## Finding Her True Alpha Chapter 146-Ashlyn

It's been a few days since I passed out from using too much magic. My eyes were still not back to the bright purple they were and I was still feeling weak. I feel stronger than I did, but not like I was before I casted both spells. Freya has been doing all she can to help me recover, but it's still slow going.

Sage, Gabby, and I are getting ready for Aurora's birthday party. It's finally the day and I could feel that both my mates were anxious about me leaving the castle grounds, but we were going. Gabby picked a mermaid princess dress for Aurora and I knew she was going to love it. She also made her a card, which is just the cutest thing.

Gabby and I were matching, wearing sequin skirts that looked like mermaid scales. Mine was pink, and hers was purple. I wore a black flowing blouse while Gabby wore a black tank top. And we both had cute ankle boots.

I also had to curl her hair like mine. Gabby looks more like Sage, but I love how she wanted to match me.

When the three of us were ready, we made our way down to the living room where the guys were waiting.

Brandon and Sage were coming with us, and so were Lance and his team. Liam and Matt were staying behind with their mates. I didn't think we needed Lance and his team, but Derek and Mason insisted on having them with Walking into the living room, my handsome mates were all dressed up in slacks and a dress shirts. Even James is dressed to impress, matching his daddies.

"Look at my beautiful girls," Mason exclaimed, as I took James from him.

"Daddy, look!" Gabby exclaimed, moving the sequins so they changed color. She was so excited.

"That's awesome, sweetheart." He said, picking her up. These two had been inseparable over the last couple of days. As soon as Mason told her, she could call him daddy. Mason became the only person she wanted.

"You're gorgeous, Gabby bear." Derek told her.

- "Thank you, Derek." She told him shyly. It's been taking longer for her to warm up to Derek, but to me, he's the more intimidating one.
- "You look beautiful, Babygirl," Derek said, k!ssing my cheek.
- "Thank you." I told him.
- "You ladies ready?" Derek asked.
- "James' bag?" I asked, and he held it up.
- "Then I guess we are ready to go," I told him.
- "Lance and the team are waiting outside for us. And the party starts in 5 minutes." Derek told us as Brandon opened the front door for us.
- "Sage, you've been to the Fae castle before?" I asked her, and she nodded.
- "If not, I have been," Derek said, and I raised an eyebrow at him.
- "Jordan and I are friends," he answered.
- "Hopefully not like Theo," Mason grumbled out. Brandon and Sage shared a look while I started laughing.
- "Jealous?" Derek teased him.
- "Did we miss something?" Sage asked.
- "Don't worry about it. I'll tell you later." I told her, walking over to greet the warriors that were waiting.
- "My Queen." Lances greeted me.
- "Prince." He pinched James' cheek, and he gave him a giggle.
- "Lance, thank you for coming with us."
- "He had no choice," Derek said behind me, and I rolled my eyes.
- "Of course, my queen," he answered.
- "Sage, you're up," I told her and she opened a portal.

I was going to step through, but Derek held me back until half the warriors stepped through. Once they were through, I could walk through with Mason and Derek on either side. Then more warriors followed us. I wonder how Sage got away with never having protection. She was a princess and she could just come and go as she pleased.

After I stepped through and before I could even look around, Aurora rushed over to me, hugging my thighs, almost knocking me over.

"Ashy, Ashy, you're here, you're here!" She squealed.

Her excitement was contagious as James squealed out giggling at her.

"Aurora!" |heard Jordan call out to his daughter. I couldn't see anyone because of all the surrounding warriors.

"I got her," I called out.

"Aurora, there's someone I'd like you to meet," I told her and she looked up at me.

"Ashy, I met him before." She told me and I giggled.

"His name is James. But I have someone else for you to meet." I said, and Mason put Gabby down.

"Gabby, this is Aurora, the Fae princess. Aurora, this is my daughter, Gabby." I introduced them.

"Hi Gabby. I like your dress." Aurora said.

"Thanks, Aurora." Gabby told her shyly.

"You like mermaids?" Aurora asked her, and she nodded.

"You want to play?" Aurora asked Gabby, taking her hand. Gabby looked up at me and I nodded.

"Okay." She told her and Aurora took off, dragging Gabby behind her.

"Aurora, slow down." I heard Jordan yell out.

- "Ashlyn, I'm sorry about her. I don't even think she slept last night." Jordan said as the warriors moved out of his way.
- "She's just excited," I told him. He greeted the others while I tried to see where Aurora dragged Gabby,
- "Lance, can you send someone to monitor Gabby, please?" I whispered to him. He nodded, and one warrior rushed off to find her.
- "Worried?" Mason asked in my head.
- "Anxious," I answered. I just wanted to keep Gabby safe. This is all new to her, and I don't want her to panic if she can't see us.
- "King Jordan, where is your lovely queen?" I asked him, as he led us over to where the party was being held. The castle was beautiful, and the garden was bright and colorful with waterfalls and a pond with koi fish. This place was quite magical.
- "She is just getting ready. She is getting close to her due date," King Jordan answered.
- "Is Aurora excited?" I asked him, and he chuckled.
- "Every hour she asks when her brother is coming." He laughed, and I giggled.
- "She's a handful," I commented, and he laughed.
- "You have no idea." He chuckled.
- "Your home is beautiful," I told him, as we walked to the back garden. There were mermaid balloons and tables set up with food and even a cake table with a mermaid cake. Cherry blossom trees filled the backyard with their beautiful flowers and the smell was heavenly.
- "Thank you, Ashlyn. You guys make yourselves at home. I'm going to go check on my queen." Jordan excused himself.
- "Derek, does this place always look like this?" I asked him in awe. I have so much to do around our castle.
- "It does. The Fae's magic is more elemental than witch magic. Not like yours, but they definitely have a green thumb." Derek said, wrapping his arms

around my wa!st, resting his head on my shoulder while I looked around the garden.

