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Chapter 101

The chase is on.

(Anna)

I'm not sure how long I chase Faye through the woods but I know we passed the Pack border a little while ago. I haven't seen her since she ran from the house but I can smell her so I know I'm on the right trail.

'Let me out, I'll find the bi tch.' Winter growls as I stop and spin in a circle, standing still I close my eyes and try to find Faye's smell. 'Anna, let me out. Right now. 'Something about Winter's voice has me popping my eyes open, I am met with the sight of a massive salt and pepper wolf running towards me.

'Who is that?' I ask Winter as I take a step backwards, I am suddenly very aware that I have followed Faye into a part of the forest that I don't know.

'Let me out Anna.' Winter sounds like she's ready to pounce any second but I feel locked with fear. All the adrenaline I had around Faye seems to be fading with every step the wolf gets to me.

The wolf gets close enough to me that I can smell his breath but he just stops and growls at me.

"Met my

father," I hear Faye say from behind me, "your sense of smell must be sh it. A quick dash into a river and you lost me."

"I can't say I follow psychotic women into forests everyday," I snap at Faye without taking my eyes off the wolf in front of me.

"That's a good one," Faye laughs. "Now you're going to turn around and follow me or dear old father here is going to rip you apart." I must

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think about it too long because the wolf snarls at me and takes a step towards me. I throw my hands up in front of me and start walking backwards, between Faye and the wolf I don't know which one I should be keeping an eye on but I know which one is more deadly right now.

"You can turn around, he won't attack until I tell him too." I keep walking backwards until I trip over a rock and nearly land on my as s, I decide it is worth the risk and turn myself to face forward. Least if the wolf attacks I wont see it and it will be over quickly.

"Not going to lie, that was a smart move back in the house, following me into the forest less smart." Faye calls over her shoulder, she's still wearing Fraction's t-shirt so I just stare daggers into her back. "I admire how you think you're the shi t but let's face it Anna, you're just a scared little girl who has no idea what she's doing."

"And you do?" I ask her.

"My life has been planned out long before I was born." Faye tells me ast she jumps over a fallen log. I can't help the laughter that bursts out of my mouth, Faye turns and stares daggers at me at the same time as the wolf behind me snarls.

"You mean that contract that so stupi d Alpha's signed hundreds of years ago?" I ask her while she stares at me down, we have stopped. moving and are just standing staring at each other.

"You know about that?" Faye asks with a tilt to her head, I just nod at her. "Huh, you have been busy. No matter, knowing about the contract doesn't affect the outcome of it. It was signed in blood years ago, the Greylones have waited a long time for a female to be born. For us to take our rightful place at the head of a Pack."

"You do realise that the contract doesn't name you right?" I watch as

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Faye eyebrows draw together in confusion, "you haven't actually seen it have you? Did dear old father tell you that you were named?" I take a step towards her, "did you think you were special Faye?"

"Shut up!" Faye snarls at me.

"Do you even know why you're doing all of this?" I ask her as the wolf behind me starts snarling loudly. "Or are you just following orders like a good little girl? You realise your father has basically pimped you out to an Alpha, assisted you in ripping apart a happy family and all for what? To be standing here in the forest with me." Faye takes a deep breath and I watch her eyes flick to the wolf behind me, "he's played you so that he can

have a say in Pack affairs, he didn't count on me not just rolling over though did he?" I turn to look at the wolf and see he's actually foaming at the mouth now.

"You're an Omega, you have no fight. You destroy Packs, trick Alphas into thinking they have found their mates. You are a poison on the shifter world!" Faye doesn't sound like she quite believes her words, "you should have just left the second you found out Fraction had another mate!"

"Was that the plan? Tell her that Fraction was her mate for so long that she finally believes it?" I ask the wolf behind me, "she doesn't even know how a real mate feels, does she? How you need them close to you, how you feel when they are away from you." I turn back to Faye, "when you find that one person you are meant to be with for the rest of your life it's like every colour in the world has doubled in brightness, even when you are mad at them you still want to take their side. Their very smell puts the hairs on the back of your n*eck on end because you just want to swim in until you drown."

"That's not how it is, mates can't always smell each other." Faye says in a small whisper.

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"Yes they can Faye, every single time. He's lied to you, Fraction is not your mate, he's mine. No matter what you do to me he will never be yours. Have you seen what happens to an Alpha when split from their Omega? I have." I can see the confusion cross Faye's face so I keep talking, maybe if I can make her see what she's done she will stop. "I got sick once and Fraction was so hurt from being separated from me that he had to be locked in a cell for the Pack's safety.

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"That hasn't happened this time though has it? He doesn't need you anymore." She's not wrong, Fraction hasn't lost it like he did last time and I don't know why that is.

"No but we also haven't had another female come in and try to tear us apart either." I say in a low voice.

"Enough talking, keep walking. We are almost there." I don't ask where we are going. I just start walking as the wolf behind me snarls and pushes me with his wet nose.

We aren't walking for much longer before I see a small wooden cabin in between the trees, it looks like an old hunting cabin. It doesn't look big enough for someone to

actually live in but from the smells around it at least two wolves have been living here. I stop walking once I see the door open and Leon walks out of it. I am so shocked at seeing Leon out here that I don't even care that there is a snarling wolf behind me.

"Faye? What the hell is this?" Leon asks her running down the stairs.

"Plans changed little brother, get her inside the cabin." Faye says as she walks past him.

"What the hell is this?" I ask Leon as he walks over to me and takes my arm, pulling me towards the cabin.

"I'm so sorry Anna," Leon whispers as he marches me into the cabin, it smells like sweat and pi ss in here and as soon as I see the chains on the Search the FindNOvel.net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

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wall I start to dig my feet into the ground.

"I'm not going in there "I shake my head as Leon pushes me over the threshold, I fall to my knees and start to s ob Faye planned all of this and I fell for it h ook line and sinker I don't fight as I feel a hand in my hair, I'm so mad at myself that I don't even fight as I feel myself dragged across the wooden floor and a cuff slammed around my ankle

"Now how about we continue our little chat?" Fave says once I'm

sitting on my as s and drawn my legs up to my chan I watch as Leon walks into the cabin and closes the door, the chick of the door closing sounds so loud in the tiny cabin

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Chapter 102

Pity.

(Faye)

"You let her get the better of you." my father says as he turns my chin from side to side. I wrench my chin from his fingers and just stare at

him

"She didn't get the better of me, she beat my as s into the floor. I thought Omegas didn't know how to fight?" I plop myself into the grass and start pulling at the blades, creating a little pile of grass next to me. "You always said the contract named me, is that not true?"

"I told you what I needed to. I had to get you to where you needed to be." My father says unapologetically

"My whole life I've thought I was destined for something, for him and it was all a lie." I can't stop the pain from bleeding into my voice.

"More fool you for believing him." Leon says coming down the stairs of the cabin. "We can't keep her here. Fraction will come looking and the last time someone took Anna," he shakes his head as he sits down next to me. "I don't want him to kill you Faye but he will if you keep her here." I know Leon is trying to look out for me but even I know it too little too late now, I've been trapped into the role of a bad guy and now I'm stuck in it.

"We can't let her go." I say in a small whisper.

"You're d amn right you can't, once your brothers get here the fa g can leave and then we can get the bitc h buried." My father says as he towers over the both of us, I see Leon flinch at my side.

"I can't go back, James will smell Anna on me. He will know I've at least seen her." My father moves quickly and drags Leon to his feet by

his throat.

"You will do what you're told," he spits in Leon's face, I scramble backwards and quickly get to my feet. "You owe me, if it wasn't for met you would still be living on the street after that father of yours decided to dilute our blood line."

"He found his mate, he loved her and you killed them. You're the one who put that wh ore under his nose." Leon fights out of my fathers hold. and when he finally gets the grip around his throat loosened he moves. a few steps back. "You might as well have killed them yourself, I owe you nothing!" Leon points at my father and then at me, "you will ruin her just like everything else. She had no right to come in and ruin a family yet she did because of what you told her."

"Too late to grow a conscience now, as soon as that prissy Beta finds out you messed with Mrs Jacobs brakes he will disown you." My father says while going red in the face.

"Daddy, maybe we should go get you a beer?" I say trying to defuse the situation before he kills Leon. /

"Shut up. you are not better than this f ucker. Both of you are useless." My father storms off around the cabin as he snarls this at both of us.

For a while we stand in silence, together we listen to the birds and creatures rustle around in the forest. Raising my face to the sun I close my eyes and let it warm my face.

"This has gone too far Faye." Leon says, breaking the silence.

"What do you suggest? We have an Omega locked in a cabin, we have. a little breathing room because Fraction left to go see Alpha Darryl but I bet you anything James has already called him." I run my hands

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through my hair and pull on the ends in frustration, "he will kill us, you know that right? James won't be able to stop him," Leon's face pales as he finally understands the gravity of the situation.

"This wasn't meant to be like this Faye, I was meant to get close to James and that was it. I passed the information I could but it never seems to be enough for him." Leon starts to cry as drops himself back into the grass.

"You have to toughen up Leon, we have made our bed now." Squaring my shoulders I turn towards the cabin, me and Anna need to finally have a heart to heart without my father pulling his strings.

I ignore Leon as he calls out to me, his call is half hearted like he doesn't really want to stop me. It's possible my father has finally pushed him too far, Leon is such a gentle spirit, it was only a matter of time before he snapped. Pushing the cabin door open I watch as Ana's head snaps up and she's instantly staring daggers at me, the ankle cuffed to the chain looks red and raw like she's been trying to pull it off.

"You should leave that alone," I tell her as I walk to the wall opposite her and slide to the floor. I mimic her pose and pull my legs up to my chin wrapping my arms around them. Anna doesn't answer me, instead she just continues to stare at me. "What? Lost all that bite?"

"What do you want with me?" Anna asks in a low voice, I almost have to strain my ears to hear her.

"You know what I want, if you promise to just leave I can stop my father from hurting you." Anna burst out laughing as I say this, I just watch her, I think everyone around me is losing the plot. "What's so funny?" I snap at her.

"I was leaving you idiot, I came to get Thomas and we were going to leave. I was going to take him as far as I possibly can from you and all

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the Pack bulls hit!" I widen my eyes in surprise, I've never heard Anna swear and it somehow sounds super scandalous in her voice.

"I can't let you leave with Thomas, Fraction would never let you take his son." As much as it annoys me it's true, Fraction would never allow his tiny future Alpha to leave the Pack let alone leave him.

"Fraction doesn't get a say in it as long as you're in his bed," I try to keep the smugness off my face. Me and Fraction have never actually shared a bed but she doesn't need to know that. Actually the Alpha wont let me touch him in any S**ual way, sure he's nice to me lately. but all kinds of intimacy are off the table. It's really frustrating, I want nothing more than to go back to the day in the daycare where he was so gone he almost had me there and then.

"My father will kill you if you don't leave," I try to warn her.

