

The Alpha King's Regret Hiding His Secret Twins

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Kiara POV

After talking to Mom, I started packing my things to go and stay with my grandmother. When my grandfather died, she was cut off from the world and stayed just a few kilometres away from the border, living in a small lake house.

The nighttime came, and I went downstairs to have dinner with my parents. As soon as I reached the dining room, I only saw Mom sitting there, waiting patiently for me. Her head hung low as if she was thinking of something-

"Where are Dad and Aiden? Weren't they joining us for dinner?" I asked as I took a seat beside her. A maid came and started serving me the dishes. By the smell, I knew it was made by Mom. She was very precautious of me. Looking after my every need.

At the mention of them, she looks a little worried. I knew something was wrong by the way she composed herself and smiled a little, "No, dear. He and Aiden had to attend a meeting with the council. They had to settle the matter," She replied.

"Didn't I say they don't need to talk to Killian? Mom, I don't want to make any contact with him. I can alone raise my children. I know I am disappointing you and Dad but I don't want to go back to him," I pleaded. I should have known Killian wouldn't spare the matter of finding Alpha Eric...

Seeing me taking so much stress, she rushed to my side and said, "Kiara, no, please try to calm down. He had to settle this matter. Otherwise, the council will think that we are the ones who broke the alliance. We had to resolve this misunderstanding. Otherwise it will be difficult for us to live here,"

But I knew Killian didn't listen to anyone when his mind was blinded by rage. After eating dinner, I went back to the room, but not before stopping in front of Dad's office.

I was leaving tomorrow, so I thought talking with him would bring a little peace to me. I knocked on the door, and a strong Alpha voice permitted me to come in.

I opened the door and walked inside, seeing Aiden, his Beta Marcus and his father who was the head of our warriors team sitting and talking about something but seeing me there they all shut up. I felt something was wrong.

"Dad, I am leaving tomorrow, so I thought to have a talk with you," I said.

"We will take the leave, Dad," Aiden said, and three of them got up from the couch and went out. From looking at their faces it was a clear indication that they were worried and a bit scared but from what?

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pack, Kiara. But I had assigned two of my warriors who would come with you. Take care of yourselves and the baby, sister" Aiden said and closed the door behind him.

"Is everything okay, Dad?" I couldn't hold myself and asked as I sank myself on the couch. Because I had a feeling that something was not going in the right way. They all looked tense and it felt like they were hiding something from me.

"Yes, Kiara. You don't need to be worried. Have you eaten dinner?" He asked and I nodded my head.

"I heard from Aiden that he didn't know that you are carrying the heir of his pack?" After a few minutes of silence Dad asked, and I looked down, not wanting to meet his eyes.

"He wouldn't have cared even if I told him," I replied, still looking away as I tried to hide the tears at the mention of his name. A tense silence fell between us. I wanted to ask him what happened in the council meeting? How was Alpha Eric here? I have so many questions right now.

When the silence grew more between us, I looked up at him, his eyes were filled with regret. "It was all my mistake, Kiara. I knew Killian never wanted you as his mate. He already had someone, but Alpha Eric ensure us that he would do something about that,"

"And when we got to know that you are his mate, we thought this bond was blessed by Selene. We didn't know that you had to bear all these three years with him," Dad mumbled. A lone tear escaped through my eyes.

"It is okay, Dad," I whispered softly. I forced a smile to tell him that this was okay but I knew as I was feeling a huge gaping hole in my chest and there was a part of me wanting to give up.

After taking a long bath, I decided to call it a day. I picked up my phone one last time before going to bed and didn't see any of Killian's calls or messages. In the message, he had said that he wanted me back in the pack, even going way too far to threaten me that if I didn't come, he would dare to do something worse...

But I ignored those and got ready for bed. It was a rough day, and suddenly I felt drained. As I have lost my wolf, I am becoming more like a human....

The next morning after saying goodbyes to my parents I was on the way to grandma's house. Mom was right. Going back to my favourite place as a child did wonders for me. The gentle ripples of the lack brought a fresh calmness to my soul.

Grandmother was happy after seeing me there. She was worried when she got the news about me. She still couldn't believe that Killian would do such things to me. Killian is known for his cold behaviour, but he had always talked politely with my grandmother.

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I think the reason must be because she knew his mother. That is the common thing that makes them have a good relationship with each other.

I always looked up to my grandparents and my parents' bond. How they fated to each other, they supported each other, loved each other and died for each other, and here I am the only curse whose mate didn't love but always hated me.

Even on the last day, he hugged Rihanna while he was with her. I sighed, thinking that coming here was to make him forget, not to remember him.

My hand rests on my stomach. I understand I'll always be connected to Killian through our child, and my love for him will endure. Yet, now I have a chance for happiness and peace with my parents and my child. I won't let it slip away.

The break allows me to reconsider my situation, my heart is healing. Despite the initial heartbreak, a new future awaits for me. My father will be the male figure in my baby's life, the alpha. It's not what I dreamed of, I remember putting on my wedding dress with romantic dreams for marriage with Killian. Now, I've awakened from that dream.

"Just take care of yourself, you need more of the rest," Grandma said when I was returning to the pack.

We waited for an hour for the warrior to come and get me back to the pack, but no one

came.

I tried calling Aiden or my parents, but no one was picking up my calls. Now I'm starting to get worried.

"Kiara, you have to stop worrying yourselves," Grandmother said as she tried to calm me down, but I wasn't able to hold my emotions. Everything around me makes me feel like something bad is going to happen.

"I am not feeling good about this, Grandma. No one is picking up my call. I had to go and look for them," I said, and she nodded her head.

"I will come with you too. We will take the car," she said, and we hurriedly got back to our pack.

My heart pounded as I entered the pack territory, the air thick with anticipation. I saw everyone rushing here and there. The warriors were taking the necessary weapons, and another batch of warriors started lining up at the borders. And I knew what they were preparing for. They are preparing for the war...

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I rushed out of the car, running straight to the Alpha house. I saw Aiden commanding every warrior to prepare as many weapons as they had. The chaos is what I am looking at right now. My heart is hammering inside my chest and it would burst any minute.

"Aiden, what is going on?" I asked, but seeing me there, Aiden's face paled. He cursed as he grabbed my hand, pulling me inside the house where I saw Mom and Dad.

"Kiara, what the hell are you doing here?" Aiden yelled, but I was too scared and confused to even listen to his yelling. I glance at my parents.

"Dad, please tell me what is going on here? Why are we preparing weapons? Are we going to war?" I cried out, seeing my pack like this made my heart bleed. Is this the thing they are hiding from me?

Dad, without sparing me a glance, walked to Grandma and said, "Mom take Kiara and go far away from here. She shouldn't be here. This time is not right for her."

But I felt frustrated by his order. Why isn't anyb*dy telling me what the hell is happening here? "No Dad, I am not going anywhere. Not until you tell me what you are hiding," I yelled at him.

He sighed knowing how stubborn I am in any matter. He glanced back at my mother, who only shook her head. I know they were talking through the mind-link. I felt helpless as I wasn't able to form any connection with them.

His hand went to grab my shoulder, and his

xt words made me feel ice cold. "We have always been targeted by the rogue alpha king, Maximus. He always wanted our pack, and when he got to know about the breaking of our alliance with the stronger and larger Madcrest pack, he wanted to give us a letter where he mentioned that he would attack us or give us another option to fall under him," Dad said.

After hearing this, the ground sl*pped under my feet. Alpha Maximus is a rogue alpha who was known for being cruel to the pack he ruled for many years. He wanted the Madcrest Pack too, but that time Killian made it very clear to him that the packs under him wouldn't be harmed otherwise it wouldn't bring good for him and his pack.

"There should be a way Dad," I muttered, looking at him as tears started to gather in my eyes, thinking of all the things that might happen if we didn't do anything.

He shook his head, and there was disappointment written all over his face. "After what happened with Alpha Eric, the other packs too cut off their alliance with us. There is no way other than to fight," he whispered softly and went towards Aiden, and both went outside to see if they were ready for the war or not.

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But now we are not under any support of packs. What will we do now?

As if her hardship weren't enough, another wave surges through her. The thought of anything happening to my pack brought a heavy question- how could I endure living- with this burden.

I need to talk to Killian. I had to. He was the only one who could help us. I ran back to the car as Mom shouted my name from behind.

“Kiara, where are you going?”

“Mom, I need to call Killian, only he can help us,” I said as I opened the car door, pulled the bag out, and searched for my phone. At first, she wanted me to stop, but after thinking about the consequences, she didn’t say anything.

I dialled his number as many times as I could, but he didn’t receive. After seeing that this was just a failure, I decided to message him.

any of my calls.

