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Kaz was taken aback by the animosity Iris displayed. She didn't say anything earlier and he thought, because she couldn't understand the conversation or because of her soft nature, she rarely spoke up.

However, seeing how she was seething right now made Kaz flinch. For a moment, he was afraid of her.

Even Hanna was surprised her kind-hearted missy could be this fierce, but she was also happy, since she became so brave to stand up for herself.

"Lu- luna Iris," Kaz stuttered, but then he cleared his throat and straightened his back, as if he was trying to get his control again. "Luna, the alpha will be so mad if he knew that you entered his room without permission, let alone sleep there."

It was well known that Cane hated it to have someone else in his bedroom, even Aria was not allowed to sleep there after their intimate moment, more so Iris. In their eyes, the two of them were being together because of the circumstances that forced them.

At this point, Iris had entered the bedroom and didn't want to be bothered by the old steward, because she was so tired and she didn't have the energy to bicker. There were a lot in her mind.

On the other hand, Hanna stood in front of the door, facing Kaz.

"Why not? They have been sleeping together during their time in the capital city," Hanna stated that arrogantly and took the satisfaction to see the shock on Kaz's expression. The man tried to wrap his head around that statement.

However, what came from his mouth was something so hurtful.

"In that case, why she is not pregnant yet?" Kaz mumbled, but it was clear enough for Hanna to hear, which made her snarl at him. "If they were sleeping together so often, she should have been pregnant by now."

Hanna was seeing red at this point. "Because my missy is not so cheap to trick the alpha to get herself pregnant! Not like that woman there!" Hanna pointed her finger at the luna's bedroom. "How can you believe the woman is pregnant with the alpha's child when she is a former mistress of the other alpha?!"

Kaz's face darkened. Deep down, he knew there was that possibility, but then alpha Cane had never denied it. "If that's not the alpha's child, then why didn't he deny it?"

For that question, Hanna didn't know the answer. She could see how alpha Cane treated her missy so well, but then, he got another woman pregnant. In the end, he was bound to have a mistress or two, it was only a matter of time.

What Redmond and Hanna worried, happened. The other woman was carrying alpha Cane's firstborn and the whole pack turned their back on Iris.

"The fact the alpha didn't say anything about it, it means, they have slept together and there was a high chance it's indeed his child!" Kaz snapped back to see he got on her nerves. "Maybe the luna is not pregnant yet not because she is taking Dragonheart to prevent it, but because she doesn't have the ability." Kaz didn't say it in vicious tone, but more like he was contemplated the idea.

"I will tell the alpha about what you said!" Hanna growled at him.

Hearing that, Kaz chuckled. "Don't worry, I will tell him by myself. After all, I need to explain to him why there is a woman inside his bedroom. You can attend to her."

After saying that, Kaz walked away with the intention to tell Cane about this, while Hanna stood there, dumbstruck. When the realization of the situation started sinking in, she wondered if the alpha would really take her missy's side over his people.

With that, she went into the bedroom and told Iris everything about what happened, yet she didn't say anything about the hurtful thing Kaz had said about she had not yet gotten pregnant.

"It's okay. I am tired. I want to sleep. Can you ask someone to move my things here?" Iris looked tired, her mood was dour. She could feel this tightness in her chest ever since she entered the pack, as if the atmosphere here had

drained her energy, probably because she was being sensitive because they were very polite to her and she could feel the distance they put for her.

And the way Kaz acted just now, she knew it would be a lot of work if she wanted them to accept her and she was not sure, she wanted to keep up with that.

At this point, she thought, living in the Riverside pack was a better place, since the member of the pack welcomed her.

"Are you sure, miss? You want me to bring all your belongings here?"

Iris nodded.

Cane wouldn't get mad, right? After all, they had shared bedroom together for months.

Meanwhile, Kaz indeed looked for Cane after his encountered with Iris and Hanna. He was very sure the alpha would be mad and order him to get her out of his bedroom, but instead, Cane was half listening to his complain, as he inspected all the valuable things he took from the Riverside pack. Well, he was not a thief... he was responsible for the pack, right?

"And then?" Cane asked Kaz simply in the end of his report, which made Kaz flabbergasted.

"Alpha, I can make her to get out of your room if you give me the order."

"Why should I?" Cane didn't even look at him when he inspected several chests, which contained golds and diamonds.

"Alpha, you don't like woman in your bedroom," Kaz said with bewilderment.

With that, Cane finally shifted his attention to his steward and talk calmly to him, but his tone was very firm. "She is my woman and you will treat her as the luna she is."

Kaz widened his eyes in disbelieve upon hearing what the alpha said. He even forgot to mention about Sofia, which the alpha acted like the pregnant woman didn't even exist in the first place.

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THE BEATING HEART

After Cane sorted out a few things and alpha Dristan, Sir Elijah and their men had settled, he went to the bedroom and found Iris had already fast asleep. She curled herself in the edge of the bed, while her auburn hair scattered on the pillow.

Cane approached her and kissed her forehead, as he put her in the middle of the bed, worried, she might fall if she was too close to the edge.

After that, he cleaned himself and went to the bed with her.

He pulled her closer to him and buried his face against the crook of her shoulder, breathing in her scent, as Iris let out a small whining voice, while still asleep.

Only then, Cane felt at peace and he could get the rest he needed.

In the morning, Cane was woken up by an unfamiliar smell, as he felt someone entered the bedroom. Thinking it must be one of the maids, who brought breakfast, he didn't think much of it.

However, when this person came closer, Cane was alerted, he opened his eyes and didn't move at all. Iris was still fast asleep by his side, comfortably snuggling against his chest, as her warm breathing caressed his skin and her lips on his neck.

Cane's dark eyes turned sharp when he felt this person came closer and closer and before whoever it was could touch him, he caught their hand and pushed them away.

