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After ending the conference call, Seleste and I retired to my room and spent the rest of the day and night together. I just did not want to let her go or let her out of my sight. We talked and loved each other for hours. Seleste told me about her encounter with the goddess the day she left me. I'm slightly hurt that she knew I was under the influence of magic that long, but I understand that she had to follow the instructions of the goddess. Onyx had also explained everything to me this morning. The goddess had come to him as well. That was the only way he did not go feral with the thought of losing our true mate.

After spending the whole day and night locked in my room, Seleste and I had to come back to the real world. I wish I could spend more time just Seleste and me, but we are on a time crunch. We don't know when the dark lord will strike again. Everyone has been working around the clock to prepare for the upcoming war. The king and councilman Bari called me to the council two days after the conference call. Seleste and I spent the two days together training her warriors who have returned to my pack and cross training my warriors in the different fighting styles that Seleste trained her warriors. I am impressed with how well-trained Seleste and her inner circle are. They fight as one. My elite warriors got their a.sses handed to them by her team. My mate even got me down embarrassingly fast. I heard from her warriors that she is pretty much undefeated.

When the call came for me to meet with the council to testify about what happened to me, Seleste agreed to travel with me. Neither one of us wanted to be separated for any length of time. Seleste said that she had to look after me since I lost weight during our last separation and didn't sleep. Whatever her reasoning, I'm just glad that I don't have to travel without her. We left my beta and Warrior Peace and his mate in charge of the training. Talia and the twins made it back to the pack last night. They also apologized to me and we made up. I can understand and appreciate how protective they are of my mate. After Gamma True explained how hard it was for them to see her like that, I truly understand. My mate is very strong and the thought of my actions of inactions causing her that much pain makes me want to hurt everyone involved as badly as everyone wanted to hurt me. We all are even more determined to make all of them pay.

Talia and the twins will be traveling with us to the council. The three of them have been working undercover for months now and may be able to add more information about the councilman and his treachery.

After traveling on my helicopter for about 3 hours, we made it to the council compound. Councilman Bari met us and escorted us to our suite of rooms in the compound.

“Greeting Alpha Blake, Seleste, Sam, Drew, and Talia. I am glad you all made it safely. We have you all in my private section of the compound. We don’t want to alert the others of your presence until we call the meeting to order. We are still waiting for Councilman Avery to arrive. We have called all council members back to the compound. We are also invited the grandson to be here. They think they have been called to help us deal with a new threat. The grandson believes that he is coming to offer new ideas. We invited the heirs of all of the council members so that it is not suspicious that Torrace was invited. It will be assumed that Alpha Blake is my heir since I haven’t named my heir yet.” Councilman Bari said.

“Ok. We will enjoy the little downtime before all sh!t hits the fan. We will be ready when you call us. Right now, we are eager to get this done and over so we can move to the next phase.” I said and everyone agreed with me.

Seleste has been quiet since we started traveling. I guess this is becoming real again to her.

“Little mate, is everything ok?”

“Yes, I am just thinking. We have a lot of moving pieces to put together. I’m just trying to stay focused on my part in all of this. The goddess gave us a big task and failure is not an option. Literally, the whole world is depending on us being successful.”

“We will be victorious Seleste. The goddess is on our side and she has given us every tool necessary to win. Think about all the power we have on our side. Not to mention the other allies that were not on the conference call, but have been working behind the scene. Like Queen LaDona who has been working with Alpha Keenai and the disruptors and other magical devices. The dark Lord may be ancient and almost all-powerful, but we have a combination of all of his power plus more.”

I see Seleste smile and relax. I only want to see her smile for the rest of our lives. I pull her in my arms and sit on the couch snuggled up with her in silence. It feels nice just to be able to hold her in my arms. I’m not sure how long we stayed snuggled up on the couch in our room before Talia knocks on the door and tell us that they are ready for us. We both get up and meet Talia

and the twins in the hallway. Councilman Bari is waiting for us at the end of the hall to lead us to the council room. We will be in the waiting room until they call us to speak. Councilman Bari ordered that the proceedings be projected in the waiting room that we are using so that we can see everything that is happening. Once we get settled, Councilman Bari leaves and goes to the main meeting room.

Males and Females of the council. Thank you for dropping everything and coming for this emergency meeting. As you have seen in your briefing documents, we have a lot to discuss. We are facing a major rebellion for many different species. We have determined that one of the leaders is a very high-ranking official, but before we get to that since this matter is a matter of supernatural security, the king will be presiding today.” Councilman Bari says and takes his seat at the head of the table to the right of the king.

“Thank you. Ask Councilman Bari said, we have a lot of things to cover today. First, we have confirmed that the rebel forces are using dark magic to temporarily control strong were species, even wolves. We recently sent a team to investigate an incident with an alpha. We had reason to believe that his actions were not his own. What we found was that that alpha had been drugged and spelled with temporarily blocked his wolf and left him physically and mentally paralyzed. We also found that many of his lower-ranked pack members were also being controlled by dark magic.”

“How do we know this is true? How do we know the alpha did not act on his own and then used the excuse of dark magic? Are we even sure this alpha is not working with the rebels and is using this to cover his tracks?” Councilman Avery asked.

I can’t believe his nerve. He is much too cocky. He should be trying to be low-key right now, but he just has to be the center of attention.

“Well, Councilman Avery, why don’t you ask him yourself.”

‘Where is his Your Majesty, I would love to question him?” Councilman Avery said.

“Can Alpha Blake be escorted in please?” The king says with a smirk.

I get up and walk to the door waiting to be escorted by the council guard. Seleste and the others will wait until the charges of treason are spoken against Councilman Avery. As I enter the main meeting room escorted by the council guard, the look on councilman Avery's face is almost comical. I'm sure he thought he would get to talk to me alone so he could see how much I knew without the other council members know. Sorry Councilman, your days are numbered.

"Thank you for agreeing to meet with us, Alpha Blake. I know you have a lot on your plate right now."

"I would not have missed this opportunity to assist my kingdom for anything Your Highness. No thanks needed." I say.

The king just looks at me and smiles.

"Alpha Blake, can you tell us what happened?" The king asked

"It was soon after we rescued my mate from the rebel's stronghold in California. I returned to my pack with my mate to introduce her to my family and my pack. As we got ready to enter the pack house, one of my female pack members latched herself to me and kissed me in front of my mate. For a brief period, I was stunned and could not move. My thoughts were jumbled. My wolf could not reach me. It was not until my mate cried out in pain that my wolf was able to break free and then freed me." I say

I can see the shocked faces of the council. There has never been anything powerful enough to have an impact on a pure alpha before, especially one with a long and ancient bloodline like myself.

"Alpha Blake, wasn't that shewolf your lover before you found your mate?" Councilman Avery asked.

"Although I was not aware that my personal relationships were public knowledge. Yes, I have a casual relationship with that shewolf before the goddess blessed me with a second chance mate after the death of my first mate. As you all know, Once the mate bond snaps into place, no one else matters. Your mate becomes your world."

Council Avery just played his hand and does not appear to know it. He should not know such a personal and private detail about me. The council had no reason to be watching my pack close enough to know who I was in a

relationship with. That also confirms that they specifically went after Theresa because of her relationship with me.

“I still want to know, how are we so sure he did not make all of this up to cover an indiscretion on his part and to keep his mate’s family from killing him? I can’t imagine the True family being very forgiving of him making a fool out of their princess.”

“Watch it, Councilman. It almost seems like you are disrespecting my mate and if that is the case, the True family are the least of your worries. I can promise you that everyone who had a hand in hurting my mate will pay with their lives.” I say.

“That’s enough.’ The king yells. “Do you think I would call the council to an emergency meeting and present this information if I did not have proof.?” The king asks.

Councilman Bari stands up and approaches Councilman Avery with clear anger on his face.

“What I want to know councilman Avery is why are you so hell bend on brings doubt to Alpha Blake’s testimony. Is it that you doubt Alpha Blake or is it that you are trying to discredit him before he gets to implement you and expose your traitorous acts to the council?” Councilman Bari says.

“How dare you, Bari. Everyone on this council knows that I am dedicated to the kingdom.”