[Alpha King, we are under attack from the rogue Alpha King, Maximus. I need your warriors so we can fight. I know what happened between us was not good, but I am requesting and asking you for help as a pack which was under your care for many years. A promise your father made.]

I sent the message, but even after a few hours, Killian didn’t reply to me. I called him. and messaged him, but only to be greeted with the silence and disappointment.

Dad and the head of the warrior started to form a plan. They have put guards in every area, but still, we couldn’t stand with them. They are known for ruthlessness, cruelty and murder. They didn’t spare the pack if they attacked us.

“Kiara, that’s enough,” Mom said. “I think you should stop calling him now and go with your grandma.”

“How can you say this? How will I leave my pack in such a big problem and run away?”

“There is nothing you can do, Kiara. You are pregnant, you can’t even shift now. You have lost your wolf. Think about your child, Kiara,” she said, and tears welled up my eyes. I felt helpless and weak. I prayed that Killian would think of the time we had spent together and come to rescue us. But all my hopes shattered after seeing his

message.

[I don’t give a da mn about you and your pack, Kiara. For what you did to my father, this was the consequence you would face for doing this to me. I can’t help you and this is the fate that you brought upon yourself. I hate you, and I don’t want to see your face]

My phone sl*pped through my fingers and dropped to the ground making a cracking sound. I wanted to burst out right there. This is all happening because of me. I was responsible.

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Aren't mates meant to provide the emotional and physical support we need? Was Killian so overwhelmed by hatred that he stunned me in an instant? Not a single chance. was given to me. It's his betrayal that cuts deepest through my heart like a silver blade, causing the most profound hurt. The breach of trust echoes through the pain of rejection.

I don't remember when I got into the car. I felt like everything was blurry around me. I looked back at my parents and Aiden, who stood at the gate. I prayed this wasn't the last time I saw them... I felt helpless that I wasn't able to help them. I felt deep hatred towards my mate.

How could he be so cruel, so devoid of compassion towards me and mine? Killian, you are truly a monster.

An anger surges through my veins, halting my tears and instilling a resolute determination. "Killian.. You'll never know what belongs to you now!" This was my pledge, a promise bleeding with so many emotions but the most prominent one was betrayal and hatred.

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Killian POV

"I, Kiara Westwood, reject you, Alpha King Killian Ironclaw, as my mate and Alpha," As soon as those words slipped past her lips, I saw red. I dropped down on my knees as it felt like I was struck with the silver bullet. I didn't know rejection hurt like a fuck. My mind is still comprehending that she has rejected me.

I thought I had enough time to talk to her but she was so quick to even let me comprehend all this. I felt as if the air left my lungs, and I wasn't able to breathe. I've faced battles, been staked, but this pain surpasses every war wound. How is it even possible? I hadn't even marked her.

My wolf is clawing inside me wanting to just come out and claim her right here in front of everyone but all these three years I didn't let them bond thinking that if I let them it would hurt but I was hurting right now. This pain is unbearable... Howcome she was able to withstand it...

"Kiara!" I call her name out through the pain, wanting to take a step towards her, but Rihanna pulls me back. My wolf roars in my mind, wanting nothing but to tear her down.

I should have fucking said something. But I thought she was innocent and sweet. I was not expecting her to go this far and reject me. And this all happened because of me. I know I did her wrong, wrong for blaming her....

But when she said she would only save Alpha Eric if I rejected her. It was not because I was afraid of rejecting her. It was because this is the thing I don't want us to face. If I had to do that, I would have done that the day I knew she was my fated mate.

Then and there, I made up my mind, I would not reject her. If I didn't, she had to come back to me, but when I saw her falling because of rejection, I was about to hold her, but Aiden was quick enough. He is taking her away from me.

"I will not let you leave me," I growled as I let out my wolf, shifting, and he ran into the forest because if I stayed there, I would hurt anyone. He is feeling something breaking inside of him. He needed to calm down. I heard Rihanna's and Alejandro's calling my name, but I didn't stop.

He has only one motive in mind: to destroy everything in his path. Killing animals, clawing at the tree trunk.... anything which just could help him ease the burning pain.

Has she really betrayed me? Is she really doing all this just to save her brother? Because I don't see any other reason for her to reject me.

I allow my wolf to run freely. He was seeing red, he needed blood and I let him hunt

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down anything in its path. For three years, she's been my Luna, my wife. Now, she rejects me and the pack. Why?

Damn it, Kiara sneaked into my life, she had made a place in my heart and my pack. The mere idea of her leaving me ignites a furious anger within me. The rage fuels my wolf's craving for animal blood, and I don't control him this time. He needs it as much as I do.

I remember when I first met her in the meeting which my father deliberately arranged. He had chosen her for me but we didn't know that it was fate that chose her for me. Her looks were too blended and feeble... well as she was in comparison to Rihanna, who always likes to own a room wherever she goes. She always likes the attention all to herself.

But after the marriage, I began to see Kiara's strength and beauty in a unique way. Her wisdom, calm demeanour in war meetings- she was a perfect luna and mate. She earned her respect from my pack and council members.

She wasn't weak. She has proven in all these three years.

Kiara had made her own place within the pack, even my council advisors praising me how lucky and blessed I am to be a fated mate with Kiara. I grew accustomed to her presence, standing by my side as my Luna. The idea of her leaving me never crossed my mind. Her unwavering determination which glistened in her eyes when she rejected me spoke volumes. When she uttered our marriage vows, I knew she meant every word.

When my anger cooled down, I thought about returning to the pack. I still had time. I could still manage to change her mind, and if I couldn't, I would lock her up, but I will never let her leave me.

Naked, I walked to the way of the mansion when I saw Alejandro standing there. After seeing me, he gave me the joggers, but he still didn't say anything to me. Walking through the hall of the mansion, I tried to search for her scent.

"Where is she?" I asked, turning to look at Alejandro when Lucia burst through the mansion door. Her eyes filled with tears.

"She has gone, Alpha. Please go after her and bring her back," she said. I wanted to do this, but wasn't she the one who rejected me? She was the one who chose this path for her.

"Alpha, she didn't tell you something very important. She is..." but she was cut off by Rihanna, who ran towards me and hugged me tightly. Alejandro and Lucia's face twitched in anger. I don't understand where their love and respect for Rihanna went. Why are they siding with her, who left them behind?

"Killian, are you okay? Do you know how worried I get when you run away like this?"

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she said, but somewhere her words didn't make me feel any sympathy for her. She was also the reason for Kiara to leave.

"I am fine, Rihanna," I said, pulling away from her as I glanced at Alejandro who was staring at me blankly. I need to compose myself. I can't let her rejection consume me to depression. I have always been a strong alpha, and that is how it would be...

"How is Alpha Eric?" I asked.

"He is doing okay, Killian. Your blood and Kiara's together worked on him, and he was able to fight with the poison," Alejandro said and glanced at Rihanna, who still hasn't separated from me. And it is irritating me to the point that I would burst out on her. Still, I kept my composure. I had to talk to her.

"As soon as he gets his consciousness back, do tell me," I said, and he nodded his head. I looked at Lucia "You were telling something?" I asked, but her eyes first went to Rihanna, then she shook her head and went away.

"Rihanna, could you please give me a minute? I need to talk to Alejandro," I said again, pulling her hand off my biceps.

When I was left alone with Alejandro. I took a seat, head in my hands. What should I do now?

"What will you tell Alpha Eric when he gets conscious and looks for Rihanna?" He asked, taking a seat in front of me. He takes a bottle of whiskey from the shelf, pouring the content into the glass and sliding it to me. I hurriedly took it and gulped it down in one.

Yes dad would be another problem if he got to know about her rejecting me and leaving the pack. But if.... If the Blood Moon pack is responsible for his condition then they have made a grave mistake.

"Isn't she the one who rejected me," I said, glaring at him.

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"Weren't you the one who always wanted this? Killian, how could you be so blind that

didn't see her worth? She is the best you have got. And you let a single mistake take over your anger and you destroyed everything. The matter could be settled in a talking way. Why do you have to fight with Aiden," he yelled. And I sighed I wanted to do that, but I was not thinking at that time. I was already angry at Kiara for poisoning Rihanna, so I let my anger pour on Aiden.

"Find how my father reached his order. Dig up everything. I want to clear everything off right now," I ordered..

"And take Jessica into a dungeon and lock her for at least two weeks there without giving her food and water," I said, pouring myself another drink.

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"Why? What did she do?" He asked. I sighed, knowing that if I told him the truth, he would yell at me for not believing in my mate.

I took a deep breath before I said, "It was all planned, Alejandro. Kiara didn't poison. Rihanna. It was her plan so I could give her attention," I said.

