

## True Luna 171

### Chapter 171

#### My Daughter

Jacob & Rose (Jacob's POV)

"We won't be having any more children after this one," Rosie said, pacing around the room slowly. "You don't want another boy?" asked, smirking a little.

Rosie looked at me, making me raise my hands in surrender.

"Hey, am just repeating what you said," defended myself.

After we found out that our second baby was a girl, Rosie was so excited. She did say that she wanted another boy, though. She adored our son, and they had a special relationship.

She rolled her eyes and continued pacing around the room. She looked like a little penguin. chuckled and shook my head. "forgot how painful it is to give birth," Rosie said, g\*roaning a little.

stood up and approached her. caressed her belly and k\*issed her temple. "You can do it," mumbled quietly. "I love you, and am so proud of you."

Rosie leaned on me, and rubbed her back gently. "love you too," she mumbled, making me smile.

There was a knock on the door, and a second later, Emma peered in. She was still volunteering at the hospital when she had time, and she was here when we came in.

"Hi, guys," she said with a huge smile on her face. "How is it going?" "Slowly," Rosie sighed as she walked over to the bed and sat down. "She is a stubborn kid, and apparently, she doesn't want to come out."

Emma chuckled and adjusted Rosie's pillows.

"remember that," she said. "We will have another stubborn girl in the family, apparently. Sophie didn't want to come out either. Alex was practically talking by the time we managed to convince her to join us."

I snorted and shook my head. wasn't surprised. Sophie really was a stubborn little girl.

"I am not surprised," Rosie chuckled. "She is a stubborn little girl." "She's gotten that from her dad," Emma said, rolling her eyes playfully.

I laughed and shook my head. "I've known you for ages," said. "She's got that from you." Emma looked at me and shook her head, making me laugh again.

"So, where are Alex and Sophie?" asked, rubbing my mate's back gently. "They are with Daisy as well," Emma said. "Mason, Alex, and Sophie took the responsibility of watching over Danny very seriously."

I smiled. My boy loved his older friends. He loved spending time with

them.

"Is he behaving?" Rosie asked.

"Oh, I am sure that he is," Emma smiled. "He is a great boy, Rosie. You did an amazing job raising him." Rosie smiled and took Emma's hand in hers.

"Thank you, Emmy," Rosie said softly.

I smiled and took my mate's other hand in mine. I loved the friendship between Emma and Rosie. I even got closer to Logan after finding my

mate. He was way more relaxed around me, and could even call him my friend now.

still loved Emma a lot. She was still my best friend, and would still do everything for her and everything in my power to protect her. didn't want her like wanted her before. That feeling of that intense need for her disappeared the moment met my mate.

"Uh," Rosie g\*roaned, placing her hand on her belly. She had another contraction.

She squeezed my hand, and bent down to k\*iss the top of her head. "They are getting closer together," Rosie mumbled, taking a deep breath. "I will go get Wren," Emma said.

"Thank you," told her as watched her leave the room.

She smiled at us before she closed the door behind herself.

pulled up a chair and sat down next to my mate. She was taking slow, deep breaths. She smiled at me, and k\*issed her hand. "can't wait to meet our baby girl," said, trying to keep the tears away.

couldn't wait to hold my baby. couldn't wait to meet my daughter.

"What did we decide on the name?" Rosie asked.

"The last two names we fought over were Olivia and Hazel," chuckled. "What about Amelia?" Rosie asked.

"We eliminated that name ages ago," said, shaking my head at her.

She g\*roaned and squeezed my hand again just as doctor Wren walked inside.

"Hi, Rosie," he said with a huge smile on his face. "Is the baby girl ready to come out?"

"It sure feels like it," Rosie said, breathing through the contraction. Wren walked to the cupboard and put some gloves on. "Let's see how long until you can push," Wren said as she approached the bed.

looked at my mate's beautiful face. bent down and k'issed her cheek. She looked at me and smiled.

"love you," told her. "Thank you for making me a father again." She smiled and squeezed my hand.

"love you too, Jake," she said. "I adore watching you with our son, and can't wait to see you holding our little girl." My heart skipped a beat. couldn't wait for that either "Daniel is going to be the best big brother ever," Rosie added, making me smile.

Danny was two and a half years old, but already knew that Rosie was right. He was so kind and gentle, and knew that he was going to be a great big brother.

"Okay, Rosie," Wren said, making me look at him. "You will be ready to push soon. How are you feeling?"

"Like I'm being torn in two," Rosie said, g\*roaning as another contraction started.

took a deep breath and k\*issed her temple. wished that could take the pain away. wished that could endure it for her. "Just think about your little girl and that you will get to meet her soon," Wren said, smiling at Rosie.

She smiled and nodded.

"Have you decided on the name yet?" Wren asked us.

Rosie looked at me and smiled. We both knew what name we wanted to give to our baby girl.

"Hazel," we both said at the same time.

grinned and bent down to place a soft k\*iss on my mate's l\*ips.

was the happiest man alive.

## Chapter 172

### Happily Ever After

Jacob & Rose (Rose's POV)

"Stop it, Danny!" my daughter screamed while laughing out loud.

Danny didn't listen to her. Of course he didn't. He continued splashing her with water. "It's my birthday!" Hazel yelled. "You have to listen to me today!"

couldn't believe that my baby was already six years old. The time was going by so fast. Alex, Mason, and Sophie were babies when I came to the pack, and now they were already teenagers. sometimes wished that I could slow down the time.

"Never!" Danny yelled as he ran away. I chuckled and shook my head.

"Thank God I don't have an older brother," Mason sighed, rolling his eyes. "Your younger brother torments you just as much," Alex chuckled.

"Yes, do," I heard Mike's voice behind me.

I turned around and saw Daisy and Mike approaching.

"That's just because I let him," Mason said, frowning. "If he was older, I'm sure it would be worse." "Yes, it would," Mike laughed, making Mason roll his eyes.

Mike was a funny little troublemaker. He always found a way to make us laugh. He was loving and kind, but he could really annoy the s\*hit out of his older brother and the rest of his cousins.

“Did Amy and Drake arrive?” Daisy asked, placing a plate filled with different cupcakes on the table.

“Not yet,” said. “Amy called. They are running late because Halley spilled yogurt all over herself just as they were about to leave.”

Daisy chuckled and shook her head. “She reminds me so much of me when I was a kid,” Daisy said. “I was just as clumsy.” “Where is Sophie?” Mike asked, making Alex sigh. “She isn’t feeling well,” Alex mumbled worriedly. “Mom and dad are with

her.

My heart skipped a beat. Sophie was struggling with magic lately. She had trouble controlling it, and it drained her energy completely.

