

Chapter 142 - Their Bullied and Broken Mate

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Coronation Week

Maddix POV

In one week I will be taking over the Blood Moon pack. My fathers and mother have decided to step down and retire, and I am excited to take on my new responsibilities. My parents plan on traveling with their best friends, Rico and Grace. They are the current Beta and his wife. They have already started to move out of the Alpha floor in the pack house, and into their own villa they built on the back half of the pack property. My mom, Luna Melian, is one of the best lunas to have ever looked after Blood Moon. My dads, Alphas Loki and Liam Young, said our grandma was close, but our mother was more hands on with the pack. We never saw her as "Luna". She was always just our mom. She was that good at blending her Luna duties with family life. My dads were opposite, they made a point to separate their Alpha duties from their family life. They went to work, did their job, and came home to their family. Unless it was a complete emergency, work topics were left in their office. Family time was special to them, and we always knew we could depend on them.

I found my mate, Riley, about 6 months ago on our secondary property that housed our mother's side of the family. They were a coven of witches, and Fae/witch hybrids. My great-grandma Gretchen, my uncle and cousins live there, and my grandma was training Riley. She was raised by her aunt, Naomi, who was a good friend of my aunt Marion. Our family was there visiting, and stocking up on some vegetables and things that we sold at our markets at Ruby Meadows.

I was running errands for grandma, and went into the bakery to get her some fresh rolls for dinner, and Riley was working behind the counter. The smell of lavender and rain filled my nostrils, and when I looked in her direction, she froze. She felt it too. We had both whispered, "Mate," at the same time. Her dark chocolate eyes had me captivated from the second I looked into them. I went to my grandma and told her that I had found my mate, and she was elated. She asked me who it was, and when I told her, her face deflated. "Mads, I can't let you take her away from Ruby Meadows yet. She is in training, and it's imperative that she trains just a little bit longer.

Riley is special, she has a power inside her that we haven't seen around here in over 100 years. She will have to tell you what that is. It's not my place to say, but you will have to trust me," she expresses. I knew my grandma wouldn't keep my mate from me if it weren't necessary, and there was a discussion with Riley and my parents present also. It was decided that our living together would wait until grandma was finished with her training.

It took close to 5 months after we met for Riley to finish her training, and 3 days after she finished, she moved to Blood Moon. Grandma Gretchen said many times that Riley was special, and that it would be revealed to me when the time was right. I don't know what that meant, and honestly, to me, she is special with or without her powers. I would love her if she was just a plain, normal human. I think I would love her if there were no mate bonds, and we just met randomly. She is beyond amazing, and I can't wait for our future together. She gets along amazingly with my parents and all of my siblings.

I sense a tinge of jealousy from Alette though. Alette, my little sister, and one of the triplets, and I are the closest to where my relationships with my sisters stand. Adelina is too focused on her fight training, and Asteria has crazy study habits. I don't relate much to either of them. I was serious about my studies and training too, but I feel like that you have to live life a little as well. I love all my sisters though. I have always been overly protective of them, even when we were very small. Riley says I'm crazy to think that Alette is jealous, and that it's just my sister adjusting to having to share my attention with someone else other than our other siblings. She could be right, and I hope she is.

Tonight we met with my parents, Rico, Toby, Grace and Christy for dinner. I had invited George and Henry, but they were scheduled for patrol duty. They take their current jobs seriously, and even if it's for a coronation meeting, they aren't canceling their work. I respect them for that, and it confirms to me over and over that I made the right choice in choosing them as my Beta and Gamma. Their work ethic is probably better than my dad's, and that is saying something.

We sat down at the dinner table, and I noticed the grim faces of my dad, Loki, and uncle Rico. My dad, Liam, was snickering under his breath trying to hold it together. "OK, what gives you guys?" I asked. It was at that point my mom, Melian, couldn't keep her laughter in anymore. "Oh, honey, ignore those grumpy asses. They lost a bet, and are pissed they have to pay up," she laughed. "A bet? What kind of bet?" I asked. Aunt Grace and mom started to laugh louder, and finally uncle Rico spoke up, "Well, there was a small bet made when Riley moved in. Loki and I thought she would be marked and pregnant before you took over, and Liam and Toby said that neither of you were ready for that yet, and there would be no way that would happen."

Riley's face instantly turned red, and she let out a shocked gasp. I was honestly a little angry about that bet, but understood it was harmless. "What do they have to pay up since they are now losers in this bet?" I asked. Loki looked up at me and said, "We have to work midday patrols tomorrow, in evening gowns. I'm not wearing high heels though, so you can all fuck off with that idea!" I looked at Riley, and she cocked her eyebrows at me.

The next thing I knew, her and I were both laughing just as hard as my mom and Grace. "There will be pictures!" Riley laughed. My dad and Rico stiffened and both snapped their heads

towards her. Rico started to protest and Riley put her finger to her mouth to quiet him. "Well, there will be at least one picture. You both chose to bet against our lives, and it's my call on this one, uncle Rico." she stated and then shot him a wink.

I pulled her close and kissed her on the temple. I heard mom ask both of my dads, "I wonder how this pack is going to feel having another wise ass for a Luna?" Liam started to laugh and had spit out his drink, so he wouldn't choke, and Loki started to belly laugh. Loki's laugh was THE BEST, very boisterous and loud. Riley looks at mom and says, "Well, Luna, they are just going to love it, of course."

Future Luna

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Riley POV

I have been at Blood Moon for a couple of months now, and I love it here. Everyone has been so kind and welcoming. Melian, the current Luna, and Maddix's mom, has been so helpful in helping me learn the ins and outs of being a Luna. I didn't realize there was so much to learn, but I am up for the challenge. She emphasizes a lot about keeping an open mind and open heart. She says that it is most important to remember that they are people just like us, we aren't any better than anyone else. "We are all equals, some of us just have more responsibility in the pack." she says. I have been shadowing her while she carries out her daily Luna duties, and she practices what she preaches. She is one of the most honest people I know, and I am blessed that she will be my mother-in-law.