"What? How could they even do such a thing? I have been telling you to believe in her, but you never listen," he said, crossing his arm around his chest. I sighed but didn't reply to him. Taking my silence as an answer, he got up and went out. I heard the commotion outside my office, but I don't have any will to intervene and stop.

I was known for my c

I have always been strict with my pack. It was Kiara who always gave them mere punishment. It is not even a day, and I have already started to

think about her.

I had emptied two bottles of vodkas when Rihanna burst into my office. "Killian, please don't punish Jessica. She didn't do anything. If you want to punish anyone, it should be me," she said.

"Yeah, you are right. I would mind-link Alejandro to take you to the dungeons as well," I muttered, ignoring her presence as I was a boring hole in the wall.

"What?" She asked in disbelief. It was in the past when I used to hide every one of her deeds, but now I wouldn't do such a thing

"Killian, how can you do this to me?"

"If I didn't punish you, then my pack members would think I am biased. The punishment is to serve everyone equally," I growled at her. And soon, her tears started pouring out.

"Then you should punish Alpha Aiden and the Blood Moon pack too, For what they did to Alpha Eric."

"What? Please don't tell lies to me,"

"No, Killian I wouldn't. I was searching for you when I stumbled into her room, wanting to apologise for my mistake, but I overheard them talking about how they wanted to use you only for her pack safety. But now that you started to doubt them, she considered it more important to reject you."

"No... this cannot be!" my wolf growled in anger. Was this Kiara's plan all along? Did she use me for my title, to protect her pack?

"Well if she thinks she can use me to protect her pack... then I should show her the wrath of the Alpha King!"

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“Don’t worry, Kiara, I know you tried so hard to save the pack. But you have to run. You are not alone anymore, think about your child,” She said as she continued driving. We have reached half the way to the lake house.

“If the situation doesn’t settle, we will pack our things and reside in a new pack. I know a few of them, or if they didn’t accept us, we can change our documents. Don’t worry.”

But I turned deaf ears to her. How can I live with this pain that my pack faces this war only because of me? I don’t know if I can see my parents again. I don’t even get them to meet my child and they are taken away from me and I have only one solution and that is to run away?

This sudden hurricane in my life is making me feel pathetic. I couldn’t do anything. I felt like my hands were bound. I was caged in silver because I was feeling burning in my heart right now. I was shut off by my mate. I have left my pack to face the fate which I decided for myself. Could I even be able to live with these things?

The car stopped at the lake house. The screeching of tires on the road pulled me out of the thoughts. Grandma hurriedly went inside the house and started to pack her things. My things are already in the car. I stood there contemplating.

I was praying to every goddess to just help me pull me out of this unwanted situation. I was getting weaker the more I think. It is draining my energy. I was feeling like running back to the pack to fight with them, for them, even if I had to face the same fate.

The hatred for Killian was growing with each passing minute. I cursed at the moon. goddess to give me a mate who didn’t care for me, for my pack. I had given everything. to his pack. And he returned the favour to me with negligence,

The sun had set by the time we reached the lake house, and the temperature had started to drop. The chilliness in the air made me shiver. My hand went to my stomach as I closed my eyes. A tear escaped my eyes. I made up my mind that I will return to the pack.

“Grandma, wait!” I called out her name when I saw her putting the bags in the car.

“I can’t leave them to die, not now. They are my family, my pack. We have to go back there, we have to help them out,” I begged.

“Kiara, have you lost your damn mind? If we return there, there would be no chance for you to survive; they would kill you. I know dear you are worried for them but you have to live. You have to survive this mess,” She reassured, her grip on my shoulder trying to give me confidence and assurance.

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“Grandma, please let’s go back to the pack. Let’s help them,” I cried as more tears flooded through my eyes.

“Shhh...” she said, making me close my mouth. Her face scrolled and sooner her eyes widened in shock. I wasn’t able to understand this...

Just then, howls echoed through the woods. How the heck did they find out I was here? No one knows about this house. That is why Grandma prefers this place. It was a hidden place...

“How’d they get here so da mn fast?” Grandma exclaimed. And I was losing all my hope. After losing my wolf I couldn’t do anything and hearing from a distance is one of those. So I don’t really understand whom she was talking about?

“Run, Kiara! Run fast and don’t look back. Just keep yourself safe,” She urged, hands pushing me away to the opposite of woods as we heard the howls and running footsteps. coming closer.

A chilling terror creeps down my spine. My grandmother hugged me one last time. Her eyes filled with tears as she held my face in her hand. Kissing my forehead one last time “take care of yourself,” she whispered softly. But I still stood there.

“Go!” she shouted this time, as she shifted into a shining grey wolf who glistened in the light of the moon and ran into the forest. I ran to the opposite side.

My heart raced as the adrenaline kicked in. The forest was thick, and I could hear the wolves gaining on me. Grandma’s warning was still echoing in my ears, but I couldn’t shake off the worry for her. The moonlight filtered through the trees, casting eerie shadows. The air surrounding me felt thick.

I pushed myself harder...

I scanned the dark forest while I secretly prayed that whatever I was thinking would be wrong... The sound of claws scraping the trees reverberates in the silence of the night.

As I ran through the forest I looked back to see if I was being followed or not?

My tears blurred my vision, but I had to run. Soon enough, the sound of wolf paws hitting the ground reached my ears, running towards my direction.

I was in human form and I wasn’t able to run anymore than that. The speed compared to them for me is slow. I knew they would reach me.....

As the forest gave way to the edge of a cliff, I skidded to a stop. Turning, I saw three wolves advancing, low growls rumbling from their throats. I took a step back, and they mirrored me, their eyes locked on mine.

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They corner me at the edge of the cliff. One more step, and I'd be free-falling. They hesitated, almost like they mind-linked each other because they were not taking any steps towards me. They didn't even shift into their human form for me to know what their faces looked like.

I knew running wasn't an option. My hands went to my stomach as I apologised to my baby. I closed my eyes and let myself flow. I jumped from the cliff, I wondered if this was the end or.....

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Kiara

POV

****FOUR YEARS LATER****

I sat by the window, gazing out at the forest and lake that stretched out like a giant carpet around the mansion. It was so peaceful. I sit in tranquillity as I remember about the crazy journey that brought me here. My life took a huge U-turn giving me another chance. A chance that I hadn't expected at all was given to me. To live....

"Kiara!" A strong and dominant Alpha voice reached my ears as I heard the back door open and I turned around to look at Aries. The head alpha of the Blood Stone Pack.

There he stood, chest bare, shirtless and flexing his hard muscles. His arm and chest were inked with tattoos. His joggers were hanging low, giving me an eyeful of that V-line. I rolled my eyes at his bizarreness. I bet if the pack female wolves would be here they would be drooling by now.

His long black hair was still damp, and I could tell he and his pack members just back from a hunt... with my...

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Alpha Aries was the one who saved me. That night, when I took a jump off the cliff, I thought this might be the end of me. He showed up... like a light in the darkness. That is what he is for me.

He and his pack member were swimming in the lake and enjoying their time after hunting. And I was found near the shore like a mysterious package. And he took me in by giving me a roof above my head.

The Blood Stone Pack, a pack which I never knew existed. It is just across the lake and many don't even know it existed. As much as I had studied from the books and the meeting which I attended with him..... This pack was never mentioned. For me, it is an unknown pack isolated from every other pack.

So, it was a small pack consisting of only five thousand members. When Aries found me they were the ones who took me in, treated me up. And I woke two weeks later only to meet with grey eyes that were so similar to that of Killian. But it wasn't him....

I started renewing from this pack. Aries saw some potential in me, especially my skills, I was a Luna and together we decided to expand his pack. He had always idolised this plan... And I was here just to return him the favour for saving me. We started forming alliances with other packs which are not under Madcrest... And I hope to never meet him again. That is why I always try to run from it.

Aries played the frontman- the face of the pack- while I was the secret who was always there to back him up. But all the protocols, rules and meetings were held through me

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When I was in my last month of giving birth to my twins. Yes, twins, I was pregnant with two children, Hanna, and Ryker... They are making me stronger.

I still wonder why Killian didn't accept the rejection... Because I was dead for him and for my pack too, a few members who survived the attack from the Rogue King. After getting better I wanted to go back to them but from what courage I would face them. For running away?

Aries had found that they were doing better not so much because in the war mom and dad were sacrificed. Aiden is doing fine on his own and that is what matters to me. Four years ago I lost everything: my mate who betrayed me, my parents and my grandmother who sacrificed themselves for me.

That dark past had changed me a lot. And that includes my emotions too. I just only love my children. I am living for them only. I had closed all the doors of love from my heart not wanting anyb*dy to enter.

Aries didn't say anything to me but I could see in his eyes how much he wanted me. But I had shut everyone out after what happened to me in the past. If I don't give a person a chance or reason to hurt me. I won't be disappointed.

