

Chapter 41 - Sophia's Revenge

Kane's POV

Last night with Sophia was nothing short of amazing and then when I joined her in the shower and she marked me, it was euphoric. River had never been so happy. That hole in my heart from my parent's death is slowly getting better because of her.

I left her to go to training, but I didn't want to. I wanted to stay in bed with her all day, but she was right. I had work to do.

She said she was going to talk with Xander, but I knew she was going to mark him as well. I can say this for sure, that little she wolf of ours has us wrapped around her little finger and we wouldn't change it for the world.

I was just getting our group of warriors through their warmups, and we were starting sparring. Luke and I were showing them what we wanted them to do when River started pacing.

"River, chill out. You're distracting me."

"Sorry, I feel weird. I think something is wrong with mate."

"She is with Xander if something was wrong, he would tell us."

"Ok, I will try, but I think we should go check."

I got back to work with Luke. He did look a little rough this morning from protecting Sophia last night when her heat hit. I will have to thank him later.

After showing everyone what we wanted them to do, they broke out in pairs and mimicked us. We walked around, correcting them.

River was up again, pacing. "Something is wrong. I can feel her distress. Go find mate."

“I told you she is with Xander she is fine.”

“Kane, you need to go to Xanders office. Sophia walked in on him mating Clarissa and he pushed her out of his office. Alpha Ty is there now, and I have Sophia taking her to her room.” Luna Caroline mink linked me.

“Luke, I have to go. Emergency in the Alpha’s office.” I said.

“Is everything ok?”

I didn’t answer. I just ran to his office as fast as I could. I am going to kill the fucker.

When I got there, Xander was on the floor still and had his pants around his knees. I didn’t care. I jumped on him and broke his nose and split his lip.

“You disgust me. I can’t believe you would hurt her like that. You are a useless Alpha and I wish she could reject you, but it would kill her and so would me killing you, because that’s what I want to do right now.” I spat at him with as much hate in my voice as I could.

I turned and left, not wanting to hear anymore. I ran straight to Sophia’s room. She had to be a wreck. When I got to her door Luna Caroline was standing there and you could tell she was crying.

“Kane, how could he do this? I raised him better. I know this is a weird situation, but you have both handled it so well, or so I thought. What is wrong with him? That poor girl has been through so much and deserves better. Kane, please go love her and make her feel better and I’m going to kill my son!”

She didn’t even let me respond. She just turned and left. I didn’t even knock; I knew she wouldn’t answer me. When I got into her room, I didn’t see her anywhere.

“Dude, anytime she is scared or upset, she is in the closet.”

“Thanks River.”

I opened the closet door and found her crumpled over. She looked like she was sleeping, but something was wrong.

I ran over to her, and you could see how red her face was from crying so hard. I bent down and gently shook her. "Sophia, wake up. It's going to be ok but let's get you out of here." I said.

She didn't even move. I tried again, just a little more forcefully. Still nothing. I went to the bathroom to get some water to splash on her face to see if that would wake her up.

I was wetting a rag in the bathroom when I turned to leave. I saw an empty bottle of something and a note laying on the floor. I bent down and picked it up and read the note.

Sophia,

He wasn't yours to begin with. He had a mate before you and she wants him back. We've decided that since he can have two mates, it will be her and I. The thing is he never wanted you. If you don't believe me, let me tell you about the night you were brought here. He left you at the hospital to be with me. His hard dick in me, making me scream. Don't believe me? How long did it take for him to come to you? He really didn't, did he? He was forced into this because of the stupid mate bond, but he doesn't want you. He thinks everything that's been done to you is disgusting. How could someone be so slutty to let different men have her body and let them mutilate her for pleasure? A slutty pack slave, that's who. Someone who was just sleeping around to gain rank. You're a disgusting whore.

Do us a favor and drink this and end your suffering because the pain you felt today will be back and I will make sure that we are not interrupted next time.

XOXO

Shit, this is so bad. I don't know what is in that bottle. I ran and scooped up a lifeless Sophia and rushed to the pack hospital. I mind linked doc to meet me there.

I was met at the door with a gurney and doc. I laid her down and handed him the bottle. He opened it and smelled it.

“Do you know how long ago she took it?”

“No, what’s in there?”

“I think it’s a mixture of wolfsbane and liquid silver. I need to get her back and get to work before it reaches her heart.”

He rushed with the gurney, and Sophia left me again. I couldn’t keep doing this. I can’t lose her.

“River, can she survive this?”

“I don’t know. But let’s go pay our little Alpha a visit. My claws are dying to dig into his skin.”

I took off down the hall and mind linked Luna Caroline. “Where is Xander?”

“Room 301.” She replied back.

“Why is he in the hospital?”

“Doc believes he has been poisoned, and that is why he did what he did.”

“River, what the fuck is going on?”

“I don’t know, but I want to kill him slightly less, but still want to kill him.”

I ran up to his room and when I went in; he was sound asleep on the bed and his parents were in the chairs just waiting for him to wake up.

“Kane, how is Sophia?” Asked Luna Caroline.

“She is currently fighting for her life in the ER.” I pulled the note out of my pocket and handed it to Alpha Ty.

I couldn't do it anymore. I couldn't be strong. I feel to my knees completely breaking. I just sat there sobbing as Luna Caroline came over and pulled me up and gave me the motherly hug I needed.

"She is strong. She will be ok, and we will find out how they did this and we will kill them. Nobody hurts my family like this." she said.

When Luna Caroline is mad, she is a forced and I wouldn't want to be in her way.

I went and sat in the other chair as Luna Caroline read the letter. She was fuming. I could see her wolf coming forward. She dropped the letter and stormed out of the room.

"I can't sit here either. I'm going to see if there is an update on Sophia." I said as I stormed out of the room.

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Xander's POV

"Jax, you there? Goddess, my head hurts!"

"Ya, but were not talking."

"What why? Why are we in a hospital bed?"

"Do you not remember yesterday?"

"I remember leaving Sophia's room and being so happy about marking her and we were mad that we couldn't stay but had work to do and we were going to meet her and Kane for training, but the rest is kind of fuzzy."

"Think real hard, asshole!"

I didn't reply to him because I really couldn't remember what happened. I got up and was going to find Kane and Sophia. I found it odd that they weren't here.

I slipped out into the hallway and here came my mom, who looked like she hadn't slept in ages.

"Mom, what's wrong?"

"Everything! Sophia is not doing good, Kane is a wreck, and your dad is trying to find Clarissa and isn't having any luck. I am glad to see you awake."

"Why is Sophia not doing good and why is dad looking for Clarissa?"

Oh, goddess, what did I do? It hit me like a ton of bricks. Everything from yesterday. Clarissa showing up when she should be in the cells. Throwing something on my face. Sleeping with her. Oh, goddess Sophia walked in on us, and I pushed her out and slammed the door in her face.

"Mom, where is she?"

"Room 202. Just be warned that Kane is there, and he is ready to murder you and I'm still deciding if I should let him or not."

"That's what I deserve. I don't deserve her." I said, as I started to cry. How could I do that to her?

"Son, we know that you were drugged, but there's more to it than that. You need to go see Sophia and Kane."

I took the stairs two at a time and when I arrived at her door, I stopped because it sounded like Kane was crying. I just sat there and listened to him.

"Sophia, baby girl, you have to wake up. You have to be ok. I can't live without you. If you wake up, I will take you away from here, anywhere you want to go. Just you and me. Please moon goddess, let her be ok."

I don't know what happened, but I knew it was my fault. I slumped to the floor and just cried. Sophia was in the room fighting for her life. I have turned into a worthless mate. I should be the one protecting her, not hurting her. How could I allow this to happen?

“Jax, do you know what happened?”

“To Sophia, no I don’t, but I know that you’re an asshole who I am done talking with. You’re an Alpha. You should have been able to fight this, and we broke the most important thing and the hardest to earn back. Trust. We broke her trust.”

“I know that and wait, you didn’t help me fight it so you're just as much at fault.” I yelled back at him.

“I know that and trust me, I hate myself for it. So, you’re not an asshole, but we are.”

I got up and went into Sophia’s room to face the music. Kane was sitting in a chair with his head on Sophia’s bed and was holding her hand and was still crying.

I cleared my throat to get his attention. He quickly looked up and the second he realized it was me, his eyes went instantly black. River was pushing forward, and he was going to kill me, and I would let him.

“You have no business being here. Get the fuck out of here.” He yelled at me.

“You can’t say anything to me that I don’t already feel about myself. She is my mate as well. Tell me what happened?”

“You happened. You did this. If it wasn’t for your fucking slut that you couldn’t get rid of, we wouldn’t be here. If you would have done your job like you should have and killed her, we wouldn’t be here right now.”

