

Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall

Chapter 1

Katya POV

Another day in this Sh*t hole of a school, I was in my last year of highschool and I was glad this part of my life was nearly over, soon I wouldn't have to put up with the constant torment of being the freak of our Pack. I was planning only three more months of school to go and I was free, to choose never to see these arseholes again.

My father was the Beta of the Pack, he was a highly regarded pack member so imagine his disappointment when he discovered I had no wolf. I was the freak of the pack, the wolf-less girl. Our school was a pack school with only werewolves, no humans allowed, so you could imagine what hell it has been for me here. I was basically human, shamefully so.

My parents are the best though, my pack may shun me but not once have they even entertained the idea, always telling me I was a late bloomer, that my wolf would come one day. I used to believe that story too, until now. I was nearly 18 at the age you can find your mate and still without my wolf. Most get there wolf when they are 13, I was well and truly past that deadline.

I had just sat down to eat my lunch in the cafeteria when I heard my name called over the PA system. "Katya Hartley please report to the front office" The middle aged woman who works as the schools secretary announces. The entire cafeteria laughs and boo chucking food at me as I leave.

For the most part I try to remain invisible, which is near impossible when you're Beta's daughter and your mother is one of the leading Pack warriors. Chucking my bag over my shoulder I pulled a chunk of lettuce from my chocolate brown hair that was stuck when Thomas chucked his burger at my head.

Ew and it had mayo on it, I groaned using the sleeve of my jumper to wipe my hair that was covered in the white gunk.

I walk through the green corridors toward the head office, racing across the quad I see the brown door

to the office, my safe place no one messes with me there. Mrs Mason was a scary woman, so no one caused drama in the front office. Just as I was nearly at the door. Tabitha and her goonies step in front of me.

Tabitha was Alpha's daughter and her brother Darian was next in line for Alpha both of them were my nemesis.

"Hey freak" Tabitha sneers at me blocking my path. I try to step past her but she sidesteps.

"What do you want, Tabitha?" I ask, we used to be friends well until everyone found out I had no wolf, then I became the laughing stock of the school.

"Oh nothing just came to give you the proper send off" She says and my brows furrow.

"What do you mean?" I ask, shaking my head, her blue eyes brightening maliciously.

"You havent heard, My father has bannished you from the Pack so I thought I would come see you, say my goodbyes to the unwanted Beta's daughter" She says and Bianca and Maril laugh at her not so funny joke, she geez those girls were just as stupid as they looked, if they weren't beautiful I can guarantee, no one would put up with their antics.

I feel something wet and cold run down my face just as the office door opens, Meril dumping her milkshake over my head and it seeps into the crocheted jumper my mother made me.

"Tabitha Elizabeth Blackwell, is there a reason you are tormenting my daughter?" My asks her dark hair pulled back in a high ponytail, she was strong woman, stern and brought fear amongst the she-wolves including the Luna of the Pack after my mother kicked her a\$\$s in training in front of the entire pack for saying I should be put down at birth I was that useless to the Pack, if she wasn't the only female Pack warrior my mother definitely would have been punished for embarrassing the Luna, but everyone knew

Alpha Jackson always had the hots for my mother, had since they were kids and was disappointed when she turned out not be his mate.

Tabitha's smile falls as she twirls around to face my mother who was stalking directly toward her. Meril and Bianca take off afraid to face her wrath.

"It was an accident" Tabitha stutters out, and to think this pathetic girl was an Alpha Female and scared of my mother I couldn't help the smirk that crept onto my face, her fear so pungent I was shocked she didn't soil herself.

"What I wasn't expecting wasn't expecting was for my mother to raise her hand and slap her across the face. Tabitha squeals loudly, her head whipping to the side and the outline of my mothers hand imprints on her face. I cover my mouth with my hands. Sh*t Alpha Jackson was going to kill her now, she just struck the Alpha's daughter.

I heard a gasp and looked around to see a few people had seen what my mother had done, my mother stared them down, daring them to say something.

"Mum!" I exclaim in shock. Tabitha tucks tail and runs off crying.

"Always wanted to put that mutt in her place" My mother says before gripping my arms.

"Why do you put up with it?" She says grabbing my hands and raising them.

"You are trained better than any of these little Sh*ts here, you may not have a wolf but that has never stopped you from kicking their arses in training, I trained you, your father trained you. Use these they are beneath you just need to see it" She says.

I shake my head knowing it would just make my torment worse and my hands were no good against a shifted wolf.

“Come we are leaving” She says straightening up before turning on her heel and walking toward the car park. I chase after her before falling in line.

“What’s going on?” I ask, worried. Getting to the carpark I see a removalist truck parked next to our car.

“Mum what’s going on?” I ask when I see my father hop out of the car.

“Hey pumpkin,” My father says, walking over and embracing me.

“I know you like strawberry milkshakes. I didn’t know you wanted to wear it” He says swiping it off my head, before ringing out my hair. My mother goes to the trunk popping the boot before grabbing a water bottle.

“Tip your head back” My mother says and I do as she asks. She uses the water bottle to rinse my hair out before tearing my jumper up the side taking it off me.

“Mum!”

“I will make you another” She says tossing it in the garbage can beside the truck.

“So is someone going to tell me what’s going on?” I ask. My father looks to my mother nervously.

“We are moving,” My father announces.

“Why, is what Tabitha said true, did they banish me, are you getting rid of me?” I ask, feeling sick to my stomach.

I only know of one other family in our pack who's child didn't have a wolf and they threw him away like trash, literally kicked him out and it is something I have always been worried about my parents getting rid of me like I never existed because I brought shame to the family.

"Yes what Tabitha said is true, Alpha Jackson has asked you to leave, this a werewolf only community and he wanted you gone once you hit 18"

"So you're sending me away?" I ask, feeling tears brim. They were going to get rid of me, force me to go rogue.

"No of course not, you're our baby, we knew this was coming so we made plans we are joining another pack and coming with you" My mother says.

"By the way, hun we should leave" My mother says walking around to the passenger side.

My father goes to ask why, but she gets in slamming the door.

"She slapped Tabitha," I told him.

"Did she get her a good one?" My father says sending me a wink and I smile hopping into the back seat.

My father pulls away the truck following us.

"What about Dad, he is the Pack Beta?" I ask, worried knowing he would lose his title.

"I won't be part of a pack that shuns my daughter, they want you gone then I go to" He says leaving no room for argument.

“Everything will work out dear, you’ll see” my mother says, gripping my knee.

“What pack would want a wolf-less pack member?” I ask.

“You’re not wolf-less, just a late bloomer your wolf will come Kat, you are born from two werewolf parents therefore are a werewolf” My mother says not wanting to see the truth, I was as useless as they say.

“We are moving to Black creek Pack, Alpha Ezra has kindly offered to take us in”

“Black Creek Pack? Isn’t the pack that just went to war with Blue Mountain Pack”

“Yes Katya, I know you’re scared but the Alpha is truly a nice guy, he was very understanding, beside I think he was pretty happy about stripping Jackson of his Beta and only female warrior”

“Yeah but he killed their entire pack mum, he is a monster” I tell her. I was more scared of my so-called new Alpha than my current one. Everyone fears Alpha Ezra.

“I’m sure he had his reasons, besides it is not like anyone else was willing to take us in” My mother says leaving out the part about not taking me in.

“So he knows I have no wolf?” I ask knowing all packs were small communities solely of our kind. I was basically human so I was a little shocked he even agreed.

They both glance at each other, “it won’t be an issue as long as you can prove yourself to be helpful around the pack” Great he doesn’t know and I will have to act like an omega slave I thought dryly. I fell asleep on the drive, only waking when we stopped at a storage shed. The drive took 5 hours total and I was exhausted and my back was killing. The removalists loaded our stuff into the storage shed before two men approached us. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 2

Both look at me sniffing the air and I know they are werewolves,

“Alpha Ezra requests your presence at the pack house immediately” The man with dark shaved hair says, he was in his early twenties, and by the authority oozing off him I could tell he was Beta. His eyes darted to me and he looked me up and down.

“This your daughter?” He asks not even trying to hide his dislike.

“Yes this is my daughter Katya, I am Derrick” My father says before holding out his hand.

“I didn’t catch your name,” My father says. The man grasps his hand.

“Beta Mateo, this is Alex third in command.” He says introducing the other man, he was around the same age with blonde hair that hung in eyes and hazel eyes. Both of them were huge, around the same size of my father.

“ I hear you used to be a Beta at your old Pack” Mateo says and my father nods.

“Good, could use some help training some of the pack members if you’re up for it?” He says, my father nods and before introducing my mother to him.

“This is Shirley my wife and mate”

“Nice to meet you,” My mother says before shaking both their hands.

“If you follow us we will escort you to the packhouse, so you can be placed with someone till the

property is available” Mateo says before turning on his heel and getting in his black BMW. We hop back in our car before following him through the sleepy town.

“See how nice they are? This will work out, it has to” My mother says.

We follow their car all the way to the end of town before pulling down a road that went into the forest. We stopped on the horseshoe driveway in front of a huge sandstone mansion that had three levels and bushy green hedges out the front. Massive arched windows and vines growing along the stone walls. I hop out of the car looking up at the packhouse. It was definitely more lavish than the one back home.

Beta Mateo led us up to the white door before opening it, inside had white marble floors, a hallstand sat along the entryway with a big expensive looking vase. My mother looks around in awe. Two staircases leading to the landing above.

We walk toward the door between both stairwells, I see some bench seats next to it and Mateo knocks on the door before I hear a deep voice telling him to enter.

He slips through the door closing it behind him before returning and telling my mother and father to go in and for me to wait in the foyer until called. I waited for what felt like hours before my mother came out sitting next to me. The pack house was pretty quiet and we saw no one walking around.

“He is just speaking with your father, then he will want to speak to us individually to make sure our stories are the same” my mother tells me.

*What story they banished us because of me” I whisper yell. He was going to find out, he was going to find out and kill us or worse make me leave without my parents.

“Shh calm down everything is fine, he probably won’t ask you much because you’re our child” she says trying to calm me down. I could feel tears brimming and I quickly wiped them away.

“What did you say?”

“Just that they were going to banish us, it’s not lying, it’s the truth. He doesn’t need to know the reason why because you have a wolf Kat, okay she will come. You’ll see” my mother tries to reassure me. I nod knowing there was no point in arguing with her.

“And if she doesn’t?”

“She will” my mother says and I hang my head. I was going to be the biggest disappointment to them.

My father steps out and nods to my mother, she wipes her hands on her jeans before getting up and walking into the office and closing the door.

“He will just initiate you into the pack, it isn’t so bad, you just need to drink his blood Kat and you will feel the pack l**k snap in place” my father says.

Gross I think to myself. “What about the old pack?”

“That will hurt a little once you pledge to him, like a migraine. I won’t lie to you, it even brought me to my knees” he says and I hear my mother suddenly cry out. My father jumps to his feet, head snapping toward the door. I could hear soft murmurs before seeing the silver door handle jiggle before the door opened.

My mother stepped out clutching her head. My father was at her side instantly.

I take a step back not wanting to endure whatever she just did. “Kat, you need to go in,” my mother says, pulling herself together. I shake my head scared. My mother was the strongest woman I know and if it hurt her that badly, I shake my head.

My father comes over grabbing my arms. "Kat we did this for you, moved for you. This is the only choice we have to remain together, so I need you to do this for us" he says holding my gaze.

"Everything alright out there" I hear Alpha call out. I look to the door in panic.

"Please Katya, once it's done it's done, it stops I promise" I nod and my father steers me toward the door. My hand trembles as I grip the door handle and push the door open keeping my head down as I close behind me before looking up at the Alpha.

He was looking at some documents at his desk. He had dark hair longer on top and shaded on the sides. He looks up and I freeze. He sniffs the air slightly, a growl rumbling from his chest softly as he grips the desk so hard his knuckles turn white. His silver eyes flickering to the beast that resides within him.

He was very handsome, five o'clock shadow, full lips and strong jawline. He smelt nice too like the Forest after it rained a strong woody scent. I would guess he was around mid twenties by looking at him.

His body relaxes slightly and I notice claw marks in his table top. He beckons me closer and I force my feet to move, his eyes watching my every move. Sh*t could he smell I have no wolf, does he know I am basically human. The tight set of his jaw clenching and the way he was watching me, with his flickering eyes made my blood run cold. He knows, he is going to kill me.

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"You can sit," he says, nodding toward the chair beside me. I stare at it before sitting on the edge of it looking back toward the door where my parents were waiting outside.

Turning back I find him watching me again. "Your name is Katya?" He says pronouncing correctly, most people don't the first time.

"Yes, Alpha"

"You can call me Ezra," he says and I nod.

"How old are you?"

"17" I tell him and he nods looking at some documents which I see are my mother's and father's paperwork along with my birth certificate. He picks it up looking at it.

"You turn 18 soon? You will be able to find your mate, that's exciting" he states.

I say nothing, no one will want me, I was basically human with the added difference of heightened senses.

"You go to school, I take it?" I nod chewing on my thumbnail.

"Last year?"

"Yes I finish this year, well supposed to"

"You'll be finishing school" he states leaving no room for argument. I press my lips together.

"You don't like school?"

"Does anyone like school?" I ask in return and he smiles.

“I liked school, surprised you didn’t considering, you are a beta’s daughter” he says.

Yeah school was great till they found out I was a freak I think to myself.

“Your parent’s already explained your reason for leaving, that you had a run in with the Alpha’s daughter and your mother hit her?” He asks. My mother was taking the blame, I kept my mouth shut to stop the risk of being caught out in a lie although technically that was true just not the reason we left. I nod.

“Good enough for me, I can’t stand Alpha Jackson prick should be put down” Alpha Ezra says not even trying to hide his dislike for my old Alpha.

“Come here” he says standing up. I jump out of my seat taking a step back. His eyes snapping to mine.

“I won’t hurt you, I would never hurt you” he says, holding his hand out and I place mine in his. Tingles spread across my palm and I jerked my hand back looking at it.

“Sorry must be static” he says, grabbing my hand again with a smile playing on his lips making him look even more gorgeous. He pulls me toward him.

His hand was warm yet the strange tingling sensation didn’t stop. I looked up at him thinking it was odd only to find he was watching me again. He was tall and I only came up to the centre of his chest. He was wide to all hard muscle as he towered over me.

He bites his wrist offering it to me and I stare at it. I notice two glasses stained with his blood on the desk making me look at him, he wants me to drink his blood from him.

“Times ticking little one, hurry up” he says, pulling me closer and wrapping his arm around my waist before bringing his wrist to my lips. I grabbed his wrist and I could taste his saliva on his wrist, his blood surprisingly didn’t taste bad, not something I would go out drinking, I definitely would suck if I were a

vampire but it didn't make me gag, was sweet tasting or maybe that was the taste of his skin I wasn't sure.

He pulls his wrist away but doesn't let go, his arm tightening around my waist. His voice below my ear.

"You now need to pledge to me" I nod, the heat from his hard chest pressed against my back seeping into me, warming my skin.

"I Katya Hartley, pledge my loyalty and my life to Alpha Ezra" I stop not knowing his last name, I look over my shoulder at him, his face so close I am stunned by his intoxicating scent as I inhale deeply. "Pierce," he whispers, his lips almost brushing mine. He was so close.

"I Katya Hartley ,pledge my loyalty and my life to Alpha Ezra Pierce of Black Creek Pack" as soon as the last word left my lips searing pain exploded in my head making me drop as I clutched it, his grip tightening around me preventing me from hitting the floor in a heap. The chattering of my old pack, every word I ever heard flitting through my head loudly making my ears rings and a scream to leave my lips.

Just as suddenly as it came it stopped like the snap of a rubber band. "You're okay. It's over now" Alpha Ezra's voice flits through my head making me look up at him. He smiles back at me.

"You good for me to let you go?" He asks and I look down to see both his arms wrapped around me just under my heavy breast. My face heating up with embarrassment realising he was the only reason I was upright before quickly becoming aware of his hands on my body. Great, I was crushing on my Alpha.

I step away and he lets go, I watch his eyes glaze over before my mother and father rush in, he must have been talking to them through the Pack link.

"You okay, see you're fine. I told you it wouldn't be so bad" my father says fussing over me. I slap their hands away at their fussing. I wasn't a baby. Sometimes they could be a little embarrassing.

“Tonight you can stay in the pack house, tomorrow I will show you to your new home. May I ask why you requested one so far from everyone?” He asks curiously.

“Kat doesn’t get along well with others, she prefers being by herself” my mother says and the Alpha, seems shocked for a second.

“And why is that?” He says staring down at me.

“I just like being alone,” I shrug. He presses his lips in a line. Before looking at my parents.

“Tomorrow you get settled into your new place and I have already enrolled Katya in school this morning. So she can start on Monday, you can skip the pack run on Friday and both meet me here Monday morning for work details”

“Pack run?” I ask and my mother nudges me with her elbow which doesn’t go unnoticed by the Alpha.

“Pack runs are compulsory, why is that a problem?” He asks and I duck my head down.

“No problem at all” my father says, holding out his hand to the Alpha.

“How are you with training teenage students?” The Alpha suddenly asks my mother.

“I trained my daughter mostly older she-wolves but would give it a go”

“Interesting, we do need an extra hand at the highschool so you can keep an eye on Katya as well” he says and my mother seemed excited about the idea.

“That would be lovely, Thank you Alpha” he nods, staring at me again before looking at my father.

“My Beta will show you where you are staying for the night” he says before walking around to sit at his desk. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 4

The next day we were woken early in the morning by Beta Mateo. Hopping in our car he drove us to the outskirts of the small town we were now going to live in. The house was more of a cottage, and had a large veranda out the front and a gravel driveway. The house was nice and cosy nestled amongst the trees and away from the pack and town. Hopping out of the car, I make my way inside along with my father. Beta Mateo unlocked the green wooden door before handing the keys to my father.

“Are you sure you want to live all the way out here, there are plenty of empty places in town that may be better to suit your needs?” He asks.

“No this is perfect, thank you Beta” My father replies.

“We are of the same rank, and honestly you have been doing this a lot longer than I have. You could probably show me a thing or two, just call me Mateo and welcome to the Pack” Beta Mateo tells my father before patting him on the shoulder. I watch as he walks down the steps to the lawn before he stops. He sniffs the air slightly.

“You smell different from most wolves” He says looking at me and I stiffen slightly.

“What do you mean?” I ask worriedly.

“I don’t know, just different, I can smell you’re a wolf but your scent isn’t very strong” He says, his eyebrows furrowing.

“Anyway, I will let you get settled in, don’t forget Pack runs are compulsory and Friday afternoons at 6PM sharp. I know you have been excused this week but it would be good to introduce you to fellow pack members, we are a tight knit community and the rest of the Pack will feel more at ease with newcomers that attend, something to think about” Mateo tells my father who nods.

“We will try our best to be there on Friday” My Mother says, giving me a look as she walks up the porch steps toward me. I nod before following her inside.

There was a huge fireplace in the lounge room that took up one wall, the floorboards stained dark brown almost black in color. It smelt like it had been locked up for a while, my mother walked around opening up the curtains and cracking open the windows to let the breeze in and air out the place. Walking through the living room. I found the kitchen which wasn’t as dated as the rest of the house. It had granite benchtops and stainless steel appliances and a small island bench in the middle. A few of Alpha Ezra’s men helped bring the furniture and my mother and father started unpacking. Carrying a box from the truck to the back end of the house I find my room. Right next to the bathroom and the window looked out to the forest surrounding the house. My parents room was down the hall and had an ensuite.

I started putting my bed frame together and one of the people helping brought the rest of my belongings into my room before I heard the truck leave. We spent the rest of the day unpacking and cleaning. By the time night came I was exhausted and fell asleep before I even ate dinner, only to wake up in the middle of the night. Going to the kitchen, I grab a glass of water. This place was quiet unlike our last place that was on a busy road. I liked the quiet less people to evade and I felt more comfortable without having neighbours prying into our lives.

Going back to my room, I climb back in bed falling asleep under my purple duvet tucked to my chin as I snuggle into my bed.

The next few days went by in a blur of getting into a comfortable routine, when Monday came around I got dressed in my jeans and blue T-shirt before grabbing my bag and loading my school books into it. My mother and father were meeting up with Alpha Ezra today before being assigned to their new jobs. Pulling up out the front of my new school, I feel dread settle in the pit of my stomach. My mother looked

at me in the rearview mirror.