"Ah!" Sofia screamed when she was being pushed, thankfully, she could steady herself in time before she could fall and harm the baby in her stomach. "Al- alpha!" She stuttered to see Cane was already in sitting position, glaring at her with so much viciousness.

"Who allowed you to come here?" Coldness trickled from his words. It was clear to see the alpha didn't appreciate the fact he was woken up by her.

Sofia whimpered, as she caressed her bulging stomach. She was already six months pregnant, so it was showing now. "Alpha, I brought breakfast for you," she said in small voice.

She was so excited when she heard the alpha would return last night, but because of her pregnancy, she was very sleepy and missed to welcome him when he arrived.

"Get out," Cane said in deep voice, while Iris was still sleeping, she was not even aware of the predicament of the other woman.

"Alpha... I... you almost harm our baby..." Sofia said in low voice, as she rubbed her stomach in the most gentles way.

Cane's eyes dimmed when he saw it. For a moment, he said nothing, as if there were a lot of things that swamped his mind, thus Sofia took this as a cue to approach him.

"Alpha. Do you want to feel the baby? The baby starts moving. Here, you can feel it." Sofia remembered that passionate night that they spent together.

She remembered every kiss and satisfaction he gave to her. She had never been so satisfied whenever she had a sex with alpha Gallot, as the alpha only cared for his own satisfaction, but that night... every time she replayed the passionate night in her mind, she would get aroused, even now, the sight of alpha Cane made her so wet. Probably, it was because of the baby wanted to be close to the father.

However, there was only one sour sight, which was the auburn woman, who was sleeping on the bed. Sofia also remembered the girl was supposed to be in the room, because the alpha took her with them, thinking he wanted to have three ways with them two.

But as it turned out, the alpha only focused on her, which made her elated. She didn't think too much about the absent of the other woman, since both of them had an intense love making at that time and the blindfold tunned her out of her surroundings.

"Alpha. Here, you can feel the baby..." Sofia extended her hand to take Cane's hand, so she could put it over her stomach.

"I told you to get out." Cane lifted his eyes and they were so dark, as if they were a bottomless pit. "Don't ever come to this room without my permission." He said that through his gritted teeth, as if he was fighting back the urge to snap her neck, which made Sofia took a step back and covered her arms around her stomach instinctively, trying to protect her baby, it was a mother instinct if one could say.

"Al- alpha... but..." Sofia was taken aback by how cold the alpha was, he was so different. She thought, he would be ecstatic to see her, especially when she learned luna Iris had not yet conceived, this would be his first child and Sofia's footing in this pack would be solid, especially after all the people welcomed her warmly. She liked to be here. "Alpha, I am carrying your child..." she whimpered, as tear rolled down her cheek.

However, what she said only aggravated Cane even more.

His child?!

The word triggered something inside of Cane, as he let out a dangerous growl.

Seeing how enraged the alpha was, Sofia was so scared for her and her baby, thus she decided to leave the room hastily. She was crying because this was not what she expected. She thought alpha Cane would be happy for their child. She even occupied the luna's bedroom and everything went so well, ever since she arrived in this pack.

"Cane?" Iris opened her eyes to find Cane was seething. Probably sensing his distress, she was woken up. "What happened?"

Iris looked around her, but she couldn't find anything that could make him like this. Was it nightmare? He was having his nightmare again?

Thinking that was it, Iris pushed herself into a sitting position and cradled his head against her chest, as she ran her fingers through his hair.

"It's okay... it's okay." She patted his tensed back, as Cane hugged her so tightly, listening to the beating of her heart.

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HIS SOLACE

Cane didn't know that he could hate something this intense, but then he didn't know where to direct this hatred to. Was it because the sight of Sofia that triggered something he wanted to bury and didn't want to remember again? Or, was it how everything around him felt so suffocating?

He felt so much anger and hatred in his heart and wanted to destroy everything around him. He wanted to kill someone, anyone, to squench his murderous desire. He wanted that person to die a miserable death and torn their flesh bit by bit, hearing them screaming in agony, so they would know his suffering.

He played it in his mind, how he would kill this faceless someone, until he felt Iris's arms wrapped around his body and cradled him into her warm embrace.

Her steady heartbeat was akin to a blanket that douse his dark side with a piece of peace that he craved. He held onto her so tightly, because he didn't want to be that person in his head right now.

Cane didn't want to completely lose himself in the midst of his revenge and killed someone only for his own satisfaction alone. That was not someone he wanted to be.

"Iris..." Cane called her name, squeezed his eyes shut and held onto her like she was his only way to keep his conscience intact.

Meanwhile, Iris kept holding him tightly in her arms, while patting his stiff shoulders and caressed his head. She tried to ease the tension and desperately wanted to reach him, because she felt like he was slipping from her.

She gave him small kisses on the top of his head, just like how he used to do it with her, hoping this would help him come back to her from whatever nightmare he was in.

Gradually, Cane became a little bit relax and his breathing even out, as he fell asleep in her arms.

He was akin to a child, who was having a bad dream, holding tightly to the only person, who he thought could give him protection.

It was a little bit odd, since he was the strongest one between them two, yet he looked for shelter from her. His solace...

Cane finally got some peace, after all the turmoil in his head and mind that he tried to hide it from the world. It took him three hours to finally wake up and by that time, it was almost lunch and Iris's arms had turned numb.

"You should put me down," Cane said with a frown, while Iris was whimpering when he massaged her numb arms.

"It didn't cross my mind," Iris said meekly. She didn't want to put him down on the bed, because she liked to hold him, yet she overestimated her endurance. Cane's body was, no doubt, heavy, but she like the heaviness.

