

Chapter 12 - Once Rejected, Thrice Accepted

We made them wait outside as we got dressed, made out a little, and listened to them bicker with each other from our side of the door. I almost lost it when Lucas told Leo to get his shit together and quit acting like he had a small dick, even if it was true. Duncan had to shove his hand over my mouth to keep me quiet.

Duncan opened the door with the biggest smile on his face. “Hey, bro’s. Let get this meeting done so I can get my mate back faster.” He locked up the place and pulled me into his arms. “Ill never have enough of you.”

I giggled. A high-pitched, embarrassing giggle. What the hell. I wanted to run but even if I tried Duncan had too tight of a hold on me.

“Kill me.” I whispered. I felt his chest moving like he was fighting back laughing. “I have never giggled that way before and I don’t ever want to do it again.”

“I loved it.” Leo teased from behind us. “I wonder if we can make you snort.”

“We definitely should give it a try at our lunch date.” Lucas agreed with a laugh.

I pushed out of Duncan’s arms and glared at the three of them over my shoulder as I kept walking. “Try it and my brother’s extra bedroom will become mine in a heartbeat. No means no.”

Lucas put his hands up in front of him looking a bit shocked and sad. “No definitely means no but we were just teasing. We wouldn’t do anything you hated or told us not to. I promise.”

“What he said. I promise that you are our first priority aside from the pack.” Leo pleaded with his eyes.

“Gemma.” Duncan said sternly. “What did I tell you last night and this morning?”

“Listen, I know what you said and I can feel how you feel right now but you can’t expect me to just jump on the trust wagon when I haven’t even been here a week nor have you offered to make me a part of the pack since finding out I was your mate?”

I kept walking, keeping my distance. I knew my emotions were getting the best of me and being just marked it was making it worse. I knew I was going to have to apologize but I figure I am due a few outbursts after everything especially Leo and his shit after I was attacked.

The guys kept up pace with me but made sure to keep enough space between us that I wouldn't growl in their direction. It might have happened once or twice. Whoops.

Duncan was barely holding it together. I could feel his wolf getting upset that we were upset and he was riding Duncan. When I finally stopped outside the door to the pack house he didn't keep the space between us. He kept walking, softly pushed me against the door, and kissed the hell out of me.

"You are mine. What bothers you bothers me. What hurts you hurts me." He put his forehead against mine. "I felt everything you were just feeling. I never want those feelings to happen again because of us."

"It wasn't because of you or the twins. I just need more control right now after everything with my history. I am sorry." I kissed his lips softly and smiled. "Now lets go in and deal with some bitches and their shitty parents."

Duncan stepped back and let the twins plant a kiss on my cheeks before we went in. Moonlight was ready to have all three but I sure the heck wasn't. She was gonna have to calm her needy ass down.

Lucas held the door open for me and made sure he was the one to grab my hand as we walked in. The pack house only had a few stragglers in the dining room and hallways. The chill room was full of teenagers, my peers, since they didn't have school that day.

"Hey I totally forgot but how am I going to finish high school if I am to become the Luna of the pack?" I thought about how high school had been going for me and I hated to think this pack would treat me the same way. Maybe I didn't need a high school diploma.

"I actually called around and I think the best bet would be a tutor. I got your transcripts, and you only need to finish out this semester to graduate." Leo confessed. "I love that our mate didn't tell us how she was super smart."

"Uhhh..." My mind went blank. I wasn't super smart. I just had so much free time from a lack of friends and family I just studied or read.

"I think tutoring would be good. I don't want to have to explain to the pack why I beat the shit out of a seventeen-year-old." Duncan growled looking behind us.

I looked and saw a few boys staring at us. I thought it was the Alphas they were staring at since most guys want to be an alpha, but it was me. Oh lordy. No thank you.

“She is ours so go back and hang out with your friends. I don’t take kindly to someone thinking of my mate as anything but their Luna.” Lucas growled. So, all my mates were jealous and protective. This was going to be fun.

“Ignore them and take me to the meeting room. I need coffee, a sweet treat, and some new drama to add to my personal collection.” I jabbed my elbow into Lucas’s side and got them all walking forward again.

The room was set up for us to sit on one side with the wall to our backs and the parents to sit on the other as the bitches stayed standing. The reports of what they had done in detail plus any past crimes were put together for each person who would be present.

There was an extra guard inside plus a few stationed outside in case one of the girls got a running start.

As soon as I sat down Draco walked in with Ally and a big coffee for me. It was perfect with my caramel and vanilla creamer with a tad bit of whipped cream and caramel drizzled on top. I sucked down half of it before I even gave Draco a proper hug.

