

Her Fated Human Mate

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Jade POV

I head downstairs after I kiss Luna's forehead. I don't say anything to Luca because I don't trust myself with how hurt I feel. I'm so angry that the man that is supposed to love me is acting so cold to me. Brooklyn jumps up when she sees me coming down the stairs. "Are you ready to go talk to Autumn?" As she gets closer, I can feel the concern rolling off her. "Jade, what's wrong with you." "Let's go talk to Autumn and we can talk about me after. I linked Ruby to meet us at the cottage." I'm grateful when she doesn't push me right now. We arrive at the cottage and Autumn is sitting on the porch waiting for us. She doesn't look any better than she did when I saw her earlier. I walk up the stairs until I'm standing in front of Autumn. I reach out my hand and she takes it. Once we are inside, we all sit on the couch. "Ruby is on her way." I just finish getting the words out of my mouth when the door flies open. Ruby rushes in and flops down across from us. "Alright, Autumn tell us what the hell is going on with you." She takes a deep breath and I hate the sadness I feel from her. "I found my mate." My eyes must be like saucers. "What the hell Autumn? Did he hurt you? Is that why you're so sad?"

Thoughts of Luca pop into my own mind, making my heartache. I expected finding my mate to be like most wolves. We would meet and accept each other. "No, he didn't hurt me. He doesn't even know I'm his mate." Now I'm really confused. "How could he not know that he's your mate Autumn," Brooklyn asks, and Autumn looks at Ruby. "Connor is my mate." There is silence and I don't understand why she didn't tell us. I hate that she has been suffering alone. "How am I supposed to win my mate when he has no idea who I am to him? It's not like I will see him every day. My wolf and I already love him and he may never be ours." I pull her into a hug understanding exactly how she is feeling. "No way am I going to let that happen", Ruby says. Her rant pulling us out of our pity party. "Autumn, I will speak with my father, but I am sure he will agree. I am bringing Connor here and you are going to tell him everything. If he doesn't accept you, then he is a dumba**" "Ruby, I love that you want me to have my mate but you know that is too risky. If he doesn't want me, then he will be a human with knowledge of our kind." My sister smiles and I know she has some type of plan. "You and your mother are very

powerful witches. You can just erase those memories. I think he might surprise you, but if he doesn't, then there is no risk to the pack or our kind." Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Autumn practically tackles Ruby. "Thank you, Ruby", Autumn says, and I'm glad she will get her chance for her happily ever after. I try not to think about the fact that I won't. "Now tell us what is up with you Jade", Brooklyn asks. I had hoped she would forget about earlier, but no such luck. I look at Ruby and she has sympathy in her eyes. "I also met my mate." "Holy shit, what is happening" Brooklyn says, making me laugh. "He knows I'm his mate, but he doesn't want me." Growls echo in the room and they all look angry. "What do you mean he doesn't want you" Brooklyn says. "Do you remember the hatchling I found?" They all nod and I continue. "Her name is Luna and her father is my mate." "You are mated to the king of dragons" Autumn says. "I was supposed to be, but he has made it clear that he isn't interested in having me for a mate. He tried to give me the it's not you speech." My sister growls and I pull her into a hug. "I'm just glad that Maverick realizes how lucky he is and has accepted your bond." The girls squeal as they notice Ruby's mark for the first time. They congratulate my sister. I get up to go make something for us to eat since we didn't have lunch. I'm just putting the water on to boil when I get a link from my father that they need me for Luna.

I turn the stove off and rush through the cottage. I stop long enough to tell the girls I'm leaving before I take off for the pack house. The girls are running behind me. When I reach my father's office, I can hear Luna crying and it hurts my heart. I rush inside and my eyes meet Luca's. They are pleading and I walk over taking Luna from his arms. She quiets as I hold her to my chest. I walk over and take a seat on the couch without a word. "Jade" I hear before a growl rips through the room. I look up to see Brooklyn staring at the man with his arm around another woman. Oh sh*t apparently none of us are going to have an easy mating. Brooklyn POV

I'm in shock when Autumn says that Connor is her mate and Jade says that the dragon king is hers. It seems the goddess has a sick sense of humor right now. Believe me, I trust her completely, but that doesn't mean I have to agree with how hard this is for everyone. Mating should be the most natural thing for all of us, but it has been anything but that for my family. I notice Jade leave the room when we are congratulating Ruby. I know she is happy for Ruby but I can't imagine how hard it is to think your mate doesn't want you. When she rushes back yelling that she has to leave because something is wrong with Luna, my heart squeezes in my chest. I know she feels connected to that little girl. We all follow after her, but we can barely keep up. As I make my way up the stairs the scent of pineapple invades my nose and Vera is losing her mind. "Mate" she growls and inside the office is the most beautiful man I have ever seen. I already know he isn't a wolf, but seeing his arm wrapped around a raven-haired woman makes my wolf see red. I growl louder than I ever have in my life. I feel both angry and hurt seeing my mate touch someone else. Everyone's head whips toward me. I watch the man unwrap his arm from around the woman before he steps toward me. "Love, look at me" he says. I'm breathing heavily, trying to control Vera. He is standing in front of me and I'm not sure how I'm supposed to respond. Everything in me wants this man but he

obviously is with someone else. "Look at me", he says, and I do as he asks. His eyes are so blue that they could put the ocean to shame. I feel tingles on my face where his hand caresses. I should pull away, but I can't bring myself to do it. Before I know what's happening, I'm wrapped in strong arms. I can't help but give into the feeling of comfort despite all the thoughts swimming around in my mind. I hear the door close and I pull back. We are alone in the room and I step away from him. I miss his touch, but I can't think straight and ask my questions wrapped in his arms. "What is your name beautiful mate?" "My name is Brooklyn. What is yours?" "My name is Sherman." "What is your girlfriend's name?" I know I sound like a jealous brat, but right now I don't care. "Brooklyn, Esme is my companion nothing more." "What the hell does that mean?" I don't even try to keep the anger from my voice. If he thinks I'm stupid, then he has another thing coming. "In our kingdom we don't often find our mates. It can be a very lonely life. So, we can choose to be companions or take a chosen mate." "That sounds like a girlfriend to me."

"It is totally different. Yes, we hold hands and hug, but there is nothing more. It is not romantic in anyway. We go to the movies, make dinner, and share a space. It's like having a roommate." "Do you love her?" "Yes, I do." "My heart breaks at his words." "I have known Esme since we were children. I care deeply for her but not the way I feel for you. I have never wanted to be intimate with Esme. You are the only woman I want to be with. The only woman I want to mark as mine." I hear a knock on the door and the woman he called Esme pokes her head back in. Vera growls but I push her to the back of my mind. This woman didn't do anything to us for her to feel our wrath. She didn't know Sherman was our mate. "Brooklyn, can I talk to you for a moment." I nod and she comes in. She looks at Sherman "alone." He nods this time and leaves the office. She is very pretty woman and honestly, I'm waiting for the mean girl speech. Where she tells me he is hers and I can't have him. "Brooklyn, I'm sorry that Sherman had his arm around me when you walked into the office. I wasn't feeling well and he was simply helping me stay steady on my feet." I search her eyes for any sign of deceit, but I see nothing but sincerity. "I am Luca's cousin, so I became Sherman's friend, my default. I was smart and magically savvy, but I wasn't strong or liked. I think Sherman felt like he needed to protect me. It developed into a strong friendship and since neither of us had mates, we decided to live together. It can be lonely when you don't have a mate. I promise you that there is nothing but friendship between us. I am so happy that he found you and I hope we will be friends too."

Sherman POV

I head into the hallway and I'm so happy but scared at the same time. Jade is holding Luna, but she is shooting daggers at me. I understand why, but I would never hurt Brooklyn. I walk over to her. I look down the hall at my best friend who is looking everywhere but at Jade. If he wasn't king, I would kick his a** but he out ranks me. "Jade, I swear to you I have waited for Brooklyn and I will never hurt her." Her icy look melts and she smiles. "You better not because if you think that Alpha males are scary, they have nothing on Alpha females." I like Jade and I hope that Luca pulls his head out of his a** before he loses his chance at happiness. I lower my voice and pray he doesn't

hear me. "He is in pain because his chosen mate died giving birth to that beautiful little girl. I know he is being an i***t right now, but don't give up on him. I think if Luna has anything to say about it, he will realize what she already has, that you are her mother and his mate", I say pointing at Luca. The door to the office opens and Esme walks out, followed by Brooklyn. I don't know what I expected but when she wraps her arms around my waist, I say a prayer of thanks to goddess. I must be smiling from ear to ear because the Alpha walks over and slaps my shoulder. "Don't smile yet, you have to tell her fathers that you are taking their pup away." My smile doesn't waiver because I will face anything I have to in order to have Brooklyn by my side.

We all head back into the Alpha's office to wait for Brooklyn's parents to arrive. I notice that Luca keeps looking at Jade when he thinks no one will notice. "You better figure this out before we are ready to head back to the kingdom," I link him. He looks back at me and I can tell he wants to tell me to f**k off, but he knows I'm right. "How can I do that to Cynthia? It's been three months and I'm just going to move on and be happy with someone else." "Yes, I knew Cynthia and that is what she would want. Your daughter has already given you her vote. Now you just need to let yourself be happy." A door opening brings me out of the conversation with Luca. Two very large men and a petite woman walk in. If looks could kill, I would probably be dead. Brooklyn's hand is firmly in mine. "Sherman, these are my brother-in-laws, Jonathon and James and their mate Jocelyn." I stand and Brooklyn does the same. "It is a pleasure to meet you, sirs and ma'am." They both growl and Brooklyn steps in front of me but not before Jocelyn turns to them. "What did I tell you before we came in here?" It's comical to see these big strong men being handled by their mate but I don't dare smile. "You will welcome him to our family or so help me goddess you will both be very sorry." "Jocelyn she is our little girl" one of the men whines and again I almost chuckle. "He is her mate and that is what is supposed to happen. Do you think my father thought I wish my daughter would have mates from another pack? No, but he has always been kind to you and now you both do the same for this young man." "Fine" they say in unison.

They turn extending their hands to me and I shake them both before Jocelyn wraps me in a hug. "Welcome to our family. Now, I know Brooklyn will be leaving with you, but I expect you to bring her back to see us often." "Of course, ma'am." "None of that ma'am stuff, mom or Jocelyn will do just fine." "Of course, Jocelyn." We speak for a little while longer and Brooklyn leaves with her parents to get her things. Lake and Gabby are watching their daughter tend to Luna with smiles on their faces. I can see the anger on Lake's face when he looks at Luca because he is causing her pain. Luca stands "would it be alright if I spoke to Jade alone." Gabby and Lake look at Jade and she nods. We all leave the room and I hope that he does what's right, not only for Luna, but for himself. I know their mating won't be easy, but nothing worth having ever is.

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Luca

POV

As I watch Sherman accept his goddess-given mate, my heart aches. I'm so happy for him and I know Esme is too. I know he's right that Cynthia would want me to be happy, but I still feel like I'm betraying her. She never got to have time with Luna. The time to be the amazing mother I know she would have been. I watch Jade holding Luna and it pulls at my heart. She will be an amazing mother to Luna. I want Jade with everything in me. Not because of Luna, but because she is my mate. I want to give into the bond, but I can't say I'm not afraid. Losing Cynthia almost killed me and we were not fated to each other. If anything happened to Jade, I wouldn't survive. The goddess chose her and everything about her is attractive. She is gorgeous, but it's more than that. I can already tell she will challenge me and not be like many women who just want me for the title. My father won't be happy with our mating because he expects me to have a ranked dragon mate. A strong dragon to become queen. He wants me to choose Monica. I don't care what he wants. I chose Cynthia despite his opinion and mating Jade is my choice, not his. I need to talk to her and try to make this right. I'm not ready to mate and mark, but I'm not willing to let her go even if I have been an a**. "Look who finally pulled his head out of his a**" Sebastian says. I don't even respond to him. Brooklyn leaves with her parents. I'm glad that Jade will have someone she is close to returning with us if I can convince her to come.