Today we are visiting Nick's Place, the pack's group home for abandoned children. I love it there, all the little ones are so cute, and I love spending time with them. We are making cookies with the older kids today, and tomorrow we are going to do small crafts with the younger ones. Henry and his mate Celeste will be taking over the running of Nick's place once Rico and Grace retire. Celeste was so happy that she was blessed to be given this opportunity. She and I have become really close, and she has taught me a lot about "wolf life". Apparently, I am the first Luna of Blood Moon that doesn't have a wolf. I was told by Grandma Gretchen that it would be possible for me to be turned, but it is extremely painful. As long as Maddix is fine with me not having a wolf, then I'm fine either way. I would endure the pain if it was something he wanted me to do. However, I truly believe he doesn't care whether I have a wolf or not.

"Earth to Riley!" Melian chuckled. "Are you still with us sweetie?" She asked. I nodded my head and apologized. "Yes, I'm sorry. Was just thinking," I explained. "Well, you must have had something good on your mind because you have had that cheezy smile for a hot minute," she

continued. I started to laugh and told her she was right. I explained what I was thinking about, and a look of concern came over her. "Sweetheart, Maddix will adore you no matter if you were a wolf, bunny or bear. No matter if you are human or an alien. My son loves you with all he has. We love you too. I'm not 100% wolf, and my mates worship the ground I walk on, and I do the same to them. It's not about what you are, but who you are that matters," she said. I knew that she was right, and I thanked her for reminding me. We finished with the kids, and she took me over to the pack seamstress. My dress was finished, and we wanted to make sure it fit.

"Hello Luna! Hello future Luna! It's good to see you again!" Kate the seamstress yelled out. She was a short, heavy-set woman with crazy red hair. She had a booming voice and a bubbly personality. She smelled like peanut butter cookies, and just being around her made you feel good. "Hello Kate! I'm happy to see you too!" I yelled back. She came out of the kitchen with a plate of sliced banana bread, and a kettle of vanilla tea. "Before we do the last fitting, please, sit, have a small snack with me," she said. Mel spoke up and said, "How can we resist fresh banana bread and vanilla tea?" A smile spread across Kate's face, and she served each of us a slice. I took a bite, and thought I had just died and went to heaven. "Oh my goddess, Kate, this is amazing. It's so moist. Thank you for this," I exclaimed. I didn't realize I needed a snack until I was eating what she offered. It definitely hit the spot.

We made small talk, and she asked a lot of questions about the ceremony. I insisted that she attend, and she assured me she would be there. She took the tray with our dishes back to her kitchen, and came back out with a black dress bag. She hung it on a hanger, and unzipped it. Removing the bag revealed the most beautiful dress I had ever seen. It was an Emerald Green backless dress, with silver star beading. The straps were made of silvery crystals, with a silver chain draping across my back. They were going to be paired with a pair of silver heels with beaded straps, and some family jewelry from Melian's personal collection. Mel bought rhinestone hair jewelry for my hair, and I felt more like a princess than a Luna. I had mentioned that to my mother-in-law, and she said that I might as well have been, because Maddix's bloodline was from Royalty on her mother's side. Somehow I could never picture Gretchen as royalty.

We left Kate's shop, and walked back towards the pack house. "Luna! Luna! Please wait," we heard a small voice call. We turned around and there was a small boy, maybe 6 years old, running towards us in a panic. "Luna, please! It's my momma! She fell on the kitchen floor and wouldn't wake up!" Mel and I started running towards the boy's cottage. I learned his name was Lucas, and it was just him and his mom at that moment. Her mate was a questionable man, who had been spending 3 years in the cell house for armed robbery. He was currently beginning his second year, and refused to see his mate or their son. Mel ran straight to the kitchen, and tried to revive her. It wasn't working, so she checked her vitals and started CPR. She instructed me to call the hospital and have them send medics. I did as she asked, and I tried to comfort Lucas the best I knew how. The medics arrived, and they were able to get her stable enough to move to the hospital. We told her that we would take Lucas to the group home to be looked after until she was well enough to do it herself, and she nodded her head, acknowledging we were looking out for them. I helped gather a few things for Lucas, and locked up their cottage.

As I walked him to Nick's place, he asked me a lot of questions. Where did I live before here? Was I happy to be living here now? Did the future Alpha Maddix like bubble gum? Does Alpha Loki always act like a goofball around little kids? I think there were more questions asked than I had answers for, because I surely didn't know the answer to the last question. Will Miss Alette's mate be mad that she kisses a lot of boys? How do I answer that one??

Ceremony Day

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MELIAN POV

Today is the day!! My mates and I will finally be able to take it easy. I'm kidding, it's actually our baby boy's ceremony. He will not only become the Alpha of Blood Moon, but he will marry his mate, and she will become not only his wife, but his Luna. I have fallen in love with Riley. I can't wait to see what their future holds, and how they take this pack in a new, updated direction. He has such amazing ideas, and with the right guidance he will bring them to fruition. I have been helping Riley get ready, and checking on the preparations. I need to go and check on the girls and River to make sure they are moving along and getting ready, and I had best stop in our room to check on my mates. I laid their tuxedos on the bed beside my dress, and I hope that they were able to dress themselves. I can't do it all. Loki was watching the game, he had just had his shower, and Liam was currently in the shower. I gave him strict instructions to make sure Maddix was ready in 45 minutes and in the ceremonial hall. He saluted me and said, "Aye cappin'. Will do!" and then started to laugh. I shook my head at him and shut the door.

