## His Mate and His Mistress 2 Rise of a Luna

Chapter 16- "Final Countdown" Part- 1

\*Third Person's pnt. Of view\*

"Hey, alpha says it's time to get back on the road. Want to switch positions? I take the back and you shotgun?" Said the wolf from earlier.

"Uh, no, no, I'm alright, it's cool." Said Adelina, still trying to keep up with her Charade.

"Alright." Then the wolf walked away.

He took a few steps towards the car and then turned in a very suspicious manner as he said "say, you seem shorter than before."

Adelina felt her heart speed up, but then she noticed something, there were lines on top of the bridge of his nose, as well as the support marks on each corner of his nose and she shrugged and said "man, you're blind in human form, you don't have your glasses on... idiot." Then Adelina attempted to chuckle in a deep voice, and it came out sounding like Santa Clause choking on his Ho Ho Ho.

The guy furrowed his eyebrows and then said "Hey, I told you not to call me idiot."

"Well, I'll stop once you stop acting like one." Said Adelina, keeping her front.

"Okay wise guy..." Said the wolf as he started taking threatening steps towards her.

"Hey! Theo! Raoul! Get in the damn car!" Yelled The wolf who drove the SUV she was in.

"Theo started it!" Said who she figured to be Raoul.

"Theo started it..." mimicked Adelina, then she had to hide her chuckle when Raoul turned to send daggers her way with his eyes.

She made a face behind him once he turned around, then she hopped in the trunk, and pulled the door shut.

Poor Theo was already dead, lying in her clothes.

She breathed a sigh of relief knowing she got out of that safe enough, but she wasn't out of the woods just yet.

She knew there was a battle to come, and she knew after everything she still had to move on.

She made up her mind.

She was going to be Demitrey's Luna. She was going to honor, and rule beside him proudly. She would be his partner and support him in everything he does. But she wouldn't fail to put him in his place the minute he stepped out of line. She would give him the love that he desperately needed and deserve, and she would try her best to be there for him whenever he needed her.

While she sat, and waited, she noticed Clarissa and Darrell get in the SUV in front of them, and just like that, they were back on the road.

Adelina sat back and waited patiently.

Soon, she would be home.

But before she went home, she'd have to get rid of what's keeping her from getting home, or in this case, whom.

There is no other solution, she'd have to kill Clarissa.

But would she be able to bear it?

The haunting accusing dead eyes of her sisters are constantly flashing in her memories. She didn't want to take another life, whether innocent or not.

But knowing Clarissa, and how she is dead set until Adelina was dead, she had no other choice but to kill her.

Sometimes life didn't give you many options, and at times when life gave you apples instead of lemons, you and end up with Apple sauce instead of Apple juice.

Adelina shook her head and sighed, she was starting to feel a little sleepy, but there's no way she could fall asleep, not when she was on her way home, and in disguise.

Instead of leaning and and letting sleep seduce her, she started to imagine what life was going to be like once Clarissa was gone.

The only problem, as much as she liked to imagine, she knew that the scenarios made up in her head would never compare to what takes place in reality. And although she sometimes wished that what she imagined could become reality, it was never the case.

Nevertheless, Adelina let her mind wander, while she battled to keep her eyes open.

Meanwhile Demitrey was extremely happy and thankful that he was able to talk to his mate, until now he didn't know how much he missed her, needed her, and wanted her.

He couldn't wait to have her back. He was going to claim her and make her his forever. He didn't have to wait any longer. He knew who he wanted, and that was Adelina. He didn't care how long it took, he'd be patient until she was ready to be with him, he wasn't going to rush it, but she was going to be known as his.

His Luna, his Queen, his Love.

Demitrey stood up from his bed and headed out.

Once he reached the yard, he couldn't help but feel proud of his pack. They have fought courageously, and everyone played their part without complaint.

It was time for the women and children to go back inside. He looked over at his right, and there his heart melted. He saw Kade and Cilia.