“Trust me, Avery, everyone knows just how dedicated you are.” Councilman Bari says and returns to his seat.

“Well, I was not going to do this part yet, but since Councilman Avery insisted on putting the spotlight on himself, let’s deal with him now. Guards, can you bring Torrace in here now. He is also a part of this.” The king says.

“What is the meaning of this? What does this have to do with my grandson?”

This has everything to do with your grandson. After all, you have been telling him all of his life that he is a relative of mine and has royal blood although we both know that is not true.”

“I don’t know what you are talking about.”

“Isn’t that the whole point of your rebellion? So that your grandson can take his rightful place in the palace? Isn’t that what you have told him all of his life, that he is supposed to be king? I don’t know how you figured that. Are you saying my father was his father? Because my brother was not the heir to the throne. Ahh, here is Torrace now. Let’s begin.”

“Grandfather, what is going on?” Torrace asked, clearly confused.

“We have been watching the two of you for a while. We know you are the face of the rebellion.” The king says.

“So, what if you know. I am only fighting for what’s rightfully mine.” Torrace says.

“Really and what do you feel is rightfully yours?”

“Not another word Torrace. This is not the time or place.”

“When will be the time or place grandfather? I am tired of living in the shadows when I should be in the palace.” Torrace says. “My rightful place is being the king. It is my birthright.”

“How is that possible? My father was the king before me, and I know he did not have any children other than my brothers and me. I am the oldest and rightful heir, so where is your claim?” The king asked.

“My father, your brother is the heir, and I am his heir. My grandfather told me that you took the throne from my sperm donor, and I am going to take it back for myself.”

Everyone in the room is looking at Torrace and Councilman Avery. Torrace obviously never paid attention in school about the royal family, or he would know that what his grandfather told him was a bunch of bullshit. It is also possible that his grandfather brainwashed him to ignore everything he learned.

“Let me ask you a simple question?” The king says. “Do you have a wolf?”

“No, I don’t have a filthy dog. I took after my mother.”

“You just proved there is no way you could be a royal or a relative of mine. It would be impossible for you to be from the royal bloodline and not have a

wolf. Whenever we mate, our blood dominates any other species, so no matter who your mother was, you would have had a wolf if your father was a royal. Your grandfather is well aware of that. But you don't have to believe me, I have proof that your grandfather lied to you." The king said and walked over, grabbing the remote to the projector and screen.

The screen lowered and within seconds, the council was viewing the footage we saw between the dark lord and the councilman.

Once the video began, councilman Avery tried to sneak out of the meeting room but was stopped by the guard. The guard held him in place. Although the council members had been briefed on this, it shocked them to see the actual footage of one of their members plotting against them for power.

Torrace looked both hurt and angry.

After the video stopped, Terrace went after his grandfather. He had to be restrained by the guard.

"All of my life, you have lied to me. You had me hating a male I never met, thinking he impregnated my mother, killed her, and abandoned me when you knew who my father was the whole time. You convinced me when different powers started manifesting in me that I was imagining them when you knew they were real, and finally, you KILLED MY MOTHER!" Torrace yelled. "For that, you will die."

Torrace kept trying to get to the councilman.

"Oh, you can be sure that your grandfather will die. His and your actions are treason, and you both will pay." The king said. "We initially were going to allow you to work with us, but I'm not sure we can trust you."

"I don't care what you do to me as long as I get to see him and the one who called himself my father suffer. He knew I was his son this whole time and let me think someone else was my father. He used us to get to and experiment on other were-animals so that he could dominate all of us. He needs to die along with my grandfather." Torrace said.

"We may be able to work with you after all. We are going to put you in a secure location for now and I will meet with you later. I can grant you one thing. I will allow you to witness the death of your grandfather. He will be publicly executed to send a message to everyone else that we are coming for

them. We know who most of your allies are and we are moving on them as we speak.”

“They are not my allies. They all work for and answer to my grandfather. I see now I was just a pawn for his thirst for power. I was just a figurehead. He had always planned on controlling me and keeping any power obtained for himself. He made me reject my mate or at least he thought I did. To make me weak and ensure I didn’t have an heir. That way he would keep power. I can’t believe that I was fooled by him for so long.”

I can tell that Torrace really isn’t a bad person. He was lied to and molded by two very evil beings. The council guard escorted him out of the room.

“That went different than I suspected. We will end the day. I will make sure that the guard gets what we need from Torrace. He appears to want to cooperate, so I want to get everything before he has a chance to think about it. We will keep him under guard until we know where his loyalty lies. We don’t want him letting the dark lord know that we are on to him just yet. The council is dismissed. Alpha Blake, you and your family can return to your pack. I appreciate you all being here. We don’t need to reveal the identities of the others right now since it is not needed. So, I’ll have you all wait in the waiting room until it is clear, then you all can leave.”

“Thanks, Your Highness for everything,” I say and walk back to the waiting room with the council guard assigned to us. All we can do now is wait then go home and continue to prepare. The king is going to call another meeting soon to coordinate our attack. As of now, we will be going on the offensive as soon as everything falls into place with the different moving parts. Seleste and I will be on the frontline fighting until we can lock the dark lord back in his prison.

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We make it back to Jarvis’ pack. All of our focus now is on training and preparing for the war that is now imminent. Jarvis and Garnett will be working together to train packs to counter magical attacks. Queen Ladonna and the other magics will be sending magical warriors to the regions to help train. We know the war can start any day now especially since we have the former councilman in custody. The king is working with Torrance to get more information about the rebels and their base of operations. The information from Torrance and our intelligence has let us know that two different agendas



were going on. The councilman was trying to take the throne, but the dark lord was trying to get total domination.

Jarvis and I will be training together while we work on building our relationship. We need to get to know each other as people and build our bond stronger. From the goddess, I know that our bond is unbreakable and that Onyx and Tamaska were always meant to be together. Now it's time for us humans to build a strong relationship. I need to learn to trust him. Although I know beyond a shadow of a doubt that he was influenced by magic, a part of me still believes that he felt something for that she-wolf. After all, he had a relationship with her and did not end it before we got back to his pack after meeting me.

"Lettie, you should ask him about it. I'm sure there is a good explanation. Onyx told me that from the moment he knew about us, we have been the whole world."

"OK, T. I will talk to him. I guess we really need to clear the air between us."

I walk into Jarvis' office and see him, his Beta, and his parents looking over the training plan and looking at maps. As soon as his mom saw me, she ran to me and gave me a h.u.g.

"Seleste, I am so glad that you are back, and all this is behind you."

"Thank you, Ms. Daisy. I am glad to be back. We have a long road ahead of us, but I know we will come out on top."

I mean that in more ways than one.

"Umm Jarvis, can I borrow you for a few minutes?"

"Any day, any time my love," Jarvis says. "You all keep working on the plans. Seleste and I will take a walk and meet with you all later."

Jarvis takes my hand and leads me out to the private courtyard.

"What's on your mind Love?" Jarvis asked.

"I know that most of what happened was due to you being under the influence of black magic, but I'm confused as to why you hadn't ended things with that she-wolf after you knew about me. I mean, you told the twins that you realized

I was your mate after I projected myself to you. That was before you even came to find me. You had a couple of days before that to end things with her. You knew that we would be together and would be returning to your pack together. I guess I don't understand why you prolonged things. I feel as if you were not sure of what you wanted and put off ending things with her just in case. And honestly Jarvis, I am not ok with that."

"Seleste, I love you already and from the moment I knew that the moon goddess had given me a second chance, I never thought about another she-wolf. I was so focused on finding you and bringing you home, I forgot about her. It's sad to say that I, an alpha, forgot about my pack and everything else. All I was focused on was finding and rescuing you. It was not until after our talk that I even remembered her. Honestly, Onyx told me to call her and end things before we left, but I thought that ending things over the phone would be unnecessarily cruel. She had done nothing to me, and I just felt that at the very least, I could do the honorable thing and end things face to face. I never imagined things would turn the way they did. I always believed that she would respect the mate bond. If I had to do it over, I would do things differently and listen to Onyx."

"I don't know how to feel about that honestly. I guess wanting to do the right thing is one of the things that make you a great guy, but on the other hand, you trying to do the right thing for her was the wrong thing for me. I wouldn't want you to be cruel if it is not warranted, but I also deserved to be your first priority. At the very least, you should have allowed me to go to my father's home for a couple of days and get your pack together before bringing me here."

