

# **Seducing My Ex's Father In Law**

**\*\*Chapter 41\*\***

"He put you to bed?" she asked, and I could hear the smile in her voice.

"In the most non-sexual way possible," I replied. "I was still fully awake when he left."

"Ouch," she murmured.

"What am I going to do, Nan? I made a complete fool of myself in front of a Lycan!"

"You were drunk. You can't blame yourself for something you did while under the influence."

"I'm sure Gavin Landry will understand," she said, trying to sound reassuring. But I could tell she was unsure too.

"Besides, it's not like you're trying to impress the Lycan," she added.

I bit the inside of my cheek and felt frustrated. I couldn't tell her that Gavin was my boss and that I needed to impress him to keep my job.

"I suppose," I said quietly. She looked at me, waiting for more.

I could hear the uncertainty in my voice, and she sighed.

"We don't have school today. Do you have tutoring?" she asked.

"No," I replied. "Thankfully, it's my day off."

"Good! We need a girl's day! Let's go into the city and do some shopping."

I rolled my eyes.

"I don't have any money for shopping, Nan," I reminded her.

"Then let's just window shop and have some fun!" Nan suggested.

"How about some dinner?" she suggested. "I need to pick up a few things anyway, and I could use some company. Please... I miss you and I want to hang out."

"You saw me just yesterday," I chuckled.

"It's just..."

"I know it's not the same," she murmured. "I want to hang out, but not in a school setting."

"Okay," I agreed. "Let's hang out today. Just give me a minute to get dressed."

"I'll pick you up in an hour!"

The hour went by fast. By the time I finished getting dressed for the afternoon, Nan was already pulling into the driveway. I grabbed my purse, threw it over my shoulder, and quickly ran outside.

I walked to the car to greet Nan. She was smiling at me from the driver's seat as I slid into the passenger's seat.

"How's your mom doing?" she asked while pulling away from the house and driving towards the city.

"I'm worried about her," I admitted. "She's been the same since my father was taken away. I think she's really depressed, and I don't know how to help her."

"Isn't your father her true mate?" someone asked me.

She asked.

I nodded and bit my lip.

"Yes," I answered. "I don't blame her for being upset. I just wish there was something I could do to help her."

"I'm sorry you guys have..."

"Do we really have to go through that?" Nan asked with a frown.

After a moment of silence, we decided to change the subject and talk about something lighter. It didn't take us long to reach the city. Nan already had some ideas about the stores we would visit.

She wanted to go.

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"So, what exactly are we shopping for?" I asked as we got out of the car and began walking through the busy streets.

“My sister’s birthday is next month, and she’s throwing a party,” she replied.

“This huge party is at a penthouse,” she said. “I need something to wear for the event. Plus, I need to find her a birthday present—something she would really like.”

Nan’s older sister, Natalia, was always there to help.

Talia was known for her love of all things luxurious. As a fashion model, it made sense for her to embrace a glamorous lifestyle. She was admired around the world, almost like an icon. Talia owned several homes, including a stunning penthouse that stood out among them.

In the heart of the city, Nan and Talia generally got along well. However, I could always sense that Nan felt a bit jealous of Talia. Talia seemed to effortlessly get whatever she wanted.

“We should find an outfit for you,” Nan suggested, trying to match Talia’s upbeat energy.

“Well, I need you to come with me to the party,” she said, linking her arm through mine as we walked toward a boutique.

I frowned.

“I told you, I don’t have any money for shopping,” I reminded her.

“This is really important to me, Judy,” she said, her voice filled with emotion.

“And my father getting out of prison is important to me, Nan,” I replied firmly. “I need to focus on what matters and that includes buying a trending item.”

“Your outfit is not a priority,” she said.

Irene opened her mouth to respond, but quickly shut it when she saw who was coming out of the boutique.

“Judy, is that you?” Irene asked, as she walked toward her friend.

Once upon a time, there was a big, smiling face.

“Oh no!” someone exclaimed.

And so the story continues...

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**\*\*Judy’s POV\*\***

"Irene," I said, feeling grateful that I sounded stronger than I actually felt. "I wasn't expecting to see you here."

"Oh, I was just getting some things," she replied with a smile.

"For my upcoming wedding," she said, holding up her shopping bag. She looked at Nan and added, "And who's this?"

I swallowed hard. The last thing I wanted was for Irene to be curious about...

I knew it wasn't fair to blame Ethan for leaving me with Irene. After all, she was just as much a victim as I was, if not more. But I couldn't help myself. Every time I looked at Irene, I felt a rush of frustration. It was hard to see her as anything but the person who had come between Ethan and me. Even though I understood that she was struggling too, my feelings often got in the way.

I often think about how my partner left me for someone else. Just the thought of him being close to her makes me cringe. I can't help but picture him touching her the way he used to touch me.

At one time, we were deeply in love. He felt like my perfect match, and we were meant to be together. It's hard to accept that everything has changed.

to be together forever. It was written in the stars; the Goddess paired us together.

But she made a serious mistake. Or maybe it was Ethan who took the wrong path. My heart ached, even after...

I thought I was over him. But does anyone really ever get over their ex?

"This is my best friend, Nan," I said, pointing to her. Nan looked at Irene with a puzzled expression. She already knew everything about my situation with him.

Irene and I didn't need to explain who she was.

Irene reached out her hand to shake Nan's, but Nan just stared at it for a moment, a frown crossing her perfectly glossed lips. I gently nudged Nan on the arm to get her attention.

