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Chapter Thirty-one : Do Not Corrupt The Young Mind

Maya's Pov :

I stared at her suspiciously, what's this little imp?up-to now? I looked away comically when her warning gaze met mine and it was quite obvious the Spencer's has?this intimidating gene in their blood.

"How do I help queen sassy? " I tactfully pointed out her rude attitude but she ignored me and waltzed?right in as if she owns?the place.

I snorted and locked my door knowing the only way to settle this was a little?square off with a bit of quibble in between which would eventually lead to?a down to earth discussion.

It was unusual?for Isabelle to be here unless she caused trouble already or about to cause one , with the hope of?using me as her instrument.

"Incase?you haven't noticed, I'm still waiting for an explanation young lady. " I asked sternly "Why are you here? "

She shot me a ridiculous look before dragging her butt to my refrigerator, rummaging through my stuffs without a care.

"Your fridge's a total disaster, don't you ever cook?"

Brazen-faced !?Bullies !

I cried out aggrieved , how could they both be shameless??like father like daughter! They both only knows how to bully the weak ! This is my house! My house!

I rubbed my chest trying to get some air into my lungs before I explode from anger. I stormed over and snatched all the food stuffs from her grip, put them back in their place and slammed the refrigerator door close. She tried to open it once again but I caught her arm before she could make a move.

"You!"I roared, my eyes fierce and glaring at the little disturbance of a being "Speak now, what do you want?! "

She stared back with same blazing intensity, holding my gaze until her next action stunned me.

I saw her lips quiver violently before tears touched her eyes and next began to pour?like rain. Being stunned was an understatement , I was dumbstruck.

This is?the first time I've seen?Isabelle emotional and I had no clue how to placate her.

I've always seen Isabelle as a?calm, strong, collected and able kid with a lot of hidden pains and struggles even though she could be impulsive at times.

Maybe because I was used to her arrogant and strong attitude, I've totally forgotten she's a kid that knows tears as well.

So now she's wailing her heart out, I stood frozen and like a moron didn't know what to do. In such a short span of time, I experienced a rollercoaster of emotions until I got the shock of my life.

Isabelle suddenly stood up straight and with one?fluid motion, wiped all tears away from her face and gave me a don't -be -so - stupid unwavering gaze that sent goosebumps all over my body.

"Y-you "I choked "You weren't crying? " I asked, disbelief clearly written on my face

She sneered, her face scrunched up?in disgust "Crying are for babies "

Here comes again her mocking reply as my mind recollected the time I was?crying in the prison. Was she trying to say I'm a baby?

She stared at me and waved her head in disapproval "Tsk?tsk, my father was right. You might be intelligent but definitely not smart.?How could you be so stupid as to fall into Eden's trap,?everyone knows how corny he is" She trailed off as if thinking hard of something before she continued

"Well except his daughter, though my dear niece Annabelle possesses a brain but she doesn't count cause her thinking contributes nothing to this earth"

I stood helplessly receiving the lashing of her sarcastic mouth. I seriously need to work on her attitude.

I rubbed?my temple thinking hard,?with this merciless and malicious tongue?of hers, which girl her age would like to be her friend without leaving right away upon receiving a share of her heartbreaking jibe.

This girl's totally going to be alone for life

"How did you know? " I asked curiously intently watching her every movement as she stood in tiptoes and grabbed a packet of corn chips?from my kitchen cabinet.

Her actions suddenly made me conscious of my place,?it wasn't as spaceful and graceful?as their mansion and I thanked God she didn't point that out.

Suddenly, she pouted her lips and said "Your place's small, tidy?and cozy "

I froze then raised a brow?,?should I take that as a compliment?

But obviously Isabella wasn't done with me yet

"Which is exactly the opposite of what I like" She finalized with disdain as my face fell.

"I know, you love havoc " I sighed slumping on my sofa exasperated.

"Yeah, there's beauty in that "?She grinned sheepishly?but when I cleared my eyes to make sure I saw clearly, it was replaced with a scowl .

Apparently, the emotion she guarded so much had betrayed her and she could only regain her?composure after sighting the shock on my face.

Her change in attitude wasn't exactly surprising to me since the closest thing to a smile I've ever seen on her face is a mischevious smirk or a scheming?smile that normally spooks me.

"You still haven't answered my question " I reminded her as she leisurely munched on her chips.

"It wasn't hard to figure out especially if you were as smart as me " She replied and I frowned, her insolent exaltation were?starting to irk me.

"Well Mr Nik?came home looking like shit, so I put two and two together and??knew the only person capable of putting him in such mood was you .?So I investigated further but the detail's sketchy, so enlighten me, what happened in the interrogation room??" She questioned boldly lounging on my couch and crossing her leg over the other.

I stared wondering what soul possess this girl? Was it really a high IQ or a transmigrated soul hiding in there? I let my imagination run high until a childish pitch brought me back.

"Earth to Maya " she said snapping her fingers at my face "You still haven't answered my question? "

I snapped out of my thoughts and gazed at the girl before remembering her question. I felt a new wave of anger as I recollected the scene until it got to the mushy part and my cheeks became a hot shade of red.

" Though I?studied psychology but your face already betrayed everything and please I'm still an innocent ten year old. Do not corrupt the young mind " She declared as a matter of fact.

I almost spat blood.

I scoffed audibly, when it comes to causing trouble she becomes an adult but when it comes to the mushy romantic part, ?she becomes a..?what did she call it?...?an innocent mind.

I gave her an accusing stare but she looked away chewing her chips innocently. I sighed,?fine, I'll pardon the innocent mind.

"So the help you wanted to get was to gossip about your father? " I inquired but she nodded her head negatively?, muttering

You're so narrow-minded "

'Then what? "

"I want to sleepover "

My mouth hanged open, did I hear clearly?

But when I tried to probe further, my doorbell rang and I groaned,?who's it this time?

I dragged my lazy butt to the door and opened it right away. I still had to interrogate Isabelle now she's being pleasant to talk to before it's too late.

But I froze right away upon sighting those before me.

Is today by chance, World's Visiting Day?

"Emily? Annabelle? "

"Hi Maya!"

They both said in unison as if it was staged.

"What are you both doing here? " I asked overwhelmed by their presence.

Emily smiled bashfully before raising two handful of packaged Jumbo-sized popcorn saying,?more like asking ,

"Sleepover? "

Oh God.

Chapter Thirty-Two : The Spencer's Sleepover

Maya's Pov

"Both of you cut it out " I warned the two kids who were having an intense stare down .

I breath?relieved when they stopped it obediently but Isabelle wasn't one to let go without grievances.

"What's this bimbo doing here? " She asked disdainfully and I shot her a look of disapproval.

"Watch your language, young lady " I warned.

She stared at me for quite a time trying to hold my gaze before she huffed and stomped back to the couch ?with a discontented and aggrieved face.

"I'm sorry, Maya . Annabelle would be a good kid?from now on " She apologized timidly leaving me astonished.

As a spoiled brat, I expected her to storm away like Izzy did but instead she did a three sixty degrees?surprise on me.

I smiled, A-ha! This is how kids are supposed to be, not arrogant and cold like Isabelle who was now glaring at the both of us.

"Is OK, you're too cute to be angry at anyway "

I said warmly, playfully pinching her soft and adorable cheeks and she chuckled.

"Thanks Aunt Maya " She said pecked me on the cheek and ran away probably due to shyness.

Aunt?

Just a nanny.

Moreover, did Annabelle eat something wrong? She wasn't this loving the last time we met.

I subconsciously touched the cheek she pecked on and smiled, it felt warm?but.....

I turned to meet Emily and she shivered as my gaze met hers and looked away as if hiding something from me.

Why?did she come?here with Eden's daughter and request a sleepover when they have a perfect mansion at home. Why decide to hang around in this crappy stuffed house of mine?

"Why are you both here? " I asked, my arms akimbo as I stared right into her eyes.

let's see how she'll walk out of this.

Emily pouted her lips and took on the look of a cute stray puppy?lacking care and love "I missed my only friend, can't I come sleepover with my friend along with my niece? "

I facepalmed at her words, couldn't she see her words were partial? Was Annabelle the only niece she has?

I instinctively turned to see Isabelle who was on the verge of breaking down but she hid it perfectly.

Sometimes it was indeed hard to remember this little imp?was still a kid, she too wants?love and care even though she doesn't show it.

"I don't buy that, now if?you're going to sleep here tonight you've got to spill the whole beans " I said sternly as she swallowed nervously before she gave in

"Fine, I'll say the truth " She surrendered at last as a smile crept to my lips.

"The truth is... " She trailed as my eyebrows arched, urging her to continue cause my ears were itching?to hear the juicy gossip - I mean truth .

"We have no place to go to "

""

I stared at perplexed

"You don't believe me?" She cried out "Then you can go ask your darling Nik, I don't know what he said to my father but he's been roaring ever since and looking for who to vent his frustration on. So I ran away hoping to find solace in Eden's place but the reversal was the case of the worst scenario, I don't know what got him so happy but he won't let my ear off, he kept rambling and rambling until I couldn't take it anymore so I came here!"