We were all very worried about her.

“How come you aren’t with her?” Mike asked Alex.

Alex and Sophie were inseparable, especially if one of them wasn’t feeling well.

“She chased me out of the house,” Alex sighed. “She said that I needed to relax and enjoy the party.” Mason snorted. “It’s like she doesn’t even know you.”

“ said the same thing,” Alex mumbled, frowning.

He wouldn’t be able to relax until Sophie was okay.

"Don't worry, bud," Daisy said softly. "Your uncle is there, and he mind-linked me a few minutes ago. She is doing much better, and they are on their way here."

Is Emma okay? mind-linked Daisy.

knew why Andrew went there. Emma was a complete mess lately. She barely slept because she was trying to find a way to help Sophie with her magic. Unfortunately, she wasn't able to find anything. Sophie was the first one to have powers like that.

She is better. Daisy responded. Andrew managed to calm her down a little.

took a deep breath and looked back at Alex. He was distraught.

"Alex!" my daughter screamed, making him turn around.

"Hey, that's not fair!" Danny shouted.

"You are Alpha," Hazel said, running into Alex's arms. "You can order Danny to stop bugging me."

Alex picked Hazel up and sat her on his lap.

"Stop bugging your sister, Daniel," Alex said, making Hazel grin. "You are cheating!" Danny shouted, making us laugh. "Amy and Drake should be here any moment now," heard my mate's voice behind me.

turned around and saw him put his phone back in his pocket.

smiled and reached out for him. He wrapped his arms around me and k\*issed my temple.

"Is Sophie okay?" Jacob asked quietly.

looked at the kids. Alex, Mason, and Mike were laughing at something Hazel had said.

"She is better now," Daisy said. "She had a rough morning. She couldn't control the magic."

"F\*uck," Jacob mumbled as he ran his f\*ingers through his hair.

"Emma and Anna managed to contain it," Daisy continued softly. "She didn't hurt anyone."

took a deep breath and released it slowly. was relieved.

"Hi, guys," heard Emma's voice behind us.

turned around and saw her, Logan, Andrew, and Sophie approaching us. Alex placed Hazel down and rushed toward Sophie. "Are you okay?" he asked as he grabbed her shoulders and looked her up and down.

She smiled and nodded. could see Alex relax a little.

"Sophia, the boys are bugging me!" my daughter complained, making Sophie laugh.

Alex took her hand in his and pulled her toward the rest of the kids. "Are you okay?" Jacob asked Emma. "Tired, but better," she said with a small smile on her face. "Where are Drake and Amy?"

"On their way," Jacob said. "Halley spilled yogurt on herself."

Emma and Logan chuckled.

"Of course she did," Emma said, shaking her head.

"Sit down," told them. "We will eat when they get here."



Emma and Andrew approached the table and sat down. Jake walked back to the house to get the drinks. "Soph," Logan called his daughter, making her look at him. "Come here, princess."

She let Alex's hand go and approached her dad. He pulled her into a hug and k\*issed the top of her head. He whispered something to her. She nodded and smiled.

" love you, princess," Logan said softly.

" love you too, dad," Sophie said.

Logan let her go, and she walked back to the kids.

"She is okay, Logan," Andrew said quietly.

Logan looked at him and took a deep breath. He approached us and sat down at the table. Emma took his hand in hers

"If something happens to my little girl..." Logan mumbled worriedly. "Nothing is going to happen," Emma said. "I will find a way to get rid of the dark magic. will find a way to help her."

Logan pulled Emma into a tight hug.

looked at our kids and smiled. They were our biggest treasure. All of them were so kind and gentle. My eyes fell on my two little troublemakers, and my heart grew double. They were perfect, and was so proud of both of them.

loved how my life turned out. adored my mate and my children. loved my friends so much. couldn't help but wonder what the future held for our children.

Would they find love just like we did? Would they be happy just like we were?

didn't know the answers to those questions, but knew that would be here for them every step of the way.

## Chapter 173

### Annoying (Alexander's POV)

"Why are you so annoying?!" screamed as was walking down the stairs. Goddess, no one could have annoyed me more than my sister.

Fia mumbled something as she slammed her bedroom door.

rolled my eyes and walked to the kitchen.

"Are all sisters so annoying?" sighed as walked into the kitchen.

My mom and my uncle were sitting at the table and sipping coffee. My dad was making breakfast. "wouldn't know, bud," my dad chuckled.

"Yes, they are," my uncle said at the same time.

A small cloud appeared above my uncle's head. A few raindrops fell on his head.

He looked up and sighed.

"You are not proving me wrong, Emma," my uncle sighed.

My mom chuckled and the cloud disappeared.

would never stop being fascinated with my mom's magic. She was the White Wolf. She was the True Luna. My mom was the only wolf in existence that had magic. Well, she was the only wolf that had magic until she gave birth to my sister and me.

Sophia also had magic, but it was different than my mom's. My mom was an elemental who could control water and air. My mom could also change the weather, and it was the coolest thing ever. When was a kid, loved

storms, so my mom would always make little lightning bolts above my bed. It was one of the most precious memories I had.

My sister's magic was a little bit different. She was also an elemental, but she could control earth and fire. My sister avoided using magic because of the darkness. My mom's magic was light, but my sister's wasn't. She had both light and dark magic, and she spent years learning how to push the darkness away. She avoided using magic completely, though. She said that even using her light magic could be dangerous. She said that she could feel the darkness tempting her to give in.

I didn't inherit my mom's magic, but I did inherit her strength. I was a bit bigger and stronger than any other Alpha wolf my age. I had more endurance and I was faster than the others.

My mom and my sister both had a unique ability to share their magic with others, mostly with my dad and me. They couldn't give us their magic to use, but they could enhance our abilities and protect us a bit better. Both of them could do it with others as well, but it took a lot of their strength and it wasn't as effective as it was when they transferred it to us.

"What are you two fighting about now?" my mom asked as she pulled out a chair for me to sit on.

I sat down next to her and she kissed my temple.

I furrowed my eyebrows, trying to remember it.

I completely forgot. Most of our fights were completely stupid, and I forgot what we were fighting about within minutes. Oh, I remembered.

"She keeps leaving my bedroom door open after she leaves," sighed, rolling my eyes.

My mom and dad chuckled.

"That's the same fight you had for years," my uncle said, shaking his head and taking a sip of his coffee.

" know!" exclaimed. "I hoped that she would learn by now."

"Thanks a lot, Emma," my uncle frowned. "My coffee is watered down now."