"Then we are at an impasse because I wont leave without my son," I get up off the floor and start pulling at my hair as I pace the small cabin.

"Are you special or something?" I ask her, "I'm giving you an out. A way out of this mess and you are throwing it away for what? A kid? You can have a kid with any Alpha, you don't need this one." Search The FindNovel.net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"Are you for real?" she asks me, "you can't just replace a kid with another. Fraction is my mate. there will never be another mate for me. I had a second mate and it didn't take because Fraction is my one and only."

"Just find another Alpha." why doesn't this woman get it? She's not. totally unattractive, she has that cute doe eyed thing going that Alpha's fall over themselves for. "What about Darryl? Go and mate him, he's free and single."

"You really are bat, crazy, that's not how mates work. I don't know why I'm even bothering to explain, you were raised wrong Faye, something

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has warped inside your mind." I elench my hands at my sides as she speaks, "you don't see it do you? You actually believe all the rubbish you spit out. That children are

interchangeable, that mates can be chosen rather than destined and that mates can be separated by the simp of a woman." Anna shakes her head at me. "I pity you Faye, I thought I had a bad childhood but yours was just as bad."

"Pity me? You...pity me?" I ask her, "I don't need or want your pity. Omega." I slam my fist into her face, I feel her nose burst under my fist and it feels amazing so I keep punching until she stops moving and is laid on the floor, her blonde hair now looks red from the blood flowing. from her face. Dropping to my as s I sit next to her and breathe deeply as I try to quell the rage now coursing through me. She pities me... stu pid Omega.

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Chapter 103

Lost scents.

James)

"How can her scent just be gone?" I hear Patrick ask me over the mindlink, not long after Anna raced after Faye I called Fraction to let him know what happened. I didn't need the call to be finished to know he is currently racing towards us as we search the forest. While I was speaking to Fraction. Patrick had already shifted and started after them. I followed soon after. Once I picked up Patricks trail I went. slightly left and started searching for Anna's scent. We have been looking for hours now but after she hit the border her scent just vanished.

'We can't go back with nothing." I tell Patrick. 'We have to keep looking I'm straining every sense I have to locate Anna.

Have you tried Faye? Patrick asks me. I can hear his distaste at the suggestion.

'Yeah, she's blocked me. I assume she's with Anna, there is no way she out ran Winter. She's a fast wolf when she wants to be. I tell Patrick as I sniff along the edge of a river bed.

'If she shifted we would smell her even more.' Patrick tells me, I know he's right, which means Anna chased her in human form. Just as I'm about to answer Patrick I smell the one thing I never thought I'd smell this far from the Pack.

'Patrick, get over here.' I tell him sticking my nose into the pile of Search the Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

leaves.

'Anna?' He asks, I can tell he's put on a burst of speed to get to me.

Leon 'I say as I draw in Leon's musky scent. I'd know his scent well I would know it anywhere but what I don't know is why he's so far past the border

I sense the moment Patrick gets close. I don't have to turn to know he's on two legs rather than four so I quickly pull my wolf back into myself Kneeling on the wet ground I hold the leaves up and bring them to my nose, although the scent is dulled I can still tell it's Leon.

"What's he doing this far outside of the Pack land?" Patrick asks me coming to kneel beside me.

"I don't know, he's meant to be at the medical clinic with Doctor Lee but this smells fresh. like a few hours old fresh. See?" I hold the leaves out to him and he sticks his nose into the leaves.

"Faye "Patrick growls as he pulls his nose away. I look at him confused. "It's faint but Faye's scent is in there too." Bringing the leaves back to my nose I try to smell what Patrick can but I only smell Leon. "Is there chance..."

"No" I say quickly and dropping the leaves back to the floor before standing and brushing my hand against my n*ked thigh.

"Then why else is he out here? Think James, you're not this stu pid." Patrick says to me while moving some of the leaves around, he must be looking for tracks. He's completely oblivious to my inner turmoil.

"No." I say again in a whisper, "he wouldn't." If Leon is in league with Faye it means he's not only fooled me but the whole Pack for years. I can't help but take it personally, I went to him for guidance, I let him in where I've kept others at arm's length.

"There is no other explanation." I spin on Patrick as he says this. clenching my hands at my side. I have to remind myself that Patrick isn't trying to be callous, he's being the cold logical Head Warrior he's

trained his whole life to be

"Until we know, you won't tell anyone about this" I say with my jaw clenched

"I won't? Fraction deserves to know of every possible link to finding Anna and Faye" Patrick stands and stares at me with a confused look on his face. I see the moment he realises what Leon means to me. His face relaxes and I see pity in his eyes, "your right. We don't know for sure what his scent is doing out here but we do have to tell Fraction.

"We should head back. Fraction will be home soon. Maybe he knows. where Faye would go out here." I look around at the trees towering over us and the forest that lays ahead. "There's too much ground to cover on our own. Unless you want to call in the warriors?" Patrick shakes his head at me as he sets off back the way I came

"We keep them in the dark until Fraction says. We can't let anyone. know we did not help Luna in an outright attack." I know he's right but I can't help but feel a little proud of Anna.

I've never seen that side of Anna before and I've known her for a long time I've seen her at many stages of her life but never like that. I think at that moment she would have killed Faye if she was given half the chance. When Anna was beating on Faye I honestly wanted to cheer with pride. Eliza stepped in to stop her but I think it was more for Anna's sake than Faye's.

"We should have let her kill Faye, then none of this would be happening. Who knows who or what is out here." I say as I follow James back to the Pack border.

"We have had rogue scents along this border for weeks now but we haven't seen any, I just hope she's ok." Patrick says glancing around us, "Faye is one thing, a full blown rogue is another all together." I can't

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help but notice he doesn't comment about letting Anna kill Faye.

Walking in silence we finally make it back to the Pack border when we hear angry yelling coming from the direction of the Pack house.

"Why did you bring him?" Fraction roars in rage.

"He needs to put this right!" Alpha Darryl shouts just as loudly, looking at Patrick we both start running towards the Pack house as quickly as we can. As we approach we see Fraction has a Mac pinned to the floor and Darryl is trying to pull Fraction off him. I know myself it's a losing battle, when Fraction is pis sed there isn't a force in the world

who can move him. I see Eliza on the porch and when she sees. us she nods before heading back into the house, I presume to grab us both some clothes. Putting on a burst of speed I get to the group on the lawn.

"What the hell is going on?" I ask Darryl when I get close enough.

"Darryl thought it was a good idea to bring the idiot who let A nn al leave in the first place." I watch as Fraction drags Mac up a little by his shirt before slamming him back into the ground. "He should be rotting in a cell, he let her go!" Each word Fraction says is punctured with a slamming of Mac into the hard ground.

"More noses and eyes would be better, we couldn't smell anything out there." Patrick says as he accepts some shorts from Eliza, I didn't even see her reappear. I smile at Eliza as I accept the shorts she holds out to

me.

"Nothing?" Fraction asks as he lifts himself off Mac, I don't miss the look he gives him. It's a stay where I put you kind of look, luckily Mac is a smart man and seems to take the warning. He stays laid on the ground as we all stand around him.

"We smelled something but not Anna or Faye," Patrick says as he

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brings a hand to the back of his n*eck. He looks over at me, he's giving me the chance to come clean about what I smelled.

"We smelled Leon, maybe three miles past the Pack border. There is no reason for him to be that far out..." I say slowly but clearly, I don't want. to hide anything from my Alpha but I also don't want Leon held as guilty before we know the full story.

"Unless he's helping Faye." With those few words my hope for Leon withers and dies. I can only pray to the Goddess that once we find Leon it turns out to be a coincidence and that he's not actually helping Faye and her family.

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Chapter 104

Lost innocence.

(Anna)

A tickling at my feet wakes me up, the throbbing in my face makes itself known the second I try to lift my head. Opening my eyes seems a little too hard right now so I try to smell who is messing with me now, nothing comes to me except for my own blood.

"You have to run Anna, he's going to kill you." I hear Leon whisper over the rushing in my ears.

"Why?" I ask Leon while I spit out the blood currently gathering in my

mouth.

"Because he's insane. He wants his own Pack and can't handle the fact that he won't ever have one." Leon explains as I feel my ankle be freed from its confinement.

"Why did you do this?" I ask considering he still didn't answer me, maybe I wasn't clear the first time.

"I'm so sorry Anna," Leon whispers as he sits me up and pushes the hair out of my face, I manage to open one of my eyes and I am met with a puffy-faced Leon. He looks thinner than I remember, like he's been on some kind of crazy diet or he's not been eating thanks to the stress of his betrayal.

"We trusted you. James trusted you." I say to him, I watch as a tear

escapes

and rolls down Leon's face.

"Let me help put it right, run please." He begs me as he lifts my arms. and pulls me from the floor, "your face looks worse than it is. She

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stopped once you passed out, if you run East you will get back to the Pack. If you hit the river you are going the right way, I marked it so I knew how to get home." I look at him with sad eyes as he pushes me towards the door, we both know he can't come back to the Pack, Fraction will kill him for his betrayal. "Look after the kids for me?" I nod my head as he opens the door, beyond it is inky darkness which tells me I've been out cold

for some time. Squeezing Leon's hand I quickly dash out of the door and into the darkness.

I know this might be a trap and any one of them could come running after me at any second but I have to get to Thomas. If I can get to Thomas I can keep running and never look back, there might have been. a massive hiccup but the plan is still the same.

'I can't see a da mned thing,' I complain to Winter.

'Let me out, I will get us home.' Winter tells me as I almost run into a tree trunk.

'Swiftmane isn't our home,' I tell her quickly.

'Fine whatever. Let me out before you kill us both, I refuse to die of a snapped n*eck like some common she wolf.' I roll my eyes at Winter as I stop and start to relax my b*dy. It's been a while since I've let Winter out so she isn't coming as easily as she normally would, it takes me a solid minute to give her the space she needs to burst forward. My breath whooshes from me as I drop to my hands and knees, I'm panting as I feel Winter try to take over my b*dy. Sear*ch the (F)indNθvel.net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

'Da mn it Anna, you have left this too long. This is going to hurt,' a cry of pain is ripped from my throat as I feel Winter force her way out. After what feels like an age I am watching Winter's white paws dig at the muddy ground as she tries to bring herself up. I can see better instantly, Winter wasn't lying when she said she can see better than

me.

I feel Winter shake her fur out before she goes still as stone, I feel her hackles rise as she senses something in the darkness. I dare not ask her what is wrong because I know that breaking her attention right now could be the difference between life and death. I know there are people out here who want to kill me so not listening to Winter's instincts. would be foolish. I hear the growling coming from behind us at the same time as Winter does, spinning around to face her attacker. I see a bright ginger wolf edging their way towards us, she's walking slowly but also with purpose. Her front is low to the ground like she's ready to pounce any second.

'Faye.' I gasp.