“I will ask the kitchen to go ahead and make you another one of those. Should I ask for it to be in an IV drip?” Draco teased.

“If they could, I would. No jokes. Coffee is life, bro.”

Ally laughed and took the seat next to me. On the other side were the twins. Duncan stood behind us as did Draco. The guard let us know the parents were here and wanted to come in early to get this over with, but Duncan said no. We would all talk and we would get down to the bottom everything. This shit stopped now.

I leaned over to Duncan and whispered, “After this can we try that oral thing you told me about during your long-winded sex explanation last night?”

Leo spat out his coffee in surprise. Lucas just gaped at me while Draco glared, and Ally laughed so hard she almost peed herself. I mouthed Sorry as the doors opened bringing in the sisters, Trudy and Janet, and the rest of the girls, Karen, Sally, Missy, and Natalie.

Their parents followed behind and not one person looked anything other than pissed.

Duncan kissed me ear and linked me. ‘You have a lunch date with the twins but I am all yours after that.’

‘Holy crap on a cracker. I forgot we could mind link now that we are marked.’ My eyes lit up in excitement.

“Why is that ugly rogue bitch in here?” Karen growled as she pulled on her silver chains.

“You mean my marked and mated mate?” Duncan gloated. A girl who sat with a couple gasped before glaring at me.

“No fucking way. She is way too young to be fated and too weak for a strong wolf like you, baby.” The same girl said. Her eyes were at an almost complete slit out of anger. If looks could kill id be dead several times over. “Kill her already and let’s figure this thing out between us.”

“Don’t threaten your future Luna.” Leo stated looking a bit bored of this conversation.

The room went silent and everyone stared at me. I have a small finger wave. I didn’t know what else to do.

“How? I thought she was with Duncan.” One of the older men asked. He looked more inquisitive than pissed off.

“She is the fated mate of all three of us. Only Duncan has had the pleasure of marking her so far but hopefully soon we will change that.” Leo smiled at me. I felt this warmth in my chest. Something new I would have to figure out later.

The room instantly came to life with yelling, threats, questions, and the sisters fighting to get over to my mates. Duncan looked like he wanted to cover my body with his to protect me but I didn’t need it. This was stupid on both parts.

I stood up and slammed my hands onto the table silencing everyone. “Shut up. This is stupid.” I turned toward everyone in front of me. “You have no say in anything the Alphas do so your opinion on me deserving them is a moot point. You are in this room the help save your daughters asses after jumping me in the restroom. Maybe also remember their insecurities and jealousy starts from somewhere.” I turned toward my mates. “Let’s do this and go out to eat. I am starving and I don’t know how much longer I can hold Moonlight back from ripping these bitches’ tits off.”

The room stayed silent while Leo and Lucas read off their list of crimes. I couldn’t pay attention between Moonlight going on and on about how I finally stood up to someone and the fact that I wanted to crawl in to a hole and hide. The looks I was getting for just being me and being fated to someone they wanted was horrifying. How did they look at people who ordered the same drink as them or if someone got the toy they wanted even if there were multiples of it?

“Gemma, I think you should decide their punishment.” Lucas stated looking at me.

“Umm What?” I was stunned.

“No fucking way is that weak bitch deciding my babies futures.” Karen’s dad spit was he spoke. “They did nothing wrong. This pack kills rogues on sight and they thought she was a rogue. Its not their fault she dresses like trash and is all scarred up like she has had to fight to stay alive.”

“The rogue law will be changing shortly so keep that in mind the next time you defend a loved one for being bullies.” Draco warned them.

“And since I am one of the two Alphas, I decide what happens here. If you don’t like it you can challenge me.” Lucas looked like he wanted the guy to challenge him. “I would love to kick your ass all over the training field. You and your family are getting too big for your britches. No one in my family will be mating anyone in yours. It is pathetic.”

“We have never touched your girls in anyway. They keep throwing themselves at us like sluts and it is disgusting. I should have seen it for what it was.” Lucas confessed. “I thought we were friends but they were just pushing for a way to get on my cock. Never again. I have a Luna who will see to all my needs.”

‘You better take care of them tonight for this or ill be shifting to take one for the team!’ Moonlight moaned. Horny bitch.

“Now everyone shut up while Gemma decides.” Duncan ordered stepping closer to the table. All eyes turned to me.

‘What is the normal punishment?’ I linked Duncan.

‘Extra guard duty, moving them to a lower rank, cleaning of the dungeons. That sort of thing unless they are a repeat offender.’

“Ok, so the four who just follow the sisters get kitchen and bathroom clean up for a month.” They groaned but didn’t argue. Their parents looked relieved.

