

## Chapter 174 Jake

Hearing Alpha Jacobs mindlink got me fired up. I was ready for this. This dickhead had been pissing me off since we had arrived here. The way he had spoken to Lola and her family was unforgivable. He was no Alpha. He should be punished for the way he runs his pack. That is not the actions of an Alpha.

I am impressed in Manuel for keeping his cool. Though I can only imagine the internal battle he must be fighting with his wolf to stop him coming forward, as I know Rey will be desperate to come forward to attack the Alpha for the things he has been saying about Lola.

As for Mateo, well, he is funny as fuck, but I swear he was trying to get himself or us killed. When you listen to how he speaks and how Gabe speaks, there is no denying where Gabe gets his sense of humour from. It was almost like having Gabe here with us when he spoke up, but I still think he probably should have kept his mouth shut in that moment. Pissing of a psychotic Alpha when he is already enraged is probably not the smartest move, but Mateo thought he'd give it a go anyway just for the hell of it, to see what happened.

Though the look of shock on Alpha Jace's face was a fucking picture, I have to say. I don't think many people stand up to him, so having someone talk to him like that probably came as a shock. What made it even funnier was the fact Mateo just calmly sat down on the sofa after, like he was done.

Right now we are all on edge, the atmosphere in the lounge is one that could be cut with a knife. I don't know what to expect, from what Alpha Jace has implied, I am expecting to be shifted off to dungeons or holding cells real soon.

"Can we not just be free to go? Leave you to continue the shit you do. You just let Lola go and have the life she deserves and be done with it?" Mateo asks.

Fucking hell, does this guy not know when to shut the hell up?!

"and why would I do that?" Alpha Jace says.

"Because it is more hassle than it is worth having a load of prisoners. And you know that people from our pack will be coming to look for us real soon. As we are due home tomorrow. So they will no doubt be involving the Werewolf Council. Do you really want them sniffing around here, big man?" Mateo says with a smile.

Alpha Jace walks to him and stands in front of him. "What?"

"Right step back, I don't want your stale cigarette breath blowing all over me, Alpha. But think about it. We go missing, our pack are going to come looking, as we are pretty important pack members oddly enough. And like I said, they involve the Werewolf Council, and you are in for a whole host of shit then aren't you? You want them here? Looking round and asking questions? Wanting to know why you doing the things you are doing? Because I would guess the answer to that would be a big, fat, fucking hell no." Mateo says with a shrug.

He may have been a dickhead for speaking up but he is making a fucking good point here. Could his lack of filter be the thing that actually saves us?

"You could still report us to the Council, so it makes no difference, does it?" Alpha Jace says.

Dammit.

"Hmmm true that. But see, we have better things to do with our time Alpha and just want to be able to go home and let my nephew start his new life with his mate. That sound acceptable to you?" Mateo says.

I can see Alpha Jace seems to be actually thinking about this. He walks over to his Beta and they are muttering between themselves over near the door so we can't hear them. When suddenly a group of well-built guys walk in, kitted out in black cargo pants, boots and t-shirts. I am guessing these are their warriors.

I looks across to Lola, she looks scared. This isn't good.

They warriors hunni? I link her.

Yeah. Think Alpha plans to have us all put into cells Beta Jake. She replies.

Don't worry, our warriors are coming so they wont get chance. If needs be shift and run for the hotel. And just call me Jake, yeah? Or J, that's what the others do? I reply.

"Right, if we allow you to leave, do I have your word that no reports against our pack will be made?" Alpha Jace asks.

"Are you allowing us to leave, and letting Lola leave too with her family?" Alpha Jacob asks.

"What?! Her family? Why would they be leaving?" he asks.

"Because I don't trust you not to punish them. And believe they would be better at our pack with Lola" Alpha Jacob says.

Shit he is pushing his luck here.....

"You don't need to do that, Alpha, really, that is a lot to ask" Eduardo says. "But I will link Luis our son, just in case so he can be prepared."

"I haven't said I would allow that, Eduardo, so don't be getting excited. Are you giving your word if I let you go that no reports would be made against our pack?" Alpha Jace demands.

"Yes, you would have our word that no new reports would be made against your pack" I mutter.

"But that means you have to let us all go with no problems, Alpha" Mateo quickly butts in. "No shit, right?"

"Do you ever pipe down dick head?" Alpha Jace snarls at him.

I am happy Mateo had butted in when he did, as he had taken the focus away from what I had said. I had given my word, but it was the way I had done it they were hopefully not paying attention to. I had said no new reports would be made against their pack, so the one that had already been made and was currently being set up and investigated was not relevant to my word I had given him.

But the fact that Mateo was busy pissing him off seemed to have distracted him completely. And I am happy with that.

"So are we permitted to leave?" Alpha Jacob says.

"I believe that will be the case" Alpha Jace says.

Just as the front door is kicked in by our warriors..... shit.... Looks like we should have held off on them coming to help..... or at least let them know of the ongoing negotiations.....maybe a slight oversight ....dammit....