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Chapter 0561 “Yes?” I asked. My voice was extra sweet. Very much unlike me right now.

Even my eyes knew what he was going to say and I was happy.

“Fine. I'll do it.” “That's the spirit!” I gave him a smile as he looked at me like I was crazy.

“Can I go? I would like to get ready.” Gunther looked around before settling back on me.

“Sure but this goes without saying, you don't tell anyone what you are doing.

Not even Kara.” My aura shot out, making the command strong. It wouldn't be as strong as Colt's but it still held some weight.

Gunther didn't like that but he didn't

argue. Instead, he darted out of the office as quickly as he could. “That went... well” Colt said as he sat down.

My wolf relaxed as I sat back in my chair. “It will be interesting to see if Ann and Anthony come to the ball. I assume she will.” “Do you honestly think they will come?” Alec moved around and sat down as well.

“T do. I think she will want to parade around. The key will be to get under her skin. We will have to act like her presence doesn't bother us. Ignore her like she doesn't matter. She likes the attention and think she should be the center of it. I think it's time I take a page out of her book.” wasn't going to push my feelings

down but I was sure as hell going to bring out every ounce of Petty I had. I would make inappropriate comments and make jokes at her expense. I was going to give it back like I got it growing up.

“Ice storm is out to play.” Colt looked like he was enjoying this a little too much. “You are going to have your hands full to keep her safe.” “I know.” Alec was both proud and concerned. As much as he wanted to keep me in his bubble, that wasn’t going to happen.

“Let’s call Zac and see if there is anyone or anywhere we could go to help our cause. He knows a different area of the dark side.” Colt looked taken aback but didn’t question it too much. “He will be here

shortly.” “Good. Good.” I nodded. “You know.

We should deliver two dozen roses to Anthony as a luna present. Play a mind game with them.” “You want to send roses to Ann?” Colt asked like he didn’t hear me right.

“If we got roses from Ann, how would you feel about them?” “I would feel like she was up to something and toss them.” He said instantly.

“They would be on the back of your mind the whole time, wouldn’t they?” A sly little smile spread across my face.

“you would be wondering if they were bugged or what the motive behind them. We can even write, can’t wait to see you at the ball!”

Colt shook his head but laughed.

“Penny will get on that.” A knock sounded at the door. Alec got up to answer it. “Perfect.” I turned as Zac looked confused but walked in. He stood off to the side like Gunther did and folded his arms. “You wanted to see me?” His mouth didn’t even open as he looked at Colt. Major authority issues.

“How is the domesticated life?” I asked before Colt could say anything.

“peachy.” His eyes narrowed but it was his clenched jaw that showed how much restraint he had.

“What if I told you we had a more...

luxurious challenge for you?” “Luxurious? What kind of job would be

described as luxurious?” “I want to give create all the havoc as possible. I want you to go back under and give Alpha Anthony all the shit and then some.” It was entertaining to watch his facial expression completely shift from anger to shock.

“Seriously?” His eyes kept looking over at Colt.

“You did nothing but give Colt headaches when we were dealing with Darin. I don’t see why you can’t handle this.” My head tilted to the side as his eyes narrowed at me.

«I was trying to save my daughter.” “And yet the only thing you accomplished was to raise Colt’s blood pressure. He had to save you more times than you achieved anything.

However, now we are asking that you torment Anthony. You have free rein-to do whatever you want to do. Anything and everything. Nothing is too small and nothing is too large.” “Why?” “Can you not do it?” Colt asked this time.

“I can do it... I just don’t know why I am doing this.” “personal satisfaction.” I gave him a fuck you smile as he processed it.

Zac put his hands on his hip. “What do I get if I do this?” Colt sat back and folded his arms over his chest. “What do you want?” “This fucking restriction lifted.”

“If you do enough damage to them, I’ll lift any restriction you have.” Colt answered after a moment.

Zac pointed his finger at Colt. “Fine. I want money and supplies.” Colt just shrugged. “Make a list.” Zac looked around, unsure if he heard anything before he walked out without saying a word. “Between Gunther and Zac, I feel like we will get something done.” Colt nodded.

“Not that I don’t trust them but I want to keep an eye on them. I want to actually follow them and see what they are up to. I want to do my own damage.” “That might be a little much.” Colt looked at me worried.

“Eighteen years I had to deal with her

abuse. Let me work through my own emotions how I see fit.” I tried to stand up but had to hold onto his desk to get my balance.

“Fine but one of us goes with you. You are not going out on your own and we will always be with you.” Colt did not like what he was hearing. He leaned forward and put his arms on his desk.

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Chapter 0562 “Whatever makes you sleep at night.

Either way, I am happy she is alive. I am going to make her wish she was dead.” As gracefully as I could, I walked out of Colt’s office. Alec didn’t follow me but I could feel his concern he had over my newly found coping strategy.

People were walking around like a normal day. The staff was working on waxing the floor so anytime anyone got around there, they were yelling at them to keep off.

Right as I was about to walk out the front door, the alarm went off. My entire body froze as I heard the growls from across the way. A few people bumped into me, making me trip over

my boot.

The warriors instantly shifted into the wolves and the females ran inside the packhouse. Colt and Alec came flying out before shifting in mid air.

“Where are you?” Alec growled in my head.

“On the porch.” “Stay there!” Alec and Colt stood in front of the pack house as some rogues made their way into the front lawn. | “Get inside!” I yelled to the last remaining women. As soon as the elderly and kids got inside, I shut the door and stood in front of it.

“What are you doing? Get inside!” Alec yelled as his wolf turned and looked at me.

“Turn around and pay attention. They are coming up on your left.” Just as I finished talking, two rogues jumped at the same time Alec did.

Between Colt and Alec, my eyes kept scanning the lawn to make sure no one got close to the packhouse.