By the time Emily was through, she was huffing and puffing. I could only try to imagine the scenario and empathize with her.

In her own perspective, she probably didn't go to Nik's place since he's in same state as her?father though I could tell I'm the one responsible for his outrage, well, Eden's too. He's probably delirious with joy because he got to Nik through me.

I stared at her thoughtfully but her aggrieved look didn't give me room for doubts so I agreed readily.

"Fine,?let's go stuff ourselves with movies and popcorn " I gave in and she shot up from her couch rejoicing and wiggling her butt to her own tune and left for God knows where forgetting a certain niece

"Hey" I said approaching the fuming Isabelle whose glare was enough to vaporize anyone on spot but I was already used to it so I wasn't intimidated at all.

"Are you just going to sit there for the rest of the night in self misery?"

Her gaze flickered as she shot me a contemptuous look

"Who said so? Infact, I'm gonna be participating in that ridiculous binge watching?" She suddenly said and I shivered feeling an evil intent from her

"But you guys should prepare?to be welcomed into my world of spoilers " She added, a sly smirk on her face as she stood?with a jerk like an author suffering from writer's block whom just found a new source of inspiration and spiritedly headed for my room.

Probably going to ransack my wardrobe for a nightwear.

I smiled and shook my head, indeed Isabelle is chloreic and in that state incredibly easy to ruse

Thanks to her outburst, she didn't realize I just tricked her into coming to watch the movie with us. I knew?if I didn't ask, the girl was stubborn enough to sit this one out for the rest of the night.

So that was pretty much how the night went, we watched a lot of movies with a lot of Isabelle's spoilers in between.

It was as if the girl was psychic, she could predict the outcome of a whole episode without battling an eyelids.

Though when questioned how she could perform such feat when she hasn't even watched any of them, she would reply with this smug smirk

"You can predict it only if you're as smart as me "

Then we'll groan irritably and resumed our watching while?the cycle continues over and over again until we burnt?out our energies?and slept off.

I was awoken by a splitting headache and rubbed my temple as it throb painfully.

Everyone was still asleep in diverse askew position that'll definitely take a huge toll on their body?when they awake.

I stared at the clock noticing I hardly had a three hours sleep, it was already eight o'clock in the morning?but thankfully it was a Saturday so I didn't have to worry on how to get the kids to school.

Emily stirred when I tried to leave for the bathroom

"Morning already? "She yawned dissapointed. She stood and stretched her body, groaning with the effort.

"Yeah, so much for a night late "I groaned scooping Annabelle in my arms?as I walked to my bedroom and placed her gently on my bed.

She stirred a bit , her eyes fluttering open but she slowly closed them?and went back to sleep.

I released a contented sigh and headed to the sitting room intending to do the same to Isabelle and was surprised to see her awake already.

But what was more shocking was that she looked vigorous and glowed with intense energy?as if she had slept for fifteen hours straight

whoah, I envy her gene.

She muttered a greeting I couldn't even comprehend but I had more pressing issues at hand.

Cooking.

I took a great time washing up in the bathroom cause it gave me a great venue to concentrate and plan my next move.

I didn't want them to know I hardly cook and depended on takeouts.?Not that I didn't know how to cook but it was a huge job to me, a tormenting one at that.

As if on cue, my doorbell rang as soon as I finished dressing up.

I suddenly became alarmed, I had a contractual delivery man that gets my breakfast every morning. Probably because I had a lot on my mind, I had totally forgotten about that.

I rushed to the door before anyone else hoping to remeid the situation?when I got the shock of my life.

"Eden? "

"Hi" He smiled raising two?shopping bags that were filled with foodstuffs.

I raised a brow, what's going on here?

"I bought fresh ingredients to cook breakfast " He explained smiling sheepishly exposing his white attractive teeth but it didn't last long cause a figure turned up beside him.

Oh God, not him too.

"Hungry? " Was all Nik said with a grim expression as he raised four paper bags ignoring the existence of a certain cousin.

"This is ridiculous "I muttered staring at the two powerful figures still awaiting my decision.

"Isn't it bad behavior for a hostess to leave a guest standing outside " Nik complained making my eyelid twitch at his insinuative words.

A guest ? Was Eden now totally invisible in his eyes ? isn't he a guest too? But before I could reply, Eden beat me to it.

"Isn't it a hostess duty to kick out a ridiculous, rude and offensive guest " He said enunciating each word boldly and audibly.

I stared at the two contrasting beings?and was at odds?on what to do.

One is rude,?arrogant, roguish, domineering, possessive, tyrannical yet straight forward while the other's kind, civil,?romantic, disciplined yet abhorrent, manipulative and shrewd.

"So have you made a decision? ".They both asked?at the same time while I stared at them perplexed,

This guys are mental.

Chapter Thirty - Three : Who Diced The Carrot?

Maya's Pov

My head throbbed painfully at the sight of the two annoying figures who weren't on the verge of giving up.

"So have you made a decision? " They asked at the same time rendering?me speechless. One had a persuasive look on his face as if he could readily convince me?to give in to his request while the other had a smug grin on his lips as if he could easily?charm me over.

Before I could react, someone else beat me to it and it all happened in a blur.

"Oh yes, she has " Izzy replied, moved past me and swiftly snatched the bags from their grip and slammed the door shut right in front of their faces.

"And that's how you handle the two idiots " She appraised herself flaunting her wits dramatically

"What was that for?! " I hollered, utterly bewildered

"For love?sake, would a little manner kill you?"

She looked taken back for a moment before her gaze hardened , prompting her?to leave?with the bags while murmuring to my hearing

"This is what I get for helping someone out, you all can go to hell ?"

I sucked in a shaky breath and opened the door but regretted it right away after seeing the victorious smirk?on Nik's?face.

If it wasn't a known fact that he wasn't on good terms with his daughter?, I would've thought he?and his daughter were in cahoot to ruin my life.

"Daddy! " A tiny excited voice screamed from behind and I didn't need to guess who it belonged to.

I turned to see a sleepy Annabelle who was still rubbing her eyes run into her Father's embrace.

"Haha! My lovely bumpkin, daddy missed you last night " He said engulfing her in a loving hug while she nestled her head in the crook of his neck.

"I missed you too, daddy "

The warm and loving scene stirred my heart to the extent I was close to tears. I indeed had a loving family but their love wasn't for me, ?it was for the other daughter.

I quickly snapped out of my thoughts, it was already in the past so there was no need crying over spilled milk.

Now talk about the other family.

Nik's adam's apple bobbed restlessly as he tried to start up a conversation with his er....loving daughter?

"It seems you had a lovely?sleep last night, mom's ghost didn't haunt you enough? " Izzy dropped as soon her dad approached her.

Bam! ?A deafening silence enveloped all.

I stared at this girl stunned to the core, couldn't she see?her dad's trying to bridge the distance between them and what sleep? Even a blind man could make out the dark circles on his face, he obviously didn't get a wink last night.

Nik suddenly?paled?for a while but he covered it up with his poker face and he spat

"Oh yes,?she did come but I killed her a second time "

*Cough*Cough* Emily who was witnessing the family soap opera choked on her drink while I facepalm.

Was this idiot building bridges or burning bridges?

"Oh that's true " Izzy sneered "I've forgotten that you're the only psychopathic killer yet to be jailed "

This time I mentally gave Izzy a thumbs-up, when it comes to exchange of words, the girl was totally unbeatable.

But I couldn't just sit by and watch them destroy each other, I had to do something.

Unfortunately it seems they guessed my intention cause as soon as I moved, they sent me a death glare that pinned me at that?spot .

I raised my hands in surrender,?fine just kill yourselves already, I'll gladly send your corpse to your father!

I sat back deciding this time to greedily watch the unfolding soap opera without interrupting.

All that was missing was?a bowl of popcorn and a comfortable couch , the stool I was sitting on wasn't quite comfortable to watch on.

I stared at the two figures who had positioned their body?in an argumentative stance, it was already a draw so it was left for another person to drop another bomb.

"Really? " Nik laughed but I could perceive the coldness behind it and when our eyes met, I could literally?see an infinite number of knives suspended in the air waiting to be projected towards their unyielding victim.

"Really " Replied Izzy, an equally malicious smile on her lips with her own infinite number of knives locked unto her target.

They were literally shooting lasers from their eyes.

I chilled at once while internally praying to God,?'Please don't let them drag me into their family drama' .

Thankfully God answered my prayer at the expense of another.

"Izzy, you shouldn't talk to uncle that way... " Annabelle interrupted unexpectedly and I shook my head sympathetically for the girl.

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"Shut up !, don't interrupt when the elders are talking " Izzy sassed back as expected, glaring daggers at the poor girl who hurriedly turned to her father?wailing and demanding?to be avenged .

Unfortunately for Annabelle?, even Eden knows when the dice isn't in his favor. He knew how to tread?carefully cause the girl's quite a prowess in both?the word and mind game so he could only find another way to placate his daughter.

"It's alright sweetheart "?He said sweetly running his hands through his daughter's hair "Don't mind Izzy, she's just jealous of your beauty "

A loud snort came?from behind but?one needn't bother to find out who did it.

