" I nibble on her ear, and Ana jerks from my body like I suddenly burnt her

"No, you naughty wolf. You said that all night. Need I remind you how you were not so gentle with me?" She sits up with a scowl, but my lustful eyes won't look away from her luscious body.

Dam n, I will never get enough of this sex i n e s s,

"You kept asking for it, who am I not to deliver" I chuckle dragging her back to me.

"Jace" Her warm breath fans my face, and it arouses me more.

"Yes, baby" I pinch her already hardened nipples, and she shivers in my arms. Succumbing to our primal desires.

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"I am sore" Ana whines but her body is saying otherwise.

I know sweetheart, I will be more gentle this time" F u c k! I can't resist. her.

She kept begging me to give it to her harder, and I just had to comply. Most especially with a wolf in me whose aim is to please his. mate, there is no way I will be gentle.

Ana gently presses her lips on mine, and slowly straddles my body. When she winces in discomfort, I slightly pull away to scrutinize her. This is not right. I know she feels obliged to satisfy my needs, but I need to consider her feelings too.

She is mine, and we can always do this when she is okay.

"I am sorry for pushing you" I whisper tucking away the hair in her face.

No baby, I can't resist you either" Ana whispers caressing my cheek and I lean into her addicting touch.

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I love you, baby. Have enough rest, okay? We will continue this when I come back I sit up and stand with her in my arms. A warm shower will be able to soothe her body. I can't wait for her to shift. We wouldn't worry about soreness or any kind of harm.

Jace" Ana calls when I set her on the bathroom counter. I need to set a bath for her.

You don't have to feel bad, you know. I love everything you do to me." She licks her lips and I smirk. I can't wait to put those sinful lips to good

use.

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“Yeah? Tell me about it” I chuckle at my crazy thoughts. She will kill me if she enters my mind.

“We won’t get out of this bathroom if I start talking, and you know it” With how those nipples are staring at me, so needy and ready to be devoured. I have no doubts her filthy mouth will make resisting harder, especially with how needy we both are.

“Well, I have all the time in the world for my beautiful mate. Talk dirty to me” I whisper moving back to her and cupping her breasts. My thumbs so gently caress her nipples making them harder.

“I want to lick you, Jace. I want to suck you dry, I always fantasize about how you will taste on my tongue. Please, let me” I groan when my cock jerks forward forcefully. I grab her neck and smash my lips on hers in a demanding kiss.

Effortlessly, I lift her from the counter and gently drop her on her knees. In front of me. Her face is in direct contact with my twitching and she licks her lips, adorably staring at it.

“Daddy” We jerk away chuckling at the loud voice behind our bedroom door.

“Looks like we are unlucky this morning” Ana whispers. Nevertheless, she grabs my dick and twirls her tongue on the head. Ana gently sucks it and releases it with a pop sound. She traces it on her lips and slowly inhales its length.

Goddess, this is entirely something else.

It’s hot, and it feels amazing. My muscles are tensed and all I want right now is to have her.

Daddy, I have a lot of things to tell you” I groan, reluctantly pulling away.

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flyer what my lince clamp has for me. Take your time, okay?” I per Top and brielly kiss her. I rush to the closet for some clothes

Think about what I was about to do’ She runs her tongue on her upper jaw slowly, and winks at me Where did she learn all this stuff? “You won’t make it easy for me, right?” I groan clenching my jaw. I am offering nelly my mate’s prisoner

*love you, baby she slurs, and I hastily walk away

She is something else

I open the door to my impatient son, and laugh at the little frown on his face” Hello my bude Superman? I scoop him from the ground, and he excitedly ducks. He is still in his sleeping clothes, indicating he just got out of bed We should never forget to lock our bedroom door. Especially when I am

sharing it with a vizen

Daddy, I am Superman like you'

Of course you are baby, did you sleep well

"Yes, but I don't like my room"

Why is that sweetheart,? I set him on the bed to find him clothes to change, but he follows me anyway.

'I want a good bed like like a car and...and...I want more cars and Superman dothes. I want a big teddy bear and... and...and...