Before I could dwell more into my past, the air filled with laughter, the delightful sound of little feet racing on the wooden floor. Their tiny footsteps echoed towards me, and just that alone brought a huge grin to my face.

Thank you, Moon Goddess. Thank you for blessing me with these two munchkins. Thank you for giving me a taste of the love a mother holds in her heart.

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"Mummy!" A little voice ran through the corridors as I shut the laptop off giving one. last email to the pack which needed my attention. There are many sick people in his pack. And they don't have any doctors. So I decided to give them a little help.

"Mummy look, I beat Aries again," Ryker said and puffed out his little chest. I laughed looking at Aries who was busy with Hanna playing with her.

"That's amazing so what did you win this time?" I asked as I stared at a similar pair of grey eyes.

Both Ryker and Hanna adapted my burgundy hair but the features are so similar to him... Hanna has a splitting image of me and Ryker has a splitting image of him...

"He let you

win so that you won't be disappointed," Hanna said as she jumped off Aries's lap and ran towards me. I stretched out my hand as they both came and hugged me.

I laughed as Hanna stuck her tongue out at her brother. Teasing him and a beautiful

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little scorn settled on Ryker's features. She always likes to tease his brother knowing how little patience he has and gets angry every minute.

"No, he is not," Ryker said as he looked at me before continuing "I beat him this time," He said before nodding his little head agreeing with his own statement.

"Yeah! Yeah! You won. Now tell me what you wanted?" Aries said and walked towards me leaving a little to no space as his eyes stared at my son. Ryker's little fingers scratch his chin as he thought of things he could ask Aries.

Aries has always been protective towards them.

I laughed at his reaction. My heart danced with joy, overwhelmed by the sheer love I had for them. Every day, I get up, they are the reasons I keep breathing. The reason I'm still living. They are my everything, my great love. Mine only.

Hanna whispered in his ears everything they could eat. She has a sweet tooth. Desserts, chocolate, late-night sleeping, hiking, camping just outside the mansion... And Aries. and I looked at each other knowing very well that they are just two little naughty kids.

But in Ryker's eyes, something else shines. My mischievous one. I still have a huge grin on my face but it fell sooner when I heard his next sentence.

"I want to go outside this pack, go to the lake house mummy always talks about and want to meet my uncle," he said. And my smile fell. I gulped as I thought of avoiding this.

I was very clear to them where I came from. How much love did I get from my parents? From Aiden and from my pack. Because somewhere that pack still belongs to me. And they always wanted to go and meet them but I don't want that.

Seeing me silent, Aries tried to change the subject. He knew about my past. I told him everything, why didn't I?

He has always been with me, helping me raise these troublemakers from day one. Every step of the way, he's been there- even during the birth of them. Just when I thought I had nothing left, he kept me going.

“Okay, who wants to drink chocolate milkshakes?” Aries asks changing the subject, knowing perfectly how much they like it. And that too made from his hand. Both of them jumped excitedly, forgetting the things Ryker just asked me before.

“So go to the kitchen and take the ingredients out. We all are making it together and whoever reached the kitchen first. They will get more cuddles tonight,” he said.

“Yeah!” they shouted in union running towards the kitchen direction.

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“Kids not so loud,” I called forward to the two munchkins.

I let out a sigh, the kind that comes from deep within. When they’re out of sight, I peel away the warmth- the soft exterior I save just for my kids. It’s like the mask I put on every single day, shielding the hate from what’s really beneath.

“Everything alright?” Aries shoots me a concerned look as my gaze lingers in the direction my children went away. I am well aware that Ryker, deep down, has always yearned to uncover his roots. He sensed he didn’t quite fit into the puzzle here. He might not have all the official status yet, but sooner or later, he’s gonna start questioning why he feels different.

How far can I keep dodging his question? Ryker’s one-of-a-kind, destined to be the alpha king, and there’s no escaping the truth. One of these days, I’m gonna have to tell him. But not now. When he’s ready to handle the weight of it all, that’s when I’ll have to come clean....

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“Yes... Everything is alright,” I replied, shutting my eyes and tilting my head back on the couch head post, letting the moment sink in, soaking up the tranquillity.

“Kiara...” He called out my name in his deep husky voice, interrupting my peaceful moment. I cracked open my eyes, meeting his dominant gaze.

I heard him sighing as he walked towards me, still bare-chested. His eyes burning with desire, a hunger for love that was crystal clear. Sometimes, I can't even make eye contact with him. I don't know if it was because his eyes looked so similar to his... or was it because he is something to me... Something more... something deeper?

I feel the exact same gravitational pull that I was familiar with. Which I felt with Killian and it was always like this and I couldn't quite put my finger on the feeling. This shouldn't be happening, right? He would nowhere near be my second chance mate. It was not right to feel this way with him. Not when I don't want to register this feeling anymore.

He yanked my arm, pulling me up. I stand in front of him. “Kiara, I know this might not be the right time to discuss it, but I want to ask you something. I know I have been giving you very clear signals, that I want to have something with you,” he spilled, and goosebumps erupted in my skin.

I don't remember when Aries started to develop feelings for me but one look and anyone would tell that he wants every bit of me..

I have to keep my heart beat in a steady state as it wants to jump out of my chest. I don't want to have any romantic feelings with him... or anyone else. I only want revenge... I know using him to destroy Killian's pack is quite a daring plan I plotted but because of Killian I had lost many things in my life and destroying the precious thing he worked for is what would give me salvation and peace I have been looking for all these four years.

I wanted the Madcrest pack to feel the exact same pain and fate which my pack faced. It don't want to stop now. I know using Aries as a tool for my revenge is the shadiest move I have ever made in my life, but after facing death, this experience wouldn't faze me a

bit.

His hand gripped my chin, forcing me to meet his eyes. The touch sparked something within me. And I can see him struggling to control himself. I wanted to ask him if he also felt the same electric sensation which I felt... whenever we are this close with each

other.

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"I want to give Hanna and Ry the love they should receive from their father. I know Hanna looked up to me as her father's figure, and I must admit that this feeling is making me greedy for you with each passing year I spent with you," he confessed as his breadth, fanning my l*ps.

I closed my eyes as I bawled my hand into a tight fist. Taking a deep and calm breath, I opened my eyes. I took a step back and I could see pain and disappointment in his grey eyes. "Hanna and Ry will always be yours as much as they are mine, Aries. I was indebted to the care and love you have given them. I truly couldn't ask for anything more... But I can't think of romance," I declared.

As uch as it hurts to say these words to him, I can't let myself love him... Not when there's still so much on my plate...

I turned my back on him, walking straight to the door. Desperate to escape from this room which was weighing with heavy tenison. Sure, I may not have a wolf in me

anymore, and I might have become weaker. That is the reason I always try to be careful. I can't stand his Alpha aura.....

But his next sentence froze me on the spot, making me clench the door kn ob until my knuckles turned white. "You still haven't gotten over your mate right?" His words hit me like a punch to the gut. My jaw tightened when he mentioned him.

I had told him what happened to me and my pack but I didn't mention Killian's name or his pack....

His words catch me off guard. I tried to control my anger which was ready to burst. "I haven't gotten over him?" I snarl at the very idea. It was a good thing that my hands were fisted as if they wanted to rip at my own hair for the flashback that just hit me hard.

The memory of the separation from my parents. The memory of asking for help from him and his betrayal left me to fight with fate. The memory of how I was this close to losing my children.... It all flooded back.

A wave of nausea churns within my stomach, and I have to concentrate on my breathing to keep it in check.

"He was the reason my parents got killed and my innocent pack member suffered a catastrophe... my brother who still didn't know that I am alive... How could I get over that, get over the things he did to me?" I mutter, my words trailing off as they become a personal mantra of hatred for him.

He is the cold, ruthless alpha who should taste his own medicine... and I had made a promise to myself that I would get my revenge....

"Then why are you not giving me a chance? A chance to build a family with you? I know

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the past you have faced is not easy to forget... Kiara... But I will do everything in my power to make you forget those nightmares which still haunt you," he insisted as he grabbed my hand in his hold. It's the same fisted hand and he gently unfurls my fingers, his touch soothing the spot where my nails had done some damage.

"I needed some time to wrap my head around this, Aries. I hope you will understand the time I take to accept your feelings..." I told him.

A smile stretched across his face, and the scent of roasting chestnut wafted through the room. And I felt that if I had my wolf in me, she would be jumping up and down now.

"Let's go to the kitchen before those little rascals turn the kitchen upside down..." He suggested, and I chuckled as his hands went to my waist.