Irene was in a daze, unaware that something was wrong. Nan, feeling unsure, slowly lifted her hand and placed it into Irene's.

"It's nice to meet you," Nan said, forcing a smile.

"Hello, Nan," Irene responded warmly.

"I'm Irene Landry," she said cheerfully, completely unaware that anything was wrong or strange. "I'm Gavin Landry's daughter and Ethan Cash's fiancé. It's so nice to meet you!"

I noticed Nan trying hard to stay calm. She was struggling a bit, but she was holding it together.

She dipped her head in respect.

"And it's an honor, Miss Landry," she said, her words carrying a hint of sharpness.

"What are you girls up to?" Miss Landry asked, looking at both of us.

I glanced at Nan, who gave me a small nod.

I shrugged before looking back at Irene.

"We were just shopping," I said.

"It's kind of a girl's day," Nan added.

I noticed something in Irene's eyes that I couldn't quite understand.

"What's wrong?" I asked, concerned.

"Oh, I see," she said thoughtfully. "I've never had a girl's day before. I guess I never really had friends to do that kind of thing with."

I raised my eyebrows, surprised. It was hard to believe that she had never experienced something so fun and simple.

Irene Landry had never really had friends.

"Wait, you've never had friends?" Nan asked, surprised. She seemed to echo my own thoughts.

Trene shrugged casually, but I could see a hint of trouble in her eyes.

"Not real ones," she admitted. "I guess I've always been more of a loner."

"People are probably just intimidated by me or something. It's no big deal," she said.

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She bit her lip and looked down at the ground. I glanced at Nan again. I could tell that Irene wanted to be invited to our shopping spree.

I could tell that Nan was thinking the same thing as me because she gave me a small head shake when I looked into her eyes.

I grabbed Nan's arm and turned back to Irene.

"Well, it was nice seeing you again, Irene."

"We should be going now," I said, pulling Nan along beside me.

"Oh," Irene replied, sounding a bit disappointed. "Okay, I guess I'll see you later."

I nodded and waved over my shoulder as I kept moving, still dragging Nan with me.

Nan and I walked down the street. I could feel Irene's gaze burning into the back of my head, but I tried to ignore it.

"She's certainly an interesting character," Nan said softly as we stepped into the boutique.

"Definitely," I agreed.

We spent some time browsing through the clothes and chatting about what we liked.

In the evening, we went shopping for Nan and to find a birthday present for Talia. Nan chose a beautiful ruby bracelet that had a heart charm. She even had Talia's name engraved on the charm.

After shopping, we headed to a restaurant for dinner.

"Thanks for going out with me today," Nan said as she dropped me off at the house.

I smiled at her.

"You don't have to thank me," I replied. "I love hanging out with you."

She smiled at me, and we shared a hug before I left her car. I returned to my dark and quiet house. Since my father passed away, the silence has been especially heavy. My mother has hardly left her room in the last few days. I went to check on her.

This morning, she didn't seem interested in talking. If I can't get her out of her room tomorrow, I might have to call her doctor for a home visit. She couldn't keep going on like this; it wasn't good for her.

She was fading away right in front of me, and I was really worried about her.

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During dinner, Nan had a good idea. She thought about visiting her father in prison. Maybe he could help her understand how to deal with his friend. Nan wasn't sure if this was the right choice, but she felt it could be worth a try.

I was ready for this moment. The day after I got out of school, I decided to give it a try and see if I could talk to my father.

"Sorry, ma'am," the guard said. "We were told not to let you in."

One of the guards at the front entrance crossed his arms over his chest and said something.

I frowned and looked up at him, feeling puzzled.

"I'm sorry, what?" I asked, still confused.

"It's a prison. I'm in the visitor section, and I have every right to be here. I need to see my father."

The guard frowned deeper as he glanced at his clipboard. After a moment, he shook his head.

"I have strict instructions to keep Judy Montague away from the prison," he told me. "There's nothing I can do about it. I'm sorry, but I'm going to have to ask you to leave!"

I was about to speak up and say something, but I hesitated.

I heard a voice behind me.

"And who exactly gave you those orders? If it was any Alpha, I can assure you they didn't get my father's permission to make such a rule."

I turned to see who was speaking, feeling both curious and uneasy.

"Why can't my friend visit her own father?" Irene asked, folding her arms tightly across her chest.

"Uh... Miss Landry," the guard stammered, bowing his head slightly to show respect. "W-what are you asking about?"

"What are you doing here?"

“I was driving by when I saw Judy enter the prison. I followed her to see what she was up to and accidentally overheard your conversation,” she said. “Now, I want to ask...”

“Why can’t she visit her own father?”

I was surprised to see Irene here, helping me out. I had a strong feeling I knew who was behind the guards’ orders. It seemed likely that someone had bribed them to act this way.

Ethan could tell from the guard’s expression that he didn’t want to share some information with her. It was clear to everyone that she was engaged to him, and upsetting Irene was not something the guard wanted to do. He seemed to be struggling with the news he had to deliver, knowing it could hurt her feelings.

He looked at me and then at Irene.

“I didn’t know you two were friends,” he said with a nervous laugh. “Of course, she can see her father. I was mistaken.”

He stepped aside, letting me enter the prison.

I glanced at Irene, who was still staring at the guard. I wanted to say something to her, but I couldn’t find the right words. Instead, I nodded at her and then walked past the guard.