"And you and Jordan?" I asked him, and he chuckled.

"Just friends, nothing more." He chuckled, k!ssing my neck.

"Better be." I heard Mason mumble.

"Mr. Jelly, over there." Derek chuckled against my neck.

"I guess I'm Mrs. Jely." I told him.

"Neither of you have anything to worry about." He said, making me smile as I looked out into the garden.

This place has the feeling of pure tranquility.

Later into the party, once everyone was settled, I found myself walking down the path in the garden. Maybe because I'm an elemental, but I feel a pull to this place, to the peace that it can offer my soul. When we got home, I made a mental note to get our castle grounds done. I can handle the flowers and such, but I need a waterfall. I could listen to the water flowing for the rest of my life and never get bored with the way the current moves and flows, changing the sound of the water. Also, the way the cherry blossoms hung over my head in massive trees, engulfing me in their scent.

Walking down the path, everything felt right in the world. Gabby was making friends and having a wonderful time. My mates were catching up with old friends. Sage was showing James off to everyone with Brandon. I know she really wants a baby. And she will be such a wonderful mother. This was their crowd. Sage grew up with most of these people and the same with my mates. And I'm okay being by myself. This must be how they feel when we go back to Blue Moon party, seeing everyone

I made my way back to the having such a great time. And it was so nice to just relax and not worry about any threats. I noticed that even the Fae King had warriors walking the grounds. I also noticed that some of Lance's men were following me from a distance. Sighing, I made my way back to the party.

"Ashy!" Aurora screamed out when she saw me. I had almost made it to the table that my mates were sitting at. Aurora came rushing over with a plate with

a piece of cake. She had almost made it to me before she tripped, catching her. The cake smashed right into my br\*easts, covering my blouse in pink and green vanilla cake. Kneeling down, not too worried about the cake, to make sure that Aurora was okay. She looked at my shirt in horror and looked up at me with tears in her eyes.

"Hey, don't cry sweetie. It's just a little cake. Are you okay?" I asked her and she nodded, sniffling, as her father came over to see what was going on.

"I'm sorry, Ashy." She sniffed.

"It's okay, sweetie. Can you get me another piece? It looks delicious." I told her. She smiled, nodding her head, and took off to get me another piece.

"Ashlyn, I am so sorry," King Jordan said as I stood up.

"Its fine, King Jordan. I was more concerned about making sure Aurora was okay," I told him.

"You look se\*xy covered in cake." Mason purred in my head.

"You'll have to lick some off me later." I told him.

"Come, I'll show you where you can get cleaned up." Jordan said as he led me into the castle. He walked down a hallway, stopping at a door, which I assume was the bathroom.

"I really am sorry, my queen." He said, opening the door for me.

"It's really okay, Jordan. Nothing the washing machine can't fix." I told him and he chuckled.

"No more titles?" He asked.

"We will be family soon enough," I told him with a smirk. It took him a moment to catch what I was saying.

"Aurora and James?" he asked me, stunned, and I nodded.

"Wow." He breathed out.

"I know, right? I'm just going to get cleaned up and be right out. Can you let my mates know?" I asked him, and he nodded. Without saying another word, he walked away, stunned by what I had just told him. Shaking my head, I entered the bathroom, locking the door behind I tried to get the cake off my blouse, but I just made it worse. It looked like the northern lights exploded all over my shirt. I made sure I got all the cake bits off, but the color was never coming out of this shirt. Sighing after I decided that the cake had won this battle, I exited the bathroom to go find my mates.

Looking down the hallway, I noticed someone that I wasn't expecting to see there. Someone we were just trying to find was staring at me from down the hall. My heart pounded against my chest as I watched him, watching me, a smirk on his I!ps.

"Ryan?" I stuttered out.

"I'm glad you remember me, beautiful." He said, giving me a smile.

"What are you doing here? Are you a Fae?" I asked him as he moved closer to me. I backed up until my back hit something and an arm was wrapped around my wa!st. I looked over my shoulder to see a man I had never seen before but he looked familiar, but I couldn't place him. Feeling a sharp pain in my spine, his hand moved up to cover my scream. My legs gave out, and I found I couldn't move my body.

"Open a portal, we need to get out of here before someone notices." the man holding me said to Ryan.

"And before the bomb goes off."

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Ashlyn looked beautiful as she walked through the back garden of Fae Castle. I couldn't take my eyes off of her as she walked between the tall cherry blossom trees.

Her auburn hair, looking more copper under the afternoon sun. Her skin glowed as she looked genuinely happy walking over to us, even after the Fae princess smashed her cake into her shirt. Ashlyn looked so se.xy covered in cake, and I made sure to let her know. Derek and I both watched as Jordan led her into the castle to get cleaned up.

Gabby came over with a piece of cake for Derek and I. Being careful as she carried both plates. Looking at the icing, Ashlyn would never get the pink and green out of her shirt.