'Mine,' snarls Winter as she starts charging towards Faye. I close my eyes as the two wolves race towards each other and collide right there. in the middle of the forest. Winter is on her hind legs and is using her front paws to scratch down Faye, she's quick and manages to roll to the side to avoid the attack. Winter lands back on all fours and spreads her front legs and lowers her head, with a menacing growl she waits to see what Faye will do next.

Faye quickly rights herself after the tumble along the ground and comes up snarling while shaking the leaves from her fur. Locking eyes with Winter she starts growling just as loudly as Winter, I can't help but feel we are finally in the challenge that should have happened that day in the clearing. I watch Faye's tail swish low and menacing, I know she's doing it on purpose to distract Winter but lucky for me. Winter is not so easily distracted.

'We can't kill her,' I tell Winter as I watch Faye put more pressure on her front paws, she's getting ready to charge. 'Winter!' I yell as Faye lunges forward with a burst of speed, Winter steps to the right and Faye sails right past her. Faye is fast but Winter is faster and she manages to clamp her jaw onto Faye's hind leg. I feel her teeth. puncture the skin and muscle as Faye howls in pain, Winter uses her

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shock to our advantage and uses the leverage she has on her leg to pull her backwards until she's flat on the forest floor. I watch as Faye's wolf tries to dig her front claws into the dirt but it does nothing to stop Winter from dragging her backwards until we are towering over her.

I watch in horror as the fur on Faye's wolf starts to recede into her b*dy, she keeps going until a n*ked and blo ody Faye is laying under Winter's form.

"Please, don't." She begs as Winter presses her nose into the back of her head, she's forcing her to submit. Right now she's the boss and Faye will bow to her.

'We can't Winter, this is not right!' I yell at Winter, I think she's listening to me as she walks backwards and moves off Faye's b*dy. Faye lays there shaking for a second before rolling to her back and looking up at Winter, I can only imagine how it looks to be staring at a wolf with blood all over their jaw. Winter growls down at Faye who quickly closes her eyes and turns her head to the left.

'There she submitted, leave her. Just run Winter.' I beg her, I can feel the rage coursing through her as she stares at the woman who has caused us so much pain.

'No.' Winter says as she lunges and drags her claws down Faye's b*dy. Faye screams and gargles blood as inter claws puncture her skin. I can feel the blood spurting up at Winter's stomach as Winter works her claws from Faye's shoulders right down to her hip.

With a power I didn't even know I had, I pull Winter back and I find myself next to Faye as she bleeds out from the wounds Winter hast inflicted.

"Oh, Goddess. No, no no no no. What did you do?" I cry as I put my hands on Faye to try and stop the bleeding, she's stopped moving so I know in my heart she's already dead. "Why did you do this? This isn't

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who we are!" I cry over the blo ody b*dy, standing up I look down at myself, I'm covered head to toe in blood. There is not an inch of me that isn't dripping in Faye's blood, bending over I empty my stomach right there on the forest floor.

"Anna?" I hear the shocked gasp as I turn and see Fraction, Darryl James and Patrick all standing a few feet from me. All have wide eyes and keep looking from me to the dead b*dy at my feet.

"I begged her not to." I whisper as Fraction comes over to me, I flinch. as he reaches out to touch me..

"It's alright little wolf, you're safe now." Fraction whispers, I don't miss the look he passes the guys over his shoulder. He looks afraid, they all do.

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Chapter 105

Lost Omega.

(Fraction)

"I take it back, I take it back." Anna is not seeing me, her eyes are glazed over and she's covered in a thin sheen of sweat as well as Faye's blood. Looking down at Faye's lifeless b*dy I turn back to the guys standing behind me and raise my eyebrows; I have no idea what to do here. Anna is a mess and I can't seem to get through to her, she just killed a Pack Luna which is an extremely serious crime in any Pack.

"Patrick, get Faye's b*dy back to the medical centre. James get some warriors and search the surrounding area, only get the ones who can be trusted without a shadow of a doubt." I listen to Darryl issue orders as I lean down and look Anna in the eye, it's like no one is home. I put a hand on each of her shoulders and it's like I'm not even here, she looks. right through me. "Fraction, get Anna to the medical centre. We need to make sure all of that blood is Faye's."

"Little wolf, we to move." I try to use a soothing voice but it's like talking to a brick wall. "Anna, you hearing me?" I shake her just a little, her head seems to roll a little as she looks down at Faye's b*dy.

"I take it back," she whispers under her breath. I look over at Darryl but he looks as clueless as I feel. As carefully as I can I put an arm under Anna's legs and another at her back, she weighs nothing as I lift her into my arms.

"Straight to the medical centre, you need a full log of all her injuries. We will sort the rest," I nod at Darryl as Patrick walks past me to collect Faye's b*dy. Taking one last look at Faye's lifeless form I feel a small sense of sadness that she's gone but that is quickly gone when I feel Anna shaking in my arms. I try to readjust her but my hands are

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sticky with the blood drying on her b*dy, looking away from Faye for the last time I make my way back to the Pack border. The sooner I get Anna to the medical centre the sooner I can get her cleaned up, maybe when she's not soaked in Faye's blood she will be less shell shocked.

The walk back to the border is slow in the dark, I'm being cautious of every step because I'm afraid I will drop Anna. Just as we cross the border I notice a smell coming off Anna, it smells like rotting eggs and stale bread. It's really pungent and making my eyes water, I try to look her over while holding her in my arms but it's useless in the dark.

'She has an infection,' Leo tells me. 'We have to get her to the Doctor quickly.'

'Guide me, I can't see anything out here.' I tell Leo as I speed up, with his help we make quick work of the forest and soon I see the lights of the different houses around the

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'Lee I have Anna, open up.' I send out over the Pack link, no sooner have I spoken than I see the back door to the medical centre opening.

"What happened?" Doctor Lee says as he hurries me through the door.

"She killed Faye, Leo said she has an infection somewhere." I follow Doctor Lee to an empty medical room and lay Anna on the empty bed. I expect her to try to keep hold of me but she just flops out of my armst as if she's completely unaware of her own b*dy.

"I take it back," I look over at Doctor Lee who is rummaging in a

drawer.

"She keeps saying that she won't stop." I watch as Doctor Lee lifts Anna's arm and inserts a needle.

"She's in shock, Omega's aren't built for murder and Anna is a particularly soft spirit, I can't imagine this is easy for her." Lifting the

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needle from her arm I notice Anna is instantly calmer and she's no longer repeating herself, "that's a mild sedative, it will relax her while I check her over. Take a seat, this will take me sometime."

"You're not going to make me wait outside?" I ask him as I take a seat in the chair next to the bed, I notice my hands and see them covered in dried blood. I start to rub my hands on my jeans to rid myself of the texture but it does nothing to help.

"I doubt you would even if I asked, she was chained up by the looks of it." Doctor Lee says as he lifts one of Anna's ankles and starts swiping at it with cotton swabs. After a while I see the wound as Faye's blood starts to be cleaned away. "It must not have been very clean, Leo was right. She has an infection, a course of antibiotics will clean it up."

The sun is starting to rise as Doctor Lee pulls a blanket over Anna's n*ked b*dy and removes his gloves. He nods his head at the door and I follow him out, I look over my shoulder as I close the door to reassure Anna I'm not going far. I need not have bothered, I don't even think she realises we were in the room let alone that we are leaving it.

"How bad?" I ask him as I close the door.

"She has fractured eye socket, her jaw was dislocated but I think Winter fixed that on the shift. It will hurt for a while. Her ankle is badly infected but otherwise she's ok," I sigh in relief when he confirms it's nothing more serious.

"So nothing to say it was self defence?" I didn't notice Darryl join us, Doctor Lee just shakes his head at Darryl as he starts to write on a

chart.

"Faye?" I ask Darryl.

"In the back room awaiting the Doctor, you need to address your Pack as soon as possible. They will have felt the loss of their Luna the same

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you did." I shake my head at him.

"I can't, Anna needs me right now. She's a mess, Lee just had to medicate her to keep her calm." Bringing my hands up to my beard I start to pull on it but it does nothing to stem the emotions bubbling up. inside of me.

"Don't matter what Anna needs right now," I growl at Darryl but he just looks at me like I'm an annoying fly buzzing around his head. "If you think for a second you will know I'm speaking sense. Anna did not issue a challenge, she attacked the Pack Luna in the Packhouse and then chased her into the forest. Only to then be found over the mutilated b*dy of the Luna while covered in blood." I know what he's saying is right but I can't tell the Pack, it will be as good as hanging Anna myself.

"She will be killed, the Elders will have me take her out. I can't do that II have me take her out. I can't do that Darryl." I lean against the wall and slump to the floor. "How do I turn my mate over to the Elders for the murder of a woman who did nothing but ment ally torture her for months? Faye baited her into this, we don't even know what happened in the forest." I bring my legs up to my chest and rest my head on my jeans-covered knees, taking deep breaths and trying to calm myself down. I feel a hand on my shoulder and I know it's Darryl offering me what strength he can.

'Leon just showed up at the Pack house, he said he can tell us what happened in the forest.' James says over our mind link.

'Put him in the cells, I'll be there when I can,' I tell James,

"If I can get proof that Anna was baited into this, will that be enough to keep the Elders from demanding her death?" I ask Darryl as I close the link with James.

"Maybe, I'll go make some calls." I lift my head up in time to see Darryl

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throw me a sad look before leaving the hallway.

"I'll have one of the nurses bring a bed into Anna's room before I go and examine Faye," Doctor Lee tells me as he finishes scribbling on his cl*pboard.

Once I'm alone in the hallway I realise there is a low buzzing coming from somewhere, I turn my head from left to right before I realise it's coming from the room behind me. It's Anna, she's whimpering in her grief, it's a low mournful kind of whimpering. I don't know if it's grief for Faye or for the innocence Anna lost in the forest, either way it cuts. through me like a hot blade in butter.

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Chapter 106

Stained Omega.

(Anna)

The blood drying against my b*dy is irritating me but not enough for me to actually move, Fraction just keeps staring at me from the blue. plastic chair next to the hospital bed. He has sat there all night just looking at me, he hasn't said a single word, if it wasn't for the occasional blinking I would probably have worried he was dead. Actually scratch that; I know what death looks like now. It's cold, pale and lifeless. It's blood seeping from a b*dy and soaking into the forest floor, it's feeling that final heartbeat

against your claws and watching that light go out in someone's eyes. Each time I close my eyes for even a second I can see Faye's lifeless b*dy staring back at me.

'I begged you to stop.' I whimper at Winter for the thousandth time.

'It needed to be done, Faye. I just had the lady balls to actually do it." Winter has answered me the same way each time I have spoken to her. She's cold and unfeeling, she doesn't regret anything about what she's done but she's not the one who has to live, with the decisions she's made.

"I take it back." I whisper to her.

"There's no taking it back. Love. She's gone," blinking my eyes it takes me a moment to realise I spoke out loud and not to Winter.

"I begged her to stop." I tell Fraction as the tears start to fall from my

eyes.

"Stop Anna, I don't need to hear this." Fraction gets up from the chair and walks over to the bed, crouching down he comes to my eye level.