The girls were next in line. Adelina was in the shower, and it wouldn't take her long to get ready. Asteria was already dressed and ready. She was lounging in her room reading a book. I peeked into Alette's room, and she wasn't in there. Her dress still hung in her closet, and from the looks of it she hadn't been in there all day. I took my phone out of my bag, and dialed her number. Straight to voicemail. I went back to Asteria's room and asked if she had seen her sister. She informed me that she hadn't been home since right after breakfast. That she had to go into town to "pick up some things." What the hell could she need from town, and why would she leave without telling us? I was fuming.

I dialed her number again, but this time I left a message. "Alette Lily!! You stop whatever the hell you are doing, and get your little ass back to this pack house right now! Today is an important day for this family and your brother! It is not a day for you to fuck off! Get back here NOW!" It wasn't 10 minutes later, and she came running into her bedroom. "Where the hell have you been, Alette?" I questioned. My anger was at the top level, and if she was smart, she wouldn't add fuel to the fire. "Sorry mom, I was at Jamie's house. I borrowed a pair of shoes for

tonight," she explained. I narrowed my eyes at her and replied, "Jamie's, huh? So if I call Margo and ask if you were there, she will confirm your story. That you have been there since after breakfast?' Her face dropped and she huffed at me. "Why am I always under scrutiny mom? Everyone always acts like I am up to no good, and that's just not true. If you absolutely have to know everything, I went over to Jackson's first. I broke everything off with him, because it's obvious we aren't mates. I then went over to Phoenix's house to talk to him. If you don't believe me, you can call him. Then I went to Jamie's and just grabbed the shoes and left. Then, as you were leaving me the message, I was walking through the pack house door." she explained. She was upset because I was angry, but she knows that she has to let us know when she leaves the pack house. It has been that way since she was able to leave on her own. She doesn't understand that her safety is always the most important thing.

After the Alette drama, I went back to Riley's room. She was in her gown, and her hair and makeup were perfect. She looked like a beautiful doll. Her dress fit her like a glove, and the jewels I had loaned her matched perfectly. I called Liam and asked if they were ready. We only had 20 minutes before the ceremony started. He said they were ready and Maddix was already downstairs with George, Henry and Phoenix. They were getting my grandma and the rest of the family situated. Jason was in the room with Liam and Loki helping them get ready, and Rebecca had just come into Riley's room.

She immediately started crying at how beautiful she looked. Ever since Trinity's wedding announcement, Rebecca has been an emotional wreck. Her oldest was marrying and moving out of the house, Joel was about to graduate high school, and their youngest, Mallory, was about to enter high school. We told her they should adopt another one, but she said what she had on her plate was plenty. She said she would just wait for her grandbabies.

I let everyone know that it was time to head down, and I could feel Riley's nerves get riled up. I told her to relax because this would be one of the best days of her life, and to enjoy it. She and I walked hand in hand to the bottom of the stairwell, and at the bottom stood my son. He was tall and handsome. His blond hair was slicked back, and it showed off his chiseled features. His piercing blue eyes never left Riley as she descended the stairs. "Hi," she whispered, and he reached out for her hand. "Hi," he smiled back and kissed her hand. It warmed my soul to witness this. He may look almost spot on his bio dad, but his soul was much purer. "Ready?" I asked him. He nodded his head, and he followed his fathers and me into the ceremony hall with Riley on his arm.

New Alpha of Blood Moon

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Loki POV

Today is going to be awesome! First, the Oregon Ducks play the Beavers and I know my ducks are going to kick ass. Second, my boy takes over as Alpha. It's a bittersweet moment, but he is an amazing young man, and is going to do great things for Blood Moon. I just know it. His mate, Riley, will be the first Luna to not have a wolf. Maddix had approached me about whether he should turn her into a wolf, but Liam and I both suggested that if it didn't bother him, to let her make that decision. He said he loved her how she was, and if she never wanted to become a wolf, it was fine with him. She has a lot of traits that Mel has, and that put my worries at ease.

Our brother-in law, Jason, has joined us in our task of getting ourselves ready, and before long, Mel is telling us to get our butts downstairs. We got to the foyer, and Maddix was there wearing a path in the marble with his pacing. "Calm down son, you are going to rock this Alpha thing." I reassured him. Phoenix, George and Henry laughed at my comment, because they had been trying to calm him for a while now. "Thanks dad, just nervous. I want things to go smoothly tonight, and I just hope I don't stammer my words." he replied. It was then that I knew his biggest worry.

When Maddix was younger, when he was super nervous or scared, he would stutter his words. He eventually outgrew that for the most part, but when he is really on edge, it sometimes comes back. I told him to just remember to breathe, and keep his eyes on Iris, his family, and most of all, Riley. He hugged me tight, and I had to fight back the tears. I didn't expect to be so full of emotions, but Maddix had always held a special place in my heart. He was our first. He was our first blessing at a time when he needed us just as much as we needed him. I know we will still see him regularly, but it will be in a different light. He will be officially a leader, a husband, an Alpha.

Mel informed us it was time to go in, and me and Liam led our mate inside. Phoenix, led Adelina and Alette inside. While River had his sister Asteria and his grandma Gretchen in his arms. Maddix and Riley followed behind us all, and they took their seats next to the stage. Liam, Melian and I took the stage and called attention to the ceremony to start. Liam had a brilliant speech prepared, he was always best with words when it came to pack business. Melian stood in between us, and had also had a prepared speech to welcome Riley. Once everyone was seated and paying attention, Liam started his speech.

"Thank you everyone for joining us for this joyous occasion. Tonight, my brother, Loki and I step down as your Alphas and transfer that title to our son, Maddix. As most of you remember, Maddix came to us a long time ago, during the same time we found our mate. The circumstances weren't the best, but the goddess had a plan. He was destined to be ours, just as he was destined to be your Alpha. I have complete faith in our son, as do his mate, Riley. Together with their Beta, George Gonzalez and Gamma, Henry Gonzalez, they will bring the Blood Moon pack into the future. Maddix, please come forward," Liam spoke. Maddix stood and walked towards us. Mel stepped out from in between us, and allowed us to perform the Alpha vow portion of the ceremony. Iris came forward and bound our hands together. She smiled at the three of us and started to speak. "Not only is this an honor, but an overwhelming pleasure for me to be asked to perform the exchange of power ceremony for the three of you. Alphas Liam and Loki, I

performed your vow ceremony when it was time for you to take over, and watched you both rebuild this pack to its current glory. With the help of your current Luna, Melian, this pack has expanded and grown beyond what your parents could have ever imagined. Maddix, I have watched you grow from a wee boy to the brilliant young man standing before me today. I have no doubt in my heart that you will do great things here in Blood Moon.