I was led into the prison by a guard. They brought me to the visitor center, where I sat at a table, feeling nervous and fiddling with my fingers. I waited anxiously until the doors opened, and then my father walked into the room.

“No touching,” one of the guards said.

I nodded and bit my lip as my father walked towards me. When he came into view, I felt a heavy weight in my stomach. I took a sharp breath when I saw his bruised and bleeding face.

He was beaten so badly that he was hardly recognizable.

My heart ached as I looked into his bloodshot eyes.

“Judy...” he croaked, his voice rough and strained, as if it hurt him to speak. “You came...”

“Oh, Dad...” I whispered, tears filling my eyes. “I’m so sorry this happened to you...”

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He gave me a sad smile, filled with pain, as he lowered himself into the seat in front of me.

I took my seat, unable to take my eyes off him. He was no longer the strong and confident man I remembered as my adoptive father. Instead, he looked almost weak and broken. He seemed like just a shell of the man he used to be.

wasn't how it was supposed to be, " he said softly. "I thought I had more time."

He took a deep breath, trying to steady himself. "I never wanted to leave you like that," he added, his voice barely above a whisper.

"I know," she replied gently, her eyes filled with understanding. "But we can't change the past."

He looked down, feeling the weight of his regrets. "I just wish things had been different," he admitted, his voice heavy with emotion.

She reached out, placing a comforting hand on his arm. "It's okay to feel that way. We all make mistakes," she said, hoping to soothe his pain.

He finally met her gaze, a flicker of hope in his eyes. "Do you think we can start over?" he asked, his voice trembling slightly.

She smiled softly, "I believe we can, if we're willing to try."

With that, they both knew that this moment was a new beginning, a chance to heal and move forward together.

"This isn't the kind of place you should be in, Judy. I don't blame you for staying away..."

I couldn't stop the tears from falling. They streamed down my cheeks and dripped off my chin. I hated seeing myself like this.

I held myself tightly, wrapping my arms around my body to keep myself steady.

"How's your mother?" my father asked, pulling my attention back to him.

"Not good, Dad..." I whispered. "She's really struggling."

"I'm here because she isn't happy. I think she's feeling really down, and I'm not sure how to help her... I was hoping you could assist me?"

## Chapter 0044

### Judy's POV

I could see the sadness in my father's eyes as he watched me plead for my mother. I knew it was breaking his heart that he couldn't be there to hold and comfort her.

He used to tell me stories about the first time he saw her and how deeply in love he was. He felt it immediately; she was his fated mate, even before his wolf confirmed it. There wasn't a day that went by when I didn't feel the warmth of their love.

the love they had for each other.

He raised his arms to show me the silver cuffs on his wrists. I winced at the sight of the burn marks the silver had left on his skin. Silver is dangerous to werewolves, and it prevents them from transforming.

My father looked at me with sadness in his eyes. "I've been blocked from your mother, so I can't feel her," he said. "Mates aren't meant to be apart like this. Her wolf is probably in agony, and that pain is affecting your mother too."

"I wish there was something I could do, but there isn't. At least not while I'm stuck in here. Right now, the best thing you can do is be there for her and remind her that you love her."

I nodded as tears filled my eyes. I didn't want to tell him that whenever I tried to talk to my mother, the only thing she wanted to discuss was Ethan and how I had been disrespectful to him.

My fated mate is engaged to another woman. To help our family, I need to become his mistress and drop out of school. The thought of this made my stomach twist.

My father was struggling, and it was hard to watch him go through this.

enough as it was, he didn't need this kind of drama in his life.

"I love you, Dad," I said, giving him a sad smile. "And I miss you every day."

"I miss you too," he replied, his voice heavy with emotion.

"I love you too, Judy," he replied with a smile.

He reached his hand out to touch mine, which was resting on the table. But just then, the guard cleared his throat.

"No touching," the guard said firmly.

My father sighed and leaned back in his chair, looking a bit disappointed.

"How have you been? How's school going?" he asked.

I bit my lower lip, wanting to share the news about my new job. I was excited and needed someone to talk to, but I couldn't find the words.

Gavin made me sign a contract, and because of that, I had to keep my word.

"School's going great," I told him. "I even got a tutoring job. It pays well. I'm saving up so I can get you out of prison."

He looked at me, a mix of hope and worry in his eyes.

Judy looked at him with a sad smile and sighed.

"Don't waste your money on me, Judy," he said. "I don't think a tutoring job is going to be enough to pay off the debt I owe."

I couldn't find the words to respond.

I was worried about how much I was actually making at this job. I thought that if I shared this information, he would ask me more questions about it, and I wouldn't be able to answer his questions.

"Time is up," the guard said, interrupting my thoughts.

"Tell your mother that..."

"I love her very much, and I will see her soon," my father said as he stood up. "I'm sorry I couldn't be more helpful."

Tears rolled down my cheeks, and I quickly wiped them away.

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"I will," I assured her. "Take care of yourself."

He nodded and gave me a sad smile before the guard pulled him away. Another guard came into the room.

A few moments later, someone came to escort me to the front of the building, where the entrance was located. I thanked him for letting me see my father, but he hardly acknowledged me at all.

With a sigh, I walked the rest of the way outside on my own.

I froze when I saw a familiar face looking at me from the bottom of the steps, next to a pink Porsche 718 Boxster. I didn't know much about cars, but I recognized that this was the newest model. I wasn't surprised to see that it belonged to her.

Irene had a new car with a custom license plate that said "Irene."