“What about Trudy and Janet?” Lucas asked.

“Since I don’t trust them not to take their anger out on someone weaker than them or another rogue who accidentally crosses the pack lines they have no guard duty for the next three months. Instead, they will clean the dungeons, help out in the clinic by doing housekeeping and deal with bed pans, and have a curfew of 9pm.”

“I am not touching no one’s piss. Fuck that.” Trudy screamed. “Leo you are supposed to be mine. Drop that weakling and take me. We can mate and mark tonight. I could show you this special trick I learned.”

Leo shivered in disgust. I should have been jealous and mad, but I just laughed. Special trick huh? How many guys did it take to perfect it?

“Gross. No one wants your std infected pussy.” Ally said shaking her head. “I am nervous to even be in the same room with you. I don’t need no crabs.”

The room erupted and I was just over it. I looked at the twins with their heads in their hands and I could see this was taking its toll. Draco and Duncan looked ready to kill and Ally was rubbing her temples. Ok, time to nut up and end this.

I stood up, walked over to the snack table, grabbed the donuts and started chucking them at the girls and their parents. After a few of the jelly ones landed on their mark all eyes looked to me.

I put my hand up and glared. “You have your punishments. Don’t make me add more or punish the adults of this brats. Get out and hose down your smelly ass kids. Their punishments start today so they better report to duty in one hour. Guards will be keeping track of them.”

I shoed them out the door ignoring the insults before asking Draco to take Ally home and have a cuddle session. They both hugged me and left. I turned back to the guys.

“I want lunch at home instead of out. I want to pick a movie, stuff our faces, and cuddle.”

The twins were up out of their seats in less than a second and just barely beat Duncan to me. They gave me a huge hug and thanked me for taking charge.

“Chinese again, Love?” Duncan asked whipping his phone out.

“Yes, please.”

Chapter 13: Why can't your family call before having someone drop in?

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“I think cuddling with you three may be my new favorite thing.” I sighed snuggling in closer to Leo with Lucas trailing behind me to stay just as close.

“I thought I was your new favorite thing.” Duncan pretended to whine from his spot as my pillow.

“You are three of my new favorite things.” I ended the argument before it started. These boys were way too competitive for their own good.

“Sounds good. Now how about we pop in another movie?” Lucas pushed his nose into my throat taking in my scent. “You are better than any candle or air freshener I have ever smelled. I just can't stop.”

“Well, thank you. You three each smell great by yourselves but together I instantly want more than a scent. I want a taste.” I closed my eyes and focused on being brave. Flirting, being honest and blunt, and showing what I want is hard for me but I know it is vital to a great relationship.

These relationships were moving fast but being mates would do that to ya. I was scared that they would end up turning out like my mother or worse, as in just mating me for the power boost but screwing around on me for their pleasure. I don’t think I could mentally handle that. I barely made it through my mother teasing about letting the pack warriors have their way with me.

Before Leo could add in his two cents Duncan growled. “Rogues, on the border.”

“Stay here, Gemma. We will be back.” Leo leapt up and headed for the door.

“I have some guards coming to stay outside and protect the house. Please stay inside.” Lucas followed Leo and they were both shifted outside before I could say anything.

Duncan kissed my cheek and got up. “We only want you safe. After you have gained some more weight and had some training, I would love to fight with you by my side.”

He was gone too and the next thing I heard was about eight guards all around the house. I am guessing everyone was going to get their answer on to why I was still here and who I was to the guys faster than we had discussed.

I agreed with Duncan though. I was filling out more. You couldn’t see my ribs or collar bone anymore which I was super proud of. My bruising was almost gone and the burn scars were healing nicely. Between finding my mates, eating, and focusing on getting rest I felt the best I had in years or probably my whole life.

‘Ok, so what do we do now? I miss them so much already and it is making me feel a bit dependent.’ I said to Moonlight as I started to pick up the popcorn from the battle I won earlier between me and the twins.

‘I think you missed a few pieces under the couch. And they won’t be long. This pack is one of the biggest and it seems the guys had some anger from early still hanging on.’

‘Do you think they will talk to some of the rogues before killing them?’ She shrugged her shoulders in response. Great. The time I was to talk and she isn’t up for a chat.

‘Gemma, I know I said inside but these wolves want to speak to you. It is regarding your old pack.’ Duncan linked. He sounded worried and a bit pissed off. I doubt his wolf was feeling anything different which made me worried for the health of the rogues.

