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“What do you want for supper?” Alec asked as he went to the bathroom. “A wrap or sandwich. Whatever they have is fine. I’m not picky.” “Okay.” Alec yelled from the bathroom before I heard the shower turn on. The door was open but I wasn’t sure if I should join him or not. In the end, I decided to open the balcony door and sit on one of the lounge chairs. After a minute, I got bored and wanted a book. “Alec, I am going to the library to grab a book real quick!” I yelled into the bathroom. “Okay. Come right back!” He said sternly. “Yes, sir.” I said sarcastically but smiled at my little freedom, It was really only down the hall but still. Opening the bedroom door, I walked to the library and went inside. The smell of paper and ink is one I will never get tired of. Grabbing one, I took it and went back to the bedroom. Alec was still in the shower so I went to the balcony and started reading. “What are you reading?” Alec’s voice startled me as he sat down next to me. He was only wearing shorts. “A Brief History of Time” by Stephen Hawking. “I guess you can call it an interest.” “Space or how the universe works?” His comment surprised me.

“Have you read it before?” “Yeah. I like how it all pieces together.” “Me too. It’s crazy to think about how there is a whole different world up there. We are merely a speck in it.” Laying my head back, the sun was just below the treeline. A knock sounded on the bedroom door. Alec got up and answered it. He came back with a cart of food Dinner is served.” Setting a plate of food down beside me on the little table, I put the book down and started eating. “Thank you.” “Yup.” We ate in silence, just watching the sun finish setting and the stars popping out. The breeze was warm

as it tossed my hair around. “I am going to shower quickly. Get some of this blood off me.” “Okay.” Alec got up and pour himself a scotch as I went to the bathroom. The water felt amazing on my skin, even though it burned a little where I got bit. That still pisses me off that it even happened. It felt nice to have clean hair again. After drying myself off, I went to the closet and grabbed silk pajama shorts and a matching tank. Alec was still on the balcony sipping his drink so I grabbed my own and sat on my chair. “Feel better?” He asked. “I do.” The scotch burned as it went down. “I had whiskey up there for you.” “Thank you. This shit is gross.” Shooting the rest back, I went back in and looked through the cabinets until I found the Jack Daniel’s Gentleman. Pouring myself a glass, I went back out and sat down. “So much better.” “What color of dress do you have for prom?” Alec asked. “Black.” “Good.” “Good?” “I don’t have to buy anything new to match you.” Alec sipped his drink. “You’re welcome.” I said sarcastically. “There is only a few weeks left in school.” Alec started. Looking over at him, I waited for him to finish where he was going with this. After I didn’t respond, he kept going. “With everything that is going on, maybe it would be better to have to teachers send over our finals and just be done.” I didn’t answer. Instead, looked up at the dark sky and wish I was on some beach. In a tiny silver bikini with a drink in my hand. I want to feel the sand between my toes as the salty warm wind plays with my hair. Alec stood up and walk back into the bedroom. I heard him wrestling with something but I didn’t look. It was only after he called me name did I figure out what he was doing.

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It was a massage table. Alec was putting a sheet down on it. “Yes?” “Come.” Intrigue, I got up and walked over to him. “Yes, Mr. Alpha?” “Get n*ked and get under the sheet. I am going to grab some oil.” Alec left and I didn’t hesitate. Putting my drink down, I stripped n*ked and had just got comfortable under the sheet when Alec walked back in. Tossing my hair to the side, my face was down in the holder. Alec put on some relaxing ocean wave sounds before I heard the bottle pop open. Moving the sheet down to right before my as s was showing, he moved to my head. Starting at my neck, Alec pushed down and fanned his fingers out as he got to my as s. The oil made it slide down easily as he worked his way back up. His fingers were masterpieces as he worked my back.