He pulled her into his arms and kissed her softly, then he bent down on one knee and kissed the little bump that started to show on her stomach. She giggled and slapped his shoulder but nevertheless looked at him with such love and admiration, it was beautiful.

He couldn't wait to have that with Adelina.

"You will. Just be patient." Came a voice next to him.

He slightly jumped but then composed himself and looked over at Selene with a smile.

"Thank you." Said Demitrey sincerely.

"Why?" Asked Selene.

"For allowing Adelina and I to communicate." Said Demitrey.

Selene chuckled and shook her head then said "Alpha Demitrey, that wasn't me, it was the bond that you guys share. You desperately needed each other, so you reached out to each other. I had nothing to do with it. My job is to steer you in the right direction, nothing more."

"Well, I thank you anyways." Said Demitrey, then he added "you're sure everything is going to be fine for me and Adelina?"

"Is that what you want?" Asked Selene.

"More than anything." Admitted Demitrey.

"Then I'm positive that you will do everything in your power your make that so. Now, get ready, the final countdown has begun." Said Selene, and of course before Demitrey could turn and ask her what she meant, Selene was gone. Adelina's was starting to bob around on her neck as she tried to battle sleep's sweet whisper.

"My, my, it seems you need a bit of company to keep you up." Came a voice, startling Adelina to wake her up for now.

She blinked a few times to make sure she saw right, there Selene sat facing her with her signature warm smile.

How Selene managed to fit into the back of this car, Adelina couldn't figure it out.

"Selene, what are you doing here?" Whispered Adelina.

"Waking you up. I'm here to tell you that you need to make your mind up about whether you're going to go through with killing Clarissa or not. Because you're on your way home, and once you get there you need to start living like a Luna instead of looking over your shoulder every second. So, I need to know Adelina, will you do whatever it takes to protect yourself and this around you when the time comes?"

Adelina paused for a second, then she opened her mouth and said "I...'

Chapter 17- "Final Countdown" Part-2

\*Adelina's pnt. Of view\*

"I- I'm afraid, no, matter of fact, I'm terrified Selene." I admitted.

"For what?" Asked Selene.

"Of what I might become if I kill her. I mean I just killed a wolf without flinching. Who knows, his family is probably waiting for him to come home." I responded.

"Who? Him?" Said Selene as she pointed her finger at the dead wolf disguised in my clothing, then she belted out into laughter, I went to shush her but then I realized that no one else could see her unless she allowed them to.

"He has about 20 plus children, and none of them with the same mother. He was a woman beater, and a complete bastard. His children don't even know he exist. I'm not saying death is what he deserved, but cheer up, he won't be missed." Explained Selene.

"Oh..." I said just shaking my head dumbfounded, but then I shook my head and continued "nevertheless, his life wasn't mine to take, nor is anyone else's."

"Look" said Selene shaking her head, "you don't have to do anything you don't want to, but I just want you to be sure that when the time comes, you won't hesitate to make the necessary decisions. Just think about that." Said Selene, then in the blink of an eye, she was gone.

\*Third Person's pnt. Of view\*

Adelina sighed and leaned her head against the back window.

Selene was right. She had to be ready when the time comes, the only problem was that she had no other options but to kill Clarissa, nothing else will stop her, and as far as Adelina could tell, Clarissa was hell bent on ending her life, Adelina just had to get there first.

She'd have to suck it up. But the fact that she was now killing without flinching terrified her.

What if she became a monster? What if she couldn't be stopped from killing others? What if she didn't want to be stopped?

Her eyes widened, as she shuddered at the thought and tried to clear her head, but it was hard, especially when everything kept pointing back to the same result.

Kill Clarissa.

\*Selene's pnt. Of view\*

As I looked down at Adelina from afar, I could feel the turmoil that went on inside of her. I could hear the different thoughts that ran through her mind, and I could witness the battle that was taking place between her heart and her mind.

I smiled.

She had the heart of a queen, the mind of a leader, and the courage and humility of a princess, the perfect ingredients to becoming a Luna.

