

Chapter 81

I was sitting at my desk, filled with paperwork on the whereabouts of Dexter. I have tracked him down and if my calculations were correct, he was in the southwestern part of the southern territory. He was on the run and Everest sent some scouts down to confirm his location. We would not be put on a wild goose chase.

My phone buzzed as a text came through. I picked it up off the desk and looked at the screen as it lit up. My eyes glanced over at the time. It was already three in the afternoon. "Where has the time gone to today? Sheesh." I said out loud to myself. I put in my password to unlock my phone and went into the text screen. It was from Miranda. My lips tugged upwards as I read her long text message.

"Hey! We miss you. Cassie says hey what's poppin! Isn't she so very sassy now? Honestly, she is too sassy if you ask me and has been hanging around Brent too much lately. Lol. Anyway, some very exciting things are happening here in the South. We have found where the witches council is hiding. We are watching them closely and using my magic to counter their cloaking spell to listen in on their conversations. They are working with Brent's brother, Dexter, and they are trying to figure out a way to get him back here so they can make their next move. We are fine now, but from what we understand, they want to take over the Southern Kingdom, then take back the North. They have an army behind them. It seems this is never ending. We might want to get together to come up with a plan and stop this nonsense before it begins? Thoughts? Oh, and our marking ceremony is on Friday. I am nervous. What if it doesn't work?"

I read her text and let out a long sigh. I stood up and stretched and walked out of my office and made my way to Everest's office. I walked in and he offered me a warm smile. I returned the smile and held up my phone with a small shake. "Hey babe, we need to make plans soon. I got a text from Miranda." I told him and he nodded his head in acknowledgment.

"I too received a message, except from Brent and not Miranda." He chuckled "Very detailed information on what is going on down there. Plans, witches council movements, Dexter's exact location. I was just about to come find you and let you know we should get our bags packed." I watched as he leaned back in his office chair.

I had sat down on the opposite side of the desk and nodded my head. "Oh, I was going to ask the same from you." I smiled. "Are the boys coming with us?"

He shook his head, "I wish that they could, but I feel they would be safer here than coming with us. They could be a liability, a weakness. I couldn't stand if anything happened to them." He choked out the last few words, fighting back his own emotions.

"I know, I was going to suggest that they stay here with Amber and Jameson." He nodded his head, standing and walking around the desk.

"That sounds great. Jameson wouldn't feel comfortable leaving Amber right now anyway. Especially considering she is supposed to be taking it easy with a little over a month to go." His hand outstretched towards me. I placed my hand in his as I let him help me up from my chair.

"Good. The boys and the territory will be in good hands while we are away," I told him and he smiled, leading me out the room.

"I guess we should inform everyone." He suggested and I nodded as I walked with him down the hallway. I looked up at him when he stopped walking for a moment. His eyes were glazed over as he was obviously linking the people who we would be meeting with. When he was finished, he glanced down at me, "Would you like to go for a short walk before dinner?"

"I would like that very much," I answered as a smile played at the corners of my mouth.

I allowed him to lead me outside to the gardens. We walked in silence, enjoying one another's company. We walked to the small pond that was filled with koi fish when we stopped. He pulled me closer to him, and not only could I feel the warmth of his body, but I swear I could hear his heart beating. Time seemed to slow down as his hand reached for my cheek. He turned my face gently to look up to him as intimacy between us grew quickly. My breathing hitched and my heart seemed to skip a beat. Heat flowed through my entire body as his other hand was gently placed on the opposite cheek. The padding of his thumb moved slowly across my bottom lip, causing my mouth to part slightly. My gaze never left his as the excitement between us grew. When his thumb left my lips, my tongue darted out to lick the bottom lip before I bit it.

A low growl vibrated through his chest as his eyes seemed to darken as he looked down at me, watching my movements. He shivered when my hands moved around him, bringing his body closer to me. He dipped his head down and captured my mouth with his own. A moan escaped my mouth as Everest swallowed it hungrily. One of his hands moved to tangle in my hair as the other brought me even closer to him. Our bodies were practically melting into one another. His hands slowly slid down, squeezing my bottom, lifting me up to him. My dress allowed my legs to easily wrap around his waist, neither of us caring that anyone could walk up on us, or even see us for that matter.

Everest moved us to sit on a nearby bench. When he sat down, I could feel how hard he was for me. Our tongues danced together as my hips were grinding against his. One of his hands moved and slipped under my dress to my panties. I gasped as I felt his fingers push past my folds and begin to slowly rub.

Everest growled as he broke the kiss, moving to my mark. I let out a moan, my head tilting back, giving him full access to whatever he wanted from me. "You're wet and ready for me." His voice was low and deep.

"Yes." Was all I managed to be able to get out before he quickly unzipped his pants, his hard c**k breaking free against me. I moved my hips up as he helped position my opening with the head of his c**k. When he moved me down on it, his lips crashed against my own, swallowing my moan.

