

## **The Alpha: Claiming His Enemy's Daughter, Chapter 141-144**

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141 SOMEONE WAS HERE

Something was broken and couldn't be fixed...

Those ten years of slavery truly broke this alpha and his people to pieces, yet they refused to give up and keep carrying these scars for the rest of their life.

They believed in him that he could bring them out of the slavery and indeed, he did. They entrusted their life to him and it was a huge responsibility that would drive you to loneliness.

When there were many people leaned on you, you would have a hard time to lean on someone else, even though the weight of it almost killed you.

That was the ugly side of responsibility looked like.

Probably because Iris stared at him too intensely, the alpha felt her heated gaze and opened his eyes. Those eyes were very alert, as if he had not yet slept at all, which startled her.

For a moment, time seemed to freeze. Both of them just stared at each other and Cane's dark eyes looked very lucid. Did he really sleep before?

His arms still wrapped around her hips and their chest pressed together, thus she could feel his heartbeat, so did he.

Time seemed to stop and there seemed to be nothing else to think about. They only had each other in their eyes.

But then, Iris saw how his brows knitted together. He was unhappy, maybe because his sleep was disrupted.

Out of instinct, Iris raised her hand and caressed the furrow between his brows with her fingers. gently. She thought, he would swat her hand away for touching him, since she heard he hated it when someone touched him, but he didn't, instead, this made the alpha lowered his gaze.

Iris then became so bold, as she moved her hand gingerly and patted his head. She remembered she did this that night and Cane fell asleep almost immediately.

She was thrilled, she had never thought that she would be allowed to touch him like this. The feeling was surreal, this almost like she was facing with two different personalities.

This was a magic moment, where he allowed someone to be so close to him and let them touched him. A rare moment, when he lowered his guard and showed a little bit of his vulnerable side.

Gradually, his eyes closed and his breathing evened out, as he fell asleep again.

Though, this was not the first time that she managed to put him into asleep, but Iris was still amazed that she actually could do that.

“I hope you are no longer in pain,” Iris said in small voice and closed her eyes as well.

She stopped the rhythm of her hand when she fell asleep, as her her hand rested on the side of his face.

Because there was nothing else that they needed to do in the black market, thus the next night they

planned to return to Arleen city, back to the same inn that they stayed when they arrived here for the first time, where Ethan had been waiting for them.

But for now, they stayed in the same inn until the night came, thus they could go through the dessert.

Meanwhile, Iris was too sleepy, since she learned how to ride a horse a whole day with Redmond. It was not as painful as the first time she rode a horse, but still, her stamina couldn't be compared to those shifters, who still could run around after a long journey.

Right now, she was laying on the bed, she took a nap, but couldn't sleep for long.

From the window in her room, she was able to see the luminous pearl night scattered on top of the cave ceiling, which was lit up in golden light. It was a tranquil and peaceful time.

But then, she saw a man, standing on the windowsill. He was wearing white clothes and black pants, his eyes were so green, like moss.

Their eyes met and Iris could only stun, because she didn't know what to do, since everything happened so fast when the man entered the room and approached her.

She lifted the window glass and entered the room, his steps were so light, like feather, as if he was floating, instead of walking.

The golden hue from the luminous pearl night fell on his golden hair and this was a beautiful sight. Iris would have been entranced and enjoyed what she was seeing if it was not for the fact that this man was a stranger, who barged into her bedroom.

"Who are you!?" Iris shrieked, she immediately got off the bed and glared at him, but the man only blinked his eyes and stopped walking, as if her fear made him hesitant to come closer to her.

"Who are you? What are you doing here?" Iris asked, her voice filled with worry, as she kept glancing at the door. She would run out of this room in the first chance, she knew that Cane and the other was

only in the next room.

The man only stared at her for a long time without saying anything, his eyes looked at her body up and down, but it was not a lewd gaze, more like he was trying to find something in her body, scrutinizing her.

Because he didn't move from his position, Iris moved closer to the door, but then in a flash he was already standing right in front of her.

He cupped her face and stared into her eyes closely. He was so close, she could feel his warm breath fanned her face. Iris was about to raise her leg to kick him, but then, his green eyes flickered at the door and his figure disappeared in a blink of an eye.

A second later, Cane entered the room and frowned when he saw Iris was standing with blanched expression, as if she just saw a ghost.

“What happened?” He looked around the room picked a strange scent in the air. “Someone was here. That was not a question, but a statement.

