

## Chapter 82 Entering the dungeons

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AMALTHEA'S POV

'Are you nervous?' Crystal asked, and I scoffed.

'Nervous? Me? Is that even possible? That to be when I don't even care about this mission and the outcome? I am just trying it. If I get successful, it's good, and if not, then it's okay,' I said, and she smiled.

'Who said I am curious about the result of the mission and your nervousness about how you would carry it out? I am asking you if you are nervous about what you might find there. The thing that Brian mentioned. The answer to the questions regarding the past,' Crystal said, and I didn't answer her this time.

What is the use of bothering to answer her when she knows she is right? Of course, I am anxious about what I might find there. It might decide the next course of my life. Anybody in my shoes would feel what I am feeling.

Turning my head as I heard the distant sound of some footsteps approaching the bushes where I was hiding, I quickly dipped my head to hide further into the bushes.

Currently, I was near the borders of the Black blood pack to execute my plan of invading their territory and stealing that rare gem.

I had been waiting for this moment for four hours. After jotting down their routine of security changes and other factors, including smuggling their pack blueprint, I found out they were very cunning with their security.

There was no traceable pattern in the switching of the security guards. Maybe it's to save outsiders like me from recognizing the loophole in their security. That's why I waited for the night before I came here. I have



been waiting for the security change for two hours, and seeing how one guard just received some kind of coded order on his walkie-talkie, I guess this is the time when it will be happening.

As I sneaked toward the guards again, I smiled when I noticed I was indeed right. The guards were leaving their posts. However, it doesn't mean I can go right now. I am sure the next guards are not too far from here, and there is no way I could hide from them.

I walked towards the West region of the borders, where there was no check post because of the city area where I am sure the guard would be my favorite one.

'Amalthea, I sense someone,' Crystal suddenly said, and I hid in the bushes before laying flat on the ground, sighing slowly when two men passed from some distance.

'Thanks,' I said before applying more soil to my body.

It didn't help that tomorrow was the full moon, which meant the forest was brightly lit even without the artificial lights. It would've benefited me if it was dark, but it looks like the moon goddess isn't exactly on my side.

'Or maybe you chose the wrong days to conduct the mission? It's a natural cycle,' Crystal scoffed, and I sighed.

'But that doesn't mean she can't make it cloudy like yesterday,' I retorted before throwing a stone to some distance to attract the attention of the guard I was aiming at.

Shaking my head to keep myself from getting distracted, I sneaked behind the guard, who was mute according to my observations, before placing my hand on his mouth as I hit his head slowly, hiding his body behind a tree. Wearing his clothes to make sure some of his scents linger on my body, I sighed before standing, tucking my hair in my bun before wearing the hat.

"Hey, man! Where have you gone? You know we can't leave the area for over two minutes even if it's an emergency," the other guard said, and I bowed to say sorry.

"That's okay. You can stand. I know you can't speak your reasons and problems with higher officials. That's why I want nothing unfair to happen



to you. Tell me if you are feeling uneasy," The other guard said, and I nodded my head before standing on the guard, pretending to be uneasy and sick.

"Hey, is everything okay with you?" He asked, and I nodded before standing straight and then pretending to stumble on the tree and almost falling.

"You know what? You take some rest. I'll watch over the border for some time. No one dares to sneak on your borders anyway. They don't want to invite their death. You look like you are about to pass out anyway," He said, and I nodded before bowing at him thankfully, using all the sign language I knew.

"Fine. Fine. You don't need to thank me so much. Now rest before your time is over," He said, and I nodded before walking inside the forest towards the pack, smiling that I could finally find a loophole.

As I walked near the pack house, I sighed dejectedly when I saw around ten men guarding the pack house.

Damn it. I was thinking about giving the pack house a visit.

No worries. Let's complete our mission first. We will think about the other things later. It's a good thing that the dungeons of the pack are not near the pack house where the alpha lives.

According to the blueprint, it should be located on the west of the pack house, led by local shops to maintain the disguise. Walking with my back straight as I was in the officer's uniform, I nodded at the people who bowed to me, stopping in front of the shop with a Chinese format roof. Could it be just a facade to keep the people away from the dungeons? Or is it a trap to lure people towards it because of its uniqueness?

I thought before standing in front of the shop as if I was guarding it. If this was the way to dungeons, then I am sure I'll spot an officer sooner or later, and if it's not the way to dungeons, then any civilian will ask me why I was standing here.

Wait. How could I forget that the security here is top-notch, and the guy who sent me to rest might've reported it to his friends at least? And what if the guard I am enacting isn't of the rank to get near the dungeons? Though I studied their patterns, blueprints, and things that can bring me



out safely, I know nothing about their security ranks and allotments. Not to mention how I noticed different color uniforms on the guards here.

It could just be a facade, but what if they actually describe their rank? But the people were bowing to me. Does that mean this guard was high-ranked? However, they might have rules of bowing to every security.

Nothing is assured in this pack, and the worst thing is, no information about these things is leaked in the market, or even if it is leaked, I couldn't find anything. I can't really take such a risk that would directly put my life at stake without me even reaching the gem.

'Maybe you should've taken some help from Alexander. He had indeed said he knows the alpha and many things here. Even if he knew about our plans or was suspicious, his knowledge could've been of use,' Crystal said.

'And what would I have told him when he would've asked me why am I so curious about their security? He is a demon and looks like an important one at that. I am sure he isn't stupid to not figure I am here for something. There is no way he would believe a lie that a girl from across 400 km away came here to enjoy the view but suddenly got curious about the security and the alpha,' I said, and she hummed in reply.

Closing my eyes to take a breath as I tried to remember anything that can help me, I opened my eyes when I suddenly remembered something.

When I was looking at the routes that might help me get out of the dungeons if I can't use the front and back path, I had indeed found a path that was leading to the middle of the forest. According to the blueprint, there has to be some kind of mark there. I thought before strolling for some time and then walking towards the forest.

"Hey, man. Are you feeling okay now? Cody told us you were feeling uneasy. Don't worry about it. We have arranged for someone in your place today. You can take some rest if you want to," a security guard suddenly popped out from nowhere, and I looked at him before nodding.

Well, I was indeed right.

Telling him I was fine and was strolling around to feel a little better because of the heavy headache through the sign language, I nodded at him one last time before turning around towards the mark.

Removing the soil from above the gate-like board, I lifted it before smiling when I noticed it was indeed a way to somewhere. Let's just hope it's the one that leads to the dungeons because I am sure these cunning people must've developed a few more hoax ways just to confuse their enemies.

Descending the stairs, I closed the door before walking down, completely relying on my senses as it was completely dark.

'I would be really grateful if you could give me some kind of night vision that wolves have,' I said to Crystal jokingly.

However, what I didn't expect was for her to do it, making me widen my eyes as I paused in my steps, shocked by it.

'Can you really do it?' I asked, and she shrugged.

'I am the wolf of the world. Is there anything I can't do? It's just a night vision that all wolves have. Of course, I can give those vision capabilities to you,' She said, and I narrowed my brows.

'Then why the hell didn't you help me all the times when I had to face so many difficulties and almost got caught so many times because I would step on something because of the dark?' I asked, and she shrugged.

'Well, you never asked for it before, and I thought you had everything sorted,' She said, and I closed my eyes before sighing loudly.

'I will deal with you later. I need to deal with these cunning pack members and find the right room that might have got the gem. And did I mention without getting caught or them suspecting anything?' I said, and she hummed, making me take a deep breath as I placed my hand on my heart to calm my raging heart.

