

Chapter 235

The pure emotion in Ares's words set Rue's heart leaping into a frenzy of emotions that nearly clogged her throat. She swallowed the lump and let her eyes roam over the wolves behind her.

Their breathing was ragged, the air coming out in puffs of fog as they showed their rage for the dark witch ahead. Rue's heart leaps again. Never had she thought in a million years that wolves would fight alongside her. She felt her eyes moisten at the thought.

She sucked in some air to relax her nerves and turned to face Mericel. Whatever was about to go down now would set the future of the wolf people.

Rue's skin crawled and her palms itched seeing the nasty smirk on Mericel's face. She clenched her jaw and fisted her hands.

"You think mere wolves could lay even a scratch on my loveliness? You are fighting on the wrong side Rue." Mericel cackles loudly before snapping her fingers. About twenty or more dark witches teleported beside the dark witch Mericel, all on either side of her.

Rue

My eyes narrowed as I calculated every movement the dark witches made. They were conjuring something, I could tell. I turn to face Ares's beast. "Ready?" I mind-link when the earth begins to have a slight tremble.

His head snapped to me, red eyes connecting to mine. He rises to his full height and lets out a puff of air. "With you, always." He mind-links and his beast lets out a growl.

I smiled, nodded before looking ahead. I needed Mericel to attack first so I would be able to counter it back quickly. Mericel does not disappoint, her form crouching, palms flat on the earth as she works a spell.

The air grows tense and one can already taste the stench of death on their tongue. "Stay close, we fight together and we fight to win!" I shouted to the wolves who howled in return. The sky darkens to a horrifying purple until it looms over us. The air stills, the leaves in the trees end their rustling and everything grows quiet.

I stay on high alert, my eyes staying glued on Mericel and the witches who were now kneeling on the ground. A gleam of blue like nothing I have seen before, began to create an aura over them. Mericel looks up to face Rue, a nasty smile settles on her face before she mutters something lowly.

The tremble in the earth began to get worse until the surface of the earth cracked. There was a loud roar from the earth until dead corpses emerged out.

"She summoned the dead?" Ayla questions with a voice of startlement. I too was stunned by the sight of the rotten fleshes surfacing out of the earth. Their eyes were glowing an odd blue, teeth strangely sharp as they snarled and snapped their jaws.

"What the bloody fuck?" Ares mind-links, utterly confused at what he was witnessing. I was about to answer him when the snarling dead came barreling towards us. With the darkened sky, the only visible thing we could really see were their glowing eyes and snarling teeth.

I looked around, sensing the wolves' fear yet they stood with a certain power that was honorable.

"Now!" I roared and watch them take off after the running corpses.

Ares beast turns to face me, his red eyes communicating what he could not utter. I nodded in reassurance and that seems to be what he needed before he too left my side and raged over into the war.

I flicked my finger whilst speaking in tongues and several branches snapped. They came levitating beside me until I flicked my finger forward. The branches go flying towards the corpses, some penetrating through their chest and sending them flying backward and straight towards Mericel's.

But even though I had done so, more dead still came emerging out of the earth. I grit my teeth. "Ares come to me." I mind-linked as I set one of the corpses on fire. The snarls of the wolves and the hissing of the dead were the only sound resonating through the still fairly foggy air.

I could spot Ares's wolf apart from the rest, the mere size of his beast, one could not look past. He tossed one of the corpses aside and its body crashes into a faraway tree. It hisses dropping to the ground and unable to move since it was now broken in half. I cringe inwardly.

Ares turns around and his powerful beast bounds over to me, occasionally tossing corpses around before he reaches me. When he was beside me, his beast was shaking with fury, eyes red with anger and breathing harshly.

Just by the look on my face, he knows why I had called him over and turns around. His beast lowers so that I would be able to get on without a hassle. When I am safely on his back, my hands dig into his soft dark coat and latch on before he rushes towards the fighting corpses and the wolves.

The growls and hisses grew louder the closer we got. "Is there any way to stop the corpses from emerging out of the ground?" Ares asked through the mind-link as a snarling corpse blocks our path.

Its blue eyes connect to mine and it tries to leap towards me, to only get stopped by Ares's sharp teeth. I grip onto him tightly as to not fall whilst he tussles with the corpse. He turns it into shreds before going on his way.

I breathed out a sharp sigh after nearly falling off his back. "I will try-"

I stop when something catches my attention. Nearly ten corpses were swarming Sebastian's wolf. I could tell it was him by his scent. I quickly chanted and flicked my finger, having the corpses flying away from him. His beast turns to face me with a grateful look. I nod with a small smile as he takes off towards more corpses.

I snap my head towards Mericel. The only way to stop the corpses was to stop her first. "Get me to Mericel." I demanded. I could have easily shifted into my wolf but I needed to be human to use my magic.

I faced my palm to the earth and chanted. I could feel the roots of the trees as I manipulated them. They grew thick and spiraled out of control in the earth before springing out and pierce through the corpses.

I directed the roots, careful not to hurt the wolves as I focused on the dark witches ahead. One screeches when one of the roots plunges into her stomach. The other dark witches including Mericel took a step back.

But as though thinking better of it, she takes a step forward, looks me dead in the eye and chants something under her breath. We watch as the earth begins to crack, crumbling until it separates us from the castle and the dark witches.

Mericel smirked while I rage with anger. The wolves might not be able to reach there but I can. I rubbed Ares's scruff and lower my head until my lips are beside his ears. "You know what to do." I whispered.

His beast nods, growling as he sends a corpse flying into the opened earth. Seeing that we had no intentions of stopping, Mericel's eyes widen. I smirked when Ares picks up speed and as soon as his paws near the crumbled earth, he stops, sending me flying in the air.

Ayla peeks out, my nails come out and my canines extend as I growl. I land on the earth on my fours, my hair whipping back as I glared at Mericel and the cowering witches. I was not fully wolf but surely they could see my wolf's eyes.

"Please." One begged as she backs away. Her blonde hair was beautiful, cascading down her back.

I worked a quick spell and the blonde witch screams in pain. Her long nails claw at her face as the once beautiful skin begins to melt. Seeing this, the rest of the witches disappear, no doubt teleporting somewhere else.

Mericel roars. "You useless bitches!" She snaps the blonde witch's neck in anger. She falls to the ground with a plod, the skin on her face melting to the earth.

I smirked at Mericel, knowing Ayla was still peeking out. "Do not worry. I will still pay them a visit after I am done with you." I promised, rising to my feet.

Mericel's eyes grew colder and she lifts her hand. Soon more corpses and now snakes emerge out of the earth, barreling towards the wolves. Her dark eyes snap back to mine and a cruel smirk morphs onto her face. "Why don't you clean up this mess first." She nods to the fighting wolves and starts to speak in tongues.

Seeing that she was about to escape, I snapped my fingers and flicked them towards her. A sharp tree branch, as sharp as a spear pierces the side of her stomach in a blur. Mericel gasps, eyes widening in shock.

She disappears leaving me smirking, knowing that she cannot teleport far with the wound I had just inflicted on her.