“She drugged me yesterday. I had no control, and I know I should have killed her and I don’t know why I didn’t. I have no excuse for that.”

“Did she drug you the night we brought Sophia here, and you fucked her?”

“How did you know about that?”

He got up and came around to me. He got right in my face.

“If she dies, I will Kill you and not think twice.” He shoved something at me and went back to his chair.

“Get the fuck out of here!” He roared at me.

I took the letter and left the room. As much as I didn’t want to leave her, I knew that I had no business there right now.

I headed back to the pack house and to my office.

My office was a mess, but I’m guessing that is from yesterday. I will clean it later. I sat down to read the letter Kane handed me.

Sophia,

He wasn’t yours to begin with. He had a mate before you and she wants him back. We’ve decided that since he can have two mates, it will be her and I. The thing is he never wanted you. If you don’t believe me, let me tell you about the night you were brought here. He left you at the hospital to be with me. He had his hard dick in me, making me scream. Don’t believe me? How long did it take for him to come to you? He really didn’t did he. He was forced into this because of the stupid mate bond, but he doesn’t want you. He thinks everything that’s been done to you is disgusting. How could someone be so slutty to let different men have her body and let them mutilate her for pleasure? A slutty pack slave, that’s who. Someone who was just sleeping around to gain rank. You’re a disgusting whore.

Do us a favor and drink this and end your suffering because the pain you felt today will be back and I will make sure that we’re not interrupted this time.

XOXO

Oh, goddess, what have I done? How did she get out and how did Jules get ahold of her?

“Jax, we need to find them so we can kill them.”

“Ya, ten steps ahead of you.”

“What do you have?”

“Well, nothing, but I decided that the moment Clarissa came to our office.”

“Dad, can you meet me in my office?”

“Yes, we need to talk.”

My dad walked in a few minutes later with Clark and Luke. I really didn't want them here for this, but I wasn't in a position to say much right now.

“Son, I'm glad you're ok but your actions with Clarissa have led to this. I know Jules is a different story, but we don't even know where to start. We have no clues.”

“I know dad and I can't say I'm sorry enough. We have to find them.”

“Can I see the letter, Xander?” asked Clark.

I handed it to him, and he read the letter and then smelled it. I am so curious as to why he smelled it. That is weird.

“Why are you smelling it?”

“Boy, don't question me. I have been around for a very long time. I have worked with many different packs, and I have worked with a lot of witches. This letter had magical powers in it. These two girls have the help of a witch.”

“What a witch? I thought there was some law against that?”

“There is, but as time has gone on, they started working together again.” Clark said.

“That would explain how I was drugged yesterday. What can we do to find them?”

“I have a friend who might help, but we are going to have to offer her the utmost privacy and security. She doesn't trust wolves and isn't fond of

them, but she will want to meet Sophia just because she is an emerald wolf.”

“Please get her here. We will do whatever it takes.” My dad said.

“I have to go talk with Kane about this and I shouldn’t need to say this, but this doesn’t leave this room.”

I walked back to the hospital and just stood outside of Sophia’s room. How could I be so stupid? She is my whole world. I will give my life to her. She doesn’t deserve this at all. I hung my head and walked in. I knew I wouldn’t be met with open arms.

“I told you to stay the fuck away. Are you dumb or something?”

“No, but I have something we need to talk about.”

“What!”

“I showed the letter to Clark.”

“Why would you do that? Why would you show people this doesn’t concern? Hasn’t she been through enough without letting more people know about what happened? Or are you trying to rub into her face about how you’re a man whore? Trying to show people you will sleep with anyone while your mate was dying.”

I lost it at that point, and Jax took control and jumped on Kane. He started punching him in the face. Landing a few blows to his jaw and with the last one, I put all my strength into it, and you could hear a sickening snap of his jawbone.

I jumped up off him, not meaning to get that carried away, but he had to let me finish. He was lying on the ground rolling in pain when I looked over at Sophia, who had woken up at some point and was staring at me with wide, green eyes.

“Sophia, you're awake.”

“Go away, Xander. You’ve ruined everything. I don’t want you.” She sobbed out.

“Please, you have to believe me that I was drugged. I didn’t know what I was doing.”

“Did you know what you were doing the night you rescued me?”

“That was different. You have to understand. Let me explain.”

“Just go away.”

“Kane, we’re not done talking about this. Come find me after dinner.”

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Sophia’s POV

After I shut the door on Luna Caroline, I was just done. I couldn’t understand why I was so unlovable.

“Stella, did I do something wrong?”

“No, mate is bad, and we must forget him. We still have Kane and River. They love us.”

“I don’t know. How can anyone love us? Look at us. We are covered in scars, and we have been used. He will grow tired of us.”

“Don’t say that. He won’t stop loving us ever.”

“I need a hot bath to relax.” I told her as I cut the mind link.

I walked into the bathroom and that’s when I saw the note and a little bottle of liquid. I read that letter about five times before I knew what I was going to do. I couldn’t keep suffering. She was right and who am I to stop him from doing what he wants? Whoever this is was right, he wasn’t there when I woke up and for a long time after. I won’t stop him from loving someone else. They can both be free to choose who they want.

“Stella, thank you for always being with me and doing everything you did to protect me. I love you. You have been the best wolf I could have ever asked for.”

“Sophia, you don’t have to do this. We can leave and go somewhere else. We don’t have to stay here. Please don’t do this. We’re needed here. We’re part of a big plan.”

I pushed her out of my mind and walked to the closet. I walked to the far back corner where I always seemed to go. I sat down and swirled the bottle a few times and popped the lid off and swallowed it. I don’t know what it was, but it tasted horrible and burned my throat. I sat there and read that letter over and over and cried until I couldn’t keep my eyes open any longer.

The next thing I know, I can hear Kane and Xander yelling at each other and the sound of flesh hitting bone. I sat up trying to figure out what was going on, when I heard the sickening sound of someone bone breaking and then Kane moaning in pain on the ground.

“Sophia, you’re awake.” Xander said.

“Go away, Xander. You’ve ruined everything. I don’t want you.” I was trying to talk, but it came out in sobs.

“Please, you have to believe me that I was drugged. I didn’t know what I was doing. I would never do that to you.”

“Did you know what you were doing the night you rescued me?”

“That was different. You have to understand. Let me explain.”

“Just go away.”

“Kane, we’re not done talking about this. Come find me after dinner.” He walked away after that.

As soon as the door was closed, I tried to get out of bed, but Kane made it to me first. My whole body hurt, and I could barely move.

“Kane, please go get your jaw looked at.”

He mind linked me. “Baby girl, I am fine. Not the first time I’ve broken my jaw. I just have to mind link for a few days and drink through a straw.”

“Please, just go. I don’t need you here.” I sobbed out again and rolled over, so I was away from him.

“You do need me and I’m not leaving.” He mind linked me again.

“Didn’t you read the letter? I’m a disgusting whore who doesn’t deserve this. Why would you want me? Xander obviously doesn’t. I’m nothing better than a slutty slave. Please, just go. I will be gone by tomorrow. I won’t be selfish. I don’t deserve two mates, hell I don’t even deserve one. Now please go and don’t make this harder.”

I turned around to make sure he was leaving, and he had tears running down his face.

“Baby girl, you are none of those things and I will leave for now, but I won’t be gone long and you’re not going anywhere. I love you.”

He finally turned around and left, slamming the door as he did. “Stella, are you there?”

“Yes, but I’m very weak from what you did. Also, very angry at you.”

She cut me off after that and I don’t blame her. I should have just died. Kane got there too soon.

I finally fell back asleep and had a nightmare about what Blaine and Spencer did to me, but this time it was Xander and whoever these other two she wolfs are. I woke up in a cold sweat and panting like I was running, but I was still lying in the hospital bed. It was dark outside, and someone had left dinner for me, but I couldn’t eat yet. I rolled over trying to find sleep again, but I couldn’t.

I got up and went and took a shower. When I got out, I found fresh pajamas in a closet that was in the bathroom. I put them on and decided

that if I was leaving, it was now or never. I walked to my door and opened it and was met with a wall of muscle. The muscle just happened to belong to Luke.

“Luke, get out of my way.”

“No can do. Orders from the Alpha and Beta.”

“The Alpha can go fuck himself and the beta, well I have nothing for him right now, but as your future Luna, get out of my way.”

“Ya Kane said you would try that and to not fall for it. You’re technically not Luna yet and so I don’t take orders from. Now go back to bed.” Luke said.

“I really hate you, Luke.”

“No, you don’t, you love me.”

I just turned around and went to bed.

I decided I would mind link Kane and give him a piece of my mind.