For someone to admit that they are afraid takes a lot of courage, and humility, and I was proud of her for admitting it out loud.

She may have not noticed, but the minute she knew Demitrey was her mate, she embarked on her journey to become Luna. She is as naïve as a kitten, but that is somehow one of her biggest flaws, yet one her best qualities.

I've watched her from the moment she was born, throughout all her ups and downs, what her sisters put her through, to the traumatic events of her father, and even the treatment she received from her mate, she pulled through.

She's a fighter. She's stubborn.

The perfect match for a broken alpha.

At my thoughts, Demitrey came in my view.

He was walking around the pack ground making sure everything and everyone was in place for the upcoming war.

He had announced to the pack that their Luna is okay, and that she's on her way home.

It seems that that's exactly the boost and encouragement they needed to continue fighting.

Even Demitrey seemed relieved.

I shook my head, and chuckled, I don't want to sound as if I'm full of myself, but I think that Adelina and Demitrey is one of the best pairs I've ever made, only because the connection they share is so pure, and what they feel, their emotions, the palpitation of their hearts, and the need and craving they have for each other is so raw.

I watched them both grow up, they are more alike than they

think, but they are also total opposites.

And although oil and water don't mix, once the heat dies down, oil somehow floats along with water.

Nevertheless, I was proud of them, and I couldn't wait for when they embarked on their journey as Alpha and Luna together.

But then, I sighed, and looked down at Clarissa and shook my head in a disappointed manner.

Such a sad result.

Her story is not what everyone thinks.

Clarissa growing up had everything she could ever want.

She was intelligent, she kept amazing notes in school, she had various talents, and she had the potential to be the next Luna of her pack.

She lived the life of a princess. She was well educated, and she was cunning.

Her parents made sure to provide anything she could ever want, all she had to do was ask.

Yet, the only setback was that she was never satisfied.

And there was this one thing she truly wanted, but never got.

The attention of her parents.

Her parents worked as part of her old pack's council. They worked head to head with the alpha, and they were constantly busy.

No matter how many times she tried to talk to them or tell them how her day was she'd always get a "not now honey" or a "I'm busy baby, later." And eventually she received no replies at all.

So, she started acting up to get their attention, but that resulted in nothing, in fact everyone started to avoid her, keep out of her way.

People who dealt with her were obligated to so, and so she truly had no one to talk to.

I tried reaching out to her a few times, and the last time, she told me that if I wasn't cruel, she would've had everything she wanted, and I asked her what she wanted, and she said "someone to talk to. Someone to give me the attention I need and deserve." So, I directed her to Peter.

I knew exactly when I would make them meet.

Of course, the second they met, they knew they were mates, and Clarissa was happy.

She left her pack without even saying goodbye, and she moved in with Peter.

When she met Adelina, the girls hit it off right away. They formed a bond, and they told each other everything, but I could see it wasn't going to last, especially when I started to see and feel what Peter was feeling towards Adelina. Adelina of coursed never noticed, but Clarissa did, and that broke her.

The one person meant to give her attention had his eyes set on someone else, and that shattered her heart.

I once again tried to reach out, but this time she refused to hear or listen to me, and eventually, I no longer existed to her.

However, I didn't give up on her, she was still destined to do great things, and I wanted to help her, but then she let the darkness consume her completely, and from that point, I knew that there was no turning back.

She never tried to stop herself from wanting to hurt Adelina, she never even reasoned out the fact that Adelina had her own demons to battle at home.

Her deceased cousin Valinick supported her because he cared, he saw all the good that she did, and that's all he saw. He never saw that she manipulated him, until she ended his life.

Nonetheless, she was one heck of a smart cookie, as well as did she have a good memory, because then my point of view shifted the to the person next to her.

Alpha Darrell.

His heart was filled with as much hatred as that of Clarissa's, but for whom? No one would believe it.

