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Chapter 121 -CLARA- These past few days have been total bliss. Luca and Delilah no longer had to hide their relationship and although Damon pretended like he hated it, I knew he was secretly happy that Delilah had fallen for someone he trusted more than anyone. To top that, I hadn't seen Aurora since the day I visited her at the hospital. Dimitri told me she had been discharged and I had expected to run over and try to get in between Damon and but she hasn't come close to us since then which I was really happy about. Damon and I had decided to go to Bora Bora for our little vacation and I was ecstatic. I had never been to Bora Bora before and with the pictures and videos I saw, it looked like paradise and I couldn't wait to leave. "Why don't I go help the cook prepare breakfast?" I suggested as I stood up and walked over to Damon who was getting ready in front of the mirror. I wrapped my arms around his waist and he turned around in my arms and placed a kiss on my forehead. "Isn't that stressful?" He questioned softly as he caressed my face and I shook my head. "I love cooking for you so it isn't. Just tell me what you want and I'll prepare it" I told him and he chuckled, "If I tell you what I want, you won't leave this room" He uttered and I gasped dramatically before slapping his chest. "How many times do I have to warn you to stop thinking with your d**k?" I scolded and as soon as he laughed, a smile appeared on my face. Damon was glowing these days. The grumpy man I had seen first was nowhere to be seen. "I'll be right back with the food" I told him then stood on my toes and placed a kiss on his lips before turning around and sk**g out of the room. "Mrs Donovan.." The Butler called out just as I was about to walk into the kitchen. "Yes?" I asked with a smile and he smiled back.

"Miss Aurora is here and she's requesting your presence" He told me and I let out a groan. I knew it was too far of a stretch to think she'd actually leave Damon and I alone now. "Where is she?" I questioned and he pointed towards the living room. I let out a sigh then decided to confront her before going to make breakfast for Damon and I. "I knew it was too good to be true to think you'd leave me and Damon alone" I uttered as I walked into the living room after dismissing the butler. I expected a comeback from her but she just stared at me like she was analyzing me or something. "If you have nothing to say then leave my house" I told her and was about to walk away when she chuckled. "Your house? Well yes I guess it's your house for now. There's nothing special about you, you know that right?" She uttered and I raised an eyebrow at her. "Excuse me?" I questioned as she slowly stood up from the couch. "I mean compared to me, you're practically dust so why did Damon settle for someone like you?" she asked like she was genuinely curious and I chuckled. 14:32 Tue, Jul 30 Gu Chapter 121 "Why don't you ask him yourself?" I questioned and she tilted her head. 1 @ + 74% +74%0 +5) "Well I would have but I know your jealous self won't let me hear him anymore" She uttered and I smiled humorlessly. "I'm glad you're self aware. As a matter of fact, you're no

longer welcome in this house so if you don't want to be disgraced but being dragged out, I suggest you never step foot into this building any longer" I told her and her face immediately fell and the one innocent look completely vanished "You have no idea who you're messing with, Clara" She said and I raised an eyebrow at her tone. Was she trying to intimidate me? "Oh I have an idea because Dimitri told me about how devious you are. I will always be one step

ahead of you but unlike you, I don't play dirty" I retorted and a slow smile appeared on her lips. "Oh really? Well unlike you, I have no loved one and I have nothing to lose and do you know what's scarier than a person that has nothing to lose? Nothing" She uttered with a crazy look in her eyes which was starting to scare me a little bit but I wasn't going to back down. "If you have nothing important to say then leave" I said and she giggled. "I happen to know that a lot of times you're alone when Damon is away for work. It would be a shame if something were to happen to you by accident right? Maybe you fell down the stairs, ingested poison or maybe got stabbed to death. Who knows?" She uttered and I frowned. Was she threatening me? "You're threatening me" I stated and she laughed. "Of course not, how could I threaten a Luna? The future Queen Luna at that? That's practically treason but you know, this world is a scary one so I suggest you watch your back even while taking your bath or sleeping because there are a lot of people who want you dead and gone" As she spoke, she got closer till she was standing directly in front of me. "Thanks for your concern but I can take care of myself" I told her and she shrugged. "Very well then. Goodbye, Clara and oh... aunt Amelia was it? She's the one who practically brought you up huh? She should watch her back too because the possibilities of her being killed are endless" As soon as those words left her mouth, I pulled back my hand and slapped her hard across the face. She fell to the ground with a loud scream then turned to me with a glare and was about to say something when I slapped her across the other cheek. She cried out as I grabbed her face digging my fingers into her skin as I stared intently into her eyes. "You can threaten me but you made a mistake threatening Aunt Amelia. Count your days because I'll make sure you leave here alive"...

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Chapter 122 -CLARA- The fear in Aurora's eyes slowly turned sinister before she narrowed her eyes at me like a maniac. "I'm going to have fun ruining you" She muttered smugly and I clenched my jaw and was about to pounce on her when Damon wrapped his arms around me and pulled me away. "Let me go! I'm going to kill that b**h! Let me go!" I screamed as I fought against Damon's hold but he just held onto me tighter. "What is going on?" Damon questioned as he turned me to him and in that moment, Aurora began to cry which just made me angrier. "Are you okay?" He questioned as he stared down at me with worry maybe because he saw the look of anger on my face. "Damon, she.." "I wasn't talking to you, Aurora. I'm talking to my wife and what the f**k are you even doing here?" He questioned and I could stop the smile that appeared on my face when I saw the shocked look on hers. She had thought Damon was going to be moved by her tears. "Damon I..." "Jason, get Aurora out of here" Damon ordered one of the guards who immediately picked Aurora away and tried

dragging her out but she kept fighting them. "I was with you when you were going through your worst! Not her, me! And yet you're treating me like I'm nothing but a nuisance! When she ends up betraying you, you'll realize I'm the one you love!" She screamed as the guard dragged her away and only when her voice disappeared did Damon grab onto my face as he inspected my body. "Did she hurt you? What happened?" He questioned and the worry in his eyes melted my heart. "I want her gone, Damon" I said through clenched teeth and he sighed. "Okay then. I will ask Luca to send her away tomorrow and..." "I just don't want her gone, I want her dead" I interrupted and his eyes widened. He had probably

