

# Warrior Princess Chapter 31

Samanthas POV

I smile and wrap my arms around him. He positions himself at my entrance and doesn't waste any time. I gasp out as he goes all the way in. He swallows my moans with his mouth. Kasen wasted no time in moving his rod.

"You feel so good baby." he breathes out. It feels so good. I never knew s\*x could feel this good. I take my nails and scrape them down his back, and he groans as I do. He reaches between us and rubs my sensitive nub while pistoning himself in and out. The combined feelings of pleasure have me building up close to my release. I feel it building and the tension growing in my belly.

"I'm close, Kasen!" I shout at him. His moves start getting sloppy, and his breaths quicken. His hand cups my cheek while the other squeezes my a\*s. He leans his head down and bites into my mark. That sends me over the edge, and I find my o\*\*\*\*m. He comes shortly after with a moan of his own resting his forehead on mine.

He carries me to the bathroom and runs me a bath. Dropping a bath bomb, some essential oils, and some rose petals, he lowers himself into the tub with me still attached to him. The warm water surrounds us and I rest myself against him.

"You know I love you, right?" I whisper as I trace designs on his muscular chest.

"Yes, I do. You know I love you as well, Woman." He whispers as he kisses my forehead. I grab the loofah and cover it in his soap. I decide to take care of him and make him feel the intimacy that I feel. I take my time and rub the suds all over his body. His head rolls back and he sighs in relaxation.

"You deserve to be pampered as much as me. You do so much for this kingdom. It's time someone does something for you." I say as I climb

behind him and start massaging his back. His head leans on to me and I chuckle. His face looks so relaxed. I feel the tension leaving his body as the water grows colder.

“So, love, when do you want to have our mating ceremony and your coronation? I was thinking with everyone here, it would be perfect.” he asks me.

“That does sound good. How about on Friday? That gives us a week to prepare.” I say and he nods.

“I would like to take our moms, Gemma, Marcus’s Mate, and nay lunas who wish shopping. Just to get us out of the territory for a bit. I need a dress and could use some girl time.”

“That’s fine, but take some guards with you. Even Josh. I would feel more comfortable” I nod.

After getting out of the bath we made our way to the front of the castle to wait for the witches and Vampires to arrive. I felt so refreshed. “Do you personally know any of the Witches or Vampires that are coming?” he nods.

“Yes, some of the vampires that are coming are well over 400 years old. Have been working with my family for centuries.” It’s crazy to think someone has been alive that long. The first car arrives, and I pick up a scent that I’ve never personally smelled before. My nose twitches and Kasen laughs.

“That my dear mate would be a Vampire.” My mouth forms an O and he just chuckles. They step out of the car. The man looks to be about our age even though I know he’s not. The woman looks so sophisticated but has a smile that would brighten anyone’s day.

“Hello friends, it surely has been a while.” the Man says as he hugs Kasen. He takes my hand and kisses it.

“So, you must be the mate that finally got this sucker to settle down?” he asks, and I nod.

“My name is Samantha. It’s nice to meet you.” I say with a bow.

“Oh nonsense, none of that. Anyone who is mated with this youngster is family. This is my Beloved.” They truly are a beautiful couple.

After 10 more cars of Vampires and witches arrive, I feel exhausted. Something so new for me. I just shrug it off as me doing more work than it used to. We make our way to the training grounds and I see people have already started sparring.

“So, who am I sparring with today?” I ask Kasen. He smiles and eyes me.

“Me.” is all he says. Oh, this should be interesting.

“Don’t take it easy on my love. Don’t hold your punches. You know I won’t hold mine.” I say with a chuckle. We take our positions in our circle and we size each other up.

“Wolf form or not?” I ask. He shrugs.

“Let’s not say and make it interesting. More of a realistic fight.”

Us two werewolves are meant to be the strongest in the kingdom. We are the leaders. This should be a pretty interesting matchup. We have gathered a crowd. A few of the Vampires, witches, and all of the Wolves that were training now have gathered to watch. Josh, Marcus, Jake, Andrew, my dad, Carson, and Alpha Aaron have front row seats.

“Who are you betting to win?” Jake asks everyone.

“You know if you want to bet, I’ll kick your a\*s next.” I tell Jake.

“You couldn’t even if you tried, little sister.”

“I’m younger by 2 minutes Jake. Don’t even try that.” During my banter with him, Kasen makes his move. He acts like he’s going to punch me in the face, but I go to block it and he gets my ribs. I have to get a feel for his strength, and his technique. Of course, my family knows what I’m

doing. They trained me well. But holy hell, his hits hurt. He's definitely not holding back.

I whimper and throw him off of me. I waste no time and charge at him. As I'm striking and dodging, I'm looking for weak spots, and or cues of his.

I notice he steps before every punch. I need to watch his footwork. He grabs my arm and twists and throws me over him and onto the ground. The air is knocked out of my lungs. He goes to pin me down, but I use my feet to throw him off of me. He growls and lunges again. I twist and sweep my leg and knock his out from under him.

This fight goes on for what feels like hours. We seem to be evenly matched. I have to come up with something to end this and end it now. I don't want to lose this fight. 'Whether we win or lose, we have stood our own against the King for this long.

'We have earned everyone's respect.' Akira mentions to me. I have to agree.

I get up and spit out the blood from my mouth onto the ground. He looks at me, and I hear him and Atlas whimper a bit. He knows he can't take it easy on me, but he doesn't want to see his mate hurt. I smile at him.

"It's okay, love." I link him so no one can hear. The tension eases off his face.

I go to charge him and manage to get my arms around his neck. I kick his knees out and bring him down. Just when I think I've got this in the bag, he heaves his whole-body weight forward and throws me over him and pins me to the ground.

"Do you concede?" he asks me. I struggle and wiggle to get out of his grasp and he tightens his hold on me. There's no getting out of this.

"There is no shame in tapping out. You did well, love." he Links me. I nod my head and tap the ground 3 times. He releases me and helps me up. Checking my body for any serious injuries and takes my face in both his

hands and kisses my lips and then my nose, my cheeks, and finishes with my forehead. I hug him in thanks.

“Thank you for sparring with me, Kasen. I guess you are the king for a reason. That was the toughest fight I’ve ever had.” He smiles and wraps his arm around me. Jake, Carson, Dad, Andrew, and Alpha Aaron approach us.