Chapter 18- "Final Countdown" part- 3

\*Third Person's pnt. Of view\*

"Something's wrong." Came Demitrey's calculating voice in Adelina's head.

"Huh? What's wrong?" Asked Adelina, alert.

"Luna? Is that you?" Came a woman's voice.

"Hey! The Luna can communicate with us now!" Said another.

"Luna we miss you, we can't wait to have you back." Said a Child's voice.

"Yeah girl! Hurry up! This pup is not coming out until his or her godmother is back. So, chop chop!" Came Cilia's voice.

"ENOUGH!" Warned Demitrey in a very calm, but alpha tone.

"Yes alpha." Came a unison of voices.

\*Adelina's pnt. Of view\*

"What's wrong?" I asked again shaking my head at Demitrey although he couldn't see me.

"They're not attacking, and the sun set a while ago." Explained Demitrey, and he was right.

"Hold on." I said, then I cleared my throat and said in a deep voice "so, guys, remind me the Alpha's plan again, you know I have the tendency to fall asleep on the job." I cringed as I improvised my character based on the dead wolf that was sleeping when he was supposed to be watching me.

It was silent for a minute, and I thought I blew my cover but when the driver chuckled and said "Why am I not surprised? Anyway, the alpha warned and said when we we're about one to two days away, the others would not attack, and that would keep Demitrey's pack on edge, because they wouldn't know our next move."

"Makes sense. Thanks." I chuckled and shook my head, if only he knew.

"Okay, so Alpha Darrell has instructed his pack to not attack once we're one to two days away, so that would keep you guys on edge. So, you'd be unaware of their next move." I explained to Demitrey, along with the entire pack.

"Soo... What is their next move exactly?" Asked Kade.

"Hold on." I said, then I asked out loud "sooo... What is our next move exactly?"

"Jeez you really are an idiot!" Exclaimed Raoul.

"Takes one to know one." Was my reply.

"Hey! Enough. Alpha is going to use the girl for his bargaining chip. If Demitrey refuses to accept his offer, he will kill her then the war will start, and it will not end until Demitrey is dead." Said the driver, which I still haven't heard his name. I snarled as something in me snapped, wanting to rip his head off for threatening Demitrey. The reaction caught me by surprise, but I straightened myself up and connected back into the pack link I explained what Darrell's plan was, and then I exit the entire pack out and connected to Demitrey.

"Baby." He said, then he added "I miss you."

"I miss you too." I replied longingly.

"You're gonna be okay. You know that right? This will all be over soon." He reassured me.

"I know. But as usual, patience is a virtue." I sighed.

"I know, just know that I'm waiting for my prize when you get back." He said, and that woke me up.

"Prize? What prize? For what?" I asked.

"The tease and please challenge. I won." He said, and even in the link I could feel his smug smile.

"Says who?" I asked.

"Oh come on babe, you can't even argue that I won. Do you want me to remind you of what happened the night you got kidnapped?" He asked, and I felt my face get hot as the images from that evening flashed in front of my eyes.

Him stepping up to me and taking me by surprise.

"You're blushing right now aren't you." He stated, and a jolt of

surprise ran through me at the shock that he knew me so well.

"Babe, not now." Warned Adelina.

"Okay, I have to work out a plan with the pack. Love you." He said.

I was going to reply, but then I stopped myself, when I say I love you, I want to say it to his face.

"And I have a surprise for you. But you're going to have to wait." I said.

"Aww... okay." And just like that he was gone from my mind.

I sighed, with a smile on my lips, I love him.

\*Clarissa's pnt. Of view\*

I leaned my head against the window as we drove on and on. My eyes scanned past the trees that flew by us.

Although we were about a day away from reaching Adelina's pack, my heart couldn't help but to palpitate with excitement and anticipation.

It was almost over.

I'd get rid of the nightmare called Adelina forever.

I looked over at Alpha Darrell and smiled, he seemed so focused on what he was doing, his determined face was fascinating, I couldn't help but admire him. "Babe, if you keep looking at me like this, we will never make it to our destination." He spoke up, his deep voice sending a wave of excitement through me.