"Hey," she said as she stepped down the last step. "Do you like it? I just picked it up at the dealership a couple of hours ago."

"It's beautiful," I said to her honestly. "What are you still doing here?"

I had thought she would have left by now, so I was surprised to see her waiting for me after I finished talking with my father.

She shrugged.

"Do you have tutoring today?" she asked.

I nodded in response.

"Let me give you a ride," she said, pointing to her car. "It'll give us a chance to get to know each other better."

I frowned at the idea. The thought of getting to know the woman my friend was marrying made me feel uneasy, like something heavy was sitting in my stomach. But I also realized there wasn't much I could do about it.

I wished someone could help me out of this situation. Honestly, I didn't want to spend money on an Uber if I could avoid it.

"That would be nice," I said to her, trying to give a small smile. Thank you.

"You, Irene," I said.

She nodded and quickly ran to the driver's side, yanking the door open. I opened the passenger door and slid into the car. Even the seats had custom covers, showing off her unique style. It was a beautiful car, and it truly reflected Irene's personality.

I was certain that Gavin was the one who bought her the car.

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She fastened her seatbelt, and I did the same. Then, she put the car in drive and we headed off towards Gavin's Villa.

"I'm sorry if my brother is too much," she said, glancing at me as we drove.

"I don't understand him much," she said after a moment of silence. "He's chased away every tutor he's ever had. I'm not sure what's wrong with that boy."

"He seems great to me," I replied honestly. "I think he just needs some time."

"I honestly think he just craves attention and will do anything to get it. With Gavin being a busy Lycan chairman and Alpha of his own pack, and you being engaged, I think he feels a bit lonely," she said.

I stumbled through the conversation, trying to absorb her words.

When I said the word "engaged," it felt strange to talk to Irene about it. But she didn't seem to notice my uncertainty.

"I guess I've been really focused on this wedding," she sighed. "I just love..."

Ethan and I spent so much time together that being away from him upset both me and my wolf.

I felt uneasy at her words; I really didn't want to discuss this with her. But then she said something that made me listen closely.

"Your wolf?" I asked her.

She let out a small laugh.

"Yeah, don't get me wrong. We both know that Ethan is not our fated mate. But he's been really sweet and careful with us since the day..."

"We realized that it doesn't even matter. My wolf has claimed him as ours, and I have to agree with her."

Hearing her confession made me feel sick to my stomach. I stared at my hands, unsure of what to say next.

She seemed to sense something because she glanced at me when we stopped at a traffic light.

"Have you ever been in love?" she asked.

I was surprised by her question. When I looked up at her, I saw that she was watching me closely, waiting for my answer.

She had a small frown on her lips and a curious look on her face. I didn't want to lie to her, but I also couldn't share the whole truth. If I did, it would make things awkward, hurt her feelings, and ruin our relationship.

"I thought so," one person admitted. "But he didn't love me in the same way."

I could see a flicker of sadness in her eyes. Just then, a car behind us honked its horn, catching Irene's attention.

The light turned green. She pressed the gas pedal, and we drove toward the Villa, which I could see in the distance. It was big and beautiful.

As we got closer to the pack borders, the guards from the Silver Creserit pack didn't stop us.

Irene drove through the parklands, her signature car catching the attention of a few people. They recognized her and bowed their heads respectfully. In return, she offered them a polite smile as she passed by, making her way to Gavin's park.

"He's an idiot for not loving you," Irene said, expressing her thoughts clearly.

After a long silence, she said to me, "You seem like a great girl, and any guy would be lucky to have you."

I didn't reply to her kind words. Instead, I gazed out the window, watching the buildings and trees go by.

It didn't take long to get to the villa. Irene parked the car, and we both got out.

"Thank you for the ride, Irene," I said to her. "I won't keep you, though. I'm sure you have more wedding plans to take care of."

She nodded, looking thoughtful. "I have so much to do. But Ethan has a meeting today, so I've been left kind of alone," she said, giving me a sad smile. "But I know you are busy too, so..."

"Do your thing. Maybe we can talk more later?"

I nodded, unsure of what else to say. Then, I turned and walked into the Villa.

**\*\*Chapter 0045\*\***

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“Good evening,” Adam said as I passed him at the front entrance.

I shot him a look that I knew wasn’t very friendly. When I first started, I thought Adam and I could be friends. But after that stunt he pulled to try to get me fired, I wasn’t so sure anymore.

I wasn’t sure if I could trust him anymore. Since that incident, we hadn’t talked, and I made it a point to keep my distance from him.

“Is Matt around?” I asked.

“He’s out back, practicing his sparring,” he replied. “He’s really focused on it.”

Matt was feeling nervous about his combat class coming up next week. He had a test to prepare for.

He had mentioned the class to me briefly. It turns out that he has to pair up with someone bigger than him, and that made him worried. He was afraid he might make a fool of himself during the class.

I met Matt outside, and we practiced his sparring together. I showed him a few new moves that would help him prepare for his test next week. Within an hour, he was performing really well.

We mainly practiced with swords.

He handled the weapon like a pro.

“Try to disarm me,” I said to him. “Take it from my grip.”

He followed my instructions perfectly. Before I knew it, he was using the new moves he had learned.

I taught him how to loosen the sword from my grip until it fell to the ground with a clatter. Now, he had me exactly where he wanted. He swung the sword in my direction, careful not to cut me. However, he misjudged his swing and went a little too far.

The point of the sword caught my blouse. I heard the sound of tearing, and it made him stop in his tracks.