“Nice job, sis. Kasen, you are a hell of a fighter.” Jake says shaking Kasen’s hand. My dad pats my shoulder. He doesn’t have to say anything.

“You truly are remarkable, Samantha. No one has held their own that long against my son except me in so long.” Andrew says. Alpha Aaron smiles at me and pats my back. He was always fun to spar with. Carson nods in respect and bows his respect. Josh, and Marcus come over and chat with us for a while. My uncle joins us.

“You take after your father.” he says.

“He trained me well. How are you and your pack settling in?”

He smiles. “We are doing just fine. Everyone here has been great.” We chat for a little while longer before my mom links us that dinner is served.

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We decided to go shopping today. All in all, we had about 20 people with us that wanted to take a break from the Palace and pack grounds. Some decided to walk around the mall, but My mom, Rosaline, Gemma, and Marcus’s Mate are all going around dress shopping for my Mating Ceremony and Coronation.

I am not Nervous about my mating Ceremony, but when it comes to legally becoming the queen, I am petrified. I guess it must be written all over my face because Rosaline comes up to talk with me.

“You know, when I was going to be crowned queen, I almost got cold feet.” I looked at her in shock. She was rumored to be the best queen yet for this kingdom. That, and she and Andrew were so completely in love.

“Don’t get me wrong, I love my mate with all of my heart and my family, but it was intimidating to think I was going to be running a kingdom at 18. I had just shifted for the first time and met Andrew. I of course knew who he was, but that didn’t matter to me. But I was so nervous. What if I messed up? What if I did something wrong? I was my biggest critic.” She mentioned.

“How did you overcome all of those thoughts? I can’t help but think I’m too young, that ill mess this up, I’m not feminine enough, I’m too tough, that I’m not good enough.” she grabbed my hand and squeezed.

“I listened to my heart, my wolf, and my mate. I knew that I would make mistakes. Everyone does. Even Andrew and Kasen make mistakes. But it’s how you overcome them and correct them that counts. You are good enough; you are the right one for the job. I’ve been observing you, Samantha. You are already acting like a true and noble queen. Being feminine has nothing to do with it. Being tough as nails though, that’s a good thing. Kasen needs the tough as nails type. So does this kingdom. Every time there was a conflict or a dispute, I was always fighting side by side with Andrew, as will you. I couldn’t have asked for a more kind, beautiful, thoughtful, more perfect mate for my son. Just know that you will make mistakes, and that’s okay, you will get confused or need help, that’s okay. Andrew and I will always be here for guidance as well. So will your parents. You are not alone darling.”

I couldn’t stop the tear or two that escaped from my eyes. We were in the process of a hug when my mom came up holding a dress.

“She’s right, you know. We are all here for you. We have decided not to go back to the Blue Ridge Mountain pack. We would like to stay with you and your brother if that is okay.” My mom said. I jumped up and wrapped her in my arms.

“I wouldn’t have it any other way, momma! Now let me see this dress.” I said. She held it up and it was gorgeous. It was a soft Mint Green dress. It

was a trumpet style dress with sheer lace covering the chest and for sleeves. It had a slight shimmer to it.

“I thought it would bring out your eyes, and the Shimmer reminds me of Akiras coat.” she said.

“It’s absolutely gorgeous, mom!” She gave it to me to try on while Gemma came running up to show me the heels she picked me out.

“You know I will break my neck in these, right?” I asked and she just squinted her eyes at me. I’m not getting out of wearing them, I guess. I took them and stuck my tongue out at her. I tried on the dress and it fit like a glove. I had my long brown hair draped down my back and decided to step out to show them. Everyone gasped and just looked in awe.

“That’s the one. You look Stunning.” everyone said.

“Oh, I found this. I think it would go perfectly, It matches your shoes too.” Marcus’ mate said as she draped a pendant over my neck. She was a nice girl, shy but super nice. I have a feeling wed become really close!

‘They’re right, little one. We look amazing. Kasen and Atlas won’t be able to keep their paws off of us.’ I smirked at her.

After paying for the dress, we decided to get some lunch at a local Bakery. It was family owned and absolutely delicious. As soon as we started eating a thought popped in my head.

“I just thought of something. It’s big, and I don’t know what to do or think about it.” Everyone looked at me. “So we are waging war on the Council, right? Well, I am being crowned as queen in 3 days. Doesn’t the council have to be here for that? What will they say when they find so many people on our territory for training? It will be a dead giveaway.”

Everyone pauses and looks deep in thought. I decide to link Kasen. Normally we cant link if we’re too far away, but this mall is right outside the pack’s territory.

“Love, we need to talk when I get home. It’s important.”

He wastes no time in replying. “Everything okay, love? It’s never a good thing to lead a conversation off like that.”

I chuckled. “It’s not anything you did wrong but something major. Something that could potentially be bad.” He agreed to let it wait until we got home but said we needed to hurry back to discuss it.

As we were leaving the Bakery, the wind blew towards us, and I picked up on a scent. I stiffened which caused the girls and the warriors with us to look at me in question.

“Don’t you all smell that?” they raised their noses and took everything in. The guards eyes widened in realization.

“Move, NOW!” they said as they ushered us to the car.

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“How did they get so close to our lands without any of the scouts or trackers picking it up?” I said confused.

“I don’t know my queen, but we need to get back to the pack grounds now. I have linked the King to alert him of Bear shifters near. I don’t know if they know we are here or if they are just scouting the land as spies, but I don’t want to risk it.”

I nod my head in agreement. I didn’t even think about them scouting the lands for the war. But it is concerning that no one picked up on their scent. How close are they? How many are there? Are they friendly or Foe? We know that we have some allied bear shifters coming, but I won’t know for sure if they’re on our side or not unless I see them, look in their eyes, and listen to their heart rates and breaths. I don’t want to stick around to find out.

“Make sure everyone that attended the mall today is on their way to the pack house. They should each have one personal guard with them. Make



sure they are alerted as well.” I ordered the guards, and they bowed their heads at me.

“I want to be notified the second they get back to pack grounds.” I say as we get rear ended. It was so hard that I flew forward and smacked my head on the driver’s seat. We are in one of the suburban and the Guards are up front with me, my mom, Rosaline, and Gemma in the back.