I couldn't blame Izzy, there was just?some allegations sometimes you don't bother to clarify cause the result is quite obvious.

Even though both girls were?beautiful?, the difference was?quite clear.

Annabelle had straight brown hair with baby blue eyes that one could stare on for centuries, her eyes were so alluring that??I could see why Eden couldn't refuse her a favour.

She just had to blink her eyes repeatedly?and pout her lips a bit and even a man with the strongest mental strength would give in.

If one were to summarize her features, it would be her beauty's doll like, she's?just like a real life barbie cartoon character except she's missing the blond hair.

On Izzy's side, there was only one word to term her and that was 'succubus '.

Her beauty's defined and so attractive that I'm afraid Nik might become a father-in-law before she turns eighteen.

Just like a demon from hell, her beauty's so heart-stirring that even a malicious smirk from her could steal one's breath away?.

If not for the fact she's a cold beauty, there wouldn't be a moment of peace in the classroom cause?it takes quite a lot of will for one to?take their?eyes off her and she knows that.

And that's what I'm afraid of.

I'm afraid if she's becomes a player like her dad, she would wreck more havoc than her dad ever did . I wouldn't be surprised if broken hearts becomes the norm of the day.

Like father like daughter? I just hope gene lies this time, else the male population are in for a long and rough ride.

"As much as this has being entertaining ,it's now sick and over.If you still have grievances , go work it out at your place of comfort " Emily who've being surprisingly quiet all this time spoke up dismissing the two revolting figures

Emily continued "If you're here for breakfast, sit tight but if you're not?, better get your fu*king ass outta this place and be warned " She cursed aloud and everyone settled down in the twinkle of an eye.

I stared at Emily amazed, what hidden trick did she use this time?

I was yet to get my question answered when she gestured with her hand for me to drag my lazy ass to the kitchen.

So I stood but Eden stood along with me, I stared at him perplexed

"I can help out" he said.

I gave him a skeptical look which Emily noticed cause she defended him right away

"Don't worry, he's the chef of the family "

I stared at Eden astonished, was there anything he couldn't do?

Notwithstanding his negative traits but he's a good father, intelligent, successful and also good in the kitchen?and in bed? Well,?that's yet to be confirmed.... Uh.. not that I'll be confirming it anyway?.

If not for the fact that he's totally way out of my league he'll probably be the guy I'll settle down with .

I imagined?the scenario :?I try to cook but he lovingly persuades me to go rest and leave the work for him since he knows I dislike cooking a lot and then Annabelle runs up to me and places her head on?my tummy trying to make out the baby's heartbeat while I chide her naughty attempt playfully.

Such heartwarming scene?but come back to reality, Maya

"Earth to Maya " Emily called snapping her fingers at my face just as soon as I returned from the land of thought.

"My bad, you were saying? " I apologized producing a sheepish grin.

"Kitchen? ?Remember? "

"Ahh, right "

I slapped my head, silently scolding myself for being stupid but that didn't last long cause another announcement dumbfounded everyone.

"I'll help out too"

Everyone's gaze landed on Nik?that if eyes were bullet he would be long dead by now.

"You would? " Emily and I asked simultaneously, a doubtful gleam obvious in our gaze.

Nik seem?to have gotten annoyed over the skeptical gaze we were passing him cause he agitatedly asked ?"What's so hard about it that you guys are passing me such dubious look? "

We shrugged innocently, who said we didn't trust him?

"If Eden can do it, ?then there isn't anything hard about it at all "

Prideful and boastful, I sneered internally, praying he remembers this moment when he burns himself.

Truth be told, ?I've never seen Nik in the kitchen aside from the fact he comes to pour himself a cup of coffee every morning.

The guy's so doubtful of everyone including his own daughter.

"Fine, tag along. If you really want a death wish, I'll grant that to you willingly " Emily snorted and sauntered away while we followed along like interns?obeying their senior's every command.

In the kitchen every one went ahead busying themselves with one chore?or the other save Nik who had no clue where or what to start with.

I stared at Eden who was busy slicing the onions?with quite a skillful demeanor that I couldn't help but be attracted to?this heart stirring scene.

The onions he cut was so slim and sleek as if it was done by a professional cook moreover his chopping movement on the cutting board was so fast and didn't make much of a noise along the way.

I stared at Eden dreamily, he was truly my dream husband if only - bam!

I almost shrieked from the loud chopping sound as Nik miserably tried to dice a few carrot that Emily had set aside to be used.

what the heck?

I stared at Nik, he was flushed and barely paid much attention to the noise he was creating as he fought with the carrots.

The scene was amusing cause most of the diced carrots were rough and uneven while the rest were more sliced than diced.

I unknowingly let out a chuckle, it was insanely funny and I saw Eden give him a mocking grin.

Annoyed, Nik tried to speedily dice the carrot just like Eden did earlier but that's when disaster struck.

Immersed in the challenge he barely avoided amputating his five?fingers?and ended up with quite a huge cut instead.

Blood slowly poured out from the affected finger and I instinctively grabbed his hand guiding?the injured?finger?into my mouth and suckled it.

I felt the strong metallic taste in?my tongue and sucked on it further trying to stop the bleeding without knowing I just woke a sleeping lion.

My little innocent rescue was so sudden that I didn't have the chance to?think twice about the repercussions?until I looked upand froze

Chapter Thirty-four : "It's All Good Now Thanks To The Wonders Of Your Mouth "

Maya's Pov

I wasn't mistaken, his face was burning with pure desire, his gaze was so piercing and burning that I felt he would gobble me up if care was not taken.

*Cough *cough * Awkward *

I flung his finger away speedily?as if bitten by a poisonous cobra?when I felt Emily's and Eden's heated?gaze on me, how could such an innocent gesture become ambiguous in a twinkle of an eye.

I didn't bother explaining knowing it wouldn't help clear the misunderstanding in the air, cause they already have a bias opinion of what happened moreover a clear conscience fears no accusation.

"I-I g-get the first-aid " I incomprehensibly said and rushed to my room. I ran to my room as if being chased by the devil and locked the door tight.

I located the first-aid but stood before my dark brown wood mirror with built-in stand and became stunned at the view.

My face was scarlet red while my cheek?continuedly burned with shame as I recalled the scene from moments ago.

This is nothing Maya, you were just trying to be a good Samaritan and not taking advantage of the poor guy.

I tried to assure myself while calming my frantic heart but my view consciously fell on my lips and when I remembered how I suckled on his finger , my cheeks burned?once again .

Geez! How am I going to treat him when my emotion's a complete wreck?

I was suddenly startled by a heavy knock on my door and my eyes darted around searching for the first-aid box but I couldn't get to it in time cause an impatient knock resonated a second time.

I frowned and went to answer the constant knocks while trying to guess who would want to bring my door down .

But I never expected to see Nik?fucking Spencer in all his glory, his lips curve a smug smirk that spoke volumes, I could clearly see 'Thanks for falling into my trap ' printed all over his face.

I sucked in a sharp breath, internally praying for strength to fight the battle ahead?plus the grace not to throttle this guy to death.

"What are you doing here? " I asked, displeasure clearly written on my face.

He frowned upon my cold reception "Isn't it obvious? "

"What is obvious? " I retorted

He smiled, a cute but evil smile that clearly told me this guy was up-to no good.

"You were gone for so long , so I came to check up on you incase you've gotten into an accident judging from your clumsy nature " He subtly concluded and stepped into my room without me letting him in.

I glared lasers at him.

Just like father like daughter, they both have the knack for rendering someone speechless.

"Well as you can see, I'm?fine! " I roared back, suddenly wondering if he could ever start a conversation without being rude or sarcastic.

"You're welcome " he teased?and walked past me, his body intentionally brushing past my arm yet sending tingles down my body.

I shivered unconsciously, realizing it was dangerous being in close contact with this man.

I?stepped back making a mental note not to touch this guy especially now we were the only beings present in this small room.

Suddenly it felt like all the air in this room became thin, I fanned my cheeks with my hands cause it was blazing hot but my eyes couldn't help but wander as I took in the looks of the hot eye candy before me.

Today he wasn't wearing his intimidating business suit?but was dressed in a simple dark blue shirt that wasn't exactly flashy but trendy and appealing to the eyes with a white slack that probably cost a lot.

His short sleeves exposed his strong powerful muscles that rippled with strength while?my throat dried at once as previous memories of that capable bulging muscles snaked around my waist surge?my senses.

"Nice room "

"Huh? "

' Judging from the fact your rooms neat and arranged perfectly with nothing out of place I can tell you enjoy stability "

"Oh " Was all I said when my gaze fell upon him taking in the appearance of my room.

He's really talking about my room not me.

My eyes darted across my room,?how could I not love stability?? It was all I could ever wish for since I wasn't raised in one.

"How's your finger? " I asked purposely changing the topic which he noticed but surprisingly, he complied with me.

He raised his finger upward for me to have a better view of it.

"It's all good now thanks to the wonders of your mouth "

'....'

I stared at him dumbfounded but I?slowly comforted myself with the fact that he's the world's number one?flirt so I shouldn't take it personal.

