

Chapter 210

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"Why wouldn't you trust your well dressed and very hot gamma?" Bennet smooths out his jacket. "Anyone who looks this good should be trusted."

"Uh, no! That is an absolute lie. That is something Danny would say, not you. And, because you were in on whatever this is." I gesture between him and I.

"Just go with it Luna, not everyone is out to get you. And I want to go on record for being the first person to say how beautiful you look." He holds his elbow out for me to take.

"Technically, Sarah told me I was perfect first." He scoffs while I pat his arm as he leads me to the formal banquet room. I haven't had a need to go in here for a while. What are they up to?

I won't stall or hesitate though. I know Ryker is in here with Josh, Danny Greta, Alpha Ryan and a few other people who feel familiar, but I am still figuring out this people GPS thing and I can't quite figure out who it is. I haven't seen my mate since he put me to bed earlier today and I am anxious now that Sarah has me all dolled up. It's been a really long time since we were dressed up together. I think it was last Fall at Rayna's Luna ceremony actually. 1

"Ready?!" Sarah looks at me expectantly.

"For what?!" I whisper-shout. "I don't know what we are doing yet. How can I be ready?" My voice is shaky and getting higher pitched

with each word, but for good reason. "I am being ambushed by the people I trust the most right now while they look like Christmas came in July."

"Oh, stop. You'll love it." She smiles at me again, adjusting my dress. When she deems me presentable she steps to the side as the double doors open to reveal the full decorated ballroom.

"Oh wow!" I whisper, Bennet guiding me through the door. I probably would still be there staring if he hadn't. Then his scent hits me and I zero in on Ryker standing with a group of people. He's the only one I see though, everyone else is a haze.

Just like Rayna's party here, he is in all black, his tie matching my dress. He has one hand casually in his pocket with the other on his chest, thumb rubbing the spot over his heart. The small sexy smile on his face grows to blinding proportions the longer he looks at me.
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I let go of Bennet and walk straight to him. No hesitation, no reservations or worry. No one trying to get in my way. He pulls me close with one hand when I reach him and cups my cheek with the other as I run my arms up his massive biceps..

"I missed you, Lamb. You look absolutely gorgeous." Those emerald orbs search mine.

"I missed you too, and thank you. What is all this?" I ask as his face tilts closer to mine.

He opens his mouth to say something but gets interrupted.



"Don't you dare ruin my masterpiece, Ryker. I will make you wait longer if you do." His mother says somewhere near us. We are still in our own bubble.

"I don't think it's possible to ruin this level of perfection, Mother, but I get your point. Later, Lamb." He gives me an Eskimo kiss and pulls away. "I actually have a surprise for you. A surprise that won't wait much longer. Oompf!" 1

Ryker is shoved out of my arms as I am accosted into a hug with a squeal and an "I've missed you so much!" Ryana's floral scent is calming and energizing all at the same time and I forgot how much I enjoy it. I hug her tight, or at least try to. My arms can't get around her at all. 1

I push her back to get a good look. "RAYNA!!! Oh Goddess! Are you serious?!?!" We both squeal as I rub her very pronounced belly.

"I know! They take up so much space, but I love them already." 2

"Wait, them?" 2

"Jeremiah does not mess around. We got two for the price of one!" She giggles. "Now, the fun part will come when you two start having kids. Is the twin thing really a thing for you two?" She points to me and then next to her at Jeremiah.

"JER!" I jump at him and he catches me easily. I bury my face in his neck and I am home instantly. His effect on me is so different from Ryker, and yet so similar. "I have missed you so much. What are you guys doing here? I mean don't get me wrong I am so excited to see you, but should you really be traveling right now?" I look at RAyna



worried about her being stressed with the long travel.

"I was cleared to come, considering it's a special occasion..."

"And we have never once spent a birthday apart. I wasn't about to start now."

I cover my mouth. With everything going on and not being with Jer and the guys, I haven't even thought about my birthday at all. I didn't even realize it was coming up, let alone today. I look at Ryker. He just gives me that shy smile, the one just for me. He did this for me. He knows how important this day with Jer is and he made it happen with everything else we have had to worry about. 2