Her father is shooting me death glares. In any other situation, I would take it as a challenge and show him who is the Alpha, but I would be the same way if someone was hurting my daughter. Especially if that someone was supposed to protect her from pain. "Can I speak with Jade" I ask and I'm grateful when she nods to her parents. The door closes and my resolve starts to falter. What if she rejects me for acting like a jerk? "What if she doesn't? I've never known you to back down from anything. Now is not the time to start", Sebastian says. He is definitely right. She is too important to let my fear stop me. My eyes meet Jade's, but they give nothing away. "What did you want to speak about Luca?" My name on her lips sounds so right. "I'm sorry for how I acted earlier." She looks shocked at my omission. "I'm sure you realize that you are not my first mate" I say looking down at my sleeping daughter. She nods and I continue. "I took Cynthia as a chosen mate a year ago. She was not a ranked dragon, which was a point of turmoil between me and my father. The council wasn't happy either. I chose her because we fell in love and her rank was not important to me." I expect to see hurt in her eyes when I say that I loved Cynthia, but there is only sympathy.

"What happened to her" she asks and I hate the answer. "She died giving birth to Luna. My father insisted her body wasn't strong enough to handle the royal hatchling pregnancy because she was weak." I drop my head, feeling the guilt all over again. A hand on mine brings me back to the here and now. "What happened was not your fault and I don't think your father is right about Cynthia being strong." I can't help the smile at her kind words. She doesn't move her hand and I'm glad. "That was three months ago. Luna is all I have left of Cynthia and when I saw you today it scared me." "Luca, I wish

you would have just talked to me instead of acting like a jerk." I can't help the laugh. "I don't think anyone has ever called me a jerk to my face." "Well, I won't apologize for telling you how you were acting but I do understand your reaction now. Luca, I understand if you want to reject this bond." "No" I say harsher than I mean to. "Jade, I want you to come back with me. I would like to get to know you and in time accept the bond." She smiles at first but then she looks down at Luna and her smile fades.

She pulls her hand away from mine and I miss her touch. "This change of heart wouldn't have anything to do with Luna wanting to be around me, would it? I will care for Luna because she is important to me, but I don't want you to say these things if you truly don't mean them. I would never want our bond built on Luna's needs." I hate that she thinks I only want her to come back with me because of Luna. "Jade, I love that my daughter imprinted on you and she knows how important you are, but that has nothing to do with what I just said. I want you to be my mate and my queen. I want you and I'm sorry that I need time" she cuts me off. "I am fine with waiting as long as you truly want me." "I guess the question is, do you want me, Jade?" She places her hand back on mine. "I wanted you the moment I saw you. I will wait as long as you need. I want to be your mate, Luca. I want to help you raise Luna. I will treat her like she is my own pup and we will honor Cynthia's memory. She will know her mother." I stand and help Jade to do the same. I wrap her in a hug without squishing Luna and her scent gives me peace. I know in my heart that she was meant to be mine. "I'm going to go get my things around and I will come find you for lunch." She leans up and kisses my cheek before she places Luna in my arms. I start the walk back to the room and Luna doesn't make a peep. "Alright little one, I got it. I agree Jade is our family now. Now we just need to tell your grandfather."

Jade POV

As I hear Luca say he wants the bond with me, I have never been so happy. I thought for sure he wanted to talk to me to speak about his formal rejection. I would have been devastated but I would have accepted if that was what he wanted. I don't want to have to beg my mate to choose me. My heart broke to hear him talk about Cynthia and I understand why he was so upset when we first met. I was happy about going with him, but I don't want to be asked purely because Luna seems to have become attached to me. I would do anything for this little girl, but I don't want him to choose me because of Luna. I want him to want me. I was shocked when he asked if I wanted him. I nearly jumped out of my seat. Zelda was dancing in my mind and I didn't have to think about my answer. I want him with every part of me and I understand him wanting to wait. When he wraps me in the hug, I resist melting into him not only because of Luna, but I want to respect his wishes. We will get to know each other before we move forward. I kiss his cheek before I head out of the office. It doesn't escape me that Luna doesn't cry this time and I smile to myself. [Search the website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"I hope that smile means that the bonehead, came to his senses", Ruby says and I burst out laughing. "Did you just call the king of dragons a bonehead?" "Yes, I did." My

father wraps his arm around her shoulder "that's my daughter." My mother rolls her eyes but looks to me for an answer. "We will be taking things slowly, but we have both decided to accept the bond." My mother wraps me in a hug. I pull back and I can see sadness in their eyes despite the smiles. I'm going to miss them too. I can't imagine not seeing my family every day. Ruby pulls me into a hug. "I'm so happy for you. I'll miss you." "Why would you miss her" Tabby's voice comes from behind them. I pull back, smiling at my aunt. "Brooklyn and I will be going to the dragon kingdom to be with our mates." "That's wonderful but there is no reason for anyone to be sad." We all look at her confused. "The kingdom isn't close like the coven Aunt Tabby. I won't see you guys all the time." "The hell you won't. When you're ready to come to visit, you rub the necklace and I will open the portal." I smile and so does everyone else. I rush over and wrap her in a hug. "Thank you, that's amazing. I would hate not to see you guys and now my uncles can stop pouting." Everyone laughs and I head toward the cottage.

I look around at the cottage I have shared with Ruby these last two years. I love my family and I'm so grateful I will still get to see them. Once I've packed what I need, I head back to the pack house to have lunch with everyone. Sherman has his arm around Brooklyn, Luca is holding a very awake Luna, and my family are here. It's the best way for us to say goodbye. I just wish that Archer and Wesley were here too. As if my wish conjured them, they appear with two women that I assume are their mates. I rush over, wrapping Archer in a hug and a loud growl makes everyone laugh. I don't need to look to know who growled. "That's her brother" I hear my mother whisper. I can't help the smile that spreads on my face. I pull back and Archer is smiling. "Sis, this is my mate Danica and Wesley's mate Constance." I hug both the women before I hug Wesley. I take my seat next to Luca and he takes my hand. "Archer, this is my mate, King Luca and that is Sherman, Brooklyn's mate." "I am just Luca to all of you." We talk for awhile and I watch Autumn smile but I know she is longing for Connor. He better not break her heart. Human or not, I'll kick his a**.

We say our goodbyes, which I hate, but at least now I know I can visit whenever I am missing my family. I slide into the SUV next to Luna's car seat. Esme is on the opposite side, telling me about the kingdom. I can tell we will be good friends. She wanted to give Sherman and Brooklyn space, so she rode with us. I can tell that she truly is happy for them. As soon as we reach the airport, Luca leads me to a huge jet. It's amazing inside and I take seat next to Luna, which leaves two open seats across from me. Luca takes the seat directly across from me and his leg is resting against mine. I know that shouldn't make my body heat up just from our legs touching, but it does. Zelda is purring and I'm trying to keep my body under control, so he doesn't smell my arousal. I look back at Luca and his eyes are black. He leans forward so only I can hear him. "Little mate, you're making it very difficult to control myself when I can smell your arousal for me." I can tell it's Luca's dragon speaking to me. "What is your name mate" I try to change the subject. "Sebastian, little one and soon I will know exactly what your arousal tastes like." I clench my thighs together. "Sebastian, I think you better give control back to Luca" I say and he chuckles.

He's eyes return to their beautiful blue color and he is smiling. "Jade, you're blushing." "You gave him control, didn't you." "Maybe" he says with a cocky grin. The rest of the flight was uneventful. I played with Luna after feeding her and took a nap. A strong hand that causes tingles on my skin gently shakes my shoulder. "Jade, we have arrived. I need to apologize ahead of time for anything my father may say." "I'll be fine. I'm a pretty tough girl." "I have no doubt of that." He takes my hand and we leave the jet followed by Sherman, Brooklyn, and Esme. I don't know what I expected, but I'm grateful that there isn't many people here. We take a very short ride and arrive at a huge gate. I can see the castle peaking over the top of a tall wall. The gate opens and we drive through. It's amazing to see a city and the castle sits in the middle. I know this isn't going to be easy to have dragons accept me, but I'm willing to do whatever it takes to be with Luca. Once we park, I take Luna in my arms. Luca places his hand on the small of my back leading me inside. Brooklyn gives me a hug before she follows Sherman. We walk down a hallway when I hear a masculine voice call out for Luca. We both turn and I can see confusion on the face of an older version of Luca.

He doesn't address me at first. "You found her. Thank the goddess" he says, touching Luna's head. "Why has this wolf returned with you and why is she holding my granddaughter?" Zelda growls but I manage to hold her back. "Jade, this is my father, William. Father, this is my mate, Jade." His eyes look like they are going to pop out of his head. "Excuse me, did you just say that this wolf is your mate?" "That is exactly what I said father. Honestly, I would like to get Jade settled so you can get to know her at dinner." "Luca, I want to see you in my office in ten minutes." I can feel Luca's anger. "I will be there when I am finished helping Jade get settled." William turns without a word and heads away from us. "Well, that went better than I thought it would" Luca says and I chuckle. We start walking down the hall again until we come to a large set of double doors. "This is our room. Even though we are taking this slow, I would like to keep you close. Luna stays here also." I nod, I want to be close to him, so I have no problem sharing a room. He opens the door and I step inside and stop dead. I see red and if I wasn't holding Luna I would probably shift right now.

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Jade POV Search The [website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

A growl that shakes the room sounds from behind me. Luna doesn't even open her eyes. I turn and place my hand on Luca's forearm. "Take Luna", I say and he does it without question. I didn't even realize I used my Alpha command, but it wouldn't make Luca listen anyway. We cannot use it on our mates since we are equals. I turn back to a woman lying naked on the bed we I am supposed to share with Luca. She makes no move to cover herself, which succeeds in pissing me off further. I walk over to the side

of the bed and she smiles at me. "Rip that b**ch apart" Zelda growls. I agree with her but I also know that I can't just kill her without Luca's father using it against me. "Who are you and why are you in this room?" "My name is Monica, I'm the future Queen of the dragon kingdom and Luca's future mate." Luca growls low and she looks toward him before she looks back at me. I laugh and I see her smirk falter when I growl loudly. "Well, Monica, a more diplomatic Alpha would probably warn you about how unacceptable this behavior is, but I'm not that Alpha." I reach out grabbing her by the hair and toss her onto the floor. "That man and little girl belong to me. He is my mate and you are about to be very sorry" I say pointing toward Luca. I pull back and punch her in the face. I hear her nose crunch under my fist and I'm sure it's broken. Blood pours down her mouth and chin. "Don't you ever go near Luca again or next time I won't be so nice." She scurries back from me and looks toward Luca, who is smiling. "Luca, how could you stand there while this mutt hurts one of your own kind."

He comes to stand next to me and wraps his free arm around my waist. "I am King Luca to you. If you ever disrespect my mate and the future Queen of the Dragon Kingdom again, you will be thrown into the dungeon for the rest of your miserable life." She turns on the waterworks and ugly cries. I roll my eyes before I walk over, grabbing her by the arm. I lead her to the door, but Luca stops me. "Wait" he says and I see hope flash in her eyes. "How the f**k did you get into my room?" The hope on her face fades and she chews on her lip. I squeeze her arm "answer your king when he asks you a question." "Your father wants you to take me as a chosen mate." I growl and Luca takes my hand. "So, he let you in my wing without my permission." It's not a question and Luca's anger is palpable. He hands Luna to me before he grabs Monica by the arm. "Jade come with me", he says. I follow close behind him and we reach a large wooden door. He throws it open without knocking and I'm shocked to see that his father isn't alone. The man that is sitting in the chair looks horrified when he sees Monica.

Luca POV

Jade is amazing. I had every intention of dealing with that b**ch when I saw her lying on the bed, but Jade had other ideas. She has every right as my future Queen to punish her, so I make no move to stop Jade when she punches Monica in the face. I'm glad to see the blood pouring out of her nose. It won't last because we heal quickly, but hopefully, now she will understand that she has no chance. She never had a chance, even if I didn't meet Jade. The more time I spend with Jade, the more I realize that I want her to be mine. As Jade leads her to the door, the realization hits me that there is no way she could be here in my wing unless someone let her in. When she says my father helped her, I see red. As I walk toward my father's office, Monica pleads for me to release her. I throw my father's office door open and I'm glad to see Monica's father sitting in front of my father's desk. His eyes get big when he sees that Monica is naked with blood running down her chin. "What the f**k is the meaning of this", Timothy says. I release her and she rushes over to Timothy, who covers her with his coat.