Cane looked helpless to hear that. "Better?" Iris nodded. "Let's find something to eat." He glanced at the sun that was already so high. Jace and Ethan must have entertained alpha Dristan when he did not appear for breakfast.

He caught a glimpse of a tray of food on the table when Iris moved to get some. His eyes turned violent to see it.

"Let's find something to eat," Cane repeated what he said and pulled Iris to her feet, before she could get something from the tray.

"But, someone brought us breakfast." She pointed the tray.

"It's cold already." And before Iris could protest, he pecked her lips, which conveniently silenced her, and took her hand.

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Aria was already close to six months, her stomach looked so big, as you could see the movement of the baby inside of her, yet her body was still slim and her cheeks were hollow. She was always wearing loose dress, because she didn't like the sight of her pregnant belly. She hated the thing inside of her.

She hated the baby, knowing it was not the seed of the man she loved. She loathed herself for still having this pitiful feeling for the man, who had killed her.

Aria remembered her helpless state and how he gave her a death sentence. She remembered the rope around her neck and her desperation to catch a

glimpse of him before she left the world, leaving her bleeding heart to ache for the last time.

But then, he didn't show up. He didn't even want to see her for the last time. After all they had gone through, after all she had done for him, after all she had to endure... he didn't show up to see her, until she breathed her last.

"Lady, do you want me to call master?" Letto asked. He was a young boy around the age of seventeen and was extremely loyal to Dexter, but right now, his main task was to focus on Aria.

Aria stared at him without saying anything. She hated them. She was an aggregation of hatred and bitterness, filling with grudge and hostility.

"Yes, tell him I need his blood." His voice was so cold and her eyes were so red, the color of blood.

"Yes, yes..." Letto said with a sweet smile. "The baby should be born around three months now, the baby would be a healthy and a happy baby."

Healthy and happy?

Aria scoffed. Could she call this as a baby when this thing was conceived by dark magic and was carried by a, supposed to be, a dead mother?

Whatever it was, she wanted her revenge and if this thing called a baby could give her that, just like what Dexter told her, she would carry it to its term.

And the baby moved in her stomach.

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"What is it?" Cane asked when Iris suddenly turned around and stopped walking, she searched something. He also turned around, but couldn't see anything that caught her attention.

"Nothing." Iris rubbed her nape unconsciously. She was not sure what was she felt a moment ago. It was an ominous feeling that lasted just for a brief second...

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BEING CONSIDERATE

Because the king would arrive within three days, thus there would be a small welcoming party for him, since it was a custom to greet the sovereign.

But, with the excuse of the current situation, so not to provoke the tension in the public, the welcoming party would be held moderately, especially after the death of the five alphas and with there were five packs' problems they needed to sort out, it would look good on the king to tone down a little bit from having his lust met.

After all, he brought Lady Cyan and Nala with him, accompanied by his chief of royal guard, Leon.

Iris's mood turned even sour when she heard Nala's name among the entourage of the king. She was not so dense to not see the desire behind that woman's eyes for her mate.

Her mood became even more dour when Kaz suggested her as the coordinator of the party, since this was her job as the luna of the pack and she couldn't refuse it.

It would look bad on her if she rejected the suggestion, especially when that old steward brought it up in front of alpha Dristan and Sir Elijah.

People had seen her as a failure, because she couldn't conceive a child with Cane, even after all this time and a lot of amount of time they spent together, thus she didn't want them to see her failed in her position as the luna of the pack.

"You don't need to take it if you don't want it," Cane said, amusement in his eyes when he saw how Iris pulled her hair in frustration.

They were inside the alpha's study room, where Cane was overwhelmed with a lot of things he needed to be done. He seemed didn't have time to rest and spend his time more in the study room than in his own room with Iris.

Both of them sat side by side, as Cane asked someone to put extra table beside his for Iris to use, as she would handle a lot of paperwork too.

"No, I can," Iris replied curtly.

At this point, she looked like an upset little kitten that didn't want to be touched, as it would claw your hand. But, when Cane extended his hand and caressed her cheek, she mewled.

Iris closed her eyes, before she realized it and pushed his hand away from her ear when he started to rub her earlobe.

"You are distracting me," Iris grumbled.

"Need help?"

"No."

Later on, Iris noticed even more the different treatment she received from the Howling Wolf pack member compared to Sofia.

They gave her the hardest part for the arrangement for the party and purchasing all the food from the merchant, meeting them one by one and thought about the activities that they would do as long as the king was here to entertain him and some of important figures, who came with him. More so, Cane had a special request for it.

Iris thought, she would dread her meeting with the merchants, as she tried to haggle for the first time, but thankfully, Cane sent his beta and Jace showed her how it to be done. Only then, she realized how petty the beta was when it came to money, because he would haggle for every penny.

Meanwhile, Sofia used her pregnancy to not lift anything and walk around to comment on something Iris did and amazingly, she could find every flaw for whatever she was doing.

Iris had enough with that.

"Why everything will start after dinner?" Sofia complained again when she saw the new arrangement. "I heard people in the south used to have a party from the morning until midnight."

Sofia confronted Iris in the hallway when she saw her. Beside her, there were two omegas from the Howling Wolf pack and one young woman, who came with Sofia, acted as her personal maid.

"Because that's how it done in the capital city," Iris said lightly. She stared at Sofia and felt bad for her in the beginning, but with the way she always tried to find something to provoke her, she threw her sympathy out of the window.

Redmond didn't even want to see her. He stayed away from the pack house and Iris had not yet seen him ever since they arrived in the Howling Wolf pack.

"But, this is in the south," Sofia said firmly. She lifted her chin, as if they were on the same status. "You should have done it in the way southerners do."

"What do you know about the south when you are not a southerner?" Iris kept her voice even. She didn't lower her head like she used to, neither she felt timid in front of Sofia, if anything, she felt annoyed by her constant presence to criticize her work.

