



25 Chapter 25 A family heirloom

Max's Cruz POV 1

Shit! Why is my head spinning around?

I lie down slightly and try to get out of bed. I am wearing my Armani suit. What the fuck is going on?

I just ruined a five thousand dollars suit! Am I stupid or what?

But just as I try to make a step out of the bed the door opens and Luke and Sam appear in the doorway with a tray of food and a cup of water.

Luke puts some pills in my hand and says commandingly:

"Swallow them"

I take them without comment. What happened last night?

I was home, talking to Grandpa and then I went out, I went into a bar and I don't remember anything.

"So the drunk woke up!" Luke says again.

"Do you want me to beat you?" I ask him and throw him an ugly look. I am suffering here, but as soon as I try to take two steps I feel a horrible pain.



"What the fuck happened last night. A stallion brooked my balls? "And I take off my suit and just looking in my pants, my heart stops.

"Who broke them?" I ask completely annoyed.

"The mare, not the stallion !" Sam said and he and Luke started laughing.

I start moving around the room and Luke and Sam hardly refrain from laughing.

"Why are you laughing ?" I ask him annoyed.

"It's weird, look how you are walking!" Sam tells me

"Seriously now! How did I come across to a mare? I knew we didn't have horses in our pack!" and immediately they both started laughing and clapping their hands.

I take a shower, take a new suit and go directly to my office, but at noon I remember that today is Castellano's party so I take my phone and call Meredith.

"Where are you?" I ask her without wasting time. All I want now is that this pain between my legs disappears.

"In my office, where else can I be?" she asks me slightly annoyed by my question.

"I just wanted to remind you that tonight is



Castellano's party and you're coming with me because he thinks we're a couple."

"We can be a modern couple and come apart and eventually not see each other all night," Meredith tells me.

And that's it! I want to beat her! But Stark tells me to calm down so I breath and say:

"This is not an option." I said.

"Lily will come too," Meredith said quickly.

"She can come but Sam will take her, you are coming with me alone!" and she just end the call leaving me to talk alone like a stupid.

Suddenly Sam comes into my office with a tablet in his hand and smiling he said, pointing to the screen:

"Watch and learn, my friend!"

He presses some commands and immediately the surveillance cameras in the design department appear on his tablet.

"What are we looking at?" I ask, trying to look at Meredith's desk, but none of the cameras are pointed correctly. I will take care of this personally! This Sam is full of good ideas.

"Now!" Sam said smiling and I saw someone coming in with some flower in his hand and a chocolate box.



He went straight to Cara and said something.

He just dropped the things on her desk and left Cara with his mouth open. We see her looking for something, probably a note but she can't find anything and she simply sits down on the chair and looks at the things in front of her.

"Did you bring her roses?" I ask him in shock. Sam has never bought flowers for a woman in his life. I didn't buy flowers from a woman either. These gestures are for suckers.

"Yes. Luke said that every woman likes to receive flowers as gifts. "

"And chocolate?" I asked in shock.

" She moans when she eats chocolate and I want to hear her moans!" Sam said, smiling like a fool.

"Let's go!" I say getting up but I hold my hand on my balls, unable to walk normally.

"Where are we going?" Sam asks, but as soon as I get to the elevator I press the sixth floor and his face lights up.

I go straight to Cara's office and see her sitting with her eyes closed, lying on a chair and eating chocolate.

"You will get fat from so much chocolate!" I joke and Sam looks in horror at me.



And she just looks at me and it seems she doesn't care what I tell her because she puts another candy in her mouth. And yes, she moans. Sam is right.

"Do you have a party dress?" I ask her before she can swear at me again or beat me with her little hands.

"No. I never went to a party and I didn't have to. "

I look at Sam and tell him and I don't care if Cara comments, but I need to be alone with Meredith.

"Sam take her and help her to buy a dress. Tonight she goes with us to Vincenzo Castellano's party "

"What?" Cara asks, unable to believe what I'm saying.

"Go! Now! " I say and Sam takes her hand even if she tries to escape from his hand.

"Wait!" she says from the door.

"My flowers! They will wither! And what if someone will eat my chocolate! "

And through the closing doors I hear Sam say,

"I'll buy you more" and for the first time Cara fell silent.

Now that my way is free, I head to Meredith's office, close the door with the key, and pull the



blinds shut.

"What are you doing?" she asks me.

I don't remember much from yesterday but I know I was extremely angry that I didn't know it was her birthday. She is my mate and I don't know anything about her. Nothing at all.

Meredith gets to her feet and tries to open the door, she walks past me but I hold her in my arms, or I lift her in bridal style, scaring her and making her jump and I walk with her on that blue velvet sofa I put here for a specific purpose.

"Mr. Cruz let me go or I will hit your ..!" she tries to say,

"Someone hit it before you, stay calm! "I tell her and sitting with her on my lap, I wrap a hand around her waist, forcing her to stick to my chest, and another hand I put in my jacket pocket and take out a long box.

Meredith looks at me and is silent.

"I didn't know that yesterday was your birthday," I said to her. "And I want to give you something"

"There is no need , Mr. Cruz!" Meredith said but her eyes are in the box as if she would know what is in it.

I open the box and she puts her hands over her mouth.



I take the bracelet and lift her wrist . I place it lightly on her, caressing her arm and finally kissing her hand.

She just looks at her hand as if she can't believe that bracelet is on her hand.

After I told grandpa that I found my mate, I talked to him and asked him for this bracelet. It's a family heirloom, the bracelet was my grandmother's, a wedding gift from grandpa. I didn't think he would give it to me, but he was more than happy to do it.

"This is too much," Meredith said, trying to get her diamond bracelet out of her hand.

"No, it's too less, believe me" I tell her.

"But .." she tries to say.

"This bracelet has a story, Meredith . It was my grandma's wedding gift from grandpa. Please accept it, because I am offering it to you with all my heart. I want to be yours. "

And looking in her crystal eyes I whisper, feeling how her little heart is trembling in her chest.

"Wear it tonight, please!" and I bend down slightly and kiss her on the lips, just a peck, nothing forced. She is so shocked that she's not even reacting.

And coming out of the office I say to Stark:



"We're back on business, my boy!"

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