"I know baby. But I can't help it sometimes." I chuckled and looked back out the window.

You see after I offed Val in the forest, and recruited Adelina's sisters, I made a pit stop by Alpha Darrell' pack.

One night in the bedroom with him, and I had him wrapped around my fingers, and now, he's at my every beck and call.

Having convinced him into marking me as his mate and Luna, we became part of the same team.

I hated Adelina, and he loathed someone from Demitrey's pack.

Kill two birds with one stone.

And the more we drove on, the closer I got to killing Adelina. I could practically taste my victory.

And once I was done taking her life, I'd wait a while, get Darrell's pack used to having me around, then a little powder in the alpha's food would keep him from waking up ever again, and I would be crowned Luna and ruler of his pack.

Then, then I would finally get everything I wanted.

I smiled deviously and tried to calm myself down.

All in due time.

"What are you smiling about?" Asked Darrell.

"Oh nothing, just thinking of how we're going to celebrate our victory babe." I answered.

"Oh, I have a few ideas of my own." He said then he winked.

He really was an attractive specimen.

Dark hair, hazel eyes, and that chiseled jaw, his features were absolutely captivating.

Too bad he wouldn't live as long as he expected.

I'd keep him around for entertainment, then once I was good and ready, I would kill him.

\*Darrell's pnt. Of view\*

I flickered my eyes over Clarissa, and mentally rolled my eyes.

She thought she had me fooled.

But sadly, I was just using her hatred for Adelina for a pass to get near Demitrey's pack.

I always needed a way in, a bargaining chip, who knew it would come at the hands of a total hoe.

I know Clarissa is not to be trusted, that's why I'm letting her think she's in control. I'll let her lead us to the pack and let her plan out our strategy to take over the pack. When everything is set, Gavin, Theo and Raoul already know how to take care of her.

I know she is planning some random ways of outsmarting me, but I was already one step ahead of her.

Word travels fast among the pack warriors. When she killed Val, I could've ended her life, but when she presented the idea that could finally help me get the revenge that I've been craving for so long, I couldn't help but take her up on that offer.

I lost my mate in a rogue attack, and even though I would never place Clarissa in her position, she offered her body, so I bit her, and made her believe that I marked her.

She's not my mate, so me marking her would never have the same effects as marking your mate.

Anyway, with Clarissa believing that we were on the same side, she let me all up in her little plan.

The only shocker was that she knew Adelina was going to kill her sisters, she knew that Adelina was going to escape, she knew exactly how to map out the place, so Adelina crashed through that window, and she knew exactly where to have Chris and Dave waiting. I must give her Kudos, she is one smart cookie, she's evil, but smart, nevertheless.

But I didn't become alpha by being a pushover.

I have a few tricks under my sleeve as well.

Oh, dear Clarissa, if only you knew.

Chapter 19- "Go."

\*Third Person's pnt. Of view\*

It was about a day and a half later, when certain surroundings started to look familiar to Adelina.

They drove through their city and there wasn't a wolf in sight.

Adelina noticed the buffet she was kidnapped in as they rode by. Eventually, they ditched the highway until all you could see around were tall trees and thick branches.

She felt the pull of her pack, she felt the mate bond grow, and she felt the call of the forest.

She was home.

"Babe, do you feel that?" Asked Adelina.

"You're here!" Announced Demitrey, and she could feel the relief and happiness in his tone, then he added "where are you? How far are you from the pack?"

"I'm still a good distance away, but we're not far from crossing over into the pack bounds." Replied Adelina.

"Okay, sit tight. We'll be together soon." Said Demitrey, then they cut off their contact.

Adelina learned her head back against the window, and she sighed, she was home.

Yet somehow, there was no comfort in that thought, in fact, if anything, she felt uneasy.

She wasn't sure what was going to happen, but she knew it was going to be big.

Eventually, they reached a stop, it was a clearing about an hour away from the famous cliff.

