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Chapter 36

CLAIR

As soon as I woke up this morning, I cornered Dad before he could leave for work.

I wanted to know more about him and Mom's family. I didn't tell him the conversation around it at Jake's party, and just told him I wanted to know out of curiosity.

And this was what I found out.

Dad belonged to an Alpha family. Uncle Theodore was the firstborn Alpha son and was supposed to be the next Alpha of the Dark Forest Pack, but

unfortunately, their pack was attacked while Dad and Uncle Theodorore were away. The then Alpha, Carlos Montrell, my grandfather, died on the spot, and the new Alpha took over.

It was the reason Dad and Uncle Theodore were taken by another pack, but eventually, Uncle Theo decided to live with humans when his fated mate turned out to be a human, Aunt Laura.

My mom, Camilla, on the other hand, was the eldest daughter of the famous Alpha Thaddeus of the Night Howlers Pack. My mother was supposed to be the chosen mate for Alpha Argon. So, my mother was sent to the Claiming, for Alpha Argon to formally claim her.

Fortunately for my parents, my dad was also there. He was among the men escorting his then-new Alpha to the event. And because Mom and Dad were fated mates. Alpha Thaddeus was not able to do anything but let her go with her mate.

But Alpha Thaddeus wasn't happy. He wanted his daughter back and tried everything to take her back, which f*orc*ed my parents to leave my father's new pack and move somewhere they would not be found. That was where Jake's mom came into the picture.

She was good friends with my mom, and she offered for them to stay here. So the then-Alpha Thelon, Jake's grandfather, took them in and concealed their identity. Their identities were hidden until Aaron was born. By that time, my grandfather gave up on his quest to reclaim his daughter.

But when my mother died from an attack on another pack she visited, Alpha Thaddeus was informed, and he requested to meet with my father through Alpha Jake.

My father knew how important it was for Alpha Thaddeus to build alliances with other packs by marrying off his nieces to other Alphas, and he was bothered that he might find out about me.

So, before he finally met him, he sent me away to live with my uncle when I was twelve. He sent me away not because he didn't want me around. He did it to protect me from my grandfather. He was afraid that Alpha Thaddeus would use his power to take me and marry me off to some Alpha when I reached legal age.

Alpha Jake, knowing all this, commanded everyone in the pack not to discuss anything about me while they were visiting. Dad and Aaron moved to the pack house and pretended they were living there to avoid any traces and scents of me. They had to pretend that Clair Montrell did not exist at all.

Now I know why Alpha Aeon thought my mother only had one kid because my identity was protected.

Jake revealing my identity bothered me, but Dad a*s*suaged my fears by telling me that Alpha Thaddeus died when I was sixteen, and that was when they asked me to return home, only for me to refuse.

So, I guess I am safe now.

A part of me was relieved to find out that I was not thrown out of the territory because nobody cared about me, including Jake. Everyone held on to their part to protect me. I only wish that I knew beforehand, so I didn't grow up resenting my father and thinking I was not loved by anyone from this pack.

But it was pointless to complain about it now.

The revelation answered all my questions as to why I was destined to mate with an Alpha – a strong one because I have an Alpha bloodline on both sides.

I didn't see Jake the whole day after his party last night. Apparently, his Beta created a schedule where he got to spend some time with the females that were possible matches for him. It didn't sit well with me. I was restless for the whole day, but what happened tonight pushed me to my limits.

I was with my dad, watching TV when the pain hit my chest. It was a burning pain, and red marks started to appear on my wrists.

It wasn't unbearable, I managed. The pain lasted for probably ten to twenty seconds, but the mark remained on my skin. I was confused about what happened, but I just tried to shrug it off until I saw the panicked look on my father's face.

He asked me if I had been formally rejected by my mate, and I was f*orc*ed to confess that there was no rejection. I just left because he didn't want me.

His gaze turned soft, and he pulled me into a hug. He explained in a calm manner that as long as the bond remained, I would feel it whenever my mate touched another female intimately.

He mentioned it was probably just a k*iss because it didn't last long and I had to prepare for the worst when the real coupling happened.

He offered to drive me to meet up with my mate if I knew where to reach him so we could do the formal rejection, but I didn't hear the rest of his words. I stood up from the couch and told him I just wanted to let my wolf out for a while and was glad that he didn't stop me at all.