not expected me to say such a thing. "Clara..." "If she's not killed, she's going to find her way back into your life because she's f**g obsessed with you. Kill her, Damon" I told him and he smiled as he reached out to caress my hair. "What has she done to upset my loving Clara? You're usually so nice" He teased and I scoffed. "Someone like her doesn't deserve my kindness" I murmured and he raised an eyebrow. "Tell me what she did or said to you that's making you so angry" He urged and I pursed my lips before letting out a sigh. There was no use hiding anything from Damon. I wanted him on our side. "She threatened to not only hurt me but to hurt Aunt Amelia and threatening Aunt Amelia is where I draw the line" I told him and he frowned. "Why would she threaten you or Amelia?" He questioned and scoffed. Was he just acting dumb? Chapter 122 "Of course it's because of you and it's because I know her secret. She's a vile human being, Damon" I said to him. "What secret?" He questioned and I pursed my lips. "You won't believe me if I told you" I responded. "Try me. What secret?" He asked while staring intently into my eyes. "Aurora poisoned your mother and that's why she's sick" I told him and he paused before he slowly began to laugh. "That's the most ridiculous thing I have ever heard in my life, Clara" He uttered and I frowned. He didn't believe me. "I'm telling the truth, Damon. She..." +5 "So what you're trying to tell me is that Aurora, who once risked her life just to save my mother from her illness, was the cause of the illness in the first place? Do you know about all the things Aurora had to do to save my mother?" He questioned and I sighed. "I know but..." "You don't know. You spoke to Dimitri, didn't you? It's only Dimitri that can come up with such b**t. I

told you not to talk to him but you didn't listen and now, he has filled your head with nonsense" He spat out then began to walk away while I trailed behind him. "It's not nonsense, Damon. If you'd just listen to me..." "I will not listen to you on this one, Clara. You weren't there when Aurora had to go through sleepless nights just to find a cure for my mother. She would go out into the wild to find special herbs and come back injured but still, she never gave up and was able to cure my mother for that time being and now what you're trying to tell me is that she went through all that when she was the cause of the illness in the first place? Make it make sense Clara" He spoke and I just stared at him, unable to say anything because there was no way I could convince him without proof. That b**h had played her cards really well. When he noticed I wasn't saying anything anymore, he let out a sigh then moved closer to me and grabbed my face. "I love you so much, Clara and I'll always be on your side. If you want Aurora gone then fine, done but I won't support you on what you just said. Don't listen to Dimitri's nonsense, he's a psychopath, okay?" He murmured softly and I just nodded then

flashed him a slight smile. "Okay" I replied and he sighed before pulling me into his embrace. "I don't like arguing with you" He murmured and I smiled. "Me too" I responded as he pulled away and placed a kiss on my forehead. "When I'm back, we'll talk better, okay? It seems you and I really need this vacation to clear our heads, hmm? Give me a smile before I leave, a genuine smile" He said as he pinched my cheeks slightly and I rolled my eyes but wasn't able to keep the smile off my face. I couldn't even blame him for taking her side on this. A sane person could never have done what Aurora did and if I didn't know how insane she was, I wouldn't have believed as well so I couldn't be mad at him. I just had to find proof. He placed a kiss on my lips before leaving and only when I was sure he was far enough did I leave the house in search of a plan. Like always, as soon as I stepped outside, I felt Dimitri's presence behind me. "Why do I have a feeling you're looking for me mademoiselle?" He questioned and I turned around

then narrowed my eyes on him. "You're stalking me and it's starting to get weird" I told him and he chuckled. "I know it may seem like that but it really isn't. I saw Aurora angrily stomping away while crying and immediately knew it had something to do with you or Damon. I saw the marks on her face though which I assumed were from you? Kudos. So I came here in search of you. What did she do this time?" He questioned and I sighed. "I have a plan on how we can expose Aurora to everyone but it's a very risky one and might cost me everything but I'm willing to risk it if that means I can get rid of her once and for all. Are you in?" I questioned and he stared at me for a while before a smirk appeared on his face. "How can I let my sister in law take any kind of risk by her

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Chapter 123 -CLARA- 62% +5 Dimitri didn't seem too keen on my idea but he understood that it had to be done if we wanted to get rid of Aurora. We had no proof against her and she had managed to brainwash Damon and everyone else into thinking she was a good person so without proof, our words were baseless and with Dimitri's bad reputation, no one would believe a word he said. After discussing with him, I immediately went back home because I knew if Damon saw me with him after our argument, all hell was going to be let loose. I was so lost in thoughts, thinking over the plan that I hadn't even known Damon had walked into the living room. "You've got something on your mind?" His voice snapped me out of my thoughts immediately. I turned to him and smile immediately appeared on my lips. a His hair was disheveled and he looked like he hadn't slept in weeks but despite that, he was still the most handsome man I had ever seen. "How long have you been standing there?" I questioned as I stood up and ran into his arms, inhaling his addicting scent. "Wasn't too long, I just got here. May I know what's going on in that pretty head of yours?" He questioned and I glanced up at him before shaking my head. "It's nothing. I just missed you, you're neglecting me these days Damon" I said then pouted and he chuckled. "Because of your advice the other day, I've finally decided to take over as Alpha King" He informed me and I gasped with my eyes wide. "Are you serious? That's great news!" I exclaimed and he chuckled as he reached out to caress my face.

"Yeah but I'm not Alpha King yet so don't get too excited. There are some things I need to take care of first" He told me and I nodded. "Your father must be happy. Now he can spend more time with your mother" I said and he scoffed. "That old man has already offloaded all his work on me despite me not being the Alpha King yet. Such a slacker" He muttered and I giggled before taking his hand. "Would you like to eat dinner first or eat me first?" I questioned and I grinned when he let out a deep growl. "You already know the answer to that" He muttered and I squealed as he threw me over his shoulders and rushed me upstairs. By the time we were done, neither of us were hungry for real food so we just decided to stay cuddled in bed together. I traced the tattoo on Damon's abdomen as I laid my head on his chest. "Does your Tattoo have any meaning behind them?" I questioned softly. "Not really, I was just a rebellious kid. The tattoo on my back though was what gave me the name death viper" He told me and I nodded slowly. "I thought they called you that because you were a bringer of death or something" I commented and he chuckled. "That too" He replied and we went quiet for a while, just enjoying each other's company. "I want to tattoo your name on my body, Clara" Damon suddenly said and my eyes widened in shock. 12:06 Sun, Aug 4 G xi Chapter 123 "What?" I questioned as I turned to stare up at him. He took my hand and placed it on his chest. 62% +5 "Right here, I'll tattoo your name right above my heart. If I could tattoo it on my heart, I would because it belongs to you" He murmured and I shrieked. "You don't have to be so cheesy, Damon" I said and he rolled his eyes.