“You will be fine and by the sounds of it I may be working here. Just keep your head down and behave, everything will be fine Kat” She tells me and I nod, opening the back door and climbing out. I look up at the brick building that no doubt was going to be like the last one, a disappointment and a place of torment if they find out about me not having a wolf.

I head straight to the main office and am greeted by a nice woman in her mid thirties, she had auburn straight hair that hung to her shoulders and big round glasses perched on her perfectly straight nose. Her hazel eyes looked at me as I entered. A smile greeting me.

“You must be Katya?” She says.

“Yes I am here to pick up my timetable” I tell her making my way to the foyer desk. She looks down at the papers on her desk before pulling out a manilla folder and handing it to me.

“Your timetable and a map of the school are in there, there is also a library card and your locker combination” She says handing me the folder. I open it looking down at the timetable. My stomach drops when I realise they have training every afternoon except for Fridays. I wondered if my mother knew that even the students trained everyday and for two hours. Two hours of normal training and an hour of training with our wolves every Tuesday and Wednesday. Great, just great I won’t even be here a day before everyone finds out and I am banished. Maybe I can be excused for the first week, I wonder.

“Thanks,” I tell her before walking out to go find my locker. I put in the combination unlocking it. I noticed a few curious stares at the newcomer but no one was out right mean to mean which was a relief. Putting my stuff in my locker I grab out my books for the first period. I had English first up. As I was closing the locker I jumped when I saw a girl staring at me. She had dark hair cut in a pixie cut, a nose ring and dark eye makeup.

“Hi you must be new here, I am Jasmine” She says before grabbing my timetable.

“Ah Katya” I tell her awkwardly.

“We have most of the same classes, you can follow me if you want and I show you around” She says.

“Thanks, that would be great,” I told her.

“So you are from Alpha Jacksons Pack I heard” She asks. I say nothing, gossip has already started.

“My father is third in command. He heard Alpha Ezra and Beta Mateo talking, you have Beta genes?” She says and I nod, not that they would do any good without a wolf.

“Your mother has quite the reputation too, only female warrior in Jackson pack, what was it like living there?”

“Um it was okay I guess just like any other pack” I tell her.

“Yeah well Alpha Ezra hates Alpha Jackson, I was surprised to hear he actually let someone transfer over your parents must have pretty good reputations we haven’t newcomers in a few years” She says.

“This is our English class, Mr Tonks is nice but don’t be late. He hates tardiness. I looked in the classroom and unlike the classrooms back in my old pack everyone was chatting quietly as they waited for the teacher to arrive. My old pack students did whatever they liked and were loud and uncontrollable most of the time, so I was a little surprised to see everyone on their best behavior. Jasmine pulls me to an empty desk and I sit beside her. She points out a few different groups of kids chatting.

“That group over there are safe as I like to call them, they won’t cause any trouble” She says pointing to a bunch of kids talking amongst themselves they looked a little nerdy not that I cared I was also a bit of a nerd.

“Now that group over there try and avoid them, the blonde girl her name Angie and she is real b*tch, also queen B of the school as you can probably tell, just try and coast through the middle like I do and

you should be fine” She says before pointing out a few other small groups before the teacher came in who thankfully didn’t make a fuss about there being a new student instead set straight to work writing on the whiteboard before telling us to copy it.

The day passing by in blur and I for the most part did what Jasmine advised, and kept to myself and at lunch time I sat out on the oval with Jasmine watching as students and teachers set up the training grounds. Nausea filled me knowing I was about to do two hours of training when I suddenly saw my mother walk out onto the field along with Alpha Ezra. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 5

“Does the Alpha help with training?” I ask Jasmine.

“Yeah, he comes everyday, to help train us. Training is compulsory no matter age and gender” I watch as Angie, the girl Jasmine told me to avoid runs across the field towards the Alpha clinging onto him like a leech.

“Yeah Angie has a thing for the Alpha, seems to think he will choose her as his mate” Jasmine says and I nod. For some reason seeing her cling on to him annoyed me a little but I shoved it aside. I didn’t want any trouble with her especially if she is as bad as Jasmine said she is.

“How old is the Alpha?” I ask, he looked pretty young compared to my last Alpha who was in his forties.

“25, he is a good Alpha, strict but fair. A lot better than his father who was a complete a**hole”

“So he took over the pack when his father stepped down?” I ask. Jasmine shakes her head.

“No Alpha Ezra killed him and took over when he was 17”

“Geez a lot wouldn’t have liked answering to a 17 year old” I tell her but she shakes her head.

“No, everyone was glad to see Alpha Dean get taken down, he was cruel. Women weren’t even allowed to train back then, treated like animals and he used to kill anyone that stepped out of line, he even killed his own mate, and his second chance one” She says making me feel sick at her words.

“That’s terrible” I tell her and she nods.

“Yeah everyone hated him, things changed after Alpha took over, he made sure women could train to better protect ourselves, maybe that’s why he was so quick to have your family join our pack. Your mother would be an advantage to have and your father given that he has Beta genes” I nod.

“Maybe” I tell her just as Alpha Ezra looks in our direction, I drop my head and am thankful when the school bells ring, signalling the end of lunch. Jasmine and I make our way back to our lockers and grab our gym clothes out. Going to the bathrooms we quickly change before heading down to the ovals. Alpha Ezra and my mother were talking amongst a few of the teachers before silence suddenly fell over one and people started walking off to the designated groups. I followed Jasmine over to our age group and was a little shocked to see Alpha Ezra come over. Jasmine smiles at him when he approaches.

“Hey Alpha” She says.

“Hi Jasmine, you can sit out for today Kat to see how things run if you like” He says and I nod grateful I didn’t have to start training straight away.

“No she can train like the rest of them” My mother says coming up behind him. So much for sitting out.

“She doesn’t have to Shirley I can excuse her” Alpha Ezra says and I give my mother a pleading look. My mother presses her lips in a line but nods.

“Come sit on the bleachers and watch” Alpha Ezra tells me and I nod following him over to them before sitting down. I watch everyone train Alpha Ezra gets up a few times to help some of the teachers and to correct some of the students. When he comes back over though he looks down at me.

“How are you liking school so far?”

“It’s fine” I tell him, not really comfortable around him. I see my mother keeps looking over at me nervously.

“You train a lot with your mother?” He asks and I nod.

“Yes mum doesn’t like me missing training as you can see” I tell him and he nods.

“Good, well you can have today and tomorrow off but on wednesday you can start training” He says and I nod. I notice Angie come over stopping in front of me and I notice the glare she gives me.

“You should be training Angie, get back on the field” Ezra tells her.

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“Are you questioning your Alpha?” He retorts. I drop my head remembering I shouldn’t be questioning him.

“Because I love knowing, I took two of Alpha Jackson’s best fighters, that’s why” He answers. I nod.

“So it will be interesting with your bloodline exactly what you are capable of, you have a lot of pressure on your shoulders” He says and I sigh.

“You don’t agree?” he asks and I realise he heard me sigh, I must have done that a little louder than I thought.

“And if I am a disappointment?” I ask.

“You won’t be, you have Beta genes and your mother, well she is a tough woman” He says. I wonder if he would still think the same if he knew my secret.

“I have a question?” Mateo asks, looking at me.

“And what is that?” I ask.

“Have you found your mate yet?”

“She isn’t 18 yet” The alpha answers and Mateo seems a little disappointed.

“So why did your family really leave, I promise no repercussions will come if you tell me, you are free to remain here” He says and I feel my heart rate skip a beat. My stomach drops and I break out in a cold sweat.

“Why are you scared?” Ezra asks, sniffing the air slightly.

“Can I go please?” I ask and he reaches over the table about to grab my hand and I pull mine back.

“You can tell me?” He says.

“Nothing, what my parents said is true” I tell him and he cocks his head to the side.

“You can go Kat, but I will be speaking to you again” He says and I nod.

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Alpha Ezra POV

I watched my mate leave, completely unaware I was her mate. I knew her family was hiding something, something I was eager to find out. If she wasn't my mate, I may have reconsidered letting them into the pack. Something was amiss though they left the 2nd strongest pack, a pack her parents were born in. When I got the request I was a little shocked but also blinded by the fact that I could take them from Jackson. Our feud goes back generations so given the opportunity I took it.

His Beta was well respected and so was his mate, yet I never heard he had a child and it made me curious as to why she was a secret. I could smell she was strong, her genes strong but something was off with her too.

“She is your mate, isn't she?” My Beta Mateo asks. He was my best friend since we were old enough to walk, always stuck by me and me, him.

I sigh no point lying to him, he knows me better than I know myself half the time.

“Yes and until she realises I want to keep it quiet” I tell him and he nods his eyes sparkling with mischief.

“What?” I demand as he folds his arms across his chest and leans back.

“Nothing now I know why you refused to come to the whore house with me, she already got you whipped and she doesn't even know who you are to her” he says chuckling. I glare at him.

"I am not whipped"

"Whatever man, then why did you knock back Madeline. I saw her running from your room the other night crying" he says.

"She isn't my mate" I deadpan.

"Never stopped you before"

"Yeah before I found her, I only want her now. You will understand when you find yours" I tell him.

"So what's your plan then, keep giving her detention?" He says with a laugh.

"Well you ruined that didn't you, I was hoping to spend time with her" I tell him annoyed that he lingered when he could clearly see I wanted to be alone with her.

"Why didn't you command her parents to tell you why they really left"

"Because I don't want to P!ss her parents off, they have influence over her and she trusts them. If I start off arguing with them, she will hate me" I tell him and he sighs.

"Well what now then?"

"I don't know, I don't really have a reason to hang around her without looking like a creep" I tell him. Mateo seems to think for a second.

"Thursday night?" He says.

"Pack run is Friday after school, most of the Pack kids choose to stay at the packhouse"

"I excused them for the first week" I tell him.

"You are the Alpha un-excuse them, tell them Katya has to stay like the rest of the teens"

"Yes but staying at the packhouse isn't compulsory, only those that want to stay" I tell him.

"Tell them you want to keep an eye on her see how she gets on with the rest of the pack"

"Hmm could work, fine I will go see her on the field" I tell him. Mateo nods and also gets up.

"You coming?" I ask and he has a mischievous grin on his face.

"What have you done?"

"Oh nothing, but Angie was P!ssing me off so I paired her with Katya for training" He says. I glare at him.

"Are you trying to P!ss me off?" I tell him. I didn't want Angie anywhere near my mate. Her Infatuation with me being the main reason but it was clear she hated Katya because I was showing interest in her and one thing about Angie was she is actually trained pretty well having five brothers to compete against that are pack warriors.

"Come on Katya is feisty, she can take her," Mateo says.

“You better hope so, because if she gets hurt it’s your arse” I tell him and his face falls slightly worried.

“Her mum is one of the best warriors, her father Beta, what can go wrong?”

I could think of plenty of things that can go wrong, Angie is competitive and I know she doesn’t fight fair from watching her train amongst the pack. I knew my mate could handle herself in this form. It was obvious she was fit and had good endurance, but I wasn’t so sure in wolf form so that would be interesting to see, plus I was really excited about meeting her wolf.

Walking down to the fields, I sat in the grandstand overlooking the field staying out of view. At least I thought so until I saw Angie wave to me. Mateo sits next to me and I was still annoyed at him. I watch Shirley walk onto the field talking to her daughter or by the look of her, berating her daughter. Katya looked awfully pale and was sweating profusely.

“Is she alright, she doesn’t look too good?” Mateo says, also thinking the same thing. She looked ghastly as she braced her hands on her knees. I watch as Katya rushes to the bin puking in it.

“She seemed fine before?” I tell him. Shirley, her mother was strict that much was clear, she glares at her daughter before telling her to get back on the field. I watch as my mate waits for her name to be called on the list. Her mother, not even managing to hide her shock when she is paired against Angie who was wearing a smug grin at the pairing.

Jasmine walks over gripping Katya’s arm worriedly. At least she has one friend and I actually like Jasmine. She gets on with everyone except Angie and her cronies.

“Get it together Kat” Shirley calls to her daughter who nods. Katya shakes off Jasmine’s arm telling her to go. Jasmine reluctantly leaving.

“Something isn’t right?” I tell Mateo who also agrees.

“I don’t get it, she was fine, what has changed?” He asks. Walking down the steps I stand on the edge

looking down as I watch Katya and Angie move into their square. Angie takes a stance while Katya can't seem to catch her breath. My wolf howls in my head watching through my eyes. Angie lunges at Katya, Katya seeing it a little late manages to duck but stumbles back landing on her back.

Angie is about to pounce on her when Katya lifts her leg kicking her in the face knocking Angie back who growls loudly clutching her nose which was bleeding. Katya gets up and I could see sweat literally dripping off her. Something was definitely wrong.

"Wolfsbane" My wolf Maddox growls at me and I sniff the air. I couldn't smell wolfsbane but it did make sense, it makes you terribly sick, in high doses even kill you.

"We need to stop this, she can't fight like that, something is wrong" Mateo says and I could see he was worried about her getting hurt, his future Luna getting hurt because he paired her with Angie. I nod about to walk down the stairs when Angie suddenly shifts.

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Katya Pov

Walking to training I was suddenly jerked into the locker room as I passed them.

A gasp of fright leaving my lips not expecting to be grabbed. Spinning around I come face to face with my mother.

"Geez you scared the crap out of me" I chuckle. But she was staring down at me with a stern face I didn't like.

"Where have you been?"

"Detention, where else?"

"I looked for you, you weren't in detention with Angie"

"No I was placed in the Alpha's office"

"What why?"

"Because that where he told me to go"

"Don't use that tone with me young lady, now listen today is wolf training"

"Okay I will tell them I am sick" I tell her but she shakes her head. I watch horrified as she pulls something from her pocket I hadn't seen in years.

"You can't skip it's compulsory, but you take one of these and we can explain away why you can't shift" she says.

"You can't be serious mum"

"It's the only way, we can't have them find out till after you have proven yourself useful to the pack"

"No I won't take it" I tell her not wanting to take the wolfsbane pill. My mother used to give them to me when I didn't get my wolf to hide it from the Alpha at first. Then she started giving me them to build up a tolerance to them, to prepare me for when I am older. Well until dad found out and lost it. He stopped believing the excuses about how I was ingesting the worst poison to werewolves.

“You will take them and you say one word to your father, young lady” she warns.

“He will smell it on me” I tell her knowing full well my father would recognise the smell.

“Not in pill form he won’t” she says opening the black box she kept her stash in. It was the size of a wallet.

She opens it showing me the little white pills. She grabs one out hissing slightly as it burns her fingers. And to think she expects me to swallow it.

“No!” I tell her and she glares.

“I will not throw everything down the drain for a tantrum, now F*cking take it Kat”

“And exactly how do I explain I ingested to wolfsbane”

“Tell them you must have got some on you in science or something, this is all I have at the moment as an excuse. You say your sick you look weak, i won’t have you embarrass me further understood”

“You embarrass yourself ” I tell her, her palm connecting with my face.

“You dare speak to me in such a way after everything I have done for you” she says, grabbing my hand and dropping the pill in it. It burns a hole in my palm, the skin sizzling like a cigarette burn.

“Swallow it now” she yells, handing me a water bottle. I do as she says. Swallowing the pill down. This wasn’t going to work. Why couldn’t she see that I was with the Alpha all lunch and was fine, he will know and I will get in trouble with her when he finds out.

I follow her out, pain kicking in as I reach the door making me double over. "Mum!" I cry out clutching my stomach.

"You get out there even like this you can still kick their arses"

"No mum, they will be in wolf form"

"That's no excuse, you are my daughter and your father's, things are expected of you, so don't let me down Kat" she says gripping my arm and all but dragging me to the field. Seeing a trash can, I run for it puking my guts up. My mother starts singing out names.

I was sweating profusely, my stomach aching and my blood felt like it was boiling.

"Hey you okay?" Jasmine asks through the mind link. I shake my head, not able to even mindlink back. My vision blurring terribly when I hear my mother call my name then Angie's.

"Sht!" My mother gasps barely audible to my ears. Great Angie is going to rip me to pieces.

Everyone goes to their positions but I couldn't even stand upright. Angie wastes no time lunging at me. I see just in time as her fist comes flying toward my face. I duck but stumble backwards and she goes to jump on me. Lifting my foot I kick her in the face. She staggered but now I could see two of her, my vision doubling.

I hear the snapping of bones, black dots dancing in front of my vision.

"Get up Kat what's wrong you barely had any?" My mother mind links.

"Yes but haven't had any in years, my tolerance is low" I manage to mindlink back barely.

“Sh*t get up!” I was too weak to mindlink back when I saw teeth and claws suddenly coming toward me. I close my eyes waiting for the extra pain. When I hear a collective gasp. I hear whimpering and open my eyes. Angie’s brown wolf head bowed in submission. I feel something drip on me and notice an arm above me. Blood pouring onto me and I look to see who it is only to find the Alpha standing there and his Beta. Angie bit the Alpha who stopped her attacking me.

“She wasn’t even shifted Angie” he growls so menacingly, my body trembles from the rage behind it.

Angie whimpers loudly.

“What’s the meaning of this and why can I smell wolfsbane?” he says, reaching down and picking me up. I try to get out of his arms but he growls, Instead pressing his face in my neck.

“Why does she have wolfsbane in her system?” My eyes start fluttering shut.

“Stay awake Kat” I heard him whisper before I thought I felt his lips brush my head.

“Katya say something?”. My mother’s voice comes through my head.

My tongue was swollen, my throat restricting as I wheezed out trying to answer. My mother’s panicked shriek reaching my ears.

“Sh*t get the pack doctor” I hear Alpha Ezra yell. Before I could feel running. I black out feeling like I’m being strangled to death as my throat closes.

My mother’s voice flitted in my head.

“I’m so sorry baby so sorry , stay with us Kat hold on helps coming”Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall
Chapter 10

Alpha Ezra POV

I watched on as doc gave her some injections and hooked an IV up to her.

My blood boiling trying to figure out how she has wolfsbane in her system.

“Get out!” I tell everyone but the doctor. Her mother remains tears rolling down her face as she looks on at her daughter.

“I said get out!” Shirley looks at me.

“She is my daughter, you can’t tell me to leave her”

“Until I find out how she ingested wolfsbane no one goes near her” I tell her. Shirley doesn’t budge.

“Get the F*ck out of this room now!” I yell at her forcing my Alpha Aura over her. She whimpers, turning her neck in submission before rushing out.

I sit on the side of her bed doc frantically trying to hook a fluid bag up to her.

“Calm down doc I wasn’t talking to you” I tell him and I hear his heart rate slow and his hands stop trembling.

“How much is in her system”

"We won't know till her blood comes back" he says and I nod.

I waited in her room pacing, my wolf howling at his hurt mate giving me a headache. Katya remains unconscious; the only sounds are of her breathing and the heart rate monitor.

Doc comes in with some papers in his hand and I could hear Shirley and Derrick arguing in the hall but pay them no attention.

"She had 3x the lethal dose in her system" he says looking at the charts. His eyes darting frantically to my mate.

"She will be okay though?"

Doc nods but I could tell he wanted to say something. "What is it?"

"The amount she ingested is near impossible for someone to swallow that plant Alpha; it was either in liquid or pill form. No one would be able to eat that much"

"What are you saying?"

"I'm saying someone gave it to her to hurt her or she made concentrated levels in pill form to commit suicide"

"So you think she tried to kill herself? she seemed fine earlier"

"No that was just a suggestion, I believe someone gave her a concentrated dose"

The yelling gets louder from outside before I suddenly hear the sound of skin on skin. The sound of a slap making my head snap to the door. Rushing out I expected to see Derrick with a red mark on his face but I was shocked when I saw it was Shirley.

My blood boiling at knowing he just hit his mate. I grab him by his throat slamming him against the wall. Mateo I see out of the corner of my eye, comes rushing down the corridor gripping my arm.

“Woah settle down Alpha” Mateo says. Derrick was glaring at his mate. He shoves me off him and I reluctantly let go. My entire body trembling at what he just did. Nothing justified what he just did. Well that’s what I thought until the next words left his lips.

“You go near our daughter again, I will F*cking kill you” he spits at his mate.