But I didn't shift. I ran on my feet until I found myself at the pack house. I went directly inside, ignoring some of the warriors along the way as I made my way towards the Alpha's office. I opened the door and slammed it shut to find Beta Gavin seated in Jake's chair.

"Clair!" I can see he was shocked by my behavior but tried to act civilly toward me. Being Aaron's sister has a perk – they let me get away with the disrespect sometimes. "Is everything alright?" He asked.

"Where is your Alpha?" I snapped at him.

"Of course, him! Do you have another Alpha here?"

He scratched his head before answering. "He's not yet here. Is there anything I can do for you?"

"Yes. I want to have time with him."

"What do you mean? You can just drop here tomorrow and talk with him."

"No, not like that! He's probably out having dinner with some females, and I don't understand why I didn't get any time to spend with him!" My voice was still slightly higher than usual.

“Whoah! Relax! I didn’t know you wanted one.” He raised his brow and looked at me as if I was confusing him.

“Now you know, give me a schedule,” I demanded, crossing my arms over my chest.

“He’s full for tomorrow, maybe Friday?” He picked up a pen and started to turn the pages of a calendar sitting on Jake’s desk.

I put my hand over the calendar in front of him, stopping him from writing my name on the Friday schedule. “No. Tomorrow will be good.”

“I can’t. I told you his schedule is full tomorrow.” He squinted his eyes as he looked up at me. I could see annoyance brewing in his features.

I slammed my palms on the desk and leaned my face closer to his, my eyes fixed on his. “Listen Beta, I still haven’t forgotten that you annoyed me last time. And I was still nice to you, but you don’t want to cross me one more time because I will not let you get away so easily this time.” I stood up straight and raised my eyebrows at him. “Eight in the morning tomorrow. It’s my time.”

“No, Clair. The Alpha needs to meet the warriors for deb....” He tried to explain before I cut him off.

“To hell with his schedules! If I come here at eight tomorrow morning and he’s not ready for me, you will face my wrath! I’m not kidding. I will snap the life out of you... or I’ll die trying.” I told him, my eyes narrowing at him before I turned on my heel and walked away. I knew I was nothing compared to the Beta, but it was worth a try.

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Jake

7:55 am and here I was, sitting by the steps at the front of my packhouse. I should be with my warriors but the way my Beta Gavin delivered his story on how Clair rendered him speechless last night left me with no choice but to wait for her or my Beta might run away for his life.

Not that I was f*orc*ed. I hated my time with those females yesterday, and despite the fear of facing Clair, I must admit I was excited. I missed her.

I shook my head smiling at the thought of my little mate scaring the hell out of my Beta.

Beta Gavin could be playful when he wanted to, but he was more like me – a man with no emotions most of the time, and nothing scared him except my Alpha tone.

I wasn't sure if he was enamored with Clair or she did scare him because he went ahead and revised my schedule today to accommodate Clair's request, I mean Clair's demand.

Lost in my thought, I was not aware that she arrived already with her pickup truck until I smelled her. I raised my head, still seating and my hands clasped together, arms leaning on my knees as I looked at the little goddess stepping out of her big truck.

"And to who do I owe that smile coming from your face?" She placed her hands on her hips and stood in front of me in all her glory, in a s*exy camouflage shorts and a white wife-beater paired with sockless white sneakers.

She had her hair down making it flow flawlessly when she moves. F*uc*king temptress!

"Hi!" I let my eyes feasted on her, she was perfect in every sense and I couldn't comprehend why the Goddess would give her to me if she knows I could never have her.

I stood up and I saw her roaming her eyes on me, her eyes flickered into black for a moment letting me know Rain wanted to come out. It was enough to send Echo into a frenzy, wanting to f*orc*e his way out.

It appeased me that my appearance got approval from my little mate and her wolf.

"Did you eat breakfast already? I haven't yet. I can ask someone to cook for us and we can eat here first?" I asked, waiting for her response.

She c*oc*ked her head and motioned her thumb towards her pickup truck. "I got it covered. Hop in! We're going somewhere for breakfast." She turned around and slipped inside the driver's seat without waiting for me.

I sat beside her in the passenger seat, my head tilted to her while she drives. I couldn't help looking at her. She scrunched her nose from time to time whenever she would hit some rough road or holes in the pathway.