“Really, Kane, a guard outside my door and Luke at that?”

“You just proved my point of having one. You’re not leaving without me and right now I am stuck in a meeting, so we will talk later. I love you, baby girl.”

Goddess, I really hated them all right now!

“Stella, are you still not talking to me?”

“What do you want? I am still mad at you!”

“I know, and you have every right to be, but I am so tired of this. He is supposed to be the one of two people that love me and that letter was right. Who says he can’t have two mates? If I can, so can he.”

“No, we have two mates for a reason. We need two. They balance us. They bring the good and the bad. It’s just that one mate is really bad. We

have to know more about him being poisoned before we can make up our minds on what we do. He can still be our mate, but that doesn't mean we have to love him."

"I know, but the stupid mate bond makes it hard. It makes me want to love, regardless."

"I know and if I could break that part, I would tell you how, but we can't."

"All I ever wanted was for just one person to love me. I know I have that with Kane. He is amazing and would never hurt us, but Xander is supposed to as well and he has proven to me over and over that he doesn't. Just tell me what to do, Stella."

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Kane's POV

Fucking Xander came in here and tried telling me that he had shown that letter to Clark and I lost it on him. I got up and was yelling at him and tried to make him leave. He had no right to do that and no right to be here. His wolf took over and ended up breaking my jaw. Now I couldn't talk and would be eating through a straw for a few days. Then he demands I meet him after dinner.

Sophia woke up in the middle of our fight and kicked him out. I went to comfort her, but she refused. The things she thought about herself were far from the truth, and it was all Xander's fault. He would be hearing about this.

I waited outside her room until Luke showed up. I know she will try to leave. Once he was there, I headed out to find Doc and get some pain pills because this hurts like a bitch.

"Well, your jaw is definitely broken, but you've had this before. No talking and only eating through a straw until it feels better, a day or so and you should be good. Here are some pain pills. Now go home and get some sleep." he said.

I went to the pack house and went past my room and straight to Sophia's room. I knew I wouldn't be able to sleep in my room. I needed her scent to calm me down. I took my pain pills and crawled into bed, passing out within minutes.

"Kane, get up. We're having a meeting and you need to be here. The Alpha's office in five minutes." Alpha Ty mind linked me waking me up.

I had no clue how long I had been out for, but it was getting dark already.

I got up and headed down there and met Xander in the hallway.

"Kane, I am so sorry. Jax took control. We were so mad. I have screwed everything up and I'm just trying to fix it. You wouldn't let me talk and you were trying to kick me out. I really didn't mean to break your jaw."

"Go to hell, Xander." I mind-linked him.

He didn't say a word to me after that. We both walked into the office together and found Alpha Ty, Luna, Caroline, and Clark waiting for us.

"Kane, I know you're angry. We're all angry right now, but we have to put that aside and work together because there is more dangerous stuff ahead. Clark has seen the letter and was able to determine that a witch was helping those two she-wolves."

Again, I mind-linked everyone but Clark. Since he wasn't in the pack, we couldn't connect. "What do you mean, a witch? Aren't their laws against that?"

"Why are you using mind link, Kane?" Alpha Ty asked.

"Ask your son."

Everyone turned to look at Xander, waiting for a reply.

"I'm sorry I lost control of Jax, and we may have hit Kane hard enough to snap his jaw."

“What has gotten into you, Xander? You were not raised to be like this. I know you have more control over Jax than that. When I thought you couldn’t disappoint me anymore, you broke your best friend’s jaw.” Luna Caroline said.

“Mom, I said I was sorry.”

“Enough, we have bigger issues. Clark has a witch friend who has agreed to come to help us, but we have to provide a certain level of care for her. She wants a private house away from everyone. She will also place a masking spell on it so nobody will be able to see it. There is one more thing: wants to meet Sophia alone.”

“No!” Xander yelled out.

“We don’t have a choice. We need her help, and we have to agree to her demands.”

“Kane and I need to meet her first and will stay outside of her room the entire time.”

“I am sure that will work,” Alpha Ty said.

Xander kept looking at me weirdly. He kept glancing at my neck and my face. I thought my mark was fully covered, but maybe not.

“Xander, you got a problem?” I mind-linked everyone.

“No, but is that a mark on your neck?”

I pulled my shirt aside so everyone could see. “Ya, it is, and if you weren’t such an idiot, you would have one too. That’s why she was at your office, but because of you and those two horrible she-wolves, she thinks the worst of herself.”

He didn’t respond, but Luna Caroline came and wrapped me in a big hug. “Congratulations Kane!”

“Thank You.”

“Alright, we need to prepare a house for our visitor, and nobody needs to know about this. Please go and do what you need to,” Alpha Ty said, dismissing us.

“Kane, wait up. We need to talk.”

“What do you want, Xander?” I mind-linked him back.

“I want to apologize. I was so out of line, and I have been for a long time. I have hurt the people I love the most and I don’t know how to make it right. I also want to show you something if you follow me.”

“Xander, you haven’t been out of line for a long time, but you have screwed things up with Sophia so badly. She won’t even talk to me. She thinks everything that was in that letter was true. We need her to have confidence in herself because this war is coming sooner rather than later. So, you need to fix this fast.” I mind-linked him.

I followed him up to his room. He went over and opened his door and motioned for me to go in.

I walked in and this wasn’t his room anymore. It was a large, open-plan living space. It had a living room with everything you could want. There was a small kitchen and dining space.

“When did you do this?”

“I’ve been working on it for a while. I wanted all three of us to have a living space. There are two bedrooms and two bathrooms, and we all have closet space. I would like to bring Sophia here after she is out of the hospital. You two can take the master bedroom for now and I will take the spare until you all forgive me and let me back in.”

I was utterly speechless. The space was beautiful and just what we needed. There was plenty of room for all of us and we could be a family because that’s what they were to me.

“Thank you, Xander. This will be a start, that’s for sure. You need to talk to her, and I will see what I can do about that. Also, would you stop punching me in the damn face?”

“No promises, but I will try. Now can we please go see our mate? Jax won’t leave me alone about it.”

“Ya, let’s go.”

As mad as I was at Xander, I still had to forgive him for Sophia’s sake. She needed to mark him. She has to come into her powers before the war starts and I think that it is coming very soon.

“Xander, you need to know what she thinks of herself right now. It’s not good, and she is really struggling. I am not sure what we are going to do to help her, but we have to.”

“I know, and it is all my fault. I will do anything she wants.”

“I know you would, but here is how she feels right now. She told me she thinks she is a disgusting whore and a slutty slave who doesn’t deserve us. She thinks you don’t want her. She said she is being selfish by having us both as mates. She says she doesn’t deserve either one of us.”

“Oh goddess, this is bad because that is the furthest from the truth. How can I show her otherwise?”

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Sophia’s POV

After Luke wouldn’t let me out, I came back in here and pouted. It did me no good, but all I wanted to do was leave. I had to go somewhere that I felt I could be me. I sat on the window seat just staring outside and waiting for my mates to come back because I knew they would both be here. I am still so angry with Xander. I don’t know if I can forgive him, but this stupid mate bond will make it very hard not to. I watched as people came and went throughout the day. Nothing exciting, but at least I wasn’t lying in bed.

The sun was starting to go down when I had a knock on the door. I knew exactly who it was because nobody else would come this late in the day. The door opened, and I got a mind link, “hey baby girl, how are you?”

“Go away Kane.”

“We need to talk to you, and it is important. I know you are just angry right now, but please listen to us.”

I finally turned and looked at both of them. Goddess, they are both hot. Just the sight of them has wetness pooling between my legs. I need to stop this. I am mad right now.

“Stella, make it stop. I have to stay strong.”

“Girl, be mad and yell and ignore them for a while, but remember, they are our mates, and they wouldn’t purposely hurt us like that.”

“But he did. He slept with her while he knew I was his mate and was in the hospital.”

“I know, and we need to talk to him about that. There may be more to it than what we know or think.”

“I hate it when you’re right.”

“What do you two want?”

“Sophia, please let me apologize, for starters.”

“I don’t want to hear that, Xander. Please, just tell me what you came here about.”

“Clark, read your letter and he is detecting some magic is involved with all of this. He has a witch friend who is coming to help us, and she wants to meet with you alone.”

“Wait a minute. I thought there were laws against working with witches?”

“There is, but since we have lived in peace with them for so long now, those laws tend to get overlooked.”

“When will she be here?”

“Tomorrow.”

“Sophia, I would like to take you out of here and show you a surprise I have for you.”

“Xander, I don’t think now is the time for that. I don’t care what it is. You can’t just buy your way back into my heart.”

“Baby girl, please just come with us.”

