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Iris was surprised by his gesture, but she didn't deny how happy she was to be close with him. She could smell his scent, as if it engulfed her and stared at his side profile, while he was reading seriously. His scar on his face, didn't look as scary as the first time, she saw him.

Probably, because of the scar on his face and also how cold and collected he was, which made people to think twice when they wanted to approach him. But, actually, it worked on Cane's benefit as well, as he didn't want anyone could approach him recklessly.

In the end, drunk by the sight of her mate, Iris fell asleep and Cane could tell when she went deeper into her slumber when her breathing became even. He then used his right hand to hold her head in place, so she wouldn't fall when the carriage was shaking because of the rough road.

Once they arrived at the pack house, he picked her up gently and carried her toward their bedroom, right in front of everyone's eyes.

The sight of it made Jace's jaw hit the floor.

"What's with that expression?" Ethan frowned to see Jace was gobsmacked. He and some other warriors didn't find the sight was surprising, as they had gotten used to it.

"He carried her?"

"She is sleeping, right?"

"He can wake her up."

Ethan stared at Cane's retreating back, as Iris's auburn hair spread on his shoulder. "Nah, I don't think he will wake her up. She is a heavy sleeper."

Because Ethan would always be there whenever they went for a long journey, he knew, Iris often would fall asleep, even when they were in horseback, as if she could sleep everywhere she wanted.

"I have told you everything, why are you still surprised?" Ethan patted his shoulder and then left to take care of something, leaving Jace was still reeling with the sight.

Not long after, a warrior approached him and told him there was a letter for their alpha from Celestial Moon pack, alpha Derick.

"How do you know this is from alpha Derick?" Jace frowned with the additional information.

"It's written on the envelop," the warrior replied innocently.

"You can read?" Ethan had told him about it, but it was easy to brush it off when it was the gamma, who told him the story, since he knew how he was.

"I can." The warrior looked so proud of himself when he admitted that. He lifted his chin with his eyes lit up.

Jace raised the envelope to his face and told him to read it and he did, after that, he found another report for him to read it as well, which he did, though some words were difficult for him, but he could understand the gist of it.

"Luna Iris taught me how to and a few warriors, who came with her to the capital city," he said. His name was Eron and he was definitely one of the warriors, who stayed in the orphan and was being taught by Iris herself before she went to the Riverside pack.

Jace waved his hand. "You can leave... leave..." he said in tired tone, while Eron frowned, thinking what he had done wrong.

The next few days went uneventfully, as Cane spent his time with alpha Dristan and Koda to inspect the tunnel, while Iris and Hanna spent their time either inside the pack house or outside to see the member of the Riverside pack.

They looked a little bit warry with Iris's presence at first, but then when they saw how the children could approach her easily, they started to warm up with her too.

Most of the time, Iris and Hanna would play with the children or having a small talk with the people. Iris taught the woman how to make a trinket, something that she learned when she was in the orphanage in the capital city. The older girls would make trinket to be sold in the market, though the money they got was not much, but it was enough for them to buy something they wanted.

She was free to go out of the pack house, as long as Redmond and at least, two more warriors came with her. Usually, it would be Eron and Dyne, both of them had known Iris since they were in the capital city, thus Cane assigned them two for her, since she looked more comfortable with the people she had known.

On the other day, Cane would take Iris to the Chrystal Moon pack and met with the people there. They stayed for two days before returned to the Riverside pack again.

But, today Cane said something that made her frowned.

"You can't go out for today, stay inside." That was the first thing Cane said when Iris greeted her with a 'good morning'.

She was still sleepy, thus she thought, she misread what he said. "Pardon?" she blinked her eyes to see him more clearly, but Cane simply repeated the same thing. "But, why?"

Both of them were still on the bed and it was still early in the morning, where the sun peeked over the horizon, brightened up the gloomy sky.

"Lou will be here," Cane replied.

Iris needed a few more minute before she discerned what he meant with that. "I will avoid him."

But, Cane shook his head. "No. It will be better if you stay inside. We will return to the Howling Wolf pack tomorrow."

When he heard Lou had arrived at the Howling Wolf pack, he sent Jace to fetch him to the Riverside pack last night, didn't give the poor merchant a break at all and he would arrive this morning.

Of course, Lou followed the beta without so much protest when he learned Iris was also in the Riverside pack.

"But..."

"No 'but', stay, Iris. I want you to stay for today."

"Okay..." Iris relented to see how serious Cane was.

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"Okay..." Iris relented to see how serious Cane was, but she couldn't help it. "But, why?" In her mind, it would be fine if she simply avoided the merchant. She did that in the palace, more so, Lou would spend most of the time with Cane.