Cane knew what she did and he didn't say anything about it, thus for her, as long as her mate didn't complain, there was nothing wrong with her arrangement.

"Luna... she will be part of us..." Maria said, she was the head kitchen.

Iris remembered her when she spent her time in the kitchen with Ethan and Joel before her journey to the capital city and she treated her quite nicely, but it was such a disappointment that she clearly took Sofia's side, nursing her with the same quality of food that she gave to the alpha, if it was not even better.

"Then why doesn't she help with anything?"

"You can see luna, I am pregnant. I really want to help if I can, but currently, I am pregnant with the alpha's first child and I have to take a good care to our baby," Sofia said softly, as she caressed her stomach gently.

The sight irritated Iris.

"Luna, you need to excuse her and be considerate," Maria chimed in timidly. She was being polite with Iris, but it was obvious, she tried to shield Sofia.

Something inside Iris turned cold. She had the same gaze just like after alpha Gill disgraced her.

"I have been considerate enough to let her talk over me countless time when she is only a mistress and the alpha doesn't even acknowledge her presence."

The last statement struck Sofia's nerves.

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YOU STILL THINK AS ONE

Due her pregnancy, she used to sleep early, thus she would be asleep after dinner, which meant, she wouldn't be able to attend to the real party, because it only happened after dinner time.

That was why she was very upset, knowing the southerner used to hold a party from the morning to morning, that was their custom, right? Along with an endless sex party. Sofia wanted to use this as her way to relive her passionate night with Cane. She really missed the way he manhandled her.

But, the party would happen after dinner and there was no sex and neverending alcohol? What kind of party was that?

"Luna, please calm yourself down, you don't need to talk so mean toward Sofia. The alpha is very busy with alpha Dristan and needs to sort out a few matters, it doesn't mean he forgot about her." Maria frowned when she heard what Iris said. She looked uncomfortable with Iris, because she was so different from the last time she saw her. "You will hurt her heart."

Iris stared at Maria coldly. It was fine if Sofia hurt her, but it was not okay when it was the other way around?

"Do you want to say that I am heartless?" Iris asked, her expression was devoid from any emotion. At this point, probably she was right that she had turned heartless.

Maria gasped, she put her hand over her chest. "Luna, you put words in my mouth." She shook her head. "I never say something like that."

"The alpha has approved with everything, if you want to complain, you can go and find him, see if he wants to change it." Using Cane was the best way to

get out of this situation, to end this meaningless argumentation, because this strayed too far.

"Luna, the alpha is busy right now... is this you, who is responsible for this, why don't you the one, who suggested it?" Jemma, Sofia's maid servant, finally spoke, seeing how Maria could argue with her.

Iris shifted her attention toward the brown hair girl, who was standing next to Sofia, she was around her age and was slightly taller than her, but her eyes reminded Iris of Nala. The way she looked at her was the same like that woman. Someone, who forgot their status.

"Is this the decorum in the East? A maid can talk and even argue with the luna?" Iris's voice trickled with viciousness. For a moment there, she felt this anger that rose up within her. The anger she felt when she stabbed alpha Gill ruthlessly.

It seemed, Iris was not as unbothered as she tried to show it, about what happened with alpha Gill, but because she used to suppress her own feeling and memory, she looked fine on the surface, but the trauma was still there, messed up with her mind.

"Luna Iris, we used to be a slave," Jill said grimly, she was another omega, who was with Maria, following Sofia everywhere.

Maria nudged the girl beside her, because she knew what she was trying to imply and this conversation had gone too far from their initial intention to meet with Iris.

"And you still think as one," Iris replied darkly and turned around, leaving them behind her, because she could feel she was going to lose control over her anger.

This feeling was a mix between the disrespect they showed toward her and her unaddressed trauma. Her whole body was shaking when she walked away from them.

"I can't believe it she said something like that!" Jill was irritated when she was called as a slave. "She knows very well what her father had done to us, right?"

Maria nudged her again to shut her mouth.

Meanwhile, Sofia glanced at Jemma, who then tried to placate Jill. "It's okay, probably she is very tired from a long journey."

"What tired? She has been running around here and there," Jill scoffed, she crossed her arms in front of her chest. "She even tried to emphasize her status as the luna of the pack, as if the people in the pack will look twice at her if alpha Cane didn't mark her."

"Jill!" Maria warned her sternly and then she tried to change the topic and console Sofia, because she couldn't attend the actual party. "I will make your favorite food, okay? Don't be sad."

Sofia nodded meekly, while caressing her stomach.

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"Are you not going to do anything with this situation?" Jace asked Cane, as they walked back to the pack house from the training ground. Arthur talked about something important related to the spies that he put in the Celestial Moon pack. "I thought you care about her."

"She can handle it."

Jace was talking about the blatant favoritism that the pack did. They were very clear how they favored Sofia more because she carried Cane's child.

"Are you sure?" Jace frowned. He couldn't understand the alpha at this point.

Cane obviously showed Iris's importance for him, as he didn't hold himself back to display such affection in public, but he didn't do anything to stop them and let Iris to handle it. What he was trying to say with his action?

"She doesn't need help."

Jace frowned even more. "Why don't you tell them all that Sofia is pregnant with Redmond's baby? You can make things clear sooner and the woman can stop flaunting her bulging stomach."

Hearing that question, Cane simply glanced at his beta and walked away, rendered Jace speechless because he couldn't get anything out of his mouth.

"A little bit explanation will be nice, you know," Jace grumbled.

In the beta's mind, the reason why Cane kept mum, of course, because with this the king would stop pestering him about the deal of an heir for the pack, it would also deluge the small whisper about his infertility, since they knew what Gerald had done to him, though it was not a big issue and only a small whisper here and there.