"Thank you Gabby bear, come sit, we can share," Derek told her. She hesitated at first, but then went to sit with him. He was trying so hard to win her over. I think his dragon aura is scaring her, with her being a wolf witch.

Aurora came over with more cake and climbed into my lap like she owned the place. James was going to have his hands full with her.

"Gabby, you have two dads?" Aurora asked her.

Gabby looked over her shoulder at Derek and he leaned down to whisper to her.

"Whenever you're ready." He k!ssed her cheek. She smiled at Aurora, nodding her head.

"Really? I wish I had two dads." Aurora said before shoving an enormous piece of cake into her mouth. I looked over at Derek and he was just shaking his head, trying not to laugh.

Jordan came back out without Ashlyn looking deep in thought as he came to sit at our table. He finally snapped out of it when he saw his daughter sitting in my lap shoving cake into her face. Aurora is a lot like Ashlyn.

"Aurora." Jordan tried to scold her, but she looked too damn cute, her face covered in icing.

"I'm sorry, Mason." He said, and I waved him off.

"It's fine." I told him.

"Ashlyn said she'd be out in a minute." He told us.

"Daddy, why don't | have two dads?" Aurora asked him and I couldn't help but laugh at the face Jordan made.

"What?" He asked, stunned.

"Gabby has two dads. Why can't I have two dads?" She asked him. Jordan looked at both Derek and me before he answered.

- "Go ask your mother." He told her. Aurora squealed before jumping off my lap. She grabbed Gabby, and they both ran off together.
- "Pa.ssing off the question?" Derek chuckled, and Jordan let out a breath.
- "Maybe it will stun her so badly that shell go into labor." Jordan sighed and Derek and I both chuckled.
- "She can't be that bad?" Derek asked him and he gave him a look.
- "Aurora is a mini version of Melanie," Jordan said.
- "Aren't you just a lucky son of a b\*\*h?" Derek laughed.
- "Both of you should just wait until you have a daughter just like Ashlyn," he said, and I looked at Derek.
- "I officially want no more kids." Derek said, and Jordan and I started laughing. Like Derek has a choice. If Ashlyn wants more kids, she will get them out of us.
- "Apparently, you haven't met Ashlyn." I chuckled, and Derek gave me a look before he sighed.
- "She's going to get what she wants."
- "They always get what they want." Jordan chuckled, and I nodded.
- "The joys of being mated to a strong woman," I told him.
- "But she is very understanding. She wasn't upset at all about her shirt being ruined," Jordan said.
- "She's understanding until it comes to her safety. She wasn't happy about all the warriors we brought with us," I told him.
- "Still nothing about that Ryan guy?" He asked me and I shook my head.
- "Nothing that has led to anything," I told him.
- "I don't think he's Fae. My men would have found him by now. So he must be a warlock," Jordan said, and I nodded.

"I'll get Nathan on it." Derek said.

I was starting to worry about what was taking Ashlyn so long. I tried to mindlink her, but I couldn't reach her. Derek noticed that my demeanor changed.

"Mason, what's wrong?" He asked me.

"Ashlyn, she's not back yet and I can't get through to her." I told him. As soon as her panic flowed through to me, I looked at Derek and knew he felt it.

"I can't reach her either." He said, panicked as he stood up from his chair. He must have mindlinked Lance because I saw him take off into the castle. Jordan was up, running into the castle with us on his heels.

He ran down a hallway, and I could smell her, but her scent never left the hallway. She walked in but never left.

"This is where | left her:" Jordan rushed out as we all looked for her.

"Who else is in the castle?" Derek rushed out.

"My father and my trusted servants," Jordan answered him.

"Your father would have been mated to Ashlyn's mother," I said out loud, and he nodded. I looked at Derek, and he was thinking the same thing.

"Find your father," I told him and he nodded, running off further into the castle. Derek checked all the rooms while I mindlinked Brandon.

"We are going to need Sage. Ashlyn is missing." I told him.

"Where are you?" He asked.

"Enter the back right door and follow my scent." I told him. It didn't take him and Sage long before they caught up with us. Sage didn't have James, and I gave her a look before she explained.

"He's with the Fae Queen. Gabby is also with her."

Sage said, and I let out a breath. Now we just have to find our mate.

"Sage, we are going to need you to track her." Derek said, rushing over to us.

"Her scent doesn't leave this sp0t, so she must have been portalled out. But why wouldn't she have fought?

Even without her magic, she is still powerful." Sage said. And I couldn't answer her. She wouldn't have gone willingly.

Jordan came rushing back after looking for his father, and I immediately knew something was wrong.

"He's not in his office and no one has seen him." He rushed out.

"Has he ever said anything about Ashlyn's mother or Ashlyn?" I asked him and he shook his head.

"We should check out his office to see what we can find out" Derek said, and Jordan nodded.

"I'm going to go find James' bag. There should be something of Ashlyn's in there." Sage said before she rushed off.

Brandon went with her, while Derek and I followed Jordan to the other side of the castle to his father's office. How could we have missed this? And then we just walked in here and handed him Ashlyn.

Jordan started going through files on his father's desk when we entered his office. I could tell that Jordan felt guilty about what was happening. Derek started opening drawers in the desk while I was looking over the bookshelves to see if anything stood out.

Derek pulled his desk apart, trying to find something that would lead us to where Ashlyn had been taken. I found nothing unusual in his office, and neither did Jordan.

"Where the fvck could she be?" I growled out. I was getting impatient, as I could feel her fear bleeding through the bond. Wherever she was, she was scared.