"You need to have someone look at the road, at least where cars are driving. It's shitty already, maybe needed some fixing?" She told me calmly as she maneuvered her pickup to the forest line, leaving the driveway.

I nodded, a smile forming on my lips. She would probably make a good Luna. "I will do that, thank you. I have never really had time to notice that."

She smiled before throwing a quick glance at me. "Glad to help. It's nothing compared to all the other tasks you have to focus on." I nodded and looked at the path she was taking. I already have an idea where we were heading but I kept mum.

"And speaking of tasks, sorry for disrupting your schedule today. I mean, Beta said Friday. Come on it's only Wednesday! I can't wait that long!" She chuckled, probably remembering how he threatened my Beta yesterday.

I smiled and just shook my head, just enjoying having her beside me with her scent calming us.

"Do you think me scaring him worked?" She asked innocently.

"I think so."

"I thought so too. I wasn't really sure he'll give in but he did!" She looked happy and proud of herself. "Or maybe he just liked you." I teased her, smile still on my lips.

"Yeah, I know that! Everyone likes me, who wouldn't? Ooops, I forgot, my mate doesn't like me!" She said nonchalantly as she slammed the brake and when the car came to a stop she hurriedly jumped out of the car.

"Clair..." I followed after her at the back of her pickup where she took out a picnic basket and a cloth. Ignoring me like what she said didn't hit anything between us.

She brought us to the stream, our stream.

She walked gracefully balancing the basket in her hand and the cloth at the other while treading the way to the clearing around the stream.

She carefully spread out the cloth before placing the basket on it, preparing the food she took with her. I stood back and watched her, torn between wanting to spend time with her and running away from her.

She was too much. And she confused me. I felt like I don't know what I want anymore.

"Come sit with me." She was kneeling on the ground when she raised her head to look at me, and all I pictured was her kneeling to please me, and before I could stop it I found myself with a boner.

Her gaze moved from my face to the middle of my thighs before dropping it to the ground, making her cheeks burn red.

I cleared my throat and adjusted my pants discretely before sitting on the blanket.

“Thanks for preparing this. I’m sorry I didn’t have anything planned for us. I wasn’t expecting you would want to spend time with me.” I told her in a low voice.

She just nodded handing me a cheese and ham sandwich in one hand and a box of omelet and bacon in the other hand.

She giggled softly, and I swear to the goddess I wanted to place her in my lap and just hug her. Her giggles sounded heavenly. “I’m not sure which one you would want to eat, but you can have both.”

I smiled and grabbed the box of omelet and bacon firsts. “I’ll take this one first.”

“I knew it! I’m not sure what you eat for breakfast now but I remember you eat almost all the omelets and bacon mommy cooked when you eat with us before.” She talked while munching on the

sandwich in her hand. She looked so happy and my heart soared, knowing I was the reason behind her happiness right now.

“Your mom’s omelet was tasty, but this one...” I nodded and pointed the fork I was holding on the box of omelet in my hand.”... is the best one I tasted. I can eat this whole day.”

Or you. Yeah, I could eat you the whole day.

Her smile reached her eyes as she looked at me, her face beaming and red from blushing. “Stop being nice. It’s probably the only thing I can cook. I destroy everything else in the kitchen.”

“I’m not lying. It’s really good. Here, eat!” I offered a piece of the omelet from my fork. She looked at me dumbfounded before she opened her mouth, making her look more so s*exy and seductive. It took a lot of restrain on my end not to attack her lips.

And I just found myself putting the fork back into my own mouth to suck it clean after it left her mouth. I was not aware if she noticed it, either way, she didn’t show any sign that she did. So I continued to suck on the fork like a teenager with a boner.

We sit in silence for a moment, just eating the food and fruits around us. Both were lost in our own thoughts. It was magical to be with her until she started asking questions.

“Who was with you last night?” I heard her ask in a soft voice.

I don’t know if she wanted an answer or not. I cleared my throat but didn’t say anything.

“Did you k*iss her?”

“Clair...”

“Do you like her?” She added immediately. “Clair...”

“Stop that! I know you don’t want this mate bond between us but please can you at least cooperate and make it a little easier. I’m just asking and I want an answer.” She said calmly, her gaze fixed on the water in front of us.