But, Jace was not sure about more detail of his reasoning.

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DISRESPECT

They knew what Gerald had done to him and there was whisper here and there about his infertility because Iris had not yet conceived.

More so, Cane didn't need to explain where he had gone that night, where he supposed to spend his time with Sofia.

Jace knew that Cane noticed, by keeping Sofia close and didn't reveal the fact the baby was not his would put Iris in a difficult and uncomfortable situation, but with this, they could buy some time for them to strengthen their stronghold before everything went down.

Because if the alpha's infertility was exposed, the king would see it as; there was no reason for Cane to be the alpha of the pack, since that was the same reason Cane used to put down Mason from stepping up into the alpha's position, because he couldn't have an heir of his own. That was how important an heir for someone like him.

It was not the right time yet. They were not strong enough to go on a battle against the royal. The power they gathered was not enough.

At the very least, that was how Jace saw the situation.

"Where is my mate?" Cane asked, as he walked toward the pack house, Jace followed behind him.

"I think she must be in the kitchen, overlooking the food that will be served for the king." Jace didn't know Iris's schedule into the smallest detail, but from what he learned, since Cane would often ask about her, she must be there right now.

Cane nodded and walked into the pack house.

Needless to say, the beta could guess, where he would go, but the sight when they just arrived there, simply made Jace's blood ran cold, because there were three omegas, who were confronting Iris.

The three of them were the people from the kitchen, Jace knew them quite well, since he used to come to the kitchen and ask for food in the middle of the night, since his work was not allowed him to sleep peacefully.

"Luna Iris, this is not fair for you to exclude lady Sofia from the dinner with the king." Aira looked at Iris with a frown, as she was dare enough to talk to the luna in such attitude.

"She can come if she wanted." Iris's reply sounded unbothered, she looked at them one by one, but her blue eyes dimmed slightly. "I never did not allow her to come."

"But, the dinner is so late, you know lady Sofia will be sleep during that time," the other omega chimed in.

Because of her pregnancy, Sofia used to sleep very early, that was why she had not yet met Cane during dinner, while breakfast, she didn't dare to pull the same action like before after seeing how scary the alpha was, more so, Cane preferred to have his breakfast delivered to his bedroom, so he could have a quiet breakfast with his mate.

Iris looked so aloof, she explained this, as if she was reading a book. "The king used to have dinner around that time."

"How do you know that?" Aira didn't look satisfied with the explanation.

"Because I have dinner with the king a few times." Iris didn't show any emotions and she answered their question with detachment. This was akin to an interrogation if one could say.

"But..."

"Do you want me to ask the king to adjust himself for lady Sofia?" Iris tilted her head. "That sounds a little bit arrogant."

Meanwhile, outside of the kitchen, Jace stared at Cane. He couldn't tell what was in his mind to overhear this conversation, but he knew the alpha didn't appreciate the way those omegas spoke to his mate.

The beta had come to term, the importance of Iris, not only on the surface, but Cane truly cared about her.

"Don't you want to intervene?" Jace asked Cane, but the alpha didn't budge, he kept listening.

Actually, this quiet Cane was pretty intimidating and rather scary.

"That's not what we want to say," Aira said immediately, then she scoffed. "Jill is right, you always put words in someone else's mouth. You know I don't mean it in that way."

But, before they could argue even more, their bodies stiffened, as they turned around out of instinct to feel such strong presence. Their hearts thumped wildly inside their chest to see the alpha was standing not too far from them. The door framed his figure perfectly, as his dark eyes fell on them.

He walked into the kitchen and the atmosphere became tensed.

"Any problem here?" Cane asked, he kissed Iris's forehead and could feel how tensed his mate was. She was holding back her emotions.

"No, not really, Alpha." Aira shook her head, followed by the other two girls. They were trying to find a way to escape, as they resigned themselves.

"Do I allow you to leave?" Cane asked. He didn't raise his voice, but his tone dripped with so much coldness.

Their bodies were stiffened to hear the question, as they lowered their heads.

Cane pulled a chair for Iris and told her to sit down, but then he mouthed to her. 'Need help?' This time, Iris lowered her head and stared at her fingers. She didn't answer him.

Cane had asked the same question several times, but she would always reply with a firm 'no', yet it hurt her to see how she couldn't handle the situation the way she wanted.

Not only they didn't accept her, they didn't even try to warm up with her. The only thing they needed to do was to be polite, since she was the luna, yet they couldn't do that. Gradually, they became a little bit rude with her.

"Call all the omega, who works in the kitchen. Maria especially," Cane ordered Jace, who immediately gathered all the people Cane wanted.

Meanwhile, Iris was sitting on the chair and Cane stood behind her, resting his hands on her shoulders. He looked at the three omegas callously and then went to brew a pot of tea himself.

When one of them tried to help, Cane glanced at her sharply, which made her stopped in her track and lowered her head beside the other omegas.

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It didn't take long for Maria and all the omegas, who worked in the kitchen to gather there. They wondered, why they were called, but immediately quieted down when they saw their alpha's dark expression.

But, despite that, it was the alpha himself, who served a cup of tea for his mate, who had been very quiet all this time.

Cane glanced at her briefly, but he couldn't figure out what was inside that pretty head of hers. He couldn't read her expression, which devoid from any emotions. This fact alone bothered him.

There were around forty omegas before the alpha, waiting anxiously about the reason why they were called here. They could sense something was

completely wrong with this whole thing. The tension in the air was very suffocating.

And when finally the alpha swept his dark gaze to all of them, they felt their heart stopped beating. The alpha was angry. He was enraged. They lowered their head even more, until their chin touched their chest, more so the three omegas, who confronted the luna.

Aira and the other two felt self conscious. They realized, they had crossed their boundaries as an omega to criticize their luna rudely.

