

Benefits 114

Chapter 114: A Prank

"I'll take an Alien Invasion and a Fairy Forest, please."

"Only a Mermaid Delight for me, please." The two female customers nodded and closed their menus with a final click while Nora could only blink.

When she failed to move, the woman gave her a questioning look before hurriedly collecting the menus and making a move to place the orders with the chef. Lena and Maya had once again abandoned her for the day, and now suddenly she had a customer who was ordering such an odd thing.

Before she could reach the chef to discuss how to handle this situation, another customer summoned her. Hesitating, she hurriedly walked to him, hoping that he would place his order quickly. However, her expression took on a comical turn when the man ordered a, "Galactic Elixir."

Giving him a strained smile, Nora looked at the menu in front of the man and sighed. It was their normal regular menu. Were there such bizarre things on the menu that she was not aware of? She'd been working here for months and never heard of them...

She quickly went to the chef and relayed the orders. The chef stared at her as if she had lost her mind. "Nora, cara, you've been working here for a few months. Where in the menu can you find these things? Go on out and tell the customers that they have order something off the menu and not make up things."

Hesitating, Nora walked out of the kitchen and towards the customers ready to apologize when another couple seated on the side summoned her, "We'd like an Enchanted Eclair and a Bizarre Blueberry bagel, please."

Nora sighed. What was with all the customers today? Hesitating, she told the couple politely, "I am sorry. We only serve the dishes on the menu."

The girl looked at her as if she had lost her marbles and pointed out, "Are you new here? Of course, these items are on the menu. Look."

Nora took the menu and widened her eyes as she saw an additional page in the menu and quickly nodded and left the table.

She wondered if Lena and Maya were planning to add a few dishes to the menu and had mistakenly placed the trial menu with the original ones. But now, everyone seemed interested in these bizarre ideas. Maybe she could talk to the people on the three tables and request them to change their order, reasoning that this menu of theirs was not yet active. But that proved to be a fruitless exercise because all three tables insisted that they would have that and nothing else.

"Well, I'll see what I can do," she muttered to herself, clutching the peculiar menu. Perplexed and flustered, she wondered what she was supposed to do with these stubborn customers and this whimsical menu. Something seemed to be fishy... Just then, she saw something in the mirror on the opposite wall and the frown on her face was cleared as an enlightened expression came over..

She approached the chef once again, a determined glint in her eyes and a plan already brewing in her mind.

Meanwhile, three men stood side by side in a small office, waiting to see how Nora would handle the prank.

The tallest one pointed out, " I am telling you, that this is not going to work. I mean, she has married Demon, do you think a small menu mix up would surprise her? Let me tell you, I am going to win this bet and she will handle this easily."

The shorter one nodded his head and folded his arms in front of him, " Lucien is right, Seb. This time you are going to lose the bet. We should have gone with the snake one if we really wanted a reaction. There is still time, we can throw a snake and..."

Seb Frost shook his head as he stared at his sister-in-law's bewildered face. She looked cute trying to understand all those fairy tale orders she was getting with stubborn customers who wouldn't move until they got what they had ordered.

"Both of you are wrong, Ian. She is married to Demon but that doesn't mean she can handle this! I'd like her to try. It will give us an understanding of her. She's walking back towards the chef to pass on the customer's orders again. This chef is hot-headed. Once he walks out, we'll end the prank alright?"

"You prepared this as a test for her instead of a prank?"

"It's just a prank alright! Don't think too much. Also, if we had tried the snake prank, after the previous Dog attack on her, we would be lying in the doghouse next to that Tibetan Mastiff, having ourselves poked and prodded by vets."

Lucien frowned and pointed out, " You would have deserved it. I am against the entire plan of playing a prank on her and then betting on it!"

"Yes. But you've already bet on her so you can't renege. Now shush! Look, she and the chef are having an argument about something. Once the chef throws up his hands and walks away, it will be time for us."

"If a real customer comes in by then?" Lucien pointed out, still worried about what they were doing. Even though they were lucky that the three tables were the only actors that Seb hired, it made him worried somehow.

The argument on the screen seemed to be getting heated and hurriedly, Ian gestured, "Let's go now and save our sister-in-law."

As the three men confidently walked around the block towards the cafe, they could not have imagined the scene they would come to. Instead of worrying about the chef leaving and things like that, Nora had already presented some of the customers with their requested dishes.

Lucien quickly slinked away to his regular table with delighted eyes. He had won the bet. Glancing around, he checked- The Alien Invasion seemed to be a coffee macchiato with a weird-looking head on top. She'd actually convinced the chef to create something like that. He then checked out the Fairy Forest, it was their regular avocado toast but somehow it had been made to look magical by using the colorful berry salad on the side...

As he watched the other man sip his Galactic Elixir which was a normal black coffee. Just then, Nora walked out with a glowing face and presented with a flourish, " From the depths of the enchanted room, we have the Eclair and the bagel..."

Lucien watched in amusement as Nora placed a prettily plated eclair and a really bizarre bagel which 'stood' upright on the plate. Her gaze met his and then turned to his brothers who stood at the door in stupefied shock that their prank had failed miserably.

She'd actually discovered the prank and rolled with it! He watched as she made a beeline towards them and quickly hooked each of her hands around their arms, announcing, "And here are the VIPs of today! The special designers of this menu, Ian and Seb Frost along with our regular Lucy Frost."

Herding them to the table, she quickly stepped back and announced, "Somehow, I was expecting you all today! The chef has prepared for something special. Let me present to you- "The Velvet Volcano Delight".

The three brothers watched in amazement as an exquisite dessert, featuring layers of vibrant red velvet cake and a smooth, chocolate lava-like sauce was presented in front of them. The fragrance and the look made them salivate and each of them thanked Nora, forgetting all about the prank and the bet.

Nora quickly winked at the chef who pulled out his phone and quickly started the recording with a happy grin on her face.

All three dug in at the same time, expecting a decadent dessert. However, a peculiar expression covered their face as they paused mid-bite, their eyes furrowed in bewilderment. A moment of silence followed, interrupted by a cautious swallow and a hesitant expression.

And then all three of them dove for the bottle of water, as the spiciness of the hot jalapenos and red chilis assaulted their senses. With tears in their eyes, the three brothers realized that they had underestimated their sister-in-law. Not only had she not fallen for their prank, but she had also turned the tables and subjected them to a prank. A swift vengeance.

Sending a quick wink their way, Nora quickly took her phone from the chef and left the cafe, messaging Maya and Lena on the way that they might want to return if they did not want to be robbed blind.

Nora whistled as she walked down the road, happy that she had not just discovered the prank but also pranked the pranksters! The next moment, she received a notification that she had been added to a WeChat group called the Frost Brothers.

Happy at the acceptance, she felt a little envious. This is what it meant to have siblings. People who could play with you and yet accept you. She thought of Sara's recent change... and wondered maybe she could try and forgive her... They could try to create a new bond without their mother's interference.