The whole thing lasted just a few minutes before all the rogues were killed. Not a single warrior was injured.

The whole thing felt juvenile. “This felt more like a distraction than anything.” I muttered to myself. Colt and Alec shifted back to their wolves as warriors brought them shorts.

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Why I felt so ashamed, I wasn’t sure.

“I’m good.” Wanting to ignore it, I tried to act like it was nothing.

Walking down the stairs, I went to the car to grab my phone. I wasn’t sure exactly why I was doing this but it felt like the right thing. Alec and Colt were busy cleaning up the lawn and putting all the rogues into a pile to burn.

“Kristen.” This time, I heard his foot steps. Reaching down, I picked up my phone. There was a total of six missed calls and a dozen texts.

“This was just pathetic, don’t you think? Like a dozen rogues to attack the pack?” Without looking at Alec, I just started shifting through the texts. “Look at

me.” His finger went under my chin and tilted my face up before I could read a message. “Love, look at me.” “Pretty sexy with only shorts on.” My finger trailed down the center of his chest.

His hand wrapped around the back of my neck and the other firmly grabbed my hip. Pulling me against him, he planted a firm kiss on my lips. “I love you.” He whispered in my head.

I couldn’t help the little whimper that escaped me before I could compose myself. “I don’t know why that affected me. I’ve seen you fight before.

I’ve fought rogues my whole life. That was literally nothing.” Alec rested his forehead against mine.

“Because you are finally allowing your feelings to come to the surface. This is how you work through them. Feel them, deal with it and then let it go.” “Everything okay?” Colts voice broke our moment and forced us to take a step back. However, Alec kept his hand around my waist, which I was thankful for.

“yeah. What’s up?” Alec answered for us both. Wanting to avoid eye contact, I looked back at my phone.

“Appears to be-” Colt’s voice faded to the background as I read the messages. My heart started racing again but it was the water in my eyes that made it difficult. “Ice?” I heard but I couldn’t bring myself to look at him.

pulling up my voice mail, I hit play and then put it on speaker phone.

“Kristen! T-these guys came into your shop and destroyed it! I-it’s gone! Come quick!” It was Polly’s voice. She was working today as the office manager.

“No... no...no.” I whispered. All the emotions rose up to the point that I felt like I was drowning. I couldn’t do it. I couldn’t get lost in all this. I needed to keep my head in the game.

Before Alec could even say anything, I pushed part of them down. Just enough so I wouldn’t cry. Enough that outwardly, I could think rationally but on the inside, it felt like I was dying.

“Alpha Colt!” A guard ran forward. He was completely drenched in sweat, even though there was a foot of snow on the ground.

“What?” Colt asked, clearly annoyed.

“you don’t have your phone on you but one of our guards just woke up. He said there was an attack at the club. The fire department is there now.” Colt and I shared looks. We knew who was behind this. It was a ‘if I can’t have it, no one can.’ The guard looked at us for a moment before he ran off.

My body started shivering. I wasn’t sure if it was from the cold or if it was because I was one more disaster from having a mental breakdown. “Fuck.” Colt ran his fingers through his hair.

“Gunther and Zac better come

through.” I whispered with so much venom that it even surprised me.

“You can go to your shop and I'll go to the club.” Colt looked at me like he wanted to say something.

“Don't. I'll reach out to you with details.” I said before I got into the car, impatiently waiting for Alec to join me.

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Chapter 0563 As he got in, I just turned and looked out the window. I knew Alec wanted me to work through my feelings but honestly right now, I just wanted to punch someone or something.

It seemed like forever before we even got there. It was like deja vu with the yellow caution tape. As we walked in, all my staff was standing around, looking at the mess.

«Luna! I'm so sorry. They came in and there wasn't anything we could do!” Polly ran forward. It looked like she had been crying.

“Alpha Alec. I- I tried to fight back...” Calvin was sporting a fresh bruise to his temple and his jaw. His lip was split and his eye was starting to swell.

«None of this was your fault 2 Alec said firmly. There was sO much anger in him that I just felt numb.

“Get out.” I whispered.

«w-what?” Polly looked worriedly at Alec.

«leave.” Closing my eyes, just wanted everyone to get out.

No one spoke but the sounds of feet shuffling and glass sliding around, I knew they were all leaving. Only when I was sure they were gone, did I open my eyes and look around. The chairs had been ripped apart. My pictures had fallen from the wall. Even the huge picture of Alec's back was in pieces.

My anger was boiling so the point that I bent over and picked up a piece of

wood. Looking at what was left on my 360 degree mirror, I just chucked the piece of wood at it. Sounds of breaking glass peppered my soul, letting loose my wolf.

She was furious. Grabbing everything we could, we just threw it that much harder at the wall or even just across the room. Nothing was safe. Any pictures left standing were now in more pieces. Every piece of glass had been forcefully ripped from the wall but it wasn't until I started punching holes in the wall did two strong arms wrap around me, pinning my hands down.

"shhh." Alec whispered in my ear. I couldn't stop the water works from spilling over.

My legs gave out, making us both

slowly fall to the floor. "It's all gone." "We will rebuild. The same way we did last time." Alec pulled me into his lap.

Holding me like a little child, he rocked me. As much as I felt like it was stupid, I needed this. I needed his comfort right now. "Feel this anger. All the sadness and frustration. Feel it all and work through it. Don't push this down.

No one is here to see you. It's just me.

Lean on me. Let me comfort you." "Maybe this shop isn't ment to be anymore." I just wanted to leave. I didn't want to be here anymore. Just seeing this place was keeping the wound open and bleeding.

"What do you mean?" Alec unfolded his arm and pulled me back so he could see my tear soaked face.

"Maybe I need to cut this place off." "I don't know that is the answer." Using his thumbs, he tried to wipe away the black smudges I'm sure were running down my face.