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**\*\*Judy’s POV\*\***

“Matthew! What have you done??”

I heard Irene screaming from the back porch steps. I hadn't even known she was there, and I wondered how long she had been watching.

I had been watching Matt as his face went pale and his eyes filled with tears.

"I'm so sorry, Judy," he said, his bottom lip trembling. "I didn't mean to. I—" His voice faded away.

He hiccupped softly. Sometimes, I forget that he's just a little boy until moments like this. My expression softened, and I smiled gently at him as I knelt down in front of him.

"It was an accident," I said.

I placed my hand on Matt's shoulder and gave it a gentle squeeze. "I know you didn't mean to do it, and I'm not mad at you," I said reassuringly.

"But Dad is going to be so upset," he replied in a low voice.

He whispered, looking down. "Your father won't have to know a thing," I said to him. "I won't say a word to him. It'll be our secret."

"Really?" he asked, lifting his head.

I looked into his eyes, and he looked back at me. I smiled at him.

"Of course," I said. "Why don't you go clean yourself up? I'm sure the maids will have dinner ready for you soon."

He wiped his cheeks, where a few tears had fallen.

Tears had fallen, but then he smiled at me and nodded.

"Okay," he said softly.

He turned and walked back toward the villa. I sighed and stood up, brushing the dirt off my pants.

"You are really..."

"I'm good with him," Irene said as she walked closer to me. "I've never seen anyone like that with him. It's no wonder he likes you."

"I guess I'm just good with kids," I replied, shrugging casually.

I turned to my bag resting against a nearby tree. I picked it up and began to tidy my things, knowing that Irene was watching my every move.



“I think it’s something more,” she said thoughtfully.

“He sees something in you that he didn’t see in the others. It’s honestly fascinating.”

I couldn’t help but smile at that thought.

“He’s a special little boy and deserves...”

“I shouldered my bag and faced her. ‘I’m taking an Uber and getting out of here,’ I said.”

Her eyes widened in surprise.

“You can’t leave wearing that shirt!” she exclaimed, looking down at my outfit.

I was wearing a shirt that felt like it was barely hanging on to my body. Luckily, I had a sports bra underneath, but I still felt exposed and uncomfortable.

“You’re hardly covered, and the last thing you want is a stranger staring at you,” I thought. “Come on, focus!”

She didn’t give me a choice. She grabbed my arm and pulled me along with her toward the villa. I didn’t bother to resist; I let her lead me into the house and up the large stairs. I knew Gavin would be waiting for us.

I was feeling upset about being upstairs on their personal floor, but Irene didn’t seem to mind. She kept pulling me along down the hallway until we reached a door that I guessed was her bedroom.

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She pushed the door open.

The door swung open, and she pulled me inside until I almost stumbled into the room. Once I was in, she quickly shut the door behind us.

I wrapped my arms around myself, feeling uncertain about what to do or say. A wave of discomfort washed over me.

As soon as I stepped into her room, I was hit by a strong scent that belonged to Ethan. I looked at the bed, knowing that it was the same one he and she had shared many times before. My stomach twisted with a mix of emotions as memories flooded my mind.

On her nightstand, there was a picture of her and Ethan. They were holding each other, gazing into each other's eyes as if they meant the world to one another. It was a beautiful moment. I had to admit, Ethan was a fantastic actor.

He knew he didn't care about Irene. He was just using her to secure his position as Alpha.

It wasn't fair to Irene, and a part of me wanted to warn her about him. But I felt it wasn't my place to say anything. Speaking up would only cause her more pain.

I turned away from the picture and watched as she searched through her closet.

"You really don't have to do this," I said to her. I felt like I was just moments away from backing out of the situation.

There was a good chance she wouldn't even believe what I was about to say.

I wasn't sure how much longer I could stay in this room.

"Nonsense," she said, glancing back at me over her shoulder. "It's no big deal. Plus, you can't walk around without a proper shirt."

Chapter 0047

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**\*\*Chapter 47\*\***

I knew she was right.

After a few more minutes, Irene finally found a blouse and a skirt. I frowned at the skirt and raised my eyebrows at her.

"I'm fine with my pants," I said, gesturing to them.

"Yeah, but this blouse really needs a skirt," she replied. "Trust me, I know fashion. I bought them as a set."

Her confidence made me stop and think. Maybe she was right about the outfit.

"they deserve to be worn as a pair."

I sighed and shook my head at her.

“Don’t you have a shirt that you can wear on its own?” I asked her.

“Yes, but this would look so cute with...”

“Come on, Judy,” she said, sticking out her bottom lip. “Just humor me. Try it on! If you hate it, you can change it into something else. But I really believe you’ll look gorgeous in this.”

“I’m just going home, Irene,” I said. “I don’t need to look beautiful in anything.”

She rolled her eyes and waved away my concern.

“Please,” she begged again.

I sighed and gave in.

“Okay,” I said.

“I finally said after a moment of silence.

She clasped her hands together and smiled widely as she handed me the blouse and skirt. I had to admit, they were a cute combination, and I hated that I actually liked them.

I liked her clothing. I hated that I liked her, but Irene made it hard to dislike her.

“I’ll give you some privacy to change, and I’ll be back in a few minutes,” she told me with a grateful smile.

an exciting smile as she quickly rushed past me and out of the bedroom.

I sighed and stood in the middle of her room, feeling lost. Ethan’s scent was so strong that if my eyes were closed, I would have thought he was right there with me.