Alec took my arm and held it up as he moved to sit on the table too. Placing my arm over his knee, with one hand on the back of my head, he firmly grabbed a handful of my hair as he massaged my shoulder. My eyes were closed but they rolled in the back of my head as he worked me. Not once hurting my wounds, he massaged around each shoulder blade before moving down to my leg. Moving the sheet off one leg and exposing an as s, he started at my knee and firmly pushed upward to my as s. Again and again his fingers worked my muscles. At one point, his fingers roamed my inner thigh that forced me to bite my tongue so I didn’t moan out loud. Picking my foot up. He massaged my foot and calf. Taking the time to work each and every muscle. After the workout he put me through, this felt amazing.

Coming around, I felt him push his elbow firmly into my as s from the side as he rotated my leg around. This worked my muscles in different areas that forced me to moan. Taking my leg, he arched it off to the side as he kept working the muscle. His fingers kept getting dangerously close to my core which excited me. After doing the other leg, he moved back up to my scalp. Alternating between grabbing a fist full of hair and working each part, he grabbed the sheet and covered me up. Lifting the other side, “Turn over.” He said to me. Obeying, I fl*pped over. He took a towel and covered my breast before removing the sheet. Exposing one leg, the sheet covered my vagina and other leg. Moving around my thigh, his hands circled the sheet to my stomach. Moving to my shoulder, he pressed hard as he followed the natural groove of my b*dy. Extending my arm, his hand ran down the length of my side, gliding over my side boob. Moving down my arm, he worked to the tips of my fingers. Getting very inch of my skin. Moving

down to my leg, he worked my foot. Rotating them to get every angle. Once he finish, he moved to the other side. Being careful not to touch or hurt me, his fingers were magic. Forcing me to release a moan against my will. As he worked on my other foot. He moved my leg open more. I was slightly confused as he didn't do this with the other leg but his hands ran up my leg and grazed me before going back down. Moving the sheet, it laid between my legs and only covered my core as his fingers moved on both inner legs. I felt myself get aroused. However, I was so relaxed and so far under his spell that I didn't even notice the table shake a little. Only when the sheet sl*pped off me and I felt something wet enter me, did my hip buckle and a deep moan escape my l*ps that I was holding back. Alec put his arms under my legs and reached up. Ripping

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"Turn over." He said huskily. My b*dy obeyed like there was no other option. The excitement and anticipation was killing me. His hands found my legs again as they were already spread for him. Alec stepped back for a second before approaching me again. This time, I heard him fumble with something before I heard something vibrate. I was about to look up, confused when he inserted it into my vagina. "Holy f uck." I moaned as whatever he was using vibrated deep in me. His hands went back to my as s and before I knew it, his finger sl*pped inside me. "Oh Alec!" I moaned. He slowly worked me as I relaxed around his finger before he inserted a second one. His other hand started working the vibrator in and out of me, causing me to drip on the table. Only after a few minutes, he stopped what he was doing but left the vibrator in me. Taking one leg, he

moved it up before doing the same to the other. This forced my as s in the air, giving him better access to my as s. His fingers started working again but this time, there was three. I felt the table wobble as he got on it. The pressure was building from the vibrator. I heard something pop after his finger left me but what confused me was when both hands grabbed my hips. It wasn't until he d ick touched my as s that I knew where this was going. Slowly, he inserted his di ck into me. The pressure was overwhelming but he allowed me to adjust. Reaching around, he worked the vibrator to get my mind off the pain. When he felt me relax, he started

moving his di ck in and out. "Oh ALEC!" I moaned as he reach up and grabbed a fist full of hair. His movements became harder as he began to really pound in me. "OH F U CK!" I started moaning louder. "That's right. Say my name!" He growled as he pounded forcefully into me. "OH YEAH! YES! YES! YES!" I yelled as my climax hit. I was making a moaning sound that I had never heard before coming out of my mouth, I felt Alec c um too but he kept riding it out. Only when I came down, did he pull out. "Turn over." When I fl*pped over, he was cleaning his dic k off before he took the vibrator out and rammed his dic k into me. Coming down on top of me, he k*ssed me passionately as my legs wrapped around him. The pressure was building up again. Right as I was about to c um, he stopped k*ssing me. "Look to your right." His grunted. I did as i was told. Right as my or gasm hit. I moaned loudly as my eyes rolled back in