"No. I'm done. I don't want to do this anymore. The more I care, the more I lose." Standing up, I just wanted to leave. Alec followed me as I turned the light off and walked to the car.

Alec wasn't directly behind me so when he took a second to get into the car, I was surprised to see him holding a few things. "You may want these." Alec set them in the back seat before turning around.

Looking back, I noticed my portfolio and a few pictures that were rolled up but I didn't want to look at it.

“Gunther and Zac better get their shit together. I want them to be in hell.” “They will.” Alec pulled out of the parking spot. His hand twitched a few times like he wanted to touch me but I was facing away from him.

“Do you want to go to the club?” “Might as well.” The rest of the ride was silent. It gave me time to reflect on the tattoo shop.

The memory of dad handing me the keys for the first time. My first tattoo, the hours I spent there cleaning or getting ready for going out. To the moment I first met Alec. That shop really gave me an out. Gave me a chance to grow without being under the eye of my dad or Ann.

However, it was also a target. Being in neutral territory, it will always be just that. Any enemies we have, that shop will be somewhere they will start. If I ever opened another one, it would have to be in our own territory. Most of my clients were wolves anyway and it wasn’t like I needed the money. Maybe it was time to sell that location and have a serious conversation about my future as a tattoo artist.

Pulling into the parking lot of the bar, only a small amount of smoke was drifting upward into the sky. The whole building was flattened. Not even part of a wall was standing. Just a large heap of charred wood and metal.

Colt was standing with his hands on his hips, just looking at it. There was some warriors with hoses, trying to put it out. Alec pulled into a parking spot

but he didn’t get out right away.

“I know you are not okay but don’t push me away.” My hand was on the door handle when he spoke. Everything in me froze as I turned to look at him. He had so much emotion in his eyes that I was briefly silenced. “Just because I didn’t hold your hand on the way over here that I am pushing you away?” More anger than anything filled me as I pushed opened the door and got out.

Not waiting for Alec, I walked over to Colt. “What’s wrong?” Colt asked without even looking at me.

«Is that a serious question?” Crossing my arms over my chest, I felt Alec walk up beside me.

“Kristen.” Colt pinched the bridge of

| his nose.

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Chapter 0564 «Alec thinks I am pushing him away because I didn't hold his hand on the way over here.” I knew I sounded like a brat but I didn't care.

“Just because it is easier to push your anger off to him doesn't mean it's okay and when did this problem start up again? I thought you were past that?” Colt looked down at me and frowned.

«you are taking his side? Tam you twin!” “Listen, I know working through your emotions is new for you but here is a piece of advice for you.

Emotional people can't make rational decisions. Mates are here to protect

you physically and emotionally as well as mentally. Let Alec help you work through this shit so you can focus and make the right decisions when it comes to getting back at them. I need your brain and having an overly emotional sister is only going to make mistakes. Pull your head out of your ass and just do it.” I was a little put off from his tone. He usually had a softer tone when dealing with me but he wasn't wrong.

Thankfully, the warrior finished putting out what little bit of fire was left and Colt walked off to check it out.

We stood by for awhile to watch everyone work. Alec didn't try to touch me but he did stay close to me. Since I was still feeling a little resentment, I just stood around. With this boot, 1

couldn't walk over to where the office was or even see if I could find anything.

1 The longer I stood there, the more I craved revenge. Gunther and Zac better come through or I might just end them myself. I wanted termites planted on their house. Beg bugs needed to be freed. I wanted them to suffer, not kill innocent people. Still, it dawned on me that we might still have allies within his pack that were forced to work with him.

“Colt?” I said quietly. I knew he would hear me so there wasn't any point in shouting.

yeah?” He answered without looking at me. He was standing with his warrior, looking at something in the ashes.

“pon’t you still have a friend that is a warrior for Anthony?” As hard as I tried to wrack my brain for his name; I was coming up short.

Colt looked over at me and squinted his eyes. “Yeeeeeeah. Nox?” «yeah. Would he approve of all this or would he want to help us?” I watched as Colt processed this information. “I’ll figure it out.” He said before he went back to his warrior.

«Let me know. We are going to head home.” I was done looking at ash.

«Drive safe.” Colt looked over at us and nodded before turning back around.

He seemed a little put off still since he didn’t come give me a hug but he was

looking at his club in ashes. Walking back to the car, my mind kept thinking of all the ways I could repay them.

Maybe put crickets in the packhouse or mice. “What are you thinking about?” Alec asked after we got on the road.

“What?” He caught me off guard. Twas picturing Ann screaming from some mice and wasn’t paying attention to what was around me.

“What are you thinking about?” Alec repeated.

“How to get backat Ann.” “What are your ideas?” I could see he was trying to have a conversation that wasn’t us arguing but it felt good to talk to him again.

“rermitees, bed bugs, mice or crickets.”

Alec seemed surprised. “IT haven't even thought about those things.” «What were you thinking about?” Looking over, he had both hands on the wheel as he scanned the freshly fallen snow.

“Rogue attacks, small explosions. Not enough to kill anyone but enough to keep them busy.” «Lets do it all.” Looking back out the window, I was justin a weird mood. “I just want to repay Ann back. Since we don’t know what she is after, I just want to drive her crazy.” “What do you think Nox is going to do?” “No idea. I just remembered Colt had a friend growing up and his mom had

mated with someone from Anthony’ pack and so they moved. His biological dad died in a battle. Maybe he would be able to provide us with some inside information that could help us.” “If we are going to follow Gunther and do our own thing, we will need to figure out what we are going to do with Adalynn and I don’t want to be gone for more than a few days ata time.” “I agree. I don’t want to

be gone from Adalynn that long. Just long enough to make sure Gunther and Zac are doing what they should be doing.” “That’s fair.” “where would they even start?” asked, unsure of how things go.