"He is a sorcerer, just like what you said." And he didn't want Lou to be more interested in Iris.

Reading that, Iris understood and dropped the matter. It was not a problem for her to stay inside the room, this was something she used to do. "Why Lou is here?"

"Because I want him to do something with the tunnel."

"The magic device?" Iris guessed and Cane nodded. She seemed to understand what he had planned with it. "It will help with the people, thus, there wouldn't be many people who died while they were working."

"Hm" Cane nodded. He stared at his mate, who looked relief to know about it. "Iris," he called her name softly, only if she could hear it, she would be able to sense a trace of hesitation in his voice. He pulled her closer into his arms, as Iris snuggled against his chest contently.

"Hm?"

"Are you still afraid of me?" Cane asked out of the blue.

At this time, the sunlight spilled through the window and illuminated every corner of this room. The warm light touched Iris's blue eyes, which filled with surprised by this sudden question.

Was she afraid of him?

Iris shook her head. "I used to, but not anymore."

"Because you trust me not to hurt you?"

Iris didn't know what he aimed with this conversation, but she answered him truthfully. "Yes." She then added, because her answer sounded a little bit naïve. "You hurt me before, but I know, that's not your intention. You were in pain."

"Is that an excuse you make for me to justify what I have done to you?"

Iris was surprised when Cane saw it in that perspective. "Is that wrong? Did you have the intention to hurt me?"

"Yes." Cane admitted that, he could feel her body tensed in his arms, yet he continued. "Your father hurt my family and I wanted to hurt you as bad."

Iris didn't say anything for a while and Cane waited for her to let his words sunk in. "Because you thought I am Gerald's daughter? You wanted to hurt me because I am his daughter?"

"Yes."

"What about now?" Iris put her palm against his cheek, as she stared into his eyes. "Do you still want to hurt me?"

"No "

"Even if I am his daughter?"

"Even if you are his daughter."

Iris smiled to get that answer. "And that's it. That's all I need. I don't dwell with the past, it's not a place I want to visit. So, you don't need to."

No, Cane didn't talk about this because he wanted to test her or check on her reaction or something, he brought the topic because it had been weighing on his mind.

He didn't want her to forget what he had done not because he wanted her to remember such dreadful moment, but because she looked so easy and comfortable with him. How she could do that to her aggressor?

The more she was being nice and smile at him, the more his heinous act plagued his mind. It was definitely so wrong in so many levels for Cane to seek for comfort from her, but she was the only person, who could give him such feeling.

Iris understood this conversation into a certain level, but she failed to notice how this matter had disturbed Cane's mind all this time.

Cane closed his eyes and put his hand over hers against his cheek. "Can I kiss you?" He opened his eyes to see how she blushed under the light of the morning sun. She looked so beautiful and her hair looked like it was on fire.

Iris didn't answer that. How she could answer such question? But, when she saw Cane waited for her answer, she mumbled. "You did that before..."

Cane chuckled to get that answer and Iris didn't pull away when he leaned over and came closer to her, but before she could feel his lips on hers, he suddenly stopped and his eyes dimmed slightly, looked annoyed.

"Wh- what happened?" Iris asked, embarrassed because they were so close.

Iris couldn't hear it, but the banging on the door and Ethan's voice that called him really irked the alpha, as this gamma was so persistent.

"Alpha! Cane! Are you okay? Should I come inside?" Ethan asked, frowning because usually Cane would come out after a few knocks. He must be up at this time, right? He didn't usually oversleep. "Cane?!"

Inside the room, Cane took a pillow and threw it so hard against the door, which made the strong piece of wood shook by the force. Iris was startled as well, as she realized someone must have knocked on the door.

On the other side of it, Ethan was taken aback, he took a step back when he heard something hit the door so hard.

"Wh- what is that?" Ethan widened his eyes in disbelieve, while Jace took a step back with him as well. Both of them looked shock. "What is that mean?"

"I think the alpha doesn't want to be bothered at this moment..." Jace said absentmindedly.

"But, why? I want to give him a report..." Ethan felt wronged."

"Well.." Jace cleared his throat. "Maybe they are in the middle of it."

"In the middle of what?" Ethan turned his head to look at the beta and finally his brain worked. "Ah!"

"Let's go back later," Jace said, as he dragged the gamma out of the picture.

Yet, inside the room, the mood was ruined and Cane only gave her a peck on the tip of her nose, as he got off from the bed and Iris looked a little bit disappointed.

That's not a kiss...

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Cane asked for a kiss from her and a peck on the tip of her nose was not a kiss... Iris felt a little bit disappointed.