"Your daughter went into my private wing and decided it was a good idea to wait for me naked. My mate and I didn't take very kindly to that." "You have no mate, you bear no

mark" my father says. I wrap my arm around Jade and hold her to my side. "I'm going to make this perfectly clear to you, father. Jade is my mate and she will rule the kingdom by my side. I am the king, not you." "The council will never allow a wolf to become our Queen", Timothy says. I release my hold on Jade and step into his space. I tower over him and I can see the fear in his eyes. He drops his gaze as I push my aura forward. "Luca" my father yells my name. I don't move but Timothy does. "Timothy please take Monica to the infirmary while I speak to my son." He leads Monica out of the office closing the door behind him. "Luca, I would like to speak to you in private now." I laugh "no, my mate is not going anywhere." "This is dragon business and this woman is not a dragon." I cross my arms over my chest. "Fine, you want to do this in front of her then so be it. You will reject her and take a proper dragon mate." "Like hell I will. Jade is my goddess given mate and this is not up for discussion." "You will lose your title if you take her as a mate" he says, pointing at Jade. She growls and I chuckle. "You dare growl at me mutt in my kingdom." As soon as the words leave his mouth, Sebastian pushes forward. I slam him against the wall and he struggles to free himself. "You will not speak to my mate that way. You are my father, but make no mistake, I will choose my mate and you will lose." "Release me Luca now." I stare into his eyes and he drops his gaze. I step back but this is far from over. A knocking on the door interrupts us and I expect it to be Timothy or other council members. When a guard steps inside with Esme hand cuffed, I growl. "What is the meaning of this?" "Esme has been accused of taking part in the abduction of Luna" my father says coldly. "I would never hurt Luca or Luna. Uncle William, how could you believe that I would do something like that?" "There are two witnesses. You will be taken to the dungeon until your execution for attempting to harm the king's daughter." She cries and Jade steps forward. "You can't really believe that Esme had anything to do with Luna being taken. Who are these witnesses?" My father ignores Jade and motions for the guard to take Esme away. "Stop now" I say and the guard freezes in place. "Release her and leave us." The guard immediately begins to remove the cuffs and rushes out of the office. "Luca you cannot just take her at her word when there are witnesses. I don't want to believe that our own flesh and blood would do something like this either." "I would never betray my family or hurt that innocent little girl" Esme screams at my father. "I want the witnesses in my office in half an hour. Until then, Esme will be staying in my wing. If I find out that she is being falsely accused, all those involved will be executed." I turn leading Esme and Jade back to our wing. I don't know what game this is, but whoever is trying to frame my cousin is going to be very sorry. Ruby POV

After Jade and Brooklyn leave, we head up to the office to have our meeting. Archer wanted to see Jade before she left, so we decided to meet here. Once we all have a seat, we turn to Danica and Archer. "I really think that Aunt Serina and Uncle Nicholas need to be here for this meeting." "Archer, you know that they will be made aware of everything as Alphas of this pack. They are spending some time with their pups today" my father says. "I know that dad, but what we need to discuss is a threat to Ella." Growls are heard throughout the office, including mine. No one will hurt our family. My father links and Maverick wraps his arm around me. His touch and scent help to calm me and Gemma. His phone rings and he reaches into his pocket, pulling it out. "It's the

officer from the other night." We go into the hallway to take the call while we are waiting for my aunt and uncle to arrive.

He puts the phone on speaker. "Mr. Solace, it's officer Brown." I smile at the use of my surname, but Maverick doesn't correct him. "Yes I'm here with my wife." "I'm not sure how to say this to you sir, but Ms. Martin is claiming that she was not involved in your wife's accident." "Of course, she is", Maverick says. "I expected her to deny wrong doing as most suspects do but that's not why I'm calling you. The more disturbing part, sir, is who she is claiming was involved. She claims that your father hit your wife's car." Maverick starts to squeeze the phone to the point that I worry he will break it. I place my hand on his arm. "I want to speak with her." "That is against protocol sir. The only person that she can speak with is her lawyer." "Then you can offer her my services, I am a lawyer" I say and Maverick looks like he is going to lose it. "Are you sure about that, Ms. Solace?" "Yes, I will meet with her." "I will let her know about your offer and call you back" the officer says. The call disconnects and I know Maverick isn't happy, but what choice did we have? We need to find out if his father is truly involved. "There is no way you are going anywhere near that woman Ruby." Goddess, he looks hot when he is trying to give me orders. "We will both be there. I have no intention of going alone." He pulls me into his arms and I love his protectiveness.

We head back inside the office and a few minutes later my aunt and uncle arrive. Archer begins to tell us about the prophecy and my aunt is on the verge of shifting. "No one will hurt our daughter." "The pack will protect her Aunt Serina. I want three warriors outside your cottage at all times until this is dealt with." My father smiles and nods at me. I take my aunt's hand. "We will find the vampire and witch and end them before they have a chance to make it to Ella." She smiles and pulls me into a hug. My aunt is a bada** but I know she is worried about her pup. She and Nicholas will protect their pup, but they will need our help. "Archer, I assume, now that you are mated and marked, you will be taking your place in the coven by your beloved's side. An alliance will be made between the Scarlett Rose and the coven if you agree Danica and Archer." They both nod at me with a smile. "I want you and Danica to contact the surrounding vampire and witch covens, in case Milo tries to recruit help or seek refuge." They both nod and I turn back to my parents who are both smiling. "Maverick and I have to deal with the woman that was accused of hitting me, but if anything happens I want to be linked immediately." "Ruby before you and Maverick leave, we would like to speak to you alone." We say our goodbyes to Archer, Danica, Wesley, and Constance before taking our seats in front of my parents.

"Ruby and Maverick, I think it is time that you both take your place as the Alphas of the pack" my mother says. I look at Maverick and I'm glad that I don't see fear on his face. "When do you want to have the ceremony?" "We would like to have the formal ceremony in two weeks if you both agree." "As long as Maverick is alright with that time frame it's fine with me." I look at Maverick. "As long as I'm with you love I'm ready." "That's sweet Maverick" my mother says and my father rolls his eyes. "Maverick have you ever done any type of training or fighting" my father asks. "I work out every day but I have never done any fighting." "As Alpha I would like to see you train and I will gladly be

your personal trainer." This time I roll my eyes. "I accept, I want to be able to defend the pack." "Maverick, I'm glad that you want to train but just remember as a human Alpha we have limitations. That doesn't mean that we aren't essential parts of the pack, but putting ourselves at risk helps no one", my mother says. Maverick nods but something flashes in his eyes. I don't ask him about it now, but I will when we are alone.

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Her Fated Human Mate Chapter 24

Luca POV

After we get Esme situated in the room down the hall from ours, Jade and I head to my office. Luna stayed with Esme. I know she had nothing to do with my daughter being taken. I place a chair next to mine and before Jade can sit down, I take her hand. She looks up at me and I can see affection in her eyes. "I'm sorry for everything that has happened since we arrived." "Luca, I'm tougher than you think. I know you want to take things slow, but no one is going to change that you are mine." "If you don't kiss our mate I'm going to take over and do it for you. I know you want to as much as I do", Sebastian says. I'm just about to do just that when a knock sounds on the door. I smile at her before I lead her to the chair. "Come in", I say, as I take my seat next to Jade. The door opens and my father leads Monica and a man I can scent is a rogue wolf. I see the dragon wing tattoo on his wrist as they come to stand in front of my desk. I turn to the man first. "Tell me what you know about my daughter being taken out of the kingdom." I watch him swallow and he starts to stutter. "What is your name?" "Felix your majesty." "Felix, as long as you tell me the truth, you have nothing to fear." He nods and takes a deep breath.

"A few days ago, my daughter was approached by a female dragon. Esme is her name. I have spoken to her on a few occasions and she has always been very nice to myself and the other rogues. My daughter gladly agreed. We are well cared for by the kingdom and we gladly do what we can to repay your kindness." I nod and he continues. "We were in our camp when the same woman brought the hatchling to my daughter. We were shocked that she would need us to take a hatchling away from the kingdom, but we were afraid to ask. Esme told us if we didn't do what she said that we would be executed. She was very different in the way she acted and spoke. I swear to you, your majesty, we had no idea that the little girl was your daughter." "I believe you, Felix." Before I ask Felix anymore questions, I turn toward Monica. Her face has pretty much healed and she is smiling at me. She really is dense. "What did you see Monica?" "I saw Esme take Luna toward the gate that leads to the rogue camp." "When did you see this happen?" "The day Luna went missing" she says with a smug smile on her face. "If that's true, why didn't you say anything the day you came to my office with my father?"

Her smile falters "I didn't want to believe it was true. I hoped it was just a coincidence. I know how much you love your cousin. I was worried about you Luca." Jade growls at her use of my name. "Only my mate can call me by my name. You will address me as King Luca. Do you understand Monica?" "Yes, King Luca" she says through gritted teeth. "Felix, you actually saw Esme the day she made this request of your daughter?" "Yes King Luca" he says. I can see there is something more he wants to say. "You can speak freely, Felix." "The woman looked like Esme, but she didn't smell like her." "What did you smell like Felix?" His eyes motion toward Monica and I hold back the growl. "Thank you, Felix for all of your help." "You're welcome your majesty. May I ask a question?" "Of course, you may." "Sir William informed me about my daughter. Is it possible that we can bring her home for a proper burial?" "I will make sure that happens and I'm very sorry for your loss. I promise you that when I find out who did this, they will not live to see another sun rise." "Thank you, King Luca. Please let me know if I can ever be of any help to you." I nod and he leaves my office.

"So, Monica, I am going to give you an opportunity to do the honorable thing for once in your life. Were you involved with my daughter being taken and the murder of that she-wolf?" Her eyes get big like she can't believe I am asking her this question. "I would never hurt your daughter or an innocent she-wolf. You know me, King Luca." Jade lays her hand against my arm. "If that is the case then you should have no problem proving your innocence", Jade says. My father growls low and I shoot him a glare. "She is not Queen and shouldn't even be involved in this matter." "You are no longer king and I say who is involved in what matters. You can leave father." "Luca" he starts to say, but I cut him off. "That was not a request." He is fuming but he leaves my office without another word. Monica looks terrified and it makes me happy. "Answer your Queen" I say.

Jade POV

I can feel the deceit rolling off this b**ch in waves. It's making Zelda crazy. It takes everything in me to stay in my seat and not slam her against the nearest wall. I see fear flash in her eyes when I say about proving her innocence. "How can I prove my innocence? It is obvious you have poisoned the king against me." I can't help the laugh that escapes me. "I have only been here a few hours and I can tell that my mate didn't like you before I arrived." I look at Luca and he nods his agreement with my statement. "That is not true. I was to be his mate and then you ruined everything." "I will never understand girls like you. Always wanting what isn't yours to have. From what I can gather, you have known Luca since you were children." She stays quiet. "If he was to be your mate all along, then why did Luca choose Cynthia?" She growls and if looks could kill, I would be dead. I stand from my seat and walk around the desk until I am standing in front of her. "Don't growl at me unless you want me to beat your a** like I did earlier." She takes a step back. I take my pendant in my hand and rub the jewel.

A few seconds later, my aunt appears. Monica gasps "who the hell are you?" "Oh, I can already tell I don't like you" Tabby says and I laugh. "Aunt Tabby, can you work a truth spell for me?" "Wait, what, you can't do that" she starts to say, but my aunt is already chanting. "You're all set Jade. Good to see you again Luca." She hugs me and winks at

him before she disappears. Goddess, I love my family. I turn back to Monica. "Did you have the she-wolf take Luna out of the kingdom?" I can see she is fighting against the spell, but my aunt is very strong. "Yes" she says and slams her hand over her mouth. Luca roars and guards bust through the doors. They grab hold of Monica and start to drag her toward the door. "Stop", I say using, my Alpha command. The men immediately stop walking. I come to stand in front of her. "How did you make yourself look like Esme?" Luca is breathing heavily and I know he is barely holding himself back, but we need these answers. "I was given a shimmer potion to look like her." "One last question, who helped you with all of this because I know you aren't this smart?" She clamps her mouth shut and I laugh at her struggle. She tries to pull away from the guard without success. "My father" she finally says before she bursts into tears. "You b**ch you ruined everything." Luca stomps toward her but I stop him. "Take her to the dungeon now", I say and the guards rush from the office. I wrap myself around Luca and he buries his nose in the crook of my neck.