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"You need to stop talking, little wolf."

"I hate her," I take a deep breath. "Hated. I hated her but I didn't want her dead, not like that I just couldn't stop Winter.

"Get up," Fraction grabs me by my arm and literally pulls me from the bed. I'm so shocked at how he's manhandling me that I don't even fight him. Part of me wants the punishment, I did something bad and I need to be punished for it.

I let Fraction pull me from the room and into a smaller room just off it, there is a toilet, a sink and a small shower cubicle. Fraction forces me to sit on the toilet and I watch as he pulls the bloodied shirt over his head to reveal his amazingly chiseled chest. He somehow got more. buff in the time that we were apart, I gasp when he turns around to hand the shirt on the back of the door. There on his left shoulder is a tattoo around three inches tall. It's two words that make me cry harder; Little Wolf.

"When?" I ask him, he didn't have the tattoo the last time we were together. S~EARCH the Find_Nøvel.net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"The day after you left, I needed you close to me. I became used to having you at my back," Fraction explains as he removes his jeans and shows me he's not wearing any boxers. For the first time in a long time he's completely n*ked in front of me yet he's fully flaccid. "Get up," he says as he leans into the shower and turns it on. Standing from the toilet I let him take my hand and lead me under the spray of water, I stand with the water to my back and let the cold water punish my back. Looking down I see the pink tinged water run around our feet and down the drain.

Fraction takes my shoulders and turns me so I'm facing away from him, I feel him press against my back as he grabs the soap and squirts some into his hand.

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"I need you to stop talking about what happened in the forest," he whispers in my car as his soapy hands start rubbing across my stomach. "Right now you're being watched by everyone. You killed at Pack Luna," I draw in a breath as he says this and brings his hands up to my breasts. "I'm not saying she didn't deserve it because she did but I need you to look as innocent as possible in this." I can feel his breath against my n*eck and I can't help but gasp as his hands rub over my n*pples.

"But I did kill her, I was running and she chased me down and Winter killed her, I begged her to stop when Faye shifted back but she wouldn't listen to me." I speak in a low whisper but he must hear every word because he presses a k*ss to the back of my head.

"She did what needed to be done but you can't ever tell anyone you asked her to stop, they will think you don't have control over your wolf. You could be killed Anna," I turn around to face him and my front is instantly flush with his, there isn't a single inch of space. between us.

"They'll kill me?" I ask him looking up into his face, his hands come around my back and slide down to my as s.

"Yes they could, they could make me do it." Fraction eyes suddenly become sad and I do the only thing I can think of to make that look leave his face. Leaning up on my tiptoes I bring my I*ps to his, "Anna, stop." he doesn't make any move to push me away so I press myself against him harder until his mouth sla nts over mine. Moving my hands up to his hair I pull him closer to me, he pulls back on gasp, "we can't."

"You don't want me?" I can feel his breath on my face as the water of the shower cascades down my back, his hands are on my as s and squeezing me as I feel him grow against my leg.

"Does it feel like I don't want you?" he asks me as he thrusts himself

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against my inner thigh. I pull my legs apart slightly to try and get him. to hit my centre but he pulls back from me and steps from the shower. Standing there under the lukewarm water I listen to him dry himself, he literally ran from the shower rather than be here with me.

Looking down at myself I notice spots on my skin where the blood is still clinging to me, as if in a daze I grab the soap and start to scrub at my b*dy. I scrub at myself until my once white skin is marked with red patches and is tender to the touch. I only stop the shower when all. hints of warm water is gone. Opening the white shower curtain that is now tinged with pink I notice that the bathroom is now empty and. Fraction's clothes are gone from the back of the door. I notice a flat white towel draped over the skin and I quickly wrap myself in it.

"Is he talking?" I hear Fraction say from the other side of the door.

"He is. Faye and Theo baited Anna into the forest and then trapped her in an old hunting cabin," Darryl says in a gruff voice.

"So they purposefully baited her out there, I presume to kill her? So it was self defence." Fraction sounds almost hopeful.

"No. he said he let her go. She could have run back to the Pack but something changed and Faye ended up dead." I wrap the towel around me and open the door. I hold my head high as I walk into the room and try not to let the two Alpha's know how afraid I am.

"So what now?" I ask them while taking a seat on the end of the bed.

"Anna?" Darryl says as if confused as to why I'm asking the question.

"I killed a Pack Luna, so what happens now?" I can feel my lower I*p tremble but I'm doing everything I can to keep myself from breaking

down.

"Now I call the Elders and they will send someone to speak with the

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Pack and then you. From there they will decide your judgement," Darryl explains to me clearly as Fraction starts pacing the room.

"And then what? They find her guilty and I have to kill her?" I can hear the anger in Fraction's voice, I don't know if he's angry at me or with the situation.

"They wont have you kill her, Leo won't allow you to kill your mate." Darryl says looking at me, I hear what he's not saying but he doesn't want to voice it out loud.

"They'll make you do it, right? You're the leader of the American Packs so it's your duty," Darryl just nods at me as I hang my head and let the

tears fall.

"We could run," Fraction says after a few minutes of silence. "I could take Anna and Thomas and we could run." I'm shaking my head before he's even finished speaking.

"You're an Alpha Fraction, you can't be without a Pack." He doesn't try to deny it as he drops himself into the blue chair and hangs his head into his hands.

For the longest time we all just stand there in silence; me, the murderer n*ked except for a towel with my wet hair dripping all over the bed. My mate, battling the inner turmoil of running with his mater and son or staying with his Pack and the Alpha and family friend who will kill me when I'm found guilty of killing a Pack Luna in the middle. of a dark forest.

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Chapter 107

Please Alpha, I love him.

«Fraction)

Everything seems to be snowballing and I'm not hopeful that anything Leon has told me will save Anna. Her luck might have finally run out, I head out of the basement before I smash Leon's face into the floor. Each time I look at him I see all the Pack BBQ's, all the times Anna. looked after the kids so he could study and all those times I supported him. I even pushed my own Beta into a relationship with him, I think that's what angers me the absolute most. My Beta was already fragile about his S**uality and now I can't even begin to imagine the inner anguish he's feeling.

Once I'm securely in my office I don't head for the liquor bar or to sit at my desk to start making phone calls. I instead turn to the solid wall near my door and slam my fist into it as hard as I can, the wall is so solid it doesn't even creak. It feels so good I do it again and again until I feel the skin of my knuckles split open, I keep going until a soft knock comes at my door.

"Pis s off," I shout out as I slam my fist into the wall for a final time. I know I should like an Alpha di ck but right now I need to be alone so I can sort out my own head.

"Is that anyway to speak to your mot...oh my Goddess what have you done?" The sound of my mother's voice shocks me so much I don't even bother to hide my hand from her. "You silly man, sit down while I take a look at that." I'm in such shock that my mother is standing in front of me that I let the tiny woman actually lead me over to a chair so she can inspect my hand.

"I'm fine," I snap while snat ching my hand from her.

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"No, you're not." She actually puts her hands on her hips and narrows her eyes at me, "you think I've just raced from one end of the country to the other for the good of my da mn health?" She pulls my hand back into her grasp and gives me that look only mother's can master, the one that says 'don't push me unless you want a good slap across the as s.'

"Where were you? I needed your guidance." I say softly as she starts to swipe at my knuckles with a tissue she pulled from her pocket.

"I was with the Elders, which I'm sure Darryl already told you?" I nod my head at her, "then I stayed with Darryl. I'm sorry Henry but I couldn't come home and see that woman destroy everything I've helped to build." I can understand this, my mother and

father were a force to be reckoned with back in the day and they dragged Swiftmane out of the dirt and made us a Pack to be proud of.

"I'm sorry. I've let you both down." I tell her as she lets go of my hand.

"You haven't let anyone down, you've been played like a puppet on a string. When I heard Faye and Anna had gotten into a fight I went and met Elder Thomas, he's already with Anna." My eyes grow wide at this, there's already an Elder with my mate. I jump up from my chair and turn towards the door, I stop when my mother puts her hand on my back.

"I have to get to Anna, I can't let her die alone." I'm not ashamed to say there is a lump in my throat and I'm doing everything I can to hold back tears. The mere idea of losing Anna to something as permanent as death is terrifying to me.

"He wont kill her, he just wants to talk to her. He's rather fond of her actually," I release a breath I didnt realise I was holding until my mother said Anna wont die today. "He's come to help you resolve this situation with as little damage as possible." S~Earch the FindNøvel.net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

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"He won't kill her?" I ask her to be sure I heard her right, "he might get Darryl to do it."

"I don't know where he will fall but either way your mate won't die today. Right now he's gathering information, he has this really weird knack for knowing things before we tell him." my mother leans against my desk and crosses her arms across her chest. "How's James?"

"I don't even know," I tell her as I slump back into the chair. "He really was growing fond of Leon, maybe it was even more than that. I think this betrayal will cut him deep."

"Will you have him killed?" My mother has never been one to mix her words, she has always shooted straight to the point.

"I should." I tell her truthfully. "I should have the Pack take their pound of flesh but I don't know if I can." My mother just nods her head

at me.

"You will make the right choice, I'm certain of it. Just listen to those around you and this Theo Greylone? Where is he?" I chuckle at this.

"He's in the dam ned wind with his sons, we couldn't even find a scent of him. Rick is out with warriors now trying to track him down. Again my mother just nods her head, it's like she's trying to suck in as much information as she possibly can. I look behind me when I see her eyes shoot towards the door. There in the doorway is a very depressed looking James, his eyes lighten a little when he sees my mother.

"Momma Beth," he looks from me to my mother, he seems to decide something and instantly walks over to her pulling her into a bone crushing hug. "You've been missed." I hear him whisper to her.

"I'll leave you men to it, I need to go and find my grandson. It's been too long since I held him," my mother pats James on the arm before.

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leaving my office, closing the door behind her. I don't miss the pointed look she gives me, it's a 'listen' kind of look.

"Alpha..." James starts the second the door is closed. I hold my hand up at him, cutting him off. If he's using formal titles then I know why he's here.

"Don't ask me to spare him punishment, James. I can't and I won't, not even for you." I tell him so he knows exactly how I feel.

"I know he has to be punished but I love him." I'm shaking my head before he's even finished speaking, I move from my chair so quickly he actually flinches from me.

"Da mn it James, da mn you." I walk over to the whiskey and pour us both a double finger glass, "what do you suggest I do to a lying ba stard who has betrayed every member of this Pack?" I hand him a glass and sit back in the chair I vacated. James is just standing in the middle of the room like he's not sure where he fits.

"Banish him," James says before downing his glass and putting it on the desk.

"Banishment?" I ask him, shocked he even suggested it. "And then. what? You defect from the Pack and go rogue to be with him?" James shakes his head at me.

"How could I be with him after all of this? I just can't live in a world. where he's dead. He's the nearest thing I will ever get to a mate. I will never know that feeling, not ever. There isn't anyone else for me, I know it. All I ask is that you don't kill him. for me?" James doesn't wait for my answer, he turns from me and leaves the office softly closing the door behind him, I didn't miss the tears on his face.