Not minding the playful smirk on?his face nor the fact my heart was about to leap out of my chest, I slowly took?his hand in mine and examined the injured finger.

The no-contact rule forgotten at once.

Thankfully it wasn't bleeding anymore and on a closer inspection, it seem he had cleaned the wound before coming in.

"I'll get the first-aid "I murmured and looked away when I noticed the misleading smile on his face.

If one would take a closer look, he looked like a young innocent love - starved teenage who has fallen inlove for the first time but I knew otherwise .

He's just trying to win me over like his other conquered women and I wouldn't be so stupid to be the latest addition to his harem .

Sadly, my body always betrays me.I couldn't understand why I was so attuned to his touch

- to him.

Knowing I was under his scrutinizing gaze, I meticulously picked up the first-aid box from under my bed and headed back to him where temptation number two began.

Because this was my bedroom there wasn't a chair for him to sit on , so he had to sit at the edge of my bed and like an emperor waiting to be served, he sat majestically for me to attend to him .

I cautiously approach the bed eyeing his body language so I could know when to pull out my pepper spray.

Thankfully enough, he behaved as I applied?the ointment on his affected finger.

Lucky for him it had being a minor cut,?it didn't cut too deep or over a joint nor did his finger feel numb so calling a health provider was not needed.

"When?last did you have a tetanus shot?" I asked immersed in my treatment that I didn't notice his face drawing close to mine.

'Twenty years ago? "

Stop bei...." I froze when I looked up

I had intended?reprimanding?him for joking with his health when our face suddenly met?to the extent we were exchanging breaths making?the?air hot and a whole lot ambiguous.

Our eyes locked as we regarded each other trying to guess?one another's intention until I felt his lips draw closer to mine and I unconsciously closed my eyes awaiting?the impact which never came until I felt his lips whisper upon mine.

"Don't worry about my health love, I'm as healthy as a horse "

This simple yet moment destroying confession left me so agitated that I pushed against his chest and sprang up annoyed.

His?hysterical laugh exasperated me so much?that I threw the sterile bondage at?his face and spat

"If you're as healthy as you claim, your highness , why not treat yourself and get your ass out of my fu*king room!?"

I cursed exasperated and proceeded to leave after clearing away the first-aid box only for a sudden but tight tug to?bring me falling back into an open embrace.

At first I was stunned until I realized I was lying on the body of a certain narcissist who was grinning at my infuriation.

I pushed and shoved against his embrace but his hold was iron clad. I looked up only to become lost in his burning?orbs that was staring right back at me as if seeing through my soul.

It's a known fact that Nik's hands down handsome but, up so close he's so damn breathtaking that I totally?forgot I was the aggrieved victim and became lost in the moment .

I let out a yelp when I was suddenly flipped over as he pressed his body against mine on my bed.

"What do you think you're doing? " I asked as soon as I broke free from the trance he put me into with his good looks.

"What do you think? " he asked purposely, a malicious smile on his lips as he continued? "Especially after the scene earlier ?"

My mind shifted back to the finger suckling scene and I blush at once, isn't he too petty dragging on this incident?

"Remember? " His?breath hit my ears making me shiver and he smiled sensing my body reactions.

His warm and soft lips clung to mine like gum as he sucked , teased, bite and push my lips open making a way as his tongue slide into mine creating a notch up in the pleasure chart.

Coming up for air was always short lived cause each time I tried to, his lips would be there to capture mine leaving me with no choice than to bask in this limited ecstasy.

Moans upon moans riled one another as I forgot I still have some people waiting for me in the kitchen.

"I can't get enough from you " Nik murmured as his mouth located my neck imprinting love bites wherever he found likable.

With the state we were into,?I was totally sure I would've let him take me there and then until unmistakably I heard a camera shutter sound.

At first I ignored it until I heard the shutter a second time and my eyes snapped open , locking on the door where I saw a dark shadow dash away as soon as our eyes met.

What the fuck?

Chapter Thirty-five : The successors

Maya's Pov

I definitely knew whom those eyes belongs to, mischevious burning amber eyes.

lzzy

I felt goosebumps all over,? what's her plans this time with the camera? But no?matter how hard I thought , I couldn't come up with an adequate reason?so I became uneasy.

"Nik" I called out but the guy didn't give me his attention, instead he boldly slipped his hand into my shirt, lifted it up and started trailing feather kisses down my stomach

I became exasperated when this guy continued his thrilling journey so I pushed against his chest - with no success

"Seriously Niklaus cut it out "I chided, emphasizing on his full name but he pretended not to hear my order and I had to resist the urge to moan cause it'll give him the liberty to continue his act further.

"Nik! "

"Hmmm?" he hummed?absentmindedly . He didn't even give his ear to me for a moment until I snapped .

I didn't know how my hands curled into fist nor when it moved, only I?saw my hands raise and next, I floored him with a suckerpunch which totally knocked him out.

I know I took self defense class in the past but I never thought my skills reliable and efficient until?now.

"Oof!" I let out air when his heavy body slumped on mine. Even during our passionate make out I never considered him heavy until? now.

I flipped him aside gasping with the effort but releasing a sigh of relief I was finally free. I slowly bent and placed my ear on his chest trying to make out his heartbeat incase I had unknowingly killed him.

His heartbeat was steady but just to make sure , I checked out his pulse which thankfully was ok too.

He was just having a little nap.

I dragged out a heavy breath but my gaze shifted back to the handsome man sleeping innocently on my bed.

I leaned?further to discover dark circles around his eyes making me frown, has he not being getting proper sleep the past few days?

Maybe me knocking him out was a good thing after all?

I checked myself out on the mirror making sure to arrange?my ruffled clothes and tousled hair till I was good as new.

I had barely stepped into the living room before everyone threw questionable gazes on me well save Izzy, who knew what happened already?and Eden who was nowhere to be found

"What? " I blurted out when the inquisitive gaze became too much

"What have you being doing upstairs?" Emily asked suspiciously, her gaze nearly burning me.

"A-attending to your bossy brother whom by the way is sleeping on my bed?for the record "

I responded without thinking and with a frown, noticed how ambiguous my words sounded.

"Really? " She asked, her eyes lit up with surprise "How did you get him to sleep, Nik is very cautious on where he places his head on " Emily?trailed off as her sight landed on my neck and she let out a confusing? "oh? "

I was surprised at her change in demeanor until a bell rang in my head and I realised everything at once.

Hickeys

I facepalm mentally,?Nik you bastard !

I blushed scarlet red embarrassed to the core, it wasn't enough Izzy caught us in the act now he purposely put?hickeys on my neck to advertise to everyone we were doing adult stuffs in my bedroom

"Where's Eden " I suddenly asked trying to divert her attention and saving myself from this embarrassing situation .

"Ah!" She exclaimed as if remembering something important "Something came up at work so he had to Leave"

I nodded in acknowledgement admiring his passionate?and hardworking nature,?unlike a certain person who claims to be busy but in reality was lazing around on my bed.

Thankfully Emily had a one track mind, soon enough she forgot all about Nik nor did she notice I had purposely diverted her attention.

"Breakfast is ready" Emily announced snapping me out of my thoughts

I turned to her saying softly "I'll?help set up the table "

"No " She replied startling me

"Excuse me? "

"We've imposed on you a lot, so we'll handle this little chore all by ourselves "

"Count me out " Izzy made her stand clear the moment Emily made her intentions known.

"I'll?help out " The ever-cheerful Annabelle announced waving her hands excitedly .

Though Emily is soft and kind but she's quite sturrborn once she makes up her mind so I had no choice than to give in.

"Fine, its?not like I can stop you both anyway "I stated knowing Emily and Annabelle in cahoots was like a goat and a pig in collaboration, both weren't the strongest in the animal kingdom but were extremely tough to deal with.

While Annabelle leaped excitedly to go help Emily, I walked gloomily towards Izzy.

"What are you up-to this time? "

"As if I've ever told you my intentions "She retorted, not even passing me a glance as she glued her eyes to the screen of her phone watching a sci-fi movie.

I furrowed my brow scrutinizing this little girl in front of me, I've always had this disturbing?feeling that this girl could read my intentions as absurd as it might sound

"Are?you a sadist ?"I asked untentionally, I had meant to ask that mentally but I didn't when it slipped right out from my mouth.

Izzy froze, then she stiffly paused the video and turned to face me with an apathetic gaze "Excuse me?"

For some unknown reasons, I felt chills all over to the extent I didn't carelessly let out a breath

"Y-yo seem to take pleasure from my misery " I stuttered

She let out a cold smile that didn't quite reach her eyes and murmured? " Trust me if I was a sadist, then your misery hasn't started "

Suddenly like a bipolar patient, she let out a vibrant smile that was capable of shaming even the sun. How could someone blow hot and cold at same time?

But then she assured me

"Don't worry,?as my future mother I'll?hold on to the picture as a reminisce of your romantic days with Mr Nik "

Even though that?was supposed to be viewed as a compliment but instead I was scared to the bones. I couldn't help but notice? one thing?about this little girl - ?She's?full of darkness.

He knew also of her darkness,? he knew of the inexplicable extent of her abilities , he knew quite well she would be crueler than her father.