“Everyone alright?” I ask. Before they can respond, we are hit again. I look behind us and see three black out BMWs trailing us.

“GET US OUT OF HERE NOW!” I command using my full Luna and Alpha Aura. They show their necks in submission but slam the gas.

“KASEN!” I scream in the link.

“KASEN were being attacked!” I scream again.

“Where are you now, love?” he says. You can hear the worry in his voice.

“We are in the car on the way back. About 20 mins away. They keep hitting the car! Kasen was trying to get home, but if they keep hitting us the car won’t make it!” I say.

“Gemma, I want you to prepare to fight. Mom, Rosaline, I want you both to run to the Castle grounds. If it comes to a fight. The warriors will stay with us.” Mom started to protest, but I glared at her.

“Don’t make me command it. Please, do this for me. We will be safe, I have already started training Gemma. We have the Warriors. I’ve linked Kasen. We will be okay...”

I don’t get a chance to finish as we are rammed from the side. The Suburban starts to slide and flips. I try to brace myself, but it’s so hard. We roll about four times before the car comes to a stop.

I groan. I’m in so much pain. My head is killing me. I’m sure I have a concussion. I tried to link Kasen again, but everything is fuzzy. I hope he’s on his way. I assess myself. No broken bones, but that’s going to bruise for a while.

“Is everyone alright?”

Mom has a broken arm, Rosaline has cuts from the glass shattering, Gemma is okay just banged up, the warriors are safe as well thanks to the air bags. I look out the window and see the BMWs are surrounding us. Alright, it’s a fight they want it’s a fight they’ll get.

“Sam Human or Wolf form?” Gemma asked. Truthfully, I don’t know.

“If they stay human then we will. If they shift then we will. I want to remain inconspicuous. We are still not on pack grounds yet. Humans can see. Now if you need to shift for any reason, you do so. Mom, Rosaline shifting will help heal your wounds. Your broken arm will hurt like a b\*\*\*h, but you guys need to make a run for it. We will hold them off as long as we can! GO NOW!” I commanded and they wasted no time. Before I know it cream and Sable colored wolf are bolting towards the pack.

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“My queen, we would like to take the front. We are here to protect you. We want to serve our Royal Family.” one of the guards say. I place my hands on his shoulder and nod.

“I am thankful for both of you. I have linked Kasen he is coming with backup.” He nods and they both bow.

We get out of the car and glare at the tinted windows of the attackers. A few doors open up and a few men step out. They are tall. Roughly 6 feet or more. Clearly, they aren’t on our side.

“What do you want?” I ask. They don’t answer, just glare at me with hatred and contempt.

“This is your one and only warning. Walk away now. We don’t want a fight, but we will.”

One of them laughs. “The queen has spunk. But we don’t take orders from you mutt.”

I growl, and so do the guards. I take a look around. The road is deserted, if this leads to an all-out brawl at least there’s no eyes around right now.

“So, you know who I am. Who sent you? What is it you want?” I ask trying to diffuse the situation as best as I can. My head is throbbing and it’s making focusing worse.

“Of course, we know who you are. But we don’t care. We have orders to bring you with us, dead or alive.” Well, that’s just peachy.

They start to move forward. Trying to trap us in against the battered SUV. The guards give out threatening growls. One of the bears lunges for the guards and the fight begins.

There are roughly 7 Bear shifters here. All seem to be warriors of some kind. I don’t like these odds. The warriors take on 2 bears each. Gemma takes one and I have two approaching me. I’m hoping they don’t know I’m trained. I’m hoping to use that to my advantage.

I watch their steps, their faces, their movements. They get close enough and one throws a punch and I block it and side step. The other reaches to grab me. I duck down and punch him in the gut. He’s knocked off balance and I take that as the opportunity to roundhouse kick him in the head. He goes flying back. The other tackle me and punches me in the ribs. I can feel each blow causing serious damage. If he keeps up the blows im sure a rib with the break.

I bring my knee up and drive it hard into his package. He rolls off of me and grunts in pain. I stand up and the other one comes up and wraps his arms around my neck. I feel him squeezing me so I lean back and throw my entire body weight forward taking him with me. Flipping so I have him in a submission hold. He can either pass out from loss of oxygen or I can break his f\*g neck.

My thighs wrapped around his neck and I squeeze tightly. He’s thrashing around and the other one comes up to me and punches me in the jaw. I

don't loosen my hold though. Finally, his body goes slack from loss of oxygen.

One less to worry about. Me and the other shifter circle each other. He's waddling like he's got a stick up his a\*s. Serves him right. We go punch for punch, kick for kick. I manage to steal glances to see Gemma holding her own. The warriors are down to 2 bear shifters left to fight.

“Come on b\*\*\*h. Let's just get this over with.”

These guys are strong. Well trained. Not as strong as Theo when I fought him but, this is a good gauge of how well their fighters are trained. If we make it out of this we will use this.

He charges at me and I spin out of the way. He grabs me by my hair and throws me across the road. My back lands on a tree stump and I'm sure I have a broken rib now. I shake the stars and cloudiness from my eyes to see him pointing a gun at me. I can't move. Everything hurts. I struggle to get to my feet and fight. I finally get to my hands and knees and he laughs.

“Well, isn't this just a sight?” His voice sounds so evil and dark.

Before I can stand up fully I hear the gun go off, I squeeze my eyes shut, and a loud whimper. I feel no pain though. I open them and see one of the warriors had shifted and jumped in front of me to take the bullet. Blood is pouring from the wound in his side. I crawl to him and grab onto his fur. I stand over him protectively as the bear aims his gun again.

“Stupid mutt!” he spits at the guard. I rub his fur and look down at him. He's whimpering and trying to move to lick the wound. Before the Bear can fire though, he is taken down by a large ball of black fur.

“KASEN!” I scream!

My mom, Rosaline, Andrew, my dad, Jake, Josh, and Marcus have arrived with about 15 extra warriors. Even Alpha Aaron and Carson came! The

warrior who saved me stopped trying to move. I bring my attention back to him.

“You saved me. Why did you jump in front of the gun like that!” he just whimpers and licks my hand.

“I NEED A MEDIC NOW!” I scream hysterically. My mom and Rosaline run to me.