"Oh, relax, it was just a few drops of water," my mom sighed. "Now know where Sophia gets it from," said, narrowing my eyes at my mom. "That's exactly what she always says to me. Oh, relax, Alex."

My dad was chuckling the entire time. He approached my uncle and gave him a fresh cup of coffee. "Sophia?" heard my sister's voice. "You are that mad at me?"

looked at her and rolled my eyes. only called her Sophia when was really mad at her. Everyone called her Sophia only when they were mad at her. People called her Sophie or Soph. always called her Fia.

"You need to close the door when you leave my room," sighed. " know," Fia said. "I already told you that am sorry." "Sorry won't close my door," mumbled, frowning at her.

"Okay, enough," my dad said as he placed a plate filled with pancakes in front of us. "You can argue about it later. We have more important things to discuss today."

frowned and looked at my dad. "Is everything okay?" asked.

Fia and turned 18 three months ago, and my father was preparing me to become an Alpha. was slowly taking over some of the duties and was hoping to take over the pack by the time turned 19.

“Yes, bud, don’t worry,” my dad said, giving me a small smile. “I just need to talk to you and Soph about the Alpha gathering this year.”

My excitement grew immediately. The Alpha gathering was at our pack this year and it would be the first time I would be allowed to go. I wanted my dad to take me sooner, but he told me that I had to wait until I turned 18. “What about it?” I asked, excitedly.

My dad glanced at my mom and my uncle. I could swear that I saw a hint of worry in his eyes.

“We are allowed to go this year, right?” I asked, furrowing my eyebrows. If my dad said that I couldn’t go again this year...

“Of course, bud,” my dad said, making me sigh in relief. “We just want to tell you a little bit about Alpha of the Blood Moon Pack.” I furrowed my eyebrows and looked at Fia. She was looking at my dad with a confused expression on her face.

“What about him?” I asked, looking back at my dad.

He took a deep breath and ran his f\*ingers through his hair.

“Our pack has a history with him,” my dad said as he placed his hands on my mom’s shoulders. “We moved on, but it’s something that has affected us greatly and we could never forget what happened.”

My heartbeat quickened.

“What happened?” I asked quietly.

My dad looked down at my mom. She smiled at him.

“Alpha Nathan tried to take your mom away from me,” my dad said, making my eyes widen. Axel stirred and growled.

“What?” Fia mumbled quietly.

took her hand in mine and squeezed it. “Talk,” said sternly.

## Chapter 174

### Our Past (Part One) (Alexander's POV)

watched my dad as he pulled up a chair and sat down next to my mom. She ran her f\*ingers through his hair and he smiled at her.

“ love you, Emma,” my dad said quietly.

“ love you too,” my mom said, giving him a small smile.

My dad turned to Fia and me.

“ always told you that your fated mate would be the most important person in your life, right?” my dad asked. nodded. was getting more confused by the second.

“ always told you that you have to cherish and respect your mate, right?” my dad asked, his voice raspy.

nodded again.

glanced at Fia. She was as confused as me.

“What am about to tell you next will probably change the way you feel about me,” my dad said, his voice breaking. “I just hope that you will find a way to forgive me. love you two and your mom with my entire heart and soul and never want to lose you.”

My heart raced.

What the hell was he talking about? Why would he change the way I felt about my dad? I loved my dad. He took a deep breath and pulled my mom closer to him. She caressed his cheek gently.

"When I first found out that your mom was my mate, he rejected her," my dad said, making Fia gasp.

I was frozen.

What?

He rejected my mom? My wonderful mom? Why?!

I glanced at my uncle. Did he know about this? How could he let it happen? If Fia's mate rejected her, he would rip his fucking heart out of his body.

"Why, dad?" Fia asked, her voice laced with sadness. My dad closed his eyes and took a deep breath.

"I was an idiot," my dad said quietly as he opened his eyes and looked at my sister and me. "As you know, your grandfather was killed in a rogue attack and he left me in charge before I even started my Alpha training. I felt so responsible for my pack and I was focused on finding a strong mate." I tightened my hand around Fia's.

"I found out that your mom was my mate on her 18th birthday," dad said, looking at my mom. "I rejected her that same day. I thought that she wasn't strong enough to be my Luna. I decided to take a chosen mate. I decided to make Sienna my Luna."

To say that I was pissed off would be an understatement.

"Who is Sienna?" Fia asked quietly.

"Did you know about it?" I asked my uncle at the same time.

My uncle nodded and took a deep breath. "I did. agreed with your dad. supported him in his decision."  
My eyes widened.

Was he serious?! Was he f\*ucking serious?!

"Are you kidding me?!" exclaimed, looking at my uncle wide-eyed. "You let him do that to your sister?!"  
instinctively pulled Fia closer to me.

"made a mistake," my uncle said. "Your dad and both made a lot of mistakes."

looked at my mom. How could they hurt her like that? My mom was the best woman on this planet,  
and wasn't saying it because she was my mom. It was the truth.

My mom smiled at me. wanted to hug her.

"Who is Sienna?" my sister asked again, making us all look at her.

She looked so sad and disappointed.

My dad took a deep breath and ran his f\*ingers through his hair.

"Sienna was Andrew's and mine childhood best friend," my dad said. "Where is she now?" Fia asked.

We never met her. I'd never even heard about her until a few minutes ago. "She is dead," my father said  
angrily. "She died in the cellar a long time ago."

Why did have a feeling that there was so much our parents were hiding from us?

"Why was she there?" Fia asked, gripping my hand tighter.



My dad glanced at my mom and my uncle.

“Stop looking at each other and tell us the truth!” said, getting annoyed with the way they were prolonging this.

My mom stood up and approached Fia and me. She k\*issed my temple and stood behind me. She wrapped her arms around Fia and me and leaned her head on mine.

I relaxed a little.

“Sienna was in the cellar because she hired a rogue called Rolf to kidnap and kill your mom,” my dad said, making my heart stop beating.

What?

WHAT?!

grabbed my mom’s arm and looked up at her. was horrified.

“Mom?” Fia cried out, looking up at her mom as well.

Fia’s eyes were filled with tears.

Our mom bent down and k\*issed Fia’s cheek. She ran her f\*ingers through my hair and gave us a little smile.

“Sienna was jealous of me being your dad's true mate,” our mom said. “She wanted me gone even though your dad chose her, so she hired a rogue to kidnap me. Your dad and your uncle found me and saved me.”

looked back at my dad.

"Why did she hate mom?" asked. "You said that she was uncle Andrew's and your childhood friend. Didn't she know mom as well? Why would she hurt her?"