"Mason, get out here." Brandon said in my head.

"Brandon needs us." I announced, and Jordan led us back to the back garden. I never would have found my way out of this place if it wasn't for Jordan leading the way.

- "Brandon, what did you find?" I asked him when we made it outside. Both he and Sage were waiting by the back door for us.
- "I found her, but you will never guess where she is?" Sage told us.
- "Where is she?" Derek rushed out, beating me to it.
- "She's in the middle of the Atlantic." She told us and I was shocked.
- "Fvck!" Jordan yelled out, and we all turned our attention to him
- "We have a summer home on an island out in the Atlantic," Jordan told us.
- "That can't be a consequence. It has to be your father. But why?" I said and Jordan shrugged.
- "Ashlyn will be too weak to portal herself home from there." Sage said, and I pinched the bridge of my nose.
- "Then how the hell do we get in there and get her out?" Derek growled, frustrated by this entire situation. I was feeling the same way, but we couldn't safely portal to the island. They would know that we could track her and portal in. They would be prepared for that.
- "Sage, what do we do?" I asked her.
- "Mason, I don't know. They would expect us to portal in, but Ashlyn wouldn't be strong enough to open a portal, not that far anyway. Her magic is still recovering." Sage told me.
- "Freya could make that journey." Derek chimed in.
- "But how do we communicate with her? We won't know if she is safe and on her way home," I said, and Derek sighed.
- "Fvck" I breathed out.
- "Sage, open a portal for me and Derek, and we will get her." I told them. I couldn't wait around to see if she ends up being safe.
- "What the hell is that?" Brandon said, pointing to the back of the garden. It looked like someone opened up a portal, but nothing came through as it

closed. We could see enough of the portal to know that no one stepped through.

Before we could rush over to inspect what happened, the ground shook. Green light glowed up through the cracks as the ground crumbled in the middle of the garden and a massive metal box came out from underneath the ground.

"What the fvck is that?" I yelled over the noise.

We heard Ashlyn let out a blood-chilling scream, but before we could get to her, we saw her shift into Freya's massive white dragon. She swooped down, grabbing the box in her talons and took to the sky. It's then I saw that there was a countdown on the steel box, flashing its bright red numbers.

"Bomb!" I screamed, pointing up to the box. The warriors rushed to gather everyone up as Derek and I watched as Freya climbed higher into the sky until we couldn't see her.

"What the fvck did we miss?" Derek yelled out.

"I don't know, but I think you need to shift."

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After the man threw me over his shoulder, he walked through the portal that Ryan opened with Ryan on his heels. I didn't know where we were going or why I couldn't move my body. It was terrifying. My mind was open, but my body just wouldn't move, no matter how hard I tried. With my magic weak and now I couldn't fight my way out of this.

"Freya, help." I called out to my dragon.

"I'm trying, Ashlyn. He injected a muscle relaxer into your spine. It's going to take some time for me to get it out of your system," she said.

"Can't you come out?" I asked her.

"I can't leave you, as your magic is too low," she answered.

"Then shift." I yelled at her and she let out a whimper.

"I can't. It could kill you right now."

"Fvck, I'm sorry. I know this isn't your fault." I told her, feeling bad, I snapped at her. She's doing her best with what she has.

I had my eyes closed because I didn't want to stare at this strange man's backside as he carried me to goddess knows where. Finally, my body hit something soft, and I opened my eyes to find that I was in a grand bedroom. Everything was fancy and expensive as I moved my eyes to look around the room. The bed even had four posts and a canopy.

"You smell divine." He groaned, climbing on top of me, leaning onto my neck. He licked up my neck to my ear. My heart was pounding in my chest as I couldn't move to get away from this monster.

"Fvck off, Kaden, she's mine." Ryan growled out.

"The deal was, you get her after she gives me a son." Kaden sneered at him. If he said anything else, I didn't hear him. I am really panicking now, and unable to move makes this worse.

"Freya, I could really use your help." I cried out to my dragon. I was trying to reach for my magic, for anything that could help me.

"She's still marked. You can have her once her mates are dead." Ryan told him, and it instantly pulled me out of my thoughts.

"What?" I yelled out. I'm glad my voice still works.

"You won't need them anymore. Your mother refused to be my queen, and I'm not giving up what's mine again." He growled, looking down at me. He had the same eyes as Jordan, and I immediately knew who he was, the former Fae king.

"What have you done?" I cried, tears running down my cheeks.

"Don't cry. Soon, all the kingdoms will be gone and it will just be us and our son to rule them all." He said, k!ssing the tears on my cheeks. He settled himself between my legs, and I could feel him digging into my thigh.

"Please, don't." I whimpered.

"It's just the bond, and as soon as the bomb goes off, vaporizing the Fae castle. Ill mark and mate you, my queen." He said, inhaling my neck.

"Boss." I heard someone yell out, and Kaden groaned before moving off of me.

"I'll be back, my queen." He told me and I wished I could run. I willed my body to move, but I still couldn't feel anything.

"Don't touch her, she's mine first." He told Ryan before he left the room.

"Freya, anytime now." I yelled at her as I watched Ryan stalk towards me like I was his prey.

"I'm trying to force the drug into your lower half. Just stall him. Find out where the bomb is." Freya said. I can do this, I told myself as Ryan climbed on top of me, taking Kaden's place.

"Why are you doing this?" I stuttered out, trying to find my voice.