"I just didn't want to be separated from you. You know as well as I do that it is hard for mates to be apart once they have mated."

"I know that is true, but we were marked and fully mated, so we could have handled a couple of days to keep confusion down. Were you going to tell me that you were planning to meet with the she-wolf you had an intimate relationship with once we returned?"

I can tell by the look on his face that Jarvis had never meant for me to know about that meeting. He is such a typical male.

“At the time, No I was not planning to tell you about it. Now with hindsight, I can see clearly that my actions left a lot to be interpreted in the wrong way. I did all the wrong things for what I thought was the right reason. Nothing is more important to me than you and our relationship. Seleste you and your happiness are my number one priority. I can’t promise that I won’t make dumb mistakes, but I can promise you that I will never purposely hurt you and I will spend the rest of my life making it up to you. Seleste, I know this is quick, but I do love you and it is not just the mate bond talking.”

“How do you know it is not the mate bond?”

“Ever since the twins and Talia have been here, they have talked about you nonstop. Talia loves you and is always telling me stories about you, her, and the 10. She told me about the rejection and how you handle it. I had so much respect for you. I think I was a little bit in love with you before I ever met you. I didn’t know about the second chance mate thing, so I was even considering asking Talia if she thought you would consider a chosen mate. Before I got my nerve up to talk to Talia about you, you projected yourself to us and the rest is history.”

“I hate to keep bringing up a dead subject, but if you were considering trying for my attention, why did you still have a relationship with that she-wolf?”

“We were technically in a relationship, and she had expected to be my luna, but Onyx never accepted her. I was being stubborn because I believed my pack needed a luna.”

“I hate to break this to you, but if you had approached me about being chosen mates without us meeting, I would have turned you down,” I say.

I saw his face drop and decided to finish my thought and put him out of his misery.

“I knew before the rejection that if I was ever rejected, I would get a second chance mate. It has always been the plan of the goddess for her chosen protector to be happily mated. The mate bond strengthens us. So, no I would not have considered a chosen mate who was not my second chance mate. But truthfully, I was crushing on you just a little.” I tell him. “Talia talked about you to all of us as well. She had a lot of respect for you. She told me that she was hoping you would be my second chance mate. She said that we would be perfect together. Since I would be your second chance mate as well, we could help each other heal. Talia believed that we would make an awesome team. I

agree with her. Even before the moon goddess came to me, I knew that Trevor was not the right mate for me.”

“Why did you feel that way?” Jarvis asked.

“Well, my old pack is traditional. They have clear expectations for their luna. I can never be a traditional luna. As the protector, my commitment is to all of the supernatural world, not just one pack. There are times like now when I will be called to the frontline of the war. It takes a special kind of alpha to be able to deal with the demands of my life. You have been a part of the protector team for most of your life, you better understand what we will face and will be able to work with me and not hold me back. Your pack understands our overall mission and will not expect me to be the traditional luna.”

“That makes a lot of sense. No alpha, me included, wants to see their mate run into danger, but I also understand that you were born for this.”

“Beside mate of mine, the moon goddess herself told me that we were always meant to be mates. Our road to each other was set for a purpose. Just know that Onyx and Tamaska were mates from the beginning of time, we just had to catch up with them.”

Jarvis and I spent a couple of hours together in the courtyard just talking and getting to know each other better. I am glad we had this time together, just the two of us. We needed that. Jarvis said that even though we are preparing for war, he will always carve out time for the two of us to spend quality time together

After hanging out together, we head back to Jarvis’ office to see how much progress the others have made. We walk into them on a video conference with Garnet and Rose. Rose gets excited when she sees us walk into the room.

“Lett. It is so good to see you smiling. I’m glad everything got resolved. You look happy so now I don’t have to k!ll an alpha. and hide the body.” Rose said.

Talia and the twins walk into the office at that moment.

“Who are we k!lling and how soon do I need to hide the body?” Talia asks as they walk into the room.

Everyone laughs, but the three of us just smile because we all know that at any time, we would kill for each other and hide the bodies.

Jarvis notices the look we gave each other and pulses for a minute. I guess he is realizing that he could have been the body we were hiding. I mindlink Rose and Talia to look at Jarvis' face and the three of us burst out laughing. The others try to figure out why we are laughing. Garnet tells them to let it go because they will never figure it out. The twins look at Jarvis with a smirk. They know why we are laughing, and I know they would help Talia hide the body.

"Ok, now that the ladies have had a good laugh, can you all catch me up on the plan?" Jarvis says.

"So far, our two-pack will be working together to train the rest of the packs. Young Trevor and the Royal Gamma have set up the regional training locations around the major packs. We will be sending our trainers and some of the elemental wolves for the training. Queen Ladonna will be sending one or two representatives to each region so we can learn to fight against spells and other magical weapons. The bears will also send technicians to finish installing all of the defenses we will need to protect the packs that are not already protected by the goddess or by magic. Madam Iris herself will be working with you and Seleste at your pack. She wants you two to have advanced training."

I have never met Madam Iris, but I know she was instrumental in clearing the mess with Jarvis and that she-wolf. It would be good for me to work on my defense and offense against magic. The moon goddess told me that magic, good or dark does not have any impact on me, but I need to learn how to break down magical attacks. I also need to get back with Alpha Keenai about the supplements they gave me to nullify the effects of the drugs.

"I think it will be a great opportunity to work with Madam Iris. The moon goddess came to me and told me that magic does not affect me and the dark lord can't hurt me with magic, but I am still susceptible to drugs. I will need to get back to Alpha Keenai about the supplements they made for me to counteract the effects of the drugs on me and Tamaska. They used some powerful drugs when they kidnapped me. It didn't block Tamaska, but they did knock me out for hours."

Garnet agreed to give Queen Ladonna and Alpha Keenai the updated information about the drugs and my resistance to magical attacks.

“Did the goddess tell you anything else about the upcoming attack?” Garnett asked.

“No. She just said that everything has played out for us to be able to win this war. We have been equipped with everything we need, and all of the players are now in place or very close to being in place. She did say that Jarvis and I would be an unstoppable force once we are truly in sync with each other. That we have to do on our own. From this point, she cannot interfere, or it could change fate and not necessarily for the better. She is confident that we will win.”

I think everyone relaxed a little when they heard that. We all know the stakes are high, but with the vote of confidence from the goddess, everyone’s confidence took a big boost. Jarvis looked at me deeply when I told them what the goddess said about us. I know he caught the part about us having to be in sync with one another. I want that more than anything, but right now, we are broken and need to be put back together. He is my mate, we can’t change that, nor do I want to change it, but we are far from being the partnership that we need to be.

“Well, Seleste and Alpha Blake, If I may, you two need to work on yourself. We all need you two to be together on this. Let us focus on the other units. Alpha Blake, can you let Beta Mason take over assigning your trainers and working the schedule while you and Seleste focus on training with each other and building your bond? After all, you two will be on the frontline of this war. Seleste will be leading the war and we need her mind focused.” Garnet said.

“I must admit, I’m looking forward to training with my mate. I want to see what she is made of. Let’s see what all the hype is about.” Jarvis says with a smirk.

“I would be careful if I were you, Alpha Blake. I gave you a good fight and I’m not even a fraction as good as Seleste.” Talia says.

“I would pay to see the look on Alpha Blake’s face when they finally train together. Seleste, don’t hold back.” Drew says.

“I won’t. You can count on that. Jarvis honey, you are in for a treat.” I say with a wink.

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It's been two weeks of daily training. Seleste and I train together in the morning and train with the warriors in the evening. We also made training mandatory for all shifted pack members who were not pregnant, ill, or elderly. Some of the older wolves have also elected to take part in the training, although it is not mandatory for them. We want to make sure our pack is fully protected, no matter what happens or who attacks us. Since our pack is protected from dark magic, as long as we are on pack grounds, our members will be able to protect the pack.