"Sienna was always jealous of your mom," my uncle answered. "She believed that Logan and I should love her more. She had bullied your mom for years. After Logan found out that your mom was his mate, Sienna lost it. She wanted to get rid of her." What the hell? I was getting more and more confused by the second.

I had so many questions.

"She bullied mom for years?" Fia voiced out the first question I had on my mind. "Why didn't you stop her?"

My uncle took a deep breath and looked at my mom.

"Because we didn't believe Emma," my uncle mumbled. "I didn't believe your mom when she told me about Sienna. She fucked up."

My eyes widened to the point of falling out of their sockets. Did I hear him right? No. There was no fucking way I heard him right.

If Fia told me that someone was bullying her, I would rip them apart. I wouldn't even need proof. My sister's words would be proof enough. "Let me get this straight," I mumbled, shaking my head. "Your childhood friend bullied your sister for years and you didn't believe her."

My uncle and my dad nodded. My mom caressed my cheek. I tightened my jaw. I could feel the anger boiling inside of me.

"I can tell what you are thinking, bud," my uncle said. "If we just believed your mom about Sienna, she would never be able to kidnap her."

clenched my fists and nodded. "Why didn't you believe mom?" Fia asked quietly. My dad and my uncle took a deep breath and glanced at each other.

couldn't f\*ucking wait to hear their excuse. loved them both a lot, but wanted to punch the s\*hit out of them for doing that to my mom.

Chapter 175

Our Past (Part Two) (Sophia's POV)

was looking at my dad with a confused look on my face.

So many emotions bubbled up inside me. Anger, sadness, fear, confusion, frustration... had them all and couldn't sort through them.

"We didn't believe her because we thought that Sienna would never do something like that," Uncle Andrew said. "I thought that your mom was jealous of Sienna because we spent so much time together."

My jaw almost hit the floor.

Was he serious?

Lex chuckled darkly.

"You didn't believe your sister because you thought that she was jealous?" Lex asked, squeezing my hand tightly. Lex was very protective of mom and me. could feel his anger and sadness. He looked like he was going to explode.

"was an idiot, Alex," my uncle sighed. "I paid for my mistake. almost lost my sister. thought that she would never talk to me again. thought that she would hate me. thought that she would die before got to tell her how f\*ucking sorry was."

My eyes widened.

"Die?" mumbled, looking up at my mom.

My mom almost died?

" was in pretty bad shape when your dad and uncle found me," she said. "Luckily, doctor Wren saved me." Lex stood up abruptly and turned toward our mom. He pulled her into a tight hug.

"I am so sorry, mom," Lex mumbled. "If Sienna was still alive, I would kill her with my own bare hands." My mom hugged my brother and rubbed his back gently.

"She isn't alive anymore, honey," my mom said. "She can't hurt anyone anymore."

"What about that fucking rogue?" Lex asked.

"He is dead too," my dad mumbled, making me look back at him.

My dad looked so sad. I wanted to hug him, but I was so angry at him.

My dad looked at me and gulped. I could tell that he wanted to hug me too. "What happened after?" asked. "How did Alpha of the Blood Moon Pack try to take mom away from you?"

Dad took a deep breath and looked at my mom. "Do you remember the Legend of the White Wolf?" my dad asked. Mom nodded.

Of course I remembered it. I grew up listening to the stories about my mom being the White Wolf and the only wolf in existence who had magic. Well, until she gave birth to me.

"We didn't tell you the whole story," my dad said, making me narrow my eyes at him. "Did you reject my mom twice?" Lex asked angrily. My dad sighed.

“Your dad made a mistake, honey,” my mom said softly. “I found a way to forgive him. He made up for it. He is a wonderful mate and a wonderful father. Please don’t be angry at him.”

My mom was right. My dad was a wonderful mate and the best dad in the world. But it was so hard not to be angry. Lex scoffed and sat back down next to me. He crossed his arms over his chest and looked at our dad. “What didn’t you tell us?” Lex asked angrily.

My mom kissed the top of Lex’s head and caressed my cheek. She walked back to dad and sat down next to him. She took his hand in hers and gave him a small smile. My dad pulled her to him.

I always admired the relationship my mom and dad had. I always hoped that I would find a mate who would love me the same way my dad loved my mom. It hurt so much to find out that my dad rejected my mom. I couldn’t believe it. It was hard to believe it.

“The White Wolf was created by a curse,” my mom said, looking back at my brother and me. “A long time ago, a clan of dark witches wanted to get rid of werewolves. They knew that they couldn’t kill them because the Goddess would punish them. Back then, there were only two packs and the witches came up with a plan to turn the packs against each other. They thought that the best way to do that would be to turn the two Alphas against each other.”

I furrowed my eyebrows. “How?” I asked.

“They cursed a woman from one of the packs,” my mom said. “Alpha of her pack was her Goddess-given mate. The witches cursed the Alpha of the other pack and made him her mate as well. The witches thought that the two Alphas would fight over her, kill each other, and the packs wouldn’t exist anymore.”

My breath got caught in my throat.

“You had two mates?” my brother mumbled quietly. My mom looked at him and nodded.

My eyes widened. Lex cursed under his breath.

“That’s why you have dark magic, princess,” my dad told me. “Your mom's magic was created by a dark curse. The darkness from the curse transferred to you.”

took a deep breath and released it slowly.

Lex grabbed my hand.

“Will Fia have two mates?” Lex asked worriedly.

My eyes widened and looked at him. It didn’t even occur to me. Was it possible?

“We don’t know,” my mom sighed, making me look at her. “You know that I am the first White Wolf who had children. Everything we know so far is just an assumption.”

“What happened to the first White Wolf?” Lex asked. “She killed herself,” my mom said. “She couldn’t choose between her two mates and she took her own life.”

An uneasy feeling washed over me.

“How did you choose, mom?” Lex asked her.

My mom smiled and looked at my dad.

“My heart knew that your dad was the one,” she said. “Our love was stronger than the curse.”

A small smile spread across my face.

My dad pulled my mom into his arms. He hugged her tightly and looked at us.

"told you the story about the Rogue King, didn't 1?" dad asked as he k\*issed the top of my mom's head. "Yes," Lex said. "He killed your dad and mom's parents."

Our dad nodded.

"We never told you the real reason why he attacked the pack," our uncle sighed, joining the conversation. "We never told you who he was really after."

"Is there anything that you did tell us?" Lex asked angrily. "We were trying to protect you," our dad said.

Lex clenched his fists and narrowed his eyes at our dad. could tell that he wanted to argue, but interrupted him. didn't want him to argue with dad. understood that he was angry, but nothing good would come out of the two of them fighting.

"Who was the Rogue King after?" asked, making my dad and my uncle look at me. "Your mom," my uncle said. froze. Lex growled.