What a mess, I have dead Luna, a mate in the medical centre being questioned by an Elder and now a heartbroken Beta. I don't think I can

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just let Leon live even if it is banished from the Pack, I can feel the need to kill him in my very blood.

"James doesn't have to know he's dead. Banish him and then kill him. away from the Pack.' Leo tells me in a low growl.

"I can't lie to him,' I answer him straight away. 'He's not just my Beta, he's my brother in everything but blood."

'He doesn't have to know you lied,' Leo is ever the optimist.

'Haven't you learned yet? Secrets don't stay hidden, not ever.' I tell my wolf.

'Just think about it,' to be honest now he's said it I doubt I will think of anything else.

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Chapter 108

Stories.

«Leon>>

"Tell me again." Fraction growls from the other side of the cell bars. I've been down here for two days now and I've told my story so many times I've actually forgotten who I've told it too. Gone is the understanding Alpha who let me in the Pack all those years ago, gone is the man who gave me a chance to put my medical knowledge to use and gone is the man who helped me raise two kids.

"I don't know what more I can say," I tell him from my spot on the d*rty floor. There is nothing in the cell with me beside a sink and a toilet, there was a bed in here with a thin mattress but James ripped it out before Patrick put me inside. Almost like denying me

any form of comfort brought him some kind of closure. I can get the look of betrayal out of my mind, he was so hurt but he wouldn't allow me to say a single word to him. He's not been back down to see me since the cell door was locked behind me. Search the FindNOvel.Net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"You're forgetting something." Fraction stands and puts his hands on the cell bars before shaking them a little. "No escaping from here. I can keep someone down here until the day they die. Did anyone ever tell you about Eve?" I shake my head no, I've never heard the name. "Hey, Eve. How long have you been down here now?" He yells without taking his eyes off me.

"I don't know, Alpha." I hear a small female voice sound from just a few cells away.

"You remember what I said the last time I came down here?" he asks her without taking his eye from me, his eyes are drilling into me like he's physically trying to pull information from my mind.

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"You said your son was almost four. Anna wasn't even pregnant when I came down here," my eyes widen at what she said. If Anna was not even pregnant yet that means she's been down here for five years, maybe more.

"And has anyone come looking for you?" I'm starting to get his point. now, he could leave me down here to rot and no one will care.

"No, Alpha." Eve says around a whimper, the soft sound of crying and the creaking of a bed tells me she's done answering his questions.

"She just hurt my mate, actually she helped her brother rape her but you," he chuckles a little. "You are going to be the reason she dies. What do you think I'll do to you? So...again."

"After Faye and Theo turned up with Anna I helped lock her in the hunting cabin," I ignore Fraction's growl and keep going with my story. "Theo started to get really mad and started talking about killing Anna. I couldn't let him kill her, she's my friend so when they left I thought it would be safe to let Anna go so she could run." I gulp as I remember seeing Anna laid on the hunting cabin floor cover in blood with her face beaten to a pulp. "Faye had hurt her badly but I know Anna's wolf is strong so I unlocked her and pointed her towards the border." Fraction nods his head at me taking in every word I'm telling him. "Faye came back just as Anna hit the tree line, she instantly knew what I'd done. She shifted into her wolf and ran after her."

"So Faye shifted after saying she wanted to kill Anna?" Fraction starts pacing in front of my cell.

"Yes, I'm surprised she stopped when beating on her. I suppose she needed Theo's permission to kill her." I don't hold anything back, there's no point they already know everything or at least they have put most of the dots together

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"I need you to be clear here Leon, Faye wanted her dead? You're sure?" I'm not sure why he keeps asking me the same thing.

"Yes." I say it as clearly as I possibly can so there is no mistaking what I'm saying. I'm starting to get a headache from all the questions and the low lighting in here.

"Will you swear it under oath of the Moon Goddess?" This gives me pause, if I swore an oath then Theo would find out and I would be worse than dead.

"I don't think I can do that," I say, shaking my head. I can see the anger come back to Fraction's face in the blink of an eye..

"He'll swear it, won't you Lover?" The wound of James's voice sends a shiver down my spine, I don't have to answer him. He hows I'll do anything he tells me to do, I watch as he steps out of the darkness and stands next to Fraction. "He'll do whatever you tell him to do."

"James." I call out, but the look of disgust on his face is enough to make me cast my eyes downwards. Out of everyone he was the one person I was least looking forward to seeing and hoping I would see all at the same time.

I'm so busy avoiding James's eyes that I don't realise Fraction has left. until I look up again. Suddenly I'm sitting in a cell watching James glare at me from the otherside, I feel the tears start to pour from my eyes as I feel the betrayal literally vibrating off him.

"Was it all a game?" James speaks so softly I barely hear him, "well?" he asks louder when I don't answer him. "Was it all some kind of big plan? Come in and seduce me to get close to the Alpha and his Luna, so you could what? I can't figure it out, I can't figure out how you fit in with Faye's family."

"They are my family, she's my cousin. My father is Theo's brother, was

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Theo's brother." I tell him truthfully, I've lied to him enough over the

years.

"So you helped get Faye closer to Fraction?" I nod my head at him, "what was the end game?"

"Faye was to become Luna and then once an Alpha Heir had been made Fraction was going to have an accident and die." I spill the family plan to him hoping it will earn me some good grace, "with the Alpha Heir under age.."

"Theo would take the Alpha role. This was all to get Theo a Pack?" James interrupts me as he understands what I'm saying, I nod my head at him, again trying to be as honest with him as possible. "You realise Fraction will want you dead once this is all done? You have betrayed the Pack for years, this isn't just going to go away." I can hear the pain in his voice as he tells me this, "the only chance you have here is to do everything he tells you to do. I love you but I can't save you from this Leon."

"I love you too," I whisper to his retreating back, alone in the dim. lighting I curl myself into a ball and cry until I have nothing left. My chest hurts and my throat is sore by the time sleep comes.

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Chapter 109

Dreams.

(Anna)

I don't know when I fell asleep but I must have done because that is the only explanation for me being in a massive hall right now. It's like something you would see in a Harry Potter film, it's so long I'm pretty sure Winter could get to full speed before she even hit halfway, the ceiling is so high that it looks almost black above me. The windows go from floor to ceiling and are draped in red velvet curtains, the room is bare of any furniture but the more I walk along the stone floor I notice a single chair sitting

upon an elevated area. Squinting my eyes I get closer. I'm almost sure I have seen it somewhere before.

"You found your way here little Omega," I jump at the voice and spin. around to see Elder Thomas is standing behind me, he looks as old as he did in the clearing at the moon ceremony all those years ago.

"I'm dreaming?" I ask him while looking back at the chair, that's why it looks so familiar. It's the same one he used in the clearing when he condemned Callum to death.

"You are, you were sleeping and seemed at peace so I thought it best to come here instead. I hope you don't mind me changing the setting, Ocean's cabin does nothing for me." Thomas walks past me and takes a seat on the chair on the platform, "take a seat little Omega." I am about to ask where when a giant bean bag appears next to me, it's very much like the one Fraction bought me when I was pregnant.

Getting myself into the beanbag I try to get as comfy as I can while Thomas watches me, he has this knack of looking like he can see everything you're thinking.

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"Are you reading my mind?" I ask him, Thomas tilts his head to the side.

"Do I need to?" he spreads his hands out in front of him, "I'm already in your head Anna."

"I've never known another wolf who could do this, well other than Ocean but I doubt you're an Omega," Thomas chuckles at this.

"Do you want to discuss my designation now?" I shake my head at Thomas, he's right we have more important things to discuss.

"Will you have Darryl kill me?" I ask him while pulling at the fluff on the beanbag.

"Should I have Darryl kill you?" I don't know how to answer him so I just sit there and stare at him. "I know you asked Winter to stop but she didn't. I know how much this is affecting you. Anna if you hadn't killed Faye she would have killed you, then we would have an Alpha Heir with no mother to guide him. And an Alpha who has already shown us his wolf is feral when separated from you. I can assure you the world is a much nicer place without Faye in it."

"He will think I've killed his second mate out of spite," I tell Thomas softly.

"Fraction is aware something is wrong with the bond, he doesn't know what. He knows of the contract but he doesn't know how Faye faked the mate link that day he almost mated her." I flinch as he reminds me of the time Fraction and Faye almost slept together, as if my mind is trying to torture me a school desk appears next to me and I swear I can smell Fraction arousal.

"Focus, little Omega." I can't take my eyes off the desk as the sound of skin slapping on skin sounds around the cavernous room. "Deep breaths Anna, focus on the now. Don't let the memory pull you in."

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closing my eyes I do as Thomas says and close my eyes to block the view of the desk. When I open them the desk is gone and the sound of skin on skin has stopped.

"How?" I ask Thomas in shock, he somehow pulled me out of the rabbit hole just as I was sucking it in.

"It's about focus, Anna. You haven't had anyone to teach you, with time. I can give you some tips to hone your instincts and powers. It will help you gain control of Winter in the process." I nod my head at Thomas and pretend I have any idea of what he's talking about.

"How did she do it? I know about the contract so I understand why but how did she make him think she was his mate?" It's the one thing I can't figure out.

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"There's a herb, it was used long ago by Shamans but it has been lost for a long time. I believe someone gave Faye just enough to do what she needed." Thomas tells me as he steeples his hands in front of him. "The Elders thought the only known herbs were in the highest mountains but it seems Faye had a connection to some. It can induce lust and euphoria. I believe this is what Faye used to trick Fraction," I nod my head at him trying to think who could have given her the herb.

"So it was magic?" I laugh a little at how absurd it sounds.

"Magic isn't real Anna, it's a chemical reaction within the b*dy. Fraction was no more under control of his actions than a drug addict. looking for his next hit." I guess that makes a little sense.

"So if you know she wanted to kill me does that mean I wont be killed?" I ask Thomas the most important question.

"No Anna, The Elders will not be seeking your death over the murder of Faye. We see it as self defence given all she had done towards you. Although I would caution you about your wolf, she has a blood thirst.

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that is not often seen in Omegas. I've only seen it in one other." I feel tears of relief roll down my face as I slump back into the beanbag, knowing I wont be killed is such a relief.

"Now I just have to live with what I did." I whisper to myself but Thomas must hear me because he nods his head. "You're talking about. Ocean right? When you say you have only seen one other Omega like my wolf." Thomas nods his head.

"She was called Lily when I knew her, I think she took the name from a friend at the time." That explains why she looked so much like Fractions grandmother in my dreams, "her story is long and troublesome but she was a feral Omega. When her mate died her wolf overtook her and became so bloodthirsty that she could only be contained by The Elders. I don't wish to see another Omega follow her path, you are worth much more than a small cabin in the woods alone. with your thoughts."

"How do I stop Winter from becoming like her?" I don't want to be a crazy lady in the woods anymore than I want to die.