You got it, son. I will order them right away I stop him before he runs out of breath from how hard he is struggling to let the words out. When we moved here, we didn't get a chance to prepare the baby's room.

We just settled on one of the guestrooms and it looks nothing like how a batry's space should be. I will have to arrange everything after we come back from the cells

Anything else my champion wants?" I question helping him get into dark Nikur sweatpants and a grey t-shirt

"Yes, I want a very big ice cream" He widens his arm as his eyes sparkle at the mention of ice cream

it contrae sweetheart, let us get you breakfast first I pick him up agam and head for the kitchen

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"Daddy, I want waffles, then ice cream, then I will teach you how to ride trucks, and then you will read a book to me and...and.. You will show me how to be strong like you, and then we will play ball and ... and I will be angry again, and then you buy my new bed" He deeply sighs after the rambling, and I stare at my son In wonder.

For someone his age, he sure talks a lot. Also, the way he has everything figured out has me stunned. I hate that I will have to disappooint him again. I need to spend more time with him. I hope Ana will cover for me when we go to the cells.

"That's a good plan sweetheart. I will show your dad where to get all that stuff. Meanwhile, tell your mummy to prepare our breakfast, and choose another room for you" The king says and he quickly wiggles from my arms to do what he is told.

"Let's get this done with before he realizes you are missing," He says walking ahead of me and I silently follow. I hope we won't take long there. That place is disgusting, and the fact that we are going to torture someone for information freaks me out.

I have never done that before.

This is totally different from taking out your opponent in a fight. During a war, you are always controlled by instinct. It is either you or your partner. But in this

case, my opponent will be denied the freedom to defend himself. Either way, it's a new responsibility and I need to know everything around it. For my mate and son. For my pack.

Chapter 33

Jace.

"Don't take a chance like that for granted son" He stops and waits until I am in step with him.

I have noticed that he is heavily guarded the moment he steps out of the house. Among the people accompanying him, are his Beta and a guy my age. Without being told, I can easily tell that he is his son.

Two armed soldiers are on either side, another two behind him, and two in front.

"I will give anything to have her as my little girl again, talk my ears out. Command me around, he is so much like Gia when she was a kid" He remembers and I chuckle. Now I know where the much talking came from.

"He is a good boy, I wish the environment was a bit peaceful. Yesterday, during the attack, I found them in a vulnerable position" I hate that I was late. His words keep ringing in my head.

"That's why Ana needs to shift. Have you two decided on the offer?" He stops and gently grabs my shoulders. Everyone else stops too, and I know they are listening to our conversation. Damn werewolf hearing.

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"Yes, she said she will support me" The king chuckles and pats my back.

Good. Now the royal classes can begin. Speaking of which, I invited future beta to come with us. Running a kingdom is not easy son, and having a trustworthy assistant will help you a big deal. The key point is, that you two need to have a mutual understanding, if you are friends then nothing will come between you two"

I look at the said guy and sigh. Friendships come naturally like Me, Chase, and El. It would be easier with them.

"I understand you might have your preferences but everything here is different. Before you are crowned king, you will be required to defend the title against any willing contestant. That goes to the beta and . positions. A kingdom not only requires a wise leader, but also a strong wolf who will lead his pack if war breaks."

"Ana will be challenged to her position as queen too." I immediately stop walking when he says that, and everyone follows suit.

Wait, you know I can't trade her for anything, right? I will go where she

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goes, and I can't allow anyone else to have her aside from me. I think that rule is not okay since she is my mate The King chuckles before sending a knowing smirk my way.

That little vixen is mine alone. From the being to the end.

I like how you are coming up. You are getting bold and I like it. Second, Ana is yours. Do you think I will break a young happy family because of power? I will never go against the Goddess' will son. You are right, I am revisiting that rule after this." I sigh and resume walking.

"However, she will attend all the classes with you. I can handle Liam, I need someone to entertain me in that boring office anyway" He says and we chuckle. Liam will do that just fine.

My mind keeps going to my mate and I can't wait to have alone time with her. She needs to finish what she had started. I will gladly drop the title to be with her. If it comes to that.