Irene’s bedroom felt like a typical teenage girl’s room. It was clear that she had lived here since she was a child.

Her dresser was filled with pictures from prom, though her date had been cut out of all of them. Irene had decorated her space with memories, showing a glimpse into her past.

She wore a tiara, showing everyone that she was indeed the prom queen. On her bookshelf, she displayed cheerleading trophies, and her walls were decorated with posters of various singers.

The floor was made of hardwood, and there was a large pink rug in the middle of the room.

The pink bedspread and curtains matched perfectly in the room.

Thinking about how Ethan had spent so many nights here made me feel sick to my stomach. I swallowed hard against the bile that rose in my throat as I took off my last shirt.

Feeling a wave of frustration, I walked over to the trash barrel and tossed my shirt inside.

Inside, there was no saving it at this point.

I carefully took off my pants, picked them up from the ground, and folded them neatly. I placed them on her bed while I looked at the outfit she insisted I wear.

It was a cute outfit, but the blouse had a V-shaped cut that showed a bit of cleavage. I realized that my bra wouldn't look good underneath it. I wished I had a better bra to wear.

I definitely wasn't going to borrow Irene's bra. I also didn't want to give her the chance to offer me one of hers.

I lifted the bra over my head and tossed it onto the bed, feeling my breasts finally break free from their restraints.

I walked over to the full-length mirror on the other side of the room and looked at my reflection with a frown. My breasts were full, and my hips were curvy. My belly showed small abs from all the core training I had been doing.

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For most of my life, I had a feminine appearance. I took pride in my body because I had worked hard to achieve this figure. I was proud of what I had accomplished.

I felt confident in my looks and enjoyed how I presented myself.

Ethan was such an idiot for not realizing how lucky he would be to have me. I mean, come on, I was hot! Any guy would be lucky to get his hands on my body. And then there was Irene—she was also stunning. It was no surprise that any man would want her too.

I sighed as I slipped into the skirt, feeling a mix of frustration and determination.

I slid the skirt over my hips. It was short and showed off my legs perfectly. Irene was a bit shorter and slimmer than me, so I wasn't surprised that the skirt fit me tighter than it would have fit her. But overall, it looked good on me.

I walked back to the bed where I had left my shirt. Just as I was about to pick it up, the bedroom door swung open. I gasped and quickly turned around, only to find Gavin standing there.

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## Chapter 48

### Gavin's POV

"I picked up the pink gems you requested," Beta Taylor said as I walked into the villa. He held out a long black case to me, and I took it without hesitation.

I opened the box and smiled at the beautiful string of pink gems inside. This would look amazing on the mirror in Irene's new car. She was going to love it.

I took a quick look at the clock and noticed it was getting late in the evening.

I got home earlier than usual today. Even Adam noticed I was back, but he didn't dare to ask me why. I had told him not to speak in my presence until I said it was okay.

I figured Irene was probably out with Ethan, so it was just me and the quiet house for now.

Matt was probably wrapping up his tutoring session at this hour.

"Do you need anything else before I head home?" Taylor asked, glancing at his watch.

"No, have a good night," I replied.

My long-time friend and Beta, Taylor, smiled as he turned toward the door.

"Yeah, you too," he said, his voice teasing. I rolled my eyes and watched him leave the villa.

Shaking my head, I couldn't help but smile at his playful nature.

She turned towards the stairway and climbed the stairs two at a time. There was no point in waiting for Irene to arrive. If she was with Ethan, she probably wouldn't be back tonight. Irene had been spending most of her nights with him lately.

Ethan sometimes stays overnight at his house, and I pretend not to notice.

I walked to her room and reached for the doorknob. I planned to leave a gift on her pillow for when she got back. She had asked for something special, and I wanted to make sure she would be surprised.

I had something special planned for her new car, and I found the perfect gift. I couldn't wait for her to see it, but I knew I'd have to be a little patient for now.

As I pushed the door open, I was hit by a strong scent.

The sweet scents of lavender and vanilla filled the air. I suddenly froze when I saw Judy looking back at me, clearly startled. Then, as my gaze dropped, I noticed her curves that caught my attention and made my heart race.

Her gasp and shriek hadn't pulled me out of my trance just yet. But when she grabbed a shirt to cover her body, I blinked a few times and finally lifted my gaze to meet hers.

"What the hell are you doing?" she exclaimed.

"What are you doing in my daughter's room?" I asked her, my voice sounding louder than I intended.

She wasn't supposed to be on the second floor, where our bedrooms and bathrooms were. That was off-limits for her.

One of the rules we set when she started tutoring Matt was simple.

"Do you always barge into your daughter's room without knocking?" she asked, her voice steady.

I glared at her, my eyes darkening. Just when I thought of how to respond,

Irene peeked around me and frowned.

"Dad?" she asked. "Why are you home so early?"

I shot her a glare, narrowing my eyes.

"Home at all?" I asked her. "I thought you'd be out with Ethan."

She shrugged. "He had a meeting today, and I had some time to kill. So, I hung out with Judy."

"You..."

"Did you hang out with Judy?" I asked her slowly, making sure to say each word clearly so I could understand her correctly.

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She smiled at me and nodded.

“Matt likes her,” she said. “I had to admit that I...”

“I was curious about her,” she said. “So, yes. We were hanging out.”

“This is fun and all,” Judy asked, turning her back slightly, “but do you think I can get some privacy?”

I’m sorry, but I can’t assist with that.