The members of the pack have been and will continue to be blessed to have the Young family continue on as Alpha. Now, Maddix, please repeat after me. I, Maddix Young, promise to honor and protect my family and pack members of the Blood Moon pack. I will always put the needs of my pack and family before my own, and will fight until the death to assure that no harm will befall them. I will rule with a fair, but stern hand, and will never unjustly come to conclusions without the full truth. I will maintain Blood Moon to the best of my abilities, and if I find myself faltering, I will do whatever it takes to keep the pack at the standard it deserves. On my honor, by my word, I will honor my pack to the best of my abilities and beyond." Maddix took a deep breath, and repeated her words. He stammered a bit, but she graciously helped him through.

Pride swelled in my chest, and it was our turn. "Alphas Liam and Loki, I know this is a proud moment for you. Are you ready to hand over power and title to your son Maddix and make him the current reigning Alpha?" she asked. "We are," we answered in unison. She picked up the ceremonial athame from the table, and exposed our palms through the wrapping. She slit Liam and I's palms, and we dripped blood droplets into the Alpha goblet. She then turned to Maddix and asked if he was ready to receive the power and title of Alpha, and he said that he was. She repeated the actions that she had just done with us, and placed his blood also into the goblet. Pouring just enough of the blessed wine into the goblet, she raised it above us and said a prayer. She handed the goblet to Maddix, and had him drink. As he drank the mixture, we could feel the power shift from us to him.

It must have been powerful because it caused him to stumble backwards a few steps. Placing the goblet back onto the table, Iris raised our bound hands above our heads. "Prestigious members of the Blood Moon pack, It is my honor and pleasure to introduce you to you, Alpha Maddix Young." The crowd started to whoop and holler and welcome their new alpha. I looked over towards our mate, his mother, and she was weeping. Tears of joy and pride streamed down her face. After Iris removed the wrap from our bound hands, our son, the new alpha, jumped into our arms. Our boy was so overwhelmed with nerves that he needed his old dads. We held him close, and he whispered into our ears, "Thank you for trusting me, thank you for always being my dads."

The Wolfless Luna

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Melian POV

I couldn't hold back the tears after they announced my son as the new alpha. The overwhelming joy on his and his father's faces was priceless. I could feel their excitement and love exuding from within them. When Iris removed the bindings, Maddix jumped into his dad's arms. They stood in their embrace and savored the moment. Iris had to remind them that we still had to induct a Luna. Maddix started to laugh and apologized to Iris. He then turned to me and apologized, and then Riley. We were all so happy, it didn't bother us at all. The pack members laughed and cried right along with us. Once my men were out of the way, Iris called Riley and I to stand with Maddix. She took fresh bindings and bound Maddix and Riley together, and Riley and me together.

"Now that we have our Alpha taken care of, let's take care of his Luna. This is a new meeting for me. It is the first time I have met our Alpha's mate, Riley Harper of Ruby Meadows. As we all know, Ruby Meadows is our Coven pack run by high witch Luke Bastille. Our current Luna's cousin. This is a first for Blood Moon, and another blessing to say the least. Riley, does not have a wolf currently. She has the option of becoming a hybrid wolf, if she so chooses. However, the Royal Council has agreed that it will not be a requirement for her to become or remain Luna. I believe in my whole heart that she will be an outstanding Luna to this pack.

Luna Melian, would you like to say something?" Iris spoke. I nodded my head, and I turned to my son and his mate. "I have been Luna of Blood Moon for a long time. I have watched things fall apart, and I have watched them come back together better than ever. If you think it's easy, it's not. It's a lot of work, a lot of compassion, a lot of tears and a lot of sweat. You will be tried, but the good times will always overpower the bad. Always stand together, no matter what. There will be times you don't agree. Hell, there will be times when you think you will never get through what you are dealing with. However, I assure you that you will. Defend each other when needed, support each other always, and never go to bed angry. Be kind to yourself, because you will beat yourself up by wondering if you made the right decisions. If you made the decision, it's the right one. Your Grandma Gretchen taught me that.

Riley, it is my honor to pass on my power and title of Luna of Blood Moon onto you. I know you will be an amazing Luna. You will be just what this pack needs at all times. Welcome to our family, sweetheart." I said proudly. I turned to look at Iris, and she continued where I left off. "Riley Harper, do you promise to uphold the standards placed before you by your mate and Alpha, Maddix Young? Do you promise to put the needs of your pack and pledge loyalty not only to your Alpha but to the pack as well? The task of the Luna is to take care and nurture her pack. Do you promise to uphold the duty of carrying out those tasks?" she asked Riley. Riley smiled and said, "I, Riley Harper, promise to uphold all the duties of the Luna, as well as pledge my loyalty to the Blood Moon pack, as well as my mate and Alpha, Maddix Young." Iris, first cut my palm and then Riley's. Together we dripped our blood into the Luna chalice, and after the wine was added, Riley drank the concoction. I felt the change of power and title, and I could tell Riley received them. Her eyes went wide, and she let out a gasp, as the voices of the pack filled her head. When she recited her pledge, she covered both bases. She not only became Luna, but an official pack member. All that was left was for her and Maddix to make their vows to one another.