Madam Iris arrived last week and started training with us as well. I got to see a new side of my mate when she trained with Madam Iris. They were not exaggerating about how bada.ss my mate is. Seleste finally had the opportunity to train using her elements. She is the only one since the Originals who can control and use all elements and sometimes at the same time. I can tell Madam Iris is impressed. Alpha Clark told me about her abilities, but there is nothing like seeing them for myself.

Her warriors are also very well trained. The ones from her pack are much more trained than the others. Warrior Peace was training to be an Elite Warrior at her old pack. Seleste and her father were the ultimate Gammas. Their pack is far more advanced fighters than any I have seen in a long time. The rest of her team and inner circle are all deadly in their own way. Watching them train together is an experience. The two vampire warriors are amazing. They keep the other warriors on their toes. They can teleport to different locations during the training and attack from different angles. This has taught her warriors to depend on all of their senses so they can detect the impending attacks. There is a certain energy that teleporting or the blinking that magic users give off as they move through time and space. Seleste warriors have practiced and learned how to sense that energy and prepare to counter the attack.

The bears on her team are a force of their own. They have an incredible amount of strength and skills. They are unmatched in hand-to-hand combat, but their weapons are the things that dreams are made of. I can't even begin to understand the weapons they have, but they can immobilize even the strongest opponent. They could briefly neutralize a magical attack from Madam Iris during training. That was indeed something to behold. I was told that Alpha Keenai will have some of these weapons available for all the packs soon. The bears that are assigned to the regions will train warriors to use



these weapons. Only a couple of Elite Warriors will have access to the weapons.

I have to ask Seleste to revise my pack training when this is over. My elite warriors and special operatives are already adapting to the training they had with her warriors. My senior trainers have been learning from Warrior Peace and his mate. The one thing I learned about her mated warriors is that their mates are just as deadly as they are. They train just as hard as their mates and can fight by their sides. I discover that not all the mates were warriors before mating, but all wanted to learn to fight for the kingdom. Seleste took them under her wing and trained them personally. Now they are at the level of elite warriors in any pack.

The next thing I noticed is that Seleste and her team spend time in meditation almost daily. Seleste explained that meditation helps to center and recharge her energies and elements. For the warriors, meditation helps them to connect more closely with their wolves and enhances any special ability they have. Many of them tapped into their abilities through guided meditation. Seleste agreed to work with me and any of my pack members that are interested in learning deep meditation. Apparently, it is more than just sitting and thinking. I need to meditate whenever Seleste walks into the room. She has the presence to stand out in any environment. She is the most beautiful and naturally se.xy shewolf I have ever seen. Every time she walks into the room, I want to drag her back to the bedroom. She has the kind of body that is made for love. Seleste is fit and muscular but has nice feminine curves in all the right places. She has the perfect hourglass figure. Her breasts are the things I love; nice, just right, and perky. Her waist is small, but her bottom is everything. Her bottom is nice and round, the kind that the rappers speak about. All I can say is my baby got back. I never knew I was a butt man until I saw hers. She puts Nikki and Kim to shame, and hers is all real. Forget J-lo, give me Seleste any day.

I am appreciating my mate more and more, not just for her fighting skills, but for her just being the person she is. Seleste is beautiful inside and outside. The more time she spends with my pack, the more they love her. All the pups look up to her. Even my most hardened warriors have the utmost respect for her. My mother treats her like the daughter she always wanted. My father is picking up where Gamma True left off by being overprotective of her. I think every teenage male wolf has a crush on her and instead of being jealous, the teenage she-wolves want to be like her. Seleste is so genuine that even the



ones who wanted the luna position stay in their places. Of course, after seeing Seleste training with me and the warriors, I think most of them are afraid to get on her bad side.

After we returned and everything settled down, a couple of the more desperate she-wolves showed up for training, wearing very little, trying to get male attention. Seleste asked them to go change into appropriate workout clothing. They initially refused. When I went to step in, Seleste stopped me and told them that they could wear what they wanted as long as they kept up. They all smirked like they had won that battle and paraded around during the warmup. Seleste warned them to take the warmup seriously because they would need it. Needless to say, they ignored her. Her warriors and I were getting pissed with the disrespect they were showing Seleste, but Seleste just smiled and told us to let her handle it. Let's just say, once training started, we were all paying a price. Seleste was merciless. From that point on, everyone came to training dressed appropriately and ready to train.

When it came to her sparring with me, Seleste was true to her word. She did not go easy on me. I learned quickly that Seleste earned her reputation. I walked to the training circle thinking I was going to go easy on her. Onyx kept telling me to take it seriously.

"Don't underestimate mate. Dummy."

"I'm not Onyx. I just don't want to hurt her."

"You can't hurt her. She truly is awesome. Just give it your best or we will get embarrassed, and she will be mad at us. Don't mess this up for us. She is starting to like us again."

"Whatever Onyx. I am not going to hurt her."

"I thought you agreed to listen to me more." Ugh! I can't deal with you. Don't whine to me when she wipes the ground with you."

Onyx ended our conversation and went to the corner of my mind, and covered his eyes with his paws. I can't believe he is being such a drama king right now.

I hear the warriors gather around. Warrior Peace says 30 and the others start saying numbers as well. I figured out they were calling out time frames. The

longest time was three minutes. My special force warriors came and joined the fun.

Seleste walks out after hearing the warriors. She looks at Warrior Peace and winks at him.

“Are you ready, Mr. Alpha? Remember out here, we are not mates. We are warriors, so bring your A-game because I won’t hold back on you.” Seleste said with a smirk.

We get in the circle and I half-a.ss attack Seleste. Before I know what hit, I’m looking up at her from the ground.

“I told you the bring you’re A-game and you come with that. I don’t have time to waste on you not taking our training seriously. I’m done training for today. Call me back when you are ready to take this seriously.” Seleste said and walked off in a huff.

“I told you she would get pissed at us, well, you. See what happens when you don’t listen to me?” Onyx said.

“Oh, shut it.”

“Humans, they just don’t listen.”

Of course, Onyx just had to get the last word in. He is such a drama king.

“I heard that.”

“You were supposed to,” I said and blocked him this time. The look on his wolf face is hilarious.

“Well Alpha Blake, welcome to the training whirlwind known as Seleste.” Warrior Peace said as he helped me up.

“Um Warrior Peace, what was all the time frame you all were calling out?”

“Oh, we were betting on how long you would last against Seleste. I won with 30 seconds.” Warrior Peace said while laughing.

“What made you say 30 seconds?” Another Warrior asked.

"It was an easy guess. Do you remember how we were the first time we trained with our mates? We were worried about hurting them, not knowing that they had already been training with Seleste. And what happened? We all got our a.sses handed to us very quickly." Warrior Peace said while still laughing.

I can see that all the other mated warriors were remembering the same thing happening to them.

"Needless to say, Alpha, our females are true warriors. Seleste is the ultimate war machine. Even before she gained her protector power, she was a force no one could contain. She has been training the pack since she was 12 years old and was pretty much undefeated. I think the only one that can truly win against her is Gamma True." Warrior Peace says, then pauses.

"Alpha Blake, if I might be so bold, I would suggest you get the stick out of your a.ss and take this training seriously. We need our leaders to be on one accord and together in this battle."

"You are right Warrior Peace. I really messed that one up, but I know better now."

I left the training field to go find Seleste. I apologized and let her know that I will take all of our training seriously from this point forward.

"I'm sorry, baby. I just didn't want to hurt you."

Seleste stood up and back a short distance from me.

"You wouldn't be able to hurt me, honey. You couldn't even get close to me if I didn't let you." Seleste said, and a spiral of wind and fire surrounded her.

All I could do was just stand there in awe of my beautiful mate. That was the most frightening thing I have ever seen, but I am so turned on by her show of power. We need to get a little private time. Something special needs to be planned for us. I am looking forward to being able to make love to her again. I know she feels the same way, but I still need to prove myself fully to her. She is worth it.

The next time we sparred together, I came at her full steam and she still got me down embarrassingly fast. It was like she could predict my every move and counter it before I even made it.

After the second time sparring, Seleste realized that I finally saw her for the warrior she was and changed her strategy with me. I can say that I am much better now. After the first week, it was a real workout for her. I noticed that the closer she and I get, the stronger we both get. Although I do not share her powers, I am becoming more resistant to magical weapons. Madam Iris is greatly pleased with this development. She has informed the king of this. I think that makes everyone else breathe a little easier with Seleste and I both being able to fight against dark magic.