"Damon" The king calls sounding a little strict. His demeanor completely changes when the beta's son moves forward.

"Your Highness" He shows his neck in submission to both the king and me. Everyone around me is in dark suits including Damon. I am the odd one out.

"This is Jace. My son, and successor" Wow! That is a first. He said I will have to prove myself to earn 'his son' title. "I demand respect from everyone. Anyone who crosses him and his mate will have me to face. They are joining the royal school tomorrow, so better warn everyone not to make a mistake" His voice is no longer calm. I guess I can learn something from how he handles himself.

"Yes your highness"

"Good. I will give you two time to catch up later, right now we have a lesson to learn"

"Your friend, when is he leaving?" he directs the question to me. Chase said he is not going back.

"He was my beta and he wishes to join me"

The man shrugs looking forward. " Let him join the classes too, who knows, he can become handy in the future" I smile at that. Chase will be ecstatic about this. I can also use a friend in this new environment. I think this wolf is considerate after all.

You can call me, Dad. My princess and grandson are happy, and it's thanks to you, Keep it that way". A pat on my shoulder.

Your Highness, we have a situation" Two guards emerge from the bushes breathing hard.

Their clothes are blood y and they reek of wolfsbane. Something is up.

Talk" The king commands halting in his steps and everyone else does the

same.

“The security was compromised. All the prisoners and guards are unconscious, the wolves from outside too”

“Mhh, I see” the man mumbles. His face remains calm but his eyes portray murder.

So who among the prisoners is missing?”

“Leonardo your Highness, and he left this in his cell” He hands over a piece of paper, and the king motions for me to take it.

“His mother?”

“He left her behind” his mother was placed in a dungeon away from the cells. As they say, you can’t store your eggs in one basket. It’s real.

Any guards missing?”

“We did a count, and all of them are present”

“Fred, it’s time.” He faces his beta who nods in understanding. “Yes, Your Highness.”

“Bring in the warriors” He directs the command to Damon and he jogs away.

The royal warriors are a group of twenty, specially trained men. They are trained to be assassins and they are only summoned when the pack is in crisis.

These twenty wolves are specifically chosen by the king himself, and they are the most loyal. They will give their lives away to protect the royal family. Their wolves are lycans and the strongest of them all.

The king summoning them only means trouble is about to occur.

“Change of plans son, I need you and Ana to do something for me” he whispers, carefully looking around. ” From what has been happening, it appears these guards are working for Leo and that calls for a loyalty test” I have a clue where this is going and I don’t like it.

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need to use you, I am sorry”

“You can use me, just leave her out of this” I whisper remembering how she was shaking yesterday.

“I am not stupid Jace, Of course, I will not allow any of you to be harmed. Trust me on this, It is a test, and anyone that fails will serve as a specimen in our first lesson”

“Allow me to talk to her first, I don’t want anything to scare her” He nods pointing at the paper in my hands.

What does it say?”

I unfold it and immediately clench my fists when I read its contents.

‘How pathetic can the royal security be if I can come and go whenever I want?

I am coming back for whatever belongs to me. Tell Gia that I always keep my word. She should never forget what I told her in the hotel, because It will

happen.

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Ana

As soon as my mate leaves, I quickly take a short shower and change because I know my son will come for me next. Settling for a short white dress, I leave my hair down so it can air dry.

I wear my white sneakers and before I can leave the room, Liam comes back in running as predicted.

"Mummy" He shouts lifting his hands to be carried, and I chuckle picking him

up.

“Hello baby” I kiss his cheek and he giggles.

“Mummy, grandpa said... grandpa said mmh...” He scrunches his face in thought, probably trying to remember what he was told. ” Mummy, I am hungry, Grandpa took daddy” he frowns and I peck his cheek. They must have left already.

Goddess, make him talk, please. I need to finally meet my mother. Dad also needs to have peace of mind.

“They will be back sweetheart, let us make breakfast. Will you help me?” I wonder why Dad doesn’t like servants around the house. His paranoia is on top notch. I will convince him to get at least two people he can trust. I hate doing chores.