"I'm sorry Luca" I say and after a few minutes he pulls back. "You have nothing to be sorry for. Thank you for helping me find the truth. I linked the warriors to take Timothy to the cells with his evil a** daughter. I think we should head to bed since tomorrow is going to be a hell of a day dealing with the council and my father." He takes my hand and leads me back to the room that he gave to Esme. Once we have Luna, we head to our room. I can't believe I'm here with my mate in our room. Even though it has been crazy, I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. I lay Luna down in her crib and head into the bathroom. Luca showered first while I got Luna ready for bed. Once I'm showered, I slip on pajama shorts and a tank top. When I walk out of the bathroom, Luca is lying in boxer briefs with his hands behind his head. Oh goddess, this man is built like a Greek god. His scent invades my nose and Zelda is purring. I didn't know wolves purred. I walk to my side of the bed and slide in, keeping some distance between us. I want nothing more than to wrap myself around him, but I need to respect his wishes. [SEAR*ch the website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"Good night, Luca" I say over my shoulder. I feel a strong arm wrap around my waist and soon I am the small spoon with a big body pressed against mine. Holy sh*t I love the way he feels against me. He kisses the back of my neck before he whispers in my ear. "After we deal with everything tomorrow, I plan to make you mine Jade." I stiffen at his words. I don't want him to do this if he isn't ready. "Luca" I start to say, but he turns me pressing his lips to mine. If I wasn't aroused before I am now. The kiss is amazing and I feel it all the way to my toes. He pulls back and kisses my nose. "Tomorrow Jade, I will mate and mark you. You will be mine. My mate and my Queen until death do us part." "I am already yours, Luca." He pecks my lips once more before I turn back over and he holds me. I know tomorrow will be a sh*t show, but right now I am happy and safe in my mate's arms. I can't wait to complete our bond. I fall into a peaceful sleep.

The Next Day

Ruby POV

Maverick insisted that there was nothing in the look I saw last night in my father's office, but I feel like he isn't being totally honest with me. He distracted me with his amazing body and a lot of s*x, but I have no intentions of letting it go. We are driving toward the police station before we head to the office. Autumn is going to be meeting us at lunchtime so we can talk to Connor. I'm excited and nervous about how he is going to react to the news about being Autumn's mate. I pray for Autumn's sake that he has an open mind and realizes how lucky he is to be chosen by the goddess to have Autumn as a mate. "What are you thinking about over there that you didn't hear a word I said" Maverick says and I chuckle. "Autumn and Conner" I say. He takes my hand and I love the feeling of his skin against mine. "All we can do is hope he listens and gives it a chance Ruby." I know he's right. "Now what were you saying?" "I was just thinking about that night of the accident and the break in." I had already thought about what the man had said to Gwen and what Bruce said to me. I know what Maverick is thinking. "Maverick, I don't know your father. Did he ever hit your mother?" He looks deep in thought. "No, when I think back to my childhood he was absent. I never saw him hurt my mother. He never yelled or hit her. He was just gone a lot. After he cheated on her, I wondered if it was the first time or if it was something that happened all the time." I hate the pain in his voice. It makes me want to rip Bruce's arm off and beat him with it. Gemma laughs "I would like to see that." We reach the police station and the officer handling the case greets us. He looks at Maverick with concern. "We are both lawyers and will be handling Ms. Martin's defense." He nods but I'm sure he is confused by this whole situation. "Has my father been brought in on charges" Maverick asks. "No sir, we have no solid proof. All the evidence points to Ms. Martin. Without some type of evidence, we cannot accuse your father based on Ms. Martin's accusation." Maverick nods and he takes us to a room to wait for Delilah. A few minutes later, an officer brings her in and her face lights up when she sees Maverick. The happiness fades when she sees me, but she stays quiet. "Delilah, I am going to make this perfectly clear. Maverick isn't interested in you. If this is a lie, so he won't hold the accident against you, it won't work. We are together and the only reason we are here is because we want to see the right person punished. If that's you, then so be it." "I swear to you that I had nothing to do with hitting you." "Start talking Delilah and if you leave any details out of what you have done, the deal is off. You can find yourself someone else to represent you and I will make sure you are punished for what you have done", Maverick says. She sighs and we all take a seat.

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Delilah POV

When the officer told me that Ruby Solace offered to meet with me, I was skeptical. I'm being accused of hitting her. Why the hell would she want to represent me? How the hell is she even out of the hospital? The officer leads me to a room and when the door

opens, I see Maverick before I see that b**ch Ruby. I never hit her, but that doesn't mean I like her. She took what was mine. I'm not talking about Maverick. We all sit and all I can see is hate in Maverick's eyes when he looks at me now. I can't believe that ba**ard Bruce set me up. I know he did this. No one else could have taken my SUV. "Get on with it, Delilah, or we are walking out of here and you can figure out how to get your conniving a** out of this" Maverick says. "Maverick, I never meant to hurt you" I start to say and he cuts me off. "Tell us why you think my father was involved in the hit and run." I don't have a choice but to tell him about Bruce if I have any hope of getting out of this awful place. "I met your father before we met." His jaw tightens but he doesn't say anything. "He told me where you went to school and encouraged me to try to start a relationship with you." "Why" he says so coldly. "He had hoped that I could help him get back in your good graces." I see a look on Ruby's face and I'm sure she is putting things together. Maverick's expression is unreadable. I keep going before Ruby can speak. "He hoped by rebuilding his relationship with you he would gain access to Mr. Piper's company." "I'm confused, so what did you stand to gain from all of this?" This is the part that I don't really want to share but I have no choice if I want Bruce to pay for framing me. "Bruce wanted me to marry you. He knew that Stephen Piper had a soft spot for you and thought he would make you CEO when he retired. He was furious when Ruby took the role and screwed up his plans." "That still doesn't answer my question, Delilah. What did you get out of this whole plan?" "The man I wanted to be with." I can see the confusion on Maverick's face before realization sets in. "You f**king b**ch." Ruby has a look of disgust but I don't care about her opinion of me. "Bruce promised me if I did this for him, we would be together." "You and my father" he looks pained and disgusted at saying it out loud. He starts to laugh and that is scarier than any of the other emotions he has shown during this meeting. "Let's go Ruby" he stands. "I told you the truth, you said", he slams his hands on the table.

"I can't believe I ever cared for you." It's not lost on me that he doesn't use the word love. I never loved him, but I thought he loved me. "You were f**king my father while you were f**king me and you think I'm still going to help you." "Maverick, let's go into the hallway for a moment", Ruby says as she touches his arm. I really hate this b**ch for ruining everything. My life has gone to sh*t because of her. I wish Bruce succeeded in ending her a**. They leave the room and a hundred thoughts run through my mind. The two that are the most important are making Bruce pay and succeeding where Bruce failed. That b**ch will not get to be happy.

Ruby POV

As soon as we are in the hallway, I wrap myself around Maverick and he squeezes me so tight. I can feel his anger and hurt through our bond. "What kind of people do this" he whispers more to himself than me, but I answer anyway. "Evil people and I promise you they are both going to pay for what they did." He pulls back and I can see unshed tears in his eyes. He presses his forehead to mine and takes a deep breath. "I'm so grateful that the goddess chose you as my mate Ruby. I'm so grateful that I realized what Delilah was before I made the biggest mistake of my life." "I am glad too", I say with a smile. He presses his lips to mine in a soft kiss. I pull back, "I know you aren't happy

about helping her, but we need to make your father pay for all that he has done. I would like to let her rot in there as much as you would, but I'm a firm believer that she will get what she deserves too." He leans in and kisses me one more time before we walk back into the room. "We will help you only because I believe you didn't hit my car but understand this, Delilah. Once this is done, you will never go near my husband again." Her eyes get big and I smile to myself. Maverick threads his fingers in mine. She looks between us with disbelief in her expression. "You're lying, there is no way. We were engaged for a year. You haven't even known each other a year."

"That's because in my heart I knew you weren't the right one even if I was too stupid to realize it. Ruby is my forever and you are just a bad memory. Now, I believe my wife made the terms of our help very clear. You stay away from me and Ruby once this is done." She nods but I can tell she isn't happy. I have a feeling she won't listen to the rules, but right now I want to use her to get all the information we can on that ba**ard Bruce. He hurt Gwen and Maverick. He tried to hurt me but what he did to them is far worse. We gather all the information we can from Delilah before we head to the office. Maverick is going to hire a private investigator to follow his father. When we reach the office, I'm shocked to see Gwen waiting in the lobby. "Gwen, is everything alright?" "Yes, I'm meeting some of my friends for lunch, but I wanted to stop and see how the meeting with Delilah went." Maverick is rocking on his feet and I can see the anguish on his face. "Let's go up to my office and we can talk." We head to the elevator and there is an awkward silence. "Maverick, you need to be honest with your mom. She deserves to know the truth" I link him. He nods and we step off the elevator.

As soon as my eyes meet Jennifer's there is a look of shock that is gone as quickly as it came. "Ms. Solace, it's good to see you." Before I can answer, she looks past me. "What the hell are you doing here?" I hear Gwen ask from behind me. I turn and the look of pain on her face makes Gemma growl. "Gwen what's wrong?" "What is she doing here," she says, pointing at Jennifer, who now has a smirk on her face. "Mom how do you know her" Maverick asks. "She is the woman that was in my bed with your father the day he left." All the air feels like it has been sucked out of the room. "Maverick take your mother to your office while I deal with this. Jennifer my office now." Maverick passes us with his arm around Gwen. Once we reach my office, I close the door. "You can't fire me because I was with her husband. I can sleep with anyone I want too. It is wrongful termination and I will sue this company." "Sit your a** down, now" I say while I try to keep Gemma under control.

Jade POV

Luca kissed me before he left this morning. He had some paperwork he needed to take care of before we meet with the council. I slide out of bed and check Luna. She is still fast asleep. I grab my clothes and get changed. I put on light makeup and pull my hair into a high ponytail. A knock sounds on the door and I expect it to be Esme when I open it. I'm shocked to find William standing in the hallway. "Luca is in his office." "I know, I was wondering if we could talk." I look around the room, feeling uncomfortable about being alone with William in this room. "I mean in my office, Jade." I'm sure he can see

the hesitation when I don't answer immediately. "I mean you no harm Jade. I just want to talk to you." "I will come to your office, but I have no intention of giving up my bond with Luca no matter what you have to say." "I will send one of the girls to show you the way." He leaves and Luna starts to fuss. I get her changed and fed before I head into the hallway. A pretty young lady is waiting when I open the door. "Ma'am I'm here to take you to Sir William's office." I nod "I need to let Esme know where I am going." She waits and I stop at Esme's room. "Jade, I don't know if that is a good idea" she says so only I can hear. "I'll be fine and you can let Luca know where I am, so he won't worry."