"You're so unromantic, I'm not doing it anymore" He uttered then scoffed as he turned away from me and I sighed as a small smile played on my lips. "I'm sorry and I love that you would want to tattoo my name on your body. It means a lot to me so don't be mad, hmm?" I said as I caressed his face but he still refused to look at me. He was such a big teddy bear sometimes. "How about I tattoo your name on my body as well?" I tittered and he immediately turned to me with wide eyes. "Really?" He questioned and I nodded before pointing at the spot above my breast... "Right here near my heart. Would you like that?" I questioned and he immediately nodded before wrapping his arms around my body. "I would love that but only if you really want to do it and not just because you want to make me happy" He murmured and I rolled my eyes. "Now who's being unromantic?" I questioned and he chuckled before peppering my face with kisses. "I love you so much" He murmured against my skin and I smiled. "Do you trust me Damon?" I questioned suddenly and he immediately turned to stare at my face. "Of course I do, Clara," He said. "Will you always be on my side? Will you always hear my side of the story before concluding, hmm?" I questioned and he frowned. "Why are you asking such a question, Cl..." "Just answer me, Damon. I need to know" I said softly and he stared into my eyes for a while before nodding. "your side, okay?" He "I've told you before that I'll always be on your side and I meant every word. No matter what, I'll take assured me and I smiled then nodded before resting my head on his chest as I let out a sigh of relief. I hoped he would stick to his words because my plan was going to test if he trusted me or not.

"You know you can always tell me if something is bothering you right? I'll listen" He said after a while and I smiled. I know he would listen but he wouldn't believe me especially because he had a level of trust for Aurora. I know I should have probably just let Damon

banish her out of the pack but I wasn't just thinking about Damon and I anymore. My hand immediately trailed down and I let out a sigh as I caressed my stomach. I was thinking of our unborn child as well and in order to keep our baby safe this time, Aurora needed to be gone for good. Even if I had to risk everything, I had to get rid of her...

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Chapter 124 -CLARA- The next morning, Damon left early as usual and I decided to stay at home this time since I already had a plan so there was no use going out to meet Dimitri. Besides, I didn't want to stress myself too much now that I knew I was with child. I was going to take things slow and think about our child first before anything. After having my bath, I went down for breakfast and was too lazy to go back upstairs so I decided to stay in the living room and read a book. Despite the book in my hand, my thoughts were all over the place. There was no guarantee that my plan would work but I wouldn't know if I didn't try. "You didn't come looking for me today, Peaches" I snapped out of my thoughts when I heard Dimitri's voice. I turned to him and he was resting his frame against the door as he stared at me. "I thought Damon banned you from entering here?" I questioned and he scoffed. "I'm more stealth than an octopus. The guards didn't even notice when I slipped through. Now tell me, what's bothering head. you?" He questioned and I sighed before shaking my h "Nothing really, I'm just tired that's all" I told him and we were quiet for a while. "Did you tell him?" He questioned and he didn't need to elaborate for me to know what he was talking about. For a few weeks now, I've been noticing the symptoms of pregnancy in me. I was very observant of how my body changed and my diet as well because I didn't want what happened last time to happen again. Although I felt like I was pregnant, it was all just a feeling but yesterday while I was going over the plan with Dimitri, I felt my

thoughts. nauseous. He forced the truth out of me and I told him He immediately went to get a pregnancy test for me from a local convenience store and I wasn't surprised when it came back positive. "No, not yet" I replied and he sighed. "I think you should tell him, Clara," He said and I nodded. "Of course I will but not now. If I tell Damon now, he's going to be so overjoyed and he's going to tell everyone and if Aurora finds out I'm pregnant, I don't even want to think about what might happen. I can't lose this one this time around Dimitri, I won't be able to survive it. I'll tell him as soon as we have gotten rid of Aurora" I responded and he stared at me for a while before sighing. "At least let's go to the hospital so you can do a proper check up. We need to know if the baby is healthy and..." to get pregnant for Liam so I know how to handle "It is, trust me. I read a lot of books on pregnancy while I was trying myself. Don't worry about me, I'll be okay" I assured him then flashed him a smile and was about to turn back to my book when he spoke. "I've been watching Aurora, she doesn't seem to be doing anything for now but I know she's probably thinking of something diabolical. Do you think she's going to fall into your trap?" He questioned and I shrugged. "We just have to wait and see" I told him and just then, a guard ran into the living, bowing his head at me and Dimitri. Chapter 124 · "Mrs Donovan, Your presence is needed by the Alpha King and Queen Luna" The guard said and my eyes widened. "Why?" Dimitri questioned. "The Queen Luna has

relapsed” The guard informed us and frowned before exchanging a look with Dimitri.
“Let’s go” 57%

When we got there, I found Aurora by the door next to the Alpha King and she seemed to be in a foul mood. As soon as the Alpha King saw us, he turned away from her and immediately walked towards me. “My wife relapsed” He told me and I nodded. “I’m aware. I made some medicine on my way here” I said and heard a scoff from Aurora. “Your medicine doesn’t obviously work if mother isn’t healed yet. Let me do it, I know better than this wannabe does. I studied medicine” Aurora argued. “She doesn’t want you to treat her, she wants Clara and I’m going to do whatever my wife wants” The Alpha Queen replied and Aurora scoffed again. “Fine but don’t come running to me when Clara ends up killing her due to the fact that she’s trash” She muttered then stormed away. I exchanged a glance with Dimitri before turning back to the Alpha King. “Can you please tell me how she has been before she relapsed while we walk to the room?” I questioned and he immediately nodded. “She was fine a few days ago but then the headache and stomach pains suddenly started. She would wake up in the night, because we felt you had a lot on gasping for air but then the next minute, she would be fine. We didn’t want to disturb your plate but it just seems to be getting worse and I’m worried” He told me as we walked up the stairs. you “I’ll do the best I can. It shouldn’t be that serious. I’d like to be there alone with her if that’s okay with you” I said to him and he nodded. “Take all the time you need” He responded and I smiled at him then nodded at Dimitri before walking into the room, closing the door behind me. “Clara dear, you came” She uttered weakly as she watched me and I nodded. “Of course I’ll come. How are you feeling?” I questioned as I sat down on the bed, placing the herbs and medicine on the nightstand.

“I feel like I’m close to death” She joked but when she saw I didn’t laugh like I usually did when she made jokes like this, she frowned. “Is something wrong?” She questioned and I pursed my lips. “The Alpha King already told me about the symptoms you’ve been having and I think I know what may be wrong. Has Aurora visited you recently?” I questioned and she furrowed her eyebrows but nevertheless nodded. “Yes she visits me everyday” She informed me and I hummed “Does she give you anything to take?” I asked and she frowned.

“Yes she does. She said it was going to help my immune system and serve as a cleanser as well. Why are you asking me these questions?” She asked and I sighed. “You’re going to die, Mrs Donovan”...