“I Fcking warned you last time over this Sht” he screams his face turning red with his rage.

“Someone needs to tell me what’s going on now” I demand trying to figure out why he was angry at his mate.

“Ask her, I need a F*cking smoke” Derrick says stalking off down the hallway. I turned to look at Shirley, Mateo was also glaring at her. Doc watching in from the doorway.

Hearing a groan, Doc looks behind him and I rush past him hearing her wake up.

Doc rushes toward her with water and she clutches the glass gulping the water down, her hands trembling. When she suddenly notices everyone her face flushing red.

“I’m so sorry baby, I didn’t know. I didn’t know” Shirley says clutching her face, she looks at her mother confused. Mateo lets out a menacing growl ripping Shirley away from her.

“What the F*ck did you do?” He says. Doc jumps out of the way as fur sprouts on Mateo’s arms.

“You okay love?” I ask her.

“Love?” She asks and I realise what I just said. She shakes her head.

“I’m fine please don’t hurt my mum, she didn’t do anything I accidentally touched some in science” she lies. I could tell not even she was believing what was leaving her lips. She was just scared for her mother, tears springing in her eyes.

“No one could ingest that amount dear, who are you covering up for. Who gave you the wolfsbane” Doc says gently patting her shoulder.

“No it was accident, in science”-

“Stop lying, one of you better speak and the truth” I say turning to glare at Shirley.

Shirley looks away guiltily and now I know why her mate slapped her.

“She needs to grow a tolerance just in case” she whispers barely audible to even my ears. I growl lunging at her and slamming her against the wall.

“What did you just say?” I growl at her.

“She needs to build a tolerance to wolfsbane”

“You gave her three times the lethal dose” I scream at her.

“Please she didn’t do anything” Katya says, jumping to her feet and clutching my arm.

“Sit down, I am done listening to your lies” I snap at Katya forcing my Alpha Aura out accidentally. She whimpers Mateo grabbing her as she suddenly drops on the ground sitting like I said.

“Sh*t sorry” I tell her, reaching down and grabbing her.

“Sorry Kat” I tell her, placing her in the bed.

“You have got to be kidding me, this all makes sense”

“Get out, I will deal with you in a minute” Shirley walks out slamming the door.

“Mateo, stay with her while I deal with her mother,” I tell Mateo.

“Yes Alpha” he says sitting in the bed.

“Wait please don’t hurt her, she meant no harm” Katya says but once again I could tell not even she believed the words she was speaking. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 11

I follow Shirley out of the room. I grip her arm dragging her away and out of earshot of Katya. I hear the door shut and know Mateo shut it to keep her from listening in.

Shirley however turns around and glares at me. “ My daughter is your mate isn’t she?” She demands.

“You don’t demand answers from me, why would you poison your own daughter?”

” I told you why, she needs to build up a tolerance”

“Where did you get it from” wolfsbane was banned in our pack, from most packs. Her heart rate skips a beat and I could smell her fear at answering.

“I grew it” she admits, stunning me further. Wolfsbane was allowed to grow in the wild naturally because we know better to touch but it was illegal to grow it.

“Where and how much have you got left?” I ask before sniffing the air. She looks away defiantly.

“I don’t get it, why would you want to grow it and use it on your own daughter. None of this makes sense, you know I could have you banished for this or have you killed. Is that why you left your last pack to avoid punishment?”

“No, we were banished, or going to be anyway because I hit the Alpha’s daughter” Shirley tells me, not giving anything away yet I knew there were other reasons. Something in my gut telling me something else was going on.

“Katya will be staying at the packhouse until further notice, tell your husband to drop her things off tomorrow” I tell her. She goes to object when I glare at her forcing her mouth shut.

“I wasn’t asking, until I know what is going on. She remains with me” I turn to go back to the room when she speaks.

“Can I at least speak with her privately? I need to apologise, know she doesn’t hate me. I honestly didn’t realise how much was in those pills” She says.

“Not until you hand your stash over, you won’t be going near her” I tell her mother. Shirley presses her lips in a line before reaching into her back pocket and pulling out what I thought at first was a wallet. She grabs my hand shoving the container in it.

“I want to see my daughter” She growls at me before realising what she did. My eyes turning to that of my beast make her step back.

“If she permits it” I tell her, turning my back on her and walking into the room and shutting the door in her face. I noticed her remain at the door.

Katya looking behind me worriedly, Mateo sitting on the edge of the bed. He quickly moves and I sit beside her.

“Is my mother okay?’ She asks. She nearly died because of the woman yet she was more worried about her then the fact the very same woman she was worried about nearly murdered her.

“She is fine, she wants to speak to you. I told her it was up to you, though I don’t know why you would ever want to see her again after what she did” I told her.

“She is my mother, she would never intentionally hurt me” Katya says looking back at the door.

“Do you want to see her?”

“Yes, I want to go home now” She says.

“We will talk about that after your mother leaves, I will give you five minutes with her”

“Wait, what do you mean after she leaves?”

“You’re not going home Kat, you’re staying with me” I tell her and I hear her heart rate start pumping in her chest, her breathing getting heavier.

“No, I want to go home, I need to go home” She says with tears in her eyes and Mateo looks over at me, her fear of going home with me was leaking from her pores, suffocatingly strong. Why was she scared, we hadn’t done anything to her, yet she wants to go home with the monster she calls mother.

“We will talk about it after your mother leaves” I tell her, motioning for Mateo to leave. He dashes out the door quickly and her mother steps in before moving to her side.

“What did you do to her?” She demands brushing Katya’s hair from her face, trying to calm her down. My mate looked like she was hyperventilating.

“Nothing, you have five minutes,” I tell her, walking out. My wolf urged me to stay and calm my mate but I would when her mother was gone. Doc comes out after me a few seconds later.

“Can you give her a sedative?” I ask him and he nods.

“I can but let’s see if her mother calms her, she is quite frightened of you Alpha, you sure you should take her home with you?” Doc asks me.

“Well I am not leaving her with her mother, she has no reason to fear me” I tell him and he also agrees.

We waited in the hall and I had to move away from her door. I didn’t want Shirley anywhere near my mate. Mateo nods as I step away from the door and takes my place to keep eyes on Shirley. I now understood why her mate hit her, to do that to your own daughter was disgusting and unforgivable. By the way he spoke to her this wasn’t the first time he had dealt with his wife poisoning their daughter all for the sake of her building tolerance to a poison that could kill her.

Smelling cigarette smoke waft to me, I look down the hall to see her father coming back inside. His hair all ruffled like he had been running his fingers through it constantly. He seemed calmer but by the hard set of his eyes I could tell he was still angry.

"Derrick" I acknowledge as he approaches. He looks at me, the anger leaving his eyes and I could tell he had been crying by the redness around his eyes.

"Is she alright?" He asks and I nod to him.

"Your wife is in there with her," I tell him looking toward the door.

"I know my wife wouldn't intentionally hurt our daughter, she is extreme sometimes but she loves Katya" He goes to enter when I grip his arm pulling him back. He looks down at my hand on his arm before meeting my gaze.

"There is something you need to know, I would rather tell you before Shirley does" He stops turning around giving me his full attention.

"What is it?" He asks looking over his shoulder at the green door where his mate and daughter are.

"Katya is coming home with me,"

"Alpha, my mate wouldn't hurt her intentionally, it was an accident I will speak to her" He tries to say more but I cut him off.

"Your daughter will be safe with me, she is my mate and I don't trust your wife now" He seems stunned for a second, his eyes darting between me and the door.

"She is your mate?" He whispers his brows bunching together in confusion. His wife figured it out but he seemed more shocked than her. Shirley was angry at the discovery of me being her mate, he however

seemed confused.

“Does Katya know, did you tell her?” He asks.

“No and she is reluctant to come home with me”

“Because she doesn’t know you are her mate, I will speak to her. Are you going to tell her?” I shake my head.

“No she will find out on her own when she turns 18, assuming your wife hasn’t told her” I tell him and he nods.

We look to the door and I hear Katya sobbing begging her mother to let her come home.

“This might be a good thing then, I will talk to her” He says.

“What do you mean?” I asked, him how any of this was a good thing. He looks over his shoulder at me.

“I mean you being her mate, it might help her”

“Help her? What aren’t you telling me?”

“Until I am sure you won’t reject her, I won’t tell you anything besides, it is not my secret to tell. Katya is a good judge of character always has been, if she trusts you. She may tell you herself, but until you figure it out or she tells you herself” He doesn’t finish and I could see he was debating something with himself.

“Promise me you won’t reject her”

“Now why would I reject my own mate?” I ask him.

“I want your word, all the rumours that I have heard about you, one that always stuck was you were a man of your word, I want your word you will give her a chance when you find out, give her a chance to prove herself, don’t shun her. My daughter deserves better than that and if you hurt my girl, Alpha or not I will cut your throat in your sleep” Mateo snorts at his threat yet his eyes never waiver from mine. He really would try even if it meant his death.

“You have my word Derrick, I have no intentions of rejecting my mate, nothing will change that” I tell him and he nods before turning and opening the door.

“I will convince her then” He says before walking inside and shutting the door.

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Katya POV

My mother seeing my panic rushes to me, I try to breathe around my panic. He wasn’t letting me go home, does that mean I was being banished because I have no wolf, does he know?

“What did you do to her?” My mother demands.

“Nothing, you have five minutes” He tells her before leaving the room and shutting the door.

“Calm down Kat, breathe ” My mother tells me clamping her hands on the side of my face trying to stop my panic attack, as she breathed with me.

“He is making me leave you, he knows” I gasp out.

“He doesn’t know, but you will be staying at the packhouse with him, till I can be trusted”

“He will find out, he will find out and make me leave mum” I tell her. I have never spent a night away from them, I have always had at least one parent at home.

“Please you can’t let him take me, I want to come home”

“Listen Kat, you will be fine. He won’t find out, and if he does it’s fine we will go rogue. I never should have gave you wolfsbane, this is my fault Kat not yours and anything that happens because of it we will deal with, that’s not all, though”

“What?” I ask her worried how this could get any worse.

“The Alpha” - She doesn’t get a chance to answer as the door opens and my father steps in. He glares at my mother before shaking his head and I watch as they mindlink. My mother gets up and steps away.

“Hey pumpkin” my dad says sitting next to me.

“You will be staying with Alpha, he will keep an eye on you” My father says.

“But I want to come home, I can’t stay with him, dad. He will find out. He will banish us” I tell him and my father shakes his head.

“He wont find out, you’re a smart girl. Even if Alpha Ezra did, he seems to be a good man, I don’t think he will care” My father says and My mother scoffs behind him not agreeing.

“Get out” He tells her, not even looking at her.

“Derrick?” My mother says and I could see the hurt shine in her eyes.

“I said get out,” He says. She goes to say something to him but stops, she walks over kissing my head.

“You will be fine,” She whispers before walking out of the room.

“Please don’t hate mum, you know she wouldn’t have meant it” I tell him.

“She was warned last time, your mother does stupid things out of fear but hurting you should never be one of them” He says brushing my hair behind my ear.

“Alpha Ezra gave me his word to look after you, you will still see us besides its your birthday in a week so he might let you come home, if you want to of course”

“Why wouldn’t I want to, I want to come home now dad” I tell him.

“I know but everything will be okay I promise. I have to take your mother home and talk to her but I will come see you tomorrow before the pack run on friday” I nod and he kisses my head before walking out.

Alpha Ezra comes back in with Mateo, my nerves playing havoc on the idea of being in the packhouse with him and him discovering I have no wolf. It is one thing hiding it when I have a place to hide, in the packhouse there would be nowhere to hide.

“I will send Mateo to retrieve some clothes from home for you” Mateo nods at his words before leaving me alone with the Alpha.

“When can I go home?” I ask him wondering how long he plans on keeping me at the packhouse.

“That hasn’t been decided, but after your birthday if you wish to go home I will allow it” He says.

“But why can’t I go home now?”

“Because your mother just broke the law, and nearly killed you for breaking it. She is lucky I don’t banish her and until I am certain she is no threat to you or any of the students at school. I don’t want her near you”

“My mother didn’t mean it” I told him.

“That may be true but until I know for certain you will be staying with me” Alpha Ezra says. I nod knowing he already decided and I couldn’t convince him otherwise. We waited in awkward silence, Doc wouldn’t let me leave till my drip was empty and he took more bloods so by the time I was ready to be discharged, it was pretty late in the night. Mateo didn’t return which I thought he would have, that the Alpha would have sent him back to bring me to the Packhouse. But the Alpha never left, he remained with me the entire time until I was discharged.

Grabbing my flats I slip them on, sliding my feet into them before standing upright. Alpha Ezra watched me from the doorway while Doc checked I wasn’t going to drop dead on the floor.

“She seems good to go” He tells the Alpha who nods before motioning for me to follow him. I do and we walk outside, the cool night breeze making me shiver as I am blasted with the frostiness of the air. Alpha Ezra shrugs off his jacket draping it over my shoulders before leading me to his car. He hops in starting the ignition before turning the heater up. His scent was strong in here, his jacket warm and I could smell his masculine scent now on my arms from his jacket. Driving back to the pack house in silence.

The twists and turns of the road toward it, made me woozy, the forest eerily quiet and I could see the eyes of wolves reflecting amongst the trees.

“Patrol’s” Ezra tells me and I nod.

“How many people stay at the packhouse?” I ask.

“Just Mateo and I usually. But it is kind of like a drop in centre, anyone can stay at any time if they are pack members or just don’t feel like going home. We get a few teens in every now then when they are having trouble at home” He says and I nod.

“Thursday nights the pack house is usually packed, most of the teens prefer to stay Thursday for pack runs on Friday, a reason to ditch school on Fridays because no buses come out here”

“You don’t mind them ditching school?” I ask and he shrugs.

“Not really, Fridays aren’t that eventful at school because of the pack run, minimal training, and only two morning classes, so kind of seems pointless to go anyway” I nod and he drives a little further before pulling up out the front of the pack house.

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Alpha Ezra shows me inside, Beta Mateo was waiting in the foyer when we arrived with my backpack. He hands it to me but Alpha Ezra takes it throwing it over his shoulder before leading me up the stairs to the second floor of the building. He pulls me down the long hallway. Multiple doors ran along both sides and I could only assume they must have been other bedrooms. Walking to the last door in the long hallway next to yet another flight of stairs leading to the third level, he opens the door revealing a bedroom.

“You can stay in here, if you need me just follow the stairs on your right they lead to upstairs where mine and Mateo’s bedrooms are” He says placing my bag on the edge of the double bed. The room was nice, nicer than my bedroom back home and all the furniture matched.

“You remember where the bathrooms are and the shower block?” He asks. I nod Mateo showed us the first night we came here. They were downstairs, up the corridors running alongside the stairs.

“Well I will let you get settled. I will be upstairs if you need me” He says walking out and closing the door. I sit on the edge of the bed. Rummaging through my bag, I find some pajamas and my toiletries bag. My mother must have packed it, well I hope she did. I didn’t like the idea of Mateo rummaging through my drawers. Grabbing my stuff, I walk downstairs. Before turning left at the stairs and following the corridor down to the showers.

Walking inside I flick the light on. There are six showers in little curtained stalls. I go to the first one pulling the curtain closed behind me before stripping off and turning the shower on. I adjust the temperature till it is perfect before stepping in.

My father mindlinks me while I am washing my hair. “Hey Pumpkin you get to the packhouse okay?”

“Yep, currently showering”

“You like the packhouse, where did he put you?”

“Second floor,” I tell him trying to get the soap out of my eyes that was now searing my eyeballs out of my head. I blindly reached for my shirt on the floor. I just took off rubbing my eyes and ridding it of the soap burning them. I blink a couple of times.

“He put you on the second floor?” My father asks.

“Yeah where else would he put me, the third floor is where the Beta and Alpha stay. Did you think he would put me outside?” I chuckle.

“No, of course not. Nevermind. I was going to come see you tomorrow, but I will wait till the night of the

pack run” Sh*t! The pack run, that means this place will be bustling tomorrow night, and then I also have to find a reason to excuse myself from partaking in the pack run.

“What do I do about the pack run?” I ask him.

“Just go out when everyone else does but wander off and lay low. We will come find you” I nod, I could do that, hide away from everyone. Piece of cake I was already invisible here.

“Okay we will see you Friday night, I know Alpha Ezra has excused you from school tomorrow, so just relax. I love you Kat” My father tells me before cutting the l**k. I finish washing before hopping out and getting changed quickly. I didn’t like the way the bathroom was set up. Like I know nudity wasn’t a big thing in wolf packs but it kind of was for me, the only people that have seen me naked were my parents. And thankfully the showers cubicles were empty because the showers themselves were too small to get dressed in, without wetting your clothes. Grabbing my toothbrush I make my way to the sinks, and quickly brush my teeth.

I hear the soft sounds of whispers out in the hallway but not quite hear what was being said. Rinsing my mouth out. I creep to the door listening intently.

“I have no idea what you’re talking about Jackson. Why would I have any of your pack members on my territory” I hear Alpha Ezra say. It was clear he was on the phone to someone. I hear Mateo make a strange noise and pop my head out of the bathroom but see no one. Making my way to the stairs I look over the railing and can see his office door slightly ajar and the light was now on.

“Well your daughter must have deserved it, but I assure you. If you step one foot on my territory Jackson I will retaliate” Alpha Ezra growls and I hear him slam what I assume is the phone down.

“All this over a few members leaving?” I hear Mateo ask.

“Well Derrick was his Beta, I would be upset if I lost you” I hear him tell Mateo.

“What do you want to do?” Mateo asks him.

The stairs creak under my feet and I hold my breath. Sh*t! I wonder if they heard. Alpha Ezra’s voice calling out tells me he did.

“Kat come here please” I hear him call out. Mateo opens the office door wider and pops his head out. He smirks, shaking his head.

“Well come on, if your going to eavesdrop you might as well join the conversation”

My face heats at his words and I walk down the couple of steps and over to the office door. My towel rolled up with my dirty laundry.

“I wasn’t eavesdropping, I just overheard” I tell him as I enter the office.

“Same difference” Mateo tells me.

“I suppose it is Beta” I tell him. Beta Mateo shakes his head.

“Mateo, you don’t need to call me Beta, you can use my name Kat” He says but he made no sense .I was beneath him, we are supposed to refer to them by their titles. Alpha Ezra also asked me to use his name which I thought was strange. Shaking off his words, I turn to look at Alpha Ezra who was watching our strange conversation.

“Sorry Alpha I wasn’t trying to listen in”

“Ezra, what is with you and titles?” He says a smile on his lips.

“But that is what you are, your my Alpha it’s rude not to call you it”

“Yes but I have asked you not to, same as Mateo, our titles don’t affect you, we are all equals here” He says and I shake my head.

What was wrong with this man, he got up Angie the other day for using his name and I was not about to get in more trouble than I was already in.

“ What did Alpha Jackson want?’ I ask him.

“He wants your mother, to punish her for attacking his daughter”

“She only slapped her, hardly call it attacking her” Alpha Ezra nods.

“Why did you tell him we weren’t here?” I ask him.

“Because you are my pack members now, mine to protect. I am not just going to hand you over, and I didn’t entirely believe his reasoning, your mother admitted to slapping her yet he was wanting to chase her down just to punish her over one slap. It makes no sense so until I truly know his intentions I don’t want him snooping on my lands” I nod thankful, but also nervous what if Alpha Jackson tells him I have no wolf.

“You should get to bed, Mateo will take you back to your room” he says and I nod.

“Oh and Kat, till this issue with Jackson dies down. I would rather you and your family stay away from the borders” He says. I nod my head.

“Night Alpha” I tell him.

“Ezra and night Kat” He says watching us leave.

Following Mateo. He shows me where the laundry is and he dumps my clothes in the washer before turning it on. He then escorts me back upstairs and I climb in bed. Sleep comes easy as I settle under the comforter.

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Most of the next day I spent in my room. This place was pretty quiet for a pack house. Alpha Ezra popped his head in a few times to check on me but other than that left me alone. Mateo however knocks on my door at lunch time. I open the door and he steps in with a pizza box in his hand.

“What is it with you and pizza?” I tell him, shaking my head.

“It means I don’t have to cook” he says as he flops down on my bed before reaching for the remote, flicking on the TV that was on the wall. He pats the bed beside him and I roll my eyes before walking over and sitting next to him.