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### 142 A MYSTERIOUS MAN

Aside from Iris's scent, which he was very familiar with, there was another scent that he didn't recognize. Someone was inside this room a moment ago, because the scent was still so strong. lingered in this room.

Cane knew that he was right when he saw Iris's expression, she was stupefied. “What happened? Someone was here.” He looked around him, but he couldn't find anyone.

“There was a man. He came through the window,” Iris said. She pointed at the window and Cane immediately looked outside. The window glass was opened, but there was no sign of someone was

there.

The scent of that man must have been blown away with the wind, thus he couldn't pinpoint the direction where he had gone.

“How, he looks like?” Cane closed the window and locked it before he approached Iris. His eyes were so calm, it was hard to read what he was thinking right now.

“He looks so young, maybe twenty to twenty three years old, with green eyes and golden hair.” Iris tried to remember their short encounter with that young man.

“What he said?” Cane narrowed his eyes and stood right in front of Iris, so she needed to crane her neck to look at him, because of the stark different of their height.

“He didn't say anything.”

“What he did?”

Iris’s cheeks dusted pink when she tried to explain, because no matter how she thought about their position earlier, it could cause a misunderstanding. “I was about to kick him, but I think he noticed someone was coming, so he stopped and disappeared, puff, like smoke.” She used her hands to emphasize her explanation.

Cane looked at her closely, just like that man did, but this time, Iris shrunk back and lowered her head.

The silence stretched between them in this room and Cane was deep in thought, until he heard the bell rang in the distance, indicating that it was evening already.

He tapped her shoulder to get her attention. “We will leave now.” There was no way to find out who was that man, who had entered this room and more so, they needed to leave this place, after Cane had sorted out all the things that he wanted to do in this black market.

He didn’t come only to look for grain and dry meat.

“Oh, yes...” Iris said softly and started to pack her things. Thankfully, she had enough sleep and now felt a little bit better to have another long journey back to their pack.

However, this time, Cane waited for her and together they went to the first floor and had their dinner before they left the black market.

“Where is Ethan?” Iris just noticed that the gamma was missing when they had their dinner.

“He had already left, we will meet him in the Arleen city,” Will replied.

And then, they didn’t talk much, neither Cane talked about the mysterious man that had entered her bedroom and disappeared like smoke.

Because this was the black market, of course, there would be some sort of people. That man could be a magic user, but for what intention he came to see her, Cane couldn’t think of a reason for that.

Their plan was to leave the black market after this dinner, but when Iris was about to finish her meal. she could feel the tension from the three men on the table and lifted her head only to see their eyes fixed on a certain someone behind her back. Their eyes filled with malice.

Out of instinct, Iris turned around to see who was that only to figure out it was the crown prince, Alan, and his old advisor, Corry Maleen, along with five guards behind them.

“Here you are! I thought we will never see each other again!” Alan said smugly, he walked closer to Cane’s table, while Corry kept frowning, he was trying to tug his sleeves and stop this clueless crown prince of his, but it was a futile attempt.

“I hope I will never see him again, actually,” Will muttered under his breath, while Redmond snickered.

“We leave now,” Cane said curtly, as he stood up, but at the same time the crown prince came closer to him and blocked their way.

The five men behind him also surrounded them, which attracted a few people’s attention.

Iris also stood up when Redmond and Will took a stand behind Cane. They looked at the crown prince and the other people with him frostily.

“Who told you that you can leave?!” Alan looked so haughty, while Corry looked so distressed by his action. They shouldn’t have provoked Cane in the first and avoided him altogether.

However, like usual, Cane didn’t waste his breath and make his way out of there, followed by Will and Redmond, who took Iris with them as well.

Yet, before they could reach the door, one of the guards that Alan brought with him blocked his way and locked the entrance door, trapped them inside.

People around the table became more and more interested with what would happen next. Some of them knew that this was the crown prince, but because in this place your title meant nothing, thus they didn’t look at him deferentially. He was the same like the other.

On the other hand, Alan moved around Redmond and snatched Iris's hand to pull her to his side. which something that they didn't expect.

Iris shrieked and tried to wriggle her hand, but his grip was so tight and she felt her bone would break because of it. This man didn't even consider his strength at all.

"I will borrow her for a while," Alan sneered at Cane, who looked at him frigidly. "Don't worry, return her in one piece after Lou has done with her."

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However, after saying that and before anyone could react, Alan suddenly let go of Iris's hand abruptly, as if he was just being electrocuted.

His glaring eyes looked at her. "What is that?!"