After the little chocolate shake date and some mischievous antics in the kitchen, they finally settled down for the night. Aries had some business with the Beta, and the pack members were out there getting their night training in. Arie being the alpha he is, always did the rounds at the border to make sure everything was on point.

"Can we have a bedtime story, Mummy... pretty please?" Hanna begged, doing the whole cute hands-together prayer move that made me always give in to her wishes.

"Alright, one story and then straight to the bed," I agreed.

"Now, what story do you want to hear?" I asked.

"The choice is yours, mummy," Hanna replied, and I tucked her in, planting a k*ss on her forehead. Ry strolled over from his bed to join the two of us.

For now, I had them sharing a room. I knew the day would come when they'd want their own space, but for the time being, they found comfort in each other's company. It also eased my nightmares, knowing they were together in one room, making it simpler for me to check on them throughout the night.

"How about 'Beauty and the Beast?'" I suggested this because after doing so much work in the day. Arranging the meeting with packs and dealing with their issue. That is the

only story that came to my mind. But sooner a chuckle left my lips when I saw Ry rolling his eyes.

“Seriously, Mum? A love story..” he groaned, as his little hand folded over his chest.

“Ry, I like love stories... You are not easy to please,” Hanna teased, elbowing her brother in the chest.

“Okay! Okay! Hanna don’t tease your elder brother,” I said, but she playfully jabbed him.

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again. I shook my head as I turned my attention to Ry. “I don’t remember any of the stories Arics told you so bear with me,”

“There once lived a girl called Belle...” I started as they both snuggled up under the duvet.

“She lived with her father in a small village who was an inventor...”

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“Where is our father, Mummy?” Ry’s question hit me like a punch to the gut, knocking everybit of air out of my lungs. I hadn’t mentioned their father, and although I expected these questions when they grew up, not at this tender age of four. I swallowed, feeling a lump form in the back of my throat making it difficult for me to speak up.

“Sorry Mummy, I didn’t mean to sadden you,” Ry climbed over the bed, wrapping his tiny arms around my waist, looking up at me.

“You haven’t, dear,” I whispered softly to him, drawing my fingers through his hairs, assuring him that he could always ask me anything, no matter how difficult the topic might be.

“Did he hurt you? Was he mean to you?” Ry asked quietly, his eyes fixed on me.

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“I want to know about Daddy too,” Hanna chimed in. As it was easy for me to talk about him. I chuckled softly and leaned forward to cup the side of her face.

"Your father is a busy man... he has lots of work to do. But I am certain that when you both get older you will be able to meet him then."

"Yeah!" Ry

shouted in excitement, as he thrust his little fist in the air dancing in celebration.

"Then I can't wait to grow up fast, so that I can meet him," Hanna exclaimed, as she joined her brother on the bed. Both of them jumped in happiness.

I watched them revel in the joy of the idea of meeting their father one day. But deep down, I'd do everything in my power to prevent that meeting. They didn't need to know what kind of man he was. It was better for him to be busy, away, and to meet them one day. That seemed like the kinder option. They were mine, mine alone.

A knock on the door snapped me out of my thoughts. Aries stood there, wearing a black t-shirt which fitted to him like a second skin.

"These monsters are still not asleep?" he laughed and walked towards them grabbing both of them and trying to fit on the bed.

I chuckled softly as I listened to Ry complaining to tell him the stories of his hunting. and all. They were almost asleep when Aries' phone rang. His expression darkened by

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the di, making me feel a little nervous.

He gently placed sleeping Ry under the duvet and went out. Once both the children are asleep I close the bedroom door leaving a night light on for them

walked towards him on the porch, his back on me as I listened to him say the name which I didn't want to hear in my life. I didn't know that I would face this situation this soon as I was not prepared for it. My anguish grew

"What happened?" I ask him.

"A pack from among us was attacked by the rogue king and they needed our help."

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Kiara POV

“Ecl*psar pack needed our help as it got attacked by the rough alpha king,” Aries’s voice rang through my ears, making my blood run cold. A fury surged in my chest. That Rogue Alpha King, the one who killed my parents, is still wreaking havoc on the pack just to bring them down. He did the same with my pack, but I believe Aiden and his warriors have defeated them..... Without anyone helping them.....

“We have to be quick to help them, Kiara. They are running low on doctors and the Ecl*psar pack is the most respected pack. The Alpha of that pack has the link with Lycan King Killian Ironclaw. We can’t keep them waiting.” I gulped as I heard his name after four long years.

The main door of the mansion opened, revealing his Beta, Noah, who stood with his bag and with some of his warriors. The four black jaguars stood in front of the mansion.

“Alpha, the car is ready. Kiara, you have to be quick, we can’t waste any more seconds here,” I nodded my head as I rushed to my room to grab the necessary clothes and things. After packing my things I went to Hanna’s and Ry’s room, they were still sleeping peacefully making me feel somewhat peaceful. I k*ss their forehead one last time as I pray to the Moon Goddess that they will be safe...

I ascended down the stairs in a hurry. I found Aurora standing by the door, she was the one who looked after my children whenever I was busy.

She loved them, and I have always put my faith in her if the protection of my children requires it. But this is the first time I felt a different kind of fear. Scared to get out of these borders. To the outside world, I was dead to them. And I am happy to live with it if this could save my children.

I was hesitant to leave my children here. But as a doctor, I had to help others. It feels like something very bad is going to happen. Aurora could feel my hesitant state. I don’t like something very bad is going to happen. I don’t want to leave the pack. I don’t want to leave my children here alone....

“Kiara, don’t worry I will look after them,” Aurora said and I nodded my head giving her a smile as I walked out of the main door. The cold December air made me feel chilly.

I felt as if Arics sensed my discomfort. He walked up to me, took my bag and passed it to Noah who put it in the car and got into the driver’s seat. Aries shortened our distance. as he k*ssed my forehead and I again felt those weird sparks.

“Don’t worry they will be fine. I had promised you for their safety and no one would dare to enter my territory without my permission,” He said. We walked to the car. He

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opened the door for me and I entered. He walked to the other side and entered.

The car ran through the concrete path exiting the mansion door. I sighed as I tried to calm my beating heart. A cold sweat formed in my hand as I rubbed them on my jeans and decided to take deep breaths. I had to be strong.

The possibility of meeting him would be merest. And I prayed that this would never happen....

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The Ecl*psor pack is the closest pack to us and the first pack Aries formed an alliance with. The alliance rules are very simple: one pack alpha helps the other if they ask, so I can’t just tell him not to go.

Something is pressing inside of me, wanting nothing more than to use this chance to see him again... Thinking perhaps if Killian could see me, he would repent for his actions, But as I have learned, I have faced so many black-and-white moments, that I have to protect myself a lot from life’s grey areas... I was taking my steps ahead of why I had to stumble upon him...

The car entered the ground of the Ecl*psor pack, and the wrecking of the pack reminded me of my pack. I thought they would be like this only. The car headed directly to the alpha’s mansion. Whenever the pack met with a sudden unplanned attack the mansion had an underground where they usually safeguarded the women and children who couldn’t fight.

The car stopped in front of the mansion, and the Alpha of the pack stood on the porch waiting for us. Aries was the first one who exited the car followed by Noah. I looked around the ground as a bile of nausea rushed. up my throat.

At first, my brain couldn't register what I was seeing. That Rogue Alpha King was just as ruthless and monstrous as Killian. Dead bodies were piled up on top of each other and left to burn.

A knock on the window made me look up to where the sound came from only to see Aries standing. He nodded his head indicating me to come. I took another deep breath, opened the car door, and stepped out.

"Here, wear this mask. It'll keep your identity hidden," Aries said as he pulled out a black mask from his pocket and handed it to me. I couldn't help but feel grateful. He always looks after my needs and asks if I am comfortable or not. And my safety.

"We are not prepared for this sudden attack to happen. We need to talk with this Rogue Alpha King as because of them many peace treaties among the pack are at risk. He can't just be a sadist and destroy the pack and kill the members just because he enjoyed it" I heard the beta of the Eclipse pack explain as they went to the area where the office

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must be.

"The injured warriors are in the hospital. If you don't mind, one of the members will take the doctor there," He added as we gathered in front of the office.

"Okay," I replied, but I could feel the different aura from Aries. I brushed this off, as he had to be strong to represent his pack. This is the first time I have seen him without emotions.

"Noah, go with her. I don't want to leave her alone there. Take care of her and make sure that nothing bad happens to her," Aries commanded as he looked at me one last time before entering the room.

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One of the warriors led us to the hospital, and the scene inside made my heart ache. I can perceive the pack members sitting down crying into each other's arms. Survivors were left to mourn the dead.

The elk-wood walls and the white marble floors looked warm, a familiar sight to me. I walked past the first hall, and my stomach knotted at the strong smell of blood filling my nose. All six beds were filled with patients, each one heavily injured. I can see someone was assisting each of the injured.

