

## Chapter 10

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Today was supposed to be one of the best days of my life. I received my alpha title with Tia by my side. I planned on making her the Luna of the pack and her twin sister would be with my beta ever since he was rejected by a pack member. Why she would reject him, I never know. I was used to females throwing themselves on me for my power. I had it. They wanted advantages. There was only one girl who never cared about it.

Jasmine!

Ever since we were younger, I had a feeling she would be my mate. Ever since we were kids, I have seen males trying to talk to her and it pissed me off. I had always felt like she was mine. I'm an alpha. I don't share my shit. She was so beautiful and so full of life. I always hide my feelings by bullying her so she wouldn't suspect anything. Once she turned 13, I felt a pull on her even stronger. Imagine my disappointment to find out she had no wolf. She was a simple human. Oh hell no.

"She is still perfect" my wolf, Shane, growls in my head, but I ignore him. I refuse to be with a human. I fucking refuse. My dad told me I needed to find all ways to strengthen the pack. He has even tried to push me towards Jasmine a few times, telling me he has a good feeling. I didn't care. I didn't want her. Or maybe I did. After

the incident with her parents and her brother almost killing her, I felt sorry for her. I watched as Darnell beat her to a pulp. Shane growled in my head the whole time, but I wasn't gonna move. It wasn't until she smiled ready to die that Shane took over and yanked Darnell off her.

How dare she smile and get ready to leave me. She wasn't going no fucking were. She thanked me but my pack members were watching, so I had to be cruel to her. I couldn't show weakness. I hurt her feelings and turned around and walked away, but I heard her call me an asshole. Or at least a voice that sounded like hers. I turned around and kicked her face. I was pretty sure she would have a swollen eye for a while. She is, after all, human.

"That fucking wasn't her, stop treating her this way. It will fall back negatively on us", Shane growled in my head, but I know what I heard. Though, it may not have been her. I tried avoiding her as she grew up. I had heard my mother, her brother, and the pack had been abusing her, marking up her body, but I ignored them. I hated the fact that it upset me more than anything else. They treated her cruelly. I could even understand that it wasn't her fault that her parents died. She was an untrained human, there was no way she could have done anything. Besides, it was our fault that 'security was not tightened.

The times I did come across her, it only pissed me off more and more to see she was still human. Still so.... weak. While the pack abused her, I took part in it too, much to the pleasure of mom. She suspected I had feelings for Jasmine, but I knew she would have her killed if she could. My father would never allow it, though I don't know why. It almost broke my heart when mom lowered Jasmine's status to the runt of the pack, forcing her to live on the same site as her parent's death. We all expected her to fall apart, but somehow, she managed to keep it together.

"She is stronger than you know," Shane says.

"What the fuck does that mean?" I ask him but he only growls and cuts the link. Stupid fucking wolf.

I avoided her as much as I could in the years that followed. Each time I saw her, I saw more and more of her baby features forming into a beautiful woman. No matter how much I wanted to just take her each time I saw her, I had to do what was best for my pack. No matter the cost. I will not be weak. I wasn't raised to be weak.

Her birthday is today, all I'm thinking about is my dad passing the title to me. I scanned over everyone, but I hadn't seen her yet. Where the fuck is she? Shane is just bouncing around in my head the whole time. He senses something.

"What is up with you?" I asked him.

"You will see. You will see" is all he says happily. Stupid wolf. After I had been made alpha, I heard my mother yelling at someone who listened to her. Who is disrespecting my mom? I ran to her side, only to see Jasmine, looking beautiful. As I get closer, I smell freshly picked apples and I follow the smell. My heart skips a beat as the smell lands on Jasmine. I take her beauty in. She is in a long black sleeved dress and flats. Her hair has grown so much over the years, and she has it in a simple ponytail. She always keeps it in a bun. Her arms and legs have a little bit of muscle on them. Even with all the scars on her, she is still incredibly beautiful. Her eyes are closed like she is trying to control herself. It's the same expression I have when I'm trying to control Shane, but I know she doesn't have a wolf.

I can feel all eyes on me as everyone waits for my next move. No matter how beautiful she is right now, I will not tolerate disobedience, so I slapped her and called her out for her status. Even with no wolf, a beta's daughter would still show respect since she carries the gene. It's impossible to ignore it, wolf or no wolf, so how the hell is she able to do it? Is she a witch? My hand jerked back quickly as I felt

something electric go through me. What the hell? As if she sensed them too, she slowly looked at me and her beautiful hazel eyes widened as I heard the words I had always wanted to hear but I also feared.

"Mate."

Shane came forth a little and I forced him back, battling with my wolf. She is so beautiful right now. I feel like I'm wearing my heart on my sleeve. She doesn't look happy to see that I'm her mate though. More like.... disappointed. Shane doesn't like that. He wants to mark and claim her right here, but I keep him in the back of my mind. Dad is smirking for some reason. I know he wanted us together. Mom, on the other hand, is pissed. I can hear the pack in my head disapproving of "A fucking human for Luna".

"I'd never accept her."

"She will lead our pack into the dark ages."

"She isn't worth holding the Luna title."

My mother didn't accept her. My pack didn't. My dad did, and I did, but what I wanted didn't matter. I knew what I had to do.

"If you reject my mate, I will leave you. You will lose your title as Alpha and will be nothing but a human", Shane threatens, but I decide to call his bluff. There is no way he would do it. Just as I'm about to speak, she stands up and I swear I saw her eyes flash purple for a second, but that thought went completely out the window as I heard the words that I know will haunt me forever.

"I, Jasmine White, the runt of the Red Valley Pack, rejects you, Oliver Shemus, as my mate. I renounce my title of Luna and I will NEVER belong to you"

Instantly I felt heartbreak and a few visitors got up and walked out as dad leaned into me.

"Pull yourself together. I will find a way to get her back for you. You may not realize it now, but I believe she is valuable. I will explain why later, but go grab Tia, put on a smile, and greet your guest. You're a fucking alpha now. Act like it!" He growled in my ear. I collected myself quickly and put on a brave face. I held my hand out to Tia, who came into it with a smile and hugged me. Even touching Tia used to excite me, but now I feel.... nothing, but I need her to save face and I turned back to greet my guests. Does she think she can just break our bond and get away with it? She doesn't get to do this. The moon goddess paired her with me, and me alone. She is MINE. No matter what she says or does, I will make sure she knows it. A wicked idea forms in my head as I look at my mother who is smiling. I linked her to my plan, and she nodded happily.

Jasmine, you better get ready, because you are gonna be one broken bitch when I'm done with you.