"You need to find your connection to the Pack, your wolf will find peace when surrounded by those of her kind." Thomas tells me in a soft voice.

"You mean Fraction? You once told me we would do amazing things together but the mating mark has almost gone. He won't even look at me now." Thomas gets up from his chair and walks over to me.

"Marks can be remade little Omega, Fraction is worried he will get close to you for you to be killed. Once he knows you wont leave he will open himself back up to you," Thomas leans close to me and moves my hair off my n*eck and looks at my mate mark. "Yes, this can be remade. Nothing is broken until you sca tt er the pieces, everything can be fixed when given the right action." Thomas lets my hair go and

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lays a soft k*ss on my forehead before disappearing.

I'm left alone in the massive hall and it suddenly feels very cold and lonely. I'd love to say Thomas has put me at case but I think he's given me more things to think about on top of everything else running around my head. Apparently staying in the Pack isn't even a choice, if I want to keep control of Winter I need the Pack but staying with Fraction is a choice. I need to figure out how to show Fraction I want him and that I want to stay with him, with our son and with our Pack. I might have killed Faye but I have a feeling my battle is just starting.

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The feeling of being watched shocks me awake, I sit up in the bed that is much too big for me and look around the room. It takes me a minute but I finally notice Anna sitting in a hospital gown on the floor at the end of the bed. She doesn't seem to be looking at anything in particular that I can see but then again it is very dark.

"Anna?" My voice comes out on a croak so I cough a little to clear my throat, "Anna, what are you doing here?"

"Thomas said to come and fix things but when I came in I could still smell her in the room." I sniff but I don't smell anything that isn't me or Anna. I assume she's talking

about Elder Thomas, when my mother said he was with Anna I decided to come to bed and let them have their time together.

"Come here." I hold my hand out to her and watch as she makes the decision to get up rather than stay on the floor. She slowly shuffles over to me and takes my hand, I can feel the slight shake to it which tells me she's still battling with the demons roaring inside of her head. I pull her closer to me so she's forced to sit on the blanket currently draped over my n*ked form. "You see this?" I pull a pillow out from under anothe

pillow on the opposite side of the bed to me. The pillow. cover doesn't match the current purple set on the bed, it's the same blue as the bedding that was on the bed the last time we were together. "I haven't changed this since you left, it still smells like you and each night I roll over and push my nose into it. I don't smell anyone in this room but you and me." Anna pulls the pillow to her nose and takes a deep smell before fl*pping it over and smelling the otherside.

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"I don't smell her on this," Anna says smiling at me.

"I wouldn't let her touch it. It's all you on there little wolf." Anna puts. the pillow aside and then shifts her hair, my eyes narrow in on the partial mating mark and a small growl leaves my I*ps before I can stop it.

"Thomas said this is why Winter wouldn't listen to me in the forest. He said, my connection to the Pack," Anna looks down at her hands. "And to you, is broken and that I need to find a way to fix it before I will feel like myself again."

Anna reaches over and turns on the bedside lamp, she squares her shoulders and looks me dead in the eye before standing and unfastening the tie of the hospital gown. It falls from her shoulders, showing me her beautiful b*dy, she's lost so much weight but she's still beautiful. I can see her ribs poking out in places and bruises mar her skin from where she fought with Faye. Her hip bone is so defined I'm afraid she'd break if I held her too tightly, I didn't notice her weight loss in the shower as I was doing everything I could to keep my co ck under control. Anna seems to take a deep breath before climbing onto the bed to straddle my legs, my eyes go straight to her breasts. She moves her hair and holds her head to the side.

"Anna?" I ask her a little breathless.

"Just do it." Anna gasps out, I look at her eyes scrunched close and the way her chest is caved in like she's holding her breath. I put my hands on her hips and move her closer to me, once we are chest to chest I move my face to rest in the crook of her n*eck. I feel her breath rush out as I lay a k*ss on her partial mate mark and then stroke across it with my tongue.

"I'm not biting you, little wolf." I whisper into her ear, "when I bite you again you're going to beg me for it. You're going to be so in need you

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can barely contain yourself, you're going to be on your knees begging for the one thing only I can give you. Until then," I lay another k*ss just under her ear. "You're just going to have to wait." I lift her off me and marvel at how easy she is to move without all the normal weight, I'm not a fan of it all and I'm sure my mother will agree and start forcing food down her as soon as possible.

I don't miss the look of sheer shock as I turn off the bedside lamp, I pull the blanket to cover both of us and lay back down in the bed. Anna just sits there looking down at me, "You don't want me anymore?" Anna asks me, I roll onto my back so it's obvious that my co ck is rock hard. It makes an obscene tent in the covers and leaves no room for how much I want her.

"I want you so bad it hurts but you're in pain and you don't know what you want." I tell her truthfully.

"I do want you." I can tell she's lying even as she says it, her words. have an edge to it that her normal voice doesn't.

"No you don't, not right now. At least not completely, you've gone back. to the scared little wolf who jumped at her own shadow." I don't say it to be mean, it's just a statement of fact. "you've grown so much An nal but you still don't know what you want. I know I had a hand to play in this, I built you up to knock you back down and I will pay the price of that forever." I sit up in the bed and pull her close to me, she pushes against me as if having me next to her is the last thing she wants, "Stop, you're done." I press her head against my chest so her cheek rests over my heart. "Sleep Anna, we will get back to where we were. It just won't happen overnight."

"What if we don't get back to where we were?" She asks me as she nestles into my chest, she once told me this was her spot and for me it still is. I slouch down in the bed so she's in a more laid down position and start stroking at her hair.

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"Then we become something better, no matter what I'm still yours." I lay a k*ss on the top of her head, "and you're still mine."

"Still yours." Anna whispers as her breathing evens out.

For a while I lay there in a slouch position as Anna gets some much needed sleep, after a while though my back starts to hurt so I roll her so she's on her side of the bed. Laying down in a more comfortable position I put my arm over Anna's hip and pull her closer to me. Both n*ked I enjoy the feeling of having her in my arms again.

I don't know what Elder Thomas said to her but it can't have been all bad if she's here with me now. I think if Thomas had told her she was going to die she would have taken Thomas and run while I slept but instead she came here to me. It builds a hope inside of me that maybe, just maybe, I can bring her back to me.

'Mother?' Luse the Pack mind link to call out to her

'It's late.' My mother grumbles at me.

'Anna has lost a lot of weight. think you can help?' I ask her quickly.

'T'll set an alarm and get up early. Breakfast will be on the table, I'll make her eat.' I smile as I close down the link and push my nose into Anna's hair. I feel her shiver as I breath her scent in, so I pull the blanket tighter around us. For the first time in a long time I fall asleep, with the scent of my mate in my nose and her b*dy flush against mine.

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The soft knock on the bedroom door and the dip of the bed as Fraction gets up to answer it wakes me. I don't roll over. keeping my back to the door I listen as Fraction jeans rustle and then the bedroom door is opened.

"It's early James." I hear Fraction whisper. I didn't hear the door close so I assume they are just chatting in the doorway

"Wanted to let you know Anna isn't at the medical centre but I can see you know that now." James's tone has an angry bite to it I've never heard before.

"Sorry I should have mentioned it." Fraction tells him. "What's with the attitude at six in the morning. Jesus it's early."

"Will you forgive Leon so easily?" James sounds really pis sed off.

"I haven't forgiven anything." Fraction tells him in a low tone, it's the tone he uses with me when I push him too far, it's the Alpha tone which states 'back down now.

"Oh really? Because it looks like she killed a Luna and now she's settled back into her old place in your bed. Yet my...you know what, it doesn't matter." I'm trying to piece together what James is talking about but I have no idea where to start. I hear footfalls and I assume James is walking away from the door.

"Don't. Don't do that, Anna is my mate. Leon is nothing to you but a possible chosen mate, unless something has changed and he's suddenly Search the FindNOvel.net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

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a fated mate?" Fraction pauses for a minute before continuing, "I didn't think so. Either change the attitude or step down, I don't need a Beta who is gonna be taking pot shots

at me each time I make a move." The bedroom door gets slammed and I listen to Fraction walk across the bedroom and open and close the bathroom door.

'Missed moment,' Winter tells me as she paces in the back of my mind. I hear the shower come on so I roll onto my back and look at the ceiling.

'What exactly did I miss?' I ask Winter in a tired voice, I slept well in Fraction arms but it still feels like I haven't slept in days.

'You could have killed him in his sleep.' I sit bolt upright as Winter whispers in my ear.

'Winter, he's our mate. I can't and won't kill him. Why would you even suggest something like that?' I quickly look at the bathroom door to make sure it's closed firmly, I know Fraction can't hear us either way.

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'Listen to me, you kill him. You take Thomas and we run, there will be no Alpha chasing us up and down the country.' My breathing coming out in pants, when everyone warned me Winter will go crazy without her Pack or mate I didn't believe them. The proof is now whispering in my ear like some kind of devil on my shoulder.

'Winter you need to calm down, I'm not killing my mate and running with my son,' I tell Winter in what I hope is a calming voice.

"Well that's good to hear." I whip my head around and see Fraction in the bathroom doorway with a towel wrapped around his waist. A growl erupts from my throat as Fraction takes a step forward, I can feel Winter trying to claw her way out but I'm holding onto her fur to try and keep her under control. "Breath little wolf, breath."

I hear a whimper and then another before I realise it's coming from me,

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just as Winter is about to break free I feel a pressure pushing me down on the bed. I can't make sense of it but Winter is suddenly cowering and whimpering inside of my head. Laying back I stare at the ceiling panting trying to catch my breath, I see Fraction move closer to the bed out of the corner of my eye before I feel more weight pinning me down.

"You're disconnected from Winter, little wolf." Fraction tells me while using his Alpha Aura to keep me on the bed. "Soon it will get so bad even my Aura won't keep her down, you can't be alone with Thomas."

"It could all be fixed if you mark me again," I pant out as I feel his Aura caress over my b*dy. "Please." I feel the bed dip and then I see Fraction above me, he puts a hand on either side of my head and holds. himself above me.

"I told you, I won't mark you just because you need it. I have no desire to have a forced mate," I whimper again as he leans down and nestles into my partial mark. "It would be so easy to take you now. Naked and panting in our bed," I feel goosebumps break out all over my b*dy as Fraction whispers into my ear. "But I won't. I need you to realise that you don't need me to keep Winter in place." Fraction lifts himself off me and stands at the end of the bed looking down at my flushed n*ked b*dy. I'm spread before him like a feast and I can see the evidence of his arousal trying to poke out from behind the towel. "Until then I'll be here to help push Winter down." I feel Fraction lift his Aura off me and I take a full breath for the first time in a while.

"What happens when your Aura doesn't work anymore?" I ask the ceiling as I hear drawers being opened and closed.

"I still have some empty cells downstairs," I know he's joking but right now that doesn't seem like the worst idea. "I mean it Anna, you can't be alone with Thomas while Winter is out of control. She might see him as a threat and try to hurt him."