An unknown fear came upon me as I came to a startling realization. This was why Nik wanted?me near her, he sees me as her saviour,?as the sunshine that will light up the darkness inside of her .

I chuckled?inwardly, Adam?was quite a good mastermind. Even though the Spencer's have a good public image but it wasn't quite difficult to guess their?affiliation with the underworld. There was no way one would be able to create such a huge conglomerate without soiling his hands in one illegal activity or the other.

To have survived so far, a lot of skeletons was obviously being kept in their wardrobe which is why, a person with a?"lion heart" can only be the leader of the?family and judging?from the scene unfolding, the next successor after Nik's reign was obviously Izzy.

Eventhough Nik has being kind to me so far but I knew beneath that facade is a cold being willing to clear every hindrance on his way to his achievements.

But I obviously could tell,?if Nik was a born? leader?then Izzy obviously?was a born?dictator and that's what Adam?wants, a dictator not a leader.

So how in the world am I going to change this domineering darkness into light without ending up as the collateral damage?

"Breakfast is set, everyone to the dining " Emily announced and I murmured a thankyou mentally to her.

She just saved me from going crazy from?my absurd thoughts.

I didn't know how I found myself on the?dinning table nor how the meal went?but I expressed relief when Emily?announced she was leaving with the kids.

"Papa wants?to see them " Emily said and I saw a blinding gleam in Izzy's eyes causing me to frown .

Even though Mr Adams might poise as a man way past his prime but I know he wasn't that simple,?the man even though aged a bit still wields much power behind the scenes and the fact he has his eyes set on Izzy means there? might be a power struggle in the future between Izzy and her dad when she comes of age.

From?the adoring glint in her eyes, I could tell Izzy loves and worships her grandpa?so separating them would definitely be a bad idea at the moment

To prove that,?Izzy didn't wait for Emily to finish her statement, she had already walked out the door anticipatedly without even a thank-you to the host who?housed?her for the night?or to her so thought future mother.

"Don't mind her manners, Izzy loves papa so much. The both are inseparable " Emily? explained while I gave out a dry smile

"I can see why "

So"

"So? " I asked back not understanding the expectant look on her face

"I would? love for you to join us the next day we'll visit my papa,?he talks about you quite a lot and I'm? sure?he will love?to see you again?"

A nervous smile made itself known on my face as I replied

"I'm?sure?he'll?would "

Chapter Thirty - Six : I Can Make Our Married Life Exciting

Note : Steamy scene ahead

Nik's POV

I awoke to total darkness and instinctively rose?from the bed only for my sight to be attracted on?a figure sitting opposite from me, but I relaxed knowing she could never hurt me?- she could not even hurt a fly. But her penetrative and accusing gaze seem to scald me as I unconsciously looked away.

"How long have I being out?" I asked rubbing my eyes to remove the sleep which surprisingly was still in my eyes .

"Ten hours or so, I can't tell but you were sleeping so peacefully I couldn't bear to wake you " She answered?but I couldn't help but dictate a hint of sneer in her voice

"You could've killed me " I accused but knew inwardly it wasn't possible . It would take more than a punch to end my life, it was obvious I buckled under the stress and sleeplessness of this week.

Moreover, for such strange reasons I always feel comfortable whenever I'm?beside her even my insomnia can't stand a chance with her.

"I know the strength of my punch, I'm?not stupid enough to kill the?World richest bachelor and become a wanted criminal- Dead or alive " She answered grudgingly confirming my suspicion she was angry at me, as if her previous kind and cheerful demeanor was?a figment of my own imagination.

"What's wrong? "I asked with a little hesitation wondering where I went wrong this time.

God, I can never understand women!

(A/N: How can you understand someone created while you were in a deep sleep *biblical reference:The?creation)

"Oh, I think you should know what's wrong Nik?" She asked, with her arms folded across her chest and a million dollar frown.

"Details please " I groaned, feeling a headache coming

"Why do you want me around Isabelle?" Maya began her interruption, the usual bulging vein on her face threatening to burst.

She scoffed much to my dismay " What am I? Ten? Stupid? "

My brows creased?from confusion, has?she found out everything ? Did she finally figure out the whole plot?

"Don't take me for an idiot, Nik " She warned, a resolute one at that. The warning was definitive as if saying,?one wrong answer and you're?toasted .

I breathed deeply giving up at once, it was obvious whether I confess or not, each answer?held grevious consequence and you can never tell what's going on in the mind of a woman or what trap?I'll?fall into next.They're such a complex creature

"I want you to turn her human "

There?was a long silence after that short confession .The?silence was?so deafening that one could feel the tension and storm?brewing without being told.

"I knew it" She gasped "I'm? indeed the collateral damage "

"What? "

"While dragging me into your family war,?have you thought about my safety first ?" She threw at me and stood up in anger.

"Nothing's going to happen to you " I assured her and stood up from the bed with the intention of gathering her into my arm.

"Really? As if you care,?you say this but I bet when push comes to shove I'll? be discarded like a rag! " She screamed right at my face leaving me stunned

I watched her in astonishment, even though she was yelling at me but I didn't feel the least angry, if anything I was glad that I was the one to ignite such emotions in her which totally wasn't my style.

I was never the one to be yelled at by anyone born of a woman but when I was being cursed at by her, all I could think of was how cute she looks flustered .

If anything I tuned out her screams and curses and focused my gaze on the way her succulent pink lips moved.

It was so alluring that I felt the need to kiss them swollen but I knew in this current situation, there wasn't any way I would achieve that without receiving a slap on my cheek - more likely a punch, the girl's a gangster.

"Are you even listening to me? "She asked agigatedly, when she couldn't provoke a response from me

I looked at her with a smile calmly replying "Are you done talking so I can explain to you?"

My words left her speechless as she repeatedly failed to come up with a word to refute me.

I let out a smug smile? while I felt her surrender but she was quick to rebuke me

"Don't?think you've?won already "

"Fine, just hear me out" I raised my hand in surrender but my smug expression still remained the same.

I turned to face her eye to eye making sure to notice every expression on her face as my explanation began

"I've never planned to drag you into any war, I just want you to be a mother to Isabelle. Isabelle is apathetic and aloof and I'm? afraid if she continues that way, she'll?be a danger to others and herself in the future especially in this line of business, it has the ability to turn someone into a monster??"

"And I'm?some Doctor? please get a therapist " She mocked aloud.

"The fact Isabelle likes you is totally unexpected, surprising?and comforting, which means you're?her weakness at the moment and only you has the ability?to make her more human "

"She sure shows her likeness in a strange way" she murmured absentmindedly not noticing how close we were already .

"That's why I want you near her,? give her the love she needs "

"Why? " She asked "Why me? " She continued staring me straight in the eyes as if trying to find some sort of?answers from there.

I smiled and held her both cheeks in my palm , stroking it tenderly as I answered "Because you're?you and the only woman who didn't approach me with an ulterior motive??"

My straightforward answer must have shocked her so much that she blushed immediately and slapped my palms away?from her cheeks.

"What nonsense! "She hollered "What?makes you think I'm?a saint and how sure are you I never approached you with a motive? " She puffed her chest as if daring me to answer.

"Simple as ABC,? if you were with an ulterior motive I wouldn't be the one always seducing you but the other way round "

She blushed instantly at my answer looking away but still unwilling to acknowledge my answer.

"You can never be so sure I'm?not a fake , a pretender whose just waiting for the right time to get into your pants "

She made a point but who cares? She's free to get into my slacks too.

"Trust me honey, the women I've?being with can always testify I'm?the seducer and not them " I said before adding "But if you're so sure you can?seduce me to prove your point,? you're welcome to try" I nonchalantly challenged, flashing my attractive canines like a big bad wolf at the innocent sheep who didn't know I was plotting a trap? for her.

"What? " She choked ,?genuinely surprised at my ridiculous suggestion

"You heard me right, honey. If you think you? have the guts to seduce me, try kissing me for a minute and if I respond, you win, or vice versa"

She seems to be contemplating it cause she chuckled "This is ridiculous "

"You win,?your fourty million debt is cancelled automatically "I threw in the appetizer waiting for her to take the bait - I knew she loves money.

Her eyes glittered at the generous and tempting offer while still contemplating her next move .

"Fine, call me game " She said exuding confidence of her absolute victory. It seems my reputation of a playboy has done me more harm than good.

Just because there isn't a lack of v*gina to fu*k doesn't mean I don't have enough safe control. To get to this position today required lots of?self control and IQ.?She doesn't even realize, she has fallen into my well thought plan.

"When do we start, now ?" She asked rubbing her palms?together in gleeful anticipation.

"Now" I replied hiding the excitement in my voice

She looked up realizing now how close we were,?I saw a hint of nervousness in her eyes and chuckled inwardly, did she now realize the gravity of what she's?about to commit herself to?

Suddenly she licked her lower lips seductively and even with a strong self control , I still felt something stir?from?below .

Damn, she's quite good??????.

Slowly, she reached for my neck and latch her lips unto mine , her little softness pressing against mine.

She suckled on my lips for a while before activating the French kiss, her tongue plundered mine as she kept trying to arouse me all to no avail; If only she knew how hard I was struggling below.