“He just jumped in front of the bullet. Please, we need to help him! He saved me!” I keep my fingers wrapped in this brown wolf’s fur. He sacrificed himself to protect me. He needs to live. This isn’t fair!

I feel wetness on my cheeks and arms wrapped around my waist. Someone tries to pull me away but I refuse to let go.

“NO, WE HAVE TO HELP HIM. I CANT LEAVE HIM!”

They pry the wolf out of my arms and pull me away. I take in the scent to realize it’s Jake. He’s holding me tight and rubbing his hand over my head and down my back.

“Shhh, it’s okay. They have to work on him. They couldn’t do that with you going all protective alpha queen on them” he cups my cheeks and uses his thumbs to wipe away my tears.

“You fought well.” He tells me.

“Wait...WHERE’S GEMMA” I scream. Why can’t I stop screaming?

“Shhhh, she’s just with the medics. They wanted to assess her injuries. If it wasn’t for you sending mom and Rosaline away, and your thinking quickly to link Kasen we wouldn’t have gotten here in time.” I can’t feel my body shaking from the adrenaline wearing off.

“Sam, you okay? You look pale.” Jake says. My legs feel shaky and I feel lightheaded.

“SAM!” I hear my mate yell and then feel the all too familiar sparks surrounding me. My vision goes blurry, but I grasp onto him.

“Kasen, oh my god.” I cry out.

“It’s okay love, you’re okay. We’re all okay.” He tells me and wraps me in his arms.

“I tried to stop them. I tried to talk them out of it. They said they had orders to take me dead or alive.” I felt him stiffen and growl.

“That’s not going to happen.” He says and kisses my forehead.

“The warrior. He took that bullet for me. We have to save him, baby. He sacrificed himself for me. Please!” he whispers sweet nothings in my ear and promises to do what we can. I nod and sob into his chest. I am strong but this was so much.

My legs finally give out and I start to collapse. But I don’t hit the ground. Kasen catches me and holds me close to his chest.

I finally passed out. Whether from sheer exhaustion, or the hit on my head, or what. But all I know is I am safe now.

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Kasens POV

As soon as Samantha linked me that they were being attacked, we shifted into gear. We didn’t bother with cars. We took to the forest in our wolf forms. I had gathered both of our Betas; Josh and Jake, Marcus, both mine and sams dad, Alpha Aaron and Carson volunteered to go, and a few warriors.

I had suspicions that it was Bear shifters. I alerted duke and Theo and they would be waiting here for us to bring everyone back and to wait for the other lunas and guests that joined them at the mall to return.

I shifted into my jet-black wolf and so did everyone else. I was surprised to see me, and Carson look similar other than he has a white spot around his eye. Unique coloring for sure.

We got to the edge of the territory and saw a Cream and Sable wolf we know to be Mom and Lucy running towards us. Lucy seems to be limping and favoring her front paw. I link them and they run into their mate's embrace and sift their muzzles through their fur.

"Mom, where are Samantha and Gemma?" I linked her.

"She ordered us to run to the palace. We were injured. They hit the SUV from the side and the damn thing flipped so many times. Lucy broke her arm and I got cut up by the glass. She didn't want us in any more danger. We couldn't refuse her command, son." She says.

Dammit, Samantha. She can't do this alone, but I am happy she thought to send our mothers to safety.

"Which way were they?" I asked back. She linked me back to follow them and I barked in response. I let loose a howl for everyone to follow. You could hear the thundering of our paws hitting the ground. We got close enough to where we could pick up on everyone's scents. I was right its bear shifters.

I finally see the Suburban and it looks totaled. Im astonished anyone walked away from it. I hear a gunshot and a yelp and I growl loudly. I jump into action and see a bear shifter, a Brown wolf laying on the ground whimpering and bleeding, and Samantha hovering over him protectively.

Gemma and The other guard they were assigned are finishing their fights with their shifters and I order everyone to help with them. I hear the bear shifter call them stupid mutts and saw him spit and raise the gun up and aim to shoot again.

I didn't even hesitate. I charged after him and Leapt up and latched onto his neck. I started to do shake him trying to snap his neck. My teeth sunk deep into his skin.

He roared loudly and started to shift into his bear form. He wants nearly as big a Theo but I wouldn't underestimate him. We lunged at each other, jaws snapping, teeth clamping down on fur and skin. I wouldn't lose.

Jake, Josh, my dad, and David join in on my fight while Alpha Aaron, Carson and the other warriors help Gemma and The guard. He goes down easily and I can't help myself. I want to rip him limb from limb for even thinking of shooting my mate.

Jake runs to Sam. Suddenly I hear her scream and I stop my attack.

"Kasen, she's going into shock from adrenaline loss" Jake links me. I shift, and a warrior hands me a pair of shorts. I run over to her and take her in my arms. After calming her down she passed out in my arms. I carried her over to where the wounded guard was.

"How is he?" I asked and they said he was critical but would make it. I crouched down to him.

"Thank you for saving my mate." His wolf whimpered in pain but bowed his head.

"I am grateful for you and in debited to you." I place my hand on his head and bow to him. I don't usually bow unless someone deserves my respect. He didn't think twice. He jumped in front of a bullet to save his queen.

"Take the remaining hostages in for questioning and to the Cells. Let's get back to the pack."

Now I'm pissed. They attacked my family and plotted against me. If there was ever a doubt that this could be settled peacefully, it's gone now. War is coming. I cradle my mate in my arms, take in her scent and we head home.

"We will come out on top, Kasen. We will protect our mate. We will protect our family. We will protect our kingdom" Atlas growls at me. I agree with him. This is going to end, and it is going to end soon.

Theos POV



I was nervous to see which of my father's warriors they would bring back, if anyone survived at all. It is a death wish to attack Samantha. As strong of a bond as she and Kasen have, let alone her and her Twin have. I feel bad for any bear shifter there.

Word had gotten to the other Guards that were guarding the other Lunas, and women that decided to take a day trip as well. It was genuinely needed. War is a stressful time and sometimes you just need time to unwind. I had a feeling an attack was coming or at least a sighting. Especially with Kasen and Samantha's Mating Ceremony and the Coronation coming up. The last of the Lunas had arrived on the pack lands and Duke looked to be linking someone. His eyes hazed over.

"Mr Theo, Can we go play now?" Rosie asked me. She doesn't know that Marcy is gone. Hell, she probably wouldn't care from what I have heard of the Situation. My bear has come to love the little wolf.