“Eat!” He says before flicking through the movies on Netflix. He finds some girly movie to put on. I raise an eyebrow at him and his choice.

“You want to watch the princess diaries?” I ask him, just as the bedroom door opens again. Alpha Ezra walks in with some cans of coke and places them on the bedside table.

“Mateo is a chicken and only watches PG movies” Alpha Ezra says sitting on my other side and making himself comfortable.

“You don’t like horrors?” I ask, chuckling at him.

“Watched paranormal activity once, gave me nightmares for weeks. I was convinced the packhouse had

ghost”

“He wouldn’t sleep without every Bl**dy light on in the place” Alpha Ezra says, shaking his head.

“How can you be scared of a movie when you’re a werewolf?” I deadpan.

“I’m not scared” He says with a huff.

Alpha Ezra raises an eyebrow at him clearly saying otherwise.

“And to think you’re meant to be Beta and protector of the pack as long as we don’t go to war with ghosts’ ‘ I tell him.

“Yep if there is a ghost, sorry to say you’re on your own” He chuckles.

“We sat and watched the movie in silence, Beta Mateo was really engrossed in the movie. Alpha Ezra however falls asleep halfway through clearly bored and even I yawned a few times at the childish movie, as I tried to force myself to remain awake.

Mateo moves over some and I wriggle over giving the Alpha more room as he sleeps. Only when I moved he rolled, placing his head in my lap and arm around my waist. My arms up in the air awkwardly not knowing where to put them. Mateo chuckles at the sight of him.

“Yeah the Alpha is a hugger, we shared a room while visiting another pack, jerks made us share a bed. Alpha likes being big spoon” Mateo laughs, making me chuckle. I relax, draping my arm over his shoulder.

“Are you excited to find your mate soon?” Mateo asks, eyeing the Alpha snuggled in my lap.

“Never gave it much thought” I tell him honestly.

“Isn’t that what all she-wolves wish for, to find their mate?” Mateo asks. I shake my head.

“Not me, have you found your mate yet?” I ask him and he shakes his head showing me his neck.

“Nope, but I am happy being a player” He says and I roll my eyes, typical Male response.

“How old are you?” I ask him.

“Same age as the Alpha 25” He answers, eating another slice of now cold pizza.

“And neither of you have found your mates?” He shrugs. The Alpha snuggles closer, his arms tightening around my waist. Mateo chuckles at him. The Alpha scent wafting to my nose makes me inhale deeply. When I feel his hand brush underneath my shirt on my back. Tingles rush over me making me shiver.

“He really is a hugger huh?” I tell Mateo who laughs.

“Yeah just watch for drool” He says, making me laugh.

“Why are you both in here anyway, don’t you have work to do?”

“Nope, for once we have nothing to do, so thought we would join you. Don’t you like us being around you” Mateo asks.

“No, it’s not that just weird you both wanting to hang out with a teenager”

“You’re not a teenager though, you turn 18 soon and besides I wasn’t going to go annoy Marge downstairs, she would put me to work”

“Marge?”

“Yes she is a cleaner here, sometimes cooks for us too” I nod.

“Well I should go find something to do, make myself useful” He says hopping up.

“Wait take your Alpha with you” I tell him looking down at the man with his head in my lap sleeping.

“Na he looks pretty comfortable, you can keep him” Mateo says while laughing as he leaves the room. He shuts the door and I try to wriggle out of his grasp only for him to tighten it and snuggle closer. I brush my fingers through his hair trying to wake him but he doesn’t. Giving up, I rest my eyes only to fall asleep. His warmth and his scent calming as I drift off into oblivion.

Waking to the sounds of people rushing into the house. Opening my eyes I sat up and realised I was laying on top of the Alpha. The voices downstairs grew louder and I realised it was students from school filling the place.

“Sorry” I tell him looking down at him and how our positions changed.

“All good, you were keeping me warm” He says with a chuckle. I untangle myself from him feeling embarrassed that I fell asleep on him, but to be fair he fell asleep on me first so it was kind of his fault. I hear the door handle rattle and am thankful that Mateo locked it.

Mateo’s voice reached my ears.

“Find another room Angie and away from the stairs near the Alpha’s room” I hear Beta Mateo tell her. He sounded angry.

“Great” I say to myself.

“What’s wrong?” The Alpha asks, looking at me.

“Nothing Angie, will give me hell if she sees you leave this room and realises I am in here”

“No she won’t, she isn’t too bad”

“To you maybe because it is obvious she has a thing for you” I tell him.

“Well I don’t belong to her and besides we aren’t doing anything we fell asleep” He says.

“Yeah well Angie seems to think, I am stealing your attention from her”

“You are but I will never be hers, I belong to someone else”

“You’re mate when you find her?” I state hopping up and straightening my now wrinkled clothes.

“Yes my mate, and only my mate” I nod.

“Well I need to head downstairs and check on everyone, we usually have a barbeque on Thursday nights, easier then cooking a feast, so I will see you when you come down” He says. I nod before hearing a knock on the door making me look at it nervously. Last thing I needed was for Angie to give me hell over him accidentally falling asleep in here with me.

“Relax Kat, it is only Mateo” Alpha Ezra says and I let out a breath I didn’t realise I was holding as he leaves the room. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 15

I watched the Alpha leave before locking the door behind him. When 5 o’clock came and the dinner call was made. Getting up I sighed, I had no choice but to go down there, go down and face Angie the Queen b*tch. Chucking on some warm clothes, I stuck my head out the door. A few stragglers also running late like myself were walking out of their rooms and heading for the stairs to go to the lower level.

Opening the door fully I quickly lock it behind me and make my way down to the stairs, turning the corner I bump into Angie. I almost groaned out loud at the sight of her. Her perfect blonde hair cascading over her shoulders sitting below her breasts that were perked almost right under her chin and drawing attention to herself. Like how can they not, they were right in your face as well as her own, she could practically place her chin on them, if she looked down she would be at serious risk of suffocating herself.

“Why are you here?” She sneers at me in her nasally irritating voice.

“The same reason as you Angie, now move” I tell her trying to step past her only for her to block me.

“Which room are you staying in?” She says looking up the hall the way I just turned from.

“None, of your business, now move please” I ask politely hoping she will give up. She nods and the gleam in her eye had me on edge. She steps aside and I go to walk past her when she shoves me down the flight of stairs. I roll down, the steps digging into my back and hips before coming to a stop at the bottom.

“Whoops” She says with a smile on her face.

I was about to get up, wanting to pound her snickering smug face when Beta Mateo’s voice sounded behind me.

“Angie what is the meaning of this?” He demanded helping me to my feet.

“She slipped” Angie all but purrs at him, I fight back the bile in my throat, disgusted at how much of a whore she was.

“Don’t lie to me, I saw what you just did”

“I didn’t do anything, it was an accident” She says when Mateo points above her head. I follow his finger and see a small camera I hadn’t noticed before and by the look on Angie’s face, it was the first time she had noticed it too.

“So if I go ask the Alpha to check the camera would it still look like an accident?” He asks her and I see her smile slip off her face. I raise an eyebrow at her and she glares back at me.

“I was just playing around, you’re not hurt are you Kat?” She asks pretending to be a concerned friend.

“No Angie, I am not as breakable as you think” I tell her walking off annoyed. What was her problem?

Walking out the back, I find everyone sitting and talking amongst themselves. A huge firepit sat in the middle of the courtyard and there were around thirty or forty students hovering around the area. The air thick with the smell of cooking steaks and sausages. I try to look for a familiar face, praying Jasmine comes here on Thursday nights.

“Who are you looking for?” The Alpha’s voice says behind me, making me jump. I see Angie throwing daggers at me from her seat next to the fire pit.

"I was hoping Jasmine would be here?" I tell him and he nudges me, handing me a steak sandwich.

"Here eat, and Jasmine comes to the pack runs with her family, they don't want her missing school, she is to be a pack doctor when she graduates" The Alpha says pulling me aside and sitting down on one of the sandstone, huge rectangle rocks. I sit down and can practically feel Angie's eyes boring into my back. Mateo walks over sitting on my other side and I force myself to not roll my eyes.

Do they realise them being around me, makes things more difficult for me with Angie? Not to mention the countless others that keep stealing glances in our direction. Do I have something on my face? Why does everyone keep glancing over, though I knew it was because the Alpha and his Beta were sitting beside me.

Their stares made me nervous and I stood up. "Where are you going?" The alpha asks looking up at me.

"Back inside, everyone keeps giving my sideways glances and it is rather annoying"

"They probably think you're in trouble" Beta Mateo chuckles.

"I would assume the same thing, if an Alpha and his Beta was babysitting a student at their school" I tell him.

"Should I be offended that you are too embarrassed to be seen with me?" Mateo mocks and I actually do roll my eyes at him.

"I'm not embarrassed, I just don't want Angie getting the wrong idea, she already thinks I am after the Alpha" I tell them, pulling a face. The Alpha smiles before shaking his head.

"Let them think what they want, it won't matter soon anyhow, but if you are that worried I will leave you alone while people are here" The Alpha says confusing me. Was he purposely seeking me out? But why?

“You say that like you are purposely making things awkward for me” I tell him.

“Not awkward but yes I am purposely seeking you out if that is what you are wondering?” He says, biting into his sandwich.

“Why” I find myself asking. My last Alpha barely came near me, like I had the plague and was worried he would catch it. This one though everywhere I turn I am running into him when I should be avoiding him altogether.

He shrugs, “You’re new to the pack” I ponder his words. Jasmine did say he was a good fair Alpha, he does seem very involved in his pack, having been here for just over a week, I did notice he knew every pack member by name, which my last Alpha barely even acknowledged anyone that was beneath his rank unless it was to scold them.

My new Alpha also seemed very involved in the school and community meetings like Pack runs. We didn’t have those very much thank god at my old pack, but here pack runs were weekly and he even let pack members into the pack house, which is what it’s for but back home the pack house was a fancy name for the Alpha’s personal mansion.

I sit back down beside him, and he smiles over at me. “What changed your mind?” He says when I sit back down.

“Well beside you Mateo the rest avoid me, so nowhere else to go so might as stay here” Beta Mateo chucks his arm across my shoulders. “Well we can always give them something to talk about to really kick the rumours off” He says, his eyes sparkling in mischief.

“You will do no such thing, hands off Mateo” The Alpha tells him before hopping up, something seemed to anger him as he turned and walked inside. Beta Mateo’s eyes glaze over and I can tell he is mindlinking before he abruptly hops up.

“I will see you later Kat, I have P!ssed off the Alpha” He says in a mocking tone. I wondered why the Alpha got upset. Angie, seeing me on my own smiles brightly before making her way over to me and I go

to get up.

“What did you say to P!ss off the Alpha?” She asks.

“I don’t know Angie, but why don’t you go and throw yourself at him and find out” I tell her.

“I might just go do that” She taunts, but I find it P!sses me off slightly. I didn’t understand my sudden anger over it but I suddenly didn’t want her claws anywhere near him.

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I watch as she walks away heading inside after him. I sat there seething at her, my intense anger toward her shocked me. I hated her, hated the girl with a passion. Looking around the backyard I look up to see shocked faces staring at me. I stare back wondering what their problem is, wondering if I have food on my face. Wiping my face on the back of my hand I come up empty, so I was unsure why the sudden stares were focused on me. Getting up, I go to walk inside, turning to go back to the door when I notice something strange, nobody had turned their gazes from me.

Anger bubbling within like a hot poker as I walked back to the house, people stepping out of my way and dropping their heads. What the F*ck is wrong with them? I wondered as they hurriedly moved away from me like I was contagious. I felt tears start to brim at the embarrassment like I was doing some walk of shame but for something I had no clue of doing.

I was being shunned, just like back home. This pack was no different. I would always be the freak. Escaping everyone’s eyes I raced to my room taking the steps two at a time before locking eyes with Angie coming down the stairs next to my room. We stared at each other and she smiles smugly. I felt something twist painfully in my chest when I saw the Alpha walk down the steps behind her. Placing his hand on her shoulder, my stomach drops.

The Alpha looks up, notices me and an indecipherable expression crossing his face and I take off, running into the room and locking it. What was wrong with me? I really was a freak, but seeing him with her coming down from his quarters hurt. I couldn’t explain it, I knew it was irrational of me to think this way, like I had some invisible claim to him. I hear a knock on the door as I lean against it. I jump back away from it staring as the handle twists.

“Kat are you okay?” I hear his voice on the other side of the door, twisting the knife harder in my chest, my throat becoming clogged with emotion I couldn’t control or explain.

“Kat tell me what’s wrong?” I hear The Alpha’s voice rise slightly higher, almost panicked sounding. I hear footsteps outside in the hall before hearing Mateo’s voice.

“Everything okay Alpha?” He asks him.

“I don’t know” I hear the Alpha reply to him. The door handle jiggling as he tries to open it.

“She is probably on her period, pay her no attention Alpha” I hear Angie’s voice burn my ears. I see red, uncontrollable anger erupting from me and I grip the door handle reefing the door open.

I see Angies face pale and Mateo and Ezra take a step back from a vicious growl that suddenly escapes my lips, not only shocking Angie who looked on the verge of wetting her pants but myself. I had never made a noise like that. The tension in the air felt like it was rippling and Angie took a panicked step back when I lunged at her.

I see it a second too late as Mateo and Ezra both lunge at me, at the same second. Ezra’s arms wrapping around my waist securely ripping me back away from her. Mateo moves out of the way just in time as my leg kicks out aiming for Angie’s terrified face.

“Angie go!” Mateo tells her and she darts off down the stairs. “What the F*ck Kat, what is wrong with you” Alpha Ezra scolds me, my anger instantly dissipating and I am left with this overwhelming urge to hide away in shame. I had never felt so angry, so ablaze with the urge to inflict someone pain as I was in that moment.

Alpha Ezra lets me go giving me a concerned look.

“Why did you just try to attack her, I will not tolerate violence Kat among members” He says. I put my head down, ashamed of my actions.

“Answer me please?” He says. But I couldn’t. I didn’t know why I was so angry, why I was so hurt by her being with him, it was of no concern of mine as to what he does with her. The most shocking thing was I growled at her. Only with a wolf can someone growl, growling wasn’t part of the human counterpart. Growling comes from your wolf side, yet I had no wolf that I was certain of.

“I think I should go to bed” I say softly, turning away. The alpha’s lips part like he wanted to say something then stops himself.

“That might be best” He says before stepping out of the room and closing the door.

The next morning, I woke early to shower before everyone got up. Quickly grabbing my towel and toiletries bag along with my clothes, I raced down the stairs slipping into the bathroom. I sigh in relief when I realise no one else was awake and the bathroom was completely empty.

Going into the first stall, I shut the curtain and strip my clothes off. Turning the shower dials I step under the intensely hot shower, letting it burn my skin. Impending doom settling over me for what was to happen today. With a little bit of luck I can go unnoticed with everyone’s excitement over the pack run. Halfway through my shower though, I realise that wasn’t going to happen.

Angie’s voice hitting my ears and I hear footsteps coming into the bathroom. I freeze and panic hits me. So not a place I wanted to be, trapped in a stall naked. I hear her talking to someone when she suddenly stops.

“I know that scent” I hear her whisper. I try to wash the shampoo out of my hair quickly. The suds getting in my eyes burning them. Reaching for my towel I try to open my eyes only to squeeze them shut at the intense burn flooding them from the shampoo. Blindly reaching for my towel that was hanging on

shower curtain. I couldn't feel it, but I could hear her laughing along with another person. Bending down I tried to find anything to stop my eyes from burning so I can see when I felt it.

A cold draft hit me while I bent over searching for my clothes. The laughing got louder and I stepped under the shower flooding my face only to hear the click of someone taking pictures. Finally getting the soap out of my eyes, I open them to the curtain wide open, my clothes gone and Angie standing there with a girl and some boy with a phone in her hand. I scream rushing for the curtain and closing it, trying to shield my body away from their watchful eyes. I hear them laugh before hearing them run out.

I look around for my clothes, anything to shield myself but come up empty before looking at the flimsy shower curtain. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 17

Ezra POV

Waking up the entire packhouse was buzzing with excitement as I walked down the steps to the second floor. Chatter and laughter filled the usual silence as they got ready for the day. Stopping at Katya's door, I knock and listen for movement before opening the door and popping my head in, only to find the room empty. I sigh in relief, happy that she wasn't hiding in her room anymore. Walking down the steps I see Angie and a group of kids all huddled together laughing watching something on her phone.

"What's going on?" I ask, amused at their excitement over whatever it is. Angie quickly tries doing something on her phone, shielding it away from me and the teens suddenly take off. Walking into the foyer, I see everyone scatter and Angie's fumbling with her phone frantically when I see the TV. My stomach drops when I see Katya on the TV screen while showering trying to cover herself. I quickly race in trying to find the remote to flick the TV off as panicked kids take off in every direction. Not able to find the remote, I grab the chair and fling it at the TV and shatter the screen. Angie lets out a petrified shriek and I look over my shoulder, a growl escaping my lips as anger consumes.

I wanted to hurt her, never in my life have I wanted to inflict pain on any of my own pack members, but in this moment I wanted to hurt her like she hurt my mate.

Mateo, hearing the breaking glass and everyone's terrified screams raced down the stairs and I lunged at her, my claws slipping from hands and Mateo yanks me backwards. My claws just scratching the side of her face. She screams clutching her face as my claws sink into her soft flesh. Her hand went to her face as she screamed in horror.

Mateo and I hit the ground and I rolled off him wanting her blood, wanting her to pay for the humiliation she just caused her.

“Alpha what’s going on?” I hear Mateo asking, struggling to hold me back. Angie goes to run my alpha voice rolling over her as I screamed at her.

“F*cking move and die” I tell her and she freezes instantly.

Mateo lets me go and I get to my feet stalking toward her.

“Give me the F*cking phone now” I tell her holding my hand out. She trembles but drops the phone in my hand. I try to get in but it has a password.

“Password now” I tell her and she rattles off her date of birth, her voice trembling badly as tears and her blood run down her face. I could see Mateo looking over my shoulder trying to figure why I am so angry and when he catches sight of it a menacing growl escapes him.

“You would dare do that to another woman, subject her to that sort of humiliation?” I ask her, my voice deadly cold. How could she? How could she do that to my mate, or anyone. Humiliate someone in such a way then show off about it to everyone.

‘It was a joke?’

“That is not a F*cking joke Angela” Mateo screams at her also on the verge of shifting and ripping her

pieces.

“Where is she?” I ask looking around for my mate, needing to see she is alright.

“She is still in the bathroom,” Jake says from the top of the stairs. I look up and see his pale petrified blue eyes. He nervously tries to brush his blonde hair from his face.

“And how do you know that?” I ask him and he looks on the verge of puking.

“It was Angie’s Idea, I told her we shouldn’t” He says and I see red, he helped her humiliate her in such a way.

“I will deal with them, go get her,” Mateo says.

“Everyone out” I bellow to all the teens lingering with fearful eyes looking around the corners. Angie and Jake go to leave when Mateo catches both of them by the arms.

“Not you two, you two are coming with me” He says to them.

“You better pray Katya is forgiving, because I won’t stop her if she bannishes you” I tell them and they both pale.

“Bannish us?” Jake squeaks.

“Yes, Katya is going to be your F*cking Luna and you do that to her” I tell them.

“She can’t be Luna,” Angie stutters out, looking down the corridor toward the bathroom.

“Yes she can because she is my mate” I say before walking off and leaving Mateo to deal with them.

Walking into the bathroom I could hear sobbing, one of the shower curtains was ripped down but it did nothing to cover her naked body. The flimsy shower curtain was see through against her tanned skin, as she huddled in the corner of the stall.

“Kat?” I whisper while kneeling in front of the shower stall. She had her head pressed to her knees as she cried. She looks up, her face all red and blotchy and my heart breaks for her. I pull my shirt off handing it to her and she reaches out for it pulling it over head.

“Why didn’t you shift, you could have shifted and come and got me or Mateo” I tell her and she looks at me before crying again. “She video it” She chokes out and I pull the phone from my pocket.

“You saw it?” She asks and I look away and swallow, the entire packhouse saw her not that she had anything to be ashamed of. She is beautiful but I knew she wouldn’t see it that way.