my head. I became mentally aware the balcony doors were still open and he fulfilled his promise. A sharp pain erupted in my neck before it was replaced by pleasure. Stars erupted before I came down and darkness took over. I was Birds chirping was the first thing that I heard that next morning. My legs weren't as sore as I figured they would have been. Stretching them out, last night's activities came rushing back to me, causing me to bolt up in bed. Alec was beside me, still waking up. "Good morning." He mumbled. "Last night...." My eyes went over to the closed balcony doors. "Yes?" Alec's c ocky voice got closer to me as his arm sl*pped around my waist, trying to pull me down. "The whole pack might have heard!" My face flushed as I feel back down against the pillow. "Possibly. I'm that good." Alec started k*ssing my neck as I just laid there shocked. "What if your dad heard it? I can't ever leave this room."

"No one will even make a remark." Alec sighed as he got out of bed. "What? Did you mind-link the whole pack and command them not to? That would be just as bad. Hey pack, if you didn't hear me f uck your luna last night, don't talk about it! Yeah, that would come off wonderfully." The sarcasm was thick as Alec looked back at me and smirked.

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"Come on, you have a meeting with mom in an hour." Alec rolled his eyes as he walked to the bathroom. Jumping out of bed, I followed him in there. "A meeting? With your MOM?" He couldn't be serious. Alec was turning on the shower, his n*ked as s wasn't even a distraction for what panic I was feeling. "Yes, my mother." Sl*pping in the water, he left it slightly open for me to go in. "About what?" I asked. Only poking my head in, I was still focused on this meeting. "Kristen, you have oil all over you and you still smell like S**. Do you want to shower before you see my mom?" "It's weird when you call me Kristen." I grumbled as I got under the water. Alec moved out of the way so I could start washing myself. "What would you like me to call you? I haven't been granted permission to call you Ice. Kris just doesn't sound right. Plus, Kristen is your name." I liked how he called me love but I didn't want to say that. "Call me whatever your little heart wants to." I grumbled. "What is this meeting about?"

"Your luna ceremony." Alec was shampooing his hair as he answered me. I had to blink a few times before that really sank in. Grabbing the b*dy wash, I started cleaning the oils off of me. Luna ceremony? I mean, I guess I knew I would have one. "Oh." "It's more of a commitment ceremony. You will denounce your ties to your dad's pack and become part of ours. When I get made Alpha, we will have a joint ceremony." I had no words. The whole thing made me nervous and excited. I would officially be away from An n. With everything that was going on, I completely forgot about denouncing ties to my dad. Part of me already felt like I didn't belong there anymore so it wasn't really a thought. Alec's hand grabbed my face and pulled it up so I was looking at him. "Is that okay?"

"Y-yeah. I forgot about that part. I guess when we mated, I stopped feeling like I belonged there so it really wasn't a thought." Alec leaned down and gave me a soft k*ss to my l*ps. "You belong here now."

Alec rested his forehead against mine as he spoke to me. "Yeah, you are stuck with me." Giving him one last k*ss, he leaned up and allowed me to finish showering "What else are we doing today?" I asked as I toweled dried off. "Figured you would want to go to your shop." Alec sighed. "I do but what about the rogues. I want to be there when you interrogate them." Alec didn't answer as he shut off the shower and stepped out. "Why?" "If it about me, I have every right to know. Plus, I will cooperate better if I am fully aware of what is happening." I tried to reason with him. "I'll tell you what, Colt will be at the shop. If he agrees, then you can go." Alec wrapped the towel around his hips as he walked out of the bathroom. Well sh it. Colt has never wanted me anywhere near the cells. Standing in front of the mirror with my towel around me, I just started brushing my hair. Thinking of ways I will be able to convince Colt to allow me to do it. After applying a light layer of makeup and taking the time to blow-dry my hair, I straightened it and decided to put on a sundress. Alec was texting on his phone when I came out of the bathroom. "Almost ready?" Alec asked without looking up. "Yeah. Let me get dressed. Who are you talking to?" It wasn't jealousy that was sp iking but the fear that he would talk to Colt first and I never have a chance to plead my case.

