



Chapter 222

I race up the stairs to calls of 'hey' and 'wait up,' but there is no stopping me. It looks like the deck wraps all the way around and I want to get the whole view. I stop on the lower deck for just a moment. Half of it is hidden under the main deck and has a hammock hung with some kind of corrugated material attached to the underside of the main deck. Maybe a roof structure so I could sit out here even if it rains. That would be heaven. I don't think on it long, this deck is going to get a ton of use from me and I will have plenty of time. 2

I race up the second flight of stairs and gasp loudly. It is so amazing up here. The air smells fresh and cool, even in the middle of the summer. I lean on the railing and look down at our car which looks half the size from here. I start to walk slowly, letting my fingers graze the natural wood railing as I go. The porch does wrap all the way around and I think I can see every single house from here. I stop overlooking the green lake with its adorable little waterfall below me. I close my eyes and breathe deeply again.

I can feel Ryker a few steps behind me. He's downwind, so I don't have his scent and he is silent in his movement. It's just the mate bond compass telling me he's close. I let him take his own time getting to me, he's contemplating something. I can feel the debate in him, but it isn't a good or bad dilemma or bad and worse information feeling, he's just coming to terms with something and he needs the space to work through it. 2

When he finally wraps his arms around me, I feel my wolf rumble in my chest. She still hasn't said anything since our first shift, but I can



feel the both of us getting stronger. 1

"What do you think, Kennedy?" He only uses my name when he is absolutely serious.

"I think it's amazing, where are we? How did you find this place?" I ask as he presses his chest into my back, gripping the railing, caging me in. 1

"This was the Oak Lake pack territory. This is where I was last year when Rayna had to go to the Summit in my place. I was here when she met Jeremiah, which in turn brought you to me. I helped the former alpha pass naturally back to the Goddess, his mate died when they were young and he never had children, so he passed his pack on to me to protect his people and I am giving it to you. Without this pack I don't know how long it would have taken for me to find you or for Rayna to find Jeremiah." 1

"Ryker." I whisper, leaning back in his arms. I can't take my eyes off the view. "I don't know what to say. You can't give me a whole pack, that's insane. What could I possibly give you that could even come close?" I look over my shoulder and his focus is one hundred percent on me. 1

"Can we fill it with pups?" His voice cracks on the last word. 3

I turn around to fully look at him. "What?"

"I wasn't sure if I was ready to share you yet, but after seeing you hold Hayden and Carson, I have never wanted anything more than having you." 1



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That is all I have for Ryker and Kennedy... For now!

I'm going to move on with Finn and Greta story. It has been festering in my head since I brought Finn on as a character. As always, he was supposed to be just a side character, here for mention to fill-in a need. he wasn't even supposed to live through the fight!

But, as I was writing, he grew on me, his story grew on me, his personality grew on me. And I felt the need to give him a HEA after what I put him through with Amy. [1](#)

But... I also decided to make Greta his mate! So he's going to have to work for her attention, and he's been down that road before. The question is can he put his doubts about mates aside long enough to help her see she is worthy of true love and affection? [1](#)

I'm going to keep the story here because it lives in Ryker and Kennedy's world and I know searching in this app can be tricky. I will start the chapters at chapter 1 with Finn and Greta as the POV. [2](#)

For those of you who know me, my worlds are ever expanding and never ending. I will make sure that you know where each story starts and stops. [2](#)

Danny is another character that is trickling around in my head as well as Ben. I've grown to love all of these guys and I feel like they each have a story to tell and an adventure to chase. So I hope you will stick with me as we launch into another journey! Here comes the Warriors



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