We continued to train hard for the rest of the month. Seleste and I grew closer, emotionally and spiritually. We are finally at a place where we can get closer physically outside of training. I have big plans for us tonight. My mother has helped me plan a night out that will be unforgettable. Since things have been heating up around us, we can't really do anything off the pack lands, so I asked my mom to help me set up a mini staycation spot in our secret valley. It is far enough away to give us privacy, scenic enough to be romantic, but close enough to the pack for protection, both theirs and ours.

## Rejected Protector Chapter 69 - Tips

It's been a couple of weeks since Seleste and I first sparred against each other. Now all the warriors stop to see us spar together. I have been planning a special night for Seleste and me with my mom. I want to make this a night she will remember for the rest of our lives. I asked my mom to set up a dinner, movie, and romantic night in my special area at the edge of our territory. There is this valley in the middle of the forest with a stream running through it. There are dense woods all around the area, but right in the middle is the perfect place to view the moon at night. The stream running through the area is crystal clear and cleaner than any other water source in the country. There is a legend that says the goddess protects the stream. It is said that the water has healing properties. To our pack, this area is sacred. It is the perfect place for Seleste to rebuild our bond and restart our matehood officially. I plan for us to renew our commitment to each other.

I got up extra early this morning so I could meet my mom in the kitchen before Seleste or the others came down.

"Good morning mom,"

I walk into the kitchen and kiss my mom on the cheek. I am so glad all the distance between us is gone. I may be a big bad alpha, but I am still a

momma's boy. It really hurt when she was mad at me and thought the worst of me. I thought she would believe in me if no one else did. I kind of see her point. I am an only child. My mom always wanted a daughter but resigned herself to having a daughter-in-law. That dream died with my first mate but was restored with Seleste. My mom instantly loved Seleste at first sight. It felt like I was taking her dream from her, along with the hope of grandchildren. My mother never liked the idea of me picking a chosen mate. She always encouraged me to wait. It's like she knew the goddess would give me a second chance mate. I don't know how she knew, but my mom never lost hope.

"Hi, handsome face. The fact that you are up before the food is done means you are too excited about tonight to sleep." My mom says.

"You know it, and I wanted to check in with you on how everything is going. Were you able to get the dome for us to sleep in tonight?"

"Yes dear, we got your camping bubble set up for you. I had it frosted for extra privacy. It is beautiful. Seleste is going to love it. I have the area set up as a tropical retreat. We have the outdoor dining set up with a table for two. After dinner, you will move over to the outside movie theater, complete with reclining moving theater chairs, well one oversize loveseat, heated with overside pillows and blankets. We loaded the projector with all of Seleste's favorite movies and before you say anything, it's her night so s.u.c.k it up," my mom says.

She knows her son. But mom is right, this night is all about Seleste and I get the pleasure of being in her company and allowing her to relax in the middle of preparing for a major war. She deserves this night. After this war is over, we will go away for a month-long vacation.

"Thanks, mom, this all sounds wonderful. Thank you for taking my ideas and making them all come true. I could not have done this without you."

"This was my pleasure, baby. I'm just so happy that things are going so well with you and Seleste. I will be glad when this war is over so you and Seleste can work on me some grandbabies."

"Mom!"

"Don't mom me. None of us is getting any younger, so get busy. Well, after this nasty busy with the war, I mean."

“Ok mom, after the war, Seleste and I will talk about it,” I say and smile.

“After tonight, there will be a lot less talking between the two of you.”

“Mom.”

“What? I have been mated for more years than you have been around, but I still remember what it’s like to be newly mated. I still get butterflies when your father walks in the room.”

“Mom, please stop. I don’t even want to think about you and dad.”

“Oh, don’t hate son. I can’t help that I keep your mom with a smile on her face.” My dad says, walking into the room. “I can give you a few pointers if you need them.”

“Ugh. No dad, I think I am good. Can we please talk about something else?” I ask, getting a laugh from my parents.

It’s times like this that I wished I had siblings to take some of this embarrassment. My Beta walks in and to say I am glad that there is somewhere else in the room is an understatement.

“From the redness of your face, I guess your dad is bragging about how happy your mom is again.” My beta says.

“Please don’t open that door again. The last thing I want to be thinking about today is my parents’ love life.”

“My poor alpha has performance anxiety. Maybe your dad can give you some pointers.”

“Seriously Mason. I can’t believe you right now. Have your fun now, but remember, I reserve the right to tease you just as hard when you get your mate and at the rate of those around my mate finding mates, your day is coming soon.”

I can’t help but laugh at his facial expression after thinking about what I said. We all heard about how all of her warriors found mates while traveling with Seleste. There are a few female warriors who will come to join the team sometime this week. I believe one of them will be my beta’s mate. I can’t wait to see that unfold. No one deserves it more than he does. He has been

waiting for years to meet his mate. Our pack needs a beta female and if she is a warrior trained by Seleste, that would be the icing on the cake.

Breakfast gets started in full now. All the warriors and their mates are here and my mate walks into the kitchen looking as beautiful as always. Time to start the second part of our day. Seleste knows that I have things planned for today, but I kept most of it a secret so that I could surprise her.

“Good morning, beautiful. You look rested.” I say with a smile since she slept nestled in my arms all night.

“Good morning, baby. I slept well last night. All snuggled and wrapped in love.” Seleste says.

‘Ok, enough with the cuteness.’ My Beta says.

“Remember, Mason, your time is coming soon,” I say.

“Sooner than you think,” Seleste says with a smirk.

That just confirmed what I was thinking. One of the warriors coming will be our Beta female. I can’t help but smile as Mason sits there looking awe-struck.

I pull out a chair for Seleste and go fix her a plate with all her breakfast favorites. My baby loves herself some beacon and my mom made a batch just for her. She likes her beacon peppery and sweet. I placed the plate in front of her and she beams when she sees her beacon.

‘Thank you, Momma Daisy, for making my favorite beacon this morning.’

“Anything for you, sweetheart.” My mom says.

I love that they are so close already. I know we will be a happy family for years to come.

Talia and the twins finally walk in and I’m excited that Seleste’s special day can finally begin.

“Baby, you know that I have been planning a special day for us. The first part of this day is you with Talia and the females spending a day of shopping and pampering. I know shopping is not your favorite thing, but I want you to get a special dress for tonight and then relax with a trip to the spa and do whatever you all do at the spa. I have already given Talia and Yvette my black card, so

enjoy the day and I will see you back here in a few minutes. Before you ask, your warriors will also be with you, so security will be tight, and the mall and spa are within our territory.”

I could see her relax once she knew that her friends and female warriors would be able to enjoy themselves with her and not worry about security. Seleste is always thinking about others and especially her team. She would not have been able to enjoy herself if Talia, Yvette, and the others didn’t get to join in with her. I like that the mates of her top warriors are also trained warriors. Seleste told me that the goddess said that we are an unstoppable force. I can see that. We are surrounded by some of the top warriors in our kingdom, and we train with the best of the best. There is an old human saying; iron sharpens iron. We put that into practice.

Seleste and her entourage all prepare to leave. The males are taking an SUV and following them at a safe distance. I watch them all drive away, then go into the kitchen to go over the menu with the kitchen staff. We are doing seafood, starting out with Shrimp Cocktail. The next course will be a seafood soup and a salad with crab meat sprinkled on top. For the entrée, we will have the option of Red Snapper Livornese or Phyllo-wrapped Halibut with lemon scallion sauce with fresh steamed vegetables. For dessert, we will have a cheesecake surprise. The surprise is that it is made with a strawberry center. Seleste is going to absolutely love this.

After I finish meeting with the kitchen staff and going over the plan with them and my mom. I go to the office and do some actual alpha work, but I don’t plan to work for long. When Seleste comes back, I want to be ready. I take a moment and send her a message to let her know I am thinking of her.

“Baby stop making me think about you and how se.xy you looked this morning. I’m trying to work.” I send it with a heart emoji.

“If it makes you feel better. I was thinking about you as well. Can’t wait to feel your arms around me.” She responds.