"Is there something you want to say about the arrangement the luna made regarding the dinner with the royal family?" Cane asked, he was firm, as his voice echoed in this quiet kitchen.

Jace himself could feel how thick the air right now. The tension was so real, the alpha was mad because the disrespect the pack member had constantly shown to Iris.

Never in his wild dream Cane would be so livid like this because of Iris.

No, Ethan indeed didn't exaggerate Cane's affection toward Iris, because the beta had never seen the alpha would be so mad to his pack member like this. He tended to not make a fuss over a small mistake and made it clear what he liked and disliked, but he never gave off a threatening aura like he did right now.

Jace carefully recalled his action toward Iris, just in case, he got into the alpha's bad side without him knowing it...

On the other hand, half of the omegas were confused about it, but some of them knew what the problem was, especially Maria. Her heart skipped a beat, realizing what was this about. She squeezed his hands anxiously and her heart dropped to her stomach when Jill raised her hand to voice out her opinion about it.

Cane's dark eyes fell on the omega.

Maria tried to tug on her sleeve, reminding her like usual how inappropriate it was. Among the other omegas, Jill was the person, who was very vocal about her dislike of Iris. If she spoke all of the things, she said to her, Maria was afraid, she would be punished severely.

Unfortunately, the young omega didn't believe the alpha would do that to his pack member for a woman like Iris. She was a runt and deaf, someone, who was not a match for the alpha.

"Alpha, the luna intentionally excluding lady Sofia from the party," Jill started, she raised her head. For an omega, she was very brave, it was a pity, she was not really sharp to read the room. "We only ask her to reconsider the arrangement because lady Sofia will be so sad if she can't attend."

"Lady Sofia?" Cane narrowed his eyes with the choice of her word, which made the omega covered. "Since when she becomes a lady of this pack?"

The title was for the mistress of the alpha and they assumed she was one of Cane's mistresses, since it went without saying, she was carrying the alpha's firstborn.

"She is pregnant with your child, alpha... so..." Jill bit her lip, she felt dreadful and under the pressure when the alpha stared at her so intensely like this. Her voice trailed off.

"Who told you to address her as such?" Cane stood next to Iris, who was still sitting on the chair, she seemed to tune off her surroundings. Without her seeing what they were talking about, there was no way for her to know what was going on.

The only thing she knew, Cane was mad. He reprimanded them on her behalf, but then what? No matter how brilliant Cane was, he couldn't make them liked her, especially not by punishing them. It would only direct their dislike toward her even more...

Iris felt like she was walking on eggshell in this pack. People would hate her no matter what she did. Whether she stood up for herself or Cane was the one, who did it, it didn't matter, they wouldn't see her as part of them.

One of the reason why she wanted Cane to stay away from this.

"Sir Kaz... Sir Kaz told us to be respectful to la- to Sofia," Airi replied, because Jill suddenly couldn't find her voice, as she was so afraid to utter a single word under the alpha's sharp eyes.

Hearing that, Cane turned his attention toward Jace. "Call Kaz here and a few warriors."

"Yes, alpha." Jace was not sure why he wanted a few warriors to be there, but he knew, Kaz would need an excellent explanation to douse the alpha's rage.

Meanwhile, the silence inside the kitchen was very suffocating, they thought, they would lose their voice if this continued.

The only sound they could hear was the crackling firewood on the firepit, which made the room become so warm, they started sweating, yet they didn't even dare to wipe their sweat, as they stared at the floor solemnly.

It didn't take long before Kaz entered the kitchen, followed by two warriors, one of them was Stone and the other was Avid. Grilla and Ameer came as well when they heard the alpha called all the omega in the kitchen.

"Alpha." Kaz approached Cane, he looked around him and fear crept on his skin, as he didn't know what was waiting for him, since beta Jace didn't say anything.

"You put that woman in the luna's bedroom and now you told everyone to call her a 'lady'?"

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YOU ARE NOT MY PEOPLE

"You put that woman in the luna's bedroom and now you told everyone to call her a 'lady'?"

The question came as a statement instead. At this point, all of them could see how livid the alpha was for having someone pronounced a woman as his mistress.

Kaz was once again dumbstruck by Cane's reaction. He couldn't understand why the alpha was so different, or maybe he simply didn't know his alpha enough to begin with.

"Alpha... she is..." Kaz swallowed his saliva with difficulty, as he glanced at the alpha briefly, but he regretted it, since he lost his words. The sight of Cane's expression right now was so terrifying.

"You did that?" Cane emphasized every question.

"Y- yes, alpha..." Kaz stuttered, he stole a glance at Iris, who said nothing the whole time. What was this? Was this because of the luna complained to the alpha about something? What she said to make the alpha was very mad at them?

If Jace was having a hard time to understand Cane's affection toward Iris, even with the help of Ethan's explanation and warning, let alone these people, who saw their alpha as a cold and calculative man.

It never crossed their mind that their alpha would genuinely care about the daughter of Gerald, especially when he and Iris just arrived for four days and both of them were so busy with a lot of things.

"Lady Sofia... she is pregnant with your child, alpha... she is blessed by the moon goddess to carry your heir."

And then, Kaz made a huge mistake by glancing toward Iris's direction. It was very subtle, but when someone as observant as Cane was paying his full attention at you, such gesture wouldn't go unnoticed by him.

His anger turned his eyes into golden color, which made all of them knelt before him, begging for his forgiveness, though some of them was not sure what the exact reason of his anger.

Amee was mortified, because she could understand what Kaz was trying to imply. She had warned him to not think that way because there was no proof the baby in Sofia's stomach was Cane's child. She knew it was not Cane's, but she couldn't tell anyone about it.

Yet, Kaz was very sure, his argumentation was; the alpha didn't reject the woman and didn't say anything about it.