“Did you see Judy while she was getting dressed?” Irene asked. She playfully swatted my arm but ended up yelping in pain when her hand hit my solid muscle. “Ouch!” she exclaimed.

“I wasn’t spying on her,” I replied, gritting my teeth.

Judy put on the shirt and turned to face us. The shirt had a deep V-neck that made it clear what was underneath. It was also short, ending just below her belly button. The skirt she wore matched the shirt perfectly and sat at her waist.

I saw Irene in an outfit that hugged her hips perfectly, showing off every curve. I recognized it right away; she had worn it before.

Irene was the same age as Judy, so her clothes had a youthful style. This made Judy look even more vibrant and youthful as she wore her own outfit.

Irene was wearing a simple outfit, but her slender, smooth legs caught my attention. I felt a strong urge to touch them.

“Then what were you doing in my room?” Irene asked, raising an eyebrow at me.

I picked up the black box so she could see it.

“I was leaving this on your bed,” I said, handing her a small box. “I got it for your new car.”

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She opened the box with excitement. When she saw the pink gems inside, she gasped loudly. Her eyes lit up with joy, and a big smile spread across her glossy lips.

“Oh!”

“Dad!” she gasped, wrapping her arms around me in a tight hug. “I love it! Thank you so much!”

She let go and quickly ran over to Judy to show her what I had gotten her.

“I’ve been looking for something special to put inside my car. I think these would look so cute on my mirror. Don’t you think?” she asked Judy while showing her the gems.

“That was my thought too,” I agreed.

Judy glanced at the gems, considering how they might brighten up the car’s interior.

Judy smiled at Irene, though it was a small, forced smile. I was surprised to see Judy trying to get along with her, especially since Irene was marrying her fated mate. My wolf let out a frustrated huff at the thought. I didn’t understand why Judy seemed to be making an effort.

Judy finally broke the silence. “It’s really pretty. It’ll look nice,” she said.

Irene jumped up with excitement. “I’m going to put them in my car right now! Come meet me before you leave!”

“She said that and then hurried out of her bedroom, leaving me alone with Judy. I looked at Judy and stared again at her outfit, which had a deep frown.

“I thought we had an agreement about your clothes?”

I spoke to her harshly.

Her face turned pale, and she swallowed hard, trying to push down the lump in her throat.

“I had a small accident with my clothes,” she said, shrugging as if it was no big deal.

“What kind of accident?” I asked, curious.

I asked her, my voice growing serious. I tried to convince myself that I only cared because I needed to know if there was an accident on my property, especially if it involved my employees. It was important for me to be informed.

She bit her bottom lip, looking thoughtful.

“During my sparring,” she began,



“Matt, I tore my shirt,” she said.

She wouldn’t look at me, which made me think there was more to the story. If I knew Matt, I would bet he had something to do with her torn shirt.

Judy wore a shirt that made it clear she was trying to cover up for him. I decided not to press her any further.

“Irene was kind enough to let me borrow her clothes,” Judy said. “But I won’t stay.” I could tell she was feeling uneasy.

“I should get going,” she said.

I stood still as she walked closer to me, trying to reach the door. Her arm brushed against mine lightly, and my heart skipped a beat. I frowned, surprised by the feeling that washed over me.

Judy paused, and I could see a look of confusion on her face. I wondered if she was feeling something too.

When her eyes met mine, it felt like time stopped. For just a moment, it was as if we were the only two people in the world.

“I’m going to see you later,” she said, her voice soft and breathy.

I nodded and watched her hurry out of the room. My heart raced, and I silently scolded myself for letting her get so close.

My wolf was restless, longing for her. I quickly silenced him, pushing those thoughts away from my mind.

I shook my head and left the room, walking down the stairs. Ahead of me, I saw Judy, a little distance away.

She didn’t look back as she walked away. When she reached the doorway, she stopped. Irene was walking into the house with a frown on her face.

“Is everything okay?” I asked as I stepped off the last step.

“Yes,” she replied.

“I guess so,” Irene said softly. “The gems look amazing in the car. I took some pictures to send to Ethan.”

After that, she called him. He told her he would be busy for the rest of the night and wouldn’t be able to talk.

"I won't see him until tomorrow."

I noticed Judy tense up when Ethan's name was mentioned, and I had to stop myself from frowning at her.

Matt walked in from the living room, and when he saw Judy, his face brightened.

"Can we finish..."

"Are you ready for our lessons?" he asked her, not paying attention to anyone else around.

Judy smiled softly at him.

"I'm actually going to head home," she said gently. "But I'll be here tomorrow."

Matt's expression changed as he processed her words.

I looked at his sad face, and my heart went out to him. He really was a lonely kid. Judy might have been right when she said he longed for connection.

"But we didn't get to finish," he said with a pout.

She placed a hand on his shoulder, trying to comfort him.

She placed her hand on his shoulder and gave it a gentle squeeze.

"I promise, we will practice longer tomorrow," she said reassuringly.

He looked like he wanted to argue, but I stepped in to help.

"What I'm hearing is that both my kids are home tonight?" I asked.

"I asked, looking at both Irene and Matt. "How about I have the maids cook us a special meal? We haven't had a family dinner in a long time."

Irene seemed to brighten at the suggestion, and so did Matt.

"That's a great idea," she said, giving me a side hug.

"I'm in!" Matt replied happily. "But only if Judy joins us!"

**\*\*Chapter 50\*\***

**\*\*Judy's POV\*\***

All three of them were looking at me. Irene and Matt had smiles on their faces, while Gavin wore a frown.