"Right now, we have to wait for your uncle to come back. After that how about we sneak to the kitchen for ice cream?" her face lights up and she gives me the biggest smile. I feel a hand on my shoulder and sparks flowing over my skin. My bear rumbles in delight.

"Any word yet?" I asked him.

"Rosie, why don't you go wash up and get ready for dinner?" Duke told her. She nodded her head, but I winked at her for our deal. After she was out of earshot I looked at him again. His black hair and blue eyes mesmerized me.

"It was Bear Shifters. One was killed on site. Im sure you can imagine why. They have two being brought in for questioning. I don't know names or anything. One warrior was shot with a silver bullet. He's in critical condition, but I think he'll pull through. From what Kasen told me, he had jumped in front of Sam to take the bullet for her. Sam went into shock from everything and passed out. They're on their way back now."

I nod at him. I'm glad he and Kasen are working to repair their relationship. I start to drift off into thought. Family is important, but

when your family is threatening the entire supernatural society, you have to make difficult choices. At what point do you say “Enough is Enough!”?

I know my going against my father and brothers will wreck our relationship beyond repair. It kills me to know that the only family I have now is my mate and my mate’s family. Though they have been very welcoming. I won’t ever get to be close with my mother again. My brothers are plotting my death, my father has his Armies searching for me to bring me in for being a traitor. But am I really a traitor or are they? I am doing what’s right for everyone. At least, I am trying to. ‘This is the right thing to do.

‘Family or not. We know what’s right and what’s wrong. This is the goddess’s plan.’ My bear Angelo said to me.

He was against the attacks from our family the whole time. The moment I found out what they were up to I tried to get as close as I could. Tried to gather as much information. I was caught red handed though. That was the night I lost all respect for my father and my brothers. They had whipped me, stabbed me, scarred me. All because I wanted to do what’s right. Even with my fast healing, I have scars from being stabbed. They even carved Traitor onto my shoulder blade.

I felt a hand on my cheek, and I was brought out of my thoughts.

“Where did you go just now, mate?” he asked.

“Just thinking about family, and everything that led up to now. I’m Scarred, Duke. My family was more interested in their own personal gain. Too power hungry. They were already leaders and Royals for the kingdom, but it wasn’t enough. And to think they were willing to kill their own son for it...”

I trailed off. He took both of my cheeks in his hands and kissed me. It was tender and loving. We broke apart and I rested my head on his shoulder and he trailed his fingertips under my shirt and over my scars.

“Your scars prove that you are a fighter. That you are strong. That you have the power to overcome. I love you for that. They don’t deserve to be

called your family.” He said as he hugged me. I leaned into him. Purely happy to have him in my life.

‘I want our mate.’ Angelo had said to me.

‘Soon, soon. Now is not the time.’ I scolded.

We were brought out of our own bubble to a commotion outside. Walking out, we see they have gotten back. Sam was carried by Kasen, the doctor ran out to check on her then moved along to the warrior who was shot. He was still in wolf form, being carried in on a stretcher. He was alive, but he didn’t look to good. His whimpers dug a knife into me. At least, that’s what it felt like. I will avenge this entire kingdom for them. They didn’t deserve any of this. No one did. My family would pay.

I growled lowly from all the anger I felt and I felt duke rub my arm, instantly calming me down.

“Jake debrief Duke and Theo. I am taking Sam to our room to rest. I will be down when she is settled. Josh, stand guard in the hospital. I want to know the condition of Bryan. Updates every 30 minutes, please. When he is awake I would like to meet with him. You keep an eye on him. Marcus, Take the prisoners to the cells. Get them ready for interrogation. No one is to talk to them until I get down there.” He said in his Alpha tone, leaving no room for arguing. Command or not, he is a great king. Well loved by all of his pack members, family, friends, and kingdom.

Everyone bowed and got to their tasks. As they were bringing the prisoners down I noticed one was familiar. He used to be a good friend of mine until I was caught.

“Well, well, well, if it isn’t the little fag himself. Betraying your own family and kingdom for these measly wolves?” he asked me.

“These MEASLY wolves just took you down without a second thought. These MEASLY wolves knocked you on your a\*s. Not such a tough guy now, huh? I may be gay, but I know I’m strong enough to kill you with

my eyes closed. I hope I get to do your interrogation.” I said with a smirk on my face. He knows I’m stronger than him. He shut his mouth real quick and was shoved forward to be secured in prison.

“What happened, Jake?” Duke asked.

“Sam said that they were being tailed by a few black sedans. They rear-ended them a few times. When they picked up speed to try to get away, they were hit from the side by another sedan. Their SUV rolled. Your mom and my mom are okay minus broken bones and bruises. Sam ordered them to leave. Gemma and the two warriors with them stayed to fight. Gemma is safe, one of the warriors took a bullet for Sam. She took it hard. After the adrenaline wore off she went into shock. She wouldn’t leave the warrior. She was huddled over his wolf screaming for us to save him. Even growled when we tried to pull her away. She’s okay. Mild concussion and a cracked rib, but other than that she’s okay. She fought with the leader of the group. Held her own until he pulled out a gun with silver bullets. He was going to shoot her again as she stood over Bryan’s body. Shielding him. Just as he was going to pull the trigger Kasen launched at him and tore him limb from limb. He had a wallet. Said his name was Tobias Everly.” I stiffened.

“You know him?” Jake asked me and I nodded.

“He is one of the top soldiers for my father. The fact he was taken down is astonishing.” He nods.

“Well, Kasen is well trained and when it’s his mate being threatened no one stands a chance.”

I still have to wonder why he didn’t shift. None of the bears shifted. I must have been saying that aloud because Jake then said. “I don’t know. Well, have to figure that out when we interrogate them. Maybe they just underestimated us. Who knows” I pat Jake on the back.

“She will be okay. She is strong.” That was the truth. She held her own in a fight against me and my bear is twice her size. I and Angelo still felt bad about that.

'We will protect them. We will protect her. this royal family is special. I can feel it.' Angelo whispered to me.

'I know. I can feel their bonds, and their love for one another.' I responded.

'We are now a part of them too. We will all do great things I sure hope so.' Jake walks off and I turn to Duke.

"I will Avenge them. I promise you my family will pay." I say angrily.