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Alec walked into the closet as I put on a bra. "Your wounds look good." My eyes traveled to them. They looked days old and it felt completely normal. "Don't avoid the question." I glared at him. Grabbing an light weight romper, I grabbed sandals and started buckling them. "Colt texted asking when you would be there." "Did you tell me about the rogues?" "No, I didn't." He even held his phone out so I could see the messages. Moving closer, I read each message and never once did Alec even mention the rogues. "Thank you." I said, satisfied. "Can we go now?" Alec asked.

"Yeah." I think I surprised Alec when I sl*pped my hand in his. I've never been one to initiate physical contact. The look on Alec's face when he glanced down, mixed with his surprise that filtered through me, put a smile on my face. Alec gripped my hand back as he shut the bedroom door. To my surprise, he walked me straight to the library. "I thought we were meeting your mom?" "We are." Alec let go of my hand and opened the door for me. The smell of sandwiches, fruit and flowers hit me in the face. Luna Erin had transformed the library into a brunch and planning area. "Ah! You are right on time!" She came forward and gave me a hug. I was so shocked that I almost forgot to hug her back. Up until this point, I had very minimal contact with her. "What is all this?" I asked with a smile on my face. "Well, we need to plan your ceremony! So, I took this time to have a brunch and we can spend some time to get to known each other." She looked around before looking back at me with so much hope on her face.

My mouth was open but no words came out. I've never had a warm motherly figure in my life. My eyes looked at the beautiful arrangements she had set up. All the bowls of fruit, salads and a try of different foods. There was even a table of different deserts. When Alec's hand rested on my lower back, I jumped a little as the sparks pulled me out of my shock." BONUS "What else are we doing today?" I asked as I toweled dried off. "Figured you would want to go to your shop." Alec sighed. "I do but what about the rogues. I want to be there when you interrogate them." Alec didn't answer as he shut off the shower

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Is that the one you like?" I heard Luna Erin's soft voice beside me. "My wolf, Sierra. She is silver and Alec's wolf is black. This feels right." I heard Alec stand up and come over to look at the picture. 1 think you made a great choice." Alec's arm ran up and down my back, sending sparks through out my b*dy. Looking up at him, I knew he felt my uncertainty. "I'm so excited about this! I just bought new white linen and I've been anxious to use them!" Luna Erin took the picture and went to sit down. She pulled out a massive bider that was overflowing with different samples. Alec gently pushed me back to the couch. I have options as far as designs for center pieces and decorations. Alec had told me about you planning all the school activities. I know you have quite the knack for this kind of thing. It's really whatever you want. We can mix match different designs or really whatever." She was fl*pping pages around. She really did have a swatch for each fabric or color. My number one pet peeve when it came to events like this was the centerpieces. Most of them are so exuberant that you couldn't even see the person on the other side. Plus, no one even remembers what the center pieces even looked like after the event. "Just a vine of Baby's Breath in the middle of each table with black candles sticks."

"Perfect. What about fabrics?" "I am not a fan of satin. I like more of a matted look." "I actually have a black runner with a silver center but it is sparkly." Luna Erin shifted through her book. until she pulled out a picture of what she was talking about. "I don't mind sparkles but that might be too much with the Baby's Breath." "You're right. I'll save this for the accent tables?" "Sounds good." I nodded in agreeance. "Great. Anything else you want?"