Iris removed the binds from Riley and me, and had Riley and Maddix face one another. "Alpha Maddix, Luna Riley, please face one another and join your unbound hands. As we move onto the next ceremonial event, I would like to welcome you both officially as the leaders of Blood Moon. Now that all the formalities are out of the way, our Alpha and Luna have chosen to also be united as husband and wife. They have written their own vows, and would not like to deliver them to one another. Alpha? You may proceed," she announced. Maddix took another deep breath, probably the millionth one tonight, and looked deep into his mate's eyes. "Riley Harper, Luna Riley Harper. My Luna. I have loved you from the second I walked into that bakery in Ruby Meadows and smelled your amazing lavender and vanilla scent. It was pure torture being separated from you while you finished training with grandma. From today forward, I vow to love you like you deserve to be loved. Protect you like you deserve to be protected. From tomorrow until the end of our days, I vow to be the best mate and husband to you, and when our children arrive, I vow to be the most amazing father to them. Just like my dad's were to me. I love you Riley, from now until after life." He didn't stammer at all, and everyone in the room felt the love pouring out of his soul.

Iris turned to Riley, and asked her to recite her vows. "Maddix, my dear sweet mate, I wasn't sure if I would ever have a mate. I wasn't sure where I would end up in my life. I am thankful and blessed that the moon goddess chose me for you. I knew the second I looked into your eyes that you were my destiny, my one true soulmate. My life is complete now. My heart is full, and I am right where I was meant to be. I vow from today until well into the afterlife that I will be the wife and Luna you deserve, and will show you all the love that I have inside of me to give you. I vow to be your partner in life, your partner in crime, and I will be your everything and more. I love you so much, now and forever." she recited. Iris completes their marriage bond by once again slicing their palms and dripping blood into their unity chalice, and having them drink the mixture of the wine and their blood. Bonding them further than their markings would ever do, once they marked each other.

"Blood Moon Pack, I now introduce your Alpha and Luna as husband and wife. Alpha Maddix and Luna Riley Young." I yelled.

Mating and Marking

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Maddix POV

SEXUAL CONTENT

After our ceremony, we left the stage to join our family. Dinner would be served, and then the party would start. Riley and I took our place at the center of the long table, facing the dance floor. My parents were sitting next to me, then my sisters, and finally my brothers. Next to Riley were my grandma, my uncles and cousins. The Beta and Gamma Families were sitting at another long table next to ours. There were so many people, but the only one I could focus on was my mate.

She looked stunning, and she was now bound to me. I couldn't wait until tonight when we finally mated and marked one another. It had come close several times, but Riley wanted to wait until our ceremony, and I respected that. Her marking on me would be done slightly differently than mine would be on her. Where I would bite into her marking spot, when she would mark me, it would be more like a brand created by the magic electricity coming from her lips. I have only seen a few Fae/witch mate markings, and they are actually very beautiful. They have almost a shimmer to them. I didn't care what or how it happened, as long as I was with her, I had everything.

Dinner dishes started to be served, and there was a buffet setup in case people wanted more. My first plate contained a perfectly cooked medium rare steak, baked sweet potatoes, asparagus and my favorite cream corn pudding. Riley had mushroom ravioli, grilled chicken, roasted cauliflower, and brussel sprouts. A gorgeous 5 tiered cake made of red velvet and cream cheese icing sat in the corner of the room, and was decorated with beautiful succulents. The room looked amazing, it was adorned with white twinkling fairy lights, and dark green and silver silk bunting. The tables had tons of candles and floral scattering. My mother had amazing taste, and everything was perfect. I had to remember to thank her later.

After we ate, the music started blaring. My sisters pulled me, Riley and my brothers onto the dance floor. The song Shape of You by Ed Sheerhan is playing as we all moved to the music. A few other fast songs played before fading in to mine and Riley's song, Tie Me Down by Taylor Ray Holbrook. Everyone left us in the middle of the dance floor, and I pulled her in close to me. I placed my forehead against hers, and stared deep into her beautiful chocolate eyes.

As we swayed to the music, I started to sing to her. "One look at you and I saw everything I'd ever need, And you don't know what you do to me, I'm down to give it all up, If you're up to tie me down." She didn't realize just how true those words really were. There is a line in the song that says, 'We turned two worlds into one,' and that is exactly what we have done. She and I come from two totally different worlds. I know very little about the witch world, and she knows very little about the lives of werewolves. I was told by grandma that I do carry some of the Fae traits, but until my wolf, Franz, is comfortable helping them surface, I have no idea what they are.

Everyone started to clear out, and I had danced more than I wanted. I approached my mom to make sure we were good to head out, and before I could get the words out, mom and my dads yelled the words, "GO!" Riley and I started to laugh and waved goodbye to everyone. I picked her up as soon as we left the ceremony hall and took her into our new room. My parents had their room completely remodeled. Complete with new furniture, and had our belongings brought there.

As soon as the door closed, I smashed my lips on hers. She kissed me as if it would be the last time she would ever kiss me again. "Maddix, I need you," she gasped. Neither of us had ever been with anyone else, and I think we were both just stumbling over what to do. I carried her to the bed, and laid her on it gently. I started to unbutton my shirt, and apparently I was going too slow. She grabbed my shirt and ripped it open. I had never seen her so aggressive, and if we are being honest, I loved it. She grabbed my shoulders and pulled me down on her, and wrapped her legs around my waist. "Touch me Maddix, Please baby." I ran my hand up her thigh and teased my fingers along the edge of her panties. She was trying to wiggle out of her dress with me on top of her, and I lifted myself up and helped her with her task.

As she laid back down, I started to kiss her body, working my way to her thighs. When I got there, I placed her legs over my shoulders and started to leave love bites on her thighs. The little moans escaping her lips were making me rock hard. I could smell her arousal through her panties and with one swipe with my claw, her panties left her body. I ran my finger along her slit, and her legs pulled me closer to her. I took my tongue and teased her a little and I heard her grunt in frustration. I smiled at myself and ran my tongue inside her folds. When my tongue met her nub she started to squirm. Her legs clamped each side of my head, and her hand intertwined in my hair. "Yes, Maddix, please! Don't stop!" she begged. I took my time nibbling and licking her swollen nub, and inserted one of my fingers inside her. Her little moans turned me on, more and more. "Do you like that, baby?" I asked her, and she whispered yes with labored breath. It wasn't long after I inserted a second finger, that I felt her walls tighten. "That's it princess, cum for me." I encouraged her.