Everyone exits the cars, and all-around Darrell's warriors stood in respect for their alpha.

Clarissa walked up to the trunk where Theo's body laid and opened it, she went to touch the body when she paused, Adelina noticed she cocked her head to the side as though she was examining something, then she turned around sharply, her eyes immediately locking with Adelina's.

"Wait a second," said Clarissa as she squinted her eyes, then she walked right up to Adelina, and ripped the cap right off her head.

Her hair came tumbling out of the bun into a wavy mess over her shoulders.

"What the-"

"Well, I totally underestimated you." Said Clarissa.

"Grab her!" She ordered and Theo and Gavin started moving, but to Adelina's surprise, they both latched onto Clarissa arms, and held her hostage. "Wha- what is the meaning of this? Let me go you idiots! You're supposed to grab her! Not me!" She screamed hysterically, as she tried to pull her arms out their right grasps, but their fingers wouldn't budge.

"Actually, they don't have to do anything you say. Don't forget, I'm the alpha." Said Darrell as he smirked and stood right in front of Clarissa.

"Why you sniveling little snake-"

"Silence her." Ordered Darrell, and Theo let go as Gavin effortlessly held on to a raging Clarissa, then Theo slipped out to pieces of rags, one which he balled up and placed in Clarissa's mouth as he forced her jaw open, and the other piece, he tied in between her lips.

\*Adelina's pnt. Of view\*

For some reason, seeing her unable to speak gave me some satisfaction.

But I knew that I wasn't out of the woods yet. No pun intended.

Darrell turned to me with a straight face as he said "as for you, I have no intention on harming you, as long as you cooperate, you will not be harmed. You have done no wrong by me, so I have no right to hurt you. However, I do need you as a bargaining chip now."

"And if I refuse?" I asked, somehow already knowing the answer.

"Well, then one word from me, and you will be bound and

gagged, and I will drag you along nevertheless for my plan to work. We can do this the hard way, or the easy way. Your choice." Replied Darrell.

"And what exactly is your plan?" I asked.

" Uh huh" said Darrell, as he waved his pointer finger in a "no" motion, "that's for me to know and for you to find out."

I sighed and shrugged as I said, "it was worth a try." Darrell chuckled and for a minute he didn't seem like a total villain.

As if he read my thoughts, he stopped laughing immediately, and something instantly felt familiar about him.

His eyes became dark, and his demeanor went back to a serious aura, then he said, "so what is your choice?"

"I'll cooperate, but there are conditions." I said holding my head up, leveling his eyes with mine.

"No deal." He replied.

"Did you come to start a war?" I demanded, the tone emitting from me feeling slightly alien, yet natural.

"No. Not necessarily." Replied Darrell.

"And do you plan on losing more men than you already have?" I asked again, the authority in my voice growing with every spoken word.

"No." He replied, his alpha tone matching my vigorous voice.

"Well then you have no choice but to listen to my conditions." I said smugly as I crossed my arms and stared him down.

The picture was quite comical however, I was a few inches shorter than him, and so I was looking up at him, while he was looking down at me, his eyes didn't budge, and I could do this all day.

He squinted his eyes, and I kept my gaze leveled.

My eyes at some point started to burn.

But.

I.

Wasn't.

Going.

To.

Blink.

In a second, his eyes closed and opened back, he groaned, and I smiled in victory " your conditions?" He asked in a very exasperated tone.

My smiled widened as I said "No harm will come to the pack members. You will arrive on our grounds, state your business, and move on. If any of your warriors slip up, punishment will be assigned accordingly. No women or children are to be preyed on for as long as you are on our grounds. Any sign of attack or force shown from your pack members to one of ours will be an act of treason, and that will trigger a war, and you and I both know that your pack doesn't stand a chance. Understood?"

He scoffed, then chuckled, and then he shook his head and smiled "spoken like a true Luna. I like you. Okay, fine. But same thing goes for your pack." He said.