What? Why?

Chapter 176

Our Past (Part Three) (Alexander's POV)

couldn't help but glare at my dad.

loved him so ftucking much, but I was so angry at him.

He rejected my mom. He didn't believe her. She almost died because he didn't believe her. wanted to punch him, and felt bad about it. He was my dad. would never hurt him. But Goddess, was so f\*ucking pissed off.

"Why was he after our mom?" Fia asked quietly, her voice laced with sadness.

squeezed her hand.

Are you okay? mind-linked her.

don't know what to think. She said. am sad and angry. want to hug

dad, but am angry at him. am so confused.

know, Fia. sighed. Me too.

"He heard about the legend of the White Wolf," my dad answered. "He was working with some witches and they told him that he could take the White Wolf as his mate. They told him that she would make him powerful. He thought that he would be able to have children with her, and take over all the packs."

raised my eyebrows. Was he f\*ucking insane?

"The witches who were working for him misinterpreted the legend," my mom sighed. "As you already know, the legend was written in an ancient language and they translated it wrong. They thought that anyone could become my second mate."

"We didn't know anything about the legend at the time," Uncle Andrew said. "We managed to capture some rogues that were working for the Rogue King and they told us bits and pieces that they've heard from the Rogue King."

"We didn't even know that had magic," my mom continued, making me look at her. "The Rogue Kind just thought that would be a better Luna, guess. He thought that would be more powerful and charismatic. That's about all that we knew about it."

"And what happened to him?" asked, feeling my heart race. Did he hurt my mom? Was he alive? If he was, would kill him with my own bare hands.



"He came to our border with a witch," my dad sighed. "She used her magic to incapacitate us. The Rogue King threatened to kill us if your mom didn't go with him."

Agrowl escaped me.

He threatened to kill my dad?! He threatened to kill my family and my pack?! Oh, would f\*ucking kill him!

"Oh, Goddess," Fia cried out quietly.

placed my arm over her shoulders.

"What did he do to you, mom?" asked quietly.

wanted to punch something.

Well, not something, someone. wanted to punch Sienna and that f\*ucker who helped her. wanted to punch the Rogue King and that f\*ucking witch. "Well, as it turned out, they knew a bit more about the legend than we did," my mom sighed. "It was still wrong, though, but they knew that I had magic. They knew that I could share it. So when the Rogue King took me, he let the witches experiment on me. They were trying to see how much I could endure. They were trying to make me use my magic and share it with them."

saw ftucking red.

They experimented on my mom?!

Fia put a hand over her mouth and sobbed quietly.

"Oh, princess," my mom said as she stood up and approached my sister.

She hugged her and k\*issed the top of her head.

"I am so sorry, mom," Fia mumbled quietly.

"What did they do, mom?" asked, trying to swallow the lump in my throat.

My mom looked at me and sighed.

"It doesn't matter, honey," she said. "All you need to know is that your dad and your uncle saved me again." It was bad. knew it. She would tell us if it wasn't bad.

"So Alpha of the Blood Moon Pack was the Rogue King?" Fia asked, looking up at our mom.

"No, princess," my mom said as she wiped the tears from Fia's cheeks. "The Rogue King's name was Samuel and he wasn't an Alpha."

"Where is he?" asked angrily. "Dead," my dad said, making me look at him. Well, at least he did something right. He killed all the people who hurt my mom.

"Alpha of the Blood Moon Pack was my real cursed mate," my mom said. "The Rogue King thought that anybody could become my mate by marking me, but it wasn't true. The curse created my second mate and it was Alpha Nathan of the Blood Moon Pack."

knew who Alpha Nathan was. knew his son. He did the Alpha training a year earlier than me, so we didn't cross paths, but knew who he was.

But why was Alpha Nathan still alive? Why didn't my father kill him? "Did he hurt you, mom?" Fia asked quietly. My mom took a deep breath and released it slowly.

"He came here because he was sure that he was my Goddess-given mate," my mom said as he ran her f\*ingers through Fia's hair. "He was sure that your dad was the cursed one. He wanted me to give him a chance." "Were you already mated to dad then?" asked her.

“did,” my mom nodded. “That was four years after the Rogue King took me. Your dad and I were already mated and married then.”

“And he still insisted that you give him a chance?” asked angrily.

My mom nodded.

“He was very sure that he was my Goddess-given mate,” my mom said. “But how would he mark you if dad had already marked you?” Fia asked, furrowing her eyebrows.

“Anna came to our pack one day to tell us the whole legend of the White Wolf,” my mom said as she went back to sit beside my dad. “Her ancestors wrote the books and she knew how to read them. She knew the entire legend.”

“That’s how you met her?” Fia asked. My mom nodded.

“Anna told us about Alpha Nathan,” my dad continued. “She said that he was your mom’s other mate and that your mom had to be marked for the second time. But if her cursed mate was the one to mark her for the second time, she would die. Unfortunately, the first White Wolf never found out who her Goddess-given mate was and we had no idea how to know for sure.”

My heart raced. My mom went through so much.

“I was fine with your dad being my cursed mate,” my mom said. “I was fine with things staying the way they were. I didn’t want Alpha Nathan, not even if he was my Goddess-given mate.”

“But?” Fia asked quietly. “But Anna told me that I wouldn’t be able to have children unless I was marked by my Goddess-given mate,” my mom said. I furrowed my eyebrows.

Everything that happened was so f\*cking insane. I couldn’t believe what my mom went through.

Now You Know Everything (Sophia's POV)

"What did you do?" mumbled quietly.

My mom looked at my dad and sighed.

"Alpha Nathan insisted on getting to know me, so we had dinner together," my mom said. "I always knew that your dad was my Goddess-given mate. didn't need to get to know Alpha Nathan. My heart knew."

"Why didn't you mark her for the second time immediately, dad?" Lex asked.

Dad pulled mom into his arms. He hugged her tightly and took a deep breath.

"I was scared," dad mumbled as he buried his nose into my mom's hair. "I was so scared that she would die." My dad closed his eyes.

He adored my mom. It was hard for me to believe that there was a time when he didn't want her. couldn't imagine my dad rejecting my mom. It was surreal.

"Why did you even go to dinner with him, mom?" Lex asked her. "Why didn't you just throw him out of the pack?"

"We were trying to avoid a war," my mom sighed. "Back then, Alpha Nathan was under the influence of his crazy father, who was working with rogues. We didn't want innocent people to get killed. couldn't let our pack members suffer because of me."

understood that. would do the same thing. "So what happened?" Lex asked. "How did you find out who the cursed mate was?" My dad let my mom go. She looked at uncle Andrew.