"Because I get to share you and be second in command. You really made this too easy, beautiful." He mumbled into my neck, breathing in my scent. I could feel my fingers tingling as the feeling was returning.

"Where is the bomb?" I asked him and he sighed.

"Can I just enjoy this?" He huffed, and I knew he was probably going to beat me, but I needed to know.

"Its not like I can move. I'm no threat to your plan." I told him, playing with my bottom I!p with my teeth. He looked at me with lust-filled eyes, and I had to urge myself not to throw up at the thought of another man touching me.

"How about you let me touch you first and I'll tell you." He purred, like I could move and had a choice about which one touched me first.

"I would love that." I told him and the dumba\*ss actually believed me.

"We planted the bomb under the back garden," he said, and I gasped.

"Why?" I gasped as he licked my neck and I just wanted to knee him in the d!ck.

"To rule the Fae kingdom and you. No one would see it coming." He mumbled, nipping at my neck. The tingles in my fingers were moving up my arms now and I needed the drug to move through my system faster.

"Freya, please say that you are almost ready?" I begged her.

"As soon as the other fvcker gets back here, we will strike." She told me and I let out a breath. Kaden ripped Ryan off of me before I realized Kaden was even back in the room. Kaden had Ryan pushed up against a wall, not having any of Ryan's sh!t. They were yelling at each other while I tried to focus on what Freya was telling me to do. The room temperature lowered as I pushed Freya to the surface to use her powers. When the others noticed they could see their breath, they turned their attention to me.

"You shouldn't be able to.." Kaden didn't get the chance to finish as Freya breathed out her icy breath through my mouth, freezing both of them where they stood. Kaden still had his hands gripping the collar of Ryan's shirt.

"Thank you, Freya." I breathed out, looking at the frozen jacka\*sses in front of me.

"Okay, now we just need a portal to get back. We need to find the bomb." I told her, trying to roll off the bed.

After a few tries, I finally rolled off the bed, landing on my face on the hard floor. I let out a groan as I tried to at least move my arms to pull myself up. My legs felt a tingling sensation as my arms felt like pins and needles.

I felt like I slept on my entire body wrong and all the blood was trying to flow back to my limbs.

"Freya, are you ready? We may only get one shot at this?" I asked my dragon.

"It's not safe to shift, Ashlyn." Freya reminded me, while I was trying to pull whatever magic I had left to the surface, to open a portal back to the Fae Castle.

"I know, but this is our family. I'm going to bring the bomb to the surface and then you will shift and fly it as high as you can." I told her.

"Just open a portal." She told me. I was thinking of the garden at the back of the Fae Castle when I heard a commotion coming from the other side of the door.

Something must have happened. I pulled with everything I had and finally, a portal opened when the door to the room banged against the wall as someone

kicked it open. Using Freya's icy breath, I blew out just before I crawled through the portal. Instantly, it closed behind me. Hopefully, all those fvckers were popsicles.

I was on the verge of passing out, as I face planted on the grass, but I needed to get the bomb away from my family. Laying on the grass, panting and covered in sweat, I willed the power of the earth to come forth. The ground shook as I found the bomb buried deep within the soil under the patio area. Pushing with everything I had to get the bomb to the surface, thinking of the love I held for my family, I pushed harder as the magic ripped through my already achy body.

"Freya, I see it." I called to her.

"This is going to hurt." she warned me. But before I could say anything else to her, she shifted. The pain was unimaginable as my limbs broke and twisted under the muscle relaxer. Not able to hold back my screams, I screamed out right before I became Freya, Her movements were a blur as she grabbed the bomb in her talons and raced towards the sun.

I could hear the bomb beeping and I felt anxious about it going off while we were holding it. I didn't see if there was a timer counting down.

"Freya, throw the bomb into the sky. I can't see the ground anymore." I told her. She slowed to a glide, throwing the bomb with significant force.

"Now, dive." I screamed out. She dove and I thought we would make it back to the ground when it came back into view. The bomb exploded, hitting Freya with such force that it forced her to shift back to me. I was falling and there was nothing I could do. I reached out to Mason and Derek.

"I love you." I told them before my eyes blurred, the exhaustion taking over, and I fell into darkness.

## Derek

"Sage, protect the kids." I yelled out as Mason and I watched Freya take flight, carrying the bomb she had just unearthed. Sage rushed off, but before anything could happen, we were all thrown as a force hit us.

Landing on my back in the nearby grass, it knocked the air out of my lungs and I wheezed, trying to fill my lungs with much needed oxygen. My ears rung

and black dots clouded my vision as I tried to sit up. Groaning, my head spinning as I sat up, trying to look around. I saw Sage on top of Brandon. He must have caught her before she hit the ground.

Looking to the other side of me, I found Mason, still lying on his back. I'll tried to crawl over to him, but he sat up instantly when Ashlyn's voice was in my head. I knew she must have mindlinked both of us.

"I love you." She said before the link closed.

"Derek!" Mason pulled me from my thoughts at Ashlyn's words. Shaking my head, I looked at him. He was pointing to the sky. I turned to where he was pointing to see Ashlyn fall out of the sky.

She was falling fast and before I could even register what I was doing, Magnus shifted and took to the sky.

Watching through Magnus' eyes as Ashlyn fell to the ground had my stomach in knots as Magnus moved faster than I'd even seen him move. I just pray that it was enough to save our mate, like she just saved all of us.

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When I finally came to, my entire body felt broken. This time, I had to be dead. No one could have lived through that.