"Time's up" I said keeping her at arm's length as if anymore contact would scald me.

Truth be told, the man below was very tempted and almost responded to her assault throughout the whole ordeal which was why I was quick to release her after her time was up.

"What are you ? A monk? "She inquired astonished

"I guess you don't just have the skills?for it "I chided playfully but her furious expression cracked my rips.

Just when she was about to lash out at me, I suddenly yank her upward without warning, making sure to cup her ass as her legs wind around me for support while her hands cling instinctively around my neck.

Before she could protest , my mouth closed down on her small pinkish succulent bud stunning her stupid .

Her eyes remained open from shock until I bit on her lower lips provoking a response?from her. She tried? to fight against me but she was no match for me so had no choice than?to give in and enjoy the ride.

My tongue plundered her mouth enjoying the shocking sweetness while my hands added the finishing touch eliciting a moan from her.

"You cheated !" She accused furiously when we came up for air

I smiled down on her "Sweetheart ,?all is fair in love and war "

"What?! "She yelled dumbfounded, she's now officially welcomed to my shameless world

"Just shut up and let me kiss you " I said before capturing her lips once again. This time was met with no resistance as she completely melted from my touch. She moaned against my lips and I smiled knowing I was capable of arousing such feelings from her.

"Just let it all out "I murmured against her ear nibbling at it when?I suddenly sensed her holding back .

"Why ? So you can have my body ? just like you want to marry me for Izzy's sake and not love?"

She challenged looking me in the eyes with contempt but her lustful?eyes betrayed her. Eventhough she pretends to be mean and distant, I could? still feel her need for me amidst all that.

"Love don't last forever even for those who claim to be in love , but I can promise you that I'll?remain faithful once I commit to you , moreover there are a million ways I can make our married life exciting but the question is,? will?you let me? "

Chapter Thirty-seven : Giving In

Note: Not suitable for those below Eighteen , Adult supervision needed cause this is a very, very, very, intense and steamy scene.

Maya's POV

I stared at him stunned on what to answer. Marry someone that wasn't in love with me? ? All my life I've?always dreamt of marrying the love of my life, who will?love and treasure me as if his life depends on it but it hasn't exactly?being going that way ; instead I've?being greeted with heartbreaks and scorns.

I suddenly thought, maybe... Just maybe I've? being? going the wrong way? Is it really time for a change? Well,?what's?the worse that can happen, he's mentioned a wild ride so why not tag along.

Suddenly my hands moved against his chest teasingly as I purred?against his ear "There's always room for trying "

A broad smile made itself known on his face as he murmured "You're?not gonna regret this"

But when his hands moved to my ass, I shrieked, saying "But I'm?not ready for sex yet, not that I don't want to have sex with you cause Gosh ! You have a great body and I'm? sure your below is pretty... good? "

God ! what in the world am I talking about? Really Maya?

"I'm?just not mentally and psychologically developed yet - no I mean,? ready yet... ." I threw my hands and mentally gave up . I am so not opening my mouth again.

But a touch tilted my face .

I looked up surprised to see him giving me a knowing look before it was covered by a dark and mischievous smile that told me whatever he was brewing, I was in for a long ride.

"There are many ways to satisfy ourselves without the joining?of our genitals " He explained so crudely that I closed my face with my palms embarrassed to the core.

He chuckled at my coquettish attitude before?biting my earlobe saying "No need to be shamed cause the main fun hasn't begun yet "

He then dragged my palms off my face forcing me to stare at his alluring brown eyes . My heart was so erratic that I thought it would jump out from my chest pretty soon but non of that happened , instead the temperature went on the rise.

Nik kissed me once again but this time? something was different, unlike the gentle and seductive kiss earlier, this one was more possessive and aggressive as if he was trying to brad his stamp on me, officially making me his.

"What about Tina?" I asked with our lips still connected

"We are so yesterday, moreover it was an arrangement, she'll?understand "He answered nonchalantly focused on the pleasure he was giving and receiving.

But I shivered internally, wondering if ours wasn't an arrangement too? I mean, we're now officially an item but only because he wants me as the mother of his child. What if it ends eventually, wouldn't I be so yesterday too?

All thoughts escaped my head when his wandering hands went to my dress which soon find itself on the floor leaving me clad only in my bra and?my G-string panty.

Niklaus let out a sharp breath ?"It seems we have to get married sooner than expected " He stated huskily, his sight clued onto my ass which the Panty?hardly?covered .

I was genuinely delighted my asset could make him salivate so I purposely moved against him making sure to grind myself hard against his length.

He groaned before spanking my butt chiding me playfully "Bad girl"

He matched towards the bed and dropped me on it before cowering over me but I flipped him over landing myself on top and him below. He tried to protest but I hushed his lips

"My turn now" I ordered and strip him of his upper?clothing as he lay?down without interrupting . Once done,?I bent down and payed homeage?to his small breast, suckling and grazing tightly while he could only helplessly groan .

I laughed at his state before stripping him of his trouser leaving him only in his boxers which hardly concealed his erect member,? he was insanely hard and perfect for my plan.

A mischevious smile filled my face as I straddled him making sure I was sitting on his erect manhood before grinding against it repeatedly

Niklaus let out a primal roar when I rode on him, but when he was halfway to coming I stopped. He began to release torrent of curses while trying to release himself from this painful ordeal but I didn't let him, instead stripped him completely naked.

My throat dried at the sight of his large trade and I couldn't help but wonder how this will feel inside of me.

But now wasn't the time

I straddled him once again this time making sure my wet vulva was rubbing against his hot and throbbing pecker , then I moved .

This time Nik went crazy but he could only hold my waist and urge me to move faster which I gladly complied .

The act felt so good and so right so I added more strength to my grinds while Nik could only lay on his back ?groaning with every movement I made against his sensitive tallywhacker.

This continued until I felt him convulse, a few sticky liquid around my ass and knew at once he has?released but the guy was as fit as an horse cause immediately, he flipped me over same way I did and tore away my bra in the twinkle of an eyes?murmuring?wickedly "Payback time"

Then his wicked mouth came down on my breast and I moaned as his wet touch sent tremors all over my body.

He didn't stop there but licked, bit, teased, graze, cupped, fondled and rubbed my breast until I was on the brink of insanity.

"Oh my God" I moaned from the torturous pleasure "Please Niklaus " I pleaded writhing beneath him.

He smiled before dragging me to the edge of the bed while my leg dropped on the side, Nik positioned himself right between my thighs and my body shivered with anticipation at what he was about to do.

With a vicious smile, he dragged?my ass closer to his face and he began to eat me. I screamed aching my body upward as he nibbled my clitoris making me hiss.

He then began to form a seductive dance of rubbing his tongue around my clitoris but I couldn't take it anymore and released series of screams.

"F*ck you Nik fucking Spencer.... Ahhh yes... yes.. yeah baby " I cried out feeling myself reaching climax but he stopped right?away before beginning to?tease me once again

"Taste good " he complimented and went back to work but this time he began fingering.

His finger rubbed on my clitoris and I shivered instinctively, rubbing my thighs together?with his hands stuck in there while digging my fingers into my bedcover but he slapped my thighs open adding a sweetpain feeling to it.

"Niklaus please "

"Please what? " He questioned aggressively spanking my ass making me bite on my lips

"Please ..finger me " I ?gasped

"Fine,?as you wish my lady " he agreed and increased the pace of his fingers leaving me writhing,?moaning until I let out a heart wrenching scream when I reached climax and buckled at last.

After the?strenuous activity we lay under the sheets snuggling each other while?the hot musky smell still lingered?in the air.

"With our stamina , I think we can produce a dozen kids after we get married "

"What?!" I yelled jerking up but he yank?me back to him.

"Just kidding " he chuckled at my serious expression "I can't? believe you can be this serious?"

'Get lost " I?retorted throwing a pillow at his face

He chuckled and caught the pillow before getting on my nerves again " With a temper like this I wonder what man would marry you, I can't believe I'm doing the bachelors a favour by taking you off the market "

"Really? "I smiled gently but behind that gentle demeanor was a urge to tear a certain someone apart so before he could defend himself I bounced on him .

Unbeknownst to me, he had already guessed my intentions and was just waiting for me to fall into his trap which I stupidly did.

Nik grabbed and trapped me with his body and whispered huskily into my ears "If you have the strength to scheme against me, why don't we go for round two?"

And that was how?yesterday night pretty much ended with us fooling around without doing the real thing - yeah, you know what I'm talking about.

I know, I know . I sound pretty stupid giving in to a player, a man who could or would probably hurt me tomorrow. How pathetic could I get?

But I've got just one life to live and talk about it, what more could I ask for?

He's rich, young, breathtakingly handsome and Yeah, he's not in love with me but who knows, maybe when we get married, the affection might form with time.

Yeah maybe. Maybe?

But just because the night was hot,?sexy,? steamy,?what other word again??Great ?,? it didn't mean we ended up happily ever after, cause came the next day, came it's own trouble.

Stay tuned .

Chapter Thirty-eight : Love Is A Bullet To The Heart

Nik's Pov

I've?never slept peacefully like the night before, even if it was divided between pleasure and rest.