"Alpha Nathan went crazy," my mom mumbled. "He wanted to force me to leave the pack with him. He took your aunt Daisy hostage and threatened to kill her. She was pregnant with Mason then."

My eyes widened. Lex growled loudly.

looked at my uncle, who had a pissed-off look on his face.

"I am still pissed as f\*uck about it even though it happened 18 years ago," my uncle sighed.

"Of course you are," Lex said angrily. "He threatened your mate and your child. would have killed him."

squeezed Lex's hand. He was always very protective of our family. It was a value our parents taught us. Family and mates always came first. "What happened next?" asked, making my parents and uncle look back at me.

My dad looked at my mom and smiled.

"Your bada\*ss mom found her magic and saved Daisy," dad said proudly. "That's how you found your magic?" asked, raising my eyebrows. "Yes," my mom nodded. "Anna said that would get my magic only after was marked by my Goddess-given mate, but guess the anger felt unlocked it."

"She was amazing, but she almost gave me a heart attack," my uncle chuckled, looking at my mom.

My uncle was incredibly protective of my mom. He practically raised her because my grandparents were working a lot. Sometimes he acted more like her dad than her brother.

"Why?" asked.

" fought Nathan using my magic, but it was still so new and didn't really have control over it, so he almost won a couple of times," mom said, chuckling and shaking her head.

"It wasn't funny, Emma," uncle Andrew said sternly. "I thought that you were dead." gasped. "Dead?" Lex growled.

“blasted us both with magic,” mom explained. “I don’t know how, but we passed out and talked to the Moon Goddess. The curse broke in the blast and after we woke up, we weren’t mates anymore.”

My head was going to explode.

My mom talked to the Moon Goddess?

“You talked to the Moon Goddess?” Lex mumbled.

“We did,” my mom nodded.

My brain felt like it was going to explode. Lex shook his head and took a deep breath.

“Why didn’t you kill Alpha Nathan?” Lex asked angrily. “Why did you let the fucker live? would have killed him. want to kill

him.” “Oh, believe me, bud, wanted to kill him,” dad said. “Your uncle wanted to kill him.”

“But?” Lex asked.

“But he is an Alpha,” our dad sighed. “If we killed him, his father would have a very good reason to attack our pack. We did everything we could to avoid a war. Your aunt Daisy was pregnant. Your mom and I were finally mated for the second time. None of us wanted to risk our happiness for some crazy f\*ucker.”

Lex gulped and tightened his jaw.

“I made Alpha Nathan promise to cut ties with his father,” my mom said. “I made him promise to listen to his wolf more. As far as I am aware, he did all of that. He exiled his father and he became a great Alpha.”

"And now you know everything," my dad said quietly. looked at him and my heart clenched. He looked so sad and worried. "Why didn't you tell us sooner?" asked, making my dad look at me. "Why now?"

"Well, this is the first time in 18 years that the Alpha of the Blood Moon Pack will attend the Alpha gathering at our pack," dad said. "We forbade Alpha Nathan from coming to our pack, but his son took over and your mom and I believe that it wouldn't be okay if we forbade his son from attending."

The Alpha gathering was a yearly event. Each year a different pack was hosting it. This year's Alpha gathering was at our pack. It was an opportunity for Alphas to talk and make new allies. It was an interesting event and I was excited for it to start. "I would forbid his son from coming as well," Lex mumbled.

"I know, bud," dad said. "But we can't punish him for his father's mistakes."

Lex sighed.

Dad looked at me and gulped.

"I am sorry," dad said. "I should have told you the truth sooner, but I was scared."

"Of what?" asked, furrowing my eyebrows.

"Of losing you two," dad said. "I am scared that you will hate me for what I did."

My heart broke.

"We could never hate you, dad," Lex sighed. "I am pissed as f\*uck, but I could never hate you."

"Me neither, dad," I said. "You made a mistake, but I could never hate you. I love you."

Dad stood up and approached us. He pulled both of us into a tight hug. "Oh, thank Goddess," he mumbled as he k\*issed my temple. "I love you both so much."

wrapped my free arm around my dad. saw my mom and my uncle smiling at us.

was angry at my dad, but could never hate him. loved him so much. He made a mistake, but it didn't define him. He was still the best dad could have asked for.

## Chapter 178

### Getting Ready

(Hunter's POV)

"Can come in?" heard my dad's voice.

looked up and nodded.

already knew that he was coming. heard him approaching my office. "Are you getting ready?" dad asked. "Yes," said as put the pen down. "I'm almost packed. will leave in the morning."

Dad nodded and sat down in the armchair in front of my desk. He looked nervous and worried.

"Stop worrying, dad," sighed. "Everything is going to be okay."

Dad took a deep breath and released it slowly.

"You can't blame me for being nervous," dad mumbled. "You are going to the pack of the people who hate my guts."

gritted my teeth. knew what happened between my dad and Alpha Logan and Luna Emma. wasn't saying that they didn't have a good reason not to like my dad, but he changed so much. wished that they would give him a chance to show them that he wasn't the same man anymore.



"Everything is going to be okay, dad," said. "They are not going to hurt me."

knew a lot about Alpha Logan and Luna Emma. They were good people. was thankful to them for letting my dad go. would be an orphan now. would grow up without him if they didn't show him mercy.

Dad ran his fingers through his hair. "Both Emma and her daughter have magic," my dad said. "You need to be careful."

Emma and Logan had two children. Alpha Alexander and his twin sister Sophia. Alexander was the strongest Alpha in existence. His mother's magic made him more powerful than the rest of us. He didn't inherit his mother's magic, though. didn't know much about his sister, but knew that she had magic. Some were saying that she was even more powerful than her mother, but no one knew much about her. Logan and Emma kept her hidden from the rest of the world. They were protective of her. "I know, dad," said. "I'm sure that it will be okay. I'm sure that they won't hurt me."

"Just stay away from them," my dad said. "Especially Emma's daughter. We don't know much about her, but people are saying that her magic is unpredictable but stronger than Emma's."

sighed and nodded. "I am aware, dad. will be careful."

Dad looked me up and down.

"Your mother will kill me if something happens to you," dad said, making me chuckle a little. Dad frowned.

"It's not funny," he said. "Your mom is scary when she is angry."

laughed, shaking my head.

"Oh, know," said. "I was on the receiving end of her anger a lot of times."

Dad chuckled. "I know. was afraid for you."

Dad took a deep breath and a smile disappeared from his face.