I turn and follow the woman down a hallway that leads through a set of wooden doors. Luna is playing with my hair as I walk and it makes me giggle. The woman points to a door and I knock. "Come in", he says, and I push open the door. He is sitting behind a large desk. "Jade, please have a seat." He smiles when he sees Luna and I can feel his love for her. "Jade, first I would like to apologize for the way I treated you. I understand that you and my son are fated mates. I don't agree with your mating, but I had no right to treat you badly." "We are and we plan on completing the bond. You don't have to agree with the goddess, but we do." "I know that Luca told you about Cynthia. Luca is a grown man, but I was trying to save him from the heartache of losing his mate. I knew that Cynthia wasn't strong enough and unfortunately, I was right. Luca was destroyed when she died and honestly, I expected he would never choose to have a mate again. I only pressured him to take Monica as a mate because it would satisfy the council and he wouldn't be attached to her." I'm sure my face must show my disgust at his thinking. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"So, you would prefer he be in a mating that is purely political. What about his happiness?" "Luca's mother was my fated mate. She betrayed me and left us. Despite our bond, she decided that she wanted something different. It nearly killed me. I was so angry with her and I threw myself into running the kingdom. I wasn't the father I should have been to Luca. I have never told Luca about his mother. He has asked but I couldn't bring myself to speak about her after what she did." "Why are you telling me all of this William?" "I don't want to see my son hurt because he believes in the bond. I love my son and Luna even if I'm not the best at showing it." "I promise you, William, that Luca and Luna mean everything to me. I would never betray our bond." He is just about to say something else when the door is thrown open and a very pissed off Luca is looking between us. His black eyes let me know that Sebastian is at the surface. I stand and hand Luna to William before I come to stand in front of Luca. "I'm fine, we were just talking." I'm pulled into his arms and he buries his nose into the crook of my neck. "I don't want you alone with him" he says in my ear. I rub circles on his back until he finally calms down. He pulls back, "I want to know everything you said to my mate now."

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Her Fated Human Mate Chapter 26

Ruby

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"Beat this b**ch's a**" Gemma says. I would love nothing more than to do just that, but this is not the shifter world. I smile at her and she looks confused. "You're right, I can't fire you for being a despicable human being. I know what I can do though." I watch her swallow and shift in her seat. "I have a feeling that you were involved in my accident after you looked so shocked to see me when I walked into the office." I'm impressed when she keeps her expression even, but she can't control her heartrate. It sounds like it's going to beat out of her chest. "I have no idea what you're talking about. I didn't even know you had an accident." "Well, rest assured I will be helping the police find out exactly who was involved." "Are you threatening Ms. Solace?" I stand and come around leaning on my desk. "I don't make threats Jennifer. Now I do have something to say regarding your continued employment at this company. I can't fire you for screwing Gwen's husband, but what I can fire you for is violating your hiring contract." "What are you talking about?" I pick up my office phone and leave it on speaker. Jonelle in human resources, picks up on the second ring. "Ms. Solace, what can I help you with?" "Jonelle, were you involved with the hiring of Jennifer Madison?" "Yes, Ms. Solace." "When Ms. Madison completed the paperwork, did she disclose that she had a relationship with a competitor that could directly impact the company?" I see the blood drain from her face. "No, she wouldn't have been given a job that involved access to accounts if she had answered yes to that question, Ms. Solace." "Thank you, Jonelle", I say and disconnect the call.

"Integrity and honesty is something I expect from my employees. Lying on your employee documents is a terminable offense." "Ms. Solace, I have never told Bruce anything about the company's business." "Unfortunately, your word is no good here. Security will meet you at your desk and you have twenty minutes to get out of my building. If you ever step foot in this building again, I will have you arrested for trespassing." She stands stomping toward the door like a child having a tantrum. I pick up the phone and call the head of security. Once she is gone, I head to Maverick's office. When I walk in, Gwen and Maverick are sitting on the couch. She looks up and smiles at me. "I'm sorry Ruby", she starts to say, and I stop her. "You have nothing to be sorry for. I'm sorry you had to see her after all she put you through." She stands up and wraps me in a hug. "Ruby, what did you do about her? I don't want you to get the company in trouble", Maverick says. I can feel Maverick's anger and anxiety through our bond. Once I explain why I fired her, he stands and pulls me into his arms. "Not only are you beautiful, but you're so smart. How did I get so lucky?" I press a quick kiss to his lips before I pull back. "There is something else I need to tell you." Concern flashes across his face. "I believe Jennifer is the one that hit me in Delilah's car." His hold on me stiffens. "That f**king b**ch" Gwen says. "Don't worry she won't get away with all she has done."

A knock on the door gets our attention. Autumn sticks her head in before she steps inside. "There was no one at the desk so I figured I would check the offices." I tell her

about Jennifer. She growls and her eyes flash black. "My offer still stands to turn Delilah and now that b**ch into frogs." We all burst out laughing and it seems to lighten the mood in the room. Gwen stands "I guess I had better get to the restaurant. I'm sure the girls are wondering where I am." Before I can say anything, Maverick does. "Mom, I don't think you should go to lunch until all this is settled with Bruce. I believe he is the one that broke into the apartment and hurt you." A look of shock and then anger flashes on Gwen's face. "You're probably right. I'll call them and let them know we will have to reschedule. I can wait in here until your done talking to Connor." Her eyes land on Autumn. "Remember what I said. Connor is one of the good ones. It may take him a minute to understand all of this, but I have faith he will be thrilled to know that you were made for him and he for you." Autumn rushes over and wraps her arms around Gwen. ; visit us for more free novels.

Autumn POV

The whole drive to the office, Summer is pacing in my mind. "Summer, you're killing me with the pacing." "I'm sorry, I'm nervous. What if he doesn't want to be with us? What if he is afraid of me?" "I'm worried too, Summer, but it won't change anything that is about to happen. Summer, you are only scary if someone gives you a reason to be. You are an amazing wolf and he is lucky to have you as a mate." I knew she was worried our mate would fear her. She seems to be thinking for a moment before she speaks again. "Autumn, if he doesn't want us, it will be his loss. We are both amazing and we will find someone that will love us the way a mate should." "I love you, Summer. Let's just see how it goes before we start counting Connor out." She nods her head and I laugh. I park the car and take a few deep breaths before I make my way into the building. I head up to Ruby's floor and find her in Maverick's office. When she tells me about that b**ch Jennifer, it is all I can do not to go find her. I'm glad when Gwen agrees to wait in the office. She is important to all of us and I don't trust Maverick's father. Ruby takes my hand, leading me toward the door. I'm trying to get my nerves under control. I follow Maverick and Ruby to an office on the opposite side of the floor. Maverick knocks and I can hear voices coming from inside. When I hear a female voice, my heart sinks. "I think I'm just going to go back to the office and get Gwen. This was a bad idea." Ruby grabs my arm. "Autumn wait" she says, and I turn back in time to see the door open on a pretty brunette who is smiling. I free my arm and walk as fast as I can back down the hallway. "I'll see you back at the house" I say over my shoulder, without looking back.

Once I'm in the car, I text Ruby that Gwen isn't with me. I put up a block because I just need some time alone. I place the phone on my seat and head back toward the pack. I know they don't realize that I heard their conversations about being a player. Ruby may not remember our first conversations when she met Connor and Maverick. I would never hold his past against him, but he's human. He won't feel the pull and he probably won't want one woman if he's used to being with many. Summer whimpers but it's better to realize this now before we try to get him to believe in the bond. It would kill me if he betrayed me after we mated. We drive thirty minutes and as soon as we reach the pack, I head to the cottage. My parents are in the living room and I don't stop to talk to them. I head into my bathroom and strip off the dress I wore. I scrub off the makeup from my

face. I let a few tears fall as I think of the bond that I will never share with Connor. After a few minutes, I turn off the water. "Autumn Lisa Blade get your b**t out here." I'm shocked to hear my mother using my full name. She only does that when I'm in trouble and I'm sure that I have done nothing wrong.

I pull on my yoga pants and a tank top before I walk out into the bedroom. My mother looks pissed, but I have no clue what this is about. "Mom, what's wrong" I ask and she pats the bed next to her. I take a seat and she wraps her arms around my shoulder. "Ruby linked me because you're not answering her. Why did you run out of the office without finding out what was going on in your mate's office?" "Mom, I just need to accept the fact that my mate is never going to be with me. I heard him tell the woman in his office that he loved her before I took off down the hallway. Connor is a player and I don't want to be hurt by my mate." "Autumn, I understand you're afraid, but I have never known you to run when things are hard. You don't even have all the information. You can't let fear rule your actions. I was rejected by my first mate and if I had run, I wouldn't have you or my sexy wolf mate." "Gross mom, you could leave the sexy part out." She laughs because she loves to t****e me. "It's alright to be afraid but not so much that you let it cloud your judgement." I nod and she pulls me into her arms. "Besides, if he is stupid enough not to want you, we can give him something that will shrink his d*ck." "Oh mom, please don't talk about my mate's pen*s."

A loud knock sounds from downstairs and my mother smiles. She stands heading for the door. "I have to go make sure your father doesn't harass your mate." My eyes get big "Connor is here, in the pack." "If you didn't block Ruby, you would have known he was on his way." She leaves and a few minutes later my mate's tall muscular figure is standing in my doorway. "Can I come in Autumn?" "Yes, please come in." He sits on the bottom of the bed so there is space between us. "Autumn, I'm a little freaked out by all of this but why did you run away?" Summer is purring in my mind when he says my name. I block her so I can focus on what I need to say. "I know you like women and I heard you in your office with that brunette. Wolves have excellent hearing and I heard you tell her that you love her." He chuckles "that is because I do love her. She is my aunt even though we are almost the same age. She stopped to say hello and asked me to go to lunch because she was in town." "I'm sorry that I ran and assumed things I shouldn't have." Connor POV

Maverick and Ruby asked me to take a ride with them after Lacey left. I was surprised to see her because she is usually traveling. She is the only one I really talk to in my family. Since we are around the same age, we were friends growing up. Gwen is quiet on the ride, which isn't like her. Once we arrive at the large mansion, I am truly confused when I see people walking around. I step out and Gwen comes around to hug me. "I want you to keep an open mind. Promise me" she says, and I do. Gwen heads toward the mansion and Ruby leads us to what looks like a garden. Maverick and I sit on a bench and Ruby sits across from us. "Connor, I wanted Autumn to be able to tell you about what makes us special but there was a misunderstanding at the office." "I know you're my boss and I mean no disrespect, but I have no idea what the hell you're talking about Ruby." She laughs "right now I'm not your boss. I am the Alpha of this pack and

he is my mate" she says, pointing at Maverick. I laugh "you're talking kind of crazy Alpha." Ruby's eyes turn black and I damn near fall off the bench. Maverick starts laughing before he turns to me. "Ruby, Autumn, and many people here are werewolves." I stand up, looking around. "Where are the cameras? You guys are a riot. I'm not falling for it." Ruby stands and walks about ten feet from us. "Turn around, Connor" Maverick says as he puts his hands on my shoulder. A few seconds later, I hear a growl and turn to see a huge wolf with green eyes standing where Ruby was. I start to back up, but Maverick stops me. "Connor, meet Gemma, my other mate."

I look at him like he has ten heads. "Are you crazy? That is a wolf." Maverick turns me back and after a few seconds Ruby rejoins us on the benches. I'm speechless and a hundred thoughts rush through my mind. "Connor, I understand this is a lot for you to learn that we exist." "That's the f**king understatement of the century. What do you mean that Maverick is your mate?" She gives me, I'm sure, a short version of werewolves and their mates. "So, you two are together like forever." They both pull down their shirts showing me what looks like a tattoo where their shoulder meets their neck. "This is the mark we give our mate to let others know that we are off limits. It's like the wedding bands that humans wear except you can't take them off", Ruby says. My head is spinning and I look at Ruby, wondering why they are telling me all of this. She must realize what I'm thinking because she answers my unspoken question. "You need to talk to Autumn, Connor. She can answer the rest of your questions." A feeling of nervousness blooms in my belly. Could I have a mate that is a wolf? "Is Autumn", I start to say and Ruby cuts me off. "We will take you to her cottage", Ruby says. I follow Ruby and Maverick in silence.

As I sit on the base of Autumn's bed and stare at this beautiful woman I wonder if all this is real. It seems like a dream. Could I really have been chosen by some goddess to spend my life with a woman I don't even know. When Autumn apologizes for running because she thought my aunt was someone I was f**king, it hurts me. It hurts when she says I like women. I know what Maverick thought and didn't bother me, but this woman thinking I'm a womanizer hurts me. I'm not sure what the hell is wrong with me. "Autumn, am I your mate?" Her eyes get big and I know the answer without her even telling me. "Yes, you are my mate." What the hell do I want? How can I promise to be with someone I don't even know? Why do I feel like this woman is important when I don't even know her? None of this makes sense and I have no idea what to say to her when I see fear in her eyes waiting for my response.