"If you were dead, you wouldn't be in pain." Freya groaned in my head.

"True. You think I'd be a pro by now." I groaned at her.

The realization hit me that if I could feel the pain, I could now feel my body. The drug must be out of my system now, but I wish I still wasn't able to feel anything.

Sparks on my arms told me my mates must be with me, but I couldn't bring myself to open my eyes. I can now say that this is the worst pain I've ever experienced.

"Open your eyes, Baby." Mason whispered beside me.

"I can't. Everything hurts. Did I hit the ground?" I groaned. And Mason chuckled.

- "Just a dragon," he said. I tried to run through my memories to see when I would have hit a dragon.
- "What dragon?" I asked when I realized I didn't know what he was talking about.
- "Babygirl, I'm sorry, but you were falling fast. Magnus didn't have time to slow down before he grabbed you." I heard Derek say.
- "Well, that's a new one." I told him, with a chuckle, before hissing out from the pain in my abdomen.
- "I know it hurts, but can you please open your eyes," Mason pleaded, and I groaned.
- "I hate you." I told him as I tried to open my eyes. My entire face felt swollen, as I forced my eyes open to see both my mates looking down at me. I was grateful that their bodies were blocking the sun. My head was already pounding, and I felt nervous.
- "You okay?" Derek asked me.
- "No, but did anyone else get hurt?" I asked them, remembering the bomb.
- "Nothing that can't be treated and the kids are okay. They were with the Fae Queen," Mason said. I blew out a breath, closing my eyes again.
- "That's good." I told them with a yawn.
- "Babygirl, what happened?" Derek asked me, pulling me up against his chest. I was now sitting between his legs, snuggled into his chest.
- "Why am I na\*ked?" I asked, suddenly realizing they wrapped me in a blanket.
- "It knocked me out." Freya answered in my head.
- "That's how you shifted back." Mason answered, and I sighed.
- "I'm glad that everyone is okay. But I need to speak with Jordan." I told them, opening my eyes. Mason was kneeling beside me, watching me.
- "His dad?" He asked me and I nodded.

"Are you okay? Your smell is off." Derek asked me, leaning down, k!ssing my forehead.

"Yeah, I can explain that at home, but right now I just want to explain to Jordan what happened, see my babies, and get home." I told them.

"Do you think you can stand?" Derek asked me.

"Do wolves fly?" I mumbled out. Mason chuckled while I snuggled into Derek. I couldn't stand. I could barely move.

"I think that's a no." Mason chuckled.

"Mom, are you okay?" I heard Gabby's sweet voice. I opened my eyes to find her standing behind Mason.

"Gabby bear, come here, sweetie." I motioned for her to come to me. My arms may feel heavy and everything hurt, but Gabby looked so Scared.

"Just be gentle, sweetie, momma has been through a lot." Mason whispered to her, before she moved towards me. Grabbing her hand, I pulled her down into my chest, wrapping my arms around her. I held on to my groan when her body hit mine. Gabby started sobbing as soon as she buried her face in my chest.

"Gabby bear, what's wrong, sweetie?" I whispered to her.

"I was so scared." She sobbed out.

"Oh, my little love, I'm so sorry." I told her, moving her to my lap, holding her close.

"Is James okay?" I looked up at Mason, and he nodded.

"He's with Sage," Mason answered.

"Where is everyone?" I asked them.

"They are all inside. Our team and Brandon are helping everyone that was outside when the blast hit. Jordan is getting teams ready to go where you were taken. And Sage and the Fae Queen are handling the children." Mason said, and I nodded.

"Can you mindlink Brandon to find Jordan? And I will also need Sage. I won't be able to open another portal." I told him and he nodded.

Gabby's breathing had even fallen out, and I knew she had fallen asleep. Poor girl, I feel terrible for making her worry.

"Brandon is on it." Mason informed me, and I snuggled back into Derek with Gabby snuggled into me.

I didn't realize I had closed my eyes until Sage engulfed me in a hug with James. James started whimpering until I took him into one of my arms and he snuggled in beside Gabby.

"Ashlyn, what the hell?" Sage exclaimed, pulling away.

"I explain everything after Jordan gets here." I told her. She snuggled in beside me and we were all sitting in between Derek's legs.

"Can you stop scaring me?" Sage mumbled.

"I think we are officially out of people." I told her.

"Babygirl, what do you mean?" Derek asked me.

"Unless King Draco wanted me, everyone else is dead or family, so I think I'm safe." I answered.

"Both your fathers are dead. Jordan's father is now dead: So that just leaves my father and King Draco," Derek said, and I nodded.

"And your father would never hurt me. And I don't think that King Draco would either." I told him.

"Also, you have two of your mates, one is dead, one is mated and one is your brother, so I think we are also good there." Sage said and I sighed.

"Maybe now I can get some sleep," I said.

"And have more babies." Sage giggled.

"I think I'm good," I told her with a yawn.

"But we have to have babies together." She whined.