“phere is that part of town where all

the illegal activities goes on. We should probably start there and see how things go.” «I don’t see people wanting to help us after what we just did.” Thad a bad feeling about it.

«I disagree. I think they will want to put their own revenge on someone and we are giving them a free out. I'm guessing they will be more than happy to help us out.” Alec looked over at me and smile.

«But what what cost to us?”

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Chapter 0565 “Kristen. Will you stop fidgeting!” Emmy pulled on my hair as I kept twisting in the chair.

We were currently getting ready for the Winter Ball and not once the last few days has Gunther or Zac got into contact with us. We had no idea what they were doing, who they were doing it with or how they were doing it. The longer it went without contact, the more agitated I was. The chances of see Anthony and Ann tonight were high so [didn’t want to go in blind.

“I’m sorry. I’m just so anxious.” “I’m trying to pin your hair to the side.

I might just get your head!” Emmy gave me a look as she held up a bobby pin.

“First off, that wouldn't hurt that much and second, why aren’t you more anxious?” Emmy hat as a challenge and pushed the bobby pin into my head. Smirking as I flinched, she stopped hurting me.

“I’ve had longer to deal with anxiety and it isn’t as obvious. Plus, Jasper is taking some of it away.” “Alec is making me feel it all.” Folding my arms, I just sat back and waited for Emmy to be done.

Since my dress was a one shoulder, I had Emmy curl my hair and pin it to the one side in a swoop. She had finished my makeup, keeping it pretty natural but gave me a red lip. I guess with a white dress, the red is key.

Alec and Colt were doing some work and then would come get us so we could follow each other. The roads were slick as it started snowing again.

At this point, we had a few inches on- the ground already and a few more to come.

Knock! Knock! Knock! “Hello?” Vivian stuck her head in the door and yelled.

“Hey! Come on in!” I yelled back.

“Adalynn is in here!” After hearing each shoe fit the floor, the closet door opened and closed before she came into the bedroom.

“She looks so happy!” “She had been playing in here for the good part of an hour.” I was surprised she was happy here. Usually she wants out and to roam around my bedroom.

“Oh wow! I’ll take her and get her some supper before bath!” Vivian picked her up and started walking out. “You are amazing. Thank you!” “I am just about finished and then I’ll do my hair.” Penny was sitting in the corner and putting on press on nails as we bickered. “How are they looking?” asked her.

“Good!” She held up her hand for me to see. She went with a classic white nail with some silver bands to match her jewelry.

“Love them!” “All done!” Emmy patted my arm for me to get up. “Don’t ruin my master

piece!” “This is your best work yet!” I said as I carefully sat down next to Penny to do my own nails. There were a set of fully black ones that I loved.

“When I’m good, I’m good!” Emmy tossed her hair back and made a big deal of it.

“Just like old times!” Smiling sadly at Emmy, she blew me a kiss.

“It’s better. We know who we are going home with so it makes it so much more fun.” “Shit, I never brought anyone home.” Rolling my eyes, I kept working on my nails.

“Didn’t stop you from making out with people?” There was a pang in my heart as she bypassed Ace’s name.

I still knew I never loved him but he was always there for me. “So did you.” I said instead of the obvious.

“Well, you both were little sluts.” Penny put down the glue and stood up.

“HEY!” I said but I couldn’t help the smile on my face.

Penny walked over to my closet and slipped inside. “I’m just saying. I saved myself completely for my mate.” She yelled out.

“Colt didn’t.” I muttered under my breath.

Emmy busted up laughing as Penny stuck her head out. “What was that?” She narrowed her eyes at me.

«I fucking love you!” Finishing one hand, I started working on the other.

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“When will Jasper be over?” Penny asked as she retreated.

“Any minute.” Emmy looked at her watch and at the window. “We are getting so much snow.” “I know. Fucking white bullshit ruins my mood.” Looking at my nails, I was ready to get dressed. Penny walked out looking sexy as hell.

“Someone is pulling up.” She said as she walked to the window and looked out.

Wanting to be fully dressed, practically ran to the closet and started dressing. “It’s Jasper!” Emmy sang out.

My heart sank a little but I still got naked and pulled on my dress. It

always gave me so much pleasure to be naked under dressed as it turned Alec on.

“My turn!” Emmy ran in here with her hair still in the curlers but she was already half naked.

“Too bad I don’t have my camera!” I laughed and gave her some privacy.

“Camera for what?” Jasper walked in wearing a black tux with deep blue tie.

“Emmy’s appearance resembles her life before you.” “What do-” Jasper stopped mid sentence when Emmy walked out in the most amazing midnight blue dress.

“you look fucking amazing!” I said in

shock. How Emmy took her hair down and pinned it back so her back wouldn't be hidden was beyond me.

She was literally in that closet for three minutes.

“My turn!” Penny walked out in her elegant purple dress. She looked like a princess with her hair curled down her back and smokey eye shadow.

“Damn.” I heard Colt behind me.

As I turned, my eyes made contact with Alec. I got the pleasure of watching his eyes run down my body and back up.

“Damn is right.” He muttered as he came up to me. Slipping his arms around my waist.

«Don't ruin my hard work!» Emmy screamed at Colt and Alec.

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Chapter 0566 “You look amazing.” Alec reached over and held my hand as we drove to the event center.

“Thank you.” I couldn't help but drool at Alec in a tux with a white tie to match my dress.

“Looking behind you.” Alec nodded back.

Turning my body, I looked at the back seat and saw a suitcase. “What's this?” “Vivian is staying the night and we are having some alone time at the cabin.