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Connor POV

"Autumn, I'm not sure what I am supposed to do with all of this information that I just learned. Up until an hour ago, I had no idea that werewolves even existed. Now I find out not only do they exist, but that you're my mate. You're beautiful and I know you're caring. You healed Gwen and I am so grateful for that." She cuts me off before I can finish. "I understand Connor that this is all too much. This is not your world and you don't know me. I will help you make the formal rejection and once that is done, I will take away your knowledge of the supernatural. You can go back to living your life the way you see fit and choose a human mate." What the hell is she talking about? I grip her hand in mine. "Autumn, you're doing it again" I say with a little irritation in my voice. "You're making assumptions about what I'm feeling and doing without letting me finish." A blush creeps up her cheeks and she looks even sexier. I shake those thoughts away. I need to make her understand what I'm saying. "I have no intention of rejecting you or this relationship. I just need some time to understand all of this." The shock on Autumn's face is comical. "You want to be my mate?" "Autumn, I am an ordinary human. Do you want me to be your mate?" A growl comes out of this beautiful woman and I can't help but laugh. Her eyes turn dark and her next words send a jolt to my c*ck. "You are mine" she says, but her voice is deeper and carries authority. Her eyes return to their beautiful blue color.

"I'm sorry, Summer is very possessive of you already." "Summer, is your wolf" I say like a question. "Yes, she is, and to answer your question, we both want you as our mate." "Can I meet her?" "We would like that if you're ready for it." "I already met Gemma, so it seems only right that I meet my own wolf mate." I swear it sounds like a purr this time and Autumn slams her hand over her mouth. Her cheeks are bright red and I can't help but smile. She starts for the door, but I stop her. "Before we head outside, I want to say something about my past." "Connor, you don't owe me an explanation about your past." I shoot her a look and she makes the motion of zipping her lips. "I know Maverick thought that I had a lot of s*xual partners and I never corrected him because it didn't bother me, but I need you to know that isn't true. I am not a virgin, but I've only been with a few women." I can see Autumn's eyes flickering back and forth between her blue color and black. "Autumn, what's wrong?" "Let's just not talk about you touching any other women. Wolves have a tendency to be jealous and possessive of their mates." I don't know if I should ask this, but curiosity gets the better of me. "Autumn, have you been with other men?" Just the thought of another man touching her pisses me off. I have no right to feel that way, but I do. I have never been a jealous guy when I was with other women, but Autumn feels different even if I'm not a wolf. "No, I have saved myself for you" she says and heads out of the room without another word. Holy sh*t, Autumn is a virgin and she has waited for me. My brain and body are on overload.

I head downstairs and Autumn is waiting at the bottom. Autumn's mother is smiling at me. "I knew you were special. The goddess doesn't make mistakes." "Mom, Connor is accepting the bond, but we are going to spend some time getting to know each other. This is a lot for him." I wrap my arm around her waist shocking myself a little. I hear a growl and look past Tabby at Autumn's father. "Johnathon, he can touch her anytime he wants to. He is her mate. Get over it." I can't help the chuckle that escapes me and Johnathon shoots daggers in my direction. "Don't worry about him" Tabby says, and we

head outside. She leads me behind the cottage and up a path that leads to a clearing. She releases my hand and takes a few steps away from me. I'm shocked when she begins to remove her clothes. I mean it makes sense because she is changing into a wolf. Actually, none of this makes sense, but here I am. She is the most gorgeous woman I have ever seen. Her body is perfect and when she clears her throat, I look back into her beautiful blue eyes. I watch as this petite gorgeous woman changes into a beautiful silver wolf. I feel a little fear of her size, but I know in my heart she won't hurt me. [SEARCH THE website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Luca POV

"Luca, I just wanted Jade to understand why I feel it's a bad idea for you two to complete the bond. It is nothing against Jade." I growl "don't you ever talk to my mate without me present again. You may be my father, but I will protect her against everyone, including you." I take Jade's hand and lead her to my office. I am trying to keep Sebastian under control. When I went back to our room looking for Jade and she was gone, I felt panicked. I immediately went to Esme's room and when she told me that Jade was with my father, I couldn't imagine what the hell he was thinking. He has no right to speak to Jade, especially after the way he has acted since she arrived. Once we are in the office, Jade walks over and lays Luna in a playpen I have set up in the corner. I immediately pull her into my arms and breathe in her scent. Once I feel calmer, I pull back. "What the hell were you thinking about going to his office without me?" At first, she looks confused but then she looks pissed. "Luca, I am not a child. I am very capable and I knew your father didn't want to hurt me." "How could you possibly know that after the way he has acted?" "I am an empath and the emotion your father was feeling when he asked to speak with me was sadness and concern." "Concern for the f**king kingdom. That is all he is ever concerned about." Her face softens and she takes my hand, leading me over to the couch.

"Luca, I will never put myself or Luna at risk. I know you were worried about completing our bond because you were afraid of losing me like you lost Cynthia." "I can't lose you Jade. I need you and Luna to be safe." "I think you need to talk to your father. There is a lot you don't know and it will help you understand each other better." I pull her onto my lap and bury my face in her neck. "I don't know how I got so lucky, but I'm glad that the goddess picked me for you." I press my lips to hers and deepen the kiss pouring all the love I have for her into this kiss. I can't wait to mark her as mine. I'm ready to be done with this meeting and take her back to our room. I pull back and press my forehead against hers. "Thank you for not giving up on me." I press a soft kiss to her and a knock makes her chuckle. "Come in", I say. Sherman and Brooklyn walk in and I can see their fresh marks. I'm happy for Sherman that he found his mate too. I hope Esme does soon. She deserves to have the other half of her soul. "Congratulations" I say as Jade and I stand from the couch. She rushes over and wraps Brooklyn in a hug.

When Brooklyn pulls back, she looks at Jade's neck and I hate that she doesn't bear my mark, but that will change very soon. She wraps Sherman in a hug and I grab her around the waist, bringing her against me. I don't want her smelling like any man but

me. She laughs and I truly love that sound. "It's time to head to meet with the council Luca" Sherman says. I look at Jade and she smiles. "I'm ready" she says, and I take her hand. Brooklyn brings Luna and we head down the hallway. This time all the council members are present with the exception of Timothy. I have Jade's hand in mine and I don't miss the looks of disdain from some of the council members. My father walks in and takes his seat in the front. "I have called this meeting for two reasons. The first is to inform you that Timothy will no longer be the lead council member as he has conspired against me. Both Timothy and Monica orchestrated the abduction of my daughter and the murder of a loyal rogue wolf." "What proof do you have of this" Blake says. "Monica admitted to what she had done and her father's involvement." "I find it hard to believe that she would admit to this, knowing what the penalty would be for such actions" Ernest says. "Are you calling your king a liar" I say with a growl. "Of course not, your majesty. We just want to make sure your judgment hasn't been clouded" he says, looking at Jade.

This time my growl shakes the room. Jade wraps her hand around my forearm, helping to calm me. "King Luca, you must understand our concern. You are standing before us with a wolf by your side. You can't really expect us to accept this union. She is not of our kind and cannot be our Queen." "She is my goddess given mate and she will be my Queen unless one of you wants to challenge me for the crown." I stare at each of them and they drop their gaze. "I am the king and I don't need anyone's permission to take my queen as I have made it perfectly clear in the past. Jade and I will be completing the bond and we will have her formal ceremony in the coming weeks." The men get up without another word and leave the room. "Father, can I see you in my office?" He nods and I turn to Jade. She smiles and I will never tire of seeing that look on her face. "Why don't you go with Sherman, Brooklyn, and Esme to get something to eat while I talk to my father." I lean down and kiss her lips. She takes Luna from Brooklyn and they head in the direction of our wing to get Esme. Once my father and I reach my office, we both have a seat. "Luca, I'm sorry" is the first thing my father says and I don't think I've ever heard those words from him. I hope whatever he is sorry for is something I can forgive.

Jade POV

We walk back to Esme's room. She wraps me in a hug. She is definitely happy to see me. I know she was worried when I went to speak with William. I hope that William is honest with Luca. We walk into a huge dining room and all eyes are on us. Brooklyn and I haven't been announced yet, but if the kingdom is anything like the pack, most people know who we are. Esme and I take a seat at the table while Sherman and Brooklyn go to get our food. Luna starts to fuss and I didn't even think about grabbing her bottle when we went to get Esme. I stand and Esme looks confused. "I need to grab her bottle. I'll be right back." She starts to stand and I don't have the heart to tell her I'll be fine. She tells Sherman we will be right back and we head to mine and Luca's room. I grab what I need for Luna and head back into the hallway. Esme isn't there and I can feel anger and hate even though I can't see anyone. I grip Luna to my chest and I really wish Luca and I had mated and marked last night at this moment. I move down the hallway quickly, hoping to reach Luca's office. "What's the matter mutt? Scared of the big bad dragons", the man Luca called Blake says as he steps out of a room and blocks

me from moving forward. "Where is Esme?" He chuckles "you better worry about yourself mutt instead of that useless b**ch?"

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I reach for my pendant and the ba**ard grabs my arm, pulling me toward him. I tighten my grip on Luna. Zelda growls but we can't shift while we are holding her. "You will not hurt Jade or Luna you ba**ard." I hear Esme's voice from behind Blake. I see shock on his face and he releases his grip on me. He turns to look at her. I begin to step back, creating space between us. "I guess I didn't hit you hard enough. I should have done the kingdom a favor and just killed your useless a**. I'll have to fix that mistake." He stalks toward her. I rub the pendant and a few seconds later my aunt appears. I look down the hall just in time to see Blake consumed in flames. His body falls to the floor and he is screaming. Tabby is able to contain the flames, so it doesn't burn the walls. I look up in time to see a small but beautiful dragon with iridescent blue scales. She collapses and her body shifts. The flame is completely gone and all that remains is ash where Blake stood. Tabby rushes over to Esme and places her hand on Esme's forehead. The glow of her healing engulfs Esme's body. I rush down the hallway and throw open the door to Luca's office. His eyes whip in my direction with anger until he sees it's me. "What's wrong Jade?" "Blake tried to attack me and Esme killed him. She is hurt." He gets up, rushing toward me and I turn back down the hallway holding Luna to my chest.

Esme is back on her feet leaning against Tabby when we reach her. Luca scoops her up and carries her to her room, laying her on the bed. "Luca, I'm fine. Tabby healed me", Esme says. He reaches down and pulls her into a hug. "Thank you for saving my mate and daughter. I will never forget what you have done for me." "You and those girls are my family. I will always protect you." Luca stands and walks toward me. He grips both sides of my face before he presses his lips to mine. He steps back and wraps his arm around me like he needs me close. I feel the same way. "Jade, are you alright", William asks me and I can feel his sincerity. "Thanks to Esme, there isn't a scratch on me or Luna." I can feel sadness and regret rolling off William. He walks over and sits down on Esme's bed. "I'm sorry that I ever doubted you, Esme. Please forgive me." She reaches up and hugs William. I hand Luca Luna before I walk over and hug Tabby. "Thank you, for always being there when I need you." She kisses my forehead. "You are like my own pup, Jade. I will always be there for you and your new family", she says, smiling at everyone in the room. "I better go, but I'm sure I'll see you soon. I have a feeling you'll be making a visit to tell us all the good news." I look at her confused until she bobs her eyebrows at me. I chuckle and she disappears. There is a commotion in the hallway before Brooklyn and Sherman rush into the room. "We're fine, calm down" I say to Brooklyn, whose eyes are black. "What the hell happened", Sherman asks. I look at Esme to tell her part of the story. "I was waiting for Jade in the hallway while she

grabbed the bottle. That ba**ard Blake hit me with something. I woke up in a room down the hall", Esme says. "He was going to kill me. Esme killed him before he could even try." Luca growls and wraps his free arm around me, pulling me to his side. I take Luna back in my arms, grateful that she is safe. "Luca, Blake wasn't alone in the room that he took me to", Esme says, getting our attention. We all look toward her. "After he hit me, I could hear voices talking about how their plan to get rid of Luna didn't work. They were also talking about getting rid of Jade just like." Her words die on her lips and her face contorts into a look of sadness. "Esme it's alright you can tell me" Luca says. "Like they got rid of Cynthia." Luca stiffens and his eyes darken. I hand Luna to Brooklyn and wrap myself around him. He buries his nose in my neck, breathing deeply. His anger and sadness is overwhelming, but I hold tight to him. These evil f**ks killed Cynthia. How could they kill her after she had just given birth? Bile rises in my throat to think about how many people in this kingdom are involved in all of this. How they could betray their own king for some stupid agenda. When Luca pulls back, his cheeks are tear-stained and my heart breaks for this man I have fallen in love with. "I'm sorry Jade" he says, looking into my eyes. I place my hand on his cheek. "You have nothing to be sorry for and it only makes me love you more. Taking me as your mate doesn't change how you felt about Cynthia. You have every right to be angry and sad about what happened to her. I'm angry and sad about what happened to her. She didn't get to have the life she should have. I promise you that we will make sure everyone involved suffers for what they have done." He slams his lips down on mine and kisses me until I'm breathless. When he pulls back, he rests his head against mine. "I love you, Jade. You are mine and I am yours. Nothing will ever change that." I smile at his words. "I love you, Luca. We are in this together." Luca POV