"Are you sure that you want to go, Hunter?" he asked me. "You don't have to, you know."

sighed and leaned back in my chair. looked my dad in the eyes. "I am going dad," said. "I won't waste an opportunity to make our pack better and stronger. won't waste an opportunity to help our pack grow. I've heard a lot about Logan and Emma. They don't seem like the people who would hurt me unless threatened their family, which definitely won't do."

Dad took a deep breath and nodded.

"know, Hunter," dad said. "I wish could stop being nervous, but you are my child and it's so freaking hard. You will understand one day."

I smiled a little.

couldn't see myself as a dad yet, but wanted to be someday. could see myself as a mate. couldn't wait to meet her. couldn't wait to have her next to me. couldn't wait to hold her, cherish her, and protect her. My dad always told me how important mates were and after hearing his story, knew why he was telling me that. He almost lost his mate and he didn't want the same thing to happen to me. would never allow it, though. would fight for her until took my last breath.

"know, dad," chuckled. "But am focused on our pack for now."

My dad smiled at me.

"You are an amazing Alpha," he said. "I am so proud of you."

My heart swelled.

“Thank you, dad,” said quietly.

heard footsteps approaching my office. knew it was my mom even before she entered my office. “Hey, honey,” my mom said as she opened the door. “Did you pack your bags?”

My dad turned around and smiled at my mom.

“did, mom”; said. “I am leaving early in the morning.”

My mom approached my dad and placed her hands on his shoulders. He took her hand in his and k\*issed it. “Why are you two still here?” sighed, remembering what they said yesterday.

Harry and finally convinced them to go on a small vacation at one of our cabins on the lake. They said that they would leave today.

“We are leaving in an hour,” my mom said. “I wanted to see you before we left. wanted to tell you to be careful.” “know, mom,” smiled. “Dad already told me to be careful.”

My mom nodded and looked down at my dad.

“Are you ready to go, honey?” my mom asked.

Dad smiled and gave her a little nod.

“If you don’t text me regularly, will come there and drag you back home,” my mom said as he looked back up and pointed a finger at me. “You might be a big, bad Alpha now, but you are still my child and can still ground you.”

tried to hold back my laugh.

“know, mom,” said, biting the insides of my cheeks to stop myself from smiling. “I will text you.”

"I can see you smiling, Hunter Reed," my mom said. "I am being serious." "I know, mom," repeated.

She approached me and pulled me into a hug.

"Be careful, Hunter," she said softly. "I love you.

"love you too, mom," said as hugged her back.

She let me go and patted my cheek a little.

"will see you when you get back," she said.

nodded and watched as she walked back to my dad.

"love you, buddy," dad said as he smiled at me and took my mom's hand in his.

"Love you too," said as watched them walk out of my office.

I smiled.

wanted to find a mate who would love me as much as my mom loved my dad.

hoped that would find her soon.

Chapter 179

The Crescent Moon Pack

(Hunter's POV)

"Welcome to the Crescent Moon Pack, Alpha Hunter," a warrior at the border said, bowing down to me. "Thank you," said, giving him a small smile.

"Please continue driving," the warrior told me. "Alpha and Luna will welcome you at the packhouse." I smiled and nodded, closing the window back up.

Holden stirred.

'What's wrong?' asked him.

'don't know,' he mumbled. 'I'm nervous. You need to be careful.'

sighed and shook my head.

'I know, Holden,' said. 'Nothing bad will happen. Stop worrying.' 'I am an Alpha wolf,' he growled a little. 'It's in my nature to be careful all the time.'

'I know,' said, trying not to chuckle at him. 'I am sorry.' could feel his annoyance grow, but he didn't say anything. held back the laugh and continued driving toward the packhouse.

The land was beautiful. was driving through thick forest and just wanted to jump out of the car and run. The towering trees surrounded the road on either side, their branches were stretching out overhead like a leafy canopy. Sunlight filtered through the dense branches. The air was fresh and cool, scented with the sweet aroma of pine needles and damp earth. The gentle

hum of the car engine was the only sound that disturbed the quiet of the forest. The forest seemed to stretch on forever. could sense the wolves who were standing guard in the forest.

Suddenly, the forest opened up, and found myself driving out into a clearing. smiled, taking in the change of scenery. saw the packhouse ahead and slowed the car down.

My eyes caught a glimpse of a couple who was standing at the entrance to the packhouse and greeting the guests. They were smiling and shaking their guests' hands.

knew immediately who it was. Logan and Emma Carter, Alpha and Luna of the Crescent Moon Pack.

Luna Emma was beautiful. She had brown hair and blue eyes. She looked kind and loving. She was radiating an aura of peace and tranquility to all those around her. Her eyes sparkled with a gentle light, and her smile was warm and welcoming.

Alpha Logan was a strong and dominant man who exuded an aura of power and control. His very presence commanded attention and respect. could tell how fiercely protective he was of his Luna. His arm was wrapped around her waist and he was holding her close. No one dared to get too close to her.

got out of my car and took a deep breath.

Suddenly, was very nervous to approach them.

locked my car and fixed my posture.

had to tell myself that could do this. was a freaking Alpha of the oldest pack. walked up to Alpha and Luna.

Their eyes fell on me and could feel the nervousness grow.

"Alpha Logan, Luna Emma," said politely, bowing my head a little. "Alpha Hunter," Alpha Logan said. "Welcome to the Crescent Moon Pack." looked up and saw Luna Emma smiling at me. Alpha Logan was careful. His arm tightened around his mate's waist.

"Thank you for having me," said. "I am grateful that you decided to let me come."

"Of course, Alpha Hunter," Luna smiled. "It wouldn't be fair to punish a young Alpha for something that happened almost 20 years ago."

I smiled at her.

"You are always welcome to our pack," Alpha Logan said, making me look at him. I certainly wasn't expecting him to say that.

"As long as you don't hurt anyone, of course," he added, giving me a stern look.

I smiled and nodded. "I would never do that. I respect and admire you, Alpha Logan. I would like us to work together in the future."

He looked me up and down. His face was expressionless. I couldn't tell what he was thinking. "We will see about that, Alpha Hunter," he said.

"I would appreciate even a consideration," I said, smiling politely.

Alpha Logan nodded.

"How is your father?" Luna Emma asked, making me look at her.

"He is very well," I said. "He and my mom are enjoying their retirement."

"I am happy to hear that," she said politely.

I liked her. I liked them both. I was grateful for the opportunity that they had given me. "Please go inside and freshen up," Luna Emma said. "One of our staff members will show you to your room." "Thank you," I said as I bowed a little.

I was just about to walk away from them when an amazing scent made me freeze completely. It was amazing. It smelled like a field of violets.

What the hell was that?

Holden stirred and tensed up.