"Can we do an evening thing? Line the tent with solar lights that come on when it gets dark." "Of course!" Luna Erin pulled out different tent options they have and if we wanted walls or not. There was examples of how the dance floor would be laid and made into a stag stage. "That all looks good." I nodded as you can only have so many options with a dance floor. "We can buy a different style if you don't like these." "Oh no. Use whatever you already have. There is no reason to waste money like that." "These are options we have already used for signs. Again, we can do something different if you don't want any of these." There wasn't really any that matched my theme or that I could make match. "Can we get pieces of wood and paint them black. I took calligraphy classes. I can write each sign." "That's

very doable!” Luna Erin smiled at me. I would like to have a set meal planned and not do a buffet style if that’s okay. I have a level of expectations for my events and people always rave about my food.” That made me crack a smile. “Of course, “So, over here.” Luna Erin stood up and showed me the different food options. “For appetizers, I have prepared these three different options. First one is smoked tuna and goat cheese crostini. Second one is a chipotle meatball, topped with a slice of avocado, in puff pastry. Last one is a crispy stuffed mushroom.”” They all looked so amazing. I’ve never been one to shy away from trying new things but if I had read the descriptions at a restaurant, I would not be ordering these. All these were big enough that it took a few bites of each to try but they were still small enough that you would normally get a few on a plate. Picking up the tuna, I didn’t hesitate as I took a bite. Alec followed suit. “Have you not had these?” I asked him. He shook his head no. It was absolutely amazing. The tuna had a perfect smoky flavor. The goat cheese gave a little sweetness against the crunch of the bread.

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Taking a meatball, I loved the presentation but I was not a fan of avocado. Taking that off, I put the meatball into my mouth. The meatball had a spicy but juicy flavor. The puff pastry was nice and flaky. Alec put the whole thing in his mouth and nodded as he kept chewing. “Do you not like avocados?” Luna Erin asked. “No but these are delicious.” Setting the toothpick and avocado down, I picked up the mushroom. Taking a bite, the stuffing wasn’t mushy like I expected but pieces of crispy bread crumb mixed with a sweet jelly. The mushroom was baked with a brown sugar coating that made it perfect. “So, what do you guys think?” Luna Erin looked at Alec and I with so much hope in her eyes. I “They are all really good, mom.” Alec said with a mouthful of food. I knew what I wanted but I was afraid to tell them. “What’s wrong?”

Looking up, he was looking at me confused. “If you don’t like any of them, I can do something different.” Luna Erin looked worried. “Oh no! That isn’t it. They are all so wonderful, “Kristen, what do you want?” Alec said after a few seconds of me not responding. “I want them all.” Grabbing the rectangle plate that had the tuna on it. Removing all but one, I grabbed one mushroom and one meatball and put them evenly on the plate. “We can make the meatballs smaller and cut the tuna smaller so they stretch further. No one spoke for a minute. Looking up at Luna Erin and over at Alec, they both had a surprised look to

their face. “I hadn’t even thought of that.” “If that is too much work, we don’t have to do that!” I said quickly. “That is not too much work at all! I love that idea. This might be my best event yet!” Luna Erin smiled as she moved us down to the next table. She again had three different options. My mouth watering just smelling each option. They were all covered with metal covers. Taking them off, my eyes widened at how amazing they all looked. “Usually, I have two options. I have prepared a few different things to try. The first one is a duck confit over a bed of mash potatoes. The second is stuffed eggplant with black bean sauce. Third is maki and nigiri sushi. Fourth is a roasted rack of lamb with a side of mashed cauliflower. Lastly, that one is beef wellington. Alec cut us off a bite of each. Each one was mouth watering in its own way. “What do you think?” Alec asked me. “I didn’t like the eggplant. The

duct and lamb are similar.” I was thinking through my options. “The beef is nice and juicy.” Alec kept going. “Yeah but it is going to be hot. Maybe the sushi for a lighter option. I think I like the duct better but just barely.” “I agree, those are great choices.” Alec nodded. “This is going great!” Luna Erin smiled as I took another bite of sushi. “These are really great.” “I’m so glad you like them.” Luna Erin smiled at me as she moved to the next table. “I like to have a salad after the appetizer. However, I usually just have the one option. So, I have prepared three options. First one is a stacked Waldorf salad. Next one is summer salad with berries and goat cheese and pine nuts. Last one is a cranberry pear salad with fresh onions and walnuts.” The Waldorf salad was slices of apples, topped with walnuts and cheese crumbles. The Granny Smith apples looked divine with the vinaigrette. Alec cut up an apple slice. Putting a bite on a fork, he held it up for me to eat. The apple was both sweet and tangy. However, it was just a fancy apple.