Chapter 125

~DAMON~

I couldn't focus properly on the work in front of me because I couldn't stop thinking about Clara. These past few days, we haven't really been spending time together and it was beginning to take a toll on me.

I missed her so much and craved her presence every second of the day. I didn't know how much I had grown addicted to her till now.

A smile appeared on my lips when I remembered that we would be going on a vacation soon. Finally, I'd have her all to myself.

"Let me guess, you're thinking about Clara right?" Luca questioned as he walked into the office, snapping me out of my thoughts.

"Who else am I supposed to think of? You?" I questioned as I turned to him and he sighed.

"Sorry Mr grumpy pants. The council have all given their signature of approval for you to become Alpha King. Your father is really busy taking care of your mother so he hasn't dropped his signature yet but I'll go over there and have him sign it" He Informed me and I sighed.

"Don't worry, I'll go see him myself later today. I've been meaning to see my mother" I said as I massaged my temples.

For some reason, my mother has relapsed and she seemed even worse than before. Clara has been spending most of her time with her and was doing all she could do to make her better.

As if on cue, my phone rang and immediately I saw the caller id, my whole mood lightened up immediately.

"Hello my love. Are you okay?" I questioned and I heard her hum in response.

"Yes, I'm going out to the mall with Delilah. I just wanted to inform you" She said and I smiled.

"Okay baby, have fun. Should I come pick you up later? So we can go home together?" I questioned then I heard a scoff from Delilah in the background.

"There's no need for that. Delilah and I will return back together, she doesn't want to be the third wheel" She replied with a giggle and my smile grew brighter.

"Okay baby. I'll be home early today so make sure to come back early, okay?" I told her and she hummed in response before hanging up.

I sighed as I pulled the phone away from my ear, I missed her so much.

"If someone had told me you would be so head over heels in love with someone, I would have probably laughed in their face but look at you now" Luca uttered as he stared at me with a soft smile.

Sometimes I look back on how Clara and I first met and couldn't think about what would have happened if we had never met at that party. What would have happened if Liam hadn't left her for his fated mate and she actually got married to him?

The thought alone made my blood boil in anger. I never used to believe in fate before but with Clara, I knew no matter what we would have met and would have fallen in love no matter what. We were destined for each other.

After a while, I had to focus on the job at hand and push thoughts of Clara out of my mind till I was done.

I was just about to finish for the day when Luca rushed into the room with a frantic look in his eyes.

"Damon, there's trouble" He uttered and I frowned.

"What is it?" I questioned and he sighed.

"Your mother has been rushed to the hospital and according to your father, her heart has stopped beating" He informed me and my whole world stopped at that moment as I stared at him with wide eyes.

My parents and I had gotten closer these last few weeks but I was much closer to my mother. She had asked me to take her out on a mother and son date later this week and she...

I immediately stood up, gathered my things and left for the hospital with Luca.

We got to the hospital and we were immediately led towards where my father was.

A frown adorned my face when I laid my eyes on my father. His eyes were bloodshot and he looked way older than his age at that moment.

"What's going on? How's mother?" I questioned as I glanced at Dimitri then turned to Aurora who was crying profusely by the side.

"She collapsed and was immediately

rushed to the hospital. I couldn't feel her pulse and the doctor said her heart stopped but they're doing all they can to revive her. We are just waiting on them" Dimitri informed me and I sighed.

"This is all Clara's fault. I told you she didn't know how to concoct the right medicines but you wouldn't listen. If you had just let me treat her..."

"Shut up your mouth and don't you dare ever blame my wife for such things" I muttered as I glared at Aurora.

"Where is Clara?" Father finally spoke, turning my attention to him.

"She's out with Delilah" I informed me and when he turned to me, a chill ran down my spine which was something that has never happened to me before.

"If your mother dies, I'm going to kill her with my bare hands" He said menacingly slow with a murderous glint in his eyes.

"You surely don't believe Aurora's nonsense. She's..."

"Your mother told me Clara told her she was going to die even before her illness got worse. I hadn't read much into those words till now. Clara has been slowly poisoning my wife My father informed us and I could see it was taking everything in him not to lose his temper.

"I don't know what you're on right now but Clara would never kill mother. You're overthinking it and..." Before I could complete my sentence, he threw

a small container at me and I frowned when I stared at it.

I have seen Clara with this multiple times especially when she was going to visit my mother.

"Clara forgot this at the house and I was going to return it but didn't have the time to. After what happened today, I had an apothecary look into the contents of that small container and he told me it was poison. Clara poisoned my wife" He told me and my eyes widened as my heart thumped wildly in my chest.

It couldn't be... there's no way... Clara couldn't possibly have poisoned my mother, right?...

Chapter 126

-CLARA-

"What do you think? Do you think this is good enough for the date? I want Luca to drop dead when he sees me. Are you listening to me, Clara?" I could hear Delilah's voice but couldn't make out what she was saying.

By my calculations, the poison Aurora had given Damon's mother must have taken effect and if that's the case then I was about to get in serious trouble.

"Clara, you're not listening to me" Delilah said then stomped her foot in the ground like a child, snapping me out of my thoughts.

"I'm sorry, I have a lot on my mind. This suits you" I told her and she frowned as she sat down next to me on the bench.

"Are you okay? You've been spacing out since we got here? Do you have something on your mind? Did Damon do anything?" She questioned with worry in her tone. I shook my head then flashed her a small smile.

"It's nothing serious, I'm just a little bit tired and my stomach hurts from all the food we ate earlier" It wasn't a total lie, we have been walking around for hours now and my feet were killing me.

"Yeah you ate a lot earlier. If I didn't know better, I'd think you were pregnant" She voiced and my body tensed up immediately.

I let out an awkward laugh before deviating the topic and it seemed Delilah hadn't noticed anything.

We shopped a little longer then left the shop and while in the car, Delilah got a call from Luca.

"Hello baby, you miss me?" She said into the phone but immediately frowned after Luca let out a sigh.

"Your mother was rushed to the hospital, Delilah. Your father said her heart stopped" He informed her and Delilah gasped as tears immediately began to stream down her cheeks.

"What? When? Why? What's going on?" She questioned in between tears and I grabbed onto her hand to calm her down.

Luca tried calming her down and after a while, she ended the call and I immediately pulled her into her hug then told the driver to drive down to the hospital instead.

"I won't be able to bear it if mom died, Clara. I don't want her to die" She cried into my chest and I sighed but said nothing.

There was a little bit of traffic but soon enough, we got to the hospital and my nerves were eating me up as we were directed to where they were.

I knew it was about to get messy but there was no other way.