‘We need to make me a part of this pack soon. I probably need that extra protection if I know how petty my mother and brother can be.’ Maybe she decided she would let the men have me after all. Too bad I am already mated with one of my mates. Point goes to me on this one, bitch face.

‘Agreed. Leo just said we were having your announcement tonight so change and get ready. These rogues can wait in the dungeon until we have made you a part of our pack officially. They seem ok but I would rather be safe than sorry.’

‘So the twins are ok?’ I hated that I was inside, safe, with them out there fighting who knows how many other wolves for whatever reason.

Moonlight agreed with making the rogues wait, also mentioning I should look sexy and kick ass. An all-in-one outfit which we didn’t have. I told her we would just go with what was clean until I could get a job and pay for some new clothing, but now wasn’t the time to be depressed about clothing.

I went to find my bag of clothes and they were gone. I started to freak out and look everywhere in my bedroom. I even looked under the bed where only the flattest pieces of paper could fit, but I was freaking out, so who knows where all I would have looked. It wasn’t until I opened the closet that I understood.

It had enough clothes for several weeks in there. And they were all brand new. Tags still on clothing? That wasn’t a thing for me and surprised me as I started looking through the shirts.

‘Just pick something. I need to see this rogue and hear what he has to say. I am so close to taking over, running back to our old pack, and skinning your mother alive.’ Moonlight growled at me. Her anger was pulsing through my body.

I chose a deep red spaghetti strap dress and a pair of black flats. No need to add an extra chance to embarrass myself. I looked in the mirror, surprised at what I saw. My hair looked fuller, brighter, full of life. My skin wasn’t so pale or yellow. It had color and a spring to it. No more bruises and my chest burns were almost completely gone. My ribs still showed but it was still an improvement.

“Holy Shit,” I murmured. “I look... pretty.”

“No.”

A voice spoke behind me causing me to jump and shriek. I turned, covering my body with my arms to find Leo leaning against the door frame with hooded lids. His wolf purred as he walked closer.

“No, you don’t... don’t think I’m pretty?” I whispered as he got close enough, he could breathe in my distressed scent.

“No, I don’t.” He leaned in and put his lips next to my ear. “I think you are the most beautiful thing I have ever seen.”

I sucked in a breath. He just called my dumpy ass beautiful. He must be blind as a damn bat.

“Do you need glasses or contacts? What color is this dress?” I was dead serious but all he did was laugh.

“You have been a breath of fresh air that I so desperately needed.” He kissed my cheek and grabbed my hand. “I know I was stupid before and I shall grovel until you tell me you have forgiven me before groveling some more. You are my fated mate and I can’t wait to show off the mark you give me when you are ready.”

“I agree!” Lucas yelled as he ran up the stairs. I knew it was him from how heavy his feet hit the steps. The loudest walker of the dang bunch. “Now lets go do this thing. The pack is gathering as we speak.”

Leo led me outside faster than I was ready for. I stumbled over the door frame right into Duncans arms. He didn’t miss a beat before kissing me hard enough to make the world slow down and my focus stay on us. He pulled back long enough for us to catch a breath before diving in for another. My arms wrapped around his neck pulling my chest against his, feeling his breath changing to deep and erratic.

“Ok, now. We don’t need any of the unmated wolves sniffing out our mates arousal.” Lucas pulled me back from Duncan and kissed my cheek softly. It stopped my anger from spewing into a shouting match.

“Ok... We will continue this later.” I stepped away from all three and smirked. “The twins can watch me take you in my mouth and down my throat, Mate.”

Duncan picked me up around me waist and started running. We were both busting up laughing as the twins stood, shocked, and a bit pissed off. We were halfway up the hill before they caught up to us. Gotta teach them to not be dicks or I wouldn’t be using theirs in the future.

"We can watch this time but just know, there will be pay back." Leo growled grabbing for me.

"Run faster, Duncan. Show these boys up!"

Chapter 14: Still haven’t decided if being part of this pack was a good decision...

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“We have about half the pack here.” Duncan helped me onto the stage where Leo and Lucas were waiting. Asshats tripped Duncan so they could get here first. “The others are either sleeping, kids, or guarding some part of the pack. Is that ok?”

I went to respond and hug him but noticed all the eyes staring at us. Shit. Not gonna work out. Nope, too many people. I did a slow gaze across the crowd realizing that if this was half the pack at pushing over 3,000 people I was glad we didn't plan anything or else we would have had way more eyes on us. I turned away from the crowd as I fought my impulse to run and hide.

'You need to grab my arm and keep me in place.' I linked Duncan. His mouth was moving but all I was hearing was a loud buzzing noise. 'I don't ...crowds....can't...'