Suddenly the front door bursts open and I hear it smash through the wall out in the foyer.

“Kat, kat honey” I hear Shirley call out for her daughter. I wanted to kick her out but the look on my mates face told me she wanted her mother.

“In here” I call out to her mother and she appears in the doorway a few seconds later.

“Oh baby” She gasps, rushing over and I move out of the way. My mate throws herself into her mothers arms clutching onto her like the woman was her lifeline.

“I want to come home” I hear her whisper to her mother and hurt hits me. She didn’t want to be here.

“How could this happen, and where is the little b*tch?” Her mothers asks, turning to me.

“Mateo has Angie and Jake”

“What about the other girl?” Her mother asks.

“There was another?” I ask Katya and she nods.

“I will find her” Her mother nods.

“And what will become of them?” Shirley asks and I could see she was trying to contain her anger, feeling it oozing off her.

“Kat can decide that” I tell her mother and she pulls back looking down at her daughter.

“I am taking her home” Shirley says and I feel my wolf hackle up at her words pressing beneath my skin.

“No, she stays and everyone will be leaving the Packhouse, she can also stay on the Alpha floor. I won’t let this happen again Kat, so please stay” I tell her. Shirley looks down at her daughter.

“I want them dealt with,” Her mother says.

“And they will be,” I reassure her.

“Come sweetie let’s find you some clothes” Shirley says helping her stand. Kat tries pulling my shirt down covering her exposed legs. I thought it a little odd that she was afraid of being nude in front of people. It honestly wasn’t a big thing in wolf packs you are bound to see each other naked and some of the pack members even strut around naked after the pack runs.

I also found it strange she didn't just shift and walk out of here to alert Mateo and I about what happened instead she called for her mother. I watch as she is led up the stairs and Mateo comes over to me looking up and away when he realises her a\$\$ was peeking out from under my shirt.

"Where are they?" I ask him.

"In the cells, might teach them a lesson. Also Amy was involved. I sent someone to get her" Mateo says and I nod.

"Is she okay?" He asks looking up the now empty stairs. I say nothing, I felt terrible that she was subjected to that in my house.

"Why didn't she shift?" Mateo asks, also curious.

"I don't know, she must have panicked" I told him. It was the only logical reason as to why she didn't just shift.

"Have you deleted it?"

"No, I want her to so she knows it is gone" I tell him and he nods.

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Katya POV

Getting to my room my mother digs through my bag grabbing some clothes and passing them to me. I slip them on and she looks around the room.

"It's a nice room" she comments and I nod pulling my pants on. She goes to say something but stops herself.

“What’s wrong?” I ask her. She looks conflicted before I see her usual face slip on. Gone was my protective mother and in her place my biggest critic. I regretted asking instantly.

“Why didn’t you fight back?”

“I was naked!” I tell her, what did she expect me to do?

“You made yourself look weak, they won’t accept you if you look weak, you need to stand up for yourself”

“And last time I did, I got in trouble” I tell her and she sighs running her hand through her hair.

“You won’t get in trouble, do what you have to, to prove yourself Kat”

“Alpha Ezra said no violence between pack member’s mum, you want me to lay low then you tell me to fight back which is it?”

“You make us look weak, you are not weak. No daughter of mine can be weak, especially in your position” she says her voice raising.

“My position? Just say what you want to say mum, spit it out” I tell her sick of her judgement. Either way I am Dmn if I do and Dmn if I don’t meet her expectations.

“Your life is going to get a lot harder, and you being a pushover looks bad, your mate will have expectations and if you can’t prove yourself”-

“What are you talking about, I don’t have a mate mum. I don’t even have a wolf so I wouldn’t find him even if I miraculously did. And mates are meant to love us not shun us”

“Not all mates are equal Katya, your a weakness to any mate you get with not having a wolf so you need to show your strength in other ways”

“Get out!” I tell her and she stops her rant looking at me.

“Get out, I asked you here as my mum and you can’t even do that, everything is about titles and strength to you. If you think I am weak then just go, I criticise myself enough. I don’t need it from you too” I tell her, tears brimming in my eyes. Why can’t she just love me and be a mother for five seconds without criticizing me.

“You don’t talk to me like that, I am just trying to help you”

“Get out!” I scream at her losing my temper, my voice rising louder than I meant. She glared at me and was about to say something when the door opened.

“She asked you to leave now go” Alpha Ezra says to her. Sh*t how much did he hear? Panic set in and I heard my mother’s heart rate spike.

“I don’t know what you two are arguing about but it is clear Kat wants you to go Shirley, so leave” Ezra says and I let out the breath I didn’t realise I was holding. My mother’s mouth clamps shut.

“I will see you at the pack run” my mother says, kissing my head before walking out and past the Alpha.

She leaves and the Alpha steps in the room closing the door.

“What happened? You two were fine downstairs” he says. I shake my head knowing I can’t tell him.

“Your mother seems strict,” he says and I nod.

“She thinks I made myself look weak” I tell him.

“She said that?” He asked and he seemed annoyed.

“Yes,’ said my mate when I find him, that he won’t want a weak mate, that I needed to prove myself or some Sh*t” I told him, which seemed to anger him more. A growl escapes his lips startling me.

“You okay?” I ask him and he snaps out whatever mood he was in.

“You’re not weak, and no one should expect anything from you, Kat, especially your mate” he says.

“Well I hope you’re right” I tell him and we stand there in an awkward silence.

Mateo walks in clearing the awkward silence and for once I was actually happy he barged in. The Alpha too looked relieved.

“So which room are you putting her in?” He asks, looking at the Alpha.

“I’m fine here” I tell him and Mateo looks at me.

“Think the Alpha and I would be more comfortable with you upstairs” Mateo answers. The Alpha walks over grabs my bag not saying anything as he puts my things in it before throwing it over his shoulder.

I sigh before following them. Mateo throws his arm over my shoulder. "Be like a slumber party we can do make up, comb each other's hairs" he says and I elbow him.

"What girls do that Sh*t" he says and I raise an eyebrow at him.

"Well I don't" I chuckled at him.

"What never? even the Alpha and I have slumber parties" he says mockingly.

"Never been to one, what do you two do then?" I ask, wondering if they really did have sleepovers considering they live in the same place.

"Stuff our faces, watch Tv. Not much to do when not working and it is boring in case you haven't noticed, sometimes we go to the whore" he says. When the Alpha suddenly growls at him.

"Sometimes we Get messages from the ladies of the night" he says, getting another growl from the Alpha.

"You mean a prostitute?" I correct.

"See she already knows what the place is, why get your panties in a knot Ezra?"

"Why do you pay someone? I am sure some of the girls in the pack would give it to you for free"

"Why are you offering?" Mateo asks, wiggling his eyebrows at me. The Alpha spins around on the stairs and Mateo puts his hands in the air at his taunting.

” that is not what I meant”

“He knows that Kat, he is taunting, and to answer your question it isn’t right to mess around with pack member’s, knowing they have mates, so yes a brothel and a couple of girls who lost their mates but mainly brothels” the Alpha answers.

“So human woman?” I was a little shocked. The Alpha glares at Mateo and I watch as both their eyes glaze over in private conversation.

Mateo pats his shoulder walking past him up the stairs. “Always so tense,” Mateo mutters.

“I will see you later Kat for our slumber party” Mateo says, giving me a wink.

“Bl**dy fool” Alpha Ezra says, reaching down and grabbing my hand. He tugs me up the stairs but I didn’t even pay attention to where he was leading me, too focused on the strange tingling sensation of my hand in his. He stops and he clears his throat, making me look up at him. I pull my hand from his. “Sorry” I tell him, rubbing my fingers in my palm trying to stop the weird sensation.

“My room is next door, Mateo’s is down the end, it’s the last door,” he says and I nod, turning to look at the door we stopped at.

I open it and walk inside, the Alpha follows me in before stopping next to the dresser and placing my bag on it.

“Mainly this floor is empty unless we have Pack Alpha’s visiting. There is a Bathroom down the end but doesn’t get used much because we have bathrooms in our rooms so you don’t have to worry about others coming in”

I nod not really wanting to remember the earlier shower problem.

“Well I will let you do whatever, I will be in my office if you need me, I have things to prepare for the pack run” he says and I nod. He goes to walk out when he stops. He turns around before reaching into his pocket pulling a phone out and hands it to me.

He unlocks it while it is in my hand before going through it and stopping at the video making me look up at him, he doesn't press play but shows me it before he deletes it.

“They took photos too” I tell him remembering the clicking sound of the snaps being taken.

“You can scroll and delete those if you don't want me to see them” he says looking away.

“Not that it matters you already saw the video” I tell him scrolling through and deleting everything before handing him the phone. “Thank you” I tell him.

“I meant what I said, you can decide how they are punished Kat”

I shake my head. Nothing would undo what has been done.

“I can make them strut down the main Street naked in shame if you want”

“No, they will forget eventually and I couldn't do that to someone I am not cruel” I tell him. Alpha Ezra brushes my hair back before tipping my chin up to look at him.

“And your mother thinks you're weak? Most would want an eye for an eye for what they did Kat. Showing mercy is not weak, that just proves your strength, proves you are better than them” he says letting me go.

“Are you sure you're the Alpha I have heard about for years, the one everyone fears?” I chuckle. He smiles at me.

“The rumours are mostly true but packs are family, I protect what’s mine everything else doesn’t matter”

“So you really killed all those people?” I ask slightly horrified.

“Yes they hurt my family, and my pack is family”

“So did you really kill your father?” I ask before realising I probably shouldn’t have asked that.

“Sorry I shouldn’t, you don’t have to answer” I tell him looking away.

“You can ask me whatever you want kat, and yes I did. He wasn’t a Good Alpha and an even worse father” he says.

“Does that bother you?” He asks.

“No, you had your reasons,” I tell him. He nods before looking at the door.

“I will see you at the pack run but I really should go, I need to make sure the borders are patrolled still during the run” he explains not that he had to. He is my Alpha after all.

“Okay”

“5pm Kat and I will be telling everyone the packhouse is off limits, you won’t have to speak to them if you don’t want to. I will see you at 5” He says slipping out of the room. Great, now I need to find somewhere to hide in the forest so I remain unnoticed.

Katya POV

I remained in the room not wanting to risk running into everyone. I knew they were outside, I could hear the talking of pack members excitedly chatting about the pack run from the bedroom window. When the sun started to set, dread filled me. I slip some loose fitting clothes on which is what most pac members wore when they are going to shift. At least I kind of looked the part. When it was nearly 5, I was about to head down when I heard a knock on the door.

Opening the bedroom door my father was standing there in just a singlet and shorts. "Hey Pumpkin" He says and I roll my eyes at the nickname he refuses to give up. I threw my arms around his waist hugging him tight.

"Your mother said you had an issue here today?" He says and I nod against his chest. He kisses my hair.

"What do I do about the pack run?" I ask, looking up at him.

"I asked the Alpha if we could take off a bit early so you don't have to deal with everyone,, he agreed that's why I am here to come get you" He says.

I close my bedroom door following my father. I see the Alpha talking to a group of people out the back as we slip outside, my mother waiting next to the treeline. Alpha Ezra turns as we walk out giving my father a nod and my dad leads me over to my mother. We slip into the forest and start walking.

"We found a stream earlier today, thought it would be nice over there to wait out the pack run" My mother says and I nod.

"I'm sorry about earlier Kat, I shouldn't have been so harsh" She says and my father gives her a look making her look away from him.

“What did your mother do?” my father asks through the mindlink. I shake my head. I don’t want them fighting over me. My mother starts stripping her clothes off before jamming them into a log of a fallen tree. My father does the same shifting quickly as I keep my back turned to them. I have seen them naked but that doesn’t mean I want to.

My fathers caramel coloured wolf comes over to me, nudging me wanting me to climb on his back. I do just in time to see my mothers black and grey wolf step out of the trees. They take off running and it kind of reminded me of when I was little before we discovered I had no wolf. I would always get piggy backs on mum and dad when I was little.

We zipped through the trees, and I dug my head in between my father’s shoulder blades so I wouldn’t fall off from the momentum, my legs wrapped around his waist and my arms around his throat. They ran for what felt like forever before stopping and I climbed off finding my feet again. This place felt secluded. The stream running through the forest had only the scents of the passing animals but surprisingly no wolf scents.

“Where are we?” I ask.

“Near the border, no one will come out this far. Alpha Ezra forbids them getting too close to the border”
My mother mindlinks.

“Will I get in trouble being here”

“He won’t know, your father reckons we should just tell him, but”

“But not till I prove myself” I mutter knowing why she doesn’t want him knowing. I wasn’t so sure now, the Alpha seemed different to the others back home. I felt comfortable with him, it was hard to explain. In the distance I hear an air horn go off making me look the way we came.

“Go I will be fine,” I tell them knowing they loved pack runs and letting their wolves out. I sit by the stream and my father's wolf comes over rubbing his big furry head on mine before my mother licks my cheek. I watch as they duck off between the trees and disappear. I should have brought my phone. At least I could have played candy crush while I waited.

I wasn't sure how long the pack run went for but I felt like I was here for hours already when I heard the Alpha's voice run through my head. “Kat, where are you?” He asks and I suddenly become nervous.

“I am around” I tell him.

“Are you hiding from me?” He asks and I cut off the mindlink, shoving him out. I know I will probably get in trouble when I get back for it, we aren't supposed to shove our Alpha out of our heads. I feel him trying to force the mindlink when he suddenly gives up. I hop up deciding to go lean on the tree and rest, maybe sleep. The darkness was becoming eerie the longer night went on. The shadows amongst the trees crept me out and I suddenly wished for the safety of my room.

I could hear all the crickets and owls hooting in the trees and around the stream. Leaning my head on the tree, I listen when I suddenly hear deafening silence. The crickets falling silent made me nervous. Silence was never a good thing in a forest, it meant predators were near. My eyes snap open when I hear a twig snap and I sit up looking into the trees. My eyes were stronger than that of humans but this part of the forest was dark from the canopying trees.

Hearing the snap again, I spin turning the opposite side when I see glowing amber eyes peer out from between two trees. My breath gets lodged in my throat when I see a humongous black wolf step out. His fur was so black I could only just make him out in the darkness. I shift nervously wondering who it is.

The wolf moves, stepping toward me and I feel his aura vibrating the ground around me and I let out a breath. “Alpha” I whisper and reopen the mindlink.

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“Why did you block me out? And why are you here?” He asks, coming over to me.

"I didn't want to be around them" I answer and he nods his head. His wolf sniffs me, pressing his face into my neck before licking it. I push him away, his fur soft beneath my palms.

"Sorry my wolf is a little excited" He says.

"What's his name?" I ask brushing his fur when he suddenly ducks his head sniffing between my legs. I pull his head back.

"Hey that's rude" I tell his wolf who suddenly purrs at me and I raise an eyebrow at him.

"I am terribly sorry, his name is Maddox, will you stop that" I hear him tell his wolf as his wolf suddenly drops on top of me. I could hear his embarrassment in his voice but he didn't seem to have very good control of him right now.

"Is he alright?" I ask out loud when his wolf suddenly pushes his nose underneath my shirt. I could hear through the mindlink him arguing with his wolf to stop mauling me with his big heavy body. He was rubbing himself all over me like a cat.

I brush his fur pulling his face to look at me. "Stop Maddox" I tell him when he tries putting his head inside my shirt again. He whines loudly.

"I can shift back but I will be naked" He says.

"He isn't so bad" I tell him and he licks my chin. His wolf voice suddenly bursting through the mind I**k startling me from how much deeper his voice is and gravelly sounding.

"Your wolf" He says and I look at him.

“Was that your wolf speaking?” I ask hoping Alpha Ezra has enough control to hear me and hasn’t been blocked out by his wolf.

“He wants to meet your wolf” Alpha Ezra says and my stomach drops.

“So are you going to shift?” He asks when I hear movement in the trees his wolf suddenly becomes alert as he peers into the darkness stepping over me. My father’s wolf steps out of the tree and spots us. He ducks his caramel furry head to the Alpha bearing his neck before suddenly slipping into the trees again.

“Wait!” I called my father. He stopped coming back and stopped next to the Alpha who was now standing over me completely and I had to push his fur aside to see my dad. My mother steps out of the trees and my father looks at her and she becomes annoyed growling at my father and I know he said something she didn’t like.

My mother ducks back into the forest. “I gotta go Kat, and deal with your mother” My father says and I panic. “But wait he wants me to shift” I tell my father getting to my feet. My father looks at me, licking my fingers.

“Just tell him, whatever happens, happens Kat, we have to move we will, but I don’t think he will ,kick us out” my father says before ducking his head to the Alpha. I go to chase after him when the Alpha’s wolf grabs my hand, tugging me gently and making me look at him.

I hear bones suddenly snapping and grit my teeth forcing my eyes closed knowing the Alpha just shifted next to me.

“The fact that your parents know you’re here means they brought you here. So are going to tell me what’s going on and why you are hiding out here”

I don't answer and he sighs. "I'm starting to think I already know," he says softly.

"Can you shift back so I can turn around?" I ask him. I hear him move but don't hear snapping of bones. "Step backwards" he says and I do. I feel his hand wrap around my wrist before he tugs me down on the ground. He pulls me against him, his arms wrap around my waist and he pulls me against him so I am leaning on him.

"There I am now covered" he chuckles his legs on either side of mine.

We sit in silence and he moves behind me leaning against the tree before pulling me against him, his arm going around my waist pulling me with him.

"You can lean on me" he says, pulling me backwards, his hand on my stomach under my shirt, his hand is warm and my belly fluttering spastically at his closeness, and that weird tingling sensation. I grab his hand, moving it and sitting up.

"Are you going to make me guess, or tell me?" He says trying to pull me back to him.

"I should go find my parents" I tell him, pushing off the ground to stand when he pulls me back down.

"I know you haven't shifted yet" he says, making me look at him. He pulls me against him and dread fills me.

"I'm right aren't I?" He says pressing his chin on my shoulder.

"I have no wolf" I tell him and he shakes his head.

"Now it makes sense why you didn't shift to get out of the bathroom, why you became nervous when I asked to see your wolf and why you are out here away from everyone, why your mother gave you wolfsbane" he says.

"You're not mad I have no wolf"

"Yes you do, I can sense her you're just a late bloomer nothing wrong with that" he says.

"You can sense her?" I ask, looking over my shoulder at him. His face barely a few centimetres away from mine.

"Yes that's why my wolf wanted to see her"

"Are you going to banish us for lying and for me not having a wolf?" I ask and his arms tighten around me.

"No, why would I banish you for not having a wolf?"

"Because that's what my last pack did, that's why we left, that having no wolf I am weak and shunned by the Moon goddess" I tell him.

"Jackson is a Dickhead, and you do have a wolf. She will come when she is ready. I believe late bloomers are late not because they are shunned by the Moon goddess but because they are blessed by her" he says, his fingers brushing my chin and turning my face to his.

"You don't know that, I may not have a wolf," I whisper.

"I don't care if you do or don't but I know you do, your aura is too strong" he says.

"My aura?" He nods.

“It’s stronger than your parents, it matches mine” he says. I look away not believing him.

“You don’t believe me? I wouldn’t lie to you Kat”

I hear the air horn sound signalling the night end making me look at the trees toward the pack house.

“We should head back” I tell him.

“Mateo can handle it,” he says, lacing his fingers through mine. I look at our hands, the strange tingling running over my hand and up my arm. I turn his hand over and he opens his palm.

“What’s wrong?” He asks, grabbing my hand again.

“Nothing but I thought you said you don’t mess with pack wolves” I tell him, turning to look at him.

“I don’t” he says.

“Then what’s this” I ask motioning to the way I was practically sitting on him.

“I’m not messing with you Kat as you put it” he says and I turn slightly to face him. He grabs my legs, draping it over his and turning me sideways.

“I’m not messing with you” he tells me before leaning forward and kissing me. His lips moulding around mine soft yet demanding when I feel his tongue run across my bottom lip wanting access. I part my lips and I feel his tongue move between my lips as he kisses me, his tongue playing with mine before he sucks my bottom lip in his mouth before pulling back and kissing my lips softly.

My lips tingling and I stare at him confused, he chuckles, His hand moving to my face as he cups my

cheek. His thumb brushed over my lip.

“But you said,” he laughs, cutting me off.