I could see them as we walked down the hall, Delilah immediately ran to hug her father while I just stood there with my eyes glued on Damon who stared back at me with an expression I couldn't read.

"What is she doing here?" Aurora was the first to speak up and I turned to her with a frown.

"Aurora....." Dimitri began but she immediately interrupted him.

"What? It's her fault your mother is currently fighting for her life and with the way things are going, she might not make it. Clara killed your mother" As soon as she said that, the Alpha King punched the wall then let out a menacing growl before turning to me.

My eyes widened as I took a step back out of fear. His eyes had turned red and I knew at that moment, his wolf was in control and he wanted me dead for hurting his mate.

The Alpha King tried lunging at me but Damon immediately stood up and placed his plan on his chest to stop him from coming to me. "Get out of my way, Damon" The Alpha King growled while staring directly at me.

"Touch my wife and I will end you regardless of who you are. Sit down and let me deal with my wife" Damon uttered but the Alpha King didn't seem like he wanted to back down.

"Damon..."

"I will talk to her. Sit down and don't cause a scene while mother is fighting for her life. Leave my wife to me" Damon told him and after a while, the Alpha King's eyes returned back to normal and he glared at me before going back to his seat.

"I don't understand what's going on, why are you blaming Clara for what happened to mother?" Delilah questioned as she glanced around with confusion etched on her face but I wasn't looking at her but at Damon as he approached me.

"Damon..."

"Is this yours?" He interrupted my words as he showed me the small container I used to contain medicine.

"Yes it is" I answered truthfully and he nodded.

"What was in it?" He questioned and I pursed my lips.

"Poison" I told him and everyone gasped and my heart broke when I saw the hurt in his eyes.

"Damon..."

"So you... you poisoned my mother?" He questioned softly and I nodded slowly.

"Yes I did" I replied and Delilah let out a scream as she walked towards me.

"You poisoned my mother?" She questioned and I bowed my head without replying which was enough to answer her question.

She tried pouncing on me but Luca was immediately there to hold her down.

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"Let me go! How dare you, Clara? How could you do this to us? Why?!" She questioned and I pursed my lips before turning to Damon who was staring at me.

"Damon, you promised to trust me" I reminded him as I tried grabbing onto his hand but he just took a step backwards.

"Trust you? You poisoned my mother and you're asking me to trust you?" He yelled and I immediately flinched.

Dimitri immediately jumped in front of me, shielding me from Damon.

"Get away from her" Damon uttered slowly but Dimitri shook his head.

"I won't let you hurt her" Dimitri said, earning a scoff from Damon and before i could even blink, Damon had landed a punch on Dimitri's cheek. "Damon!" I called out as Dimitri fell to the ground.

"I would never hurt Clara" Damon uttered through clenched teeth before turning to me.

"You betrayed all of us" He said softly and I sighed.

"Damon, please trust me" I pleaded as I stared directly into his eyes.

"I will trust you after you tell me why. Why did you poison my mother? Why did you choose to betray everyone?" His face was soft as he spoke to me and I could see he was really having a hard time

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understanding everything but couldn't tell him just yet, he still wouldn't believe me especially now that everyone knows I gave her poison.

"I can't... I can't explain now but I need you to trust me. You promise" I responded and his eyes immediately turned cold.

"You poisoned my mother and only

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goddess knows if she's going to survive and you want me to trust you? If you can't tell me the truth then I won't go easy on you. From today henceforth, you're banished from my life and this pack. Leave immediately" He said to me and I gasped with my eyes wide.

I knew this was going to happen so why was I surprised?

"Damon..."

"Get her out of here immediately" He ordered no one in particular and before Luca could step forward, Dimitri grabbed my hand.

"Let's go" He uttered and I shook my head before turning back to Damon.

"You don't mean that. You..."

"Leave Clara, just get out of my face" He uttered and I frowned as the tears rolled down my cheeks.

I turned to Delilah and she was glaring directly at me with anger in her eyes. I didn't blame them, I didn't blame any of them.

I just wished they trusted me more...

AUTHORS NOTE:

I know some of you are angry but bear with me and trust the process. Thanks for reading!

Chapter 127

~DIMITRI~

"I need to talk to Damon, he'll understand soon" Clara said as she tried going back to Damon but I held her back.

"He's not in the right frame of mind right now and I don't want him hurting you" I told her and she turned to me with a glare.

"Damon will never hurt me, not physically anyways" She uttered and I sighed.

"Yes but I can't assure you that my father or Delilah won't. Let's just go back so you can rest, this stress isn't good for your baby" As soon as I said that, she calmed down a little bit and began to cry.

"I don't know how to explain to them" She murmured and I immediately wrapped my arms around her.

"You don't have to. You've played your part and soon, they'll realize you're not the bad one here. Stop stressing yourself, let me take you back home" I told her as we walked away then led her towards my car.

As she climbed into the car, I heard Luca call out her name from behind me.

"Maybe it's a message from Damon" She said hurriedly and tried getting out of the car but I shook my head at her.

"If it is then I'll tell you but just in case, stay in here while I talk to him" I told her and she frowned.

"But..."

"You're stressing the baby, Clara. Just let me talk to him okay?" I told her and she stared at me for a while then sighed before nodding.

I closed the car door before walking towards Luca.

"What is it?" I questioned and he sighed.

"I want to speak with Clara, not you" He told me and I tilted my head.

"I'll relay your message to her. She's tired and hasn't stopped crying" I told him and he sighed.

"Just tell her that Damon isn't really sending her away for good. Things are a mess now and if the Queen Luna ends up dying, she's going to be in a lot of trouble. The Alpha King wants her dead, Damon is trying everything he can to take care of the whole situation. I've already told some of our men, they'll be waiting for her at the mansion, they'll take her to a safe location in the meantime till everything dies down. Her things are already being packed" To say Luca's words shocked me was an understatement.

I was flabbergasted.

"He isn't angry at her for what she did?" I questioned and he sighed.

"You know Damon doesn't take betrayal well. He is angry but deep down he trusts Clara and loves her even more than we think. Just tell her this so she understands" He said and I nodded slowly.

"I'll follow her just so she's safe" I told him and he raised an eyebrow then nodded.

"I'm not sure Damon will be pleased to hear that but it's better than nothing. I have to head back before Delilah notices I'm gone" He said then glanced behind me before running back into the hospital.

I stood there for a while as a slow frown adorned my face before I turned around and walked towards the car.

"What did he say?" Clara immediately asked as I climbed into the driver's seat and turned on the car.

"He wants you gone by tonight" I told her and she gasped loudly.

"Is... is that all? You guys talked for a long time and..."