I rushed to the last bed and saw an injured man, his b*dy was covered but with blade marks and he was not recovering at all. The blade must be made of silver... But the marks looked familiar, just the cut mark I saw on the b*dy of Alpha Eric four years ago... How is it even possible? Was he kidnapped by the Rogue Alpha King?

I cleaned and stitched up the injuries, reassuring the patients. I can see the pain in their eyes at the loss they had just faced. As I try to assure them emotionally to make them strong.

"You will be alright. It will hurt a little, but it will help the blood to stop," I said and started my work. Beta Noah didn't leave my side; he went to every bed where I went. After I was done here, we walked back to the pack house.

"Kaira, stay here. The Alpha doesn't want you in the office right now," Noah said before heading in the direction of the office.

I waited near the porch. The journey here required a seven hours of drive and I knew the children would be up by now, and must be troubling Aurora for not finding me there. So I decided to call them.

"Mummy, where are you? You know how Hanna behaves whenever she doesn't find you. in the morning," Ry said as a wail could be heard through the phone.

"I'm fine, sweetheart. I had to come with Aries this time, but I will return as soon as possible. Till then, take care of your sister, okay?" I said and he replied with an okay.

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"Could you please give the phone to Hanna?*

"Dear, I am sorry to leave you and didn't tell you, but mummy has to work. Be a good girl and don't trouble your brother and Aunt Aurora. I promise that I will come as fast as I can." I was talking to my children when a hand landed on my shoulder. I turned, thinking that it must be Aries or Noah, not to expect the grey eyes which I hated to the core, to look straight into mine.

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I froze on the spot as those piercing grey eyes stared into mine. As time stood still. I felt like I was burning in fire. He stood towering over me, and my breath hitched. I felt a crushing pain filling my chest. As the unwanted memory flashed through my eyes. broken reel. He was still the same. His deadly aura he exudes stood above all.

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Something in me whimpered as if it wanted to go back to him. To cry in his arms but I stood in my place, hand balled into a tight fist. My eyes would by now glisten with tears as I felt the burn where he had just touched my shoulder.

His gaze swept me from head to toe, making my fingers curl. I knew I was safe as the mask hid half of my face. I had changed a lot in those four years, both internally and externally.

My once long burgundy-length hair was now cut short up to my shoulder length, and I now wore lenses to hide my natural eye colour. And now I wore fitting clothes that flaunt my curves. Even after losing my wolf, Aries makes me practise the martial art so that I can still protect myself when I am in danger.

“Alpha King!” a voice called his name, making him look back to where the voice came. from. The Beta of the pack stood by the door. He bowed to him.

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How can I forget that this pack was among the alliance of the Madcrest pack? Da mn... why was it so painful? I had known it was going to happen, I had foreseen it, but even so, I was not prepared for it. My mind is buzzing with the thought that he will recognize

me...

When I left the pack, I knew I would meet him... How far could I run from him? This day never should have come.

"The Alpha is waiting for you in the office. He requested your presence immediately," he said, and Killian didn't wait any second longer, walking in the direction of the office, not before giving me a last glance.

I pursed my lips as I looked away from him, trying to hold back the tears that were threatening to spill any minute and the scream that wanted to escape through my lips. I hated him...

I hated him... for not loving me as much as I loved him...

I hated him... for not trying to rekindle the bond between us when it faltered...

I hated him... for destroying something so close to me... my pack, my family, leaving me in the arms of death...

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I hated him... for making me feel this much pain...

But sadly, the hate couldn't measure up to the love I had for him... After seeing him, I knew that I wouldn't be able to forget the love, which I had for him, and that made me feel pathetic..

I didn't

go back to the alpha house knowing that Killian must be there. So I decided to stand beside the cars. I don't want to face him again. Many pack members came and thanked me for helping them.

In the distance, I can see Rihanna. She is not wearing her usually fitted clothes. And I can't help but stare at her stomach.

It was hidden under a baggy T-shirt. So the rumours are right... The Madcrest Pack is expecting an heir... Killian had moved on from me so fast, and I couldn't help but tsk at myself. What to expect from him... He never needed me... He never loved and again. those hatred emotions swift me with force.

And I found myself slowly backing away. As tears start to gather in my eyes. I wanted to go back into the arms of my children. A place I finally managed to live with. I don't know how long the meeting between the alphas of the pack took place, but I hadn't left the side of the car.

"Excuse me," I turned to the voice which called me. Looking at a girl who is not more than a teenager.

"The alpha wanted you to eat something. You have come this far to help us, it would then be fair if you had something with us. Luna also wants to meet you," the girl said. I sighed, looking around, then finally nodding my head.

We walked through the main door of the house to the long corridor, which at the right ends with a kitchen. "Please sit here and have something while I call Luna," She said and walked out of the kitchen.

I took a glass of water, not wanting to feed myself with anything. I strolled around the area when I saw Rihanna going somewhere discreetly. I followed her. That is the only advantage of losing a wolf. I don't have a scent in me, so they won't recognise that they have been followed.

She stood in front of a room/before taking another glance here and there before entering. I was confused as to why she would be here alone. Killian never lets me leave his side whenever we go to attend the meeting. I was only allowed to go with him or his warriors should be with me.

I too entered the room which led to stairs that go downward. I glanced around and spotted a shaft of light coming. I am about to close the door, thinking that this may be a bathroom when another male voice reaches my ears.

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What on earth is she doing here?

"...now," she muttered.

"I had told you meeting here is risky. How can you be so foolish?" A man's voice... but I couldn't make much out, it's too low.

"I know, but I was surprised to see you here. Everything is going as we planned," Rihanna responded.

I leaned closer, wanting to peek inside, but the sound of footsteps made me quickly back away and round the corner, as I prayed that they didn't hear me.

I peer around after a few minutes, only to see the shadow of a man on the floor. Who is

it?

I heard footsteps and pulled back. I couldn't risk being seen. I glanced around, wondering where to hide, but to my relief, the footsteps were fading, probably heading in the opposite direction. Thanks, goddess.

I didn't wait for Rihanna to come out of the room as I rushed out of the house. I started to think, were the marks on the warrior and alpha Eric similar then Killian have someone in his pack who is betraying him and whom Rihanna is talking to? Was she a part of it?

But after some time, I saw the alphas coming out of the mansion. Going to their car and heading to their pack. I adjusted my mask as I hid behind the car. Every pack associated with Madcrest has seen me with Killian in Galas, meetings and even in wars. So I can't help but feel a panic so no one can recognize me.

"Zaia!" Aries's voice calls, and I freeze. When I joined the Blood Stone Pack. Aries gives me a name that he decides to call whenever we are outside our pack. He understood, and that time when I woke up after two weeks was a new life. Moon Goddess is providing me with... And the identity I want to hide.

"Oh No.." I muttered to myself as I turned and sighed in relief to see only Aries and his members. I hurriedly walked to them. I need to get out of here as soon as possible.

Killian and Rihanna are here, and I don't want them to recognise me... Not Rihanna, that b itch was the reason I was...

But when I walk towards him, I can feel a burning gaze on me. I glanced over my shoulder to see Killian standing with his hands in the pockets of his grey joggers. I gulped. I started to pray that he wouldn't recognize me as I had lost my wolf. He would smell me only as a human...

But he'll know... there's no way you can live with someone for three years and not be

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able to recognize them from close..

I can't go over there. I can't find Rihanna near him. Yet I think Aries has other plans, and to my distress, he signals me over, making my heart thunder.

I stood rooted in my spot. Killian's squinting eyes make me feel scared. So I decided to turn and head to the car. I will make any excuses.

But as I was about to go inside the car, a strong arm pulled me. I turned to look at Arics. “Kiara, I was calling you. Alpha King Killian wants to meet you. The Alpha of Ecl*pser pack praised you a lot. The help and medications you provided to them....” Aries said but I cut him off. I am not ready to face them.

“Aries, you know I don’t want to have any interest in any of these things. I did what you commanded me to do and I am happy to help these people but...” I said, trying to make up any excuse.

“Kiara, Alpha King’s pack is the highest and dominant pack in the world. It would be wrong if we don’t address them respectfully..” Noah said, and I gulped as I looked up to Aries. His brows knitted in confusion but didn’t say anything.

“Noah let it be, I think after doing so much work she must be tired. Let’s just head back to the pack,” He said and I took a huge sigh of relief. I can Killian standing on the porch. as we get inside the pack. Ready to leave...

By the time we reached our pack, it was already midnight. Aries tried to talk to me, asking about my sudden change in behaviour but I couldn’t tell him anything.