With the snow, it is amazing.” «It will be snowing all night but I'd still take the summer heat.” Turning back, a true smile spread across my

face. “Thank you, I love that, It has been ages since we spent the night out there.” “I even got the hot tub going.” “Is that what you did instead of setting up?” I laughed but was very excited for it.

“I set things up...” Alec trailed off as we pulled into the parking lot. There was already people walking into the center. Their gowns were beautiful but they were running to get out of the SNOW.

“I really hope the snow doesn’t cause any accidents.” “Anthony could wreck and I'd be happy.” Alec muttered as he parked in our designated spot. Colt and Penny were right behind us with Jasper and

Emmy in the back. &» r “But I want to kill them with my own hands... or Seirra does anyway.” | muttered as I opened my door. The cold wind whipped at my face and made my dress flare at the bottom.

Not wanting to get it went, I quickly picked it up and ran up the stairs like everyone else to get inside. Alec grabbed my arm and helped me so I wouldn’t fall. My ankle is back to normal but Alec has still been babying it.

The lights were turned down low and the smell of roasted veggies and the beef wellington was making my mouth water. “This looks amazing!” My eyes scanned the room. The black and silver really made it feel wintery. There was diamond rhinestones shining with

snowflakes and Christmas trees of all sizes around the room, “Thank you.” Alec wrapped his arms around my waist and planted a kiss on my neck as everyone else came running inside.

“So cold!” Emmy groaned. After fixing her dress, she walked up beside me.

“You guys did great!” Penny looked around before taking Colt’s arm. They walked in to start mingling with some guest.

Alec and I were going to be welcoming our guest in as they came and Jasper and Emmy were going to focusing on making sure things were running smoothly.

Jacob and Sherry were just a few

minutes behind us. I wasn’t sure why but she still put me off a little. | didn’t trust her and it was hard to be around her. Since she never really did anything against us, she was still allowed come to these events. I got the feeling she didn’t like being around us either so that kept Jacob from spending quality time with us.

“Jacob!” On reflect, my arms went out to give him a hug. He accepted it but let go quickly.

“Hey, Ice. How’s it going?” “Been busy. You look beautiful, Sherry.” I said politely. She had on a shimmering black dress. It was spaghetti strap with a straight neck line. The ballgown really hid her figure but she seemed like like it.

“Thank you. I’ve always wanted to

wear a fluffy dress so here I am!” She seemed very anxious and nervous, Sherry’s eyes kept darting around and her smile was very forced.

“Well, head on it. Please enjoy yourself and mingle.” Stepped aside, I let them pass. Jacob had a sadness in his eyes that broke my heart.

For the next hour, more people filtered in from all packs. I had to start asking people where they were from so I knew where they belonged. So far, I was the only person wearing white and that made me so happy. There was a handful of green, reds, blues and a ton of blacks.

I had just finished talking to someone behind me when I heard their voices.

“Don’t you look... interesting.” Taking a deep breath, I put on the best

Se *<oU BONUS smile I could and turned around. Ann was wearing a dull basic white dress. It almost looked like a human wedding dress and not a gown. There wasn’t any sparkle and it looked too young for her.

“Ann! It’s so good to see you. I see when tried for that young look. Not everyone can pull that off, certainly not you!” I laughed like I said a joke.

Alec snorted and put his arm around me. “Anthony. I’m glad you were able to make it.” “rhank vou for the flowers.” He said in a forced politeness.

“It was our pleasure. It's not every day you escape a death sentence and get made a luna!” Hoping my smile met my eyes, my head tilted to the sideina

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teenager. Please, head on in and mingle. I'm sure there are many people that want to speak with the new couple.” Stepping to the side, I let them pass.

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Thankfully, Anthony was between Ann and I and Alec even pulled me back a little so I wasn’t even in arms reach.

“Don’t leave my side.” He whispered

EP EA in my ear.

“I won’t be.” He wasn’t going to get any resistance from me.

I watched as Anthony and Ann walked up to Colt and Penny. Ann was already pissed at me but Penny was definitely holding her own.

Tattooed Luna

Chapter 0567 “Ice...” Colt walked up behind me and got my attention by nudging me.

Turning, we looked over at him. “Time to start dinner.” The words were barely out of his mouth when the lights flickered, signalling everyone to get to their seats.

Out of pure spite, we did not include Anthony and Ann at the head table with the rest of us. Instead, they were sitting at a table with random pack members to the side of the room. It was away so there wouldn’t be a reason for them to pass our table for anything and we wouldn’t have to pass their table.

“Thank you all for coming!” Colt stood up and started his entry speech.

Everyone immediately stopped whispering, except Anthony and Ann.

“I’m sorry, Luna Ann? I understand you are new to this luna stuff after being in jail for a while but it is rude to speak when someone else is. Would you mind refraining and pay attention? Thank you.” The sweetness from my voice was thick.

Ann looked pissed off that I swear steam was coming from her ears and Anthony was equally annoyed. The room had quiet laughter before Colt got back to his speech. "Tonight, we have beef wellington. If you would prefer a vegan option, just let your server know and they will bring you eggplant spaghetti or a salad. After dinner, we will be moving the tables and having a dance. Drinks will be

served all night until 11pm. Please drink responsibly. I would like to recognize Luna Penny and Luna Kristen for all their hard work in making this possible!" He started clapping and everyone joined in. Penny and I stood up before sitting down again. Colt clapped his hands and the servers immediately brought out carts of steaming hot food.

«1 Jove watching this." Echo laughed.

She was sitting directly in front of me on the table.

"Watching what?" I said as I sat back for the food to be placed in front of me.

"Alec, can you get me a drink?" I asked quietly.

"I got you, Jack and Dr. pepper?" Colt said and stood up. N

"Yes, please." "Whiskey?" Colt looked at Alec." "Yeah, thanks." Alec nodded.