They handed me some clothes to change into and we headed out. They both tried to grab my hand, but I would only hold Kane’s hand. I’m not mad at him, but I thought if I pushed him away, he would have the chance to choose who he wants to be with.

“Stella, should I keep trying to push Kane away so he can choose if he wants someone else? I don’t want to be selfish with them. They deserve to be happy.”

“Absolutely not. He wants us. I have talked with River, and he will do anything we want. Cut him some slack and let him back in.”

The boys took me back to the pack house and up the stairs. I was still really tired and a little weak from everything and walking at a slow pace. Kane reached down and picked me up in one swoop. He really did feel like home, so did Xander for that matter, but I wasn’t ready for that yet. I figured we were headed to my room, but he kept walking and went up to the Alpha floor. Kane put me down on my feet in front of a door and stepped back.

Xander stepped up and grabbed both of my hands. He took each one up and placed a kiss on each knuckle. “Do you know how much I love you, because it is more than life itself? I would never hurt you like I did on purpose. I was drugged and if I was in my right frame of mind, I would never do that to you. There is more I need to tell you, but it can wait until later. This is something that I have been working on for over a month now. Sophia, when I say I love you, I mean it. I want you, I choose you, you are the best thing that ever happened to me, even if it did take me a while to figure it out.”

Xander had poured his heart out, and it had tears forming in my eyes, but I wasn't going to let them spill. I am so tired of crying. He leaned down and placed a kiss on my cheek, and opened the door. He motioned for me to step inside.

I walked into the most beautiful living space I had ever seen. The walls were painted a cream color and had large windows that overlooked the training fields and the forest that was behind the training fields. The windows had navy blue curtains and gray and white carpet. There was a spacious living room area with a large sectional sofa and tv. It also had a small kitchen and dining area.

"Xander, this is beautiful. When did you have time to do this?"

"This is something that I have been working on for over a month. I wanted the three of us to have a place of our own. If you open that door there, you will find a master bedroom for the three of us when you're ready, and the door on the other side is another bedroom."

So much for not crying anymore. This is the most thoughtful thing anyone has ever done.

"Xander, this is the nicest thing anyone has ever done for me. Thank you very much."

"Beautiful, you are very welcome. I would like to explain my past to you, and maybe you can understand a little more about me."

"I will take that as my leave. I lived the story. I don't need to hear it as well." Kane mind linked and then left.

"Let's go sit down on the couch and I will explain everything to you."

We walked over and sat down. He sat right next to me, grabbing my hand and just holding it. I just sat there, giving him as much time as he needed.

"I was out training with the warriors one spring day. It was beautiful outside. I got a mind link from the guard at the front gate. They said there was a woman at the gate asking for help. I told them I would be

right there to investigate. Her smell hit me before I could see her. Jax was losing it, screaming, MATE in my head. I ran and opened the gate before I even knew what was waiting for me. I was twenty, so I felt like I had already waited a lifetime for her. The second I saw her, I accepted the bond. I was done for she was it for the rest of my life.”

This was hard to hear. He loved someone before me. I was trying not to cry, but was failing.

“Beautiful, please don’t cry. I’m not trying to hurt you; I just want to be truthful.”

I just shook my head at him and waited for him to continue.

“I went to her, and we made it both known we were mates. I moved her into the pack house and did everything one would do with their mate. She wanted to move slowly in the mating aspect of things but wanted to know everything about being a Luna and the pack operations. I never thought twice about it. She soon learned everything about the pack. Security, finances, personal information about ranked members and lead warriors. The more the better. I wanted to introduce her as the new Luna and hold her ceremony, but she kept putting it off. We did finally mate, but she refused to let me mark her. She was here for a year. She knew everything about us, and she wouldn’t even tell me about what pack she was from or even her last name. She said it wasn’t important. I was foolish. One day out of the blue she came to my office and stripped down and well, ya, you can imagine what happened and while I was getting close to finishing, she rejected me. She got up and got dressed, telling me this was the pain she felt every time she slept with me because she had a chosen mate, and she was only here to learn about our pack. Before I could reach her, she just disappeared, never to be seen again.”

“Xander, I am so sorry. She is a vile person who never deserved you.”

“Beautiful, there’s more. After she left, it messed with me. I got really angry. My dad had handed the pack over to me because I had found my Luna. He had to step in and take over for a while. I couldn’t cope with it. After I got better, I swore I would never accept another mate. So, when you came crashing into my life, I did everything I could to not accept it.

That was the biggest mistake of my life. I will regret that decision for the rest of my life.”

“Girl, you better forgive him right now. I told you there was more to it than what you thought.”

“Stella, I’m going to need just a little more time.”

I didn’t know what to say to him, so I just got up and sat down in his lap and cuddled up into him. He laid us down on the couch and pulled me as close to him as I could be, and we just laid there holding each other.

I don’t know how long we were there because we fell asleep. The door being thrown open and Kane sending us a mind link woke us up.

“Well, aren’t you two cozy? If you would get your asses up and go to bed so I can cuddle with Sophia as well.”

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Xander’s POV

I woke up and snuggled up closer to Sophia just happy to have her back in my arms.

“Dude, you’re really not my type,” Kane said.

I finally opened my eyes and realized it was him I snuggled up to and not Sophia.

“Shit, sorry. I guess the hazard of sharing a bed. Where did she go?”

“Shower, I think I will go join her.”

“Lucky asshole!”

He didn’t even respond, just rolled out of bed and walked into the bathroom. I wasn’t even going to try. She hasn’t forgiven me completely.

“Jax, I’m nervous about this witch.”

“Me too. But if she can help us, we have to.”

“Sophia has requested that you join us in the shower.” Kane mind linked.

I didn't wait a second and literally ran to the bathroom, stripping my clothes as I went. I walked into the extra-large shower I had built, and Sophia had Kane pushed up against the wall and was on her knees, sucking on his hard dick. She had her legs spread and I could smell her arousal leaking out of her.

“Sophia, baby, are you sure you want me in here?”

She released Kane's dick with a pop and turned to face me and her eyes were glowing a bright green. We were dealing with Sophia, but Stella had pushed forward. She stood up and faced me completely.

“Xander, after you showed me our room and told us your story, I understood you more, and we want this. I am going to give Sophia back control now and please don't hurt her again.”

The next second, I was looking into Sophia's beautiful eyes.

“Beautiful, this can wait.”

“I want this. I love both of you and I want to mark you right now. I need to feel your hard cock in me. I want to come all over it while you make me scream your name.”

As she was saying this, she was running her hands up and down my stomach, getting dangerously close to my throbbing cock.

I pushed her back into Kane and slammed my lips into hers. I couldn't wait any longer. I need this beautiful mate of mine right now. I grabbed her under ass and lifted her up against Kane and her wet pussy was rubbing against me, making me harder than I was. I pulled away from her and guided her down on me. As soon as she was all the way down, I started to move slowly. If I went too fast, this would be over fast.

“Xander, you feel so good. Make me come” she moaned out. She somehow reached around and was stroking Kane behind her while he was kissing her neck and playing with her nipples.

That was all the encouragement I needed. I reached down and used my thumb to apply some pressure on her clit. She started to moan even louder, so I started to move my thumb in circles around it and started pumping even harder.

“Xander I please, harder,” she screamed out, so I picked up my pace.

I could feel her walls clench around me as she released. “XANDER” she yelled as she came.

That was all I needed for me to release. She leaned forward and pushed my head to the side and bit down into me. The second her canines hit, I had a burning hot pain immediately following the most intense pleasure I have ever felt. I filled her pussy with all my cum. I could feel Sophia’s body heating up the second she released her canines. Her eyes rolled in the back of her head and just kept getting hotter and hotter. When she opened her eyes, they were glowing brighter than ever before.

“Why are you guys looking at me like that?”

“Do you know what happened?”

“Girl, when you finished the marking process with Xander it released all of your powers. You are going to have to be careful until you can control them, but I will help.”

“Sorry, Stella just explained what happened. Let’s get cleaned up and get ready. We have to meet the witch soon.”

“Baby girl, you are so sexy when you come. I want to see it again,” Kane said as he started kissing her neck and tweaking her nipples, causing her to let out a moan. I grabbed some soap and started washing her body, taking it down to her pussy. Making sure to get all of us washed off her so we can put it back there.

We quickly got out and dried off and Kane carried her to the bed and laid down on the bed with her straddling him. She was grinding her pussy on him. I never thought I would share my mate, but it turned me on to watch Kane give her pleasure. He pushed her up until she was sitting on his face, and I could tell that he was immediately hitting all the right spots because she was immediately moaning.