"Is everything okay, Alpha Hunter?" heard Luna Emma's voice. "What's that smell?" mumbled, looking around.

wanted to find it. wanted to fill my lungs with it.

"Smell?" Alpha Logan asked, confused.

And then saw her.

Everything else around me faded away as my eyes locked on her. My heart skipped a beat, and felt a rush of emotions wash over me: excitement, nervousness, and a deep sense of connection.

Her beauty was radiant and mesmerizing. Her features were delicate and perfect. Her eyes sparkled, drawing me in and making me feel as if she and I were the only people in the world.

Time seemed to stand still as took in the sight of her. couldn't move. couldn't breathe. couldn't think.

All saw was her. All wanted was her.

When her beautiful green eyes met mine, thought that would explode with happiness.

She was mine.

That beautiful angel was mine.

"Mate," we said at the same time and felt a huge smile spread across my face.



wanted to rush toward her. wanted to hold her. wanted to press my lips against her and taste her.

But someone stopped me. Someone grabbed me before I could get to my angel. Someone didn't want me to go to her.

growled loudly. was going to rip them apart.

Chapter 180

Mate?

(Sophia's POV)

"Come on, Fia," my brother sighed. "We are late."

turned around to look at him. He was leaning on the door frame with his arms crossed over his chest.

"Why are you waiting for me?" asked. "You can go downstairs. I will be there soon."

Lex rolled his eyes at me. "I am not leaving you alone. Hurry up." "Fine," I mumbled as I bent down to zip up my boots. I was a little bit nervous. Stella kept stirring and I could feel the tension radiating off her.

'What's wrong?' asked her for what felt like a millionth time today.

'I don't know,' she mumbled. 'Hurry up, Sophia.'

furrowed my eyebrows and stood back up.

Why was she so nervous? Why was she hurrying me up?

"Done?" Lex asked, making me look at him.

nodded and took a deep breath.

"What's wrong?" he asked and could hear a hint of worry in his voice. "I don't know," mumbled. "I'm a little bit nervous."

approached my brother and he wrapped an arm around my shoulders. "Don't be, Fia," he said, giving me a small smile. "You can leave whenever you want to, okay?"

nodded and smiled back at him.

Lex moved his arm away from my shoulders and took my hand in his. He led me toward the stairs. The further we walked, the more Stella stirred.

What the hell was wrong with her?

"Why is Stella so tense?" Lex asked, looking down at me.

Axel probably told him.

"I don't know," mumbled. "She's been like that the whole morning." Lex furrowed his eyebrows and squeezed my hand tighter.

took a deep breath as we started walking down the stairs.

Something smelt nice. Was it a new air refresher? It smelt like coffee and vanilla. took a deep breath, letting the scent soothe me. My mom chose well this time. Those were my two favorite scents.

Lex and I were almost at the bottom of the stairs when Stella stirred and whined. I felt eyes on me and looked to my right. The world stopped spinning.

A tall, muscular man was standing by the front door. His eyes were fixed on me. My whole body trembled. Stella purred. My scents were overwhelmed by him.

His dark brown eyes sparkled. His muscles clenched. His dark hair was perfect and it looked so soft. I wanted to run my f\*ingers through it. I wanted to bury my nose into it and take a deep breath.

The scent was coming off him.

He was my mate.

Stella's excitement almost made me jump up and down.

"Mate," mumbled at the same time he did.

"Mate?" Lex exclaimed and I could hear the confusion in his voice.

My mate moved. He wanted to approach me. I wanted him to. I wanted to t\*ouch him.

A quiet growl escaped me when my dad stopped him. Lex pulled me behind him, and I couldn't see my mate anymore. "Mate?" I heard my dad's angry voice.

"Let me go!" my mate spoke, making me shiver. "She is my mate. You can't keep me from her!"

His voice was deep and pleasurable. It was like velvet, rich and smooth, with a subtle roughness that added a t\*ouch of masculinity. His voice made me want to listen and follow. I wanted him to keep talking. I wanted to listen to him forever.

"Get her out of here, Alex," my dad said, making my heart skip a beat. No. I didn't want to go. Why didn't my dad let my mate come to me? "Are you f\*ucking kidding me?!" my mate shouted. "You can't do this!"

wanted to go to him, but Alex picked me up and rushed upstairs. "Let me go!" shouted, trying to get out of my brother's arms. His hold on me only tightened.

"Stop it, Sophia," Lex growled. "You can't go to him."

heard shouting from downstairs. heard my mate yelling. heard my dad telling him that he couldn't go to me. Mom? mind-linked her. What is going on?

Don't worry, honey. My mom said calmly. will talk to your dad. He is just surprised, that's all.

But why? asked. Who is he, mom?

didn't recognize my mate. didn't know who he was.

He is Alpha Hunter. My mom said. He is Alpha Nathan's son.

My heart stopped beating.

Alpha Nathan's son? The same man who tried to take my mom away from my dad?

'Hunter,' Stella purred.

Lex walked into my dad's office and put me down. He shut the door and started pacing around. He tangled his fingers into his hair and took a deep breath.

"Lex..." mumbled, but he stopped me immediately.

"No, Sophia," he said, looking up at him. "You are not going anywhere near that man."

My heart clenched painfully.

understood why Lex and my dad didn't want me near him, but he was my mate. wanted to talk to him. needed to talk to him.

"He is my mate," said quietly.

Lex growled and started pacing around the office again. watched as he clenched his fists repeatedly.

"His father is an insane bastard," Lex said angrily. "His son is probably the same. He can't be trusted. We can't allow this." Stella tensed up. growled.

Lex looked at me and raised an eyebrow.

"Don't, Sophia," he said. "You know that am right."

"We don't know him," argued. "He could be different than his father."

Lex approached me and placed his hands on my shoulders. He bent down to look into my eyes.

"His father tried to take our mom away," Lex said, gritting his teeth. "His father tried to kill Aunt Daisy and Mason." My heart felt like it was being stabbed repeatedly.

My dad's office door burst open. Mason and Mike ran inside.

"Is it true?" Mason growled loudly as he approached me and grabbed my arm.

"Yes," Lex said as he looked at him. "You know the whole story?"

"What story?" Mike asked. "Who do we need to beat up?"

Mason nodded and pulled me into a hug. All of us ignored Mike.

"I am sorry, Soph," he mumbled. "You deserve a better mate."

wrapped my arms around my cousin and let the tears fall down my cheeks. They didn't know him. didn't know him. They were talking about him like he was the one who tried to take my mom and kill my aunt. Would they even let me meet him? Would they even allow him to show us that he wasn't his father?

Stella whined.

She knew the answer. We both did.