"He just said Damon is really angry at you and doesn't want to see you again" I said to her knowing fully well that if either of them found out I was lying, was going to be in so much trouble but I had to do what had to do.

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I hadn't just come here just to expose Aurora, I came here with an hidden agenda and Clara was the key to reaching that goal.

This whole plan just made everything easier. I just hoped Damon wouldn't hate me more than he already did after this.

"You should have told Luca that I was pregnant. He would tell Damon and then..."

"I told him and he said he'll tell

Damon. We'll wait for a few minutes before we leave but if Damon doesn't come that means he doesn't care" I said to her and I hated that I needed to break her but I needed to get her out of here as soon as possible and the only way to do that is to make her think Damon no

longer wants her.

When we got to Damon's house, Clara couldn't hold back her tears when she saw her luggage already arranged outside for her.

"Is he really being serious?" She murmured to herself as tears rolled down her cheeks.

"I'll go load your things into the car so we can leave" I told her and she shook her head.

"I'm not leaving till Damon throws me out himself. They'll know the truth soon, I just have to wait and he'll come back to me" She uttered and I frowned.

That was what I was afraid of. If they found out the truth, I won't be able to get Clara out of here. We needed to leave immediately.

"Have you no pride? Damon

obviously doesn't want you. I told

him you were pregnant, if he really cared then he would have sent a message to the guards and your

things wouldn't be out here waitin et

for you. I care about you, Clara and the more you stay here, the more at risk your child is. Not even because of Damon but my father, he's unstable right now and might come after you. Let's just go" I tried convincing her. We were running out of time.

Just then, one of the guards walked up to the car and knocked on the window. Clara opened the door and he bowed his head at her.

"I've been assigned by the Alpha to take you out of here. We are to leave immediately" The guard told her, making her cry harder.

"I'll take her out, you don't have to do it" I told the guard and he furrowed his eyebrows.

"But the Alpha..."

"I've already informed him. Help me load the car with her luggage" I told him and he glanced down at Clara who was still crying before bowing his head.

The way he looked at her meant he had some sort of attachment towards her but that didn't matter.

Soon after, her luggage had been packed into the car and immediately, I drove away from the mansion and towards the gate while she stared out of the window still sobbing.

"Don't worry, it's going to be okay. You have to be strong for your baby. Let him cool down, maybe later he'll come find you" I told her as I briefly glanced at her.

"Can we wait for a few minutes? Maybe he's on his way to me" She uttered and I sighed.

"Clara..."

"Stop the car Dimitri, I'm going to wait" She said and it seems whatever I was going to say wasn't going to convince her so I had no other choice but to stop the car.

We waited for minutes and immediately, those minutes turned into hours. The sky had turned dark by the time Clara lost all hope.

"He is really not coming. He really doesn't care about us" She murmured as she rubbed her stomach and I knew I was either going to get killed by Damon or Clara when the truth came out but I had to do this.

I wish there was another way but there wasn't.

"Let's go?" I questioned and she nodded slowly before taking off her ring and throwing it out the window.

"Let's go"...

Chapter 128

-DAMON-

"Has she gotten to the safe house?" I asked Luca then glanced behind me to make sure my father hadn't heard me.

"I'll ask now but what I know is that she left a few minutes ago" Luca informed me and I frowned.

"What? Why? Didn't I give them specific instructions to take her out of here immediately?" I questioned and he pursed his lips before letting out a sigh.

"You may not like to hear this but Dimitri was the one who took her away. Apparently Clara has been crying in the car and Steven didn't want to use force to take her out so he let her go with him" Luca said and my whole body immediately shook with rage.

"So you mean to tell me Dimitri is alone with my wife? Call me Steven now!" I ordered through clenched and Luca nodded as he walked away when I reached out for my phone and dialed Dimitri's number but he wasn't picking up.

"That bastard" I muttered as I continuously dialed his number but it went straight to voicemail.

I tried calling Clara's phone but hers was switched off.

"Shit!" I cursed as I ran my fingers through my hair while still trying to reach them.

Soon enough, Luca came back with Steven behind him.

I immediately marched towards him and before Steven could utter a word, I punched him across the face before grabbing him by the collar.

"I asked you to take her away but yet you let that bastard take her?" I tried my best not to yell but I was seething with anger.

"I didn't know... since he's your brother, I assumed..."

"I gave you an order and I expect you to follow through with it! If something happens to my wife, be ready to follow your father down to hell!" I muttered through clenched teeth before pushing him away.

"Calm down, I'm sure Dimitri won't hurt her. She has been spending a lot of her time with him these past few days so I assume they are close" Luca said and I pursed my lips.

Clara thought I didn't know she spoke to Dimitri even though I had asked her not to. I never brought it up because I didn't want to get in a fight with her.

As of now, I didn't know what to think. I wanted to trust my wife but what reason would she have to poison my mother?

I let out a sigh as I ran my fingers through my hair. We have been here for hours and the doctors were still trying to revive her. It wasn't looking good at all and the more it took, the more my father was losing his mind.

"Get some men to go after them. I want her taken away from Dimitri, do you understand?" I told Steven and he bowed his head before hurriedly walking away and in the moment, I heard Delilah scream out in pain.

I turned around and she was crying on the ground while my father had his fingers wrapped around the doctor's neck.

Luca immediately rushed towards Delilah while I walked towards my father and managed to pry him off the doctor.

"What's going on?" I questioned loudly enough to get through my father.

"Your mother isn't responding to anything we do. Her heart isn't responding. I think it's time to accept the fact that she's dead" The nurse hurriedly told me and I frowned as my father let out a pain filled howl.

"I'm going to kill Clara!" He growled out so loudly, his voice shook the entire hospital.

My father would be difficult if his wolf took total control. My stable state wouldn't be able to defeat his wolf but I was going to do all I could to protect my wife.

His name wolf was about to come through when one of the nurses screamed.

"The Queen Luna is awake!" She announced and all our eyes widened.

My father immediately pushed me aside as he ran into the emergency ward with all of us on his trail.

We saw one of the maids holding her up as she vomited some liquid on the floor.

"Baby" My father called out as he ran to her side. The nurse immediately gave way as he sat down on the bed and wrapped his arms around her. "You're okay mum" Delilah cried out as she ran towards my mother and hugged her as well.

"I'm sorry but we need to check her vitals to make sure she's okay" The doctor who my father had almost strangled to death earlier, said while he shook with fear but my father wouldn't let go of my mother.

"She's okay. Excuse us" I told him and he didn't seem like he wanted to be there so he just nodded and left with the other nurses in the room. "Don't worry baby, I'm going to kill Clara for what she did to you" My father muttered as he tightened his arms around her.