That girl was a little tigress, I can't even remember the number of times I came last night.

We were currently lieing on her bed which truthfully was too small for my long legs and too hard for me - my back was aching.

I wondered how she was able to sleep in this wood called a bed.

Suddenly she shivered and snuggled close to me, delighting in the warmth she drew from my body and sighed contentedly.

Unknown to the sleeping tigress, her legs had unconsciously moved and touched a certain part of my body that was always 24/7 active.

I gritted my teeth and curled my fist, it took me everything to be in control and not lay my hands on her bare body hidden underneath the sheets.

Swallowing hard, I stared down at the tigress who wrapped her hands around my body like an octopus.

Yes, I'm a man of strong character, and?unswerving devotion to what I consider the best interests of my family but I was definitely wanting in self-control.

It wasn't a secret to the public that my sexual appetite was the stuffs of legends and it wasn't surprising since I myself had no faith in my self-control; my sexual commitment.

But things were different now.

I don't know what's so special about her but it makes me want to try and become a better person for her.

Everything about her was scrambling my usual logic and now I'm wavering , but I surely know it wasn't love.

The only person I've ever loved was Kay but look where it got me. For people like me - love is a bullet to the heart

I tucked a stray hair behind her ear examining her face, the girl was beautiful - not in a hot and provocative way but definitely charming and pleasing to the eyes, unfortunately she thinks otherwise.

My gaze flickered to her lips and all accumulated self-control decimated completely.

This tigress is going to be the death of me.

Slowly I began to lean in ,excitement playing in the debts of my eyes, hoping to claim that lips when my phone rang and destroyed the moment.

As if a bucket of cold water was poured on me, I retreated and grabbed my cellphone grudgingly.

I sat up slowly and carefully, making sure not not to awake the tigress but she stirred and wrapped her arms around my waist.

God ! She was so touchy. Fine, I sighed. My body is all yours anyway.

After confirming she was sound asleep, I accepted the call.

"What? " I rasped.

"It's morning " Came Judy's curt reply

Normally I would've ignored the call but Judy always calls with a reason.

"It's a Sunday " I emphasized. Sunday was always my free day - a day for partying and f*cking when I'm not burying myself with company work.

"You might need to hear this " Judy said and my gaze darkened. As ironic as it sounds but Judy is a bringer of bad news.

"Fine " I sighed "Keep the engine busy - no, be on standby " I added when I realized it might take some time to leave this place.

I ended the call. Cautiously tearing myself away from her octopus-like grip, I headed for her bathroom.

Limestone flooring is used throughout the room for an elegant, natural look, but frosty blue smaller tiles are used on the wall to provide a peaceful, water-inspired color palette with a rain - style shower head.

But the bathroom was quite small, probably quarter the size of my own washroom.

Nonetheless, I showered and made use of her shampoos and conditioner I thought seem nice to apply on my hair.

When I came out of the bathroom with one of the clean white towel I grabbed from the rack, wrapped round my waist, she was already awake.

"You didn't wake me " She pouted.

"I couldn't afford to disturb you " I said and approached her before reaching out and held her close, my body wetting the polo shirt she was wearing.

She sniffed and her expression shifted "Did you use my shampoo? "

I teased "Why? You don't like it? "

She laughed " You smell girly "

"I don't mind if it means I smell like you " I said and kissed her , a slow, savoury kiss.

Surprisingly, I broke the kiss "I need to leave"

"Why? Today's Sunday, right? " She asked in between another kiss while her hands run through my wet hair.

"I have a business to attend " I whispered, nibbing at her ears.

"Why do you CEO's, work yourself to death?" She asked, obviously annoyed.

" I'm not like other CEOs, I do know how to have a good time and if you're so curious about my type of fun , I will be so happy to indulge you next time " Came my Insinuative comment that made her blush and shiver.

She pushed away from me and I noticed the way she walked with a slight discomfort.Was she sore from last night?

I shook my head, if she couldn't handle the little fun from yesterday , what about our future bedroom activity?

I sighed, it seems I have to train her endurance.

"At least, let me dry your hair. You will catch a cold if you leave like this " She suggested.

I wanted to refute her claim by telling her an ordinary cold was nothing compared to what I've experienced but when I saw the pleading and concerned look on her face, I gave in.

Seriously Nik, what is going on with you? I facepalm mentally. The girl obviously has you wrapped around her finger. Sigh .

Soon enough, I sat on the edge of the bed while she kneeled behind me and plugged the hairdryer into an electrical outlet and began the blowout.

Surprisingly, the girl had salon-level skills judging from the fact she didn't irritate my scalp and the way my hair achieved a smooth and sleek feel. Not to mention, the way her hands glided through my hair almost caused me to succumb to sleep again.

Once through, she applied gel and slicked my hair backward.

"Yeah and finally done ! " She exclaimed and gave me a vintage style handheld mirror to examine her handiwork.

A smile curled up my lips

"No, that's nothing " She waved, smiling timidly "Back in highschool, I was involved with a drama club and learnt a thing or two from the makeup crew "

"OK, you're good to go " She said and patted me on my back as she climbed off the bed.

Yeah, good to go except the towel was still wrapped securely around my waist. Suddenly, an evil smile found itself on my face.

"You should be" Maya was halfway through her words when I suddenly stood and let my towel drop to the ground.

" Ahh!!!!!!! "

Chapter Thirty- nine : Let's go to Cloud9

Maya's Pov

' Ahh!!! "

I let out a high-pitched screech while my hands flew to my eyes at once. I didn't how but I successfully managed to locate the bathroom with my eyes closed.

I ran into the door and locked it,?breathless and sagging?against the closed door. My lungs were on fire, even though it was a short distance , but I felt like I've ran a marathon.

I know Nik is like a sexual deviant, but I never knew his debauchery was to this extent, and yes I did see him naked yesterday - but it was at night and my coloured bulbs created a romantic ambience, moreover the mood was just... right.

Last night was just unbelievable ; Nik touched and triggered several sensitive nerves in my body I didn't know existed . But seriously the guy was as fit as a horse and?I'm?never tempting him again.Though we didn't do the real thing last night? but I was so sore all over.

I swallowed, but it didn't seem to ease the dryness in my throat while my hand went to my chest, the unsteady beat reverberating through my fingers.

Warmth flooded my neck and face , just the thought of last night was enough to arouse me all over.

I slapped my cheek trying to awaken my senses. Idiot ! What are you thinking?! what do you think you're doing?! You should be reprimanding and punching that pervert , not thinking about his hot, yummylicious body and the wonders of his hands and mouth.

God help this stupid girl!

*sob*sob* I cried mentally. ' you're right, dear mind, but what can I do? His face is so handsome, I can't afford to lay a scratch on it ' Pathetic me.

I was roused from my reverie by a knock on the door making take a few step back .

"What?!" I yelled.

"You can come out now, I'm descent " He answered .

"No, I don't trust you " I retorted .

"No? Don't you want to take a last glance at me before I leave " Nik chuckled, rhythmically tapping on the bathroom door.

"No ! " I hollered " Go away! "

"Fine " He gave up with a sigh " Make sure to miss me, little Tigress "

Humph ! Who will miss him? I snorted derisively and folded my arms across my chest.

And what 'Little Tigress '? What kind of nickname was that?

My ears perked up the moment I heard my room door shut close. I didn't move out immediately but waited till all noise died off, and eased the door open far enough to?peek?into the room.

Nik is tricky and it wouldn't hurt me if I thread carefully .

Cautiously, I stepped into my room and ran at lightening speed to the door, locking it swiftly. I didn't worry about my entrance door cause I was sure he would shut it on his way out.

Exasperated, I threw myself on my bed groaning and gripping my hair. His natural and manly smell mingled with the fruity scent of my shampoo was everywhere.

Why ? Why Maya?! Why are you such a chicken?! Why would you let him get away with everything just because of his good looks and sex appeal?!

Yeah, incredible sex appeal

" Ahh ! " I bellowed and thrash around on my bed frustratedly. I grabbed a nearby pillow and angrily bit down on it.

Suddenly, my cellphone rang halting my momentary madness. I grabbed my cellphone from my nightstand without hesitation, but all feelings of excitement vanished from my eyes the moment I saw the contact name.

Kim.

Nik's Pov

Immediately I walked out of her apartment, a car braked to a stop right in front of me. I opened the door and casually got in.

"I was beginning to think you weren't planning on leaving again " Judy welcomed me with his witty tone as soon as I sat down.

I ignored him, picked up a magazine on my soft leather car seat and snapped it open, but secretly, a smile played at the corners of my mouth.

Secretly, I slowly lowered the magazine a bit, trying to catch Judy's expression but his knowing gaze caught and held mine through the rear-view mirror

Suddenly he frowned, nose wrinkling as if trying to pick up an unfamiliar and disturbing scent

" Why do you smell like sweet white strawberries and mood-boosting mint ? " He asked as I expected.

I grinned " I used her shampoo "

Judy turned and gave me a deadpanned look before shaking his head.

"Idiot " He murmured and I laughed harder.