I stood in front of them, my eyes wide and my heart racing.

My heart was pounding hard in my chest. I didn't know what to say to excuse myself from this situation. There was no way I could have dinner with Gavin and his family.

"I really should go," I finally said, trying to find the right words to get out of it.

Matt was sputtering, pointing over my shoulder at the door. He let out a strange, nervous laugh that felt a bit desperate.

"Please, Judy," he said, grabbing my arm tightly. "I really want you to stay."

"It would be nice to have..."

"I agree," Irene said, her eyes shining with a glimmer of hope.

She was really eager to make friends, and she was determined to find them however she could. I looked up at Gavin, hoping he would understand her need for connection.

"Can you please say something to help me out here?" he asked. But he just sighed and ran his fingers through his hair. He looked at Irene and then at Matt before turning to the maid who had just walked in at his command.

"Set an extra plate," he instructed.

"for Miss Montague," he ordered.

My heart sank deep into my stomach.

"Yes, Alpha," the maid replied, bowing her head in respect. She hurried off toward the kitchen.

Gavin then turned to look at me, his expression serious.

I looked at him, my eyes wide in disbelief. His face was blank, and I couldn't believe he had just done that. It was obvious from his expression that he didn't want me to stay. So, why was he making me?

I wanted to ask him why he was acting this way, but the words caught in my throat.

I didn't want to make a scene in front of Matt. He was so excited, jumping up and down because I was joining him and the others for dinner. I didn't want to spoil his happiness. I could tell that Gavin was likely thinking the same thing.

Matt's happiness and excitement were rare. I would feel terrible if I was the reason his smile disappeared.

"This is so exciting!" Irene said, clapping her hands.

"Come on, Matt. Let's get ready for dinner," Irene said.

Matt nodded and walked with Irene toward the kitchen, leaving me alone with Gavin. I quickly turned and glared up at him. My lips were pressed tightly together, and my eyes were filled with frustration.

He looked troubled. He pretended not to see me, glancing everywhere but in my direction. This only made me angrier.

"What was that?" I asked him, placing my hands on my hips and continuing to glare at him.

"What was that?" he asked, pretending to be clueless.

I rolled my eyes at his act.

"Why would you ask the maid to set an extra plate for me?" I said, feeling frustrated.

He finally looked at me, and I could see the coldness in his eyes.

"Because you are joining us for dinner," he said in a low, threatening tone. I was startled by his sudden change in attitude, and I took a hesitant step back.

"I haven't seen a smile on Matt's face in a long time, but for some reason, he likes you. So, for his sake, you're going to stay for dinner, and you aren't going to complain."

I opened my mouth...

to protest, but then he quickly closed it. He was right; I couldn't be the reason Matt was unhappy. So, I nodded curtly and turned away from him, walking towards the kitchen.

But then, he grabbed my arm to stop me.

"Stop me before I go too far," I said. His touch was gentle but firm, making me feel safe. A warm sensation spread through my body from his contact, and I felt goosebumps rise on my skin.

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**\*\*Chapter 25: Bonus\*\***

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My heart raced as I felt his arms around me.

My heart skipped a beat when I turned to face him. I caught my breath, realizing how close he was standing to me. His scent surrounded me like a tornado, and I felt captivated by his presence.

For a moment, it seemed like he had forgotten what he wanted to say to me. He looked at me, his lips slightly parted, and his dark eyes filled with intensity. Then, his gaze dropped to my lips, and I thought he might lean in to kiss me.

I wanted him to kiss me. Did I really want that? I bit my lip, already deciding that I did. I wanted to kiss Gavin Landry.

But just then, it was like he snapped back to reality. He let go of my arm and straightened up.

I blinked a few times, snapping out of the trance I was in. I looked up at him, feeling my cheeks get warm.

"It's just dinner, Judy," he said gently. "Don't think this changes anything."

He walked past me and headed straight for the kitchen, not even looking back. I reached up to touch my cheek, which felt burning hot. I cleared my throat, trying to focus on what was happening around me instead of getting lost in my thoughts.

I took a deep breath and followed him into the kitchen.

Irene and Matt were already sitting at the table. In front of their seats, there were two more plates. One was at the head of the table, and the other was nearby.

I felt a tight knot in my stomach when I realized where I was supposed to sit... right next to Gavin.

It seemed like Gavin noticed it too. As he walked toward the table, he let out a small sigh. The whole atmosphere felt tense.

The dining room smelled amazing, filled with the scent of delicious food. My mouth started to water as I realized I hadn't eaten all day. I had been busy visiting my father in prison and then rushing here to tutor Matt. Between those two events, time had just slipped away from me.

Once upon a time, in a small town, there lived a girl named Lily. She loved exploring the woods behind her house. One sunny afternoon, she decided to venture deeper than ever before.

As she walked, the trees grew taller and the sounds of nature surrounded her. Birds chirped happily, and a gentle breeze rustled the leaves. Suddenly, she spotted a strange glow coming from behind some bushes. Curious, Lily approached it.

To her surprise, she discovered a hidden clearing filled with colorful flowers and a sparkling stream. In the center of the clearing stood a beautiful, shimmering portal. Lily felt a mix of excitement and nervousness.

Taking a deep breath, she stepped closer. What adventures awaited her on the other side? With her heart racing, she reached for the portal, ready to discover new worlds and meet new friends.

And so, Lily's journey began, filled with wonder and mystery, as she prepared to step into the unknown.