This woman is amazing. I thought I would see pain in her eyes seeing me so hurt over what happened to Cynthia, but instead she is angry. Angry at people who should have protected my Queen but instead ended her life. I will always love Cynthia. She was amazing and she gave me my daughter. I know she wants me to be happy and in many ways, Jade is like her. Despite what my father thought of Cynthia, she was strong and caring. I believe in my heart that the goddess chose Jade because she is strong, protective, and caring just like Luna's mother. Jade is perfect and I'm done waiting to make her mine. It is happening today. I turn to the others in the room. "Sherman, I want you to stay here with the girls. Father, I want you to gather everyone from the hospital who was involved with Luna's birth and bring them to my office." "Of course, Luca." The conversation with him today about the past has mended some of our relationship, but we still need more time to fix everything that has happened between us. It has been broken for a very long time and it won't be fixed that easily. I'm glad he finally told me about my mother. He walks over and pulls me into a hug. "I'm so sorry about everything I said about Cynthia. I'm sorry you lost her and that my judgement was clouded by my past. I never thought the council could do something so vile. As Jade said, everyone involved will be held accountable for their actions." "Thank you for your apology. That is the past and we need to move forward. All I want to do now is figure out who the hell did this and make sure they pay for their crimes." He nods and I lead Jade to my office to wait for my father to return with the doctors and nurses.

Autumn POV

Connor is standing still, just staring at Summer. I know she is worried he will be afraid of her. He starts to move toward us and she lays down. He sits in front of her and places his hand on her snout. The tingles erupt as he moves his hand up and down through her fur. Summer purrs like a cat and I can't help but laugh. That's the second time she has made that noise since Connor arrived. "What is with the purring, Summer?" She doesn't answer, just continues to enjoy Connor's touch. "You're beautiful and your fur is so soft." She is in her glory hearing our mate's compliments. We stay that way for a long time just enjoying spending time with him. I don't know how much time passes when Connor stands and backs up, giving us room to shift. I shift and he doesn't take his eyes off me. He watches as I pull my shorts and shirt back on. Once I'm done, he walks over and takes my hand in his. "Thank you for letting me meet Summer. She is incredible. You are incredible." A few seconds pass and I can tell he wants to say more, so I just wait. "Autumn, can I kiss you?" "I don't know if I'll be any good at it, but I would love to kiss you." He runs his finger down my cheek. "Autumn you couldn't be bad at kissing. Just knowing I will be your first kiss is amazing." Butterflies are dancing in my belly. I know what he said but I don't want to screw this up. He leans in and brushes his lips against mine before he wraps his arm around me. He presses his lips firmly to mine and I move with him. It feels like I'm melting into him. If he wasn't wrapped around me, my knees would give out. The sparks are moving all over my body. I'm grateful that he won't be able to smell my arousal. He pulls back and I already miss his touch.

"That was amazing", Connor says, and I'm sure my cheeks are red. He threads his fingers in mine and we start to walk back toward the cottage. "Autumn, will you go on a date with me?" I stop walking and he looks worried when he turns to look at me. "I would love to go on a date with you." We almost reach the cottage when a link about an attack at the southern border comes through. I freeze "Connor, I need you to inside the cottage and stay there." "What's wrong" he says with worry in his voice. "There is an attack at the border of the pack. I have to go to fight. I need you to stay here and be safe." I see something flash in his eyes and my heart sinks. He turns without a word and heads inside. I have to help the others, but I pray this doesn't change all that just happened between us. Summer whimpers but we don't have time to sulk. I shift and Summer takes off for the border. We arrive and the other warriors are facing twenty supernaturals. Gemma and Razor are in front of the warriors and I join them. Ruby shifts and I do the same. Ruby POV I shift and a man steps forward that I can scent is a warlock. He is surrounded by vampires and I know this has something to do with that damn prophecy. He looks me up and down with a sick smile. "I am here to speak to the Alpha little girl, not you." He flashes his eyes toward my father, who doesn't shift. "You are speaking to the Alpha. What do you want? I should say what do you want to die for?" He laughs "you really think that a bunch of mutts can stand against a powerful warlock and vampires. The girl will be ours and there is nothing you pathetic mutts can do to stop us." I turn to Autumn. I haven't told her yet, but she will be my Beta, since Brooklyn and Wesley have taken their places with their mates. She waves her hand and the warlock grabs at his throat. "I think you'll find that this is no ordinary pack. No one will touch her or any member of my pack. You will all die along with all those you

conspire with against us." I shift and we all take off toward the vampires. I know that Autumn can handle the warlock. Gemma is ripping through vampire after vampire. We look around and the pack has killed every last one of them. Autumn has the warlock in the air and he is turning a shade of purple I've never seen. She chants something and his body melts and forms a puddle on the ground. I rush over wrapping her in a hug. "Do you know how amazing you are?" I pull back and I can see sadness in her eyes despite her smile. I'm going to kick Connor's a**. Milo POV

We watch from the trees as the warlock and half of my vampires are killed. "What the f**k was that" I say to Cassandra. "It looks like that old pr*ck didn't know everything about the Scarlett Rose Pack. Terrance was a strong warlock and she killed him like he was a newbie." "What the f**k do we do now? We need to get to that brat before her first shift. If she is as special as the prophecy says, then I'm sure she will shift early. I want that power. Then we will be the strongest supernatural couple in our world." I grab her and lick the fresh mark on her neck. She is my mate for now. When I realized we were fated, it worked perfectly with my plan. She will do anything because of this damn bond. After I kill that mutt and this stupid b**ch I will take back what is truly mine, Danica.

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Her Fated Human Mate Chapter 29

Autumn

POV

Ruby rushes over to me and wraps me in a hug. I know that won't be the last attack, but they will never hurt my family. Summer whimpers and I know she is thinking about Connor. "Do you know how amazing you are", Ruby asks, and I squeeze her tighter. She pulls back and her smile falls. "Let's go, I have a few things to say to that duma**" she says, taking my hand. "Ruby, we need to deal with the dead vampires and the attack. They are getting bolder and they aren't going to stop", I say hoping she lets this go. She turns back to me, "the warriors will handle this and my father and uncles are on patrol. We will have a meeting tomorrow. I plan on reaching out to the Onyx moon to help us deal with the vampires." "Ruby, I love you for wanting to protect my heart, but this is something I have to deal with on my own." Her eyes soften and she pulls me into a hug. I don't correct her because I'm not sure what is going to happen when I head back to the cottage. I am a wolf, witch, and warrior. That is never going to change and I wouldn't want it to. If Connor can't accept me for who I am, then maybe he isn't the worthy mate the goddess thought he would be. Ruby and I walk back toward the cottage. She wraps me in a hug before she heads back to the pack house. I take a deep

breath as I push open the door. Summer is pacing in my mind and I realize I can't scent Connor.

I see my dad first. "Dad, where is Connor?" "He wanted to speak with Maverick. Your mother took him to the pack house after she returned from the dragon kingdom?" I freeze "what happened? Are Jade and Brooklyn alright?" "They are fine sweet girl," I hear from behind me and turn to see my mother smiling at me. "They are both strong and their mates won't let anything happen to them." I smile, I'm grateful that Jade's mate is finally accepting her. My mother steps toward me. "Go talk to your mate before you let your imagination run wild about what he is thinking. Communication is the most important thing in any relationship, whether you are a supernatural or a human." "Did he say something to you?" "What did I say young lady?" I roll my eyes before I wrap my mother in a hug. "Thank you, mom." I pull back and she nods. I head over and kiss my father's cheek before I teleport to the pack house. I start up the stairs and I can hear voices coming from the Alpha office. As I get closer, I realize it's Ruby, Maverick, and Connor. I knock and the voices stop talking. The door opens and Ruby looks angry and sad. She pulls me into a hug and when she releases me, I move inside the office, but I don't look at Connor.

"What's wrong, Ruby" I ask keeping my eyes on her. She looks at Maverick and Connor crossing her arms over her chest. Before Ruby can say anything, Maverick stands up. "Ruby, I think we should leave and let them talk. This is a private conversation and we need to have a discussion of our own." Maverick is sounding more and more like the Alpha I know he was meant to be. I can see Ruby wants to protest but she knows Maverick is right. Whatever is happening is between me and Connor. Ruby hugs me before she leaves. Maverick stops in front of me. "Just listen and try to understand where he is coming from before you make any decisions." He kisses my cheek and closes the door behind him. Now that I'm utterly confused, I finally make eye contact with Connor. His face is unreadable and I'm not sure what to think. "Autumn, can we sit and talk please." I nod and join him on the couch. "Ruby told me how amazing you were in the fight with the vampires and warlock. I can't believe that vampires and warlocks exist." Connor POV

After Autumn said she had to go fight, my insecurities about being a human crept in. Instead of loving the fact that this strong special woman wants to be mine, I am wallowing in self-pity. I'm never going to be able to fight or protect her. I know she is strong and doesn't need me to, but that doesn't mean that I don't want to be able to. I walk into the cottage and Jonathon is alone sitting on the couch. Oh sh*t, where the hell did her mother go? I can tell he doesn't really like me. "Connor, come have a seat", Jonathon says. I do what he asks, sitting across from him. "I'm sure you have a million thoughts in your head right now. I'm here if you want to talk." I'm sure there is a look of shock on my face and he chuckles. "Connor, you're my baby girl's mate. It is my job to give you a little bit of a hard time, but that doesn't mean that I don't like you. I don't know you yet." I nod and I'm torn whether I should tell him what is bothering me. He is a wolf. He will never have to worry about defending and protecting his mate. "Connor, my mate is stronger than I will ever be." I look into his eyes and he continues. "Tabby is probably

the strongest witch alive. She has saved my a** on more than one occasion. It's a hard pill to swallow. You have a decision to make. What is more important to you in this life, your idea of what a man should be or your happiness?"