Perhaps, Judy was the only person I could communicate with, without my usual mask nor facade, but Maya was slowly climbing to the position of being the second person after him.

Judy has being with me half my life and was currently my most trusted henchman. We weren't exactly friends, more like comrades, we had each other's back even though he was a shadow guard - someone mandated to die in my place when a dire situation arises.

"I like her " Judy said abruptly and my gaze darkened.

" Umm" He cleared his throat "No ! I mean, I like her because she makes you happy " he clarified when he realized the ambiguity in his words earlier.

My tensed face loosened at once. So that was what he was trying to say, I thought.

I made a low sound of approval and Judy who had become rigid from fear relaxed at once. Though we might be companions but he definitely knows when to draw the line.

"Why did you call me? " I asked resuming my businesslike tone.

"Someone has being looking into her background " Judy answered, eyes glued on the road.

My brow lifted " Whose background "

' Maya " He answered almost immediately and my gaze sharpened.

"Who? " I inquired with a grim demeanor.

"Can't tell yet, but I think it's connected to Sakuzi - he's back "

I felt a bomb went off in my head the moment I heard Judy's announcement. My blood chilled and my hands curled into fists.

Who's Sakuzi?

Let's just say he's someone I hate more than my father and Eden altogether joined - oh , the feelings mutual, he hates me too. Not only that, he's also my competitor in the underworld business and the mafia boss of the Falcon gang.

"Why didn't you tell me sooner? ! " I vented my frustration on the figure driving on the highway.

If Sakuzi is back and knows about Maya, then she's definitely not safe anymore. I seriously hope, my father has assigned her a shadow guard.

This was another reason I hated getting attached to someone, they make you weak and vulnerable.

Unfortunately, as selfish as it sounds, I'm not letting go of her, even if she does find out how dangerous it is to be with me and wants to leave. No, I won't let go.

"Also " Judy added, snapping me out of my thoughts. " Regarding that incident , I've discovered the culprit "

" Who did it? " I asked straightaway

"Tina "

My Jaw tightened, I shut my eyes and took a deep breath, releasing it slowly as I tried to contain the burning fury in my heart.

"That's the problem " I said " Don't do anything, just invite her to Cloud9 "

Judy's gaze sharpened and he nodded without saying a word.

" Drive to Cloud9"

Chapter Forty : Taken To Cloud9

Tina was genuinely surprised when she got a message from Nik asking her to come over. At first she thought cautiously, has Nik discovered her plan? But when she discovered he was inviting her to Cloud9, she broke into a warm smile. Just as she thought, he couldn't last without her?

Who doesn't know Cloud9?

Cloud9 is a five star club located in the centre of the city and owned privately by Nik . It's a ridiculously expensive and first-class club accessible to the rich and famous.

The club features a nightclub, strip club, swinger's club and a bar altogether in one building, making it the most sought-after club and has occupied the first place on the top 100 clubs since it's establishment.

Yes, Nik has taken her there before and she choosed the swingers club and logged into the masquerade ball themed room where they spent the night playing with each other and enjoying the exhibitionistic thrill of having sex in front of the invited ladies whom ogled but couldn't join in the fun.

Tina donned a sexy red off shoulder mini dress with a six-inch stiletto heels with her lips painted a bright red. She looked incredibly hot and provocative and was sure to turn heads tonight - Nik's included

Once through, she walked out of her villa and intended picking a car from her garage when a car headlights flashed and to her surprise, Nik had sent a chauffeur for her.

The chauffeur strode around to the passenger side of the car and held the door open for her. With pleasure she climbed in as he carefully assisted her into the car.

Tina's eyes glowed with delight sensing how delicate and careful Nik was treating her tonight.

It didn't take long for them to arrive and she stepped out of the car, swinging her long sexy leg after the other and attracting curious gazes and envies from the crowd of people at the Club's entrance

Because she was an invited guest, she didn't join the long queue at the Club's entrance guided by tough and muscular endomorphic looking bouncers, and was led to the VIP entrance.

She walked down a hallway that led to the nightclub . The nightclub was at the floor level, and was designed in such a way that one had to pass through it and reach the other end before snatching a guided elevator that led to other floors and clubs.

Tina wasn't surprised to find hundreds of people on one of the dance floor areas in various stages of dress, drinking and covered in UV paint that was illuminated by the back lights around the club - it seems that was the theme today.

While the DJ in his DJ booth , meters away from the crowd played recorded hits upon hits that had everyone screaming and having a good time.

The club had led screens all over, infact everything ranging from the set, design, light effects and, foremost, the sound quality were world-class.

Led by another of Nik's men - the chauffeur had left upon reaching the club , Tina walked through the crowd and finally located the elevator.

Once inside, the escort pressed a button and next they found themselves in the swingers club.

Tina's lips curled up with a smile as soon as the elevator opened with a ding. As expected, Nik had greats plans for her tonight , she thought with a smirk.

The layout of the club was beautiful, Tina followed her escort down the hallway with rooms going off while enthusiastic moans coming from the next rooms assaulted her ears - as expected from a sex club. Unlike the other floors, entry to this particular club was strict and mostly by invitation-only.

It was only for a brief moment but through a partway opened door, Tina happened to see a famous female celebrity mounting a guy on the bed, with his hands tied to the headboard and rode him to a loud climax as he bucked against the ties.

The VIP areas on the fourth floor of Cloud9 was obviously a safe haven for celebrities with loose and questionable morals to indulge their kinky fantasy due it's tight security and confidality.

Tina felt shivery with excitement, she didn't need to think anymore cause it was already obvious what Nik wanted her here for, and damn! she was so turned on - She couldn't wait for the fun to begin.

She felt her heart was going to leap out of her chest the moment her escort knocked on a door and Nik's deep tempting voice called her in.

Tina entered the large, spacious, obviously private room and spotted Nik sitting on the edge of the bed with a glass of uh... probably whisky in hand.

" Hi baby " She greeted, walked towards him and tried to place a full kiss on his lips but he shifted his face to the side.

"You're still angry at me? " She purred and drape her arms around his neck but still didn't get a response from him instead he commanded.

' Drink "

Tina frowned upon the whiskey resting on the clear glass table in front of him. Reluctantly, she tried to reach for the bottle of whisky but he pulled it away from her and said.

"The other one "

Tina looked and realized there was indeed a bottle of wine beside a champagne glass. Without giving it much thought, she poured herself a glass and consumed the whole content in one gulp.

Dropping the glass on the table with a clank, she turned to face him when he asked an earthshaking question.

"Why did you drug her?"

Her smile froze.

"W - What " She stuttered.

"You know what I'm talking about, Tina. So don't make me repeat myself " Nik said with a warning tone.

Tina paled, why was Nik suddenly serious? She swallowed nervously, this wasn't like the usual Nik. Moreover, this wasn't the first time she messed around with one or two of his playthings.

Though she has never gone as extreme as she did with Maya but she did threatened and chased off two or three girls but he never complained, he just turned a blind eye but now... why was he taking Maya's side. Why is he so worked up over that bitch?!

"I-I uh... " She tried to speak but couldn't find the right words to use .

"I told you not to touch her! " Nik growled and she flinched in fear.

This was the first time Nik was being this way towards her and she didn't like it a bit. Tina always knew beneath that calm facade, that man was ruthless and she had experino seen someone experience his wrath once and it didn't end well.

Tina shivered " I was just angry"

"You and I knew from the start it was just for the fun " He reminded her, each words dripping with anger.

"I know! " She screamed " But you choosed her over me, did you know how humiliating it was? That girl is nothing compared to me! " She raved, hands gesturing and all.

"I know " Nik smiled, a bone chilling one that sent tremors all over her body " Which is why I'm improvising" He said and stood, staring into the distance.

Absentmindedly, he began his confession

Your drink was spiked with two times the amount of drugs you fed her "

Tina stared at him wide-eyed, her ears were buzzing and her world beginning to swirl.

"You did what? " She asked in disbelief

"You heard me right, Tina " He faced her with a dark gaze "I would've done much more but I began to consider our time together, but unfortunately that doesn't mean you'll go unpunished "

Almost immediately, the door to their room opened and a blonde haired guy with descent looks walked in , while Tina turned to face Nik with trembling lips.

Nik stood up abruptly " He's a close business associate and absolutely clean , entertain him for today and you can consider your sins forgiven " He said and turned to leave

"Nik!" Tina cried out and ran to him, holding unto his waist from behind "Please, I'm sorry. I've learnt my lesson, don't do this to me " She pleaded holding unto his body tighter.

He remained silent but after a while shook her off him and strode away.

"Nik no! " She called after him but he didn't even spare her a sideways glance and left.

Once the door closed, Tina sank to the ground, she felt like her world ended. She couldn't believe Nik could do such a thing to her.

"We can start once you're ready or turned on " The strange guy said ogling her body with his lecherous gaze.

Though the guy looked harmless and fun to be with but Tina knew inwardly, Nik's punishments were not to be undermined.

Tina clutched her fists by the side till her knuckles turned white , a blazing renewed determination in her eyes. She was not the kind of person who would take this humiliation lying down. She would make sure Maya pays for this, one way or another.