"I know, I know. I trust you; I believe you. Everyone will be okay. After all you, me and Rosie are a family." I want to stay that way" He grabs my hand and we wait in the family room for Kasen to return so we can get this interrogation over with.

## Warrior Princess Chapter 34

Kasens POV

I laid my mate on the bed. Atlas is whimpering in my head.

'She will be an okay buddy. She's just in shock.' I tell him. He calms down slightly, but he's still on edge.

'I know, but our mate is hurting. She fought well. She defended her people well. I miss her eyes. I want her to open her eyes.' Atlas whined. I agree. Those bright green eyes have been what I look forward to seeing every day.

Tucking her underneath, the blankets, I sat next to her running my hand through her hair. Her cheeks are still puffy from crying. There's a knock on the door and I whisper come in.

"How is she doing?" Lucy and David asked softly.

"She's okay. Her rib should be healed soon. The concussion wasn't too bad. She was well enough to fight off a bear shifter. She is exhausted. I think everything happening hit her at once. I'm sure when she wakes up

she's going to feel responsible and guilt for Bryan. But it's not her fault." I grasp her hand and David puts a hand on my shoulder.

"I trained her well, but she is still soft at heart. That's not a bad thing. It makes her who she is. You are a wonderful mate to her. Please keep us updated on her. If you need anything, let us know. If you'd like, Lucy and I can stay and watch over her while you do the interrogation. I'm sure you don't want to leave her alone right now." I nod and kiss Samantha on her forehead.

"I'll be back soon, love. Rest now." I whisper to her. I press my forehead to hers as a sign of affection and respect, shake hands with David and walk over to Lucy. She looks at me and smiles, kisses my cheek and hugs me.

"You are now one of my sons. Don't forget to look after yourself too. I will make some dinners for you all to keep in your fridge. We will look over my baby girl. But I'm serious. You need to look after yourself. I may be just an old lady, but I'm sure your mother and I could take you down, boy." She said with a gleam in her eye. Atlas chuckled in my head. He has grown attached to her family.

"Yes, ma'am." I said, kissed her on the cheek, took one last look at sam and headed to the cells. Theo and Duke met me on the way. Duke hugged me for the first time in a long time.

"How's Sam?" They asked. I told them how she was, and Theo spoke.

"I know two of the shifters that were involved. One was killed by you. The other is waiting for you in the dungeon. I will say the one you killed was one of my father's trusted soldiers." I nod at him. I know what it cost him to go against his family.

"I am grateful for you, Theo. You have been a tremendous help to us all. I am sorry for the price you had to pay, but for what it's worth. I consider you my family. You are mated to my brother; you have helped us in so many ways since coming here. I don't know how I can ever repay you." I tell him.

“No repayment necessary. Just having people to call family is enough for me.” I bring him in for a brotherly hug and inform him he will always be family here.

“Alright, before we go down there is there anything I need to know about them?” I asked Theo.

“No, One down there is named Jason. He used to be my closest friend. He is strong but not the hardest person to crack. You shouldn’t have any difficulty getting information out of him. Now the other one I’m not familiar with. I would be more than willing to help with the Interrogations.” I nod at him.

‘Let’s do this.’ Atlas growls in approval. I feel him just below the surface. He is upset our mate was attacked. He wants blood just as much as I do. I keep him under control, but I still let him closer.

I allow my full Alpha aura to show through as I walk to his cell. It’s enough power to make everyone bow. Helping us with the interrogation today is Me, Duke, Theo, Marcus, my dad, Jake and Gemma, and a few other warriors.

The bear shifter is sitting in a metal chair with his hands cuffed, ankles cuffed, and chains wrapped around his body. He was given a paralyzing drug to keep him from breaking free. He looked up as we walked in the room. Void of emotion until he saw Theo. I saw a flash of anger, and hurt cross his face.

“So you must be Jason.” I ask him. I nod for them to start the recording. I like to keep every interview recorded. Covers my a\*s.

“I don’t answer to you.” Jason spits on the ground next to my feet. Everyone behind me growled at the disrespect. Atlas roared in my head scratching to come out. I took a few calming breaths and looked at this bear.

“I will let that slide. Do something like that again, and I will cut your tongue out with a butter knife and shove it up your a\*s.” He glared at me but didn’t spit again. “So Jason. Tell me. Why did you attack my family today?”

He chuckles. “I don’t make the orders. I just follow them. But she was a pretty little thing. So is that little vixen over there? She socked me good once or twice. Hey, sweet cheeks! Want to keep me company in my cell tonight?” He said, motioning towards Gemma. Jake growled and you could see his wolf was out to play. I linked Gemma.

‘Calm him down. Jason is looking for a reaction. If he can’t be calmed, then get him out of here.’ I ordered. She nodded her head.

“You done linking, your majesty?” He said with venom.

“I think you’re forgetting. I run this show here. I can make this easy and painless or I can make sure you wish for death. The choice is yours.” I hate being violent, but sometimes the world calls for it.

“What do you want to know?” he asked, I smiled at him.

“I want to know who ordered the attack, why it was ordered, and what is the end game?”

He took a few minutes to think about his answer. “The Bear King ordered the hit. We were supposed to be spying on your borders. We noticed the Royal Caravan and Phoned home. That’s when the hit was given. We didn’t know specifically that your mate and family were in it, but we had a pretty good idea. We were ordered that if we happened to come across your Luna Queen then she was to be taken dead or alive. She is your Kryptonite. If she is taken or killed, you will become weak. The weaker you are the easier it is to attack. The Bear king wants total control. He is power hungry. His goal is to become the one main monarch for the entire supernatural realm. He has the council helping, but the plan is as soon as he gains control, they will be wiped out. He wants everyone to answer to him. No one else.”

Well, that was easy.



“Tell me. If the orders were to take my mate dead or alive, why did none of you shift? Why did you all choose to fight in human forms?”

“Truthfully?” I nodded.

“We didn’t think the women would be so well trained. We don’t allow females to train back home. The warriors would be a challenge that’s why we were armed as well.” I nodded. So they did underestimate us. That means a lot of others will. It’s so misogynistic to think women aren’t good enough to fight. Anyone untrained at least in basic self defense is a walking target.

“Why are you telling me this, Jason? For someone who hates traitors so much, you just betrayed your whole kingdom?”