Tabby appears in the living room and scares the hell out of me. She chuckles and takes a seat next to Jonathon. I wonder if Autumn is a witch since her mother is one. "How is everything in the dragon kingdom", Jonathon asks Tabby. "Holy sh*t, there are dragons too." They both laugh and I'm sure my cheeks redden. I meant to say that in my head. "Ruby's sister Jade is actually fated mates with Luca, the King of Dragons. So, what have you two been talking about?" I look at Jonathon and he shakes his head. Before I can say anything, he does. "There was an attack and Autumn went to help deal with it." Tabby stands "it's alright love it is being handled. Lake assures me that everything is under control. Autumn and Ruby are dealing with the evil f**ks." She sits back down. "Connor, I know you are worried about being enough, but I assure you that the goddess doesn't make mistakes." How the hell does she know what I'm thinking?" "It doesn't take powers to know that you are worried about being human with a wolf mate. I can't tell you how to feel, but what I can say is that a relationship is based on trust and communication. If something is bothering you, then you should talk to your mate. You should also talk to someone that is going through the same thing." Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

I smile and stand. "How do I get to Maverick?" She laughs "I'll take you to the pack house." "Thank you, Tabby. Thank you, Jonathon, for the talk." He nods and I'm shocked when Tabby takes my hand. "Just to warn you this might make you puke the first few times." What the hell is she talking about is the last thought I have before I feel like I'm in a washing machine. My eyes are closed tight and when I open them, we are in a totally different place. I wretch but I'm grateful there is nothing in my stomach. After a few minutes, I am able to stand. "The teleporting takes a little getting used to." I will never have a boring life with these people. We start up the stairs and she knocks on the door. When she pushes it open, I realize it's an office. Maverick is sitting on a couch. He looks worried and defeated. I'm glad I'm not the only one. "I'll let you guys talk. Don't leave the pack house until your mates come back. I want you both to be safe" she says. We both nod and she shuts the door. Maverick POV

I'm glad to see Connor when he arrives with Tabby. He looks the same way I do. When Ruby got the link and told me there was an attack my heart sank. I know she is an Alpha wolf and strong, but I hate that I'm not with her. "Maverick, what do you think about what's happening?" I look at him confused. "That's a broad question. That we are mated to wolves, or do you mean the girls fighting vampires? I know that Ruby can handle herself. Are you worried that Autumn will get hurt because she is strong too?" I can tell by the look on his face that is not what he meant. "I mean that we aren't strong enough to protect our women. I know it sounds like I think that women are weaker, but that's not it. I just don't want to be useless when it's important. I want to be able to protect Autumn if something happens that she needs me." I know exactly what he means. Everything in me wants to be alright with being an Alpha human amongst wolves, but I'm not. "Have you accepted Autumn, Connor?" "I asked her on a date." I

laugh "Connor, she is your mate. I felt the pull to Ruby despite being human. If you could never see Autumn again, would you be alright with that?" He is silent for a moment before he looks at me. "No, I wouldn't be alright. I know I need her, but all of this is so much. I don't want her to have a mate that isn't worthy of her. A mate she has to protect and worry about all the time."

Before I can say anything, the door opens and Ruby steps inside. She looks at Connor and I can feel anger through our bond. I stand up and wrap her in my arms. She buries her head in my neck, breathing in my scent. "I'm glad your back and safe. How did it go?" "Autumn was amazing, she killed the warlock. We killed the vampires before they could hurt any pack members." She pulls back and presses her lips to mine. When she pulls back, she links me. "Is he going to reject Autumn?" She is way off the mark, but this is not for us to be involved in. This is between Autumn and Connor. It's time I was honest with Ruby. She looks at Connor. A knock on the door gets our attention and Ruby walks over. Autumn steps in after Ruby hugs her. I lead Ruby out of the office, leaving Autumn and Connor to talk. I know she isn't happy about me telling her we needed to leave, but she knows I'm right. Once we are in our room, she heads into the shower. When she finishes, I take a quick shower before I come back into the bedroom. She is sitting on the chair waiting for me. I see a mix of pain and anger in her eyes. "Have you changed your mind about being my mate, Maverick?" That is the last thing I want her to think. I walk over and scoop her up in my arms and set her on my lap. I brush my fingers through her hair and I hate that she doubted how I feel about our bond. I need to make sure she knows that I am her mate forever. She leans her head on my chest and I love the feeling of her in my arms. "You are never getting rid of me. I love you Ruby and that is never going to change." She picks up her head and I look into her beautiful green eyes. "What did you want to talk about?" "Ruby, I know you love me just the way I am and that the pack will accept me as a human, but I can't." She looks at me confused. "I want to spend the rest of our lives taking care of our pack, but I want to do it as a wolf."

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Ruby

POV

As I shower, I can't help but think about the events of the day. I know I shouldn't be angry with Connor, but I can't help it. Autumn is amazing, sweet, and kind. She deserves a mate that will love her for who she is. I know in my heart that Connor is a good man, but I don't know if he will get past the fact that we are wolves. I pray for her

sake that he can. "Ruby, what do you think Maverick wants to talk to us about," Gemma asks. I'm as worried as she is about Maverick, saying we needed to have a discussion. A pit forms in my stomach thinking about all the possibilities. "I'm not sure Gemma. I knew he looked upset when we had rushed from our room to go fight the vampires and warlock. Maybe this is all too much for him. We grew up in this world, but he didn't." She whimpers and my heart squeezes in my chest. I get out drying off and grab my pajamas. I'm exhausted after everything that happened today, but I know sleep will not come easily. I open the door and he is sitting on the side of the bed. His eyes meet mine and he gives me a small smile. Maverick walks into the bathroom when I walk out and closes the door behind him. I can feel his anxiety, worry, and fear through our bond. It's overwhelming and I pray that we can get past this with our bond intact.

I sit in a chair in the room we now share waiting for him to come out of the bathroom. Gemma is pacing in my mind. I can't help the worries that are running through my head. I wonder if he regrets accepting our bond. What if he rejects the bond because of these attacks? He has to know that I will protect him and his mother with my life. Gemma whimpers at the thought of losing our mate. The door opens and I look up into his beautiful blue eyes. The eyes of this man that I love so much. His expression is unreadable. The fear gets the better of me. "Have you changed your mind about being my mate, Maverick?" When I'm scooped into his strong arms and the tingles dance on my skin everywhere our skin touches, I relax in his arms. Hearing him tell me how much he loves me is the sweetest words I've ever heard. I'm never letting this man go and to know he feels the same way makes both Gemma and I so happy. I'm in shock when he says he wants to be a wolf. My mother and grandmother are both amazing leaders and I don't expect him to be anything but what he is right now. "Maverick, you're right. I love you exactly the way you are. The moment Gemma and I realized that you were our mate, we felt no disappointment that you are not a wolf. The goddess chose you for me because she knows that you are strong and perfect for me. Is this because I went to fight and you were worried about me, because I promise you that Gemma and I are strong." He takes my face in his hands. "This is not about your strength. I know how strong and capable you are. I love that you are an Alpha wolf that is fierce. This is about me wanting to be the best Alpha for my mate and for our pack. I don't make this request lightly."

"I listened to your mother and honestly I respect her resolve to remain human as an Alpha. I have been thinking about this since that night and I want this, Ruby. Watching you run out of our room to protect our pack and having to stay behind just solidified my decision. I want to stand beside you in every way and I need to have a wolf to do that. I need to be whole." "Maverick, I don't even know if this is possible or if it's too dangerous to try. I can't lose you." "I can't explain it, love, but I believe in my heart that this is meant to happen. I am meant to be an Alpha Wolf." He is so sure of what he is saying. "Gemma, what do you think about Maverick becoming a wolf?" I think we should listen to our mate just like we would want him to listen to us. He has made it clear that he is not just doing this for us and I think we should respect his decision." "What if this could hurt him? We can't lose him. Gemma?" "Our mate is strong and it is not our place to make this decision. He may belong to us as our other half, but that doesn't mean we

own his decisions. We need to respect what he wants." I know she is right. "We will need to talk to my parents, the pack doctor, and my aunt to make sure that this is safe. If they assure us that it is, then I will change you." I swear the smile on his face looks like I offered him a million dollars. "I love you, Maverick. You are my mate and Alpha." He slams his lips down on mine and kisses me, pouring all his love into this kiss. He pulls back and places his forehead to mine. "I can't wait to mark you as a wolf" he says, brushing his fingers across the mark I have now. I can't help the shiver that runs down my body. He lifts me, laying me on our bed. He kisses me one more time before he pulls my back to his front. "I love you Ruby more than you will ever know. I will spend the rest of my life doing everything I can to show you how grateful I am that you accepted me as I am. That you are my other half." He kisses the back of my head and I fall into the most peaceful sleep. Connor POV

"Autumn", I start to say and she cuts me off. "Let me say something first and then you can speak. I promise this is about how I feel and not about what I think you are going to say." I nod and smile that she listened to what I said earlier. "Connor, I am a wolf-witch hybrid and a warrior. That is never going to change. I love who I am and I'm sorry if that is hard for you to accept. I want you to be my mate and to love me for who I am, but if you can't then I understand. This is a lot for anyone to deal with, especially since you had no idea that we even existed. You are an amazing man and the goddess knew that when she picked you for me. I accept you, Connor, even if you can't accept me." I can feel unshed tears in my eyes. How can she want me with such resolve? I'm weak compared to her strength. I can't protect or defend her if she needs me, which she probably won't and yet she wants me to be her mate. "Connor, what did you want to say?" She brings me out of my thoughts and I stare into her beautiful brown eyes. I was so ready to tell her I couldn't do this, but I can't bring myself to say the words. It's selfish of me to want her because she deserves a mate that is her equal.

"Autumn, when I watched you run into danger to defend your pack, I realized I will never be able to do that. I will never be able to protect you." "Connor" she starts to say, but I give her a look. She raises her hands in surrender. "I know that it may be stupid, but I want to be able to protect you. Walking into the cottage, I felt so useless. I love that you are strong and special. I accept you as the bad a** that you are, but I don't want to be your mate as a human." I see pain and fear in her eyes. "Let me finish Autumn. I have no intentions of letting you go or rejecting you. I told you that already." Now she looks confused. "I'm not sure if it's even possible because all I know of werewolves is what I have seen in movies, but if it's possible I want you to make me a wolf. You're a witch, so can you put a spell on me that makes me a wolf?" She chuckles "that isn't exactly how it works." "Autumn, this isn't just about you deserving to have a mate that can be your equal. I hate myself for feeling this way, but I need to be able to protect my mate, I need to be able to protect you. I need to feel like I'm a man worthy of having an amazing woman. Feeling weak will make me feel less than."

I see sympathy and love in her eyes. I take her hand in mine. "I want to be your mate, but I need to feel worthy of you. This is about me." "I will speak to Ruby, Uncle Lake, and Aunt Gabby. As the Alphas, we need to know if this can happen and if they approve

of it." I can't help myself and pull her into my arms. I'm shocked when she pulls my face to hers, pressing her lips to mine. I will never tire of feeling this woman's lips on mine. I have kissed women, but it has never felt like this before. I can't imagine what it will feel like to be inside her the first time. I can feel my c**k twitch in my pants. She pulls back into my eyes "if this can't happen you will still be mine. I refuse to let you go." I smile "the fact that you are willing to give this to me Autumn means more to me than you will ever know. You are mine and we will make this work." Unknown POV

"How could you have f**ked this up so badly? You and the other a**holes had only two things to do. How hard is it to get rid of an old man and an infant." "We are doing our best. The wolves have made it more difficult." I grab him by the throat. "I don't want excuses Ernest. If you don't get rid of that hatchling and William, I will kill your a**es myself." I drop him to the floor. "He has found his fated mate." I stop dead and stare at him with black eyes. "How the f**k did he find his mate?" "When he went to get Luna, he found her in the wolf pack." "He is mated to a f**king mutt." He nods and I roar. "Have they mated and mated?" "Not yet but I fear it will happen soon." He tells me about Blake, Timothy, and Monica. "Blake is dead and those two idiots got themselves arrested. That only leaves you and Jacob to finish the job. I want the three of them dead and out of my way. Luca will easily be manipulated into following my orders once they are dealt with. You will be made the head of the council once they kill Timothy." He smiles and nods. "Leave and don't return until they are dead. Do you understand me, Ernest?" "Yes, ma'am" he says leaving my office. Luca POV [search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.](#)

I'm sitting behind my desk just thinking. After we spoke with the doctor and nurses from the hospital, I needed some time alone. Jade knew and kissed me, leaving to check on Luna. I'm so grateful for her. Thankfully, the doctor and nurses had no involvement in Cynthia's death, but they did tell us that both Timothy and Monica came to see her in the hospital. I can't believe I didn't realize that they hurt her. That they tried to take my daughter from me. I spoke to my father and the current council will be disbanded and we hold new elections for the seats. I don't trust any of the current members. A soft knock sounds on the door and I catch her scent before the door opens. She walks in and my body immediately relaxes. She walks over and I'm shocked when she climbs onto my lap and straddles my thighs. "Brooklyn and Sherman are keeping Luna for tonight." My eyes darken and I can see her wolf is at the surface. I pick her up without a word and carry her back to our room. Tonight, I make this incredible woman my Queen.

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