Duncan yanked me forward into his arms, pushing my face into his neck. 'Fuck. I should have thought of this. I will do better I promise.'

I didn't reply. I was focused on slowing down my heart rate down and getting rid of that damn annoying buzzing sound. Moonlight was purring doing her best to help calm me. We both knew if this man didn't have me in his arms id be running clear off the pack lands.

'You are safe, my love. Focus on our scents and listen to our hearts that beat for you.' Duncan linked. I felt more arms around me and knew it was the twins. 'We will get it done fast and let the pack party while we handle business. We won't leave your side for any reason.'

I nodded, kissed his neck, and stepped back. I leaned toward Lucas wanting a kiss but waited for him to make the move. I didn't know if they wanted to the pack to know about us which added some hurt to my burning pile of raging emotions.

He didn't even hesitate before kissing me softly before demanding more. He was ripped from my lips as Leo turned my head to him and gave me the same treatment. I heard the pack start getting louder. Time to face the music.

We walked back to the front of the stage. Leo held his hand up for everyone to get quiet. Leo and Lucas were on each side of us with Duncan covering my back. All three were within touching distance, which they were taking advantage of.

"Twin Moon Pack thank you for rushing here and giving us your time." Leo shouted smiling at everyone. The whole pack smiled back showing me again how good of leaders the twins were. "We have someone who would like to join our pack and has earned that right. She is Draco's sister from his previous pack, Bloodlust Growlers."

Everyone started yelling and growling. I heard a few traitors to our kind shouted and another few were questioning if I was trustworthy. The rest were yelling that Draco didn't have a sister. I looked and found him standing at the stairs to the stage glaring at the crowd.

"Oh shut the hell up. You nosy asshats only need to know the cliff notes unless one of you want's to challenge one of the Alphas and have to fight to the death?" Duncan pulled me close gripping my arms tight. I knew it would leave a mark but he wasn't doing it on purpose. I knew he was doing it to keep from fighting.

Everyone shut up. They still had a look on their face like a pile of shit was under their nose but at least they weren't complaining anymore. Leo and Lucas looked pissed. I grabbed both their arms and shook my head no. I didn't shed any blood on my account when I was already bringing trouble to this pack's doorstep.

"Ok, lets do this. Gemma comes to us from a pack that mistreated her. Draco didn't know he had a sister. He hadn't seen his family in 19 years, which we all know, and he saved her." Leo explained the fast version, which I was thankful for.

"She is also our fated mate. All three of us." Lucas looked ready to shift and kill as he spoke. No one made a sound. "Duncan and Gemma have already marked each other so he is off the market."

Duncan looked straight at the group of girls standing to the side glaring and crying. They included the older sister who thought she would end up with my Duncan. I made sure to give her a big smile and wave. She acted like I didn't exist but I saw her rage shine through.

"First you have to reject your old pack." Duncan stepped back. "Do so now so the Alphas can accept you into ours."

"I hereby break my bond and loyalty to the BloodLust Growlers. I have no tie to them and will never return to their pack lands. I cut all ties to any and all family there." Pain radiated from the center of my chest before feeling a ripping sensation sent all the pain packing along with leaving a feeling of being empty. Shit.

'It won't last long. Face the twins and get the speaking part done so we can make you all better.' Duncan linked turning me toward Leo.

Lucas and Leo stepped together with Leo holding a knife, the knife that would cut both our hands and unite me to this pack. Duncan rubbed my back and sent sweet nothings into my ear.

"Gemma, do you wish to join our pack, protect our pack, help grow our pack, and respect each of us?" Lucas asked holding his hand out.

I put my hand in his. "I, Gemma, wish to join this pack, protect it, nurture it, and respect all its members. I wish to become with this pack and its ancestors."

Leo used the knife to cut his hand before handing it to Lucas to cut mine. He wrapped his hand around mine and pressed hard. I felt a stab before something locking in place. The voices overwhelmed me but Moonlight was able to block our mind off.

"Welcome to the pack baby!" Leo kissed me on the cheek and had the biggest smile on his face. When he smiled it made me give him one in return no matter what. He just had that joyful energy.

“Thank you for coming. There is some food and drink in the dining hall. We will plan a party within the next few days.” Lucas pointed to the open doors of the pack house before turning back to us.

“Thank you.” I hugged each one of them hard. “Thank you for accepting me and being by my side.”

We talked for a few more minutes waiting for some more of the pack to disperse. I didn’t want any more confrontation and I knew avoiding all of the negative shit talk would keep the guys from breaking another wolves face. Really the pack should thank me for being so considerate even after them not accepting me right away.