Yes, the alpha didn't reject the woman, but he completely ignored her existence.

Amee had warned Kaz, but the old steward didn't want to listen to her.

"Throw him to the dungeon!" Cane was livid beyond words, something that Kaz did triggered him when he implied how Iris was not able to conceive his child.

It was him. The problem in this matter was with him, but Iris was the one, who took the brunt, and here she was, saying nothing about it when they disrespected her in such a way.

Had they done it in front of her? Talking to her directly about it?

And the fact no one was suspicious about his infertility was a proof that Iris didn't say anything to defend herself.

"Alpha!" Kaz lifted her head, he was dreadful by the order.

"Throw him to the dungeon and the four of them as well!" Cane was seeing red. He couldn't control his anger at this point. He felt the anger and humiliation.

"Alpha! Please, forgive me! Forgive me!" Kaz pleaded with Cane, so did Aira, Jill and the other two omegas, who confronted Iris, while the rest of them were trembling in fear. This was the first time for them to see this side of their alpha.

Because all this time, the alpha was a kind and caring person, someone, who would protect them and they would follow blindly.

And now Cane's harsh decision sent a mixture of emotions within them. They were afraid of him more than ever.

His golden eyes were a clear evidence how livid the alpha was right now. His beast came to the surface, which was the caused of his golden eyes, it would happen only for the royal bloodline when they showed a deep emotion and at this moment, it was anger.

"Alpha! Please! Luna! Forgive me!" Jill and Aira so did the other two omegas called for Iris, but soon they realized, it was a waste of energy, since their luna was deaf, she didn't see them and couldn't hear them.

"Alpha, I am sorry! Please, not the dungeon! Not the dungeon!"

The dungeon was not a simple punishment, but it brought back a lot of traumas for all of them. A place that didn't want to visit, and now the alpha

was being so cruel to throw them there for a simple matter. They didn't even hurt the luna!

Avid and Stone were having a hard time to haul five people, who refused to go, thus Jace called ten more guards to help.

The beta grimaced to see this sight, but of course, he was wise enough not to question Cane's decision and plead with them for him to reconsider.

As the commotion grew, Iris stood up, she felt so suffocated to be there a little bit longer. She didn't even touch a cup of tea that Cane brew for her.

Seeing that, Jill and Kaz immediately approached Iris, as they knelt down in front of her, gripping the hem of her dress.

"Luna, please! This is a misunderstanding!" Kaz wailed. "You are so different from your father, you need to tell the truth to the alpha that we didn't do anything outrageous!"

"Luna! We didn't do anything to harm you! This punishment is too cruel."

Iris stared at them, but she didn't show any emotions when she finally spoke. "You never think of me as your luna," she stated and took a step back, so they could release her dress. "I don't think of you as my people too."

Her statement shocked everyone there, including Cane.

After saying that, Iris turned around and left the kitchen.

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THE NEW REALIZATION

Cane realized something new about Iris now.

When she was very hurt, she numbed herself and turned very cold, aloof to her surroundings. It almost looked like she could see someone bled to death

and didn't even give a damn about it, while her normal self would have cried and looked for help.

She turned herself into that emotionless and callous person, as she tuned herself out from the world.

Iris statement earlier was not only surprised Cane, but the crowd of people as well, since they didn't think the timid and soft spoken luna could say such thing.

In the back of their mind, seeing how Iris was not an outspoken person, they thought she would help Kaz and the other when they begged her for help.

Probably, what she had done for them had backfired to the way the people saw her. They always thought, she was ready to help them, because she felt guilty for what her father had done to them and would swallow everything that was thrown at her, if they showed give her a little bit of kindest back.

"Take care of the people here," Cane said darkly to Jace, as he followed Iris out of the kitchen. He ignored Kaz and the other's plea to show some mercy on them. They apologized for their behavior, but it was a little too late for them to admit that.

More so, the apology should be directed to the luna, not the alpha. They still misdirected their remorse.

"Yes, alpha." Jace nodded solemnly, too afraid to see Cane right now, because he really took the role as an alpha now, the beta even too afraid to call him by his name.

Kaz, Jill and the other wailed, struggling to fight Stone, Avid and the other warriors, who would take them to the dungeon. It was less than a year for them to finally free from that place, but now they returned straight back there.

"Alpha! Alpha! Have mercy on us! Alpha!"

The pleading immediately disappeared, as Cane was distance away from them, he followed Iris, but he didn't approach her. He was walking ten steps away from her, enough for his mate to know he was there, but also gave her some space that she needed right now.

All the people that she met along this hallway, would give her small nod out of politeness, or straight up ignored her, as if she was invisible, but then, Iris didn't care about their treatment at all. She simply walked ahead aimlessly.

Meanwhile, the people, who saw Cane would stop and bow their head solemnly and even greeted him warmly.

This was a stark different that Cane could see. Now he finally saw how bad the situation was with his pack member. The old traumas and wounds had prevented them from seeing Iris the way she was and with her away from the pack for long, they didn't really bond with her well.

This was the flaw from his part, while he overlooked what was happening within his people, as he was too occupied by seeing a bigger picture, putting traps and scheming his way to get what he wanted, he failed to see his surroundings.

It was Iris, who had been dealing with his flaw, by stepping up and taking care of his people.

Amidst his schemes, Cane tended to see people as a valuable thing, whether he could use them or not. He couldn't help it. When you were in his position, constantly thinking to make the best out of everything, would eventually harden your heart.

Cane thought, Iris could handle it. That it was a lesson she needed to learn in order to come out of her shell. She was too caring and kind for her own good.

And now the lesson was learned, Iris stood up for herself and talked firmly without a trace of timidity, but Cane was uncomfortable with this version of her. He was not familiar with her callousness.