"Alpha Colt. Stay here. I will be your personal server today. The staff and I had a conversation and we would prefer if everyone stayed here and we will get any drinks while the dinner is being eaten. That way, Luna Kristen won't be left alone." The server bowed multiple times like he was worried he was going to get into trouble.

"Are you sure?" Colt asked, slightly taken aback.

"Oh yes, we like Luna Kristen and will do it for her." He bowed one last time before walking off.

«Find out who that is and give him a bonus." Lifting my eyes at Colt, he nodded in agreement.

"Like I was saying, I will enjoy this." Echo repeated herself. Apparently, she wanted to let me know what she was thinking.

"Enjoy what?" I asked. Out of the corner of my eye, I watched Ann glare at me.

“You standing up to Ann. She is pissed and it’s beautiful.” “Stop watching Ann and enjoy yourself.” Alec muttered in our mind- link.

“yes, Alpha.” I replied. I felt the desire run through him but he kept working on his food.

«I swear I saw her face turn red as a tomato!” Emily added.

“It felt nice.” I had to admit. The server came back with drinks for us. I watched as Colt pulled the server to him and handed him a couple hundred dollars.

“I can’t wait. This is going to be the best night we have had in a long time!” Echo laughed out loud.

“Is that so?” Jace looked at Echo and challenged her with a smile.

It was all I could do but not spit my food out as we watched Echo try to get back into his good graces. The jack was going down so smooth that I was happy we didn’t have to drive. Just walk into the woods. I was finished eating and so was Alec so I just leaned back into him.

“Isn’t this cozy?” Ann walked up behind Echo but was looking at me.

Both of our eyes went to the red wine she was holding.

“How was your meal? I hope you found the salad.... edible.” “One step up from dog food but what should I expect from you.” Ann looked at my dress.

Echo stood up quickly, knocking the red wine down Ann’s dress from the back of her head. “I’m so sorry!” Echo faked looking surprised.

“You stupid bitch!” Ann shrieked. Jace stood up, between them as Anthony walked forward.

“What is going on?” He looked at Jace and then at Ann. His eyes traveled down her dress and to her empty cup.

“There was a small accident. I hope

you brought another dress.” Again, the sweetness from my voice was sickening but it was the laugh I. was trying to hide that caught their attention.

“Thankfully, I did bring another.” Ann grabbed her dress and pulled. Echo was standing on it so she was momentarily caught off balance but Jace caught her and planted a kiss like it was intentional.

“I owe you.” I said as Echo took her seat back.

“It was purely an accident. I have no idea what you are talking about.” Echo acted like she was in fact innocent. The servers came around to collect the empty plates.

“What dress do you think she brought with her?” Emmy asked.

“Will it matter? It will be stained shortly.” Emily stood up. “I need to use the restroom.” Lars and a few others headed off to the bathroom.

“Did you not need to go?” Alec asked.

“No.” I pulled his head closer to mine.

“I’m ready to dance.” “Me too.” Alec leaned his head in and breathed in my scent before nibbling on my neck.

“I have a surprise for you.” I told him before he looked at me in the eyes, confused.

Tattooed Luna

Chapter 0568 “What’s that?” Alec asked right as a slow song came on. Strawberry Wine will always be a favorite of mine to slow dance to so I took his hand and pulled him into the floor.

“You look good tonight, did I tell you that already?” Wrapping my arms around his shoulders, he held me tightly against him. I was vaguely aware of the other alpha and lunas that joined us on the floor.

“You did but I am still waiting to see what surprise you had for me.” Alec whispered.

His hands ran up and down my back.

Pulling his head down, I whispered in his ear. “I’m not wearing anything on under this.”

I it. oh ae Alec didn't say anything but his hands tightened. His claws gripped my dress and a growl ran up his chest. The desire that shot up him was beyond anything I've felt for him in a long time.

The moment the song ended, Alec grabbed my hand and pulled me towards the side door. My eyes looked at Ann's empty table right as he pulled me into the hallway.

"Where are we going?" I asked, trying not to laugh.

"Shh." Alec looked back at me and held his finger over his mouth. There was a look in his eyes that told me all I needed to know.

Grabbing his hand with my free hand, I had to practically run to keep up. My heels were loud enough that Alec stopped and scooped me up before he

took off in a jog. Wanting to tease a little bit, I left my own nibbles on his neck.

"Damit, woman." Alec pushed open a door and closed quicker than I expected. The room was pitch black but Alec had found a wall and shoved me against it.

Between his internal desire and how sexy I found this, we were going at it like this was the last time we were going to be together. While his hands pulled my dress up, I took his belt off.

I'd barely got his zipper down when his finger rammed into me. "Fuck!" I whispered as he jack hammered into me. Alec started nibbling down my neck, making it impossible for me to form a sentence in my mind.

"I can't wait." Alec muttered and pulled out of me. I was trying to wrap my head around what was happening when he grabbed my legs and picked me up. With one motion, he dick entered me.

He wasn't being slow or showing me any mercy. I had to hold onto his arms and squeeze tightly. The only sounds were our flesh hitting each other and the grunts coming from Alec.

The only bad part was the door knob that was being rammed into my ass with each thrust. Right when I thought I would get some relief as Alec blew his load, he kept going. My face was numb, my body was tingly but my ass was going to be bruised tomorrow.

Right as the world went back, Alec grunted one last time and slammed his

hand on the wall behind my head. His body pressed against me, keeping me from falling as he leveled out his breathing.

“Good job.” I was just as breathless as I patted his shoulder. “However, the door handle in my ass is really starting to hurt.” A chuckle ran down Alec’s body as he lowered me down. “Sorry about that.” “You can make it feel better later tonight.” I said as Alec pulled up his pants.

“Ready to head back out?” I asked.

