

## The Wrong Alpha – A Twist Of Fate?

Chapter 146 Lola

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Wow, we have marked one another. I honestly can't believe it. It felt amazing. Manuel was so gentle and caring with me I have been truly blessed being fated with him I really have. He could not be more perfect.

The sensation of marking each other was mind blowing! It was almost like being drunk.... a truly amazing sensation.

And now we were curled up in his bed in each others arms naked..... what could be more perfect?! Seriously, I can see why so many people talk about being with their fated mates because I can see nothing living up to this feeling. Being around him feels like I am complete. Like a part of me had been missing, but now that he is here with me, by my side that I am finally complete, whole again and it feels truly wonderful! I am truly grateful I was able to let him mark me, because I can;t imagine allowing someone who was not your fated mate mark you would feel the same as this.

And I dont think I would have wanted anyone but Manuel to have marked me. He was made for

me. I am sure of that. Having been with him I am certain we were made to be together. Our bodies are perfectly in tune with one another.

I think I have died and gone to heaven, I truly do.... I know it can't and won't last as there is shit to face up to now but right now in this moment I am in heaven. And I don't think I want to leave.

I have the most perfect mate imaginable. My Mami and Papi were happy for me to mark him too, so that has to be a good thing, so I am hoping that means I get to be with him now, I have no intention of leaving him now. We have marked each other, we can't leave each other now, Alpha can't make us can he? That is one thing I am terrified of. I know what our Alpha is like, he does not like being disobeyed, he runs the pack a certain way and I know that mating is not done without his permission.

So I have already gone against his wishes, already disobeyed pack rules. And that is punishable in any pack, especially ours. And punishment in our pack is severe. So I know I am risking everything. But I know that Manuel is worth that, he is perfect to me, and perfect for me. I am just scared that my Alpha will find a way to tear us apart and make me suffer for my lack of respect and lack of obedience. And I would not have Manuel there to comfort me or protect me. Plus,

because my parents had given me their permission to allow this to happen, they would likely be made to suffer the repercussions too. I just have to hope he would be able to protect me if it came to that.

Not only do I have that weighing on my mind, but we still need to try to fix the situation with Gabe and Esme. I can't believe she ran on him. She seemed to want him last night, so I don't understand what changed, and she won't give me an answer, so I need to go and see her. I know my cousin, and last night she seemed genuinely happy, she was not faking her feelings for her fated mate like I know they are all suspecting. She wanted him, she was happy. So all of this confuses me as much as it confuses them. I am worried for her, as she must be hurting too, she will not have wanted to leave him I know that, so there has to have been a reason, I just can't think of why. I just wish she would answer me.

Gabe doesn't deserve this either. He is a nice guy. He seemed heartbroken, and I know Manuel is worried for his cousin so we need to try to help them. We need to find a way that things could work out for them. That could happen somehow couldn't it? They could be happy too surely.

Or at least I hope they can be. They seemed such a good match when they were together in the

club. They seemed so happy. Their personalities complimenting one another so well. Gabe seemed cheeky like Esme. I can imagine they would make a good couple. I want to be able to find a way to help them. Plus, having my cousin here at pack with me would be truly amazing too.

“You are perfect you know” Manuel whispers into my ear, giving me goosebumps.

This guy is the absolute sweetest. I swear he can charm the birds out of the trees. And I would never tire of hearing him say sweet things to me, making me smile. He is heavenly.

“I think I could lay here all day with you Guapo” I say pushing myself up against him in a snuggle. Being close to him feels so good, his touch sending electrical shock like sensations with an almost addictive feel to them, through my body. I loved this mate bond! So many good things to gain from it. I truly do not want to let it go...

He pulls me closer to him, tightening his grip around my waist. Being in his arms feels so good, feels like I belong, I feel my heart rate settle, my body relaxing. Just being with him eases me, makes me feel good. As he kisses me gently on my cheek. I feel my eyes start to close slowly as I lay in his arms..... I think being marked and mated is going to be good.....

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I have been out on a run multiple times, letting Aspen free to take out his stress, hurt and anger on some smaller prey. He is pining for his mate right now, not understanding why his mate has left, though in all fairness I don't fully understand what has happened. Lola has explained things but it still doesn't make sense to me, or maybe I don't want it to make sense.

My heart and my head are hurting too much right now, I know at some point I am going to have to be a big boy and accept that my mate just doesn't want to be with me, or simply can't be with me due to the messed up way their pack is run. Though I have to say I am worried for Manny, if that is how the pack is run, surely that could mean he is at risk of losing his mate, and I don't know if he would be able to cope with that.