“I felt it.” She said almost in a whisper. I was confused for a moment until she added more. “I felt it when you k*issed her. It was painful, but nothing more painful than knowing you k*issed someone and it’s not me.”

My jaw tightened at her revelation.

I knew when marked mates cheat intimately, the other half feels it but I had no idea it was possible when I haven’t marked her yet. My hands coiled into fists, pissed off at myself for hurting her.

Not that I k*issed someone, it was Arianne who just jumped on me and k*issed me. I tried to stop her gently. If I pushed her abruptly, she would have slammed her head on the wall behind her. But if I only knew Clair would feel it, hell I care if she got hurt. I wished I had pushed her immediately.

Echo gnarled at me and reminded me I was hurting our mate from the day we told her mates were not important to us.

I saw the first tear drop from her eyes. She swatted it with her palm, her gaze not faltering away from the stream.

“But I understand, you don’t want me. You don’t want this bond and you don’t want to do anything with me but please... give me just a little more time to accept this, the rejection. I just want to give a little fight before I moved on. I don’t want to end up with what-ifs all my life.”

“You’re better off without me.” My voice came out hoarsely. “You deserve someone who can love you without boundaries, without inhibitions, someone who’s not afraid to give their all to you. I can’t do that. I’m not made for that.”

She snapped her head in my direction, her eyes glaring at me. “No, you listen! And listen hard! I want you! I want you even before this mate bond happened! So I don’t know if this bond is a curse or a blessing! But I don’t care! I’m going to fight for my place in your life and you can’t get rid of me easily!”

“Stop this Claire! Nothing will change, I still can’t have you!”

“Look at me! Look at me! What’s wrong with me? Am I ugly? Do you want me to color my hair blonde or red? Tell me? Or am I not good in bed? Do you think I can’t please you? We haven’t tried yet! I’ll prove to you I can please...” She moved fast and kneeled in front of me, she grabbed the waistband of my shorts and tried to unclasp the button before I swatted her hands off my shorts.

“What the f*uc*k, Clair! Stop!” I snarled at her as I crouched just on a soft defensive stance, to stop her from coming near me.

“F*uc*k you, Jake! F*uc*k you! If you really don’t want me then go ahead and reject me now so I can run after someone else! You’re not the only Alpha around!”

“You will not do such f*uc*king thing.” My jaw tightened, claws threatening to come out. No one can touch what’s mine!

“Try me, Jake, you may not want me but I’ll make sure someone else will see my worth!”

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Clair

“Try me, Jake, you may not want me but I’ll make sure someone else will see my worth.”

I stood up from where I was sitting and moved away from him, walking towards the stream while pulling my shirt over my head to reveal my red bikini top.

I stopped just beside the deep part of the steam, my hands gripped the waistband of my shorts pulling it lower on my legs, bending as I sink it on my toes fully aware that I was showing him my n*ake*d a*s*s, my bikini thongs doesn’t cover anything at all.

“What the f*uc*k are you doing?” I heard him ask with a hitched breath.

I turned around and put my hands on my hips, standing proudly in my red bikini which leaves nothing to the imagination before licking my lower lips. “I need to swim Jake, I feel a little hot just thinking about the possibilities of another Alpha touching my...”

I was not even finished with my sentence when a loud growl erupted in the air as strong hands swept me away, taking me with him and landing us in the water.

Fear crept on me as I realized that I was sinking, this might be just a stream but it resembled a river in deepness. I raised my hand and coiled it around the first hard thing I reached as I tried to gasp for air. I felt my body being hoisted up, my eyes opened, and found myself looking at his deep blue eyes.

I parted my mouth open to breathe before caging my lower lip between my teeth to stop my teeth from chattering.

The coldness started to slip away immediately as sparks and tingles ignited all over my body.

My face was just inches away from him and he was just mesmerizing.

I have never been this close to seeing his face in the natural light and I was beyond awed. He was beautiful in every way.

A low growl vibrated from his chest awakening me from my trance. He was holding me close, too close with one hand cupping my bottom. My arms sn*ake*d around his neck as my legs wrapped around his waist.

“Don’t you dare say it again, Clair! I swear to the Goddess if you let those... if you.” He stuttered, making my heart flutter.