She turned and looked at me and motioned me to come to her. I got up on the bed and she pushed me up until my cock was in her face. She licked her lips before licking her way up from my base to the tip and then swirled her tongue around the tip before plunging her mouth all the way to my base.

“Fuck, Sophia, your mouth is like velvet around me.”

She started moaning against my cock as she was getting close to her release. I pulled away from her, watching her.

“You look so sexy right now. I want to see you come. Don’t look away from me. I want to see you grind yourself on Kane’s face. I want to see all your juices all over him. Trust me baby, he is loving having your pussy all over him. He wants to drown in you.”

The more I talked to her, the faster her hips moved. Grinding herself on his face had me so ready to come on her face.

“Sophia, let go and come for me. Let me see that face you make. That is all it took, and she screamed out Kane’s name as she came all over his face.

“Baby girl, that was the hottest thing ever,” Kane said.

He quickly flipped her over and pulled her down on the bed, and slammed his cock into her. I grabbed her arms and pinned them above her head and used my other hand to guide my cock into her mouth, which she greedily took.

“Baby girl, do you know how sexy you are right now? You are taking my hard cock in your pussy and Xander taking your mouth. Do you like us

filling up your holes? Making you ours? Your body belongs to us. Only we will bring it pleasure.”

We were only met with moans from Sophia.

I was getting close, and I could see Kane was too, as his movements were getting faster. I reached down and started to rub her clit. She let out an earth-shattering, pleased-filled scream. Kane and I followed her, and we filled her up completely. She licked my cock completely clean.

All three of us just laid there, catching our breath. She finally got up. “I’m going to shower alone; we really need to get downstairs.”

Kane and I just laid on the bed. “Hey, I’m sorry if I took it too far with what I said while she was, ya know,” I told Kane. This was all new to us and I didn’t want any one of us to feel uncomfortable.

“Trust me, you didn’t. She liked it. She released so many juices when you started talking to her. I think she likes dirty talk.”

“We’re going to have to test that out later.”

I went and showered in the other bathroom.

“Jax?”

“hmm?”

“Really? That’s all you got?”

“Mate is perfect.”

“Ya, you're useless right now.”

I got out and got ready, and the three of us headed downstairs. We went to the conference room and waited for everyone to get there.

“Sophia, whatever happens, you have us both here and we’re not leaving,” I told her.

Before she could say anything, everyone walked in. My dad, mom, Luke, Clark and the witch, and some guy with her.

She wasn't what I was expecting. She was short, but had long red hair and bright blue eyes. Before the introductions could be done, she seemed to get a little scared.

"Child, you don't know how powerful you are, do you?" She asked.

"What do you mean?" Sophia asked.

"I can see the power that you emit. It is like a force field around you. Do you know what powers you have?"

Sophia must have been talking with her wolf, because it takes a minute before she answers.

"Stella says we have the standard emerald wolf's powers, plus I can control elements and something about minds, projection, and some healing powers."

We all just had our mouths hanging open in shock.

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\Sophia's POV

"Beautiful, you literally just listed every power an emerald wolf has had, but there has never been record of any having all of them."

"He's right. You are extremely powerful. I would like to see you use your powers."

"I don't know how, and I'm sorry we didn't introduce ourselves. I'm Sophia and these are my mates, Xander and Kane, and I'm guessing you know everyone else here." I said to the witch.

"Sorry dear, I got excited seeing you and your powers, but I am Emily, and this is my son Trevor."

“It’s nice to meet you both,” I said.

“I know I said I wanted to meet with Sophia alone, but that won’t be necessary, as her power is so strong. I don’t have to pull it out of her, but can I see the letter that you received?”

Clark slid the letter over to her and she opened it up, examining it and then handing it to Trevor, who did the same. He sat it back on the table in front of his mother and they both just stared at Xander.

“Whoever is helping these two wolves is using some black magic. I would like to stay for a while and help Sophia with her powers if that would be, OK?”

I was excited about learning something, but Emily and her son were a little intimidating.

“Only on the condition that at least one of my mates is with me.”

“Of course, dear one will need to be with us for this. You draw off of them.”

“Why don’t we all go get lunch and then we can meet tomorrow? I’m sure you would like to settle into your place,” Luna Caroline said.

We all got up and walked out of the room and towards the dining hall. Kane leaned in and said, “Well, now we have the afternoon free, how about a run, baby girl?”

This caused Stella to come alive and bounce around in my head. “OH yes, please. I want to run with my mates.”

“Stella, thinks that it is a wonderful idea.”

We were about to the dining room when Avery came bouncing around the corner, but froze in place as soon as her eyes met Trevor’s. She was suddenly all smiles and ran and jumped into Trevor’s arms. He looked absolutely terrified, but caught her and didn’t let her go.

“Avery Marie, you can’t do that. Let go of him right now!” Scolded Alpha Ty.

“No, he is my mate.”

“Oh, this might be a problem,” said Emily.

She looked as if her heart broke right there and slid out of his grasp. She stepped back and just looked at him with unshed tears in her eyes.

“I am sorry, dear, but witches don’t have mates. We have a chosen and we aren’t blessed the same way you are. We are more human in this aspect, and we fall in love the old-fashioned way and there isn’t an instant bond with us.” Emily explained.

Avery just turned and ran away. We were all just a little shocked as we had never heard of a wolf and a witch being mates.

“Trevor, can we go have a conversation in private, please?” Alpha Ty asked.

“I am going to check on her and will meet you guys when I’m done.” I said to my boys.

I took off after Avery to make sure she was ok. I found her in her room lying face down on her bed sobbing her eyes out.

“Avery, why are you crying?”

“Sophia, I made a fool out of myself. I threw myself in his arms and didn’t even know his name. My wolf and I just got so excited that we had found our mate that we didn’t even realize that he wasn’t a wolf. I mean, why would we have a witch on pack territory?”

“There here because of me. They are going to help me with my powers. This is ok, you are just going to have to get to know him and it won’t take him long to fall in love with you.”

“What if he rejects me? What if he has someone already? What if he is repulsed by a wolf? What if?”

“Would you stop with the what ifs? Give him a chance. You don’t know him. He seems like a nice guy, and besides, him and your dad are talking right now. I am sure it will all be OK.”

“WHAT! He is talking with my dad. Oh goddess, this couldn’t get any worse!”

“Avery, if I can move on from everything your brother has done and love him, I am sure he will be in love with you before the end of the day. You just have to go talk to him. Let’s go get lunch and see if we can’t get you two talking.”

We walked back down to the dining hall and fixed our plates and went and sat down, but Alpha Ty and Trevor were not there yet.

Nobody said anything while we ate. I couldn’t take it anymore.

“Where do you live, Emily?”

“Here and there.”

Well, she was being vague and not helpful.

“Luna Caroline, I know we were supposed to meet to go over the Luna ceremony yesterday and I didn’t make it. Can we do it after dinner?”

“That would be wonderful. We need to get busy as we only have two weeks. I have some ideas and have you thought about colors or flowers? Oh, what about food? And your dress. We have to find your dress.”

“Well, I know where Avery got that from!”

Everyone busted up laughing, but it was short-lived because Alpha Ty and Trevor came walking up.

“What’s so funny?” asked Alpha Ty.

“Sophia just figured out where Avery gets some of her best qualities from,” she said.

“Avery, can we go for a walk?” asked Trevor.

Poor Avery looked terrified as she got up and I just wanted to run to her and hug her.

“Beautiful, I think we have a date to go for a run,” Xander said as he and Kane stood up. Now I was the one who looked terrified. I have only shifted a few times and while it isn’t as painful as before, it still hurts some. Also, I was going to have to get naked outside. I don’t know why, but stripping in front of my mates was still hard for me.

We walked out to the forest and, once out of sight of the pack house, both boys instantly stripped and holy goddess where they hot! I had never noticed, but Kane had a large tattoo on his back. It was the moon with a family of wolves. It was beautiful. They quickly shifted and stood there waiting for me, but I wanted to take a moment to see their wolves.

Xander was a large black wolf but had a green tinge to his ears. I walked over and ran my hands through his fur.

“Jax, you are beautiful. You even have a green tinge in your ears. That is really strange. I’ve never seen that before. “

He just nuzzled his snout into my neck. This had me laughing, but River wasn’t going to have any of it and quickly came over and put his snout on the other side of my neck. He was just a little smaller than Jax and was a dark charcoal color and also had a green tinge on his ears.

“River, you are also beautiful and both of you are so soft,” I told them. River nudged me to shift, and they both just sat back. I couldn’t do it in front of them, so I walked to a large bush and quickly stripped down and called Stella forward. It was the easiest shift I have had yet.