- "Are you pregnant?" I asked her.
- "Not yet. I just wanted to give you the head up." She said excitedly.
- "I'll get you on the next one." I told her, and Derek chuckled.
- "Whenever you're ready" Derek whispered, k!ssing my temple.
- "That's not fair." Sage pouted.
- "Baby, didn't you say you'd have another one when Sage has one?" Mason asked. I opened my eyes just to glare at him.
- "Magnus can hit you, and then you can tell me if you're ready to have a baby." I huffed, and they all chuckled.
- "You'll be healed in no time and then you can get on these two and we can be pregnant together." Sage exclaimed, and I turned my glare to her.
- "You picked the worst possible time to bring this up." I told her.
- "Oh, come on. Look how cute they are? And could you imagine how beautiful your girl would be?" Sage cooed.
- "You're such a bitch." I huffed, and she giggled, resting her head on my shoulder.
- "But you love me," She said.
- "That's my line," I told her before noticing Jordan was walking over to us. I know I looked like a hot mess, because I felt like one.
- "Ashlyn, you're awake." Jordan exclaimed, kneeling down beside Mason.
- "Jordan, is everyone safe?" I asked him, and he nodded.
- "Thanks to you, they are. You saved almost half the kingdom by your actions." He said, and I nodded.
- "Jordan, I need to tell you something and it's not good," I told him.
- "My father?" he asked, and I nodded.

"What was he planning?" He asked me and I sighed.

"It pissed him off that my mother didn't choose him.

He thought that having a child with me would give him absolute power," I said, and they all gasped.

"Is that why your scent is off?" Derek exclaimed.

"I closed off the bond as much as I could. He touched me but nothing else," I explained.

"Baby, what did he do?" Mason asked, and I shook my head.

"It doesn't matter. He wanted you and Derek dead so that he could mark me." I told him. I could feel that they were both angry.

"So he wanted to wipe everyone out who was in power so that he could rule." Jordan asked me, and I nodded.

"And this Ryan guy?" Mason asked, and I sighed.

"It was the same Ryan that I met that night, but I don't know why he was involved. I saw him down the hallway when I exited the bathroom. He was the distraction while the king stuck a muscle relaxer into my spine." I told them.

"And that's why you couldn't fight?" Derek asked me, and I nodded.

"I made sure that I got the whereabouts of the bomb before I froze them with Freya's help. She couldn't shift because I couldn't use my magic. I'm not even sure how I could portal her or find the bomb. Freya shifted, but she didn't want to. She said that with the state my body was in from the drug, that it could kill me." I told them.

"I just sent some teams out to where he took you. I will get al of this handled and hand over everything that I find." Jordan said, and I nodded.

"I'm sorry, Jordan." I told him.

"Don't be. That bastard was about to kill my family. He got was he deserved." Jordan said.

"Can we go home, or do you need anything else?" I asked him.

"You should go home with your family. I can handle everything here. And if I need anything, I will call Mason and Derek. You've done enough." He told me and I nodded.

"I may become a lawn ornament. There's no way I can move," I said, and he chuckled.

"I'll take James." Sage said, taking a sleeping James off my chest.

"And I'll get Gabby." Mason said, scooping her up.

"And I get you." Derek whispered, before standing up and then scooping me up, bridal style.

"Ashlyn, thank you again for everything that you have done today." Jordan told me, standing in front of us.

"I'm glad I made it back in time." I told him with a smile.

"We'll make plans when you are feeling better. I know Melanie would like to thank you." He said, and I nodded

"Of course. And I still want cake." I told him and he chuckled.

"Just not pink and green icing." He winked at me, and I giggled.

"I guess it's a good thing that Freya destroyed it when she shifted." When Derek walked through the portal and we were now standing in front of our home, I was thankful that could finally rest. Closing my eyes, I let Derek's walking sway me to sleep.

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Yawning, I woke up, finding that I was in between my sleeping mates. My body still felt terrible and stiff, but at least I'm alive and everyone I love is also safe. My mother really fvcked things up for me when she rejected all her mates.

But now, hopefully, everything will calm down and I can just live my own life with my mates and our babies. I was thinking about what Sage asked me and I would have to be crazy to agree to another baby right now, but I didn't hate the idea. And it would be nice to have someone to share it all with me.

Forcing myself to sit up, a fire burned in the fireplace, casting an orange hue over the room. The smell and crackling of the fire was making it hard for me to stay awake. The room was cozy, and I finally felt truly safe. I snuggled back in with my mates and went to sleep.

It must be morning, as I can smell and feel Gabby crawling into bed beside me. She snuggled herself in, placing my arm over her. I smiled to myself, with my eyes closed, wondering what she was doing and where everyone else was.

"Good morning momma." She whispered, k!ssing my nose. This girl is just the sweetest thing. And I knew I wanted more babies, just like her.

"Good morning, my Gabby bear. How was your sleep?" I asked her, opening my eyes to find her staring at me. She just shrugged.

"Did you have fun with Aurora yesterday?" I asked her, and she nodded.

"Not the part where you got hurt." She said.

"I'm sorry Gabby. Hopefully, that will never happen again." I told her, sitting up, wrapping my arms around her.

"I'm glad you're okay, momma." She told me and I k!ssed her head.

I was about to ask her where her daddies and brother were, but they came into our room from James'.

James was awake, blowing bubbles while Mason carried him over to the bed. James reached for me and I pulled him into my arms. He was growing so fast and getting so big. Mason snuggled into Gabby's side while Derek snuggled in beside me and I had James in my lap.

"How are you feeling, Babygirl?" Derek asked me, wrapping an arm around my shoulders and pulling me close.

"I still feel like a dragon hit me, but I'll live." I told him and he chuckled.

"That's all the matter." He said, k!ssing my temple.

"What time is it?" I asked them.