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“Eh, it’s an apple.” I said shrugging. “Still good though.” Grabbing a fork, I tasted the other two salads. “The Summer Salad is really good.” “I like the Cranberry Pear better myself but both are good.” Alec said as he finished his bite. “Well, it’s not your party” your party.” Luna Erin laughed as she wrote down Summer Salad. “Last is deserts!” “There is a Chocolate Pistachio Dome. When you cut into it, there is German Chocolate mouse on a bed of brownie with Chocolate ganache. This is a Passionberry Parfait with a graham cracker crust. This is a Lemon Tart topped with raspberries. This last one is a Blueberry and Lemon Cake Shooter.” Alec cut the chocolate dome and fed me a bite. The chocolate melted in my mouth and made me moan. In response. “This is so good.” I said with a mouth full of chocolate. “I think she heard you moan enough last night. Do that again and I’ll take you right here in front of her.” Alec mind-linked me. I was sw

swallowing the chocolate and I instantly started choking. “Oh dear! Are you okay?” (Cough, Cough!) My eyes were watery. “I’m good. Went down the wrong pipe.” Ignoring Alec, I moved on to the Passionberry Parfait. It was good but I wasn’t excited about it. It was creamy and rich. One of those things that you could only eat half of because it was so rich. Trying to Lemon Tart, it was just that... tart. However, if you were a lemon fan, this was for you. The tart itself was sweet and smooth. The graham cracker crust really brought it all together. The raspberry helped break it up. Still, I hated lemon. The blueberry and lemon shooter was amazing. The cake was nice and moist. Not too much frosting between the layers. It was smaller and after a few bites, it was gone. However, I would eat two of these and be okay with that. The lemon wasn’t so overpowering. “What do you think?” “I love the chocolate dome. This blueberry and lemon is good.” I said.

“The passionberry is my favorite.” Alec mumbled as he took another bite. “Should we do three deserts too?” Luna Erin asked. She grabbed another plate and positioned those three on it. “That would be amazing!” I was starting to get really excited about this. +15 BONUS Alec cut us off a bite of each. Each one was mouth watering in its own way. “What do you think?” Alec asked me. “I didn’t like the eggplant.

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“Thank you. I enjoy that kind of thing.” I had to stop myself from moaning again as I took another bite. Alec raised an eyebrow at me but I tried to avoid his eye contact. “What else do you like to do?” “I enjoy being busy. I don’t like having a random day of nothing. So, I just do whatever that will fill my day. These last few years, I organized the school activities.” “That’s wonderful!” “Well, I guess I plan them and I do actually do some of it but I have people that work under me that! delegate to. Actually, Penny, my brother’s mate was my personal assistant. I’ll be in the market for a new one now.” “Who do you hire?” Luna Erin seemed really interested in my work. “Well, the people I have hired are usually scholars like myself that don’t have a creative way to express I themselves. Maybe even get into trouble because they aren’t being pushed or given the opportunity to excel.”

“You have such a kind soul.” She finished her salad and set the bowl down. “What do you want to see change around here?” The last bite of desert was inches from my mouth when she asked me that. My b*dy froze as her question seeped into my ears. “Change?” I asked before finishing the bite. “Yeah! Have you seen anything in our pack you want to change?” “Oh... um... I honestly haven’t thought about it. There is still so much I haven’t seen. I know when I helped. Emmy, she wanted to do a few things.” “She showed them to me and we have actually started on her ideas!” “Oh wow! That’s amazing!*