Draco and Ally checked in with us. They offered to go with us to the dungeon, but I knew Ally needed rest. She only had about three weeks left before pushing that watermelon out of her vagina, so rest was needed at all times. When I explained it like that to her after listening to her arguing about staying with us she laughed so hard the baby kicked. They listened after that and headed home. The guys linked ahead to the guards and let them know we were on our way. They mentioned it needed a bit of cleaning before bringing down the Luna. Ok?

I knew the rogues wouldn’t have good news. They would mention something about it being my mother, brother, or hell even the Luna. I knew so many secrets from all the hiding I had done to stay safe even for an hour. That whole pack was full of traitors. Every family would sell out the other if it meant they would get more power or money. It was pathetic. My mother mentioned that was normal for a pack but I knew it wasn’t. Our wolves needed family, love, company, and safety. That didn’t include watching your own back around your pack.

I just had to hope this pack acted the right way or else i wouldn't last long.

Chapter 15: Rent A Rogue is a real thing.

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“Now they may have cleaned it up a bit, but it is still a dungeon,” Duncan said as he stopped me at the door. “It will smell. It will have prisoners crying, begging, screaming. Just ignore them and stay away from the doors.”

I nodded. This wasn't my first time in a dungeon, and I doubt it would be my last. The first time I was about seven and I had to stay overnight for hitting one of the kids in my class. He was bad mouthing Dennis about having to retake the sixth grade. At that point

Dennis had been nice to me and wouldn't help mom in her beatings. It was about a month after this that he started name calling and breaking my things until I cried.

Duncan opened the door with me keeping up with his steps right behind him. Leo was behind me. Lucas had to take a small detour to check out something one of the wolves found on patrol.

"Leo?" I put my arm behind my back reaching my hand out. "Will you hold my hand?" I could feel the mate pull and needed him closer. This divide since the hospital was killing me.

He sped up and grabbed my hand. "Thank you. I have been dying on the inside not being able to touch you." I felt his head meet my shoulder and instantly felt our bond grow stronger and my chest feel lighter.

"Same. After this is over, I need a puppy cuddle and some sleep." He snorted and chuckled. "Ill come up with a better name to get all three of you in my bed."

Duncan stopped at the last cell on the right. I hadn't looked yet. I was nervous it wasn't really a rogue but someone from my old pack being sent on a mission to kill me or find a way to take me back. I knew too much.

"Awe, you brought the bitch to me. Such good puppies." The rouge laughed as pulled at his chains. He was chained to the wall with silver cuffs on his ankles and wrists.

Leo shook the cell door. "Shut the hell up. Your lucky we need answers or id be ripping you apart piece by piece."

I looked over into the cell and felt elated. It wasn't anyone I knew so it really was a rogue. Apparently a rogue for hire.

"So they sent you to kill me." I stepped closer to the cell door with the guys staying so close they probably felt the sweat dripping from my forehead. "How much did they pay you?"

"Gemma!" Duncan growled out. "That isn't important. They shouldn't have hired someone to kill you at all."

"Well, I wanna know what I am worth." Both guys roll their eyes at me.

"I like you. Too bad you have to die." The rogue smiled at me. "I was paid \$75,000 to kill you and once it is done I will be getting another \$50,000. So your painful, tragic death will be making me \$125,000."

I laughed. I couldn't stop. I could barely hold myself up from laughing so hard. I was worth over a hundred grand dead when all they had to do was treat me like a human growing up and I never would have learned their damn secrets.

Lucas walked up looking between all of us. "What is wrong with her? Is she crying? What did you guy do to her?" Lucas walked up and put his hand on my back.

"They...nothing...stupid bitches...their fault..." I could barely get my words out.

"She lost it when I told her how rich she was going to make me when I tore her heart out and ate it." The rogue started pulling at his chains and trying to shift but the silver was just rubbing farther into his wounds further wearing his strength out faster.

Lucas jumped at the door trying to rip it from the hinges, but Duncan pulled him back. Leo told him not to listen to the dead man all while I was trying to think of something sad or mean to stop my laughter. It finally happened when I thought of this rogue deciding to take me back to my old pack instead of killing me. That shit would somber anyone up.

"Sorry. Its just they are some of the stupidest people I have ever heard of." I looked at the rogue. "They were never going to pay you the other amount. They would have killed you so that none of this would leak back to the packs they are in alliance with. They have too much at stake. But at least here after you answer some questions, we will kill you quickly without any pain."

The rogue laughed. "Is this how you plead for your life?"

This asshat was crazy. He was the one in chains and was still acting like he was going to kill me.