"It's almost noon, but we figured you needed sleep. We have the vampires coming for dinner tonight to discuss the future king." Mason answered, and I sighed.

"How bad do I look?" I asked them, still feeling a bit swollen. My body is probably one enormous bruise.

"Beautiful, as always, baby." Mason said, leaning over, k!ssing my cheek.

"You guys are just so wonderful." I told them while squeezing my babies.

"We should probably get you all fed," Derek said, and I gr0aned.

"I don't want to move," I whined.

"I know, Babygirl. But how about I run you a bath while these three go make lunch," Derek said, and a bath sounded wonderful.

"Carry me?" I asked, looking up at him.

"Of course." He chuckled.

"Come on, Gabby. Let's go make momma some lunch." Mason said, taking James from me.

"I love you, momma," Gabby said, turning to wrap her arms around my neck.

"I love you Gabby bear," I whispered, hugging her tightly. She then scooted off the bed, and Mason leaned closer.

"I love you." He said, k!ssing my l!ps.

"I love you," I told him before he left the room with our babies.

"Bath?" Derek asked me, and I nodded. Derek picked me up bridal style and carried me into the bathroom.

He placed me on the counter by the sink before he turned the water on. After the tub was filling up and Derek checked the water, he came over and settled between my legs.

"Goddess, I'm so thankful that you're okay," Derek said, wrapping his arms around me as I rested my head on his chest.

"I could never leave my family, but I am glad that Magnus caught me. Even if it still hurts." I told him with a chuckle.

"Never living that down, huh?" He asked, and I laughed.

"He was as graceful as me." I giggled, and he laughed, shaking his head.

Once the tub was full, Derek lifted my shirt above my head. After undressing me, he picked me up, placing me in the tub before he str!pped down and hopped in behind me. The hot water felt heavenly on my aching body.

Derek pulled me back into his chest and we sat snuggled up together until he let out a sigh, resting his face in my neck.

"What's wrong?" I asked him.

"What did they do?" He asked me, and I already knew what he was asking.

"Kaden and Ryan laid on me, and I!cked my neck. Nothing more. They were fighting over me, and that gave me the chance to freeze them." I told him.

"And that's it?" He asked, and nodded.

"The scariest part was not being able to fight back. But I needed information. As soon as I heard about a bomb, I knew I needed to find out where it was. I couldn't let them kill you." I told him.

"I'm sorry, Babygirl." He said, and I turned around so I could look at him.

"It's not your fault. It's not even my mother's fault, even though I wish I could blame her. This was all over the greed for power. Kaden wanted a child with me, since my mother rejected him. And I'm not sure about Ryan. He was a warlock. He's the one that opened the portal." I said. He leaned down, crushing his I!ps to mine.

Grabbing my a.ss, he lifted me so I was now straddling him.

"Derek." I m0aned against his I!ps when his c0ck rested in between my folds, rubbing against my cl!t. He took that moment to thrust his tongue into my mouth, tasting every inch of my mouth.

Grabbing my h!ps, Derek started to grind my pvssy into his c0ck. I gasped, pulling out of the k!ss, resting my forehead against his.

"This is why you didn't go make lunch?" I giggled, rolling my h!ps.

"I'd rather eat you." He purred. I l!cked his l!ps as I ran my finger through his hair. My body was now aching for a different reason, and I no longer cared about the pain.

I sat forward, Derek reaching between us, rubbing his tip over my cl!t and down to my entrance: I sat back slowly, his c0ck filling me up. M0aning as our bodies became flush.

"Fvck, Babygirl." Derek gr0aned as I rolled my h!ps.

"Ah, Derek." I m0aned out, digging my nails into his shoulders. My pace was slow and steady, but it felt so good. Usually, I'd want it rough, but I felt completely connected to him as I stared into his sea-green eyes.

Squeezing my a.ss, his fingers dug almost painfully into my backside. Moving my h!ps faster, Derek gr0aned as the water swooshed around us.

"Derek." I m0aned out when his finger found my cl!t, arching my back, pushing my chest up. Derek took one of my n!pples into his mouth, causing me to gasp.

My orgasm was building higher and higher until he pinched my cl!t, causing my orgasm to rip through me.

M0aning, my pvssy pulsating around Derek's c0ck, squeezing him tightly. Derek gr0aned, working my h!ps faster, chasing his own release as I rode out my high. The friction was building again as I bounced up and down on Derek's c0ck. My fingers buried in his hair, I pulled his head back, exposing his neck. Leaning forward, I sunk my teeth into our mark as Derek released deep inside me with a gr0an.

Rolling my h!ps, he finally stilled as I l!cked over his mark. Panting, I rested my forehead against his.

"Feel better?" He breathed out, and I chuckled.

"So much better." I panted, pecking his I!ps before moving down, resting my head on his chest. His heart was pounding in his chest as he wrapped his arms around me.

Only when the water cooled did Derek hop out, helping me up and wrapping me in a towel. I could now stand by myself, not that I wanted to. I was ready for another nap until my tummy growled.

"Hungry?" Derek chuckled, wrapping a towel around his h!ps.

"I was tired, but maybe I'm hungry." I shrugged, walking into the bedroom to get dressed. Hopefully, I'll have time to have a nap before our dinner tonight with the vampires.

Derek walked up behind me, grabbing my h!ps and pulling me back into his chest. I was just about to walk into the closet to find some clothes.

"Let's get you fed and then you can nap." He said, planting k!sses up my neck. I had a feeling I wouldn't be napping.