Iris walked around the garden and another hallways, then went to the back yard, where she sat down under a huge tree, taking a shelter under it shades from the harsh sunlight.

She pulled her legs close to her chest and rested her chin on top of her knees, she hugged herself, while staring at the distance.

Cane approached her slowly and sat down next to her when he didn't see any reaction from her.

They sat down there in silence, while wind blew on their faces, playing with their hair, fluttered her dress.

It was not sure how long they sat there in silence, but when the sun was about to touch the horizon and the sky had turned into a few shades of red, Cane caressed her head.

"Let's go back," Cane said, but because Iris didn't look his way, he changed his position and sat down in front of her, blocked her view at the vast land before their eyes. He made sure she looked at him when he spoke again. "It will be dark soon, let's go back."

"Where?" Iris asked. Her coldness and callousness had faded away, but she looked so exhausted, as if she had drained all of her energy.

"Go back home."

"That's not my home. It never will be. I don't belong to this pack."

Now another realization struck Cane because he didn't realize it before. He used to be surrounded by people, who would die for him, believed him almost blindly and would follow him everywhere, showing him the affection of family, as he thought of them as the same.

Cane lost all of his family, he was the only survivor and these people filled the gaps in his heart by not letting him to feel alone, as he had them to rely on.

But, it was different case with Iris. She had no one, aside from Hanna, she literally had no one.

The family she had, couldn't be said as family, as they left deep scars on her. Mentally and physically.

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AGONY

"That's not my home. It never will be. I don't belong to this pack." Iris came to the decision, where she was tired of trying to fit in.

If after everything she had done, they still turned their back on her so easily, literally saw her as an outsider, then there was nothing she could do would matter.

Cane moved closer to her and caressed her head, coaxed her to look at him. "I put them in the dungeon, what do you want me to do with them?"

"Is that even matter?" Iris asked, her blue eyes dimmed. Sadness trickled from her voice. "They will hate me anyway."

Cane understood that. Her, standing up for herself would only make the awkward relationship between her and the pack member became even more strained and his involvement didn't solve the matter. The depth of the problem was deeper than Cane could control.

"I will make sure they will not disrespect you again."

However, the problem was beyond that. What Iris wanted was their acceptance, with them respecting her, didn't mean they would accept her.

Iris told Cane about how she felt.

"Is that too much for me to ask to be accepted by the pack? After all I have done?" Iris gritted her teeth, she became emotional again and she hated herself for it. She didn't want to cry, but her tears, threatened to fall from her eyes.

The pain returned and it was too strong for her to numb her feeling again.

"I did everything I could to help them! I took the beatings when I tried to help you all! But, it never stopped me! I help you with whatever I could, despite all my weakness! I keep trying to help, but why they still can't accept me!?"

Iris screamed at this point, warm tears fell on her cheeks, as she was so fed up with the way they treated her.

"Why it is so hard for them to accept me when I did nothing, but to help them?!" Iris swatted Cane's hand away so harshly, she could feel her wrist was in pain, but she ignored that.

She was in so much pain than she could say.

"I never tried to harm them, neither I have the intention to do so! But, why they keep hurting me?!" Iris was seething, her whole body was shaking. "You can see it yourself Cane. There is no way you can't see the way they look at me! They see me as an outsider, they still see me as Gerald's daughter! There is nothing I can do to change their perspective! I didn't want to forgive them!"

Iris knew, there was nothing Cane could do to change their perspective too, people's heart was not something you could easily understand and alter, the way you did with your schemes.

But, Iris was very tired to be understanding, she wanted to be selfish and let him knew how hurt she was.

"When they begged for forgiveness from me, I don't want to forgive them! I don't feel like I want to forgive them! So, why they expected me to forgive them and blame me for not meeting their expectation?! Why would I forgive them when my heart not want to?!"

Why would I become the bad person when I didn't want to forgive them?! I don't owe them anything! Why they look at me like I am an evil person for the way I feel when they could feel anything about me?! They picture me as an evil person because I can't forgive them, but why they don't feel sorry to treat me badly in the first place?!"

Iris felt petty and shallow for bringing up all the things she had done for them, but she was in so much agony right now, it detached her from other feelings and worries.

Alpha Gallot was right. Hurt people, hurt people.

And right now, she wanted to hurt Cane with her words, making him felt guilty, when the blame was not completely on him, but Iris wanted him to hurt, because she was in so much pain and she wanted him to feel it too.

"Just because I am deaf, doesn't mean I don't know what they are talking about! I am not stupid! I am not an idiot! Why they degraded me and thought I am not smart enough! I know what they are talking, I am not stupid! I am a runt, but I am not stupid!"

At this point, Iris was hysterical, she simply said whatever crossed her mind. Her words were jumbled up and they were incoherent in one point, as she jumped from one thing to the other.

Cane felt this pang in his heart when he saw her in so much pain. "I am sorry."

"I don't want your 'sorry!'"

But then, Iris didn't know what she wanted too, she didn't know what she wanted to hear and this frustrated her even further, sent her into spiral of endless emotions.

And when Cane saw she was out of control, as her emotions overwhelmed her, he moved closer to hug her, but she pushed him away with all of her strength and stood up. She staggered a bit before she ran away into the forest.

By this time, it was already dark and it was not safe for her to be out there, especially inside the forest.

Without a second thought, Cane immediately stood up and chased after her, it was not hard for him to finally stopped her, but Iris was furious, as she struggled to free herself from him.

"No! Don't go there!" Cane would let her go wherever she wanted, but not to the forest.

"Let go!" Iris screamed at him, this was the first time she was consciously fighting him, and then she saw it again, the black wisp... no, the soft smoke formed a wolf, the same shape like what she saw before, but it was the color of black, yet Cane didn't seem to see it.

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