“Can we not talk about them?” My voice came out soft, he looked at me as if he was seeing me for the first time, his eyes switching from his regular dark blue to plain black. At that moment I knew I needed to do something, his wolf wanted me. The same way I and wolf wanted him.

Without putting more thoughts, I dipped my head and crushed my lips on his mouth while saying a silent prayer to the moon goddess to allow me to have a few seconds of his lips before he could stop me from k*issing him.

A low growl came out from his throat as he opened his mouth and started to dominate me with his deep k*isses, his hand moved from my back to my hair, clasping it a round his hand and tugging it a little upward. My head jerked up eliciting a soft moan from my lips.

His lips left mine to trail k*isses on my jaw up to my neck, nibbling and licking on the soft spot where his mark should be while his hand on my bottom squeezed my a*s*s before making its way to slide the thin sheet covering my mound.

“Jake...please” I moaned his name as soon as I felt his finger brushing against my folds.

He pulled away from my nibbling my neck and look at me with his wolf’s dark eyes, a smirk forming on his lips. “Please what, little mate?”

I closed my eyes and gasped as he dipped his finger inside me, I moved my hips in rhythm as he stroked more letting the sensation take the best of me and just flung my eyes open when my back felt a hard surface. I didn't notice that he carried us out of the water and into the blanket that I laid out earlier, with him hovering over me.

He pecked my forehead and my nose, suckling the drops of water in my skin before I cupped his face and caught his lips on mine.

He pulled away, a smug smile crept into his lips. "Patience little mate..." he whispered and lowered his body in parallel to my hips, he began to dispose of my bikini top and started to play with my nipple, nibbling and sucking in between while his hand caressed the other b*reas*t.

His mouth left my other b*reas*t just to pay attention to the other one, driving all my senses to insanity as hot liquid started to gush out from my core.

Jake

Her moans were driving me insane as I continued to suckle and bite her n*****s. I had always fantasized about having her b*reas*ts and her n*****s again in my mouth.

Her b*reas*ts tasted sweeter and fuller than I could remember. I wanted more but I know there's one more part of her that I couldn't wait to taste again.

I threw all my rationalities and inhibitions for the moment.

I sank myself lower and stopped when my face aligned with her hips. "Spread it open for me, little mate," I asked huskily, as I spread her legs open with my hands. D

"Jake, it's daylight..." She answered shyly, covering her s*ex with her hands.

I raised my gaze on her to see her face blushing, making her more enticing in my eyes. "They're made for me, little mate. I'm bound to see this in daylight one way or another."

I took her hands away gently without taking my gaze away from her before sinking my head into her core, lapping her folds and sucking it hungrily.

I slipped two fingers and started to move skillfully and carefully allowing her to adjust into my fingers, sliding it in and out. "So wet and tasty..." I groaned between her legs.

Her moans continued to grow as I put more pressure in my strokes, her hips started to move back and forth meeting my thrusts.

Devouring her wetness felt heavenly. Goddess! How did I deserve this sweet p***y? She was a f*uc*king dream!

I continued to play with her core as my mouth savored every drop of her until her body started to convulse and her p***y clenched on my fingers, and I knew in a few strokes I can make her cum.

‘Alpha...1 Somebody tried to reach in. I growled and cut off the mindlink immediately to continue

sucking her folds, my thumb circling her c**t while my fingers expertly worked their wonders inside of her.

“I’m... I’m...” Clair was gasping for air, her head rolling back.

“Say my name when you come, I want to hear it...” I demanded hungrily.

Clair

“Jake...” I moaned his name, releasing my o*rgas*m. It was explosive as the first time and I could live forever in this madness.

Before I could come back to my senses, my body collapsed, and soon felt his body drop beside me. His arm slid under my neck, pulling me into his chest, softly placing a k*iss on my forehead before letting out a deep sigh.

I smiled to myself before raising my head to look at him. He was too perfect.

I noticed his eyes showed white flecks on the side, he must be linking with someone. I scrunched up my nose in slight annoyance before moving away from his embrace.

I sat up and reached for my bikini top, placing it back on my b*reas*t when he began to talk.

“Clair...” He sighed as if this was too hard to say. “I need to go back now. Beta mind linked. I have a scheduled lunch...”

I answered back without looking at him. “My time is over right? I understand. Have a nice lunch, Alpha.

I stood up from my sitting position and walked to where I left my shirt and shorts.