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143 SHE COULD LEAN AGAINST HIM

Iris was startled when Alan took her away from Redmond's side all of sudden and told his man to surround the alpha, Will and Redmond, so they couldn't do anything to help her.

No matter how much she was struggling to get away from his grip, she couldn't free herself, instead, his grip became tighter and she felt like he was going to crush her bones.

How despicable this man!

Right at that time, Iris remembered about the little lizard and opened her pouch a little bit, just enough for its little head to poke out of the pouch around her waist and shot fire on his hand. She didn't know how, but somehow, she knew that she could make this little creature did what she wanted

it to do.

It felt so natural, just like breathing.

“AH! What was that?!” Alan immediately let go of her hand, but when he raised his hand to take a look of the pain, the burning was already healed.

Actually, that kind of fire wouldn't harm him, but Alan didn't expect to feel the burning sensation, thus he became hysterical. He had a tendency to be a little bit dramatic from how Iris saw it.

Thankfully, because all of their attention was on Cane and the other, no one saw how Iris's little lizard had taken care of her offender.

Once he freed her hand, Iris immediately rushed toward Redmond and stood behind him, while Alan was still wailing like a little boy.

“What had you done? What was that?!” He looked angry because he lost his grip on Iris. Lou refused to give him Asturi stem, no matter how much he offered to pay. He wanted that girl. Why would he want that deaf girl?

“What happened my prince?” Corry immediately went to his side. He was confused, but he couldn't see any injuries.

“She burned me!” Alan pointed his accusatory finger at Iris, as he wailed agitatedly. He must have never been hurt before to make such a fuss for such pain.

“I didn't do anything” Iris said, she opened both of her palms to show him that she didn't hold anything that could burn him. Her big, blue eyes looked at him innocently.

That was right, it was not her, who had done it, it was her little lizard, so she didn't lie.

Alan and Corry didn't have any idea how she could burn him, but of course, the three men around Iris knew what was going on. They sneered in their heart.

“If you don't have anything to do, get lost!” Cane was furious because Alan's man was still blocking his way, he shoved the man aside, which caused him tumbled on the floor. He used so much strength when he did that and the powerful aura that surrounded him was unmatched, even compared to the crown prince.



“Alpha Cane, we can talk about this peacefully, you don’t need to be so angry, you know how Alan is. I hope you don’t take this matter seriously.” Corry then bravely added with light tone. “In this place, the

title that he has meant nothing, but you don’t live in this place, forever, don’t you?”

As expected from the advisor, his words were so smooth, even when he threw a threat at the alpha. Cane narrowed his eyes, as he calculated the situation. Being on the royal’s family bad side was not something that he could afford yet with his pack current condition, he had to tread his path carefully. “What do you want?” Cane asked coldly. He didn’t really back down, but he opened for a discussion. “Don’t you hear me?! I want that woman! Give her to me!” Alan was furious. His hand was no longer in pain, but he didn’t like it when he was being attacked like that, especially by a woman, a runt on top of that. His big ego couldn’t take it. “Give her to me or else, I will make you regret! Once we get out of here!”

“That woman’ is my luna. There is a rule for this out of this black market, you will not live in this place, forever, will you?” Cane talked to Alan, but his eyes directed at Corry instead. “Open the door.” This time, Cane didn’t talk to Alan, but he ordered Will to open the door instead.

Corry used mind linked to calm Alan down. whatever he said, it seemed, it managed to make the crown prince stepped down and let them go.

Will opened the door for them and Cane took Iris’s hand, as he walked out of this inn, under the infuriated glare of Alan.

Outside, there were three horses that had been waiting for them, but this time, Cane put Iris in his horse, instead of letting Redmond to go with her like usual.

“I can go with Redmond.” Iris was trying to remind him, but Cane said nothing, as he mounted the horse and overwhelmed her with his masculine scent. He looked so calm, despite being so aggressive a moment ago. “I will go with...”

“Quiet.”

That was only a single word, but it managed to mum her. This was the second time for her to ride the horse with him. His strong arms caged her body, making her felt safe, but she was so tensed.

Iris could be casual when she was with Redmond, she could lean her body forward and rest against his back, since she was sitting behind him, but right now, Cane put her on the front and the only option for her was to lean her body against his chest. Would he allow it?

Along the way from the inn to the exit gates of the black market, Iris was trying to keep her body straight, but she was not sure that she could keep it up for a half day journey.

Yet, as if sensing how tensed her body, it was Cane, who pushed her body against his chest, as if telling her that she could lean against him.