I know I am stronger than him, or at least I think I am, and I could see just last night how attached

he was with his mate. Though I think we all knew that would be the case for Manuel, he was such a sweet guy, we knew the moment he met his mate he would be walking over hot coals for her, doing everything he could to make her happy, so having a situation where things don't necessarily run smoothly for him worries me. He doesn't need that.

Maybe I should try speaking to Knox and see if there is anything he can do as Alpha here to help protect him, will help keep my mind busy too I guess as right now I do not want to be thinking of Esme. Thinking of her hurts too much. Though I can't help but wonder if she is even thinking of me.....

Gabe, are you free? Just want to make sure you are ok dude Knox links me.

I know he is trying to be a good friend and a good Alpha, but to be honest I really don't want company. Though I know he is not going to take no for an answer, and even if he did, I know for a fact Lilah would be wanting to make sure I was ok. That is just the way she is.

I am fine. Just back at home now, been for another run. I explain my whereabouts in case they had been looking for me.

There is a knock at my door almost as soon as I have finished mindlinking. I stomp off to the

door, and open it to find Jake and Knox.

“Hey” I open the door to allow them to walk in after me.

I truly hope they are not expecting much conversation from me because I am not in the right frame of mind right now.

“Are you ok Gabe?” Jake asks “We are worried about you”

Not sure how to answer that. If I answer honestly, they would be even more worried. No I am not ok, I feel like I am falling apart, I thought I had met the woman I was going to spend the rest of my life with, the fated mate, the one for me, everything seemed perfect, we clicked, seemed like we had known each other forever, and then suddenly we get home and she does a fucking runner

on me, and I feel like my heart is shattering into tiny pieces, that I am not sure I can put back together.

Meeting her was like completing me, bringing together the whole of me that I didn't know wasn't even whole, and now I can't have the whole of me that I need so desperately now and I don't know how I am going to manage anymore now I have experienced it, even if it was for such a short length of time. I seriously do not know how I am going to carry on... I feel fucking

pathetic..... my wolf feels broken and I do not like that sensation either.... He is normally so dominant, powerful and strong..... ruthless.... Yet right now he feels like a lost soul.... And I don't know how to cope with that.... that has never been the way Aspen has been since I met him when I first shifted at 17. He was always a dominant wolf, a strong and ferocious warrior. Now he feels like he is drifting in the lost infinity somewhere and that scares me.

I need him to guide me, I need him to be the person I have always been. If the loss of his mate has changed him, then things just won't be the same again, will they?! And she hasn't even rejected us. Not yet, anyway, I am sure going off the things that were said that is only going to be a matter of time. I don't want to lose her, but at the same time, I don't want her having to sacrifice everything she has worked so bloody hard for for me. If needs be then yes, she should continue her studies over me.

I would just have to find a way to learn to cope with being alone I guess. Learn to accept being rejected. I think I want to speak to her first though. I will go to the university this week and wait for her maybe.....

"Gabe?" Knox says, making me realise I hadn't answered Jake's question.



These are my best friends, have been since being young boys, is there much point lying to them?

“No I am not the best. Feel like I am falling apart if I am honest, but going to have to get used to that I guess. Is Manny ok?” I ask.

“Yeah, they have marked one another this morning after speaking to Lola’s parents, that way their Alpha can’t argue” Knox explains. “and what can we do to help you Gabe?”

I felt some relief knowing that, at least my cousin shouldn’t lose his mate if he had already marked and mated her. It would only be me without my mate. I didn’t want him going through this pain, it was hell on earth. And what could they do to help? Unless they could fix this messed up situation I found myself in, I am not sure there was much they could do to be honest.

“Well unless I am able to magically fix the situation I don’t think there is much you can do” I say with a sigh, as I walk through to the kitchen to make a coffee.

Jake and Knox follow.

“I am contemplating reporting their Alpha to the werewolf council, Gabe” Knox tells me

I look to him, puzzled. “Why? What’s the point, they have got away with it for decades, what makes you think you reporting it will make any difference?” I say bluntly.

“If the council don’t know about them, then they will have to investigate them at the least. They can’t know about them or they wouldn’t be being run like that. They are breaking so many rules. It isn’t right. There are women in that pack that have little to no rights, imagine if that was your sister, or your mama. We need to try to help them. Think of Lola and Esme” Jake says.

“Esme has made her choice” I say, maybe a little harshly.

“And we still need to give her chance to explain that” Knox says.

“What is to explain? I wasn’t good enough to fight for” I mutter.

I see a look of sympathy pass between Jake and Knox, great.....

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