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Yes, I will show you how to make waffles” he excitedly says and I laugh. That is the only food my son recognizes. I wonder if Leo and his evil mother killed his nanny. I have been trying her phone but it goes to voicemail.

The woman was supposed to come here with the baby.

The house is quiet. I wonder if Chase and Alpha are still sleeping. It’s too late for wolves to be in bed right now. Unless they have company.

Setting my boy on the dining chair, I grab an apron to start with breakfast and that’s when my mate decides to mind-link me.

‘Jace?’ He sounds worried. His emotions are crumpled too.

Ana, I’m coming for you. Something came up, and your dad needs us’ I sense worry through the mate bond.

‘Is everything okay?’ I quickly turn to my son. Not again please goddess.

No baby, take Liam to Dad and meet me outside’ The urgency in his wire causes my heart to speed up,

Liam is going to be bored. First his dad and then me?

“Honey, we need to wake Grandpa up, the other grandpa. You remember him right

“Mummy, food he points to the kitchen and I sigh.

*Grandpa makes good waffles you will see he remains quiet and looks Away Sometimes I feel like he senses what is happening around him. I follow Alpha’s scent and gently knock on his door. The man mumbles a low come in, and I slowly push the door open. He is sitting on a couch with his palms positioned on his chin. He appears to be deep in thought and I hate to disturb him.

“Hello honey, do you need anything?” He turns to look at me and I cringe at how red and swollen his eyes are. For the first time, my son doesn’t talk and that confirms my speculation. He notices what is happening and it’s disturbing him.

Maybe I shouldn't have come here, I need to find Liam another babysitter. Or I should have knocked on Chase's door instead.

No pain hurts more than losing your mate. It's a pain I wouldn't want any wolf to go through. And this man right here, never slept because the woman he loves is probably in another man's arms.

I never thought I would hate her this much in my life.

"I am sorry to bother you, I will just seek Chase"

"No Ana, Jace already told me. Come on sweetheart" He approaches us and stretches his hands towards Liam.

"I will go bring your dad, okay?" I whisper and he covers his face with his little hands. He wanna cry.

'Go' Alpha mindlinks me and I silently nod closing the door behind me. Jace and I need to create enough time for our son. I understand that we can't be available all the time but at least one of us needs to be there when the other is occupied.

He will feel safe that way.

What is it, babe?" I find my mate waiting for me in the garden, and I know it's because he doesn't want Liam to see him. There is no way Liam could have let him go.

hum I missed trim, and I keep fantasizing about how the day is going to Haby? He whispers running his fingers in my hair. I like how his strong arms engulf me completely. "Sweetheart, forgive me but I want you to do something for me, okay? He whispers and I lift my head from his chest to look at him. I know that tone very well.

These are the same words I always tell Liam when trouble is about to occur. But when Jare is here with me. I have faith that no one will touch me.

Jace kisses my nose and a sad smile emerges from my lips. Goddess! I love him so much.

"Your dad believes that his security is compromised, and he wants to do a loyalty test on his guards. He is using us as bait. I am sorry" His eyes soften as they glance at me with remorse.

F u c k! Leo promised me that he would take the throne. His escaping the maximum cell is a very big deal. It's true he has people working for him around here.

More damn traitors.

"You will be there, right?" If I have my mate with me then everything will be okay. I will do anything to make sure all the culprits are taken down. Liam needs to grow up in a peaceful environment and with them. roaming free, then that will be an impossible job.

"Holding your hand sweetheart, I will be there holding your hand" He briefly

kisses my lips and takes my hand. I know what is about to happen will be scary but for the sake of my family, I mask my fear as much as possible. In a vast clearing in the middle of the forest, we approach Dad who is surrounded by a couple of wolves. These wolves are different from the normal guards I have seen around.

They are in combat attires and are heavily armed. Most of them are men with only three women among them.

This does not look good.

Chapter 35

Ana.

“Honey, I want you to know that I will never put your life in danger. This is the only effective way I can think of right now” Dad quickly walks to us and places a kiss on my temple.

“Okay, for our family,” I mumble, warily staring at the scary men surrounding us.