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144 I NEED YOUR MATE TO FIND IT

Cane pushed Iris body against him, so she could lean on him instead of being so taut and hurt her back. He knew that she was still in pain because of the horse riding, thus it wouldn't help if she kept being so tense.

On the other hand, Iris licked her lips with the gesture, she was unsure if this was alright, but then when she put her weight against him, he didn't say anything, even when she wriggled her body to find a comfortable position, Cane still said nothing.

This made Iris smile, she finally could relax and didn't dread their long journey back to Arleen city. Actually, this was way more comfortable than being with Redmond, because she wouldn't be afraid to fall if she felt sleepy, since Cane's strong arms would keep her in place.

However, before they could reach the exit gates, someone blocked their path and made their horses.

almost run into him.

Cane didn't pull the horse to stop until it was so close to that man, as if he would really run him over, which caused him to tumbled back and fell on his butt.

“Alpha Cane! You are so ruthless!” Lou grumbled, as he stood up and rubbed his back. His butt was hurt, but once he faced the alpha, he was all smiling. “Long time no see, alpha.”

Lou grinned from ear to ear, as he glanced at Iris, who was sitting on top of the horse. Cane’s body towered above her, made it very clear the stark difference between them. Iris looked so small compared to the alpha.

“I thought you want to get Asturi stem. I waited for you, but you didn’t come, so I humble myself to look for you.”

Lou was still wearing his red cloak and looked very dandy, if only he was wearing a dress and had a long hair, he surely would look even prettier than the queen herself.

“Scram!” Cane glared at him and made the horse raised its front legs, as if about to kick the annoying.

man.

He was not a shifter, so if the horse really kicked him, he would be in serious injuries, yet despite knowing that, he still stood in front of them with his brilliant smile, which Redmond found it annoying.

Redmond didn’t like this man at all, ever since he met him for the first time when he went to Rosantine guild with Mason.

“Ck, ck” Lou clicked his tongue. The alpha didn’t even get down from his horse when he talked to him, making the respected head guild looked like a peasant.

Fine.

Lou was very curious with that girl with auburn hair, thus he couldn’t help it to lower his ego. And when he learned that the stupid crown prince had failed to bring her to him, he went here by himself.

But, still this alpha didn’t give him face at all and acted so arrogant. If this was any other day, he wouldn’t let anyone treated him like this.

“Can’t we talk over a dinner? I have a good wine, you must try my Karam wine first before you left. You will not be able to find it anywhere.

This time, Lou didn't talk in Kars, but he used this continent language.

"Let's go, there is no need to talk to him. He is a swindler, Redmond said begrudgingly, as he moved his horse away, but to their surprised, the alpha agreed to that.

"Okay." And after saying that, he made the horse turned toward the black market again and rode away. Will didn't expect this, but he followed his alpha immediately, while Redmond grumbled under his breath and didn't have any other option, but to follow as well, leaving Lou alone there.

"Wait! Is there no one willing to give me a lift?" Lou was gobsmacked by their rudeness. "Fine! What a shifter! They really lack of humanity!"

It didn't take long before Lou arrived as well, he was riding a dainty white horse, which only made him looked extravagance in his red cloak and nimbly got down, as one of his subordinates took the horse

away.

The sight of it made Will and Redmond cringed. Didn't rumor say that Karam people was barbaric? What happened with him? Was he an exception?

"Come inside!" Lou said cheerfully, waving his hand to make them followed him into the house, as if he was not cursing along the way from the exit gates to here, because they abandoned him. "Bring our best wine for our guests!"

Cane helped Iris to get down from the horse. The only reason he agreed to come here was because what Iris told him about the mines behind the door. She said there was mine filled with a lot of water

magic stones inside.

They went into the house and sat down in the waiting room, the same room like yesterday when Cane had to wait for Lou with Alan.

"I want to see the Asturi stem." Cane got down to the business once they were inside the house, he didn't even sit down, as he stood behind Iris's chair. His domineering aura filled the room with

tension.

“You are very impatient, aren’t you?” Lou chuckled, but when there was no one laughed with him, he coughed lightly and ordered his subordinate to bring the item.

“What kind of pet do you want me to get?” Cane asked. He was not here to drink with him. Moreover, there was another matter that he had to get it done.

“Lil Thing!” Lou said with an exaggerated sigh. “This animal went to that room a week ago and refused

to come out.”

What a nonsense. How could a room that its door was sealed by a magic could be entered freely? Both of them knew how ridiculous the story was, but Lou was so shameless to insist with that story line.

“That’s why, I need your mate to find it.”

“If you can’t find it, what makes you think she can?”