"Let's get the questions out of the way. Did you bring something to help him answer us?" Leo looked at Lucas and he nodded. He must have stopped to get it after meeting with the guard.

Duncan opened the door and the guys walked inside. Two guards stayed with me outside the door. They didn't want me any closer and I was fine with that. I didn't want to see them spill blood even if the guys deserved it. I needed to work up to that kind of thing.

"Was it her mother or the Luna who sent you?" Lucas opened the black plastic box he had to show four syringes filled with a silver-looking liquid. "I have some liquid silver to help you answer should you fight us or lie. I have only used this once before and believe me when I tell you the amount of pain was so horrendous that he passed out after one small push of one of these."

"He also shit himself. That smell stayed for days." Lucas covered his nose and wafted the air in front of him like he could still smell it.

"Ill answer any questions ya have." He was eyeballing that box pretty hard. "Id rather get a reward for being a good boy."

“Zip your trap unless its answering one of our questions.” Leo was getting angry. He pulled on one of the chains pulling the rogue closer to him. “Who sent you?”

“The Luna and your mother.” He was looking a bit scared and tried to pull away from Leo but was held firm.

“Did they say why?” Duncan looked at me with pity, but I shook my head. I needed to hear this.

“They said she betrayed the pack and hurt the beta’s son. That she was some hussy who let anyone between her legs and rejected her mate while laughing.” He shrugged. “I didn’t really care. I just wanted the money. Guys gotta eat.”

“Cough. Douche. Cough.” One of the guards said under his breath.

“Agreed.” I kept my eyes on the guys.

“You have a question for him, love?” Lucas asked while prepping the syringe. It was for show unless he didn’t answer the next question.

“Yea.” I took a deep breath. “Did you see any other alphas around the place the days before they met you?”

His eyes widened and for the first time I saw terror in his face. “Why...how...you knew?”

I smirked. “Oh, yea. They are a pack of traitors to our kind and a few other alphas agree with them but any move they make like this has to be granted from the leader of their inner circle. I’ve only seen him but he is one scary motherfucker.”

“He ok’d this? He knew you were to die?”

“Even worse he knows who you are if they hired you. You were meant for death as soon as your name left his mouth.”

He looked at Lucas. “Kill me. Kill me now.” He began begging and screaming for his death.

“Gemma?” Leo looked worried.

“Let’s talk after a hot shower and a hot meal. I am ready to head back.”

Leo had Duncan and the guards walk me back to the cabin. As the Alphas if they ordered someone to death they normally did it. It was their weight to carry. It bought them even more respect and forgiveness from me.

“You ok?”

“Ill be better after you guys hear a few of the secrets the Luna never wanted to share.” I held onto him tighter. “If they sent one rogue they will send more. I am not safe. The pack isn’t safe with me here.”

“You are safe and so are they. No one will cross our borders without signing their death warrant.” He kissed the top of my head. “My life for your life. We are one.”

Chapter 16: The last straw.

Chapter 16 - Once Rejected, Thrice Accepted

**** Oral given at end of chapter. Someone was a good boy. ****

The alarm went off for the hundredth time with Leo throwing it across the room. Guessing, none of us were ready to get out of my bed. I sure wasn’t. Between Duncan being my pillow and the twins cuddling on each side of me with some of their bodies holding me down, it was the warmest and safest I have felt. A puppy cuddle, which once explained, the guys agreed and jumped into bed with me.

My phone rang from who knows where. I ignored it and kept ignoring the feeling that I had to pee. It kept on ringing. I knew who it

was going to be since no one had ever needed or wanted my number.

“Whose phone is that?” Duncan groaned, stretching his legs out.

“Mine.” I scooted down the bed and stood up. The twins were still passed out and Duncan only had one eye open. I didn’t want to answer the phone myself. I knew it would be a shitty call which would make this day ruined. I kept staring at Duncan, biting my lip still undecided.

“Just tell me what you need. I can feel how anxious you are.” Shoot, I forgot about the bond.

“I know the person calling me isn’t one that likes me or calls me for a chat.” I looked down. I hated being vulnerable after I told myself when I got out of that pack I would never be again. “Would you mind listening in or even answering it?”

Duncan jumped up and dug around the room until he found my phone. “Let’s put this on the charger and do it together. We can do speaker phone and record everything they say while we eat some big bowls of sugary cereal.”

I did a fist pump. I freakin loved cereal. After only being here a few days, I have had at least two bowls a day. It would be more but I haven't gotten much downtime.

"Me too," Leo said as he slowly sat up. He slept in his boxers, and it was a beautiful sight.