Just then, the door to the room opened up. Some light came in and I was able to see Alec’s face. He was confused and had opened his mouth to speak when

— ag ced we heard who was standing on the other side.

“I found one!” Anthony yelled out.

Alec yanked my arm away from the door behind me and opened it. We had about a second to get inside but we weren't able to close it. Instead, he left it cracked. Holding our breaths, we listened intently.

“That stupid bitch! I can’t wait to see what she thinks of what we have in store for her.” Ann waltzed in and started pacing.

“Will you shut the fuck up? All you have done is draw attention to us! This isn’t how I wanted this to go and I don’t want you to fuck this up. I'm surprised we were even to sneak away from all their eyes!” Anthony was pissed. I knelt down and peaked as Alec

stayed standing. We watched Anthony's back. He was facing away from us and I was getting glimpses of ~ Ann’s new dress.

It was a massive light blue silk ballgown that looked vaguely similar to what I saw the Queen of England wearing not too long ago. Her breast were probably tapped up and her hair was pulled into a high bun.

“I’m sorry but I just want to fuck this night up for her! She doesn’t deserve any happiness.” “I know and if you would just stay silent, things will go off perfectly. Just need another hour and we will be able to see things through.” Anthony walked up to Ann and pulled her to him. His hands wrapped around her neck as he planted a kiss.

A little bit of vomit filled my mouth before they broke away. “Do you think they will see it coming? It’s not like rogues are going to storm the building.” “No. He is too far focused on Kristen to be worried about any security issue.” “That’s good. We just need to make sure we leave just before so we aren’t caught here.” I couldn’t see what she was doing but the sounds of his belt buckle clinking together made my body freeze.

“What a vixen. I knew I chose the right woman for the job.” Anthony growled as I watched his pants fall.

“I’m not wearing anything under this.” Ann said in a sexual voice,

“I’m going to be sick.” I said in the mind-link.

“Please don’t ever say that to me again.” Alec said. We backed away and tried to plug our ears from hearing Anthony and Ann have sex while we hid in the closet.

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Tattooed Luna

Chapter 0569 “I already mind-linked Jasper and we are going to figure out what is going on. You need to stay with Colt while I am trying to figure out what Anthony and Ann have planned.” Alec whispered to me.

Anthony and Ann had just walked out of the room. Alec was looking around to see if the coast was clear. “I just need a bucket to throw up in. I am seriously traumatized.” “We can never have sex in front of Adalynn again.” Alec muttered as he grabbed my hand and pulled me out.

There wasn’t a reason to respond as he dragged me back to the party. As soon as we walked in, I immediately spotted Ann standing by herself talking to

some people.

“Ice.” Colt walked up to me. Taking my | arm from Alec, he turned and left quickly and Colt pulled me back to the group.

“Colt, it was horrible.” Closing my eyes, I forced him to stop and look at me.

“I was told.” Colt was trying to hide a smile.

“It’s not funny!” “It’s truly very funny.” Colt grabbed my arm again and pulled me to the group. There were a few obvious men missing but the women were sitting

down, talking in a circle with what men were left standing around them in their own conversation.

“Kristen!” Echo immediately started

laughing.

Instead of responding, I faked threw up on her dress as I fell dramatically to my seat. “I had tears I was laughing so hard when Jasper told me.” Emmy still had some water in her eyes.

“How nice of a friend are you to tell everyone else my horrors.” Sitting up, I tried to gather as much dignity as I could.

“I knew you needed all the support from the girls.” Emmy closed her eyes and took a deep breath like she was trying to regain her composure.

“Can we go dance? I need to distract me.” Looking around, the dance floor was packed with both girls and guys having fun.

“Stay on the end so we can see you.”

Lars muttered.

It was like a switch and all of us stood up and ran to the dance floor. Staying on the end, we started moving to the beat. Wanting to escape, my eyes shut as I felt each beat to the music. Just letting my body flow as it felt like. My muscles relaxes, all my cares went away.

That was, until I started getting anger from Alec. Whatever he was doing, it was pissing him off. My eyes opened as the song changed but everyone was still just enjoying themselves. Not wanting to draw attention to myself, I just kept dancing.

“Ice, whats that?” Emmy nudged me and pointed upward.

Following where she was pointing, I saw movement on the rafter. “Alec,

where are you?” “Why?” { “There is people on the rafters.” “Fuck!” Reacting on instinct more than anything, I grabbed Colt’s arm. “Jace, you are in charge of Emmy now too.” Not waiting for his reaction, I ripped Colt off the dance floor and into the hallway.

“Leaving so soon?” Her voice forced me to stop right as we started off towards Alec.

"Are you?" My back straightened as we both turned and looked at Anthony and Ann.

"We figured we would turn in early." Anthony said politely.

[I wasn't sure what Colt was doing in his pocket but he fumbled with something before he responded. "Cut the crap. There is nothing civil between us." "You are absolutely correct. I want only bad things for you." Ann laughed as they got closer.

"Why are you even here?" I asked. It was a burning question I wanted an answer. "You didn't give two shits about me when we were growing up." "You were always so ungrateful. You took everything away from me so now it is my life mission to ruin yours. I won't stop until you are on the streets and it starts with the life you built of my money." "Alec? Are you okay?" I said instantly

in the mind-link.

"So, you admit it. You were the one that destroyed the tattoo shop and the club." "I didn't say anything. Just that I think you got what you deserved." Ann shrugged. "Why don't you just go back to the party and we will leave. You can enjoy what is left of your party... while you still can." "That's the thing. I feel like you should stick around for awhile." "Keep her talking." Alec said back but his voice sounded like he was struggling with something.

"Why would I do that?" "You might miss all the fun that is about to happen." I put on my sweet voice and my head tilted to the side.