“Clair, don’t make this hard.” He followed after me.

I grabbed my clothes from the ground and turned around to face him. I started to shake as anger boiled up from my body, not caring that I was still n*ake*d.

“Go! Just go!” I snarked at him, my hand pointing to the direction of the pack house.

His throat let out a deepened snarling growl, but not a muscle of his body moved.

I glare at him with hostile eyes, my finger still pointed in the same direction. “F*uc*king go, Jake!”

He moved backward before fully turning around and shifting. With heavy paws accompanied by angry growls, he left the clearing towards the pack house at the utmost speed.

As soon as he was out of my sight, I dropped my body to the ground and cried my heart out.

Reality crept in that no matter how wonderful the moment we shared earlier, it meant nothing to him. That this mate bond was just making him desire my body and not me.

I don’t know how long I was in this position before I found the courage to stand up and put my clothes on. I walked towards the blanket and packed all the things inside the basket.

After I placed everything at the back of my truck, I climbed on the driver’s seat and sat there for a while, my mind totally blank. I don’t know if I should just accept all and move on or stay and wait for him to change his mind.

Would I really be able to live and see him choose another mate? I slammed my palm on the wheel.

“This is f*uc*ked up! Why???” I screamed, not caring if anybody hears before starting the engine, roaring it back to life.

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Jake

I shifted and ran away from her. Confused by the emotions that she stirred in me.

I hate the fact that I wanted her out of my life but hated myself more for hurting and pushing her away.

I’ve been an Alpha for 10 years, and nothing or no one made me feel alive the way she does. But being together won’t guarantee that I would remain sane for the rest of my rule. She was already starting to break me down.

She's making me weak. And I shouldn't let her do that.

I shifted back to my human form and walked inside the packhouse n*ake*d, towards my office. It doesn't bother me that some warriors were around as well as helpers. n*ake*dness was something I was comfortable with.

I went inside and slammed the door closed, my Beta already waiting with my shorts, threw them at me as soon as I entered.

"Looks like it didn't end well." He asked, frowning. "You disturb us." I scowled at him.

"You asked me to remind you." He shook his head, a smug grin on his face.

He waited for me to take my seat before he continued.

"We can just cancel all those lunch schedules you have. We're wasting time. Clair is here and I know you want her to be your Luna."

"No. Proceed with the schedules." I leaned my back into my chair, letting out a deep sigh.

"What the f*uc*k, man. I can just tell them you decided on someone already. I can handle it"

"I haven't. I don't have a Luna yet." I shifted from my seat and took the shirt folded on my desk, putting it on.

"What? Come on, Jacob! You f*uc*king want that woman when she left, I saw how you and your wolf suffered and now she's here, you don't want her anymore? What are you playing at?" He stood in front of my desk, annoyance written on his face.

I closed my eyes, placing my hand in my temple as I leaned my back in my chair, collapsing my whole body on it.

"Don't tell me she's your mate?" His eyes widen when the realization hit him. "No no no! Shit man! " He slammed his fist on the table, enough to jump me out of my thoughts.

"Is she?" He asked, his eyes fixed on me.

I nodded.

"F*uc*k this!" He turned around and combed his hair to tug it. I have no idea it would affect him like this. "F*uc*ked up, right?" I asked in a low voice.

“No. This only meant you’re meant to be together. You both like each other even before, so just man up and claim her. And to hell with that No-Mate- Rule your forefathers came up with.” He turned to face me with a challenging look.

“It’s not that easy.” I shook my head, resting my head on my desk.

“You’re the one making it hard!”

“Look at me, Gavin! Do you think I wanted this? Do you think I’m enjoying this? I can’t have the only thing I wanted.”

“You just need to mark her and she’s f*uc*king yours! ” He said in desperation.

“And then what? When something happened to her, or when she wants me to do something for her, what? I’ll lose myself, my pack, my life? I don’t have a f*uc*king heir!”

“You’re thinking ahead man!”

“That’s what an Alpha does! You think ahead, with your mind, not with your d**k! Two years man! Two years and then she’s gone or I’m gone!” I put my head in my palms not wanting to think anymore.

“You should give yourself and her more credit than that!” He sighed and sat on the chair in front of my desk. “Look man, if you need more time then take more time. But let’s discard these other females here. This pack has only one Luna, and my loyalty lies with her.”