He shrugged. “Truthfully, I don’t know. My bear was angry with me during the whole attack. He is the one pushing me to surrender all I know now. He said and I quote, ‘this is the way it is supposed to be. We are supposed to be here’ Whatever that means.”

I look at my dad and Theo. They knew I was thinking of the goddess’s words. I nod at Jason and leave the room for now. I walk up to Theo. “Can we trust him?”

He seems to contemplate it. “I don’t know. He turned against me when I went against my father. But if he’s saying his bear is fighting him on his decisions then I don’t know. The goddess did say she would send people to us. She would give them messages to lead them to us. I just don’t know.”

I nod. Oh, Selene, why did you have to make this so difficult? I swear I heard a chuckle as I felt a breeze blow through the windows. I shake my head.

“Dad, what do you think?” I asked him.

“You are King Kasen. The decision to trust him is yours. There is one way to get easy answers out of him that are 100% truthful. That is the Serum.” That’s right. I forgot about that. I go to the Cabinet and pull out a syringe, and a vial of purple fluid. Filling it up with the correct dosage I walk back into the room.

“What is that? Are you going to poison me?” he asks looking nervous.

“No. This is truth Serum. I want to find out if I can trust you or if you are going to be sentenced to death. For Conspiracy against the Supernatural realm.” He gulps. I have a guard grab his arm and straighten it while it’s chained. I stick the needle in and inject him. I wait a few minutes and see the purple haze around his eyes letting me know it is in full effect.

“Jason is the statement you told me about the plan, and attack true?” he nodded his head.

“Words Jason.” I demanded.

“Yes, your Majesty.” I nod at him.

“Tell me, What is your role in this war?” he looks like he’s deep in thought.

“I am a soldier. I follow orders. Orders that I may or may not agree with. It is not my job to question them. At the end of the day, My job is to follow and serve.” He said. I hope that if I ever gave unjust orders, my warriors would not hesitate to go against me and do the right thing. I will always strive to make the right choices and be a fair and just king, mate, and Werewolf.

“Final question Jason. Where do your loyalties lie?” he takes time to think about this. No doubt conversing with his bear.

“My loyalties lie with Selene.”

## Warrior Princess Chapter 35

Kasens POV

He had said his loyalties are to Selene. To our cause. He said that under the truth serum. I may be a cynic but I can't go against that. When Sam wakes up will be able to know for sure.

"Thank you for your answers, Jason." I say and he nods.

"I know it may be hard to believe but I do side with Selene. What our kingdom has done is wrong. I know that now."

I sigh. "You have to see from our point of view. Up until a couple of hours ago, you were hell bent on killing and or kidnapping my mate and queen. All of a sudden you say you're on our side?"

He bows his head in shame. "I'm not proud of what I've done. But haven't you ever been misled, or forced into doing something you don't want to do? We bears have alpha commands just as you wolves do. When commanded be a higher rank we cannot disobey. Not to mention the King has threatened all of his warrior's family members saying, 'if we ever were to betray him such as his son did then the penalty for the whole family line is death.' I didn't want to risk my family being killed. I was led astray by a manipulative piece of s\*\*t. I see now why Theo left. I can help. What can I do to prove myself? I can give you as much information as I know." he said.

"Okay then. What is the next step for the Bear king?" without waiting for a response he answered. "We planned on staking out and watching. Our attack was going to be the first day of spring." That gives us a little over 2 months to prepare.

"I know he has the Council helping him. What is the plan? How does he expect to get to total power?" I asked.

"His plan was to kill your mate first. Like I said before she is your weakness. He would kill you shortly after while you were stuck grieving. After that, his plan was to wipe out the whole council leaving him to be the only one in charge. Once that happened he would wage war on the Humans." I stood there for a second. He plans on attacking the humans too. This guy has lost his marbles.

“I know you don’t trust me yet but I am one of your only inside help. I will pledge my loyalty; I will do anything to be of assistance. I have an idea but only if you deem me worthy enough. He doesn’t know you’ve captured me. I’m still on good graces with the King. Send me back. I can gather intel, movements, weapons intel, anything you need from the inside.”

Having a guy on the inside would be a turning point. But can I trust him?

“When my Luna wakes up I will converse with her. She has a direct link to the Goddess, the same as me. I trust her input. After that we will make a decision.” He nods. I walk out of the room and look to Theo.

“He’s all yours for now. I am going to check on Bryan in the hospital.” Theo nods and walks in the room. I leave to give him privacy.

I get to the hospital and see Josh posted outside of a door. I grasp his shoulder and thank him for everything.

“How is he doing?”

His posture relaxed, and he answered, “Doc is in there now checking in on him.” I nod and knock on the door but don’t wait for a reply before going inside.

“Evening Doc, how’s he doing?”

He bows his head. “Evening, your majesty. He is out of the danger zone for now. It was a silver bullet to the gut. We extracted all of the silver, but it’s up to his wolf to finish healing him. But the prognosis is good.”

I nod and look at Bryan. I place my hand on his and try to connect with his wolf. It is hard to connect with a wolf who is dormant due to silver injuries, but I will do my best. The connection is fuzzy. ‘I feel him there, but he is too weakened to respond.

‘All of his energy is going to heal his human.’ Atlas says.

‘Can he hear us?’ I ask, and he says yes. I open the connection to his wolf again and talked to him.

'You do what you can to save this man. You and he are heroes. You saved my mate, your queen today without a second thought. I am proud to call you my warrior. I am indebted to you.' I squeeze his hand and cut the link before he can respond. His wolf needs to save as much energy as he can. I leave the room and relieve Josh of his post.

"You deserve a night off. Relax," he smiles.

"Thanks, Kasen." he says. I hope the goddess gives him a second chance. He truly deserves it.

I make my way to my apartment on the top floor. I see David sitting on the couch reading the paper.

"How did everything go son?" he asked. I don't actually mind him calling me that. It felt good.

"As well as can be. You were a great beta. I have a question for you." He sat up and looked at me to continue. "So one of the prisoners was given truth serum. Under the influence of it, he pledged his allegiance to Selene and our cause. He gave us the intel we wouldn't have gotten otherwise. He suggested going back to the bear king to be our mole. Our way of getting information from the inside." He nods taking in the information.