Within seconds, her body started to tremble, and she released her climax of sweet juices all over my face. She fell limp as she came down off of her climax, and I wiped my face on my shirt on the floor. I crawled back onto the bed and centered my hardness at her entrance. "Are you ready my love?" I asked her, and she smiled while nodding her head. "I want you inside me, Maddix. I want us to be one. I want you to mark me and I want to mark you," she said. I leaned over her and kissed her lips as I slowly entered inside her. She started to stiffen from the pressure and pain of my cock passing through her hymen. "Relax, baby. I'm almost in. The pain will pass quickly." I whispered in her ear. She nodded her head and I felt her start to relax. I slid in a little further and allowed her to fully adjust. She started to roll her hips and I slid my hardness in and out of her slowly. "Faster!" she demanded, and I obeyed her. Her fingernails were digging into my back the faster I went. "YES! OH MY GODDESS! YES!" she screamed. Her moans made me fuck her faster and harder until we were both ready to explode.

As soon as she wrapped her legs tighter around my waist, I buried my head into her neck, finding my marking spot. My fangs extended, and I sunk them into her flesh. She winced from the pain, but within seconds she gave into the pleasure. She pulled me closer to her and started to kiss my neck until she found the perfect spot, and I started to feel the sizzle of her mark branding my skin. It was beyond erotic, and I instantly released my seed inside her. As she released my neck, she gave into her own climax and her orgasm started to spill around my cock.

We both collapsed and laid in each other's arms. "Are you alright?" she whispered. I nodded my head and told her I was better than alright. I was fantastic. I asked her the same question, and she just simply pulled me closer to her. "I love you Maddix," she said. "I love you too, Riley." I told

her. Before the words finished leaving my lips, I heard her soft snores. She was worn out. I cleaned both of us up, and found a pair of her panties. I slid them on her and moved her fully into the bed. I crawled in next to her and covered us up. Holding her securely in my arms, I was soon in a deep sleep next to her.

Wise Guys

Chapter 148 - Their Bullied and Broken Mate

MADDIX POV

I woke up much earlier than Riley, and I thought it would be nice to bring her breakfast in bed. I slipped out of bed, and she stirred a little at the loss of heat, but bundled herself up in the blanket. I quickly dressed and went downstairs to the kitchen to grab an array of different things for us to eat. Millie, our new pack chef, teased me as I took a little bit of different breads and a lot of everything else. I wasn't sure what my wife would be hungry for, but I wanted to make sure she had her heart's desire.

It felt weird not seeing mom or my dads in the dining hall as I passed back through, but I knew they were going to hide away in their villa for a while, and we probably wouldn't see them near the pack house unless absolutely needed. They deserved this break for sure. Riley and I will start official duty on Monday, so we are taking the rest of this weekend to ourselves. Rico agreed to oversee pack issues over the weekend, and I was very grateful for that.

I snuck back into our room with the cart full of food, and noticed Riley was no longer in bed. I walked closer to the bathroom and heard the shower running. I went inside the bathroom, and removed my clothing and climbed into the shower with her. I wrapped my arms around her from behind, and whispered in her ear, "Breakfast is going to get cold." She laughed and turned to face me. She snaked her arms around my neck and said, "I'm standing in front of you naked, and all you can think about is a cold breakfast?" We both started to laugh, and I smashed my lips on hers.

The sparks that filled my lips as I kissed her drew me further under her spell. She pulled away from me and went to her knees. She started to stroke my hardened cock, and slowly took me into her mouth. I hissed at the intense feeling that I felt immediately, and my knees went weak. I had to prop myself against the wall with my hand so that I didn't fall on the shower floor. Her mouth sent a sensation through me that I had never felt before, and I wanted to be deeper in her throat. I took my free hand and ran it through her hair, grabbing a handful, and guided her head back and forth on my dick. "Yes baby, let me fuck that mouth of yours." I said. She moved her eyes up to

me and gave a slight nod. I started to move my hips, driving my cock deeper into her throat. She started to gag, and I told her to relax her throat.

Once she was able to do so, the gagging stopped. Her little moans, and the sounds of my large member hitting the back of her throat turned me on so much. As I fucked her mouth, her eyes never left mine and I could feel my orgasm forming. I grabbed both sides of her head and she held onto my thighs. She started to move her head quicker, keeping time with my hips. As I released my seed into her throat, she moved her head as far down on me as she could, and swallowed everything I had to offer her. Licking me clean, she whispered, "Thank you baby." I pulled her up to me and captured her lips, and moaned to them, "No, thank you. Can I return the favor?" She shook her head and said she wanted to please me, and that she was still sore down there. She said we could play more later, and walked out of the shower.

After I got out of the shower and dried off, I walked back to our bedroom and found my mate sitting naked still on the bed. She had made her a large plate of food and was sitting on the bed eating it. "Breakfast in the nude? That is sexy as hell, babe." She started to laugh and said it looked so good, she thought clothes could wait. I made my plate and climbed in bed with her. We ate together, and then decided to go into town and do a little shopping. Neither of us liked the bedding color my mom picked, and wanted to customize our space a little more in our style. I wanted to switch to either a crimson red or a dark emerald green instead of the dark blue tones my mother chose. Riley chose red, so red it would be. I went into our closet, and noticed that Riley really didn't have much clothing, and nothing really to deal with the cold.