“Gavin...” I don’t know what to say anymore.

“If it makes easier for you if something happened to you without an heir. 1111 take over the pack. 1111 be good at it. The pack will love me. That helps?” He tried to joke around it, but I appreciate him. Not that I ever tell him or I would tell him. “You’re crazy.” I chuckled.

“I know. But more than your Beta, I’ve been your friend. You’ve done so much for this pack, you deserve to have someone you really wanted. I’m not going to stand here and let you mark someone who meant nothing to you because of something you believe will happen. She was fated with you because she’s meant to be with you.”

Silence. I didn’t know what to say.

My Beta sighed and added. “I will make sure that if the time comes that you need someone to pull you back on track when you lose yourself, I’ll be there, man. I’ll put senses back to you.” He a*s*sured me, lips pursed as he wait for my response.

“I still don’t know.” I rubbed my palms over my chest, irritated at myself.

“Enough of that for now. I can’t cancel this lunch you have with Sabine, fix yourself and meet her. The rest, I’ll take care of it.” He stood up and placed his hands on his pants pocket.

I nodded and rose from my chair, walking towards the door.

As I grabbed the door knob, I turned my head back to where my Beta was. “No one should know about my mate.”

He simply nodded.

I nodded back. “Thanks, man! Hold the fort down while I’m out of the territory.”

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Chapter 40.

Clair

Three days had gone by since that disastrous breakfast with Jake. I haven’t seen him since that day so I spent most of my time training and volunteering at the daycare.

Tonight would be a full moon. Four pups were expected to shift and I convinced

Aaron to let me join him since he was the one overseeing when pups shift for the first time. He would be helped out by two other warriors.

Glaiza would be among the pups shifting tonight. I worked with her at the daycare and we’ve been spending a lot of time for the last couple of days that when she told me she would be shifting, and how scared she was, I volunteered to stay with her while she shift and to run with her.

I also wanted to let Rain out. It has been a long time since she went out for a run.

Of course, I made sure Jake won’t be there or it might not end well if Rain sees our mate.

Aaron told me Jake had to attend some meeting at the nearby town and won’t be back until midnight. Then shifting would be done by then.

Well, the pups shifted without any problem and as soon as everybody was able to shift, we all opted for a run.

Rain was ecstatic to be let out. My wolf loved the way the cool breeze felt on our face, how the fresh air made our skin tingle and for a moment, we wished Jake and Echo were here to run with us.

Rain ran with Glaiza's wolf most of the time and with Ark, Aaron's wolf from time to time. It was my first run with my brother and I did enjoy it.

By the end of the run, the pups were exhausted and ready to call it a night.

When we reached the clearing where we shifted, I went immediately and hid against the tree where I left off my clothes earlier.

I lazily put my clothes on and as soon as I was done and ready to leave, a burning pain suddenly erupted within my navel going thru my core.

I tried to suppress the pain by coiling my body, sitting on the ground, and by controlling my breathing. But the heat continued to intensify, my tongue craving for something I couldn't grasp.

And this scared me enough. When the burning pain didn't die but continued to escalate, I let out a scream calling for my brother as I made my way out from the tree trunk I was hiding.

Jake

The meeting at the nearby town was a caput.

They knew we wanted to extend our land and we formerly agreed on the amount I needed to pay to acquire it but the Alpha suddenly changed his mind and requested a different payment. He wanted me to mate with his daughter.

My Beta declined on my behalf and proposed a different kind of settlement.

The discussion went on for two hours with the Alpha insisting from time to time that I meet his daughter first before making a decision.

By the end of the second hour, I put my foot down and declined any more arrangements.

If they don't want us to buy the land at the previously discussed price, then the deal was off.

No f*uc*king mating involved.

We arrived back into the territory just in time to make it before the pups head home from shifting. I wanted to talk with them for a while and see how was their shifting.

I stepped into the clearing with my Beta and saw my Gamma talking with his warriors
Everyone bobbed their heads to
acknowledge my arrival.

“How was the shifting?” My question was directed to my Gamma.

“All cleared, Alpha. No problem at all. The females were just putting their clothes on and we’ll all head home.” He answered proudly.

I nodded but was somehow confused when he said, females. I thought we only have one she-wolf shifting tonight.