"How can you kill the person that saved me?" She questioned and we all immediately froze.

"What do you mean she saved you?" I questioned as Delilah and my father pulled away.

She glanced around and as soon as her eyes landed on Aurora, they immediately went cold.

"You!" She screamed and Aurora gasped then tried running away but Luca was able to catch her and pinned her to the ground immediately. "Let me go!" Aurora screamed and I frowned.

"What's going on?" Delilah questioned as we were all confused.

"Aurora was the one who poisoned me. She wanted me dead so she could pin it on Clara" My mother announced which just made me more confused.

"That can't be true. We saw the bottle Clara used in treating you and it has poison inside. She admitted to poisoning you" Delilah said and My mother.

"Where is she? I wanted to ask for her forgiveness because I doubted her. The day your father sent for her, she came into my room and told me I was going to die because Aurora had been poisoning me. Of course I didn't believe her, I practically raised Aurora so I believed Aurora wouldn't do such a thing. I even threatened that I would have her banished if she ever said such words again and that no one would take her side over Aurora, nor even you Damon and now I know that was a wrong thing for me to say to her when all she was trying to do was expose Aurora's evilness. She came everyday but she never gave me any medicine whereas when Aurora came to visit me, she always gave me something to drink and I thought she was just trying to help but then i noticed i was getting worse rather than better so i thought back and realized i started to feel sick again when Aurora gave me that thing to drink. Clara's words immediately began to make sense but by the time I realized it, I was already dying" She explained and we all gasped in unison, shocked by her revelation.

"Why didn't she treat you immediately instead of letting it get worse? Why didn't she tell someone?" Delilah questioned and my mother sighed.

"She said she tried telling Damon but

he dismissed her immediately and after what Ktold her earlier, she feared that no one would believe her

and she would get in trouble sol needed to be proof. As long as believed her, you all will believe her as well" My mother told us and I frowned as guilt settled down at the pit of my stomach.

She tried telling me but I hadn't listened. I hadn't believed her.

"Then what about the poison she gave you? She admitted to poisoning you" My father questioned.

"By the time I believed her, Aurora's

poison was already killing me and the only way to battle with poison was to give me one stronger than the one Aurora gave me. She did tell me my heart was going to stop for a while but if I was able to beat that stage, all the poison that Aurora had been feeding me for years would be flushed away. At first I thought I was going to die but the poisons are what I just vomited" She told us and we all went quiet for a while. Content

"What if you hadn't made me? What if you died from both poison?" Delilah questioned softly and my mother smiled.

"She gave me something else and assured me that I wouldn't die and at that moment, I trusted no one else more than I trusted Clara. Where is she? I want to thank her" My mother uttered and I frowned as they all turned to me.

I had sent away because I was worried she was going to get hurt. What I didn't know was that she planned this whole thing just to expose Aurora to

us.

I couldn't help the proudness that swelled in my heart and hoped that Clara would forgive me for ever doubting her when I got her back from Dimitri

but for now...

I turned around and glared down at Aurora as she struggled against Luca's hold.

It's time to finally kill this bitch...

Chapter 129

-DAMON-

"Let me go!" Aurora screamed while struggling against Luca's hold as she stared at me with fear in her eyes.

"I'd like to speak with her, Damon. Please" My mother uttered and I sighed before moving out of the way.

Luca slowly lifted her up so she was kneeling down and facing everyone.

"Why did you try to kill me?" My mother questioned and Aurora scoffed.

"Because I needed you to reach my goal. If you all turned your back on Clara, she would be gone and I'll finally have Damon all to myself" She told us and I could finally see what kind of a man person she was.

"So what Clara said was true? You were the one who made my mother sick in the first place just so you could remain relevant in my life?" As soon as I said that, they all gasped in shock. My mother looked like she was about to cry while my father seemed to be holding back his anger just like I was. "You have no idea what I can do just to make you mine, Damon. I love you more than that bitch could ever..." Before she could complete her sentence, I punched her across the cheek, not caring if she was a woman and I was going to do so much more.

"I'm going to have fun killing you" I muttered as I straightened up and she was quiet for a while before she started laughing like a maniac.

"You cannot deny the fact that you used to love me before, Damon. I mean you turned on your own brother because of a lie I told, you all did and why is that? Because you loved me. You can deny it all you want but I was your first love, not her! You will always belong to me!" She screamed and I frowned.

Dimitri hadn't raped her and I... how could I have been so blind to believe her over my own blood?

"You lied against my brother? Why?" Delilah questioned and she rolled her eyes.

"He was so head over heels in love with me, I just hated him for it. How could someone like him ever think of falling in love with me? He was pathetic and easy to use and I needed to get rid of him after he found out my secrets. It was so funny watching you all take my side over Dimitri's and the fool didn't say anything because he loved me" She uttered then began to laugh and my frown deepened as I clenched my fist.

"Where is Dimitri?" My mother questioned and I sighed.

"He's with Clara. I sent her away because I didn't want father or Delilah hurting her so he went with her. He should be heading towards the safe house. I'll go get them after I'm done with this lunatic" I told them and Aurora suddenly began to giggle.

"Clara is with Dimitri? He has finally succeeded in getting her huh?" Aurora said, turning our attention to her.

"What do you mean by that?" I questioned as I took threatening steps towards her.

"You better not waste your time on me and go get your wife before she gets hurt" Aurora said to me and I immediately grabbed onto her face, digging my fingers into her cheek.

"What the fuck do you mean by that? Why would she be in trouble?" I questioned and she flashed me a devious smile.

"Because Dimitri plans to use her as bait. Do you really think he came here for me? He came here for her and now, you've driven her into his arms. Tick tick tick, you're running out of time" She responded then grinned at me before laughing.

"Why does he want to use her as bait? What are you talking about? Answer me!" I growled in her face and shook her head.

"I don't know the reason as well so you'll have to ask him my love" She murmured and I glared at her before slapping her across the face, knocking her unconscious.

"You don't obviously believe her right? She's insane" Delilah pointed out and I knew she was but I had a bad feeling.

"I'll try calling him again and you all should do the same. Get me a car, Luca. I'll go to the safe house myself" I muttered as I pulled out my phone. "What do I do with her?" Luca questioned and I halted then glanced down at an unconscious Aurora.

"Give her to the guards and let them take turns in having their way with her but they shouldn't kill her. I have to kill her myself" I ordered before walking out of the room as I dialed Dimitri's number but like before, it kept going to voicemail.

That bastard! If I caught him, I was going to have his head!

"Have you gotten to him?" Delilah questioned from behind and I turned around and shook my head at her.

