

Chapter six: Ivy's P.O.V/

I didn't even speak with my mate and still made a fool of myself. Great, just great. I couldn't move, I couldn't speak. If I thought that Alexander was good-looking, damn, my mate was in a whole different league. "You are so right, I could lick him anytime" Athena, calm yourself. You are not helping.

"He is yummy" indeed. He is taller than Alexander. I would say at least 6,5ft, making me look like a kid next to him. He has mesmerizing blue eyes with sparks of gold and green, short black hair at the sides and longer at the top, luscious, full, pink lips that were just asking to be kissed. And his body. I could see that he had ripping muscles under that black suit that he was wearing, and I think that he had a tattoo, but it was covered by his shirt.

I'm drooling and that is making me look like a dumb teenager. I haven't answered him correctly for God's sake. I seemed like a damn mute, causing Bianca to give me deathly stares. Well, I guess I deserve it, he is the King after all and I haven't talked properly to him. I should have greeted and bowed to him, but I couldn't. My mind didn't seem to work at that moment.

I was surprised he was so calm. He even growled at Bianca when she was being a b***h to me. I guess he is a decent human being, but as everyone here treats me like crap it is weird that he is being this nice.

"He is our mate, of course he is nice to us." Oh, that is right. How could I forget? He is my freaking mate. I have to become the breeder of my mate.

"Why are you so mad at our mate?" Athena asked. I couldn't answer her though. I wasn't angry at him, I was scared. He doesn't know that I am the wolf-less girl of the pack.

"You are not wolf-less. I am your wolf Ivy." Well, you showed up a little late, so no one knows I have a wolf.

"You knew who your mate was, didn't you?" Yeah. I knew, but you showed up a few years later. And may I add that you don't talk much to me, you disappeared completely after the rejection. I answered her. She just huffed and retreated to the back of my mind. My wolf is mouthy. I love her, but we haven't changed yet, so everyone still calls me wolf-less. He is going to be very disappointed when he finds out I don't have a wolf. I doubt that my sister or Alexander keep that to themselves. They have to give him a reason for me wanting to be a breeder, as I am a young and ranked wolf.

I walked behind him until we reached Alexander's oce. Bianca gestured at him, so he entered the oce, and then she was going to walk behind him, but he turned to look at me and gave me his hand.

"I'm going to talk to her alone." He said in the deepest and sexiest voice I have ever heard. That startled Bianca, but she just nodded and let me pass to the oce. The king let me pass before him and then closed the door. I didn't know what to do. I stood there in the middle of the oce. He looked around and found a couple of chairs. He gestured me to sit on one of them and he took the other one. I sat there and dgeted with my ngers to calm my racing nerves. He looked at me and sighted before he spoke.

"Ivy, I don't like to impose myself on others, but we need to talk." He said in a gentle voice.

"Sorry your majesty. My behavior was not the best. I was startled at rst. Please forgive me." I said. He gave me an amused look and I had to bite my tongue to avoid making a snarky remark. I'm going to get in so much trouble if I don't control myself.

"He would punish us. That would be interesting." Athena said. Damn horny and crazy wolf. Calm yourself, it is hard for me to focus, and you are not making it easier.

"I don't want to make it easier, he is our mate. I want to go there, so he can f..." I blocked her from my mind. Focus Ivy.

I looked at Kaid. No, King Kaid. And he just stared back at me. Did he say something? Damn it Athena, it's your fault for distracting me.

"Hey don't put the blame on me, you are just as attracted to him as I am. I just voice your inner thoughts" I had to ght the urge to roll my eyes at her. Focus Ivy.

"You are a mouthy one, aren't you Ivy?" He said as he chuckled. Was he making fun of me? I haven't said anything. In fact, I was on my best behavior. I squinted my eyes as I analyzed him.

"I haven't said anything, your majesty." I replied. Simple and plain, if I add too many words, then I may commit a mistake.

"You haven't, but I can see your inner turmoil in your eyes. You are trying to control yourself, aren't you?" Kaid said. Hmm, so he is observant. I looked at him for a couple of seconds. I took a deep breath, debating on what to do, but the best option was to just rip the band-aid off.

"What do you want to talk about, our mate bond or the breeder deal?" I just laid out both topics. If I was going to be rejected again, it better be quick.

"To be fair, you rejected Alexander." Hold your horses. I rejected him because he wanted to reject me rst. You were okay with it! You even told me you wanted Ares but not Alexander. Don't put the blame on me, Athena.

"I see you go straight to the point. I like it." He said with a grin that made my knees weak. "I want to address the fact that we are mates, but for that I think we need to clarify a few things."