"You're having trouble trusting him though?" I nod.

"He was one of the bears who attacked Samantha and Gemma. I have a warrior in the hospital from it. He said he was following orders. That their commands work sort of like ours. An alpha command cannot be disobeyed. But even still, what if I trust him and this backfires on me."

He rubs his chin and then responds. "He said all this while under the influence of the truth serum. He was under an Alpha command. I personally would take his offer of him being a mole. That's a lot of potential information we could get. It would put him in extreme danger though. If he's willing to do it he would be risking his life. If he's caught they'll kill him." He makes a good point.

“I will talk with Samantha when she wakes up. She is my mate. We work best when we work together. We are one big well-oiled machine.” He smiles and pats my shoulder.

“You’re a good guy.”

With that, I go check on my mate. Lucy is sitting in a chair next to the bed and knitting. I can picture Samantha doing the same thing when she is older.

“How’s she doing?” she jumps a little. She is just like Sam. She clearly gets so into what she’s focusing on that she doesn’t pay attention to her surroundings.

“Sorry didn’t mean to startle you.” I say with a chuckle. She narrows her eyes playfully.

“She actually just woke up about 20 minutes ago. She asked for you I told her you would be here soon. She fell back asleep after that.”

I thank her for watching over her and they leave. I strip my shirt and trousers and kick off my shoes. I stay in my boxers and climb into the bed next to her.

‘Gemma love, can you bring Sam some dinner? You or mom actually. I don’t want to leave her anymore today. How are you feeling by the way Gemster?’ I link. I hear her sigh through our connection.

‘You may be king, but you call me Gemster again and I will kick you in the balls.’ I laugh.

‘Please don’t, Sam likes them too much for you to damage them! All are joking aside. How are you feeling?’ I feel the tension she gives off.

‘Im shaken up, but I’m okay. If it weren’t for sam Training me I wouldn’t have survived that fight that’s for sure. But I’m okay. I’m alive. Jake is here taking care of me. I will have mom bring some food to your apartment. Wait I thought Lucy made food for you all?’ she asked.

'That would involve me having to get out of bed. My mate has been deprived of me too much today.' She fake gags through the link, and I chuckle. Sam snuggles closer to me and I wrap my arms around her and kiss the top of her head.

"You're here." she says all groggily.

"I'm here love. How are you feeling?" I ask.

"Like I got hit by a mac truck. How is Bryan?" I go about explaining everything to her, going over what Jason said in the cells.

"So what do you think? Can we trust him?"

She thinks about it for a second. "I would like to meet him personally. It's hard to say. I will say I'm concerned. If it was an Alpha command to capture me and bring me in, how do we know he still isn't under the command?" good question but easily answered.

"There's something about the way the truth serum works. It kind of resets the brain. Any command he was given was ineffective." I say and she nods.

"Well, then I want to meet him. Not right now. I just want to spend time with you. Akira misses Atlas." I chuckle.

'LET ME OUT I WANT MY MATE.'

I sigh. "Atlas wants out to see Akira." She nods and gets out of the bed. Before I know it a silver wolf is standing before me and jumped in the bed. Acting like a typical dog and twirling around to find the perfect spot.

I don't even strip from my boxers. I shift into my black wolf and jump up on the bed. I release the reigns to Atlas and let him spend time with his mate. They curl around each other and she lays her head on her paws. Atlas licks the top of her head, the side of her snout, nips at her ears and rubs his face into her neck.

After nuzzling his mate for a few minutes Akira starts to purr and Atlas lays his head on her back and they just snuggle. Fused together like a Yin and Yang sign.

‘They really do love each other.’ Sam linked me.

‘We all love each other. I love you Samantha just like I love Akira.’ Atlas said.

‘And I love you Kasen just as much as I love Atlas. We are all mated. We are bonded for life. I am just as much a part of Samantha as Atlas is a part of you. You are one in the same.’ I can’t help but smile at both of their words. We got blessed with some wise wolves, that’s for sure.

‘Damn straight you did.’ Atlas playfully spits out. I revel in how soft Akiras fur is.

‘I wonder what color our pup would be when we have one.’ I say. She gives me a wolfy grin.

‘Who says I want only one?’ atlas playfully growls, and I do as well. He jumps up and they play wrestle for a bit. In our culture, it is normal for our wolf counter parts to mate together in their form. And that’s exactly what happens after he mounts Akira. I go further back in my mind to give them their own privacy.

I’m thrust back into my own mind and I open my eyes. I’m back in my human form with Sam wrapped around me sleeping. It’s early morning and I stretch. Careful not to wake up Sam.

‘I take it you enjoyed yourself?’ I asked Atlas.

‘Oh, definitely. If there’s no pup in her belly by now ill be shocked.’ I mentally laugh.

‘I don’t even want to know how long you and she went at it.’ He starts projecting mental images into my head and I roll my eyes.



'Didn't need to see it. But I am glad you are happy.' He gives me a wolfy grin, yips. I start to think about what she will look like with her stomach swollen with our pups. I instantly smile. Then I realize today was the Mating Ceremony. Today she will officially become my queen and Mate.

As if sensing my thoughts, she wakes up and stares at me with her bright green eyes. "Morning, my love. Ready for tonight?" I ask. She tenses up.

"I'm a little nervous." She admits.

"You have nothing to worry about. You will be great. We will have the Ceremony, the coronation, then we will take the pack for a united run. We can invite all of our guests and other supernaturals to join us too. This day is about you. Well, me and you but I want to pamper you."

I've never wanted to dote on someone's hand and foot before. I've never wanted to pamper anyone before. I am so in love with this woman it drives me crazy, and I feel myself falling for her more and more every day. I brush the back of my hand on her cheek and nuzzle my nose with hers.

"I love you, Samantha Layne. After tonight you will be Samantha Edwards. Queen of the Werewolf Kingdom. You will be my number one. Not that you're not now but you get what I'm trying to say." She chuckles and leans into my hands.

"I love you too Kasen Edwards. I can't wait to be officially yours." Her cheeks flush and I lean down and kiss her, holding her cheeks between my hands.

"I can totally get used to doing this all day every day." She playfully slaps my arm.

"You're so bad." She chuckles out.

"Come on let's get ready for the day." she says and drags me to the shower. But oh how I wish we could have stayed in bed a bit longer.