"He isn't picking up and Clara's phone is switched off. I'll have to go to the safe house myself and get her myself" I told her and she sighed.

"I'm going to come with you. I almost pounced on my best friend and was ready to hurt her. If Luca hadn't stopped me then..." She trailed off but I understood what she meant.

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"I think I should come along too because I have to apologize to her for judging her so quickly. She probably hates me more than she already does now. I keep ruining my relationship with her" My father said as he walked up to us and could see the guilt on his face.

"You two seem to be forgetting that this is my wife we are talking about. She won't be angry at both of you because your feelings were valid and all the evidence was pointing at her. While I on the other hand, she tried telling me the truth and asked me to trust her but I still doubted her even if it's for a little bit, it still counts so I'll go get her myself. You two should stay here and watch over mother. Don't worry, I'll bring her back safely" I assured them as I dialed Dimitri's number again with little to no hope but was surprised when the call went through. Content

"Dimitri, bring my wife back to me or I'm going to kill you" I growled into the phone as soon as I pressed it against my ear.

"Don't call me your wife. What? You want to kill me now instead of letting me go?" I froze instantly when Clara's angry voice came through.

"Baby..."

"Don't you dare call me that! Dimitri

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told you I was pregnant and you still sent me away? If you don't care about me, at least be decent and care about your child! I hate you!" She screamed and as soon as she said that, my father and Delilah gasped beside me.

"What?! Clara..." Before I could complete my sentence, she had already hung up.

With shaky hands, I tried dialing the number back but it was switched off. I tried again but because of how shaky my hands were, the phone fell to the floor and shattered into pieces.

"Damon, it's going to be okay. We are going to go get her okay?" Delilah questioned softly as she wrapped her arms tightly around me but I could register a word she said.

Clara was pregnant and I had driven her away. She probably didn't tell me because she felt she was unsafe.

My own wife didn't think I could protect her.

No words could describe how I felt at that moment...

Chapter 130

~DIMITRI~

I immediately ran towards the house when I heard Clara shouting at someone. As soon as I walked in, I saw her dropping my phone back on the table with an irritated and sad look on her face.

"Who were you just on the phone with?" I questioned, trying to mask the panic in my voice. Shit! I shouldn't have taken my phone with me.

"It was Damon. That bastard really has the nerve to call me his wife after what he did to me. I'm sure your mother is awake now and that's why he suddenly has a change of heart but I could care less. I hate him!" She screamed and despite her words, I could see the hurt in her eyes and longing. She loved Damon dearly and for the fact that he was willing to protect her despite not knowing the truth proved that he loved her as well.

I didn't like getting in the way of my brother's happiness, especially because I've never seen him this way before but in order to help him, this had to be done.

"Did you tell him anything like where we were?" I questioned as I placed the phone inside my pocket.

"No, of course not, I don't want to see him" She replied and I heaved a sigh of relief before nodding.

"Okay. He won't find us here, okay? I'm the only one that knows about this place. Here, I bought you food" I said as I wiggled the plastic bag with food in front of her face but that wasn't enough to wipe the frown off her face.

"I'm not hungry" She told me and I rolled my eyes.

"You may not be hungry but my nephew or niece surely is and I won't have them getting hurt because their mother is heart broken. Sit down and eat" I ordered and she pouted her lips at me before taking a seat on the dining table.

I immediately served the phone on a plate and placed it in front of her and watched her as she ate. She claimed to not be hungry but she had wiped her plate clean in minutes.

"Can I ask you a question, Clara?" I questioned and she nodded slowly.

"As long as it doesn't have anything to do with Damon then go ahead. Are you going to eat this?" She questioned as she flashed me an innocent look which made me chuckle.

"I thought you weren't hungry?" I questioned and she pouted.

"I'm not but the baby is" She said and I smiled before dishing out the food for her.

"Eat as much as you want, I'm not hungry" I told her and she nodded before she continued eating.

"So... Do you know anything about your background, Clara?" I questioned and she shook her head.

"I never got to find out. Why?" She questioned and I shook my head.

"Nothing really. I'm just curious as to why you didn't have a last name. Why did you never take your ex's surname?" I questioned and she shrugged. "They didn't take me in as their daughter so why would I take their last name?" She questioned and I nodded. That made sense?

"So you were never curious about

your background? Why you were left outside your ex pack? Don't you have any recollection of your past mean you were six when you left by your ex pack gate and you

have not a single recollection of your past?" I questioned and she suddenly stopped eating then turned to me with a frown.

"Why are you suddenly so interested in my life?" She questioned with confusion etched on her face.

"Because you're my brother's wife and the mother of my nephew or niece. Is it bad to want to know more about you? I want to know why my brother loves you" I said to her and she scoffed.

"Love? Didn't you see how quick he was to abandon me and his children? How is that love? He promised not to hurt me again, not to make me cry but it seems that's what he's best at" She uttered and eyes widened when she suddenly began to cry.

I immediately stood up from my seat and wrapped my arms around her.

"Hush now, why are you crying?" I questioned softly while patting her back.

"Because I love him so much,

Dimitri. So fucking much that it hurts. Despite what he did to me, still miss him so much" She murmured in between cries and sighed as I just held her without saying anything as guilt found its

way into my heart.

I didn't like hurting Clara, she was a good person and was a woman any man would be lucky to have. If I had met her first, the goddess knew it would have been so easy to fall in love with her.

After a while, she stopped crying and I took her to one of the rooms and stayed by the door and watched her till she fell asleep and even while she was asleep, she was still crying.

Fuck, had I broken her because of my lie?

I sighed as I walked out of the room,

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closing the door behind me as I pulled out my phone from my pocket. Clara had switched it off which was a good thing so Damon wouldn't be able to track us and I knew I was risking everything by turning it back on but I needed to make this call. Content belongs

As soon as the phone was on, I searched for the number and dialed it before pressing the phone against my ear.

"Any progress?" The person at the other end of the call, uttered.

"I'm going great, you?" I questioned sarcastically as I rolled my eyes and the man at the other end scoffed.

"I have got no time for your antics, Dimitri. What is the update?" He questioned and when I heard that seriousness in his voice, I got serious.

"I've got the girl, she's with me now. Shall we move on to the next phase?" I questioned and the man hummed in approval.

"Good. Text me the address and I'll take it from there" And then he hung up and I rolled my eyes.

That bastard was as cold as usual.

"Who was that and what do you mean by you've gotten the girl?" I immediately froze when I heard Clara's voice behind me.

I slowly turned around and my eyes widened when I saw the frown on her face as she glared at me.

"You better start talking before I start throwing hands, Dimitri"...