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"I wouldn't hurt Thomas, you know that." I tell him while rolling onto. my side just in time to see Fraction drop the towel and pull a pair of jeans on over his amazing a ss.

"So whose idea was it to take him and run?" His tone doesn't sound like he's mad, more like genuinely curious.

"Mine but right now I can't even think why," Fraction turns to me while pulling on a plain black t-shirt.

"Then maybe it wasn't you." I raise an eyebrow at him, "just think about it. When was the last time you honestly didn't want to be with me? To be part of the Pack?"

"I guess the thoughts started when I made the choice to leave with. Darryl and Jefferson," I tell him honestly.

"And your mark, when did that start to fade?" He asks while sitting on the end of the bed to put some socks on.

"You think the disconnect started because I chose to leave?" Fraction nods his head before getting up and going to the drawers and coming. back and handing me one of his t-shirts.

"I think the cr ack started that day in the clearing but you made it a hole the day you decided to leave me. You need to make the choice to stay for the healing to start," I take the shirt from him and pull it over my head. I'm thankful this shirt smells like clean laundry and Fraction, no Faye to be scented on this one.

"I'm here aren't I? Why isn't that enough?" Fraction just smiles down at me as he turns to head out of the room.

"Come down for breakfast, you've lost too much weight, little wolf. I'll get Thomas dressed and ready, he will be happy to see you." Fraction. closes the bedroom door just as I feel Winter starting to pace again.

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'You need to stop,' I tell her as I pull the shirt over my head.

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'And you need to not be so naive. He doesn't want us anymore or we would be wearing his mark and back as Luna' She tells me with a bite. to her voice.

'It's not that easy, work with me please Winter doesn't answer me but I can feel her pacing around and getting more and more anxious by the second.

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Chapter 112

Irrational Anger.

(James)

Six days. It's been six days since Leon strolled into the Pack house and Patrick threw him into a cell and locked the door. I was so mad at him handing himself in that I took the bed so he couldn't have any comfort. It wasn't rational but I can't say I have been feeling particularly rational at the moment. Tonight Fraction is addressing the Pack and introducing Anna as the Luna, for the second time. She kills a Luna and she gets no

repercussions, none at all. It's not that I feel sorry for Faye because I don't, it's more the fairness of it all. Sure Leon lied to us but he did it out of self preservation, I can understand that to a certain degree.

I'm taking all of my anger out on Anna instead of Leon. I want to go down there and punch him in the face but I know that once I start I won't be able to stop. So I'm sticking with the passive aggressive anger, it seems to be working for me, apart from the strange looks I get from the people around Anna when I snap at her. I'm meant to be helping set up for the gathering but I'm sitting at the picnic table at the back of the garden picking at the peeling paint.

"Still being a grumpy Gus?" Momma Beth sits next to me as I grunt at her, "now I remember teaching you to speak with your words so don't grunt at me young man." It's odd how this old lady can suddenly make me feel like a teenager again.

"Sorry Momma," I grumble under my breath as I dip my head.

"You're not going to help them?" She asks while nodding over at the two warriors trying to figure out how the BBQ grill goes together.

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"Nope." I pop the 'p' as I give my simple answer.

"You know being mad at Anna is pointless right? It won't take back the time Leon lied to you, it also won't change the outcome of those lies." I sigh and look at Momma Beth, the woman always did have a knack for seeing more than she should.

"I'm not mad at Anna." I lie to her quickly.

"Sure and the sky is brilliant purple and pigs fly past on a daily basis. Don't lie to me," I look away from her and dip my head again, ashamed she caught me in the lie. "It's ok to love him but it's not ok to take that anger on those around you. Especially when you don't know what's going on behind closed doors." that peaks my interest.

"What's happening that I don't know about?" I ask her quietly as a warrior comes closer to us to collect some chairs,

"Plenty and the old you would already know about them and be working to fix them. Depressed James is not a very good Beta." Momma Beth gets up from the picnic table and walks over to the two warriors trying to put the table up and starts shouting at them about Momma's bringing up idiots who can't put together a simple pop and lock table.

Getting up from the table I head into the house, I don't bother to help anyone as I walk past all the people getting the garden ready for the Luna ceremony.

"Grumpy basta rd," I hear mumbled, I look around but I don't see anyone looking directly at me. Shaking my head I keep walking, I figure I will go and find Fraction, maybe he can shed some light on what's happening around here that I don't know about. Just as I'm about to leave the kitchen I hear Anna whispering to someone, her voice is high pitched and she sounds on the verge of tears. Walking a little further into the house I see her alone in the lounge with the door only

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"You need to calm down." she says to someone I can't see. "Seriously, this is getting stu pid. How am I meant to run with the Pack tonight if I can't trust you to behave when you're inside of me." Curious I push the door open and see Anna is alone, she's nestled into the corner of the room with her legs drawn right up to her chest. "Please, stop." She grabs her hair on either side of her head and starts slowly rocking back and forth, stepping into the room I close the door. The sound of the door closing must have startled her because Anna is suddenly staring at me with fierce yellow eves.

"You should leave James," Anna's voice has a bite to it that it normally doesn't.

"What's going on kid?" I kneel down in front of her as I watch the battle between woman and wolf. "What's wrong with Winter?"

"Like you don't already know," she spits at me. S~Earch the Find Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"I don't actually, why don't you fill me in?" I sit on the floor. I cross my legs and try to find my inner peace so I can pulse my Beta Aura over her. It won't be as strong as Fraction's but it should help her find some peace. It must work because Anna lets out a small sigh of relief and her entire b*dy relaxes against the wall, her eyes slowly shift from a fierce yellow to a vibrant blue, although they look sadder than normal.

"Me and Winter are disconnected, at least that's what Fraction and Elder Thomas tell me. It feels more like she's clawing at the inside of my head to get out." I nod my head as if I understand but I don't really.

"When did it start?" Anna shrugs her shoulders.

"I haven't felt like me since the day in the clearing. I've been making choices I never would normally make." Winter is controlling the woman rather than the other way around, I run my hand through my

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"Like killing Faye?" Anna nods her head, "well that makes more sense."

"It does...care to explain it to me? Elder Thomas says I need to reconnect with my mate and Pack but Fraction won't touch me." She fl*ps her hair to the side showing me a partial mate mark, "he won't bite me. Elder Thomas said; I need Fraction to keep Winter in check but Fraction won't do it until I can control Winter on my own."

"Did he say Fraction?" Anna looks at me puzzled, "or would any wolf in a possession of power work?"

"I don't just want anyone to bite me," Anna looks at me with squinted.

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"Fraction doesn't have to know that." I smile at Anna, I suddenly feel all of the confusion falling into place. "I have a plan, stay here. I'll come and get you when it's time." Anna nods at me as I get off the floor.

"I'm sorry about Leon, James." I give her a sad smile.

"Thanks, kid." I quickly dash out of the lounge and up to my room.

I know what I need to do as Beta, suddenly everything that has been happening lately is slotting into place for me. The tension and the irrational anger floating around the house isn't just me, it's Anna. She's pulsing with so many mixed emotions it's overflowing into the very Pack itself. All this turmoil I'm in isn't because my chosen mate betrayed me, it's because my family is fraying and I need to help put them back together. Once I'm in my room I strip out of my clothes and dash to my shower, I can't remember the last time I actually bathed and it would probably help if I don't smell like six day old sweat when I put my plan in motion.

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After my quick shower I dress in joggers and a plain white shirt, I leave off my socks and trainers in case I need to make a quick shift. Tapping into the Pack link I locate Fraction, hes not in the Pack house which is good, I'll need time to get everything in place.

"Fraction?" I ask him in a solemn voice, might as well keep up the charade.

"What?" Fraction snaps back.

"Can you come to the Pack house, Anna isn't doing so good.' He doesn't answer but I suddenly feel the presence of Leo so I know I only have about five minutes to get my plan underway. My chosen mate might be locked in a cell, nothing I can do about that. My Luna is in pain and being attacked by her wolf, I can do something about that. Squaring my shoulders I open my bedroom door and run back down to the lounge.

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Tricked by the Beta.

(Fraction)

Thomas is giggling up a storm as my mother pushes him on the swing when James's voice comes over the mind link. I instantly roll my eyes, he's been so moody lately that I have found it easier just to avoid him. all together.

"Fraction?" James asks in his now normal solemn tone.

"What?" I snap back at him, I instantly regret how I speak to him but there is no taking it back now.

'Can you come to the Pack house, Anna aint doing so good.' I've shifted into Leo before he has even finished his sentence. I don't worry about Thomas, I know he's safe with my mother. I knew I shouldn't have left Anna alone. Winter is out of control at the moment but I just needed some time out of the house. Everyone seems to be on edge

lately, if they aren't being pis sy and grumpy then they are out right shouting at each other.

Once Leo has gotten us back to the Pack house I shift back into myself and run into the house, I don't care to hide my nudity. As wolves we are used to seeing each other n*ked, I strain my ears to try and figure out where James and Anna are but I can't hear anything. I take that to mean they are in my office as it's the only room in the house that has walls erected to block out sound. Dashing down the hall and up the stairs I hear strange grunts coming from the office. My first thought is Anna has shifted and she's attacked James but I can't smell any blood.

"That's it kitten," I hear James murmur, my steps falter as I hear Anna moan. I've heard her make that noise before but only with me. Pushing

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the door fully open I see James has Anna pinned to the office wall, her arms are stretched above her head with James holding them in place. with one hand and her legs are wrapped around his waist.

"What's the f uck!?" I scream out in rage. James looks back at me and I see his wolf at the service, Anna's face is flushed and she's got her eyes. closed in euphoria.

"James." Anna says in a confused voice.

"Get off my mate." I roar at James when he makes no attempt to move.

"Your mate is struggling with her wolf and needs a dominant wolf's bite. She has a nice blank spot right here." James trails a finger down. Anna's n*eck while looking at me. "Doesn't seem like she's yours, Alpha. I don't see your claim." The red mist clears a little and I see. what he's doing.

"Point made, now put my mate down before Leo puts you down." James steps back from Anna instantly and she slides to the floor. "Anna come here," I really need her in my arms right now. When she doesn't make any attempt to move I look at James and then say again with a little more force. "Anna, come here." We all remain silent as Anna gets herself off the floor and slumps over to me, when she gets to me she all but falls into my arms. I scrunch my nose up against the smell of James, he's all over her.

"At least you showered first," I tell James as I rub my face over Anna's hair.

"Are you going to pull your head out of your as s and help your mate?" James asks me as he leans against my desk and crosses his arms.

"Get out," James nods his head at me and walks towards the door. "Thank you." I say quietly when he gets to the door. He doesn't say anything, he just nods his head and closes the office door behind him.

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I stand in the middle of the office holding Anna to my chest for a long time, her whimpers have dulled to a soft sniffle.

"I'm sorry, James said it would work." Her voice sounds so far away, I can't believe I didn't realise how bad she actually was.