All the way home, I was trying to hold back my tears. And as soon as the car stopped in front of the house, I rushed out of the car, walking straight to my children’s room. I needed their presence.

I heard him calling my name, but I paid no attention. Today has been a hard day in my life. Aries was quick, and before I could close my room door. He stopped it by keeping his shoes in between.

“Kiara, would you tell me what the problem is? I know I shouldn’t have asked you to come with me, but please try to understand. I want to make my pack stable and established and helping others was the way through it,” He said as he entered my room.

I took deep breaths as I glanced up at him. His face held concern for me. “It’s not like that, Aries. You were right, I was tired and I needed rest,” I said.

“Do you want me to stay? I will stay with you until you sleep and get back to my room,” he asked, but I knew where this would lead. And I was not looking for anything.

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“Arics, I really need some time alone for myself,” I said. He didn’t say anything apart from leaving the room. I walked to the bathroom, a cold shower will help a bit.

After showering, I went to look for my children. They were sleeping peacefully, hugging each other. Hanna’s leg was on Ry, and sometimes his brows knitted, but still, he didn’t

remove it. He knew what his sister's sleeping position was. I stayed by their side for a few minutes before switching off the light.

I walked to the kitchen. I needed a drink. Aurora was sitting there, working doing something on her laptop.

"They didn't bother you much, did they?" I asked as I picked up a bottle of whisky. Seeing me, she raised an eyebrow. I was always looking after my actions. This would be the first time I was doing something which was against my character. Like getting drunk.

"No, they are sweet angels, and I like spending time with them," She said, and I returned a smile before picking a glass and going in the direction of my room.

"It looks like today was a very difficult day for you," she said as her eyes went to the one large bottle of Balvenie I was holding.

"Do you want to talk about it?" she asked. She was about to close the laptop when I cut in. I needed some time alone with myself without any interference.

"No. I am fine. Don't worry. Thank you for asking though. Good night," I said. She smiled and nodded.

Entering my bedroom with a bottle of Balvenie, I didn't bother to turn the lights on. Why? My b*dy was longing for the darkness to cover up any slight confirmation of unhappiness in my look.

I knew this would happen, that he would want an heir with a girl he always desired in his life. So why did it hurt me so much? I thought I had prepared myself, by putting a strong wall around my heart... which I thought would be dense even at the mention of his name.

At first, I thought it would have been four months after my leaving, that he made her pregnant... but after four years, I still feel like I am being betrayed by him.

I sat down on the floor against the bed, pouring myself a large glass of whiskey. I stare out of the window, glancing at the strong light of tonight's full moon. The glow was the only source of light that lit my dark room.

Why did the thought of Rihanna giving the heir to the Madcrest Pack have so much

effect on me? Was it due to the damages she caused in my and Killian's relationship, or was it because the pack already had an heir.

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My mind wandered back to the moment I left the Madcrest pack, how he accused my brother of kidnapping Alpha Eric... and how he left me to fight my fate.

How I rejected him. No, I can't keep thinking back about that nightmare. I took another long gulp of the whisky and before I knew it, I had already emptied the glass.

I reach my arm out for the bottle and go to pour another glass, but my hands start to shake. I'd spent the last four years rebuilding our lives... Mine and the children.

Yet here I am, seeing him only for a second, and I have become a shaking mess. I thought staying away from him would never make me feel this pathetic when I saw him, but now he still has a strong impact on me. Even after four years, my heart still flutters for him. Why?

Is Aries right? Will I never get over him?

I missed my wolf. Whenever I face any hard situation, she is always there to support me. I had someone to talk to and share my problems with. But now I am alone. She is not talking to me. Why would she? I had gone against the rule and I have been cursed.

I could feel the alcohol relaxing my tense muscles and making me sleepy.

I climb into the bed, setting my pillows before I lay back on them. I keep my eye on the strong full moon tonight, letting the glow offer me peace.

"Rihanna was his real love, I was just his fated mate he never wanted. Let them have each other. Two cruel and twisted hearts suit each other..." I whispered to myself before drifting off to sleep.

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Kiara POV

I woke up to the sound of these two munchkins. Their hushed voices and the cute giggle, which they tried to hide behind their small palms. I stayed quiet as I waited for them. They silently climbed onto my bed from beneath the quilt.

One on each side of my b*dy. As their small fingers poke my cheeks. "Good morning, mummy.." they said in unison, and another round of laughter followed, making me open my eyes.

"Good morning sweethearts," I laughed and started to tickle them. The tickling game was one of their favourite games aside from hide and seek. They started giggling with excitement as I tried to reach them. They hide under the duvet, making me laugh.

"No, Mummy, no" Ry unruly chuckles as my hand goes to his tiny stomach to tickle.

"Run, Hanna, I'll protect you," He said to his sister between his sweetest laughter.

Hanna let out a yelp as she scrambled her way out of the bed, but I swiftly caught her, my arms wrapping around her, playfully pulling her back.

We played until exhaustion set in and collapsed back onto the bed. Laughter echoed, mingling with slivers of sunlight streaming through the curtains, filling my room with warmth. Our chests rose and fell with deep breaths as if we'd just finished a lap around the grounds.

That was until Ry's stomach growled from hunger asking for breakfast. Hanna squinted. mischievously, baring her teeth, and playfully growled, taunting with a cheeky grin,

"Grr..

"Are you hungry?" I asked.

"I'm always hungry, mummy.." he grumbled, as he rubbed his stomach. He was right. This boy would keep on eating if I didn't remove food from his reach.

His wolf has started to show signs of being present, unusual for a child of his age, but then I knew his true bloodline. He'd undoubtedly keep me on my toes during his

teenage years.

As for Hanna, she was innocent. Who was dreaming in the land of fairies and dolls? She sees life as sweet and the sun always shines bright. But I could tell from Ry he knew that the world would not always be a happy place to live.

“So who wants to eat pancakes made by Aunt Aurora?” I hear Aries’ voice from the hallway.

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“Me!” Hanna cagerly responded jumping off the bed and rushing to beat her brother, only to trip and fall.

She is such a clumsy child, always rushing in not thinking much of the consequences... but that was what I liked about her. The trait which she got from me...

Soon the room echoed through her cries as she picked herself up off the wooden floor. I start to get off the bed, but Aries beats me to it, scooping her up and planting a comforting k*ss on her forehead.

“What happened?” he asks her softly, his patience evident.

“I fell and hurt my knee,” she says in between her so bs.

“No problem princess, I will fix it right now,” He looks at me with a smile as he takes her. into the bathroom to rinse the scrape on her knees.

Ry rolled his eyes at his sister being a crybaby. He jumps off the bed, dragging himself to the kitchen. I can clearly feel him being upset about something.

“What’s wrong, honey?” I inquire, as I brush off his hair aside, planting a k*ss on his forehead.

“Nothing,” he replied shortly and I sensed his mood was off. He has been behaving like this if the involvement of Aries got more than it required.

After eating our breakfast I was about to go to my office to start my work.

“Mummy, can I go ride my bicycle out around the pack grounds?” Ry asks as he starts to put his trainers back on.

“How far out?” I ask as I fold my arms around my chest.

“I was thinking of the field overlooking the woods,” he shrugs as if it was not a big deal.

"That is too far out on your own, Ry. You'll have to take someone with you," The field is the end of the border after which the lake follows and I am not sure how secure that place is for a little boy like.

"I was about to go patrolling the area. How about you come with me?" Aries asks as he puts on his trainers. As soon as Aries offers Ry his shoulder tensed.

"Aries, you should train the warriors. You have already missed their training sessions," I reminded him. Aries had always been gone for days or three. He didn't come clean with this matter but he says that it was just to expand his pack facilities..... And I can see Ry's shoulders relax and he exhales deeply. I had to talk to him.

He nodded his head before going out to do his duties. Aurora was done cleaning the

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kitchen.

"Aurora if you're free could you please take them near the fields. Ry wanted to ride," I said.

"No worries. Let's go kids," she shouted. Hanna jumps off her seat as she rushes out. through the door. After seeing that we are alone here. I squinted down to his height.

"What is the problem, Ry? Why are you behaving so distant with Aries?" I ask as he looks down at his fingers.

"It is not like that..." he whispered softly.

"Ry?" I asked sternly this time.

"I feel changes in me..." He tried to brush off my worries. I don't know how to train him. and control his wolf. I remember Killian telling me that he got his wolf at this age too. He had a teacher who looked after him but for Ry, I don't have anyb*dy.

"It's okay Ry don't worry... When you come back from playing we will talk about it.." I said ruffling his hair. He smiled at me and rushed through the door.

I hear their laughter. I sighed. I knew what Ry was talking about. His wolf is starting to surface. And I don't know whom to talk to. If only Killian was here it would be easier for

mc.