“Baby, look at me” He grabs my face and directs my gaze back to him. I am sure everyone can hear my heartbeat right now. “If you don’t want to do this I will understand. I will look for another way” I stare in the green eyes that resemble mine and sigh:

“I want to meet her” I whisper and mixed emotions cross his eyes. Dad pulls me in a tight hug that forces my mate to drop my hand.

“I love you, we will get her” He whispers as he continuously kisses my head, and I greedily breathe in his scent. I need to be calm.

“Take care of her, son”he hands me over to Jace who hugs me also. Since I was a kid, Jace has always shielded me from trouble. Even when the juniors in our pack were being taught self-defense before they could shift, he refused to let me join because he believed it was his job to watch over me.

That made me lazy and I depended on him so much. If I knew my shift would be delayed, I would have disregarded his demand. Now I’m nothing but a damsel in distress.

“Is everyone summoned?” Dad asks the man I learned to be his beta, and he nods in affirmation.

“No one should suspect a thing. Make sure nothing happens-to my kids” He directs this statement to the scary men and they both nod in submission.

“We got it Your Highness” The leader of the group assures Dad, and he motions us to follow him.

“I won’t allow anything to happen to you” Jace whispers and I gently squeeze his hand. I trust him.” I love you, okay?” he kisses my temple and my nerves

calm down a little bit. I can fool everyone else but not Jace. He can feel what I'm feeling.

The men take us further in the woods until we approach a very old building.

These are the cells" My mate whispers and I stare at the building in cringe. It looks scary before even stepping inside. It only has one large iron gate with very small windows. I can feel the smell of wolfbane, and silver from here and I wonder where and how Leo got the energy to pass through the gates.

We don't go through the gate though, the man leading the squad goes around the building where there is another door but with less smell of the poison.

The first room we enter is huge, and dark, and appears to be an old gym.

Apart from the old workout equipment, there is no sign of occupancy. It appears like no one comes here anymore. The old peeling paint on the walls, the strong smell of moss, and the wet floor make me feel nauseated.

Why didn't they choose a better location for this?

The place stinks like shit, and I will have to take a long bath if I came out of here alive.

"To make it less suspicious, the king chose this place. I am sorry, sweetheart, I will make it up to you, okay?" Jace kisses my head but his words stick in my mind. 'To make it less suspicious'

What if it's a setup? Or what if Leo never left and will be among those guards? He will surely kill us.

Crap. Leo adores his mother and there is no way he will leave without her.

What if he is somewhere? What if we can't trust the men who brought us here?

The door bangs closed and I flinch almost shrieking. They locked Jace and me inside. This is not good. What if something happens to us for real? Who will take care of our baby?

I am here baby, just hold on to me tight, okay?" My mate whispers and I nod even though I know he can't see me. As he said, I tightly clinch to his body because right now, my life depends on it.

Another door from inside opens and I stare at it in anticipation.

Silhouettes of men with guns start entering the room, and I am forced to take a fearful step backward.

"I am here" My mate reminds me and my hold on him tightens.

One shot, one kill" A voice calls from above the ceiling and the men cock their guns in unison. How is this a test? I don't trust them.

What if they are working for Leo, and end up killing us for real?" I whisper in a shaky voice.

"I don't Trust them Jace" I fearfully whisper, and he quickly pushes me behind him.

“On my count, one” the voice above us becomes louder and the room becomes silent.

I min seared as shi t, My heart is beating wildly and I’m afraid it’s about to burst out of my ribcage.

“Two” the man above us shouts and I take in deep breaths.

For the sake of my baby goddess.

Three” he shouts more louder and I tightly shut my eyes.

However, the men in the room don’t do anything. They keep their guns aimed at us like they are waiting for another command.

“Shi t” the voice murmurs.

Something is up.

“Hold on to me sweetheart, don’t let go, okay? Something is not right” Jace murmurs securing his arms around me.

The door the men came from opens and a man enters. Unlike the rest, he is not armed. The man claps his hands as he approaches our forms

When he stands in front of us, he chuckles. A mocking sick laugh.

“Hello, son” his deep voice murmurs.