“It’s not messing around with you,”

“But?”

“I kissed you, didn’t steal your virginity. It’s still safe for your mate” He says before chuckling at my bright red face.

“Come, we should head back and I promise to keep my lips to myself” He says about to stand.

“Wait can you shift back, my parents might get the wrong idea if I walk out of the trees with you butt naked”

“And what idea would that be?” He asks and I feel my face grow hotter.

“I’m playing Kat, you embarrass too easily, but yes I will shift back, so you don’t ogle at me” He says, kissing my flaming cheek. I shuffle forward and I hear the rearranging of his bones as she shifts quickly only to be shoved forward when his wolf collides with my back. I roll trying to get out from under him as he attacks me with his wet tongue licking my face.

“Ew gross, you said you would keep your lips to yourself” I tell him trying to shield my face.

“Yes my lips, never promised to keep my wolf off you” He laughs at me through the mind l**k.

“He is slobbering all over me” I squeal when I feel him lick my eyeball making me blink rapidly.

“Maddox leave her be” I hear him talking to his wolf, I thought it weird that he leaves the mindlink that far open where I can hear him talking to his wolf, like hearing his inner monologue. I hear his wolf growl at him annoyed not just in my head but out loud before he gets his heavy weight off my chest.

I try to flatten my hair as I stand pulling twigs and leaves from it before using my shirt to wipe my face. “That was disgusting,” I tell him, nudging him, he nudges me back only for me to fall face first into the dirt.

I could hear him laughing as I hauled myself up. I glare at him. “So cute when you’re angry, like an angry mouse” He taunts playfully. I shove him before taking off into the trees heading toward the packhouse.

“Now you gonna get it kat, run little mouse” He calls and I pick up my pace, adrenaline surging through me as I try not to run into a tree in the darkness.

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I could see the Packhouse coming into view, see the lights coming through the trees, and was very aware of his paws on the earth as he chased me down. Quickly sidestepping and darting between two trees, I knew his wolf wouldn’t squeeze between. I hear him snarl as he tries to stop before hearing him slide into the trees slamming into them. I laughed and picked up my pace forcing my legs faster when suddenly the ground was gone beneath my feet as I hit the air.

A shriek leaving my lips as the ground suddenly opened up and swallowed me. I hit the bottom with a soft thud. “Argh that hurt” I groaned, rubbing my hip and a\$ where I landed on it. I look up to hear laughing and stare up at the hole I landed in. I could see Maddox pacing the hole and hear Ezra laughing in my head.

“Is the little mouse trapped?” He asked and I could hear the amusement in his voice.

“No!” I told him looking for a way out, the walls were higher than my head and a good metre and half higher than me. Who digs a hole like this? I try to dig my fingers into the dirt to climb up only to fall back down and hear his laughter above me making me glare at him.

“Quite the predicament you have found yourself in” Alpha Ezra says before his wolf lays down his head looking over the side of the hole looking at me.

I try to find a way out, digging my feet into the soil only for it to break off and slide into the hole. I pressed my lips into a line not wanting to ask for his help but knowing it was the only way out of the hole.

“Argh can you help please?” I ask looking up at him.

“Maybe, what do I get if I help you?” He asks and I raise an eyebrow at him before folding my arms over my chest, when a thought occurs to me.

“Maddox, can you help me please?” I ask calling his wolf. His ears perk up as he looks into the hole sniffing the air, a growl escaping him and I could hear Ezra trying to hone him in from taking control he looked like he was about to jump in the hole.

“Maddox, come here” I called, realising it was working.

“Fine fine, I will help but stop calling him or we will both be stuck in the hole” Ezra says. I smile triumphantly and I hear him shift back, he suddenly disappears before returning.

“Here catch” He calls before tossing a long vine into the hole. I grab it with both hands before yanking it, Ezra not expecting the force tumbles into the hole making me laugh as he hits the dirt beside me.

“Well that worked” I tell him.

“You did that deliberately” he says standing up. Thank god it was dark or I would be flushing red with embarrassment seeing him naked next to me and this close. He stands getting to his feet before looking up at the hole. “Come here,” He says, waving me forward. He clasps his hands together and I place my hand on his shoulder and my foot in his hand.

“Ready?” He asks and I look up at the edge. In one swift movement he tosses me in the air and I manage to claw my way out. Now up the top I look down at him in the hole.

“Quite the predicament you found yourself in Alpha” I taunt now that he was stuck in the hole. “You wouldn’t?” He says. I smile deviously back at him and I see his eyes flicker back at me, reflecting off the moon oddly.

“I can command you” He challenges but I had a feeling he wouldn’t, knowing it would cause me pain deciding to take my chances.

“How cold does it get out here at night?” I ask looking down at him and his smile drops.

“I swear Katya if you leave me here”-

“You’ll what command me, do it?” I retort and he looks away cursing under his breath. I chuckle at him.

“You think you are quite funny, don’t you?”

“Very, I should have been a comedian, I make myself laugh” I tell him.

“You better run when I get out of here little one”-

“Not such a big bad Alpha now huh” He growls baring his teeth.

“Kat” He warns. I sigh looking for something strong enough to hold his weight. I find some more vines and twist them together before chucking them down to him. They snap and I groan, maybe it wasn’t such a good idea pulling him in when I am not strong enough to get him out and neither are the vines. I suddenly hear running in the trees around me coming from the direction of the packhouse.

“Someone’s in trouble” I hear the Alpha sing out below me. I could just pick up Mateo scent hitting my nose from the breeze, a squeak slipping past my lips and I looked down at Alpha Ezra. He called for backup.

He smiles back up at me, “better run little one because when I get out of this hole, I am coming for you” I hear footsteps getting closer before I see Mateo break into my line of vision with a rope in his hands.

“How the hell did you fall in your own trap?” He asks, walking to the edge and looking down at the Alpha.

“Like this” I told him before shoving him in the hole.

Mateo shrieks tumbling in with the Alpha and I run knowing it won’t be long before they escape. “You’re in for it now Kat” I heard Mateo call out from behind me as I darted toward the pack house. I couldn’t stop my laughter as I ran inside the pack house trying to find somewhere to hide, my belly aching as I tried to muffle the sounds escaping me. They were going to kill me when they got out but this would have to be the most entertainment I have had in ages.

Running up stairs I ran into my room locking the door before realising they would find me right away. Grabbing my deodorant I run back out spraying as I go to mask my scent before an idea hits me. They won’t expect me to hide in one of their rooms. I look between both their doors in the hall deciding Mateo’s would be safest.

Quickly turning the knob I find it unlocked and slip inside looking around at the darkened room when I hear the back door downstairs open. I tiptoed to his bed before sliding underneath it and laying in the

middle. My hand coming in contact with something that reeks of his scent so much it made me gag. What the F*ck is that? I shove it away to find it a dirty sock. Moving to the back closest to the wall I find a pile of magazines. I open one and nearly snort and have to muffle the sound when I realise it was a porno magazine.

Hearing footsteps on the stairs. I try to muffle my loud breathing and contain my laughter. I could hear them opening up doors and walking around trying to be quiet.

"I can hear your heartbeat kat" I hear the Alpha call out from the hall. I crawl further to the back when the bedroom door suddenly creaks open slowly, my heart pounding so hard I could hear it throbbing in my ears. I hear the Alpha chuckle before feeling a hand wrap around my ankle and I am yanked out by my foot.

I squeal, gripping the ground trying to escape when I find myself looking up at the Alpha. Mateo walked in a second later the Alpha thankfully had pants on now, while Mateo's clothes were covered in dirt.

I try to scramble out when I feel his hands wrap around my waist lifting me from the ground.

"What would be a suitable punishment Mateo?" He asks.

"I think a hundred lashes, and a week in the cells" Mateo says and I feel my stomach drop, my heart pounding against my ribs, they can't be serious, I was only mucking around. He snorts before laughing.

"You should have seen her face, she actually thought I meant that" Mateo laughs and I let out the breath I was holding when I suddenly become very aware of the Alpha's hands on my body, one around my waist his hand on my bare skin where my shirt had ridden up, the other across my shoulders holding me flush against him, his firm chest against my back.

"What should I do with you?" He ponders out loud, his nose skimming along my neck to my ear as he inhales my scent. I shift nervously when I feel him press his lips below my ear.

“Keep it PG she isn’t 18 yet, she still has three days” I hear Mateo say, my face flushing at his words.

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Mateo leaves walking out and down the hall, leaving me with the Alpha.

“Wait come back” I called to Mateo. He laughs.

“You’re on your own Kat” he sings out not even glancing back.

“You trying to escape me, little one?” The Alpha all but purrs below my ear. A shiver runs up my spine at his words and his breath on my neck.

He runs his nose along my neck, inhaling my scent. My heart pounds against my chest when I feel him press himself closer, the heat from his chest seeping into my back, fear and nervousness at being stuck alone with him kick in.

“Why are you scared little one, I would never hurt you” he whispers, turning me around to face him.

He grips my chin making me look up at him, his dazzling caramel eyes staring back at me.

“I will never hurt you, Kat. If I am making you uncomfortable just tell me” he says brushing his nose along my cheek before kissing the side of my mouth.

“Answer me Kat, am I making you uncomfortable?” He asks, pulling away his hands trailing down my sides before resting on my hips.

“A little” I admit and he sighs, pressing his lips to my head.

“Come on then” he says, letting me go and stepping back. As soon as he let go I missed his touch, his warmth and I stepped toward him.

He chuckles softly wrapping his arms back around me.

“You don’t know what you want?” He says putting his head on mine.

“You will soon Kat, everything will make sense to you soon” he says, making me look up at him.

“What do you mean?” I ask him.

“I would rather you find out for yourself. Come, want to watch a movie?”

“As long as it isn’t another Disney one” I tell him. He drapes his arm across my shoulders pulling me from Mateo’s room and down the hall toward his room.

I pause looking at his door, “you don’t have to do anything you don’t want to do Kat, we can watch one downstairs or in your room if you want” he says stopping and waiting for me to decide.

“Kat!” I hear my mother’s voice call out from downstairs frantically. I hear footsteps running up the stairs. The Alpha walks toward them and I hear her stop on the stairs.

“I swear Alpha if you have touched one Fcking hair on her head, Alpha or not I will kick your Bl*dy arse”

“Calm down Shirley. She is right here, I would never hurt her,” he tells her and I hear my mother rush up the stairs before popping her head around the corner and spotting me.

She rushes over gripping my arms.

“Did he hurt you, are you okay sweetie?” She gushes embarrassingly as she checks me over.

“Mum I’m fine” I tell her and she stops before mindlinking me.

“You didn’t tell him, did you? Oh thank the goddess. I thought he would killed you for sure” she says and I raise an eyebrow at her.

“He knows mum” I say out loud and she freezes looking at me before looking at him. The Alpha was leaning against the door, arms folded over his chest as he watched us.

“You know?” She asks skeptically.

“Yes I know she hasn’t got a wolf, and I don’t care, wolf or not she is still my” - he clears his throat awkwardly.

“She is still a pack member,” he says.

“You don’t care?” She asks and I could see her shock written all over her face.

Alpha Ezra shakes his head. “No, Shirley, I don’t care. It changes nothing”

“And he didn’t hurt you, threaten you. You can tell me Kat” she says just as I hear my father’s voice downstairs.

“Shirley!” Alpha Ezra groans and I chuckle at his frustration.

“Up here!” He calls out to my father and I hear his footsteps on the stairs running up them.

“Shirley! What are you doing?” He asks my mother who turns to face him.

“Hey pumpkin” my dad says my face flushing at the nickname, gosh they could be embarrassing.

“He doesn’t care” my mother mutters more to herself than anyone else.

“I told you he wouldn’t come now, we need to head home, I have work in the morning” my father tells her. My brows furrowed in confusion at her reaction. Why was it such a shock to her when Alpha Ezra was so good to us?

“Mum I am fine, everything is fine. Go home with dad”

“You don’t want to come home?” She asks, looking at me.

I looked at Alpha Ezra who was waiting for my answer. I shake my head and he smiles nodding to me.

“No I want to stay, am I allowed to?” I ask her and her mouth opens and closes like a fish.

“Yes Kat, you are an adult, well in a few days. I trust you to make your own decisions and you are safe with your... the Alpha” my father says.

“But?” My mother goes to argue with him.

“She is in the safest place, love. Come let’s go home” my father says to her and she looks at me before nodding.

“You need us, no matter how late Kat mindlink us” she says.

“I’ll be fine” I tell her and she reluctantly leaves but not before eyeing the Alpha suspiciously like she thought he was going to execute me at any moment.

I hear Mateo let them out downstairs.

“Pizza?” He sings out from downstairs making my ears ache from how loud he yelled. I scrunch my face up, I am sick of eating pizza.

“Anything but pizza” Alpha Ezra sings back at him.

“Fine, be back soon” he calls and I hear him leave the door closing behind him.

“Movie?” He asks and I step forward toward him. He opens up his door and I find his room is mostly grey and white. Thick drapes hang along the windows stopping all light from coming in. A fireplace sat in the corner of the room crackling as it burned.

A huge four poster bed sat in the middle of the room and had a thick dark grey comforter on it. I could see two doors, one appeared to be a walk in, the other a bathroom. Alpha Ezra walks over to the bedside table grabbing a remote and points it at the wall next to the bedroom door behind me. The tv flicks on and he walks over handing me the remote.

“Pick a movie, I need to have a shower” he says walking to the bathroom and flicking the lights on. He stops at the door, “you can join me if you want?” He says and my face heats up.

“So innocent” he whispers a smile on his lips.

“I am not,” I tell him and his eyes sparkle deviously.

“Join me then” he challenges. Opening the door wider.

“I um..”

“Chill Kat, you don’t have to” he says,

“No, just you will see me”

“Naked?” He offers with a chuckle.

“Will you turn around?”

“I promise I won’t peek,” he says, turning around and walking into the bathroom. I hear him turn the shower on and I walk into the bathroom. He strips his clothes off and I get a glimpse of his ass, my face flushing. D*mn these cheeks, why do they gotta give me away every time. I think to myself trying to cover my blush with my hands. I avert my gaze instead, looking around.

The bathroom was all black tiles on the floor and grey on the walls. A darker grey sink basin with silver finishings. The shower took up an entire wall and even had a piece that came out of the wall that you could sit on. It also had two shower heads.

“Are you coming in?” He asks his back still to me and I sigh, stripping my clothes off and dropping them in the basket. I open the shower screen hopping in.

I try to cover myself, half expecting him to turn around but he doesn't. Instead he grabs the shampoo out of the niche squirting it in his hands before washing his hair. I turn the other showerhead on, the spray coming down hard and I adjust the temperature till it is bearable.

The Alpha keeps his back to me, giving me a perfect view of the lines of his muscled back and his ass. He has a large burn down one side going just below his underarm to his hip. I reach my hand out and run my fingers over it.

He freezes, but doesn't stop me.

"Gross huh?" He says.

"No, but I bet it hurt," I told him.

"Fell on a campfire when I was a kid" he says before rinsing the soap from his hair.

"How old were you?" I ask him.

"I think 8 or 9" he shrugs. I drop my hand before grabbing the soap off the niche.

"You can turn around, technically you already saw me naked in the video" I told him. He turns but his eyes go to mine instead of looking down.

I stare back before I find my eyes trailing down his body. He was carved like marble and I had this overwhelming urge to touch him, to run my fingers over his abs and v-line when I suddenly got a glimpse of him. I gulp, the man was part horse or it's fake it has to be fake. I suddenly felt terrible for the woman in the brothels, any other D!ck would feel like throwing a sausage up a hallway once he was done with them. My face jerks away, my face flaming like all my blood rushed to my cheeks.

He laughs and my eyes snap to his and he raises an eyebrow.

“Pervert” he teases.

“Honey, I’m home” I hear Mateo sing out from the bedroom making me jump. My face pales, the bathroom door wide open. The Alpha jerks me to him looking over his shoulder.

He pressed me against the tiles shielding my nudity with his body.

“Mateo shut the bathroom door” he calls out.

“Oh la la what have we here, nice a\$\$s Alpha” I hear Mateo call out before hearing the door click shut.

“I got Chinese” he calls out from the other side of the now closed door. I let out the breath I was holding looking up at the Alpha whose eyes were pitch black.

“Maddox?” I whisper shocked that his wolf came forward. The Alpha shakes his head, his grip on my hips loosening.

“Sorry” he says and I become startingly aware of his body pressed closely to mine.

Ezra leans down pecking my lips softly, before going to pull away when I reach up, pulling him back and kissing him.

He chuckles, kissing me back, his tongue running across my bottom lip wanting access and I open my mouth slightly and I feel his tongue move between my lips as he deepens the kiss making me moan into his mouth, sparks rushing over my body everywhere his skin touches.

“Oi hurry up food is getting cold” Mateo calls out and I pull back laughing before looking around him.

“Come I should feed you” he says, stepping back and letting me go, his eyes never wandering and I suddenly realised he was a man of his word. He never once peeked, never once pushed me for anything else. My heart flutters at the realisation. Great I was crushing on my Alpha, I thought dryly. Ezra wraps a towel around himself before holding one out to me.

“My clothes are in my room” I tell him, wrapping the towel around myself.

“Wait here, you can wear mine” he says slipping out before returning with a pair of shorts on. He hands me a shirt and some boxer shorts before going back out and closing the door. I slip them on before wrapping my hair in the towel. Stepping out, I find Mateo sitting on the bed with three plastic plates.

“Got the good China, the disposable kind” he says handing me a plate of Chinese. It smelled awesome, my stomach growling embarrassingly loud.

He moves over and I hop in the middle next to him. The Alpha comes into the room with a can of coke and some beers. He chuck’s one to Mateo, before cracking himself one. I take the coke from him before grabbing the remote and settling against the pillows.

I go to the horror section on one of the apps he uses.

“No, go to comedy or the kids section” Mateo whines.

“Act your age geez, you’re a werewolf not a child” I tell him.

“Fine but I am sleeping in here” Mateo mutters while sipping his beer. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall
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We watched the Conjuring. Mateo had the blanket pressed under his nose the entire time so he covered his eyes on the so-called scary parts.

I have never met anyone so scared of a movie. He was worse than a little girl, jumping Every second and true to his word he fell asleep snuggled beside me. The Alpha passed out about twenty minutes into the movie saying it was boring. Mateo had his eyes glued to the TV too scared to look away and kept asking when the scary parts were over.

Grabbing our empty plates I put them in the bin downstairs before coming back up to find Mateo practically sitting on Alpha Ezra when I returned back to the room. His eyes glowing in the darkness nearly made me jump out of my skin.

"I shouldn't have drank so much beer" he told me as I climbed on the bed beside him.

"Why?" I ask snuggling under the duvet.

"I need to pee" he says as I flick off the TV that was playing the end credit.

"Go pee then" I tell him and I feel him shake his head beside me.

"Are you serious right now? You're a godD*mn werewolf what is scarier than you"

"The shadows" he whispers, tugging on my arm.

"Come on Kat, please I need to pee. I'm gonna P!ss my pants"

"The toilet is like three steps away from the bed. Mateo I am right here" I tell him before yawning.

“Can you look under the bed, what if something grabs my feet”

Oh god you’re annoying” I tell him sitting up and hanging my head over the edge of bed to peek under it.

“See nothing, just the woman from the movie under there, she won’t hurt you much I promise” I tell him.

“Not funny Kat, I told you to pick a kids movie”

“No it won’t be funny if you P!ss the bed, should have got you some adult diapers, you scaredy cat”

He growls at me, the Alpha stirring beside him groans.

“What’s going on, go to sleep”

“Ezra my buddy, my pal, my bestest friend come to the bathroom with me” Mateo begs him, reaching over and shaking his shoulder.

“No I am not holding your hand while you pee” he mumbles half asleep.

“Ezra,” he squeaks.

“Fine, just hurry up” I tell him, climbing off the bed. I walk to the ensuite and flick the light on. Mateo shoots off the bed and I go to walk back to bed.

“No wait you need to turn the light off once I’m back in bed” I groan loudly.

“You’re such a man baby” I whine standing next to the door while he takes forever to pee. Two minutes later I was still standing there.

“For real? hurry up what did drink an entire lake how is it possible to pee for so long?”