Stella shook out her fur and stretched out before she went around to her mates. She wasted no time playing with them. She nipped at Kane and took off running. They followed suit. They followed me for a while. We jumped over fallen branches and chased a few birds.

“Beautiful, slow down. You are going at a high speed. We want to keep up with you.”

I didn't realize how far ahead I was of them, but we didn't feel winded. In fact, we felt great, better than we ever had.

“Stella, why are we so fast?”

“Girl, we're an emerald wolf. When are you going to learn? We can do whatever we want. Watch this.” she said as she came to a screeching halt. She walked over to a bush and brushed up against it and then sat back down and stared at it for a minute, when suddenly the flowers started to bloom on the bush. They didn't even have buds on them at this time and now I was looking at the beautiful flowers.

“Holy shit, how did you do that?” Xander said as they came up behind us.

“I don't know Stella did it.”

“I can control the elements. That also includes having control of the vegetation.” Stella mind linked to everyone.

“What else can you do, Stella?” asked Xander.

“Do you have any water around?” She asked.

They both just took off running, so we followed. We ran for a while before we came to the prettiest pond I had ever seen. The water was clean and clear. There was lush greenery around it. Stella stepped up and took a drink of the water and then sat back and suddenly the water started to spin in the middle and then lifted up. It looked like a tornado made of water and as soon as it was up, it came crashing down, soaking us.

“Stella, you are amazing. I can't wait to learn what else we can do,” I told her.

Both the boys shifted back and came over to us and started to run their hands through Stella's fur. She was beyond ecstatic about it and started rubbing her body all over them.

“Girl, you want to put a block up because I am going to mate with my mates and, unless you want to see that, put up a block yourself.”

“Oh goddess, no, I don’t need to be a part of that. I am out.”

Chapter 48 - Sophia's Revenge

Kane’s POV

“Baby girl, you are amazing. I have never seen anyone do what you did today. When Stella controlled that water, it was breathtaking. I can’t wait to see what else you two can do.”

“What was that with our wolves? Please tell you guys saw that?” Xander asked, disgusted.

“HAHAHAHAHAHAHA, Stella warned me, so I put up a block up and don’t know what happened.”

“Dude, their animals, they mate like us. It’s only fair they get a piece of action too!” I said.

“Well, Jax and I have an understanding. Understanding that I don’t want to see that again and he needs to warn me.”

We had made it to the pack house, and both Xander and I had work to do.

“Boys, I would like to cook your dinner. Be home by 6pm and no later.” Sophia said, and she left us.

We headed to Xanders office to do some work.

“Kane, will you review the patrols? We’ve had a few guards saying they’ve smelled some wolves but can’t seem to ever catch them. I think we need to change it up a little.”

“Ya, I have heard that as well. We need to talk about security for the Luna Ceremony too. I don’t want to take any chances with it.”

We both sat down and got to work on what needed to be done and were able to get caught up a lot and apparently, we lost track of time because we got a mind link "It is six fifteen, boys and you're late. Don't make me eat by myself."

"Sorry baby girl, we're on our way." I linked back.

We both practically ran out of the office and up to our room. We could smell the food before we even got to the door.

"I don't know what she cooked, but I think I'm going to be in a food coma," Xander said as he opened the door.

"Beautiful, this smells amazing. What did you cook?" Xander asked.

"I made chicken Alfredo, garlic bread and salad."

"I didn't know it was possible, but I think I love you even more for the way this food smells!" I said.

"Kane, you haven't even tried it yet. For all you know, it tastes horrible."

I slid up to her and kissed her and told her, "Anything you do is amazing. Maybe we'll skip dinner and go straight to dessert."

"No, can do, boys, I have to meet Luna Caroline soon about the Luna ceremony."

We all sat down and dug in and I think I died and went to heaven. This is the best food I've ever had. Xander and I ate most of the food, leaving no leftovers.

"Were you guys hungry? You didn't leave any!"

"Beautiful, that was the best dinner I've ever had. I didn't know you could cook. You can cook us dinner anytime you want." Xander said.

"Well, since I cooked and need to meet Luna Caroline, you boys can do the dishes." She said as she got up and left.

“Xan, I don’t think I can move. I ate so much food. Can we have an Omega come do the dishes?”

“No, don’t be so damn lazy and get up and help!”

Xander had always been a little bit of a neat freak and me not so much.

We were putting the last of the dishes away when we got a mind link from a warrior. “Alpha, Beta, we have a breach at the northeast side. There are four in total. We have them all alive and are bringing them to the cells.”

This is why we train so hard. Our warriors are good at what they do, and we rarely have any issues. They handle it quickly and efficiently.

We put the last of the dishes away and headed to the cells. They should be there by now.

“Sir, they won’t tell us who they are or why they are here. They don’t smell like rouges, but they won’t tell us what pack they’re with either.”

“Good work warrior. Please go back and finish your patrol. We will handle it from here,” Xander told him.

We headed down there to just check them out and see if we could recognize them. We walked through the cells but didn’t know any of them.

“Does anyone want to speak up? I’ll give you one chance to do this the easy way.” Xander boomed out.

We didn’t get a response, so I walked over to the first cell and opened the door and ripped the person out by the back of their neck and took them to the torture room. I slammed them down in the chair and placed the restraints on them.

When I stepped back and looked at them, I noticed that they were young. Really young. Like just barely had their first shift young.

“How old are you?”

“IIII MMM um I’m ssssiixxteen.” They stuttered out.

Shit, this wasn’t good. I couldn’t do this to a kid. I mink linked Xander that he needs to come here now.

He walked in and looked at me angrily because I made him come in here, but then he looked at the kid.

“What the fuck? How old is he?”

“Sixteen.”

We walked out into the hall to talk away from him.

“I can’t do this to him. He’s just a kid. He was probably forced here. Can I approach this with caution? He could barely tell me his age.”

“Ya, take him out of this room and maybe get him some food and see if he will talk.”

I walked back into the room and undid his restraints.

“You hungry, kid?”

He didn’t answer, but shook his head at me. He followed me up the stairs and to the pack house so we could find him some food.

We sat in the empty dining hall while he inhaled three sandwiches.

“Tell me your name.”

“I’m not supposed to say a word if we get captured.”

“Who told you that?”

“The Alpha and Luna.”

“Can you tell me why you're here?”

He keeps looking around nervously, like someone is watching him.

“You’re safe here. We won’t let anything happen.”

“You don’t understand their power. They get whatever they want, and they don’t let anything get in their way.”

“How about you tell me why they sent you? You’re a kid.”

“Because I’m disposable. If I die, then they lose nothing.”

“How about this? I offer you a place in our pack in exchange for information. You will be safe and protected here.”

“How do I know I can trust you?”

“You tell me what would make you trust me, and I will see what we can do.”

“I want to speak with the Alpha.”

“Why?”

“I have questions that only he can answer.”

“Let me see what I can do?”

I sent Xander a mind link, telling him what this kid had said.

“He will be here shortly. Do you want more to eat?”

“No, thank you.”

We waited about fifteen minutes for Xander to show up, and when he did, he was covered in blood and was already angry.

“What is so important that you had to talk to me and not my beta?”

“Jules.”

That name stopped us both. We just stared at him for a minute before regaining our composure.

“What does she have to do with this?”

“You give me protection and I will tell you.”

“What is your name?”

“Miles.”

“Listen Miles, I will offer you protection, but I don’t trust you. You will have no communication with anyone outside of this pack. No electronic devices, no access to phones, nothing and you will have a guard at all times.”

“Deal.”

“Now, what do you have to do with Jules?”

I didn’t think he could drop anymore bombshells, but he did, and it had us both questioning everything.

“She is my stepmother.”

“WHAT?”

“My mom died when I was young, and my dad took her as a chosen mate, and they decided they weren’t going to mark each other until she found her fated mate and made him suffer first. I guess you are him because she talked about Xander frequently.”

“Why would you be willing to help us against your own family?”

“Because they want me dead.”

“Why?”

“My dad never wanted a son. He doesn’t want to have to pass the title to me. He has never been nice. I’m pretty sure my mom died because of him. He had multiple women coming and going after that until Jules came and she stuck. She is just as crazy as him. They mostly ignore me

now but send me on these missions that have me fighting for my life. I really think they are trying to get me killed.”

“Why do you say they mostly ignore you now?”

“She had a baby, and that took their angry focus off me and gave all their attention to my sister. I am not complaining because I don’t get beat much anymore, but like I said, I think they send me on these missions hoping I will die, so my dad doesn’t have to hand the pack to me. I think he would like to give it to my sister and her mate, but that will be a long time from now.”

“How old is your sister?” I asked. I had to wonder what if it was Xanders? The thought wouldn’t leave me. I knew he wouldn’t ask, so I did.

