

Chapter 45 Knox

Time had passed by as had many beers, and the bottle of whisky was long gone, the club was getting ready to close, I felt Lilah's head sleepily resting on my shoulder and couldn't help but smile, she was clearly a lightweight. Though I looked across the booth to see her friend Lexi passed out and knew she wasn't the only one.

Considering tonight was meant to be a few drinks to wind down after work with the guys, it ended up being a night where my friend, my Gamma met his mate and a night meeting some new she-wolves from a neighbouring pack, though they'd be considered linked through Gabe as his mum was the sister of Lexi's Dad.

Dan and Indie were still talking, they'd occasionally broken their conversation and make out sessions to talk to us but mainly they'd stayed focused on one another which none of us expected anything less to be fair. Now the awkward question would be what was to happen now? Was he going home with her? Was she coming home with him? Would they part ways and arrange to meet again?

The lights to the bar were switched to the full glare, which after sitting in the dim lighting of the club for most of the night drinking was almost blinding.

I did my best to shield Lilah's eyes knowing waking to that would be even worse. "Hey Lilah, it's time to go" I said, giving her a small shake.

She jumped slightly at my touch, and her eyes slowly opened "Woah turn the sun off" she mumbled and I couldn't help but smile at her goofiness.

"Hmm sorry about that sweet, no can do, that's called the lights at the bar, they're kicking us out" I gave up trying to stop calling her that, it just seemed to slip out when I spoke to her with no due cause why, I ended making myself look like a fool correcting myself or trying to stop myself so I would have to let it go as being a friendly term I used, though in truth it bothered me as it was an affectionate term for women I was close to, I had no links to this girl yet it felt the most natural thing in the world to call her that, maybe it was her vulnerability that made me feel the need to put her at ease. That's likely all it was I told myself.

She sat herself up as I saw Gabe on the opposite side of the table doing the same thing to Lexi.

"You ok?" I looked to Lilah who had now woken up, I'd like to say fully but it was hard to say, the bright lights made us all squint and scowl.

"Yeah, sorry I kinda dozed off on you there..." she looked genuinely embarrassed.

"No worries, you're either a lightweight or I was boring you to sleep with my conversation, either way I wasn't going to take it personal Lilah don't worry" I smiled as we stood.

"No. It's just I... I.. I haven't been sleeping too good lately and it must have caught up with me there, I felt a wave of sleep come over me, so I'm sorry..." she whispered.

Had I firstly not been standing right next to her and secondly not been a werewolf with super sharp hearing I may not have heard her at all. Something must be going on for this girl bless her, her friends needing to cheer her up, she's struggling to sleep as most werewolves need their sleep after work, and pack runs etc, I really hope she is ok. She seems too sweet to be struggling. My eyes taking her in, for the countless number of times that night....

"Hey Alpha" Jake interrupted my chain of thoughts "what's happening is Indie coming back with us now?"

"Good question, Dan? Indie?" I looked to them for an answer, this certainly wasn't my decision to be making. Alpha or no Alpha this was not my choice, I knew it was likely they wouldn't want to be leaving one another now they'd found each other and that one would be following the other home. Eventually it would be likely Indie would come to join Dan in our pack as the mate or even wife of the Gamma. But for tonight the decision would be up to them.

I could see them muttering between each other, surely they'd had chance to talk about this already?! They'd been sat together for the last goddess knows how many hours talking to nobody else but one another, surely they'd come up with a plan? They continued muttering ,obviously no plan at all.

Indie broke away from Dan and went to speak to Lilah and the girls. Dan approached me " Alpha is Indie ok to come back to the pack with me?"

I nodded " but someone needs to make sure the others get back to their homes safely" I dictate, knowing it was well into the early hours now and I didn't want it on my conscious if anything were to happen to the other girls.

"I can do that" Gabe says "the guards know me there because of me visiting Auntie and Uncle"

" ok" I nod. " make sure Lilah is ok for me Gabe please " I say as I move away.....