“I’m like a sponge absorbing everything,” he says, still peeing. When he is done he washes his hands and I flick the light off before he gets on the bed. He squeals like a girl and jumps on it landing on the Alpha who groans before he shoves him off.

“I can’t believe you’re supposed to be my beta you sook” Alpha Ezra says and I climb over him into the middle. I snuggled under the blankets and was just about to close my eyes when I heard Mateo’s voice in the darkness.

“Kat, will you cuddle me?”

“Argh fine come here then” I tell the man child.

“He wriggles over, nestling against me and I find myself sandwiched between them.

Alpha Ezra pressed against my back, his arm draped over my waist. I start to doze off and I was semi unconscious in that part of sleep where you’re not awake but also not quite asleep when I swore I heard him whisper. “My Luna” he mumbles so low I barely heard it.

My brain was not able to process his words as I drifted off into oblivion.

Waking up, I am laying on the Alpha’s chest, my foot over Mateo’s stomach and I sit up trying to figure out how I managed to turn in my sleep. Looking down I find the Alpha’s eyes watching me.

“Morning” he says, pressing his nose against mine. I looked away embarrassed that I was crushing him all night. I go to hop off him sliding my foot off poor Mateo when The Alpha pulls me completely on top of him.

“Where are you going, I was enjoying my cuddles” He murmurs and I look over at the clock. It was nearly lunch time. “When did you wake up?” I ask him yawning.

“Few hours ago”

“And you just let me crush you the entire time” He shrugs, rubbing his hands up my back.

“I didn’t want to wake you, besides I was enjoying watching you kick Mateo in your sleep” He chuckles.

Mateo rolls facing us, rubbing his eyes and yawning. “Good morning love birds” He says while yawning, his mouth opening wide as he stretches, the Alpha moves quickly jamming to fingers in Mateo mouth making him gag mid yawn as he choked.

“Tickle tickle” The Alpha laughed while Mateo glared at him.

“Tickle tickle, you nearly shoved my tonsils out my ass” He says rubbing his throat.

“Well I am starving. I am going to see what Marge made for breakfast” Mateo says before walking out of the room.

I go to hop up too when the Alpha suddenly rolls pinning me beneath him on the bed. He moves between my legs pressing himself against me.

“Now we have the room to ourselves” He whispers before kissing me, his lips demanding as they move

against mine before he sucks my bottom lip into his mouth before biting down on it. He pulls away resting on his elbows to keep his weight off me.

“What do you want to do today?” He asks before dipping his face and nibbling on my ear.

“I don’t know, don’t you need to work?” I ask.

“That’s why I have a Mateo, he can do my job just as well as me” He says, running his nose along my jaw.

“You mean the giant man child who needed me to hold his hand while he peed last night, that Mateo because your pack is doomed if they need to be saved by him” I tell him. He chuckles.

“Yes that Mateo, and despite his sookiness he is actually actually the best fighter we have, has even kicked my a\$\$ a few times” He says before pressing his face into my neck.

“Goddess I love your scent” He says inhaling deeply before sucking on my skin and pressing closer. I run my hand up his side and I feel him shiver his lips nip at my jaw while his hand travels under his shirt I am wearing. He pushes it up slightly exposing my stomach before stopping and pulling his hand back and stopping. I loved the feel of his warm hands roaming so was a little disappointed when he stopped. His lips move away from skin

“Sorry” He whispers, about to sit up when I wrap my legs around his waist pulling him back. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 24

He seemed shocked for a second before moving closer, gripping my thigh that was hooked around his waist and moving closer.

“Careful little one, my self control isn’t that good” he says next to my ear making me shiver, he grinds himself against me. I gasp when I feel his erection press against me.

He laughs before kissing the side of my mouth moving down to my jaw and he nips at my skin. I moan

softly before heat floods my face at my reaction to him, he either doesn't mind or notice as he doesn't stop nipping and sucking his way down my neck.

He runs his tongue over my neck before sucking on it, his teeth grazing my skin and my back arches, tingles rushing over my body straight to my clit and my legs tighten around his waist, a purr rumbles from his chest vibrating against my chest and I feel his hard length twitch against me through his shorts.

His lips devoured my skin and I didn't want him to stop, loving the feel of his lips on my body, the feelings running through me were warm and comforting and I inhaled his scent, he smelt nice like the forest after it rained when everything smells crisp the earth cleaned with a hint of wildberries, mouth watering good. The bed dips slightly as he presses his weight against me and I can feel every muscle lining his chest and stomach pressing against me. When suddenly I hear a strange crunching noise making my eyes open. Was that his back, does he have arthritis? I wondered.

"Whatcha doing?" Says a deep singsong voice. The Alpha freezes and I jump at the voice. A growl escapes Ezra and he pulls back and I see Mateo laying next to me, head propped on his hand staring at us intently while eating a bag of chips. Which explains the weird crunching noise.

My face heats that he walked in without us noticing, and was laying beside us.

"Mateo!" The Alpha growls annoyed but I feel a stupid grin split onto my face. He pops another chip in his mouth.

"Want some?" He says, offering the packet to us.

The Alpha pushes the bag away.

"What are you doing here?" Ezra asks, sitting up.

“You can continue, don’t mind me. Looked like we were about to get to the good stuff, carry on” he says, shoving another chip in his mouth and crunching loudly.

I chuckled at him, it was hard to be embarrassed and annoyed with Mateo.

“I thought you were going to see Marge?” The Alpha says climbing off the bed.

“Been there done that, well not that.... But I have already seen her” he says.

“You didn’t think to knock?” The Alpha asks, shaking my head.

“I did think about it.. but thought na surprise is better, bet your glad I am here to protect that virtue of yours Kat, the big bad Alpha looked like he was about to take it”

“My virtue?” I ask, shaking my head.

“Of course someone’s gotta look after it for you, you were about to give it away with all that moaning and dry humping you two were doing, even got me all flustered” he says fanning himself with his hand.

I reach over smacking him with a cushion. “We were not about”-

“Sure you weren’t, lucky I’m here to save you for your mate. Isn’t that right Alpha, she should wait for her mate and all” The Alpha growls at him and I find his annoyance quite amusing.

“Her virtue” the Alpha says with air quotes. “Was never in danger” he spits back at Mateo.

“Oi don’t be taking out your blue balls on me, I’m just looking out for my best friend. Us girls gotta stick together, right Kat?” He says nudging me.

“Really you girls? You had a sex change and didn’t tell me” The Alpha asks.

“Maybe, I will show Kat later, she can check it out for me, we can even compare” he says and the Alpha growls at him.

“So moody,” Mateo mutters, waving him off with his hand.

“Don’t you have work to do?” The Alpha asks.

“Probably but that’s one of the bonuses of sleeping with the boss, I can get out of it” Mateo says and I raise an eyebrow at his words.

“What? Technically I did sleep here didn’t I. Therefore I get friends with benefits rights” he says wiggling his eyebrows.

“Work Mateo,” Ezra tells him. They bicker like an old married couple, I thought to myself.

“Fine, come on Kat let’s go” Mateo says, grabbing my hand and pulling me off the bed. I stand up stretching.

“Mateo my..... Kat stays here, you can’t take her”

“But I saw her first therefore I call dibs”

“You get dibs?” I chuckle, shaking my head. He suddenly moves closer, yanking me to him and licks my arm.

“Gross!” I shriek. “You didn’t say that when the Alpha was licking and sucking on you” he retorts, my face turning red at his words.

“See Licked her she’s mine now”

“I’m not food, you don’t get to call dibs by licking me,” I state.

“Mateo!” The Alpha warns him and I see his flicker making my brows furrow in confusion, why was he getting so upset?

“Well this was fun, I’m going to leave. I will let you two sort out your bromance you got going on here” I tell them moving toward the door.

The Alpha sighs before running a hand through his hair. “I should go do some work, I suppose,” he mutters.

“Yeah gotta work off all that sexual tension, smells like a brothel in here” Mateo says sniffing the air. The Alpha smacks him in the chest and I laugh, shaking my head as I leave, heading to my room. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 25

Going back to my room, I got changed into my own clothes before heading downstairs. I really wanted to go home and grab a few things, like my sketchbook and a book I was reading. Chucking my shoes on I walk over to the dresser grabbing a hair tie from the draw and pulling my hair into a ponytail before realising I had a huge red mark in my neck. I stare at my reflection and the red and purple mark on my neck.

The Alpha left a hockey on me, in plain view where the entire world could see it. I pull my hair back down, brushing it over my shoulder trying to cover the dreadful mark. Great, now I need concealer for

Monday, I thought to myself.

The idea of going to school and facing everyone after what Angie did made me want to puke. Maybe the Alpha will let me have a day off or drop out. I don't need a diploma. I can work at a cafe or something Sh*tty like that but even I knew how lame that sounded. Nobody's dream job is to become a waitress.

Grabbing my phone, I walk back out of the room and start heading down the stairs. When I get to the bottom floor I see Mateo coming out of the basement underneath the stairs.

"What are you doing?" I ask before stopping when I see Angie walk out along with her two accomplices. Angie looks at me before dropping her gaze and baring her neck to me which I thought was a little strange, you only do that for those of higher rank or the Alpha.

It made me wonder what Mateo or the Alpha did that would make them like that.

"Hey Kat, just letting these ones out of the cells" he says. So they spent the last two days in the cells? That would explain why I never saw them the night of the pack run.

Angie walks over to me before stopping and Mateo has a triumphant grin on his face as he folds his huge arms across his broad chest.

"Look I'm sorry, Kat. Honestly I never should have done that. Please forgive me, I gave the Alpha my phone and he deleted everything, please don't banish me or my family" she says making me confused, banish her family, I don't have that sort of power even if I wanted to, and I don't want to, I just want to be left the hell alone.

"Well that's enough, go home and packhouse and pack runs are off limits till the Alpha says so" Mateo tells them. The girl and boy that were with her mutter quick apologies before rushing out the front door.

I just stood there a little dumbfounded, she apologized. Hmm. Turning around, I head for the door.

“Um, where do you think you’re going?” Mateo asks.

“Ah home to get something” I tell him reaching for the door knob.

“No can do princess, I am under strict orders to keep you guarded so therefore no going anywhere till your... Alpha says so”

“What? Where is he, he can’t keep me locked up in the pack house. I am going home to grab something geez, he isn’t my dad and isn’t my mate, so he can’t tell me what to do” I tell him annoyed, why can’t I leave? I didn’t understand, my mum is safe, he should know that now.

“Sorry princess, he is the Alpha and I have to follow orders” Mateo says.

“Then tell me where he is, I will ask him myself”

“He is in his office on the phone to the border patrol,” he says. I huffed, annoyed and stormed off in the direction of his office. I push the door open and see he is on the phone, he holds a finger up telling me to wait before hanging up the phone.

“What’s wrong?” He says, motioning for me to come to him. I shake my head and Mateo walks into the office closing the door behind me.

“Why can’t I leave?” I ask and Ezra wipes both hands down his face.

“Argh really of all the times you could have left you choose right now?” He says hopping up and walking around his desk and leaning on it in front of me.

“Why is now a bad time, I just want to go home, and grab something”

“Jackson knows you’re here, your mother was spotted near the border the other day. I don’t care where you go Kat, but I would prefer you stay with me for a bit. They haven’t crossed the border but his men have been hounding my warriors for entry”

“I don’t understand all this because my mother hit the Alpha’s daughter?” I ask and he shrugs.

“Jackson never really made sense, but I think it is more to do with me having your family in my pack. He probably wouldn’t have cared if you went to another” The Alpha answers.

“Wait, why would that matter?”

“Because Alpha Jackson was close with my father. Jackson Hates me because I killed my father and threatened his oldest son if he retaliated”

“But change of power happens all the time, so would he hold a vendetta against you over something that happened years ago?”

“Yes he would because my father was Jackson’s cousin, this pack was originally my mother’s until my father discovered she was his mate and he took over her pack” he tells me and I was shocked, I didn’t know they were related, they look nothing alike, not even the slightest resemblance and even their way of living and running their packs was vastly different, but what shocked me more was that his pack was run by a woman, before his father took it.

“If you want to go that badly, I will take you,” he says.

“Wait, does that mean I can get out of school?” I ask suddenly excited about not having to go.

“Nice try, and no Mateo and I will go with you”

“Wait why do I have to go, she has the most boring electives?” Mateo whines and the Alpha shoots him a look.

“Wait, you’re not actually coming to my classes right?” I ask Mateo.

Neither of them said anything but it did make me wonder how bad this threat from Jackson was for them to be taking such precautions.

“I am not going to school with either of you. I get in enough trouble as it is without either of you with me, Angie will claw my eyes out and you as if I would get any work done with your running commentary” I tell him looking at Mateo.

“Angie won’t be a problem, she knows her place now” Ezra tells me.

“Yeah she does behind me so she can stab me in the back, that girl is just waiting for an opportunity to strike again” I tell him, folding my arms across my chest.

“Then I will sit through your classes” the Alpha offers.

“What no, I don’t want everyone thinking I am hiding behind the Alpha, no definitely not”

“You do realise you’re arguing with your Alpha right? and not being punished for talking against him” Mateo says making me stop, Sh*t he was right. I could be in the cells for this behaviour, I am supposed to do what he says no questions asked.

“Sorry!” I tell him, turning to walk out.

“Kat stop, ignore Mateo he is just playing, besides I like that you talk back to me, you’re probably the only one game enough too” he says with a smile on his lips.

“I didn’t mean to, I was just trying to explain, you coming to school with me will make my life harder” I tell him and he seems to think.

“Fine but Mateo goes and I will stay here I guess, but at lunch time you go to my office and stay with Mateo” he offers. Fine was better than nothing, at least people won’t stare if one of them isn’t sitting next to me in class.

“Deal?” He asks, raising an eyebrow at me.

“Fine,” I tell him.

Mateo goes to leave before stopping at the door, he looks back at me. “Oh what do you want to do for your birthday on Monday?” D*mn that’s right I am 18 on Monday.

“What I do every year ,sit at home and watch movies stuffing my face” I tell him.

“You don’t want to do anything, anything at all?”

“Yeah I’m more of a homebody, I prefer quiet”

“Movie night it is then” Mateo says. The Alpha clears his throat making us both look at him.

“Actually, maybe I could take you somewhere” the Alpha suddenly asks, making me turn around to face him.

“You want to take me somewhere?” I ask, a little lost as to why he is breaking so many of his own rules about being involved with pack member’s and it was making me uncomfortable because that means he is drawing attention to me.

“Just us and not far, then when we come back we can have a movie night?” Ezra says, looking at Mateo.

“Sounds good to me, go on Kat. You can’t just sit at home on your birthday”

“Well technically I’m not because he is sending me to school” I tell him.

“She does have a point,” Mateo says to Ezra who looks a little off, almost upset like I just rejected him.

“But I will go wherever it is you want to go” I tell him and he smiles before Mateo makes Sh*t awkward.

“Naw group hug, look at us all working together,” he says crushing me into the table before reaching behind me and grabbing the Alpha’s shirt and ripping him toward us.

“I am beginning to think you just like touching the Alpha” I tell him as I get crushed against Mateo’s sweaty armpit. Eww!

“I do, he is one fine specimen and has quite a nice ass,” Mateo says.

“You’re gay? But I thought you went to brothels together?”

“I’m not gay, I’m bisexual, therefore I admire both genders” Mateo says.

“That explains so much, wait are you bisexual too?” I ask, turning to the Alpha.

“Nope, I’m straight” the Alpha answers. I wonder how I missed that, but despite him being bisexual Mateo and him seem extremely close. Hmm Interesting. When Mateo suddenly suffocated me in his armpit, I tried to shove him off without inhaling his scent.

“Get my scent all over you” he says, rubbing himself on me and the Alpha.

The Alpha shoves him away, shaking his head.

“Geez I really question my judgement when it comes to you sometimes” he says.

“Yeah right. You know I could kick your a\$\$ and everyone else’s if need be, you need me” Mateo teases.

“Is that so?”

“ yep besides no one else would put up with your grumpy ass”

Mateo tells him.

“I don’t think he is grumpy” I tell Mateo, in fact I was yet to see him ever get angry at me.

“Yeah because he wants to get in your pants, everyone else he is a jerk to, except me of course because I am awesome” Mateo says.

“So are you going home, or staying now?” The Alpha asks.

“What did you want from them anyway?” Mateo asks.

“My book and sketchbook, it can wait. I will get mum to bring it to school on Monday” I tell them. Mateo nods before reaching over and grabbing my hand

“Good then you’re coming with me” He says tugging me out the door.

“Where are we going?”

“To get lunch”

“Argh please tell me it’s not pizza?”

“Yep pizza,”

“Goddess knows how you’re not the size of a house” I tell him as he jerks me out the front door toward his truck. He unlocks it and I stare at the passenger trying to figure out how I was actually going to climb in it. I open the door when suddenly I feel hands on my waist before I am placed on the seat.

Mateo then shuts the door and puts my seatbelt on. “Wait then can you run me home real quick?”

“It’s twenty minutes in the opposite direction I would hardly call that quick,” He whines starting up his truck. I press my lips in a line.

“Yes Kat, I will take you. But you don’t get to whinge about eating pizza” He says, turning the car around and driving down the long driveway.

Authro Note

Sorry guys for late update, since I can't post for Alpha kings mate on the weekend will be working on this book, more chapters coming as I write them today.

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Mateo took me home, I was hoping my parents were home but when we pulled up, their car was gone. Stepping out of the car I mindlink them.

"Where are you guys?"

"Grocery shopping, what's up pumpkin?" My dad asks.

"I'm at home, came to pick up some things but you weren't here"

"You must have just missed us, the bathroom window is open, you should have told us, we would have waited" my father tells me.

"All good, I will break in then" I tell him.

"Okay pumpkin"

"Dad, you really gotta stop calling me pumpkin"

"But that's your name"

"It's not my name, dad. My name is Katya" I tell him.

"But to me, you will always be my pumpkin" he retorts. Internally groan, no use arguing. I am pretty sure if he could he would change my name to it. All this over an incident with a pumpkin when I was a baby.

Zoning back into my surroundings, I looked at the house.

"So what are we doing?" Mateo asks.

"I am breaking in" I tell him before walking around the side of the house to the bathroom window. It was slightly open. Mateo watched as I slid it open all the way, the window was pretty narrow.

"There is no way you will fit," he says, assessing the gap.

"I have fit through smaller" I tell him. Grabbing a chair from the back patio, I carry it to the window before climbing on it. Putting my head and arms through, I turned on my side before pulling myself through sideways. Looking down I was directly above the toilet which was open. I close the lid with my hand so I don't go headfirst into it.

Now for the hard part dropping head first to the ground. Shimming my way in, my legs sticking outside when I suddenly feel something slicing into my thigh but gravity was already against me and me cringing from the pain sent me hurtling into the toilet seat painfully as something sliced down my leg. I crash into the toilet before hearing Mateo laughing outside. while I hiss in pain falling in the gap beside it.

His laughing stops, "Kat why can I smell blood?" He suddenly asks. I rolled trying to get up where I was stuck between the wall and the toilet. Pulling myself out of the gap before standing. Looking down, my tights were drenched in blood down the outside of my left leg.

“Kat?” I hear Mateo’s panicked voice outside.

“I’m fine” I tell him.

“Open the front door” he says with all humour aside now of me falling to the ground. I look down at my leg before looking at the window trying to figure out how I did it before seeing the nail sticking out of the window frame. I groan, F*ck me!

Hearing banging on the door I force myself up, my leg burning with each step as I quickly unlock the front door before Mateo beats it down. Opening it Mateo looks down, a panicked noise leaving his lips when he sees my grey tights soaked in blood.

“F*ck Kat,” he says scooping me up.

“I’m fine it’s just a scratch” I tell him at his overreacting. Mateo walks into the kitchen, placing me on the dining table.

“Mateo calm down, I’m fine” I tell him but he wouldn’t listen.

“The Alpha is going to kill me if something happens to you, show me” he says, tugging on my pants waistband.

“Seriously it’s just a scratch, I will go change my pants and then we can go” I tell him jumping down off the table. A weird noise leaves his lips, his eyes on the table before dropping to my leg.

There was a little puddle of blood on the table when suddenly I felt my pants ripped down. I shriek.

“Mateo!” I told him but he was already knelt down examining my leg.

“That is not a scratch Kat, you need stitches, why aren’t you healing?”