"I'm sorry, little wolf. I thought you could do this alone," I whisper into her hair.

"I am strong Fraction but I'm stronger when you stand next to me, not away from me." I smile into her hair as I trail my hands down her back, cupping her as s I pull her up and against me. Her legs instantly go around my waist as her hand latch into my hair. "Fraction?" She gasps as I spin us around and push her against the closed door. Thankfully she only put on a pair of panties under my shirt, working my hand up her thigh. I make quick work of the panties by ripping them at the side seam. She gasps as I lean my mouth into hers, I snap the other side of her panties and they float to the floor. I k*ss her deeply as I line my hips up so my co ck head is teasing her entrance, she's dripping wet already.

"Is this for me, little wolf?" I ask her when I break the k*ss to trail k*sses along her jaw and down her n*eck. Anna tilts her head back and moans loudly. I thrust my hips forward to rock against her cli t, "is this for me?" I ask her again. Sure it's needy but after what I walked in on, my wolf needs reassurance.

"For you," Anna gasps out as I start to suck on her n*eck, I thrust my hips again putting pressure on her cl it.

"Mine." I growl as I claim her mouth again, I shift my hips a little and I find her entrance, I don't give her any warning as I thrust balls deep in one go. She's so tight I have to hold myself still for a minute, I can feel her clenching around me. Somehow she's gotten even tighter in our time apart.

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"Yours," she gasps out, throwing her head back. I feel her try to push back on me so I put my hands on her hips to stop her movements. "Please move." Leaning back I wait until she's looking me in the eye.

"You won't ever leave me again?" Anna nods her head as I draw out of her a little, "you will stay by my side?" Again she nods her head so I pull out a little more. "You will be mine and only mine?"

"Yes!" She screams as she slams her hands on my shoulders, I feel her nails dig into my shoulders as I only have the tip of my co ck in her. "I'm yours, I will always be yours. I'll never leave, please Fraction!" She's screaming up a storm as I thrust myself back into her, I keep a tight hold of her hips as I power thrust into her.

"Touch yourself, little wolf." Anna shakes her head from side to side as I tighten my grip on her hips and use the leverage to pull her onto my c ock. From the sounds she's making I'm hitting just the right angle to take her over the edge, I feel her quiver and pulse around me as I lean forward and latch my mouth onto her n*eck. Leo is right there with me and I feel my fangs extend and rip her skin apart. Anna starts to scream in pleasure as she latches onto my n*eck and I feel Winter pierce my skin, giving me a match mark. Once we are both connected I hold myself deep within Anna and spill my seed, it seems to go on forever as my co ck kicks over and over again.

As I come down from the mating high I start to lick at Anna's n*eck, she sighs as she throws her head back against the door.

"You said I would have to beg." Anna slurs at me, I laugh into her n*eck. "And that I needed to do it alone."

"I thought you were stronger with me by your side?" Anna laughs at this as my co ck kicks inside of her, I haven't lost any hardness and I'm ready to go again. "And who said I'm not going to make you beg?" I ask her as I start thrusting into her slowly.

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(Anna)

If i was a cat I would pur that's how content I feel sitting snuggled into Fraction in his office after James tricked him. I was cautious and I didnt think it would work but with Winter clawing at my brain I felt like a Hail Mary was all I had at the time. Although I don't fully agree with the method and I still kind of smell like James, I can't deny it got the result I wanted. From the second Fraction's fangs pierced my skin Winter simmered down, all the nose stopped and my emotions all seemed to settle into one place. It was like I was floating above my b*dy and he pulled me back into it. I meant what I said to him; I am strong. I've been through so much and I'm still standing but I am stronger with him standing beside me Fraction doesn't hold me back,

Recharge successful! he lifts me up so I can reach new heights.

I grumble when Fraction nudges me with his nose. I am in a little contentment bubble and I really don't want to move. He took me so many times that I'm pretty sure when I do move the evidence of it will slide down my legs. I scrunch my nose up and tighten my thighs, it's not about keeping him inside but more I don't want to make a mess of his office chair.

"This is going to be messy," I whisper against Fraction's n*ked chest, at some point he took off the shirt I was wearing and my blue panties lay in shreds on the office floor.

"Just means you will smell of me, little wolf," he taps my a ss and forces. me to stand. "We have the Luna ceremony soon." My eyes widen as I look for a clock. We somehow spent the whole day trapped in the office. Search the FindNøvel.net Gøøgle to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

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"Thomas?" I'm ashamed to say this is the first time my son has crossed my mind the whole time we have been in here.

"He's with my mother," Fraction tells me as he opens a draw and pulls. out some joggers, I sna tch up the shirt off the floor. When I bend down it happens, my legs part slightly and I feel us both slide down my legs. I hear Fraction sniff deeply and sigh, "Oh

yeah, I like that." I shove my shirt over my head and stare at him with my hands on my shoulders.

"You're gross, I'm going to shower." I've not taken three steps before he has me over his shoulders.

"Not a chance, you're going to walk around smelling like me all night." He lets me slide down his front until we are face to face, he's masking it well but I can see the worry lines on his face.

"You know it was James just trying to force you right? I don't actually want him." Fraction nods and sniff's deeply again.

"I know little wolf, doesn't make smelling him on you any casier though," he k*sses the top of my head. "Just keep Leo sane, don't shower. I have some tissues in my desk"

"I'm sorry if you felt forced into mating me." I voice my insecurities. aloud, Fraction tilts my chin up to him with a finger.

"Nothing was forced, I thought letting you manage this alone was the right thing to do. Now I know it wasn't, when did this happen?" Fraction lifts my right arm so I can see it and down it is an angry red looking claw mark.

"I don't know, I didn't even feel it. She's been clawing at me trying to get out," I look at the mark in confusion. "I didn't even know it was there."

"I smelt the blood when I came in, that's how I knew I had taken the

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wrong path. How's Winter now?" Fraction's eyes are focused on my face like hes trying to see Winter. Just as I'm about to answer there is a knock on the door. My eyes must widen in a comical fashion as I spin and run to the desk in search of tissues because Fraction bursts out laughing. He has the decency to wait until I have wiped myself and disposed of the tissues in the bin before he opens the door revealing. Elder Thomas.

I quickly drop into Fraction's chair and slam my thighs together. I know Elder Thomas probably already knows what's happened here but I am still trying to hide the smell. Fraction steps aside and lets Elder Thomas in before closing the door.

"Ahh good, you mated. A wise choice, little Omega." Fraction nose scrunches up as Elder Thomas uses his pet name for me and sits in the chair opposite me. He waits patiently as Fraction comes around to stand next to me, he puts a possessive hand on my shoulder. "You can stop bolstering Alpha, I have no desire to take such an Omega

from you." Elder Thomas dips his head, almost bowing to Fraction. "How is your wolf? Surely she has settled even now?" I nod my head at him.

"She has, she's gone quiet. It's the most peaceful she's been in a long time, I think she feels the guilt of all she's done though." Fraction. squeezes my shoulder in reassurance.

"That will explain why Leo is complaining that Winter won't speak to him." Fraction grumbles.

"It will come with time, little Omega. Your wolf was almost feral, it's not often our wolves can hurt our physical selves." He nods towards. my arm as I slide it off the desk and hide it under it. "You will find she will be alot more like her quirky old self now you are back, the Luna ceremony will offer you some further closure."

"Not that I don't appreciate all you have done but why are you still here

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Elder Thomas? I thought you had left already. "I look at Fraction in confusion, surely James told him Elder Thomas was still here.

"Your Omega was haemorrhaging emotions all over the place, your beta got the worst of it or you would know I'm staying until after this evening's festivities." My eyes widen as Elder Thomas says this.

"You mean I've been sending out emotions? I didn't even know I was doing it." Fraction squeezes my shoulder again, "it didn't feel like it did with Ocean." I know Fraction is dying to ask me about Ocean but he won't in front of a guest.

"Ocean and Lily were one of a kind, while Lily took the family route. and cared for those around her. Ocean decided to take the Omega abilities and seek vengeance on those around her, Ocean helped you. tap into that power." I nod my head, I knew Ocean and Lily knew each other. She admitted herself to stealing things from Fraction's grandmother. "From now on you will need to take care of what you feel around others, it will be exhausting and some days you will want to hide from the world. I beg you to see comfort in your Alpha at those times, don't hide away. Over time it will become easier to manage until you are doing it subconsciously." Elder Thomas does a half smile, "anyway onto why I came. I have three gifts for the new Luna of Swiftmane." Fraction leans over the desk to take a small bundle of papers from Elder Thomas. "These are the contracts signed by the Alpha's long ago, they are of course null and void but I thought you would feel more comfortable having them here. The one regarding Fraction and Faye is at the top," I watch as Fraction flicks through the papers with a blank face. He's schooling his features to not let the Elder know what he's thinking, ever the Alpha.

"What should we do with them?" I ask Elder Thomas.

"Burn them if you wish but they are apart of our history so maybe lock them au away somewhere safe?" Fraction nods and opens a desk draw

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dropping the bundle in, he quickly closes it and stands up right again.

"I'll find somewhere for them, little wolf." I don't miss the way he says my pet name, it's like a claim and I see Elder Thoma's eyebrow raise.

"Secondly," Elder Thomas says around a throat clearing cough. "It's not. well known but as my second gift I offer you some knowledge. While same S** fated mates are rare they do happen, they are not the same as hetroS**ual fated mates. They take work and effort but once a mark is in place they are as fated as any other couple."

"Sh it!" Fraction curses so loudly I actually jump, "Leon and James?"

"Are not fated, but he does have one out there." All the air seems to leave Fraction at once, his shoulders slump and he looks so relieved he doesn't have to hurt his Beta's fated mate.

"Thank you, do you know who it is?" I ask Elder Thomas while patting Fractions hand on my shoulder.

"No but he has a fate line linking him to another, they will find each other as any other mate does." I have to say it's a relief to know James. is going to have a mate one day, I can't wait to tell him.

"Lastly," Elder Thomas smiles at me. "You will have two more children in your life Anna. One will be an Omega, you must raise her with the kindness and love you have experienced in this Pack. You will break the cycle of damaged Omega's if you do it correctly."

"How can you possibly know that?" I feel like all the air has left my b*dy, two more pups, that's a lot of pushing, breastfeeding and d*rty diapers.

"The fated lines of course," every time this Elder speaks I have more questions. "Now I think I will find a spot to watch the ceremony. Congratulations again on your mating." Elder Thomas stands smoothly

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and quickly leaves the room as I watch open mouthed.

"Three kids is a lot of kids," I whisper into the room.

"Maybe we made one today." Fraction says while k*ssing my head and rubbing my stomach, I push his hand away before jumping up from the chair.

"Keep dreaming Alpha, I bet he was just having us on." I dodge Fractions hands as he tries to pull me into him, "nope. I've got a ceremony to get ready for." I run from the room laughing as Fraction. grumbles loudly about blue balls and non complaint Luna's.

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