

A Pack of Their Own

I watched as we were driving away to go park 252

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STAR: I watched the chain of information flow, helpless to stop it. I just had to smile and play along, and so did Renae. At least we got the warning to Alpha Apollo without too much suspicion on Jessie's part, with that trade deal the twins wanted. I, for one, wanted to get the hell out of there and inform Kes to expect trouble, but we were stuck until the end.

JESSIE: I knew Star wouldn't give anything up, but I still got the information I needed to find that sniveling little bitch. Now I just need to make my plans and be smart about them, I can't raise suspicion, I will play the doting mother, and get them to relax around me, let them think I am settling. Then I will make my move, and I will kill that bitch this time.

KESKA: We were already in July, time flew. It was James and Jessie's birthday. I called him to wish him a happy birthday. And I told him that both Mackie and I were expecting in September. "That's great to hear, Kes. I am so happy for you." He said. "You're not upset?" "Why would I be?" "Well, everybody told Trever he had to wait, but we couldn't, because both Mackie and I went into heat." I told him. "That is unusual, but if you were in heat, you couldn't wait. I understand, and I am happy for you." "Thank you. Are you done yet with your Alpha training?" "Soon, we will both be done before Lissa and Liam's birthday." "Then maybe we can come, and they can have their birthday together." I said. "That will depend on how close the two of you are to giving birth." He said. "True. Well, I hope you have a good day. Love you." "Love you too." And we hang up. We got word through Star that Jessie knows that we moved from Canada and that we were back in the state, and to expect trouble somewhere down the road. We worked hard throughout the summer to get the Pack up and running. We finished up on building projects, including putting up cabins out by each of the lakes, as rental and vacation spots. We got both schools up and ready for September, leaving that main office building for the indoor gym and barracks for the warriors who were on duty, or didn't have families yet. Seth worked hard to regain both Mackie's and my trust. I am still a little leery, but it's better. I think we can put him in as the head warrior. But I want him to finish school and get some more formal training from Mitchell, but I think he has proven himself well enough for the job. As for our Beta, that is going to be Liam, but until he is old enough, Ellion will hold the position, and he and Liam can work together to get Liam where he needs to be. Mackie and Dutch are our Gamma couple. Some of the Pack members requested to raise sheep, and I didn't see a problem with it, nor did Trever. It

would give us a food source and an income; we could sell the wool. Nana and Papa both stayed with us as Pack elders. They started writing the history of our new Pack, and I think they may even become chosen mates. True to form, Jessie shows up at our front gates in August. She had to of been watching, because she showed up when Dutch and Trever were out of the Pack, busy with the apartment complex. 3

APOLLO: Jessie had asked to visit her friends for a week, and I didn't think that was too much to ask, so I said she could. She had been on her best behavior; she had settled into taking care of the twins, not showing favoritism to either of them, and we had a nanny and wet nurse to help out, so I let her go. But I still had her discreetly followed, I was not going to **trust** that she wouldn't get us in trouble with the royals because of her sister. And I guess I was right to do so. I got the call from Cal; he had special ops training, so he was able to follow her without any trouble. She was headed straight for her sister's new Pack. I told him just to keep an eye on her, but not to interfere, I was on my way. Before I could leave, Saetta caught me. "Alpha, you need to come and see this." I followed her to Jessie's private quarters. "I took the opportunity to do a thorough check of the Luna's room, and I found some unsettling things." "Show me." She led me to Jessie's room and pulled open a couple of different drawers. "What am I looking at?" "Under the drawer." I felt under the drawer and pulled out a paper-backed book about spiders. I flipped through it, and it naturally fell open to **the** section on recluse spiders. "That's not all." Saetta pointed to the other drawer she had pulled out. I walked over to it, I put my hand underneath it, and pulled out another notebook with instructions on how to extract the venom from spiders and snakes. I was furious. "Anything else?" She led me to Jessie's wardrobe. I entered, "What am I looking for?" "Midway back, the middle board on the bottom." I bent and felt along the board; there was a space I pull up on, and the board came up. I reached inside, and there was another notebook. Jessie had written down how to use spider venom to poison and incapacitate a victim. And she had Keska, my mother, and our son listed. That was all I needed. I was going to end her. I linked Lance. "You're in charge until I get back. Saetta will fill you in." I grabbed the notebook that she had the notes in on extracting the venom, and her sister's, my mother's, and our son's names as my proof, it was her handwriting. I slammed out of the house, got in my truck, and took off. I called Cal. "Where is she!" I seethed through the phone. "Outside Three Lakes Pack." I hung up and pushed the gas pedal to the floor. I realized that it was going to take too long going by vehicle, so I pulled over at a gas station, went inside. "Hey, I need to leave my truck here for a day." I told the attendant. "Umm, I will have to check with my boss." "Go ahead, I'll wait." He picked up the phone by the register and quick dialed a number. "Boss, there is a man here, says he needs to leave his truck here for a day." "Tell him \$50.00 and it's fine." I heard what he said, and I had already put **the** money on **the** counter before he hung up. "Thanks."

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