"Fun?" I "Oh yes, you see, Alec and I overheard your conversation and the pathetic attempt of your sex life. I must say, that was a poor performance." I had the pleasure of watching Ann's face drop and the color leave a ghostly white face. Anthony was studying me and slightly smirking. "You li-" Ann stepped forward with her hand raised but it was me to beat her to the punch. My body moved on its own as it took a step forward, blocked her slap and returned one across her face. It was so loud that it echoed across the hallway.

Colt stepped forward and kept Anthony from doing anything from me. "I'm

bleeding!" "It's barely cut. Stop acting like a { child." Rolling my eyes, I took a step back. The fury in her eyes was clear. It felt so good to finally stand up to her.

"Let me get this through your head. I am not a child anymore that you can slap whenever you feel like it. I am a fucking luna and equal to you. I will not lay down

and take it. All the anger that built up over the last 18 years is ready to come out so this is your warning.

Leave my family alone and I'll leave you alone. If you don't, I will use every brain cell I have to make your life a living hell like you did to me. Not even your pack likes you as a luna."

Tattooed Luna

Chapter 0570 Ann was about to say something when | we heard footsteps coming from behind us. There was more than a few people walking towards us. All of us turned and watched as Alec and Jasper walked out with three men being drug by their collars. All of them had blood on this faces but Alec and Jasper didn't have a single drop.

"I believe these are yours." Alec said as they tossed them men at Anthony's feet.

Neither Anthony or Ann spoke for a moment. "We caught them with oil and feathers off the rafters." Jasper looked deadly.

"If a member of my pack set up a prank, that has nothing to do with me." Ann snickered as she kicked their hands away.

"He said you instructed him to do it." Alec chimed in.

"What are you implying, Alec?" Anthony said Alec's name in a very condescending tone.

"That you are completely worthless. I suggest you take your pack and leave.

Next time I see you, it won't be pretty." "Is that a threat?" Anthony took a step forward.

"It's a threat, a promise and I'll even give you my word. I won't be the one on the ground when we are done." Alec looked absolutely scary but it was so fucking sexy at the same time. His wolf came forward to assert his dominance.

"Well, isn't this cozy." Ann laughed.

I was so fucking done. It might have been the anger I felt from Alec but I was done seeing her. Walking around Anthony, I grabbed a fist full of her hair and literally drug her to the door.

Jasper, having recognized what I was doing, ran to open it before I got there.

There was too much dress for me to toss her but since there was stairs, I was able to push her to the edge of them. It was as if all the rage from the last 18 years came to the surface and I blacked out. My wolf came forward as she took her hair and tossed her so she rolled down every stair. Hitting each one on the way down.

“ANN!” Anthony screamed as he ran down to help her.

“You are not welcome here. Leave before I do what I really want to do.” My wolf spoke for me.

Ann sat up, her head was bleeding, her arm was at a weird angle and she looked completely out of it. “You could have killed her!” “What a shame I didn’t.” Being over this, I turned and walked back inside.

“Kristen!” Colt came up to me and grabbed me by the shoulders. “You tossed her down the stairs!” His expression was both shocked, concerned and a hint of a smile. “The bitch survived but with all that dress, I’m not surprised. Should have just

ripped her heart out and been done with it.” Colt didn’t say anything but just pulled me into a hug. “Did I go too far?” I asked Alec in the mind-link.

“No because it was Ann but that was quite the emotional response.” My eyes met his even though Colt hadn’t let me go. I wasn’t sorry for tossing her down the stairs but I did regret losing control over my emotions.

“Let’s go back in there and have some fun?” Colt pulled back and looked at me.

Truthfully, I just wanted to go back to the cabin but I didn’t feel like I could leave. “Okay.” I tried to put a smile on as Alec took me from Colt and we walked back inside.

“Just a little longer, love, and then we can go to the cabin.” Alec practically could read my mind at this point.

“Okay.” Was all I could see as we walked up to the table.

Alec took a seat and put me on his lap.

Jasper picked Emmy up and tossed her over his arm before he sat down. It was the true definition of man handling.

Colt was much more graceful as Penny got up and let him sit down first before she sat on his lap. "I got everyone drinks..." Jace said and pushed some drinks towards us.

"Thank you!" Grabbing mine, I shot it down quickly before taking Alec's and shooting his down too.

"Damn girl, everything okay?" Echo asked.

My mouth was full of whiskey that I hadn't swallowed yet so Colt answered for me. "She tossed Ann down the front stairs." Emmy spit out the drink she had in her mouth. "Holy shit!" Her cranberry and vodka was running down her chin as Jasper handed her a napkin.

"You did not!" Echo looked shocked.

"I don't know what happened. I just blacked out and my wolf took over." Alec patted my leg for me to stand up.

He walked off and I sat back down to keep talking. Hoping he was going to get more drinks. "I'm assuming she lived?" Penny asked.

"Unfortunately." Isighed.

"You wish you killed her?" Emily asked.

"I wish I would have just pulled her heart out and fed it to her." "Damn. Remind me never to get on your bad side." Echo laughed.

"Well, I am proud of you for handling her!" Emmy declared.

"Oh, I am too! You are scary when upset!" Echo said as her eyes filled with water.

"They were planning on dropping oil and feathers on the party. Alec caught them before they could do it." Colt said before he took a sip.

"Seriously?" Jace asked as he leaned forward.

"Yup, the oil and feathers got placed in their car while we were talking before Kris tossed Ann out." Jasper added.

"you did not!" Emmy looked back at him.

“I didn’t. Our warriors did.” He clarified.

Alec came back with two double whiskeys. Setting both down, I got up so he could sit back down. Wrapping his arm around me, he pulled me as tight against him as possible with one arm. The other arm he took his drink and drank half of it.

“How did they get into the car?” Emily asked.

“Broke the windshield.” Jasper shrugged and took a sip.