“She is three. I do love her. It’s not her fault my dad and her mom are this way. I would also like to protect her if we can. She is innocent in all of this.”

I looked back at Xander, who was lost in his own thoughts. She left over three and half years ago. This could be his daughter, and he never knew it.

“Xander, are you ok?”

Chapter 49 - Sophia's Revenge

Sophia’s POV

I cooked my boy’s dinner, and it went well. I think they liked my cooking, since there weren’t any leftovers, and I doubled the batch. I walked out, telling them since I cooked, they could do the dishes. It was a little freeing being able to do that. It was a nice feeling not having to wonder when I would eat again or take a bath. I didn’t want to dwell on the past because the future was so bright. I bounced down to Luna Caroline’s office as happy as could be. I knocked on the door, waiting for someone to answer. I walked in once, I heard “come in” and poor Avery was sitting on the couch crying and Luna Caroline was comforting her.

“What’s wrong, Avery?”

“Trevor!”

“Oh, I am so sorry. What happened?”

“He told me that he doesn’t have a chosen but does have a girlfriend but would be willing to get to know me while he is here, but he doesn’t trust a wolf and told me not to hold my breath.” She said, sobbing.

“Do you want me to release Stella and she can teach him a lesson about wolves and how fabulous we are?”

“Yes, I do actually. Go teach him, please!”

“Now, girls, while we can teach him a lesson, I think that might have the opposite effect. Wolves and witches have a long history, so Avery, you need to be patient and let him get to know you. Didn’t you say you were going out tomorrow night?”

“Yes, we’re supposed to be. I don’t know if I can. He doesn’t want me.”

“Then let’s teach him just how amazing you are! I think we need a makeover tomorrow and maybe a little shopping,” Luna Caroline said.

“That sounds like the perfect idea. Now cheer up and let’s talk about what you can wear.”

“No, we are discussing your Luna ceremony right now. What is your favorite flower and color?” Luna Caroline asked.

“Flowers are easy, lilies, but I don’t have a clue about the colors. I would maybe like to go with green like my eyes.”

“And white,” Avery screamed.

“I like that idea, green and white with lilies. I like the concept that we could do this outside, I think. The weather is supposed to be nice, and the green would be perfect out there. We can bring in tents for the food and set up a big stage out there. I love this. We’ve never done one outside.

So,” shopping tomorrow and Sophia, we will be looking at dresses tomorrow. Also, please make sure you have some type of idea of what you want.” She said as she got up and was leaving her office.

“Luna Carolina, I have training in the morning, and I can just wear something in my closet. I have plenty of things in there.”

She turned at the door and faced me. “That is nonsense. You will be getting a new dress tomorrow. This is equivalent to your wedding day!” She said as she finally left her office.

Avery and I started talking about tomorrow and what she could wear to knock Trevor’s socks off. She didn’t know where their date was going to be, but she was going to be dressed to impress that for sure.

We parted ways after about three hours of talking and inviting Sara to join us. She happily agreed and was so excited.

I went upstairs to our room, and the dishes were nicely done, but my boys were gone. I went and found Kane’s laptop and googled dresses. There were so many to choose from. I had ones I liked, but they would show too many of my scars.

“Girl, we can get rid of those.” Stella said.

“What? How do we do that?”

“Let’s work on it tomorrow while we are training. Now go to bed. I am so excited about training; we need lots of sleep.”

I was asleep the second my head hit the pillow. I never heard either of my boys come to bed, but I woke up to the sun shining and Kane completely wrapped around me, but Xander was gone. I felt his side of the bed to see if it was cold and I don’t think he even came to bed last night.

“Baby girl, how many times do I have to tell you to hold still in the morning? I am not a morning person, unless you want to wake up to some pleasure and then I will always be happy to wake up.”

I rolled over and kissed his mark, earning me a growl from him. I continued to kiss him and started working my way down his body. I had always wanted to run my tongue along the ripples of his muscles on his abs. So that is exactly what I did, and he placed his hands on my head, guiding me down further. I slowly worked my way down his body and when I reached his boxers, I ran my tongue along the band and his skin.

“Baby girl, you keep teasing me like this, I am going to have to take control.”

I pulled his boxers down and was greeted by his morning erection. I didn't waste time and wrapped my lips around him and plunged down as far as I could. I slowly worked my way back up and down a few times.

“Oh goddess, baby girl, I am going to come if you don't stop that.”

I didn't plan on stopping, but he quickly pulled me up by him and threw me on my back. He wasted no time and thrust it into me in one quick movement. He started pumping in and out of me hard.

“This isn't going to last, baby girl. You have me all worked up with your tongue this morning.” He groaned out.

He reached down and started to rub my clit as he continued to pound into me. My moans were quickly turning to screams and my orgasm was quickly building.

“Baby girl, come for me. Let me see that beautiful face of yours while I pleasure you.”

That's all it took as I screamed his name as I came. As soon as my walls started to constrict around, he came too.

He laid his forehead on mine while we were both catching our breath. “Come on, let's go clean up. I have training soon.” I said.

After we got out of the shower and ready for training, I finally asked, “where is Xander?” I have tried to mind link him and he has put a block up.

“He just needs some time right now. Please, just have some patience with him.”

“OK, but there better not be another ex-girlfriend out there after me.”

“No, it’s definitely not that.”

We walked out and to the training area we had agreed on and Emily and Trevor were there with Alpha Ty, waiting for us.

“Sophia, I would like to start with something simple. Can you control any part of the earth? Just something small.”

“I can try, but how do I do it?”

“Just close your eyes and imagine you and Stella as one and then think about whatever you want to do.”

“Stella, are you ready for this?”

“Girl, this is easy.”

I heard gasps from everyone around me. I finally opened my eyes and saw that the surrounding grass was about a foot high now.

“Holy shit, I did that. Do you see that I did that!”

“Baby girl, that was amazing.”

“Stella said this is easy stuff, but I have a question. She said we can heal our scars and to try to practice today with you.”

“That is going to be more difficult, but you can try. This time, I want you to sit on the ground and, just like last time, merge with Stella and you will want to start small. Pick a scar, any scar, and imagine a fresh layer of skin over it. Imagine it being gone and your skin smooth. Please let us know what scar you are working on, so that we can watch it and see what happens.”

I sat down and Kane sat behind and pulled me up against him, so I was lying against his chest. “Baby girl, you can do this, but just know that your scars tell your story and show just how strong you are. We love you no matter what.”

I wanted to start small, so I chose a small scar on my leg and pointed to it. I closed my eyes and pulled Stella forward with me and focused on my scar. I focused as hard as I could and after a few minutes, I opened my eyes and nothing. I let out a frustrated huff and waited for someone to say something.

“Sophia, that is something you can work on when you’re alone. I want you to turn and focus on Kane. You are going to try to tap into his mind. For this, I want you to picture his mind. What it looks like, what is in there? Think about how you would get around in there.”

I turned and faced him. “Are you ok with this?”

“Of course, baby girl, I have nothing to hide from you.”

I closed my eyes and pulled Stella forward and tried to picture Kane’s mind and I imagined it was like a library where he had things stored on a bookcase that I could pull down. Like different books that held the chapters of his life. I felt like I was finally in and walked around the little library I had built and started to open different books. The first one was him as a child, running and playing with another boy who looked like him and what I am guessing is his parents watching them smiling. I walked along further and went through some other memories. They were all happy ones about him growing up. Most of them involved Xander. It was sweet. I went and picked up another book and as soon as I opened it; he let out a blood-curling scream, causing me to open my eyes suddenly.

He was lying flat on his back with his eyes closed. I jumped up and crawled over to him.

“Kane, what’s wrong?” I got no response. I looked up at Emily, who had a knowing look on her face.

“What is wrong with him? What did I do wrong?”

“Child, you are more powerful than I could have ever imagined. Most people that can go into someone else’s mind go through memories and the person just feels a little pressure, but you are making him relive whatever you were looking at. It’s like he can see it and feel as you are. I am guessing that whatever that last one was, was bad and he couldn’t handle it. He will be just fine. Give him a few minutes.”

I crawled up so my head was on his chest and started to cry. I didn’t mean to cause him any pain. That was not what I wanted to do. “Stella, will he be, ok?”

“Of course. You just brought up a memory that is painful for him. Give him a few minutes and he will come around.”

I continued to lie there and cry until I felt him start to stir. I sat up and once I saw his beautiful eyes open; I threw my arms around his neck, apologizing. “I am so sorry, Kane. I didn’t mean that. I didn’t mean to cause you any pain. I am so sorry,” I said as I continued to sob on him.