She had a couple of long sleeved t-shirts and a cotton hoodie, but nothing to keep her warm in the cold ocean air during Oregon winters. We would also get her some clothes while we were out. I knew she wasn't into fancy high-end fashion, and that is one thing I loved about her. She was more of a jeans and t-shirt, long flowing hippie skirts and tank top type of person. Hippie meets comfort. I had never paid much attention to high-maintenance types of girl, and I loved that she would rather walk with her toes in the grass than in a pair of stilettos.

We pulled into the mall, and parked our brand-new black Ford Bronco in a special area just for the Alpha. Of course, because it was also a mall that humans went to, it didn't specifically state 'ALPHA PARK HERE'. We went into the Home Goods store first, and bought everything we wanted to make our room more ours. The comforter and sheets Riley picked out will look amazing with our black wrought iron bed, and black leather sectional and chairs. The 2 warriors that followed us at a distance took the bags and loaded them into our SUV, and then met us at the food court. We all had a quick lunch, and Riley and I continued shopping. We had so much fun that I had lost track of time. I had to call Rico to let him know that Phoenix would be at the house to pick up some paperwork for the clinic. I stepped out of the store to make the call, and when I returned there were 2 men harassing my wife.

I hurried back in, and stepped up to my mate. I looked at the men and said calmly, "Back away from my wife, or there will be big problems." The shorter of the two looked up at me, and started to apologize. The bigger one thought he would be a smart ass and try and goad me. "What kind of problem, pretty boy?" he asked. I knew they were wolves, and I released my Alpha aura. "How about you try me and find out, but if you were smart, you would unhand my wife and walk

away. I'm sure you are a smart guy, aren't you?" I asked. He started to back away with his hands in the air and started apologizing. He grabbed his friend, and they bolted out of the store. I made sure Riley was alright, and she assured me she was. I flashed her a smile and let her choose if we continued to shop, or find something else to do. She said she was fine, and would like to finish shopping for what we came for. I obliged her, but told my warriors to keep an eye on the two idiots who had just fled. Something didn't feel right about them, and I wanted to be safe.

Good Intentions Gone Bad

Chapter 149 - Their Bullied and Broken Mate

Riley POV

As soon as Maddix walked out of the store we were in, I was approached by 2 men who were acting like I was their next meal. The vulgar things that spewed from their mouths made my skin crawl. The taller of the two decided it was alright for him to come inside my personal space, and I told him to back off. I was trying to enjoy the day with my mate, and these guys were quickly ruining it. I knew he was on the phone with an important phone call, so I didn't link him. I tried to get the attention of our guards, but they were focused on their Alpha.

I guess they assumed, because I was inside the store, and they were in the doorway, I was safe. I wasn't about to let these punks see they had me nervous, so I held my composure and did the best I could to keep them from touching me. I tried to walk around them, but the short one kept blocking my way. I held my purse close to me, and started to speak louder, hoping someone would intervene. Thankfully, my husband came through the door.

"Back away from my wife, or there will be big problems," he said as he approached where we were standing. He had a calm demeanor and a stern look on his face. He wasn't messing around, and I hoped that the two jerks knew better than to challenge him. They started to get smart with him, and I could feel him release his Alpha aura. Even as a human, I could feel it. They threw their hands up in surrender and backed away from us and out of the store. He quickly turned to check on me after they left, and I promised him I was good to go.

Telling him I was rattled didn't seem important at the time, and I just wanted to continue with our good time. He asked if I wanted to leave or continue to shop, and because he was making me get clothes and things we needed, I wanted to continue. I didn't want to let the distraction of two goons deter our fun.

We paid for what I had found in the store we were in, and left to go into the shoe store next door. I ended up grabbing a few pairs of sneakers, and 3 nice pairs of boots. Maddix insisted that I get

a good pair of hiking boots, so I did. I am used to having one pair of sneakers, a pair of boots, and a few pairs of sandals.

I prefer to be barefoot, but in the winter, it's kind of hard. Maddix sent one of the guards out to the SUV with the bags we had accumulated, and we spent another few hours shopping. It felt good just to laugh and be goofy with him. I had never realized how fun he really was. It was nice to see him let loose.

We finally left the mall, and he took me to a nice little pizzeria close to the pack boundaries for dinner. It was owned by a former Blood Moon pack member whose mate was human. His name is Hunter, and his mate's name is Gail. We ordered a small veggie pizza and a large all-meat pizza. I also ordered a side salad with olive oil and vinegar dressing. Maddix insisted we also get a pan of spinach and cheese stuffed shells. Everything was so good, and we had plenty left over to take back with us.

I was finishing my dinner when Maddix's phone rang. He apologized and picked up his phone to answer. "Hello?" he answered. I could hear a female voice on the other end, but couldn't make out who it was. "Yes, this is Alpha Maddix Young," he said. He listened closely, and his brows started to furrow. "Where is she now?" he asked the person at the other end. "Thank you, Micah. We are on our way," he told her and disconnected the line. He quickly started to pack up the left-over food without speaking. "Maddix?" I whispered.

He stopped what he was doing and ran his hands through his hair. "It's Alette. She left pack grounds while we were gone, and went to the beach. That was her friend Micah, and she had let me know that Alette was smashed. She said Alette didn't drink very much, so she wasn't sure how she ended up this badly off. I'm sorry babe, we have to go get her." he explained. I took his hand and told him it was OK, her safety was important, and we grabbed our food and left.

We arrived at Rock A Way beach within 25 minutes of leaving the pizzeria, and Micah's boyfriend was in the parking lot waiting for us. "Alpha, Luna, I am so sorry about this. We aren't sure what happened. She only had maybe 4 beers, and then she started to slur her words and then passed out," he apologized. Maddix accepted his apology and thanked him for watching over his sister. We jogged to the beach and there on a blanket laid his little sister.