"I call dibs on the big wooden spoon," Lucas growled. He rolled off the bed and ran out of the bedroom. He did shout back about kissing me after food and a good tooth brushing, so his breath didn't smell like death. "And dibs on shanking who ever upsets our girl."

We all followed Duncan down to the kitchen and took seats at the bar while he plugged my phone in and sat it in front of me. All I could do was stare at it, all fifteen missed calls and twenty plus texts, while I listened to the guys whisper about who knows what and got us bowls of our preferred sugary breakfast goodness.

"You good with this?" Leo asked, putting a spoon in my hand.

I went to answer but the ringing started again. I was going to have to change my ringtone after this and just make this one just for them.

"Hello." I barely made out more than a whisper when I had finally answered and put the phone on speaker.

"You little bitch!" My mother screeched through the phone. "You will not mate to those filthy alphas! You better get your pathetic ass back home before I send another batch of rogues to finish you off!"

I saw red. Everything went silent and all i could see was red, red like blood. Her blood. Her blood dripping from her freshly beat body as I stood over her. I raged. She broke me.

"Shut. Up. You bitch." I cut her off. "You are done. Done in my life. If you don't stop calling I will kill you the same way my mates killed those pathetic rogues you and your so fucked Luna sent. Your secrets will now be used against you. You are now enemy number one and I pray to the goddess that I get to watch you bleed out one day."

The guys stared at me in shock and awe. I was just as proud as was moonlight.

"Get your ass home. Getting all brave with those useless mutts." I could hear the sneer in her voice as she continued her tirade. "I will get you back here soon and I will kill you slowly. I love hearing you beg for mercy. I actually got some new toys to try out the other day."

Duncan growled loud enough to block out anything else she said. Once she was silent, he nodded at me. I knew he was going to let her have it so that I didn't have to continue dealing with her.

"Call my mate again and I will ruin you." He didn't even raise his voice to hear the anger and revenge in his voice. "Your death would make so many wolves happy, including the love of my life, so it will happen one day. Call again and I'll make it happen before it is necessary. You,

your mate, and your son are the ones who are useless. Go back to spreading your legs for anything that walks and forget you even have a daughter."

Shit! Why was that so hot? I needed to show how hot that was and how much I appreciated him.

'Get on your knees for your king.' Moonlight suggested. I agreed with her idea.

Duncan was still arguing with my ex-mother with his body leaning over the bar. I slid down my seat when he was looking away and fell to my knees. I could feel the twins looking at me but ignored them. This was for Duncan, my wolf in shining armor.

I put my hands on his pants, his body stilled. I pulled his sweat pants and boxers down to his knees in one pull. He was more than ready for me. Good to know that was all it took. I leaned in and licked the tip hearing him hiss.

"Gemma?" I looked over and saw Duncan leaning down looking a bit confused.

I put my finger up to shush him before taking the head in my mouth and sucking. He shivered and stood back up with one hand falling on top of my head but not using any pressure. I took that as my go ahead.

I kept putting him farther and farther into my mouth while one hand grabbed an asscheek and the other massaged his balls. I could hear him taking more breaths in between arguing with my father, who had joined the conversation at some point. I could hear Dennis bitching in the background but Duncan just told him to go suck a dick so his mouth would be too busy to speak. I made sure to push him all the way so his head was trying to go down my throat. I wasn't ready to gag on him just yet but I kept up my enthusiasm. It was like sucking on a popsicle and boy did my mancicle taste good.

He started thrusting against my face. I knew he was close. Leo and Lucas had both taken their lengths out of their pants and were matching the movements of their hands with my mouth. With how they were breathing, they were close too.

'Hang up. I want your attention when you come down my throat. I want the twins coming with you.' I ordered Duncan.

"Fuck off or die. Last warning." He yelled before hanging up and tossing my phone back to the counter. "Boys, you better be close because Miss Gemma wants us coming at the same time."

"Yes, so close." They replied at the same time.

What good boys they were. I went faster and harder, slobbering all over him and his thighs, but he didn't mind. It wasn't long before that salty sweetness hit me and the others followed with their matching moans.

Duncan hauled me up when I was done and kissed me. "You are amazing. Now it is your turn."

"My turn?" I was confused.

Leo pushed his body behind me while Duncan held me steady. "You took on your mom like a champ. Now we get to do the same thing."

I smiled. "Yeah, Me."

"First one there gets first dibs on our princess." Lucas yelled as he took off down the hall way. Leo groaned and ran after him.

Duncan didn't run. He ripped my clothes off before having me wrap my body around his like a koala bear.

"Mine." He growled before licking his mark.

"Yes, Yours."

*****Important information***