Aries would help but I had to make him understand that Ry does not like us getting close. So both of them could train together and their relationship wouldn't be affected either.

"Thank you, Aurora," I place my hand on her shoulder.

I would have lost without her too, she was perfect with the children and I had to admit that she reminds me of the only close friend I had in Madcrest Pack, Lucia.

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IN THE EVENING

We were all sitting in the office, which was large enough to accommodate a rectangular meeting table. I was

hed by the three head warriors and Aries.

The situation is tricky, as all the whole pack is getting attacked by Rogue Alpha King. And his motive is just to destroy the pack and kill the innocent. So, we decided to hold a meeting where we should discuss how to tighten the security around the border of our pack.

Nob*dy has seen him; he just came to attack and kill the innocents. We only know that he had a kingdom which he got after killing Alpha. With the pack's security on the edge. Aries decided to expand his alliance. He started to train a section of warriors and pack members, by providing four rotating shifts of border security.

Owen, the original head warrior, was the first one who found me on the shore. He was also the ga mma. He was just as protective of the pack members as Aries and was ruthless in his planning security details.

“The Alpha of the Eclipse pack sent an email today. He was indebted by the help we had done and we were eager to form an alliance with us,” Noah said. Aries was sitting at the head of the table with me sitting beside him.

“And we also got an email from Beta Alejandro from the Madcrest Pack. They wanted to reward us with some presents. As nobody knows that this pack even existed, they like us to come to the Alpha’s meeting where they strategize about the attack of Rogue Alpha King,” He continued.

And I felt as if the air was stuck in my throat. I think this would be the time. The time has come for Killian to know that I am not dead. I can’t run and hide away from him anymore. Not when I had a revenge plan in my mind for killing that Rogue Alpha King and was eager to know why he was only targeting the pack which was allied with the Madcrest Pack.

Why does the rogue alpha King have enmity with Killian? Are there other things Killian didn’t tell me?

Owen continues outlining his strategies for the security across the border as I listen to them carefully. From his face, it was clear that he hadn’t slept for the whole night. All the packs were scared as they didn’t know when they would get attacked by that monster who was hungry for blood.

Owen is a few years older than me and Aries, he is in his thirties in our comparison of

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twenties. Yes, I married Killian quite at a young age.

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His mate is younger than me, Sophia, and they have a boy who is than Ry. Still, they had become best friends. Ry idolised him, and if they started to play together, it would be a hard job for us to separate them.

“I think this is good news for us as I wanted to expand my pack, and mingling with other packs would give us this opportunity and our pack has some unmated members. Maybe they would find their fated mate in the associated pack,” Aries said, his arms kept steadily on the wooden table.

I sometimes find it hard to believe how Aries have these luxuries because the pack was not left behind in terms of education and living... After discussing, the other members left the office room, leaving only me and Aries.

I remembered the little conflict we had last night and I need to clear things up to him.

"Kiara, is there something on your mind?" Aries asked, and I looked down, playing with my fingers. What will I tell him?

I was taking time to organise my thoughts, but I think he misunderstood my silence.

"Okay, you still need time? Kiara, did I ever do something against your wish? Did I ever impose my thoughts, or commands on you?" he asked, and I could feel he was angry or disappointed with my actions last night.

"I was always patient with you, but I can't do this anymore. This is making me feel used. I need the same effort which I have given you to return back to me," Aries said as he was about to get up from his chair when I stopped him by holding his hand. He has done so much for me, and I will not break our friendship because of the misunderstanding we had last night...

"Yes, It's about Ry. He said his wolf is becoming more present," I said, and Aries' brows knitted in confusion.

"Isn't he just a child? How can he feel his wolf at this early age?" He asked, taking my hand in his. But I didn't respond to it. I am still not ready to share about my past with him... I am still not ready to tell him about Killian.

"That would only be possible if he has the blood of a Lycan King...." he said. Taking my silence as a yes, he stared down at me.

"Are you really not gonna tell me who their father is?" He asked, and I was again at a loss for words.

"Okay, I will wait for you, Kiara... Now tell me what you want me to do for it?"

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"I think we need to start his training early... help him keep control of his wolf,"

"I'll discuss it with Owen. He knows all about it, and he is good at it..." Aries said.

"Nothing too strong, Aries. He is still a baby,"

Killian POV

I rose early to observe the morning training session. With that bastard, Rogue Alpha King threatening our packs, we had to put more weight into our warriors. Usually, it was always Alejandro or Austin who trained my warriors, but as a Lycan King, I wanted them to undergo rigorous training. I had no time for quitters. This routine also calmed my wolf, who was always angry.

I wanted to train them for the war which I knew was coming with that Rogue Alpha King. That fucker who hasn't come to light. And still have the guts to target the packs under my rule....

The training grounds were meticulously organised, into sections for different levels and activities, as well as different training activities. There are target practices for shooting, with a large wall behind it so we didn't end up hitting anyone. Then there were the tracks and the training of wolves from the area. We also had weapons practice, as well as hand-to-hand sparring, which my wolf enjoyed to the purest.

I was standing on the training ground as I sparred with the newly trained warriors. The new warriors have not even turned eighteen. We circled the ground, and he ran towards me to charge at me but with one swift motion I grabbed him by the neck, throwing him to the ground and with a few light punches, I knocked him to the ground before twisting his arm behind his back.

"The newly assigned warriors need more training, Austin," I commanded, pulling the young one from the ground. Patting his back, at least he has the courage to spar with me.

"I understand, Alpha. I will include them in night training," I nodded as I grabbed my t-shirt and put it on as I headed towards the mansion motioning him to follow me.

"We need to be prepared for the war, Austin. I can't have weakness in my men, they won't even last two minutes," I can feel my wolf taking over the control.

As the Alpha King is a huge responsibility, I expected respect and hard work from my warriors. This was how I was trained from a young age, my own wolf emerging earlier than others of the same age.

"Yes, Alpha, I understand," He assured me.

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"Where is Alejandro? Did he find something about that bastard?" I asked. I entered the mansion heading straight to my office as I sat in the chair.

"They are still investigating the matter. Alejandro had informed me last night that he needed more time. The man is hiding in the shadows. It was very difficult to gather information about him," Austin said curtly. He had become more distant with me after what happened four years ago.

Not because I punished his mate. He still thinks she deserves more than two weeks of punishment... but for letting Kiara go...

"And why this time again we didn't receive any news about the attack that happened to Eclipse Pack. Why did the news come late to us?" I growled. We had been trying to look for it too. Seven packs which were allied with us have been attacked by that alpha.

And we didn't even receive any alert news. The news came to us very late when the alpha did his work. We had created an alert call whenever the pack was attacked and for all seven I didn't get any alert call.

Why is that?

"It looks like the system which we created is malfunctioning. I will have someone look into it," he explained.

"Austin, I want that person in front of me. If it happened one time that was called a mistake, but if it happened seven times then it was a deliberate attempt that we

have a spy in the pack who wanted to create a dent in our allied pack with us. *still

"And what about that Blood Stone Pack?" I asked as I remember the day when I first met that alpha. I can see the potential in him. But what caught my attention was that girl who came with him that day.

She reminds me of her. When I reached the Eclipse Pack I felt like something was

calling me out in that direction. Like a string is

me. I couldn't see her face but I

knew I felt something for her. As for my wolf, he was jumping, excited to feel something for her.

But I got angry when I saw her closer to that Alpha. I had to control everything in me not to go to her and drag her with me here... And that confuses me because I didn't feel her wolf.

“Alpha Aries has accepted our invitation. How about we go to visit the pack and have a meeting with them,” Austin suggested, and I nodded my head in agreement.

That is when the office door of my room opened and Alpha Eric walked in.

“I heard another pack got attacked. And you could not do anything for the safety of the

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pack who looked up to you... as a king I thought giving you the position would be one of my best decisions, Alpha Eric’s voice rang in the office room.

He walked through the door sitting across from me. Yes, my and Kiara’s blood did save his life but the poison that his b*dy had consumed had managed to weaken many parts of his b*dy. He became weak.

I asked the question which I wanted to resolve and I was slapped with regret. Kaira’s pack never did this to him. He was still not telling me who harmed him. My father had many secrets after my mom left him and I didn’t know anything...

“I am making an effort, Father. My pack members are in search of him. But he was. hiding after the attack and he went quiet for many months after he planned to attack another pack,” I said, pinching the bridge of my nose as I tried to make him understand.

It is frustrating that he was speaking to me in such a manner, considering I am the one who now has a reign in hand, and not him..

“I don’t care, Killian. Do something about it. I don’t want any more blood of innocents just because we had an enmity with that Rogue Alpha King,” he said and walked out of the room before I could say anything.

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