“Now I will never be able to get back to work. All I can focus on now is the feel of you in my arms, you under me, screaming my name in pleasure over and over again.”



“Talía told me to tell you to hose our phones down because they do not want to smell my arousal here.”

“Tell Talía I had to spend weeks with her and the twins. I am sure she is used to it, but I’ll leave you to enjoy your time with the girls. I’m counting the hours till I get to smell your arousal for myself. I can’t wait to taste you.” I respond with a kiss emoji.

It’s 4:30 and I am waiting for Seleste and the others to get back. The twins are waiting with me in the rec room. My mom made a special dinner for all the mated couples. The kitchen made seafood pasta for them. My mom had the private dining room decorated for the couples. The lights are turned low, and candles are lit around the room. When the females get back, they will get a little cocktail hour while the warriors all go get dressed. Seleste and I will join them for cocktails before being taken to our location. I arranged for a horse and carriage for us.

I see the SUVs pull up. It is taking everything in me not to run out there to Seleste. I see the twins are having the same struggle. I want to give the ladies the opportunity to enter. While the ladies are preparing to make their grand entrances, the warriors pull their SUV to the back so they can enter through the back door to get ready. My mom arranged for some of the pack shoppers to go get suits for the warriors while they were out. It is a good thing we have our own tailors who have a supply of suits in stock for the more muscular wolves. Most of us are not the average size. We are taller and broader with more defined muscles.

After a short wait, the ladies start to exit the vehicle. It is almost like watching a red-carpet moment. All the ladies are dressed to the nines. I saw Yvette, then Talía stepped out. Finally, Seleste stepped out, and I forgot to breathe. She is wearing our favorite color, and it looks absolutely stunning. I am just frozen in my spot, staring at my mate.

“I hope the fact that we freeze you speechless is a good thing.”

“Oh baby, you look amazing. Your beauty is beyond comparison. I thank the goddess daily for you, but seeing you tonight makes me want to thank her and your parents for creating you.”

All Seleste can do is smile. I notice that the twins have the same look on their faces. The females are all lovely tonight.

“Ladies, you all look lovely tonight.”

“I’m surprised you noticed any of the rest of us,” Talia says.

“Well, I have no problem admitting that I get tunnel vision when my mate walks into any space, but yes, I noticed, and you ladies really do look lovely tonight. I know this is a sight that your mates will greatly appreciate when they come back down, and Talia, your mates are just as speechless as I was.”

“Why are you throwing us into your conversation?” Drew asked. “Our mate is always gorgeous.”

“Thank you, baby,” Talia says. “You all look handsome as well.”

We all walk into the private dining room for c0cktails. I don’t want Seleste to take too much here, but I do want her to have this moment with her team.

“Don’t eat or drink much. There will be more where we are going.”

“and you are still not telling me where we are going?”

“Nope,” I say. “It’s called a surprise.”

Seleste just smiles as we mingle with the mates while waiting on the warriors. Warrior Peace is the first to walk back into the room. Yvette and he greet each other as the others enter the room. All the warriors are struck by how lovely their mates look tonight. This is really the first time the warriors or their mates have gone all out for each other. I will have to make sure that we plan more date nights and other formal gatherings when the war is over. All of us being warriors forget how to enjoy dressing up and just enjoying our mates. I can see how just this simple act of dressing up has made a difference in all of our morale and reminds us of what we will be fighting for.

Seleste and I spend a little more time with our team, then we head out to the front of the pack house. I have the horse and carriage waiting for us as we exit the house. Just seeing the happy and excited expression on Seleste’s face let me know that this was a good call. This is the perfect time for a horse and carriage ride. The sun is going down, but it is still light enough to see everything. We have at least another hour of light. That works perfectly. Will dine partially by candlelight and then start the movie once the sun completely sets.

I help Seleste into the carriage and take my seat next to her as we begin our journey through the forest.

“Thank you, baby, for this. I have always wanted to ride in a carriage but never had the opportunity. I will always remember this moment.”

“I am so glad you are enjoying this.”

Seleste leans her head on my shoulder as we continue to ride. After 10 minutes of riding in silence, with Seleste looking around and taking in the view, she figures out where we are going.”

“OMG. You are taking me to your special sp0t. I’m so excited. I hope the feel of it is similar to the one in my old pack. Every time I go there, I feel recharged and connected to the goddess.”

“There is a belief that this area is moon blessed.”

“I can believe that. I think there is an area like that in all the original packs. Now that we know that all of our ancestors were warriors of the moon, it definitely makes sense that there would be blessed areas like that. The warriors of the moon were much closer to the goddess, and she had to have a sp0t to communicate with them. When I was younger, I used to go to the sp0t in my old pack with my grandmother, and the goddess used to talk to us there. It was in that sp0t that my grandmother told the goddess that she was ready to join my grandfather and the ancestors because I was ready. I learned that my grandmother only survived my grandfather’s death because she needed to train me and at that point, I was more trained than more of the warriors in our pack. I took over as pack trainer soon after that.”

“It had to be awesome being able to talk one on one with the goddess.”

“Most of it happened when I was too young to understand that something special was happening. I thought every wolf talked to the goddess like we did. It wasn’t until after my grandmother died that I understood. The goddess still met with me from time to time, but soon after I became a teenager, she told me she would not be able to meet with me again for a while. When she came to me after the incident with the she-wolf, she told me why she had to stay away. It all worked out in the end.”

“I’m so fortunate that the goddess is on our side. We should be there in about 2 minutes. Keep looking through the window. The view is awesome.”

As soon as I said that the dense woods opened up, and we were entering the clearing. The look on Seleste's face was priceless.

"Jarvis, this is beautiful. I can't believe you had time to set all of this up. I've always wanted to see what it was like to sleep in one of those domes. It will be like sleeping outside but being protected from the elements. Thank You, Jarvis."

"This is just the start."

I take Seleste by the hand and lead her over to the table where the omegas are waiting to serve us. Once Seleste and I are seated, the staff go into the dinner tent and bring out our first course.

"Shrimp c0cktail. Yes! baby. How did you know this was one of my favorites?"

"I called you mom and dad. This meal tonight is all of your favorites, some of them with a little twist."

Once we finished eating the shrimp c0cktail, they brought our next course out. The soup and salad were as good as I thought they would be. It's good to see Seleste really enjoying her food. We eat and talk about random things. We take time to just enjoy the moment. I move my chair closer to her so that I can touch her hands. I just want to be close to her. Since she didn't move away, I can assume she feels the same way. There is a glow that comes from being happy. Onyx is purring at the thought of our mate having the happy glow.

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We finally made it to the entrée. I will never forget the delight on Seleste's face when the Omegas bring out the food. Since there are 2 main dishes and vegetables, I had them set the food out family-style. I put a little of both main dishes, rice pilaf and asparagus on her plate, then fixed my plate.

"Jarvis, this fish wrapped in phyllo is amazing. What type of fish is this?"

“It’s halibut.”

“This is one of my new favorite fish. Right up there next to this red snapper. I can eat this almost every day. This is so good.” Seleste says with a moan.

“You keep moaning like that and we want to make it through the next part of our date before I take you to bed.”

“Who said I wanted the next phase of the date? I might want to just jump you now.”

I almost choked on my food. In the little time that I have known Seleste, she has never been this open.

“Close your mouth baby. Something may fly in. I can admit that I want you as much as you want me. I think we have waited long enough. I love you Jarvis, and I know we are forever.”

“I love you Seleste, more than words can ever say.”

We finish our dinner and end with dessert. I watch as Seleste takes a bite of her mini cheesecake. She moans again when she bites into the strawberry center.

“I’m glad that you enjoyed our meal. I wanted you to have a night you wouldn’t forget anytime soon.”

I take her hand and walk her to our outdoor theater and sit on the reclining loveseat.

“I had planned for us to watch a movie tonight, but right now, I just want to hold you. To remind myself that you are mine and I get to keep you forever.”

“The perfect end to the night is me being in your arms. If you holding me, get me in your arms sooner, then I am all for that.”