"Deal." I replied, then we shook on it.

After a second he said "we're gonna have to sell the story to your pack. I'm sorry."

"Sorry? For wha-" before I could finish that sentence, someone's foot met with my jaw in harsh contact.

Pain erupted where the foot had landed, and the metallic taste that erupted in my mouth did not go unnoticed.

I turned sharply and found the she-wolf that hit me.

I touched my lip, and saw blood on my finger, but then I spat out a mouthful of blood then smiled and said "Oh, well I'm sorry too." Before the girl realized, my foot came in perfect contact with the side of her jaw and cheek.

She twisted to the ground, and I noticed some of his men starting to round up, but with one flick of Darrell's arm, they dispersed.

"Seriously Darrell? You could've given me a warning." I said, then touched my cheek, it was going to bruise. The she-wolf I hit stood up, and spat some blood out of her mouth, she looked at me, and I looked at her, then she nodded her head, and went on her way.

I'm glad we had an understanding.

"Okay, so now what?" I asked.

"Now, mind link Demitrey, tell him to meet us at the cliff, oh and make sure that Kade is there with him." Said Darrell.

"Why?" I asked suspiciously.

"Just do it." He said, and he waited, I knew that he was watching to make sure that I mind linked Demitrey.

"Demitrey." I called out in the link.

"Babe, are you okay? It felt as if I got kicked in the jaw." Said Demitrey.

"That's because I got kicked in the jaw." I replied.

"What?!" He exclaimed, "are you okay? Who hit you? You got them, back right? Oh, I'm going to kill whoever placed his hands on you." He rambled.

"Babe, calm down, it was a she-wolf, and I'm pretty sure she lost a tooth if not two, so we're even, anyways here's what I was instructed to tell you, please don't ask questions, just go with the flow." I said, then I explained what Darrell told me to say, and then I cut off the link. "How far is the cliff from here?" Ask Darrell.

"About an hour." I reply.

"Well, tell them to meet us in an hour. For now, you'll walk free, but once we start getting close, I'm going to have to restrain you, however, I am a man of my word, no harm will come to you, and my pack will heed and respect your instructions." Said Darrell.

"Okay." I said.

"And don't forget, tell him to make sure that Kade is there." He said.

"Okay." Then I reconnected into the link.

"Demitrey, he said to meet us in an hour, and make sure that Kade is there." I said.

"Okay. In an hour." Replied Demitrey.

"In an hour."

Chapter 20- "Plot Twist"

\*Adelina's pnt. Of view\*

We treated through the forest in complete silence. Each of us most likely boxed into our own thoughts.

Our steps crushing the occasional branches on the ground was the only noise that accompanied the sound of the forest. A chorus of crickets chirped about, the small wild animals scurrying from our approaching forms.

Darrell was leading with me a few feet in tow, then Gavin and Theo pulled up behind me with an angry yet silent Clarissa. Then the rest of the pack shadowed behind us.

It was sort of strange that Darrell emphasized his need for Kade to be there. I mean... could they be connected somehow? Maybe brothers? It was just strange. I mean Kade has never mentioned any other family members.

Once the clearing started to appear up ahead, Darrell stopped and turned to me. With a nod of silent understanding between us, one of the pack warriors came and tied my arms behind me.

I didn't resist, I was so close to home that I wasn't going to compromise any chance of me making it there.

We continued the path until we made it to the clearing, there, my heart felt lodged in my throat at the sight of my mate and pack.

Demitrey's eyes connected with mine and an energy coursed through me.

Oh, I missed him.

His dark colored eyes looked at me with relief, longing, love, and worry.

I wanted to run up to him, hold him and kiss him like my life depended on it.

My heart started to palpitate, a I felt an urge wash over me, but

before I let my cravings for my mate take complete control, I turned my eyes to the people standing to his right.

Cilia and Kade.

I promised myself that I wouldn't cry when I saw them, but seeing the tears run down Cilia's cheeks broke down all my restraints, and my own cheeks soon became soaked with rivers of tears.