"Why do you need a breeder?" I blurted out. That question has been nagging me since I saw him. He's got the looks, and if he wanted he could get any girl. Suddenly, his eyes darkened, and the surrounding air became chilly. His power was radiating from him in waves, telling me that he was furious.

"I don't need a breeder, I needed a breeder. Past tense. Now I have my mate in front of me." Kaid said angrily. I rolled my eyes at him. So bossy. I haven't accepted him as my mate.

"Okay, needed. Still, you came here for a reason and I want to know why." I said, and crossed my arms in front of me to show my determination. He was not going to leave this room before I got my answer.

"Well... I was pressured to take a chosen mate." there it goes, I thought, and my eyes started to water involuntarily. "No, no, please don't cry." He rapidly said, and let out a sight. "Look, I am twenty-eight, so it was assumed that my mate had died. The council was worried that there would be no heir, so they pressured me to take a chosen mate, but now that I have found you, it is no longer necessary."

"Still, that doesn't explain why you needed a breeder. You could have a son with your chosen mate." I replied.

"Indeed, but I wanted to have an heir before, to avoid any she-wolf who would approach me just for the throne." He said.

And that is when realization kicked in. If I had not been his mate he would have taken my baby, just like that, snatched from my arms. Athena started growling in my mind at the thought of having to leave her baby. I think he saw the anger in my eyes as he quickly grabbed my hand and caressed it, making sparks erupt from my skin. It felt amazing, and the sensation made me gasp and move my hand quickly. That made Kaid give a hurt and sad expression, but quickly recovered from it.

"So you were going to snatch someone's baby from her arms. And that someone could have been me, and all for what. You can judge someone's character and make the right choice of a chosen mate." I said. He wasn't a two-year-old, he was a grown-ass man.

"I didn't expect you to understand. I know it sounds awful to you, but I have my reasons. If you want to judge me for them, then so be it. But, you should give the bond a chance." He replied, and I could register his soft plea in his voice. I wanted to give this bond a chance. I really did. But rst I want to see his reaction by knowing I'm not the beloved beta daughter that he may think I am.

"I'm wolf-less. My mother died during childbirth, and it is said that I'm cursed." There, everything is on full display now.

"What the hell are you doing, Ivy?" Athena said. I wanted to know if he would want me even if he thinks I'm weak. I now know that I have a wolf, but I haven't turned yet, so I can still pass as wolf-less.

"I'm almost like a slave here. I work with the omegas, but I'm mistreated even by them." I nished, and expected his answer. That will determine a lot of things in our future.

He stood there thinking. I should have known he was going to reject me. Well, I'm prepared for it. But what is taking him so long, and his eyes continue to shift colors. If I wanted, I could hear his wolf and him, but I don't want to. It is going to be the...

"Sorry, I had to control my wolf. He wanted to murder your pack for the way they had treated you. I don't care that you don't have a wolf, we have to train you though. Being queen means that you'll have to be extra careful with threats. I just don't understand something. How do you know you're my mate if you don't have a wolf?" Kaid said. I just looked at him and gaped like a sh. Doesn't he care that I'm not what they promised to him?

"Told you" Yes Athena, I know you told me. I just wanted to be sure.

"I don't know, I just do. It was the same with my rst mate." I said, and he emitted the most powerful growl I had ever heard.

"How are you going to tell him that you do have a wolf? And why did you mention Alexander Ivy? Kaid is losing it." Geez Athena, I'm sorry I didn't know it would set him off. And to your question I will tell him when we turn.

She huffed and retreated to the back of my mind. I knew she was right. Kaid is the king, so his instincts are extremely powerful. I just had to poke the bear.

I knew what his next question would be. He was going to ask me who my rst mate was, but before we could continue, Alexander knocked on the door.

"Excuse me your majesty, Elder Tobias came here and is asking for you. What should I tell him?" He said. Why is there an Elder here?

The Elders are the oldest wolves. They are supposed to be the wisest and even the strongest among us. Seven of them conform the council, and with the king they create our laws. Only Kaid is stronger than an Elder. They rarely come to our pack as we are not one of the strongest ones. Weird.

"I'm coming out now," He looked at me once again, but didn't say anything. I knew he had to go. If an Elder came all this way, it was because he needed to discuss something important. He left the oce, and closed the door when he left.

"You made him mad. What did you expect?" Athena said, but before I could continue speaking with her, the door opened and Alexander entered his oce. He looked furious and as soon as he closed the door he approached me with incredible speed and started to choke me against the wall.

"What did you say to him, Ivy?" His face was red. I could see he was furious. The veins in his forehead popped, and his eyes changed color. "Answer me!" He yelled at me. But I couldn't. I literally couldn't as he wasn't letting air pass through. I started seeing black spots in my vision and knew this was probably my end.