He managed to sit up and pull me into his lap. “Baby girl, you did nothing wrong. You just found a painful memory for me, and I couldn’t handle it. I guess I have some skeletons in my closet I wasn’t ready to talk about after all.”

“No, I am so sorry. I don’t even know what it is, it was just the beginning. You don’t have to tell me.”

“One day, baby girl, I will.”

“I think that is enough for today. Why don’t you take Kane and take a nap? I am sure you are both tired.”

Chapter 50 - Sophia's Revenge

Xander’s POV

When Miles said that he had a sister that was three, I was dumbfounded. She couldn’t be mine, could she? There was a big possibility. I couldn’t

stay there anymore. I stormed out of the dining hall and went outside, and shifted the second I was outside. I let Jax have control.

“Jax, could we really have a kid we didn’t know about?”

“Ya, the timing is right, and we didn’t use protection.”

“She wasn’t in heat.”

“She doesn’t have to be. Their heat just makes it way more likely that it will happen, but it can happen when they aren’t in heat either.”

How could I tell Sophia this? I know she wants kids and can’t have them. How can I ask her to help raise one that is a product of my rejected mate? I was going to find this kid and find out for sure if she was mine or not. I think I will start with Miles. He had to have a picture on his phone.

First, I had to get this anger out. I let Jax keep running. He jumped over tree stumps, ripped up bushes, and hunted down some small animals. We found ourselves by our pack’s pond. He sat down and got a drink and we just started at the water. We sat there most of the night and just before the sun came up; we headed back.

I felt bad for staying away from Sophia all night, but Kane knew why and would cover for me. I went straight to my office and started my paperwork for the day. I had to check the finances and make sure our companies were staying on top of things. I had my hand in several businesses. This provided more than enough for the pack. Most of my workers were pack members, so that helped a lot.

I could feel Sophia trying to mind link me, but I wasn’t ready to talk, so I put up a block. Around noon, I went to pay Miles a visit.

“Hey Miles, this is a weird question, but I would like to see a picture of your sister.” I asked him.

“I can’t. Your beta took my phone. If you get it back, I will gladly show you.”

“Kane, where is Miles’ phone?” I mind linked him.

I got no response from him. I tried a few more times and still got no response. So, I sent Sophia a mind link. “Hey beautiful, where is Kane?”

“Oh, now you want to talk? I’ve been trying to mind link you all day.”

“I’m sorry I had stuff going on. Please tell me where Kane is.”

“Asleep.”

As soon as she answered me, she put up her own block. I stormed up to our room and found Kane passed out in bed still. His lazy ass can get up.

“Kane, get up. I need Mile’s phone. Kane, get up.” He was out. I started to shake him, and he finally opened his eyes. “Miles, phone now!”

“Dude, chill, it’s in my nightstand. Don’t be such a dick.”

I walked over and yanked the drawer open and pulled it out and turned to walk out of the room, when Sophia came out of the shower in just a towel.

“Are you ready to talk, Xander?”

“Sophia, I told you I have stuff to handle. I can’t be around all the time, I’m sorry,” I told her and stormed out of the room.

“Dude, you’re being an ass. Go back and apologize to mate. You hurt her.”
Jax mind linked me

“I have to. I can’t let her know about this. I have to push her away while we figure this out.”

“No, she would help us. She loves us.”

I blocked Jax out also and stormed to Miles’ room again. I didn’t bother knocking and just barged in. He was lying on his bed watching TV. He quickly turned it off and jumped up.

“Did you get my phone?”

“Ya I did. Now please show me some pictures.”

“Before I do. There is something else I need to tell you.”

“What!” I was seriously losing my cool.

“I don’t think my dad is really her dad. I never thought that he was, but after seeing you, I am really sure about it.”

He finally turned his phone around so I could see it, and this little girl was my twin. She had every feature of mine. She was the cutest thing I have ever seen. I scrolled through a bunch of pictures, and they were all the same little girl. She seemed happy and healthy, but we needed to get her out of there ASAP.

“What is her name?”

“Lucy.”

“I need you to tell me where your pack is? I need to bring her home to me. I can’t have her there.”

“I couldn’t agree more. Do you have a map because we’re not who you think we are.”

“Let’s go to my office. I need to link my beta and dad; they need to be here for this.”

“Kane, I need you to meet me in my office now!”

“No, you asshole. I am dealing with a crying Sophia because of the way you treated her.”

“Right now, I don’t care. My office now.”

I didn’t hear back from him, and my dad said he would be there in ten minutes.

Kane stormed in and I could tell instantly that River had taken over.

“Kane, I am trying to protect her, so please just sit down and listen. I will tell you when I dad gets here.”

He just sat down shooting daggers at me and, well, I did deserve them, but hopefully he would understand when I explained.

Ten minutes on the dot, my dad strolled into my office.

“Son, what is so important that you have to meet right now? I was trying to get your mom, sister, Sophia and Sara off to go shopping. They are shopping for a Luna dress. I wanted to send several guards, and they didn’t want any.”

“Shit, have they left? I meant to give Sophia my credit card.”

“No, they are arguing with the guards still.”

I handed my card to the guard outside that had been waiting to take Miles back to his room. Please take this downstairs and give it to Sophia. He took the card and took off towards the girls.

“OK guys, I have some big news and it doesn’t leave this room. Dad, yesterday we had some wolves that came onto our land. We were able to capture them and put them in our cells. Along with those wolves was Miles. We offered him asylum for valuable information.”

“What information could this kid have? He can’t be older than sixteen.” My dad asked.

Suddenly, there was a knock at the door. “Come in.”

The guard I had sent down with my credit card opened the door. “Sir, I am sorry to interrupt, but she refused your card. She also had a message that I am not comfortable repeating.”

“What did she say?”

“Well sir, when I say this, I don’t mean any disrespect, it is simply her words.”

I just stared at him, waiting for him to continue.

“She said to take this card and shove it up your ass.”

Kane busted up laughing, along with my dad. Miles was looking very confused.

“Sir, one more thing. She refuses to go shopping. I am not sure why, but I think it’s because she can’t pay for anything. That is what I gathered.”

“I don’t have time for this. Go down and tell her I will take care of it and what is mine is hers.”

He left, and I turned back to everyone waiting for me.

“As I was saying, Miles has valuable information for us. I will start with the fact that Jules is his stepmother, and his dad is the Alpha.”

Kane didn’t look surprised because he already knew, but my dad looked like he had seen a ghost.

“I am not done yet. When Jules left, she had a baby and, well, I am ninety-nine percent sure she is mine.”

I grabbed Miles’ phone and pulled up her picture and turned it around, showing my dad and Kane. Nobody said a word. You could hear a pin drop.

“Son, have you talked with Sophia about this?”

“No. I don’t want her knowing right now. You know kids are a sore subject for her.”

Again, there was another knock on the door. “Come in.”

The same guard stepped in again and said, “Sir, I am sorry once again, but I have another message for you. She says that you can go to hell. She won’t take a dime from you and if you don’t pull your head out of your ass, there will be no Luna ceremony.”

Fuck, I don't have time for this. I am going to have to go talk with her, but she can't know about this.

"Can you three please talk and try to figure out where his pack is, while I go deal with Sophia."

I went up to our room in search of her. I called out to her but got no response. I continued to call out, looking for her in every room, but she wasn't there.

"Jax, do you know where she is?"

"No, but if she isn't in our room, maybe she has gone to her old room. That's where I would go."

I ran down the stairs to her old room. I opened the door. I could smell her but didn't see her in there. I called out to her again but got nothing. I tried to mind link her, but she still had her block up still. I was about to leave the room, but then I heard a noise in the closet. Of course, I thought to myself. She always hid in the closet when she was emotional. I quietly opened the door and spotted her sitting in the back corner. She had her knees pulled up to her chest and her head down on her knees, crying. Goddess, I feel like an asshole, and I am about to make it worse.

"Sophia, get up. Take my credit card and go get your dress. I don't have time to deal with this right now."

She didn't say anything, but just stood up and looked me directly in the eyes. Her eyes were glowing bright green right, telling me that I had Sella and not Sophia. She just stared at me and the next thing I knew, she cocked her arm back and punched me right in the nose. It made an audible crack.

"Son of a bitch Sophia, what the hell is wrong with you?"

"Go fuck yourself, Xander. You can't treat me like this. I won't put up with it."

I just turned around and walked out, leaving her there. I went to the bathroom and cleaned the blood off my face. I already had bruises

forming under my eyes. They wouldn't last long, but I still couldn't believe she hit me. She sure has grown a lot since being here. As upset as I am, I am also so proud of her. She didn't cower away from me.

I walked back into my office and all three of them were laughing the second I walked in.