“We are very open to new ideas. Growth after all is vital to making sure the pack is successful. If you have ideas that you think will help grow the pack, please let me know. As you start stepping into the luna roll, I will be here to really help you. However, from what I’ve seen, you are already mastering it. You have a natural ability to comfort those who need it. Plus, you have zero concern about standing up to Marc!” “Oh, was Alpha Marc upset?” “Great! So, you guys can eat whatever you want now. Anything that isn’t ate will just get tossed so please help yourself to any of it. I am going to go write this down and I’ll be back!” Luna Erin smiled as she ski pped out the door. Goi ng over to the sushi, I took the plate and went over to the couch to sit down. “I’m surprised you didn’t eat the chocolate.” Alec smirked as he grabbed the duck. “I rather not be n*ked when she gets back.” I grumbled as I shoved a sushi into my mouth. Alec sat down and raised an eyebrow. “So, did you enjoy last night?” “I did actually.” “Which

parts did you like?" Alec put a bite of duct in his mouth. "The massage was the best part." I teased. "Oh really?" He raised an eyebrow at me. "Yeah. Your fingers are talented." I put another roll in my mouth. "I see." Alec said as his mother came back into the room. "I got everything lined up! What are your plans for the rest of the day?" She asked as she grabbed the cranberry pear salad and sat down. "Going to the shop to see how the progress is." I said before I ate the last bite of sushi. Standing up. I went to put the plate back before getting the chocolate desert. "Ah! I hope it is coming along good! Did you have many clients you needed to reschedule?" "I did. I'm usually booked out a few weeks."

"That's wonderful. What made you want to go into tattooing?" "I love to draw and come up with designs. It was a creative way to earn money and get out of the packhouse for awhile." "I can't believe you managed to run and create such a successful business!" Luna Erin praised me.

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I felt Alex place his hand on my lower back as he sat forward. There was an instant calming to his touch but my anxiety was still flying high. "Mom, we discussed this." "You discussed what?" I pulled back from Alec and looked between them. "You will continue tattooing and will not be giving that up." His voice was firm. They want me to stop tattooing? .we "You misunderstand, Alec. No, we do not wish for her to stop tattooing." Looking directly at me, "yes, had a discussion about the shop taking too much time away from your duties here. However, Marc and i have spoken and we are wanting to discuss something with you two." She paused as she shifted in her

seat. "Like what?" Alec's voice was restraint anger. "With everything that is going on, Marc is not quite ready to step down as Alpha. I know we had discussed him stepping down when you found your mate or waiting till you are older. You have shown us that you are ready without a doubt but since your mate seems to have a target on her back, maybe it's best we wait till things settle down. We also think that this would be a great time for you to take a vacation together. School ends in two weeks. Why not go to the beach after graduation? Take that trip to Italy. After you take over the Alpha and Luna roll, there won't be time for you guys to do any traveling. As far as the tattoo shop, we did hope that you would be interested in expanding it, hiring more artist but you will not recieve any pushback from us as long as the luna duties are still getting done. You have shown us that you are capable of handling multiple things at once." "So, I am keeping Alec from getting the Alpha position?" I was hurt. I knew me ntally what she was saying but emotionally, that really stung. "It was never set in stone he would recieve the alpha title once he found his mate. Even if this wasn't

going on, Marc would still want me to train you for some months to a few years until he stepped down." "So, then why even tell him he would get the title if you weren't prepared for that?" I was getting angry. "Kristen, you are the daughter of an alpha. I'm sure you can understand things change everyday? I believe it was your father's intention to wait till Colt was 25 before he stepped down. After a few public displays by Luna An n, do you honestly think he won't be pushing Colt harder so he is ready sooner?" I

was already sitting up straight but this stiffened my back even more. I didn't appreciate her speaking about this. It might be true but that would mean dad could lose his mate if he breaks his mate bond. Now, he could simply step down but that would not get rid of An n. "Kids, listen. I know this isn't what you were wanting to hear. Kristen, I am beyond happy you have Alec's mate. You are going to be an amazing luna and I think you are the perfect match for Alec. Being alpha and luna is a huge commitment. We want you guys to be able to enjoy some fun before you are tied down to this role. Travel and spend time with each other. Get to know each others habits and desires. Let Marc and Brian take over handling Alpha Rip. We are not excluding you, you both will be involved in any and all information."