“I see...” I was about to ask more when her scent hit me.

But the smell was something more. Her scent was mixed with something so sweet that made me salivate.

I licked my lips as my eyes swept the clearing watching for any signs of her.

It was then when I noticed that I was not the only one who smelled her. The two warriors with my Gamma were doing the exact same thing I did, licking their lips, salivating.

I glanced at my Beta beside me. His eyes shifted to black, jaw tightening and hands coiled into fists. “There’s a she-wolf in heat around us!” He exclaimed almost the same time as a screaming voice erupted in the air. “Aaron!” Clair came running out of the tree trunk with her hands in her stomach, her eyes widening and shifting from black to red.

She halted from her run when the two warriors together with the 3 newly shifted pups blocked her way, the look in their eyes made me want to grab them and snap their necks.

“No! Stay away!” She snarled, barring her teeth on them.

F*uc*k this! Clair was on heat!

Aaron was the only man not affected, and upon realizing what was happening with Clair, he ran to her and knocked out some of the men before clutching Clair into his arms.

“F*uc*k off!” He crouched placing Clair behind him and positioned himself for an attack against the remaining wolves who wanted a piece of Clair.

I felt my Beta still frozen in his place. He was fighting off Clair’s scent, as I was but before I could move to take down my own warriors to save her, she jumped up on me! Her arms wrapped around my neck and her legs around my waist. I felt my body stiffen and my manhood jerked up when she started nibbling in my neck.

“Jake...” She cooed as she continued to lick me.

“F*uc*k!” I groaned as I stood there with my hand on her a*s*s controlling myself not to touch her. She f*uc*king smelled f*uc*kable!

I was snapped out of my control when I felt one hand trying to grab Clair away from me. “Don’t touch her!” I used my Alpha

command but to my surprise, it didn’t work with the warrior. I pushed my warrior with my free hand, making him jerk away from Clair.

Aaron continued to help block off the other males from reaching us, while Clair continue to torture me by licking my neck and rubbing her body against me.

“Beta! F*uc*king help us!” I shouted at my Beta.

“I can’t! If I moved, I swear to the Goddess I’ m going to take her away from you so f*uc*king go! Take her away from here!” He snapped back at me, his words coming out of his nose. He was trying not to breathe.

I was ready to let my claws out to rip the men in front of me but decided last minute to use my Alpha command again, this time I let out the strongest Alpha tone I could muster.

“All of you, turn around and go home!” I growled as soon as the command came out of my throat. I felt my Alpha aura rolling off me towards the clearing.

It did work!

My warriors, including my Beta and Gamma dropped down to their knees, twitching in pain. After a while, they all rose up and moved away from the clearing.

It was only then I realized David was there. Aaron might have mind linked him. He turned around and headed home as well.

“Aaron! Stay!” I commanded again, he stopped in his track and went back to approach us.

“Jake...” Clair continued to purr, her eyes closed. My neck was already wet and she was now moving to k*iss my lips. I tilted my head to the side making her k*iss and lick my cheeks instead.

“Take her home, Aaron! I can’t control myself soon!” I hissed, doing my best not to touch her some more.

“No! No! Not home! Dad said she’ll be safer at the pack house. It can contain her smell.. ” He stuttered, his eyes widening as she looked at Clair while she continue to nibble my

skin. “Dad said she has some Alpha blood and can attract at a greater distance than ordinary.” His hands tried to pry her clutch on my neck.

“Shit!” I pulled my hair in frustration. ” Then take her, carry her! Put her in the guestroom!” My body went rigid as she tried to lower her mouth on my chest. “Clair...” My voice pleading, pleading for what, I have no idea!

Aaron pulled her body away from me just in time and it snapped Clair from her trance.

She tried to wriggle her body to get away from Aaron, calling out for me.

“Jake!!!” She reached out her hand towards me as Aaron carried her away.

I closed my eyes and turned around before I shifted to let Echo run in a different direction.

The pain in Clair’s eyes would forever haunt me. I knew she felt betrayed that I let her go when she needed me.

She’s my f*uc*king mate and I caused this f*uc*king heat!

‘Mindlink Jenny and let her stay with Clair tonight. And can you make sure to spray some freshener in the hallway all over the house to mask off her scent? It would help me and Gavin.” I mind linked Aaron.