“Seleste, as we end this portion of our date, just know that you are the very beat of my heart. Later tonight, after I make love to you until we fall into an exhausted sleep, your smile will be my last thought, my last wish, and all that I hope for. Holding you in my arms might have everything right in my world. I love you beyond the moon and the sun. You are more than the air that I breathe. You are my today, tomorrow, and forever. The best part of my soul is

you. I will spend my life loving you, caring for you, and protecting you. From now until we return to the moon goddess, I will be by your side. The wall between you and the world. I'll be the one there for you. The one to love you back to life when you have given your all to the world. This is forever. You are my forever. I know we are already mates, but I want to belong to you in every way possible. Will you also be my wife?" I ask and pull out the ring my father gave my mother.

"Yes. Yes, Jarvis, I will marry you. I will love you forever. You are my forever. I will allow you to love me, care for me, and protect me. With you, I don't have to be the protector. I don't have to be strong. With you, I am just Seleste, your mate. Jarvis, you are the other half of my soul. I know we had a rocky start. I hate that I almost let the dark one tear us apart. Thank you for loving me enough to not give up on us. Thank you for believing in us when I couldn't. You have been a light in my darkness, and I thank the goddess for blessing me with you. You are the one that I was meant to be with now and in the next life. The goddess told me that Onyx and Tamaska have always been mates, which means that we are fated in every life lived in the past and every life we live in the future. We truly are meant to be together today, tomorrow, and forever."

Onyx is in my head, yelling for me to k!ss her and drag her to bed. I would like to think I have a little more finesse than my wolf. I stand up and pull Seleste into my arms.

"Can I k!ss you?"

"Baby, you don't have to ask. I have been waiting to k!ss you all night."

She didn't have to tell me twice. I slowly place my l!ps on hers and start a slow, sensual k!ss. I pour all my love into this k!ss and she returns it. What started out as a sweet k!ss, turns hard and demanding. Seleste wraps her legs around me as I pick her up. I slowly walk us to our dome and our king-size bed. I wanted to give Seleste a tour of this room, but at this moment all I can think about is first walking so that we don't fall and then getting us both out of our clothes as soon as possible.

"Baby, how much do you like this dress?"

"I Love it, so let me take it off for you."

I place her on her feet, and she does a slow striptease for me. Now I am really fighting Onyx for control.

"I can smell you, baby," Seleste says with a smile.

"I can smell you too, and it is the best smell I have ever smelled. I bet you are so wet for me right now. Come, let me see how wet you are."

Seleste walks over to me and I immediately lock lips with her again. She wraps her arms around my neck. I lift her up and gently lay her down on the bed. I started kissing her on her neck, sucking on my mark. Seleste moans out loud and I get the response I wanted. I move further down and take her hardened peaks into my mouth. Her moans are getting louder as I continue to worship her breast. She has a scent that I cannot get enough of. I really want more. I continue to move down her body.

"Remember earlier when I said I couldn't wait to taste you? Now is my time." I say as I continue to kiss down her body.

I make my way to her navel and dip my tongue inside. Seleste moans and arches her back off the bed. Umm, I guess I found one of her erogenous zones. Later, I will return to that. I'm on a mission. I continue kissing my way down to her sunshine. I lick her from top to bottom. She is just as sweet as I remembered. I keep feasting on her, then focus on her clit. I swirl my tongue around it over and over. Increasing in speed until she screams my name as her orgasm hits her. She looks so good as she comes apart for me. I slowly crawled up her body and aligned myself with her opening. I have to remember to be gentle. She has only done this once before and I am larger than average. I want to make sure she enjoys this as much as I do. I slowly enter her and hold still while she adjusts to my size. After a couple of seconds, she starts to move, so I ease myself in and out of her. Deep thrusts follow by short thrusts until I find the perfect rhythm. We keep going with this dance for what seems like forever. Seleste feels so good. I can't hold back anymore. I lose my rhythm and start going faster and deeper. Seleste is yelling my name and begins milking me as her warmth gets tighter. I quickly follow her and orgasm myself. This was even better than our first time. I lay beside her and pulled her into my arms.

"I love you Seleste. Tonight, was the best night of my life. I look forward to having more nights like tonight. I know this was not our first time, but it is more special because you gave us a second chance. You allowed me to love you even past my mistakes and imperfections. You are my reason for all that I

want to become in the future. My motivation is to quickly end this upcoming war so that I can spend the rest of forever just like we are right now.”

“I love you too. Jarvis, you healed my heart and taught me to love and trust again. You are the other half of my soul. You are the lyrics to my love song and the very essence of every poem I write. You are the fragrance of every flower and my light in every dark place. Your chest is my safe place. To say I love you does not seem strong enough to convey what you really mean to me. To me, you are the very moon the goddess hung in the sky.” Seleste replies just before sleep claims her

Seleste looks so good, sleeping in my arms. I nod for a couple of hours but wake Seleste up a couple of times throughout the night. I can’t get enough of her. Onyx is happier than he has ever been. He’s a big bad alpha wolf purring like a cat for his mate.

## Rejected Protector Chapter 70 - Tips

Like all good things, our nice mini vacation came to an unexpected end. I received a mind link from my beta, letting me know they needed us back. I linked him back, telling him we would be there shortly and asking him to arrange for the omegas to come to take down the equipment after we left. I grudgingly woke up my sleeping mate.

“Wake up Seleste. We have to get back.”

“So soon? I was enjoying our time.”

“Me too, baby. Beta just linked me. They need us back. It sounded urgent. I think it would be better if we ran back. The omegas will take care of everything and make sure all of our belongings get back to the pack house.”

“Ok, my alpha, let’s head back.”

She jumps up, runs outside, and shifts into Tamaska. Oh, my goddess. Tamaska is beautiful and majestic. She is the lightest silver I have ever seen. She almost looks like a shimmering white wolf. I will never tire of seeing her. Onyx is rushing me to let him out. He is ready to run with his mate.

“Hurry up human. You had your time with our mate, now it’s my time.”

“Ok Onyx, but remember, we have to get back, so no funny business.”



“Whatever,” Onyx says and pushes his way to the front. He is such an impatient wolf.

“I heard what you were thinking human”

I quickly shift, and Onyx walks up to Tamaska in all his midnight black glory. Onyx is taller than Tamaska, but only by a little. They are a perfect match. Onyx looks like the night sky and Tamaska looks like the moon itself shining in the night sky.

The two rub up against each other for a couple of minutes before they take off running for the pack house. I knew Onyx was super-fast, but Tamaska pushed him to his limit. I’m not sure we could have kept up with Tamaska if she didn’t want us to. My mate is awesome in every way possible.

After a short run, we arrived back at the pack house. I linked my beta and Talia to ask them to bring Seleste and me some clothes to change into. We shifted back to our skin, got dressed, and walked into my office. My parents, Warrior Peace, and the twins were already seated and waiting.

“This must be pretty serious if all of you are here this early in the morning,” I say to the group.

“We are sorry to bring you back early, son, but it seems that the dark lord is changing his attack plan, and the king wants us to go on the offensive soon.” My dad says.

“What happened daddy Dockson?” Seleste asked.

My dad’s eyes lit up when Seleste called him daddy.

‘Well, baby girl. The dark one has made his presence known. He and a small group attacked a small coven that serve Queen LaDonna. This particular coven is very powerful and if he had been successful in getting them, this war would have become a lot more difficult.’

“You said it? Does that mean they were unsuccessful?” I asked.

“Yes. Queen LaDonna had already sent fortification to this coven. They figured this group would become a target. This group of magics has unique powers. They can change their appearance and the appearance of others. They also have powerful healing abilities. The dark lord could have used their

bl00d to make himself more powerful and disguise many of his followers.” My dad said. “The king and all the leaders have set up protection around all the small and powerful covens and the packs with special or elemental wolves. The king wants to have one last conference call with all of us, then he plans to strike.”

“It is about time,” Seleste says. “I may not want war, but I am tired of sitting back and waiting for them to pick us off one at a time. My team is ready.”

‘Dad, what time did the king want to meet?’

“We were just waiting for you and Seleste to get here. Beta Mason is going to dial us in now.”

We all seat around the conference table in front of the large screen as the video comes into focus. I see all the major players have linked in and additionally some young alphas and betas that I have not seen before.