My hips moved back and forth on him slowly. My dress was hiding the fact that he was deep inside of me. I could feel every inch of him inside of me. I broke the kiss as I was reaching my climax. I knew he could tell as his hands were on my hips, helping me move.

"Shh, someone will hear us." He mumbled between kisses that were strategically placed along my neck before a hand clamped over my mouth as I reached my peak. I felt his release inside of me and when his hand moved away, our lips found one another, moving together softly and tenderly. I felt him move his hands between my legs and the sound of a zipper making its way back up.

He moved me slowly off of him and I gave him my hand as he slowly stood. He held me close to him and whispered into my ear, "We need to freshen up before our dinner meeting."

We both freshened up and I changed into a simple black and white dress with black heels. A soft knock came from the door and I opened it. On the other side of the door were three of the cutest boys in the entire castle. "Hey! Are you both ready?" Trevor asked.

"Almost," I said as I put the last earring in my ear. "Now we are good to go." I gave the three of them a warm smile as they all took turns giving me the best hugs. "Let's go eat." Everest walked out and shut the door behind him.

When we walked into the dining hall, a decent group of people were gathered around the table waiting for our arrival. When they noticed us, they all stood and bowed their heads down. We walked past them and made our way to our own seats. We sat down first and everyone followed suit.

Food was served to us all individually by our servers and when everyone had their plates, we all began to eat. Midway through the dinner, Everest cleared his throat, causing everyone to stop eating and look in our direction. I sat my fork on my plate and took a generous sip of my wine.

"If I could take this time and inform everyone why exactly I have called this dinner meeting." He paused for a moment, his eyes looking around the room. He motioned towards Matthew, who seemed to become uncomfortable in his chair at the sudden attention as everyone was now looking at him. "Many of you have met Matthew already. He is by far one of the strongest wolves I have had the pleasure of training with. Avalynn and I came across him on a run not too long ago. He had some of the most important messages to give to us. We took it into consideration and with that, along with some new information from our friends in the south, we are leaving tomorrow morning to hunt down Dexter first. Then we will be making our way to King Brent's castle and taking out the witches council. Jameson and Amber will be standing to make decisions until Avalynn and I return along with part of our warriors to help protect our Kingdom. Trevor, you have the duty of protecting your brothers until we return." Everest sat down and the room was silenced.

Everyone's eyes darted around the table, looking at one another. The silence was deafening before Jameson decided to speak. "We are behind you journey. Whatever needs to be done, have no worries, it will be done and taken care of. I, we, both wish you safe travels on your journey to rid the world of evil. We will keep a look out for your sons and make sure they and the Kingdom will be well taken care of in your absence."

"Thank you, my friend." Everest nodded in his direction in appreciation.

"Thank you for your kind words, I look forward and feel honored to be fighting alongside of you and our Queen." Matthew nodded his head.

"Don't worry about a thing here. I will make sure my brother's mind and behave." Trevor looked at us both with a smile. "Just give them hell for me." His smile widened.

"Absolutely. You can count on that one." Everest smiled.

"Just make sure you come home." Bryan frowned.

"Yeah," Taylor commented. "Because we are going to miss you." He now had a deep frown on his face as he crossed his arms.

"We will be back, I promise." I told all three of them.

"We will be here waiting for you." Trevor smiled at me and I returned the smile.

"Just be careful," Bryan sighed. "I wish we could go too."

"I do too." I smiled. "But it will be way too dangerous. I want to make sure I can keep you three safe."

"I understand. I am just not happy about it." Bryan got up out of his chair, walked over to me and gave me a tight hug and whispered "Please come back."

My heart broke at hearing his small voice crack. I wrapped him up tightly in a hug as his brothers walked over to get their hugs in. Tears were threatening to spill over and I cleared my throat. "What do you boys say we watch movies and eat junk food tonight?"

"I'm down for that," Everest said with a smile.

"Oh heck yes!" Trevor shouted, causing everyone to chuckle.

"Nothing scary?" Taylor asked.

"No way!" Everest laughed.

"Good!" Bryan said.

We finished dinner with everyone and went over the plans with our head warriors. When everyone was in agreement with the timeline of events, we made our way upstairs to watch a movie and eat junk food. The boys all fell asleep around the room, from the couch to their lounge and a chair. They looked too peaceful to wake to make them go up to their rooms. Instead, I placed blankets over their sleeping bodies, kissed the tops of their heads, and then I turned out the lights. Everest left the television going as we both made our way to our bedroom. Tomorrow was going to be a long day of traveling south and we would need whatever sleep we could get.

I looked at the clock and it read one in the morning. At least I could get a short nap on the plane ride. I was definitely going to need it at this rate. I laid down on the bed as Everest brought me closer to his body. I relaxed in his arms, snuggling into him as my exhausted body quickly fell asleep.