I shook of the wave of emotions that dragged over me and turned my eyes over to the person on the left of Demitrey.

James.

He was here, but he didn't seem to be here.

His eyes seemed empty, it's as though he was looking, but he wasn't seeing.

His two soulless orbs met my own, and he did a sharp intake of breath, then his eyes travelled behind, and his eyes recovered with that of a murderous revengeful life, and I didn't have to turn around to know who he was looking at.

But a few seconds later, it's as if his eyes were drawn to the shewolf that stood on the other side of Darrell.

My eyes looked to my side, and hers were glued to his as well.

It was the she-wolf that kicked me, and I knew that look way too well.

I wanted to smile, I really did, but she's the girl that kicked me, and as far as I could tell, she was James'

"MINE." Said James as he made a step towards her, but before he could get any closer, Darrell's arm shot out and kept the girl a few inches behind him.

James growled menacingly, but then Demitrey placed his hand on James shoulder, and whispered something in his ears.

Relentlessly, James backed up into the line next to Demitrey, and the tension between the two packs only grew.

My eyes then sort of traveled over all the faces in the crowd, men, women and children, all standing with their alpha.

"Alpha Demitrey." Greeted Darrell with a hard, cold tone.

"Darrell." Replied Demitrey with the same tone, but scarier.

"You're as arrogant as they say." Commented Darrell.

"And that wasn't enough to scare you off?" Ask Demitrey.

"No, no. I didn't come on violent terms," replied Darrell as he raised his hands up, "I come in peace, as long as you allow this to be peaceful." He added.

"And what is this exactly?" Asked Demitrey.

"A reunion." Said Darrell with a smile.

Why did he seem so freaking familiar?

"A reunion? You call kidnapping my Luna as a means of a reunion?" Said Demitrey, his eyes dark and menacing.

"Well that part had nothing to do with me, you can talk to her about that later." He said pointing to Clarissa, "As far as I'm involved, I'm just here to reveal something very important to both our packs, and I pray that this goes without any more blood being spilled." Said Darrell, his smile suddenly gone, his voice taking on a much more serious, if not darker tone.

"Is that a threat?" Demitrey asked, and took a menacing step forward, Kade, James, and the top warriors following his lead.

"Ah ah ah," said Darrell in a hasty manner, then without warning, Darrell pulled me in front of him, and held my back flushed against his chest, he moved as stealthy as snake, because before I noticed, he pulled out a gun, and it was pressed against my temple.

Okay, so maybe I was too relaxed up to this point.

"One more step, and I'll blow her head off." Warmed Darrell.

"You wouldn't dare." Menaced Demitrey.

"Try me." Dared Darrell.

Demitrey took another menacing step toward.

"Alpha!" Called out Darrell as he pressed the gun further into my temple, "don't push it." He warned.

"Demitrey, baby for once don't do something stupid." I warned through our link.

"Stupid? STUPID?! Adelina, he has a gun to your head." He replied frantic.

"And my feet are free, I think I can buy enough time for you to get to him, without having my brains blown out." I replied.

"But babe-"

"No."

"But-"

"Nope."

"Baby-"

"No." I replied sternly and looked him dead in the eyes.

He rolled his eyes and stepped back, with his warriors following suite.

"That's right. Listen to your Luna. I knew you were smart." Taunted Darrell.

"Don't push him, or next time, I'll let him rip your throat out." I warned.

"Oh, do you mean like this?" Asked Darrell, and his arms snaked around my waist and pulled me even closer to him. A menacing growl arose deep from Demitrey's throat, and at this point I was so disgusted that I didn't even want to calm him down, he could kill the asshole for all I cared.

"I can keep her as a means of distraction. She had been very compliant and pleasing so far." Said

Darrell as he nuzzled his nose into my neck and said "or I can always kill her here and now. You know I wouldn't hesitate to do so, I'm as ruthless as you are, after all, we have the same roots... brother."