“Greetings and welcome, everyone. I call this emergency meeting so that I can get every one caught up without having to repeat myself several times. As you all can see, I have invited the recent graduates from the alpha academy. The young alphas and beta worked with Young Trevor to help develop our new defense system that has been set up around the kingdom. These young ones are some of the greatest strategists of the next generation.” The king says.

We all take a moment and greet each other.

“Males and females, we are officially at war. As you all have heard by now, the dark lord has moved against a small coven. We were able t defend it and save the members, but we know he will strike again soon. We have moved the members of that coven to a safe place that is protected. Only a handful of people know the location. I gathered all the allied species. They are ready and are waiting for us to make our move.” The king says.

“Since the dark one is more active, do we know where to find him now? Do we have his base of operation so we can cripple his network?” I asked.

“We will actually hit several locations simultaneously. We got a lot of information from Torrance on how the rebels work and the best place to strike.

Of course, we sent people into the field to verify the information he provided. While I believe he wants revenge against his grandfather for lying to him and killing his mother, the dark one is his father, so I am still cautious of the information he is providing.”

“Your Majesty, will Torrance be taking part in the battle?” Seleste asked.

“He has asked for the opportunity to fight, but at this point, I do not intend to include him. If he continues to prove loyal and truthful, I will allow him to face his grandfather and father.”

“Your Majesty, when the goddess came to me, she told me we would not be able to kill the dark one, only trap him again. What is our plan for getting him into a position to trap him again?” Seleste asked.

“That’s where the moon warriors and the descendants of the moon warriors come in. You all will be together. There is a spell that you all can only activate through your blood combined and can only be used when you are all together and surrounding the dark lord. The good thing is that we don’t have to be in any specific physical location to trap him. We just have to surround him, activated the spells, and say the chant together. I know it sounds simple, but remember, he and his followers will fight us and try to prevent us from getting to him.”

“So, when are we planning to move?” Alpha Clark asked.

“We plan to move in the next 48 hours. We have intel that the dark one was planning to attack an isolated pack in 3 days. They are trying to build up their army. We figured he would begin with random attacks on small packs first to distract us and add to their numbers. What they don’t suspect is that we will attack them directly. So far in this war, we have only responded to them, but now we will take the fight to them and end this war. I’ll Let young Trevor tell you the plan.”

“As of now, we have the kingdom broken up into regions. Each region has at least one major pack and several midsize and smaller packs. Within the region are also several allied species groups. Over the last couple of weeks, the packs and the other supernaturals have been training together. We have all been learning how to combat magical and mental attacks. The larger packs will be used to stage the attack. We plan to have at least one person from the protector team in the different groups so that we can communicate with everyone at the same time since the protector team members can mindlink

with any alpha in the kingdom. This will also free the king from having to mindlink all the alphas at the same time while he is engaging the dark one. Each one of my team will be at the different regions running point from the ground with the royal gamma. Seleste, you, the moon warriors and descendants and your inner protector's team will meet at the royal castle in the next 24 hours to prepare the spell and learn the chant that is needed to trap the dark one. The bears and the magics will distribute the defensive equipment and weapons we will need to ward against the dark magic. As of today, everyone has received the supplements that the bears gave Seleste after her first kidnapping attempt to protect us against the drugs they are using. The bears made some improvements to the formula, so Seleste, you, and your team will need a booster. Queen LaDonna will have it with her when she meets you all at the castle. As of right now, everyone should have received an electronic message with their orders and battle location. Are there any questions?" Young Trevor asked.

Looks like Young Trevor has really come into his own. He was precise in his instructions and presented them like a true leader. It is not often that a young alpha can command so much respect and authority around more mature alphas and in the presence of the alpha king.

"Thank you, Young Trevor. I suggest everyone take today and spend time with family, pack their war gear and get some rest. We don't know how long this war will last or how often you will get the chance to rest and just be with your loved ones. We will try to end this war as quickly as possible, but we also need to prepare for the long haul. The enemy we are facing is strong and powerful with dark magic. He is the originator of dark magic. The rebels following him have nothing to lose, so expect the battle to be brutal. I have no doubt that we will be successful." The king said and ended the call.

The mood in the room was very sober after that. My mom arranged for breakfast and a cookout for lunch. This way, we all can spend time with our extended family. We offered the helicopters and jet to the warriors so they could go to their home packs and spend the day with their immediate family, but all of them opted to stay at the pack and spend this time with their mates and comrades. This will be one of the first wars that mates will fight side by side. All of Seleste's inner circle have mates that will fight together. They have trained together since mating and fight as one. All of them are lethal. I'm trying hard not to think about Seleste taking on the dark one, but I am glad that I will be there to watch her back and keep her safe. My parents will stay behind with the more seasoned warriors to protect the pack. Seleste's parents will meet us at the castle. Like Seleste, they are descendants of a moon warrior.

Their presence and blood will strengthen the spell. My father is having his blood drawn to contribute to the spell since he will not be present.

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As we are relaxing on the couch, I feel the need to just let Seleste know that my time with her has been the greatest of my life. I understand she is my true mate, and we were always meant to be together.

“Seleste, I just want you to know that no matter what happens in this war, you have made my life worth living and gave me a reason to fight for our future. I want you to be careful out there and put yourself first. You have to survive no matter what. Onyx and I will do everything in our power, down to our last breath, to ensure that you and Tamaska make it home safely.”

“Jarvis, we will both make it back. The goddess said that together, you and I are almost unstoppable. I am immortal and you, being my mate, you share in that. The only way we can die is if we get our heads cut completely off and I don’t intend to allow that to happen, so if you were practicing your goodbye speech, save it. We are both coming home. We will both live a long and happy life until we decide to take our rest with the goddess.”

“Baby, anything can happen in war. I just want you to know that you are my life and I would give it to keep you alive. I would die to keep you safe.”

“Jarvis, I don’t want you to die for me. I want you to fight till the end to live for and with me. We still have a lot of life to live and things to accomplish.”

We spend the next couple of hours relaxing and then head down to have lunch with the pack. My mom has set up tables, tents, and benches for all of us to eat together. They lay the food out buffet style. We have meat upon meat to choose from. As for werewolves, we need a lot of protein to build and keep our strength, so from here until the end of the war, we will be overloading on meat for all meals.

While Seleste and I were relaxing, her other warriors arrived. Warrior Peace greeted them and got them settled in the warrior housing. We want them to get comfortable, although they will only be here for a night on this trip. These rooms will be theirs when they rotate for protector duty after the war. Seleste's inner team is with here permanently, but the other warriors rotate monthly.

Warrior Peace brings the new warriors to our table and, just as I thought, one of the female warriors is Mason's mate. As soon as the group walked up to the table, Mason jumped over the table and grabbed this tall, amazingly muscular female warrior. It is a good thing she recognized Mason as her mate, or I have no doubt she would have put my beta on his a.ss.

Mason took his mate and sat her next to him. Warrior Peace introduced the rest of the Warriors. Most of the warriors were from Seleste's old pack. A few were elementals from Alpha Clark's pack. The rest were vampires and bears. Most of the warriors were in mate pairs. Mason's mate was one of two unmated warriors in this group, and wouldn't you know that the other unmated warrior found his mate right after Mason? The moon goddess definitely works in mysterious ways. Seleste told me that the moon goddess told her that as werewolves, we are stronger when we are connected to our mates.

"Congratulations Mason and Angelique. Mason, I know how long you have been waiting for your mate. Angelique, welcome to the family. I am so glad that in the last month, my pack has gained a luna and a beta female. The goddess has truly blessed us."

The pack started cheering after I welcomed Angelique. We all finished eating and dismissed everyone to enjoy their time with their loved ones. As happy as I am for Mason, I also feel for him and the other new mates. They met today and will go into battle in the next two days. I say a special prayer to the goddess to keep them safe.

Dinner was the same as lunch except the new mates elected to eat in their rooms to have more alone time. Seleste and I went for a run and let Onyx and Tamaska hang out with each other for a few hours. We gave them a chance to mate and strengthen their bond as wolves. I don't know if it is possible, but I feel stronger after Tamaska and Onyx mated. It's like as our bond strengthened, so did we. I asked Onyx if we were stronger, and he confirmed it. He also told me that the next time we shift, we will be bigger. The goddess is definitely positioning us to win this war.