Iris followed Cane to the door, once they had done with their breakfast, which engulfed with a comfortable silence.

Outside, Hanna had been waiting for Cane to leave, so she could accompany her missy all day. She knew, the merchant would come, so the alpha didn't allow her to go out, which Hanna thought was good thing, because she didn't like the merchant too and he used to appear out of nowhere in front of her missy, very so often.

Thus, it would be safe for her missy to stay inside.

"Be good, don't go out," Cane said before he left her in the bedroom.

"Okay," Iris mumbled. She fiddled with her fingers and before Cane turned around and opened the door, she tiptoed to kiss his lips.

Unfortunately, her height was the problem, because after she was tiptoeing, she still couldn't reach his lips, which made her position became so awkward.

Blushing, Iris immediately backed away, while Cane stared at her, amusement in his eyes to see how his mate was trying to give him a kiss. She became bolder and bolder. Should he call this as a good thing?

"Take care." Iris waved at him clumsily, while avoiding his gaze.

Instead of leaving, Cane took a step forward and leaned his body, so they were on the same eyes level, yet he didn't make a move. "Don't you want to kiss me before?"

Iris blushed even more, as she was caught red handed. Well, that was pretty obvious actually...

"You are the one, who told me, you wanted to kiss me," Iris retorted, but she glanced at his lips and this was enough for Cane to know she wanted it too.

This time, Cane pressed his lips gently against hers, which made her body stiffened, but he cradled her head and massaged her nape to make her relax, as Iris reciprocated his kiss clumsily. Her soft lips felt so right for him. He ran his tongue on her lips and coaxed her to open her mouth.

When Iris didn't get the cue, Cane squeezed her bottom, which made her gasped and he plunged his tongue into her mouth, he could taste the sweetness when he sucked her little tongue.

At this moment, their body pressed against one another, as they could feel the beating of each other's hearts. They were breathing heavily and Cane's eyes dimmed slightly, as he lifted Iris's body and slammed her against the wall.

"Ah!" Iris screeched because her head hit the sturdy wall and this made Cane realized what he had done. He abruptly took a step back, which made Iris lost her balance.

However, before she could fell to the floor, Cane held her by her elbow to steady her again. His eyes darkened when he checked on her.

"Are you okay?" He asked stiffly. His whole body tensed, knowing he almost lost it a moment there.

"I- I am fine..." Iris felt a little bit dizzy, not because of the collision against the wall, but because the kiss earlier, though her back and the back of her head were a little bit hurt.

Cane rubbed the back of her head to alleviate the pain.

Only when Iris was slightly better, he put the distance between them. "I need to leave, stay inside." And this time, he didn't wait for her response before he left.

For a moment, Iris only stood there, staring at the closed door. She forgot about this. Cane could be very rough and harsh during sex. Amee had told her how the slavery had messed up with him. Not only her father had caused his infertility, he also made it hard for him to get his release, unless it was through violence.

Only because Cane didn't do anything all this time, despite them being on the same bed and cuddled every night, it didn't mean that part of him had gone. Cane managed to hold himself back with her. But, once he was aroused, he must to get the deed done and Iris knew it would be a painful experience for her. Even when she was in heat, it was still so painful to have it with him...

Iris lowered her head. Is it possible to take that step? Would she be able to handle it, knowing it would be painful? She didn't want to be in pain...

Right at that time, Hanna entered the room, she looked cheerful, but her smile immediately faded away when she looked Iris's gloomy expression.

"What happened, miss?" she asked, approaching Iris, whose face was still so red. "Are you sick?" Hanna frowned and put her hand over her forehead.

"I am fine," Iris said lightly, as she pushed away her hand.

"Ah!" Hanna's eyes filled with amusement. "Did alpha just kiss you? That's why you are still blushing now?" she teased her and Iris simply turned around and looked for her lizard.

She hoped what happened earlier wouldn't make a setback everything they had worked for between them....

When Cane arrived on the site, where they would work on the tunnel that connected between the Riverside pack and the Chrystal Moon pack, Lou and alpha Dristan were having a conversation.

Both of them turned their body around to greet Cane.

"Good morning, alpha Cane," Dristan greeted him politely, smiling, as if it was a great pleasure for him to see Cane.

"You are late," Lou grumbled, though he was also smiling, but Cane dismissed that.

The merchant looked a little bit messy because he just arrived at this pack an hour ago and he didn't get enough sleep last night. His red cloak fluttered against the wind.

"Have you told him about our plan?" Cane asked alpha Dristan, he didn't spare Lou a glance.

"Yes, he had told me about your plan." It was Lou, who answered Cane's question, drew his attention toward him. "I don't agree to participate."