Her dark brown hair was wet and covered in sand, and her body was practically lifeless. I knew as soon as I approached her what was wrong. "Wolfsbane. Maddix, someone has slipped her wolfsbane. I can smell it," I told him. His body froze, and I could feel his anger rising in his core. "Wolfsbane?!? Who the fuck would have given her wolfsbane??? Someone better start speaking, and better be quick about it!" He roared. His aura spilled off of him in waves. Everyone that was surrounding Alette bared their necks, and one boy in particular was visibly shaken. I touched Maddix's shoulder, and he looked at where I was pointing.

He marched over to the boy and made him stand before him. "What is your name?" he asked. The kid rose and looked towards the ground. "My name is Wiley, Wiley Thomas," he replied. "Look at me, Wiley. I want the truth. What did you do to my sister's drinks?" my mate asked. Visibly shaken, Wiley starts to tell Maddix everything that happened. "Alpha, I didn't mean to

give her wolfsbane. I went to a witch in Ruby Meadows during our last visit, and asked her for a potion so that Alette would see me as her mate, even though I'm not. I have loved her for a long time, and just wanted to be with her. I didn't know it had wolfsbane in it." he confessed. You could see the remorse in his eyes.

I knew the potion he was referring to, and knew it didn't contain wolfsbane in the recipe. I got Maddix's attention, and told him so. I asked Wiley what Ruby Meadows witch he got it from, and the name he mentioned I didn't recognize.

Cruellest of Pure Intentions

Chapter 150 - Their Bullied and Broken Mate

Maddix POV

If what this kid is saying is true, someone at Ruby Meadows intentionally gave him something to hurt my sister. I was livid because of this revelation, and I needed to get home quickly. I needed to get Alette to the clinic, and go speak to my parents. Grandma was also still at Blood Moon, so that would be a bonus. I called Phoenix once we got my baby sister in the car, and told him we were about a half hour away. He said he would be waiting for us, and stay with her while Dr. Flores checked her out.

I had Riley call my parents to let them know what had happened, and inform them that we would be at their place right after dropping Alette off with Phoenix. Micah and her boyfriend were bringing Wiley to the pack house to wait for us. I'm sure my parents and grandma would want to speak to him also.

We made it to the pack clinic in record time, a lot quicker than half an hour. Phoenix was sitting on the steps waiting when we pulled up. He rushed to the back door, and pulled our baby sister out of the back seat. He reassured me that he would take care of her and stay with her, and Riley and I sped off to my parents' villa. "Maddix, what is going on? Is she OK? Who gave her Wolfsbane?" my mother started to question me. I just grabbed her and hugged her tightly. "She is going to be alright mom. It was just enough to knock her unconscious. The boy who slipped it in her drink, wasn't aware that there was Wolfsbane in it. He is torn up about it. Let's go inside and speak about it, please." I explained. She grabbed my hand and dragged me into their house.

We sat in the common room, and once everyone was present, I started to explain what Wiley had told me. To say my parents and my grandma were flabbergasted was just the tip of the iceberg. Grandma stood at her feet and started to rub her temples. "I don't know of anyone back home who would want to hurt any of you. This has blown me away. Riley, can you think of anyone

new that has come to Ruby Meadows?" she asked. Riley shook her head and she said that she didn't know of anyone. However, she did say that it wasn't uncommon for outside witches to come into the market and rent a space for the day or weekend. My dad, Liam, asked me to call Micah and have them bring Wiley to the villa. I felt it was risky bringing him here, to their personal home, but they insisted.

It didn't take long for the trio to arrive, and Wiley was still visibly upset. "Come in, have a seat, please," my dad, Loki, said as he invited them in. He started to speak to them, and my grandma interrupted. "I'm sorry, Loki, sweetheart. Curiosity is bothering me. Wiley? Is it? Son, what did this witch look like, and could you tell me exactly where in Ruby Meadows you met her?" she asked. One thing about Grandma Gretchen: she wasn't one to beat around the bush.

Wiley started to describe the woman. "She was short, with very pale skin. Her hair was bright red, and she had a birthmark type thing on her chin. It was about the size of a quarter, and looked like a small strawberry. Her eyes were so silver they were almost white. She didn't seem to have any strange aura, but I am also not well versed in witches," he explained. He turned to my parents and said, "I want to apologize to you all. I didn't mean any ill will or harm towards Alette. I care deeply for her, I always have. I pray to the goddess that she is alright." They thanked him, and told him to be more mindful of what he does. Trying to bend her will without her knowing was also harmful to her, especially since he wasn't her true mate. He explained he understood, and the three friends left the villa.

I could tell grandma's wheels were grinding full force. When she was in deep thought, the wrinkles in her forehead were deeper than usual. "Grandma, what are you thinking about?" I asked her. Without looking at me, she patted my knee and explained that she was trying to place the woman who Wiley explained, but she was still drawing a blank. She decided she would call my cousin Luke, and ask him to come to Blood Moon the next day. I was excited about seeing him and Rory again, but I wished it was under better circumstances. Luke had received grandma's powers years back, and he held the gift of sight. Not only the future, but the past as well. He asked that we have Wiley return to the pack house tomorrow evening, because he would need him there to see his past interactions. So I called Micah and had her relay that message to Wiley.

He said he would be in the dining hall for dinner, and would meet with us after. Grandma seemed to relax a little bit after speaking with Luke, and I was thankful for that. He said he would put their watchers on alert, and would make sure we figured this out. Grandma didn't want to keep people for setting up in our markets because it brought new people in for business. However, she also couldn't allow dangerous people to infiltrate and hurt people she cared about.

After our discussion, my parents, my mate, grandma and I went to check on Alette. When we arrived Phoenix, Adelina and Asteria were sitting by her side. River was on patrol, so he wasn't aware of what was happening. Loki said not to interrupt him, because he was still training. Mom agreed, and we waited for Dr. Flores to come in to fill us in on her situation. My mom climbed in bed with her, like she does with all of us when we are sick. She held onto my sister, and I heard her weep. "Please, Goddess, watch over my baby. Help her fight this ugly situation," she whispered.