“No wolf remember, also can you pull my pants up?” I ask my face heating up.

“Hush, I have seen plenty of girls naked before, and you’re not even naked you have panties on” he says, prodding the jagged line going from my hip to just above my knee.

“Will you stop that stings” I tell him.

“Where is your first aid kit?”

“Above the stove” I tell him and he walks off to go get it. He returns with it before opening it and grabbing some gauze and alcohol wipes. I nearly slapped him when he dabbed it with them.

“Stay still, F*ck Kat we need to go, it won’t stop bleeding” Mateo says after my legs saturated through the gauze for the third time.

He grabs a bandage wrapping it around my leg while I lean on the table.

He quickly cleans up the mess because I refused to let my parents come home to it and freak out thinking I have been murdered and my body dragged off into the woods.

When he is done Mateo comes over and scoops me up, making me roll my eyes. “I can walk you know” I tell him.

“I know you can but this is faster,” he says before pecking my cheek and the side of my lips and he suddenly grows tense.

“Sorry I shouldn’t have done that” he says opening his car door, he puts me on the seat before gripping my face, he goes to say something then shakes his head.

“Let’s go home” he says, letting me go and walking around to the driver’s side. Mateo was tense on the drive back to the pack house.

“Hey are you okay?” I ask him.

“I shouldn’t have kissed you,” he answers, his grip tightening on the steering wheel.

“I would hardly call that a kiss besides the other day you licked me” I deadpan.

“That was different, we were mucking around,” he says, running a hand through his hair before side-eyeing me.

“I don’t see what the big deal is?”

“Alpha will be angry,” he says.

“That you pecked my cheek?” I ask, raising an eyebrow at his words, like seriously.

“Why would he be upset? It’s not like you have to tell him” I hissed as we hit bump and Mateo mutters something too low for me to hear. I shift uncomfortably on the seat, my pants sticking to it.

“argh I’m bleeding on your seat” I tell him. My blood staining his chair.

“It’s fine Kat,” he says, squeezing my fingers before watching the road again. We pull up out front and Mateo hops out of the car, opening my door and grabbing me out.

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I see his eyes glaze over as he carries me toward the front door before it opens and Ezra walks out.

“What the F*ck happened?” He asks.

“I scratched it” I told him and Mateo hands me to him.

Mateo walks ahead opening doors before I am placed on Ezra’s desk.

“How?”

“On a nail climbing in the window of the house”

“You broke into your parents house?”

“No they told me I could so technically I didn’t break in” he raises an eyebrow at me before pulling my pants down. Mateo walks in with the doc who assesses it.

“She needs stitches unless you want to heal her?” The doc says looking at the Alpha. I watch both their eyes glaze over.

Doc walks out closing the door and I see Ezra take off his shirt before I realise what he is about to do.

“Hell no that is not happening, so gross and only mates are supposed to do that” I shriek, scrambling off the table.

“Grab her” he says to Mateo and I jump away from him.

“No, Alpha you can’t do that, well you’re not supposed to anyway” I tell him.

“what did I say about calling me Alpha Kat, either I do it or you heal like a human which will take ages, nobody has to know, you can stay home for a few days”

“No but I will and your not supposed to heal those who aren’t your mate or child” I tell him, Its sacred well supposed to be, in wolf form the mate or parents saliva has healing properties and can heal their loved one if injured badly, but it is only meant to be between mates and children because it requires them to obviously lick you and their saliva to go into your system. So Maddox licking me will give me pieces of his DNA.

“Kat it’s not a big deal” he says, stripping off his pants leaving him on only his boxes. I look away.

“Yes it is, your not supposed to”

“Maddox was licking you the other day,” he says.

“That was different and you know it, I wasn’t injured, your wolf’s saliva has to change and will be temporarily marking me, everyone will smell you on me, they will know what you did”

“So what, let me know” Ezra shrugs walking over to me. He grips my face and kisses me, his lips pressing against mine softly before I feel the Alpha tense slightly. I feel Mateo’s grip tighten on my arms.

“I kissed her” Mateo blurted out like a maniac.

The Alpha pulls back, his eyes turning onyx, his wolf appearing for a second which i thought odd.

“Really? you pecked me, why are you so worried over it Mateo, why would he even care?” I ask him, shaking my head. I couldn’t believe that he thought now was a great time to blurt out something that seems so trivial.

“We will talk about that later,” Ezra growls, looking at Mateo behind me.

Ezra suddenly shifts so quickly even Mateo jumps. Maddox growls at Mateo for some reason, even snapped at him. I smack his nose grabbing his attention.

“What’s wrong with you, he is your best friend” I tell him and he whines at me sniffing my neck, his wolf was huge and in the light he was just as magnificent, his dark fur shimmering under the lights and he looks down sniffing my leg before licking my fingers.

“He is just angry Mateo kissed you” Ezra tells me.

“Why are you both making a big deal out of it?” He doesn’t answer when I suddenly feel Maddox’s tongue run up my leg. He licks the long jagged scratch on the outside of my leg, and I could feel it healing. Feel it closing as my skin tingles and sparks rush over my skin suddenly making me gasp. Mateo’s grip tightens on me holding me upright as my eyes flutter shut.

Now I understood why mates should only do it, my mothers wolf licked me once when I was child and broke my arm, the bone jutting out of my arm, it healed and my skin felt warm. But Ezra doing it and me not being his kid had a completely different feeling and I now understood why it was sacred.

Sparks moving everywhere make my legs tremble, arousal flooding me and a small moan escapes my lips and I am forced to lean against Mateo. My face heats up from my reaction to him when he suddenly stops. Maddox presses his nose to my leg and I look down breathless, my wound completely healed.

My face heats up embarrassed at the noise I made and I realise Mateo heard it too as he still held me.

“Don’t be embarrassed, we know why it is sacred between adults” Mateo says as the Alpha shifts back putting his pants on but not his shirt.

“You could have warned me first” I tell them mortified.

“You would have said no, besides it is all over now.” Ezra tells me.

He kisses my head and Mateo lets me go before stepping away from me. “Kat go shower and get changed, I need to speak to Mateo” he says before bending down and retrieving my pants off the floor. He hands them to me and I slip them on. Mateo was suddenly tense but said nothing.

“Is this because of him kissing me, it was innocent Ezra, I don’t get why it matters?”

“I will come see you in a minute Kat” Ezra says dismissing me. I sigh, giving Mateo a worried look. Why was the Alpha so mad over it?

“Go Kat,” Mateo says and I couldn’t help but feel worried about him. The Alpha’s entire demeanor changed once Mateo blurted it out, I reluctantly left, yet I couldn’t help but be curious as to why the Alpha was so upset over something so small.

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Ezra POV

I watched as Kat left, waiting to hear her walk up the stairs so she wasn’t within earshot before turning to face my Beta, my best friend for my entire life. I was fuming, F*cking absolutely livid that he kissed her, I felt betrayed. I knew as soon as I kissed her, I could smell his scent in the side of her mouth, and smell him on her skin.

“Let me explain, Ezra” Mateo says as I turn to face him, he steps back and I could feel Maddox pressing

against my skin.

“Why?” Is all I ask, unable to make words as I thought of attacking him.

“I didn’t mean to, she hurt herself and I was carrying her. I don’t know why I did it, please try and understand I know I F*cked up it was accident”

“You accidentally kissed her?” I ask, feeling my hands trembling, I ball them into fists at my side trying to fight the urge to punch him.

“It’s not like that, I know she is yours. It just happened, she didn’t seem to think anything of it, I swear Ezra I didn’t mean to kiss her” he says.

“Do I need to be worried about this, do I need to be worried about you being around her?” I ask him. I felt hurt, he was my best friend. He knows how long I have waited to find her and then he does this.

“No, it won’t happen again. It was just a slip up, you know me Ezra. I would never do anything to deliberately hurt you” I feel some of the tension leave at his words. I knew he wouldn’t deliberately betray me, he was like a brother to me. We have been inseparable since we were babies.

“Do you have feelings for her?” I ask him and he seems to tense slightly.

“I know she is yours, I know she is your mate”

“That’s not what I asked” I tell him and he looks away.

“You do, don’t you. You like her?”

“Of course, I liked her she is my Luna and your mate”

“You know what I mean, Mateo”

He runs his hand through his hair before dragging it down his face.

“Yes I like her, she is different from the others, she isn’t power hungry and doesn’t care for titles. What isn’t there to like? But I won’t act on it. I know she is yours”

“Your right she is mine, so don’t put me in a situation where I have to choose Mateo”

“I will keep my distance” he says but I also knew he was Kat’s only friend beside Jasmine. Kat was comfortable around him and I didn’t want her to become between our friendship either. I had found myself in a crappy situation.

“What did she do when you kissed her?” I ask now worried she may have feelings for him too.

“Nothing, she didn’t react at all, I even told her I shouldn’t have done it, she just seemed confused, she didn’t understand why I was worried about it”

“So she didn’t do anything?”

“No, Ezra she thinks of me as a friend and that’s it”

“And you? What do you think of her?” I ask him.

“I think I F*cked up, okay that’s why I told you. It won’t happen again, I know I have a mate out there somewhere, anything I feel for her will go once I find him or her” I nod trying to think of what the right thing to do is. I couldn’t force him out of her life, nor did I want to but another side was telling me to keep her away from him.

“Don’t let it happen again, we have enough going on with Jackson’s pack, I don’t need to be worrying about you chasing after my mate when you’re the only one other than myself I trust to protect her” I tell him. Mateo steps forward gripping my arms.

“I’m sorry, I won’t let it happen again” he says and I nod. I feel my jaw clench and swallow back the urge to yell at him, to hurt him for what he did.

“You can go” I tell him and he nods letting me go. I watch as he leaves and I hear him leave the pack house.

Walking upstairs, I follow my mate’s scent to her room before knocking on the door, she opens it and before going back to the walk in.

“What have you lost?” I ask her.

“My dressing gown” she answers.

“I hung it up behind the door in the bathroom”

She nods, grabbing her pajamas before walking down toward the bathroom.

“My bathroom Kat” I tell her and she looks at me.

“Your bathroom?”

“Yes Marge washed it for you and I put it in there, I thought you would come stay in my room from now on”

“You want me to stay with you?” She asks, confused. I could see the wheels turning in her head, trying to piece together my actions. I know she feels the bond but without a wolf confirming I am her mate, she is unsure what to make of the strange pull she has toward me.

“You don’t have to” I tell her as she chews her fingernail.

“You think that’s a good idea?” She asks nervously, stepping toward me. I don’t care if she doesn’t get her wolf on Monday, either way I was telling her. It was beginning to kill me, her not knowing.

I tug her closer before gripping her chin and tipping her face up to me.

“I would like you too, but you don’t have to” I tell her, her being comfortable is all I care about, I don’t like the idea of her feeling pressured to just because I am the Alpha, she gets enough pressure off her mother and everyone else she doesn’t need it from me.

“You can say no, I won’t be offended” I tell her.

“You won’t be mad if I say no?” She asks.

“No, it’s your choice” I tell her. She thinks for a second before standing on her tippy toes and kissing me. I liked that she was becoming more daring, more comfortable around me though if she calls me Alpha once more I may just lose it. I am not her Alpha and I never want her questioning whether or not she will anger me or need my permission to be who she is.

Though I do hope whatever she does want or wants to do she would tell me because she wants to not because she feels obligated to because of my title.

I let her kiss me, let her have control as her tongue hesitantly played with mine, I could see she was unsure though so a few seconds I kissed her back harder letting her know she can do what she wants with me. She presses closer, her hands going to my chest as she runs her small fingers through my chest hair, her hands moving to my shoulders before I pick her up. She wraps her legs around my waist pressing closer to me.

“Is that a yes?” I ask her, squeezing her ass. Her face heats up, her cheeks becoming stained with her blush.

“I will as long as you want me to” I pull away from her looking at her.

“Not if you don’t want to Kat, I will back off if you tell me too” I tell her.

“No I want to, I just meant as long as I am not annoying you” she says and I press my head against her.

“You could never annoy me, little one. I just want to make sure your comfortable”

” And I am, I always feel funny around you” She admits more to herself than me.

“Funny?” I ask, amused by her choice of wording.

“Yeah all tingly” she says, making me smile. My mate was in for a surprise once she turns 18 then because that feeling is going to get a whole lot worse.

“You make me tingle too” I chuckle at her and she slaps my arm.

“Shower?” I ask her and she nods, and I turn toward our room, glad that she wants to stay with me. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 29

Katya POV

The weekend passed by in a blur, I was a little upset though something was wrong with Mateo, since he took me to my house I had hardly seen him and he didn't even have dinner with us, making me wonder if he and Ezra had a fight.

Waking up, I awoke to my parents singing happy birthday through the mindlink, I groaned sitting up, looking around to find the other side of the bed empty. I looked to the bathroom before sniffing the air looking for his scent but it was faint.

“Happy birthday Pumpkin” My dad says and I roll my eyes throwing my legs over the edge of the bed.

“Thanks dad” I tell him.

“I will see you in a few hours Kat at school” My mum says before cutting the l**k.

“When can I see you?” I ask my father.

“I am on night shift tonight but will come over tomorrow when you get off school, feeling any different. What do you think of Alpha Ezra?” He asks.

“The Alpha? Yeah he is good” I tell him a little shocked he would ask about him.

"Feeling wolfy?" My dad asks.

"Nope, it feels like any other day dad" I tell him hopping in the shower.

"She'll come, typical woman always late" He says and I roll my eyes.

"Or not at all, you say this every year, when are you going to realise it may just not happen" I tell him.

"It will Kat, you just need to hold out a little longer, what are you doing today besides school?"

"Not sure, depends on what the Alpha has planned, he wants to take me somewhere" I tell him.

"You didn't ask him, didn't you wake up next to him?"

"Dad!" I say, a little shocked, my face flaming at his words, I hadn't exactly told him we were sleeping in the same room.

"What nothing to be embarrassed about, your at that age now where you are probably curious about the opposite sex, like when I was the Alpha's age"

"Ew dad enough and I know you are not trying to give me a sex talk right now, like no dad, gross"

"Nothing wrong with sex your mother and I still go at"

"Nope not doing this, bye dad" I tell him. I heard him laugh before I cut the l**k. I shake my head at the

embarrassingly awkward conversation.

I quickly shower before hearing a knock on the door. "Just a sec"

"Gotta go soon Kat, you will be late" I hear Mateo sing out from the other side of the door.

"Yep, I am getting out now" I tell him, cutting the water off. I grab a towel wrapping it around me before opening the door.

"There's the birthday girl, oh and in her birthday suit" He says and I smack his arm walking past him.

"Where is the Alpha?" I ask him.

"Ah busy he was called away but don't worry you have me to annoy you" He says.

"Get dressed, I will meet you downstairs" He says before grabbing me and crushing me against his chest.

"Happy birthday Kat" He says before letting me go.

"Thanks I will be down in a minute" I tell him walking into the walk in and grabbing my bag that had my clothes in it. I grab some jeans and a singlet. Walking back out Mateo is gone and I quickly slip on my bra and panties before getting dressed and pulling my hair up into a ponytail. Grabbing my shoes I walk out the door and walk down the stairs.

"Gosh you are so slow woman, hurry up. You do realise you're already going to be late" Mateo whines.

I slip my shoes on before hopping up and finding Mateo with my school bag over his shoulder. "Come hurry up" He says, grabbing my hand and tugging me out the door. I walk to his truck and he opens the

door before tossing me in just as I was about to climb up.

I fall forward, falling into the driver's seat footwell. "Falling for me Kat?" He says opening his door as I try to climb out of his footwell.

"Jerk" I tell him. Sitting in my seat and clipping my belt up.

"So still no wolf?" He asks putting the truck in reverse before turning around.

"Nope, wish everyone would stop asking" I tell him checking my timetable.

"I didn't mean to upset you" He says.

"You didn't I already got the lecture though off my dad along with an embarrassing one"

"What was the embarrassing one?" He chuckles. I shake my head. I was not telling him that.

"Aw pumpkin, too embarrassed to tell me" He says and I slap his chest.

"Don't call me that, it's bad enough he does" I tell him.

"Yeah usually nicknames wear off but that one seems to have stuck with him" Mateo says making my face redden.

"Yep he is never going to let me live it down" I tell him. And Mateo glances at me.

"Live what down?"

“The whole pumpkin thing and no I am not telling you”

“You can’t say something like that, then not tell me,” Mateo says.

“Well I did and I am not telling”

“Fine, tell me the embarrassing lecture he tried to give you?” He says.

I shake my head looking out the window as we hit the town edge.

“He tried to give you a sex talk didn’t he?” Mateo says and my face heats up impossibly more, seriously needed to learn to control that.

“Ha he did, what did you say?”

“Nothing to say, besides that is not a conversation I want to have with my father, then he was about tell me his and mum sex stories” I shiver. “So gross,” I tell him.

“Nothing wrong with sex, I like sex” Mateo says. Which reminded me of what I saw under his bed.

“I could tell by the dirty magazines under your bed” I tell him and this time he blushes.

“Oh, was that a secret?” I ask him, laughing at him.

“No it wasn’t a secret, but what were you doing looking in them?” He asks.

"I wasn't I just found them,":

"Sure you did, pervert" He says and I elbow him. He grunts from the impact.

"You need to stop hanging around the Alpha, you are turning violent" He says, pulling into the staff car park.

I see Jasmine waving from the steps when we pull up and she comes rushing over. I open my door hopping out only to be crushed by her in a hug. "Oh my gosh Kat I heard about what happened I am so sorry that b*tch did that"

"Well I actually forgot but thanks for reminding me" I chuckle. Hugging her back.

"I will see you later Kat" Mateo says before walking off.

"So where were you on the Pack run, I looked everywhere for you?"

"I was with the Alpha actually" I told her and she seemed confused. I decided to tell her about me not having a wolf, she seemed a little shocked but said she would keep it to herself and I trusted her too. Fated To The Alpha by Jessica Hall Chapter 30

Angie for the most part was actually nice to me and she even stood up for me against some knob that deliberately tripped me in English class, which I was shocked about. Though the whispers didn't stop. I tried my best to ignore them, tried to not pay attention to them openly staring at me over the shower incident. By the time it was lunch time I had enough and wanted to go home. Walking to the office, I go looking for Mateo to beg him to let me leave. I couldn't find him but one of the teachers told me he was in the gym setting up for training.

"Just ignore them Kat, you have a smokin 'body, wish I had boobs like you" Jasmine says as she helps me find Mateo. Stepping into the corridor heading for the gym, I freeze everyone turning as we enter and my stomach drops. I could hear them all whispering, some even pointed all laughing at me and I felt like

the laughing stock of the school. I even had a couple of the boys grab my a\$\$s and people whistling. The gym doors open, and everyone quiets down as Mateo steps out.

“What the F*ck is going on, what’s with the commotion” He snaps at everyone. They all bare their necks in submission to him.

“Now shut up all of you, and get dressed” He says, opening the gym doors and letting everyone in.

Jasmine and I walk in last and Mateo steps in front of me. Jasmine continues to the girls bathroom.

“Hey you okay?” He asks.

“Yeah, fine, can you take me home?” I ask him. He looks back into the gym.

“Are they giving you a hard time?” he asks.

“Just don’t worry about it” I tell him, about to walk off when he grabs my arm.

“If they are, tell me Kat I will make it stop”

“It’s fine Mateo, let’s just get this over with” I tell him walking in to get dressed.

“Training was horrendous. I couldn’t focus and I was knocked down more times than I could

count, Jasmine apologising relentlessly as I just shook it off.

“You’re supposed to get me down, stop apologising” I tell her standing back up just as the whistle blows.

“Finally home time” I say following Jasmine to the girls locker room. As soon as I walked in, all the girls started mocking me and pretending to be me in the shower.

“You know what, Fck this Sht” Jasmine says, dumping her bag on the floor. I looked at her along with everyone else, it was so strange seeing her getting angry and clearly they thought the same thing.

She starts taking her clothes off, tossing them on the ground. “Come on b*tches get ya phones out, you are nothing but gutless jealous whores,” She screams at them giving them a glare.

“Like what you see” She screams at them while they all just stood there mouth open while she strutted around the girls locker room with everything on display.

“What are you doing?” I ask, trying to cover her.

“Giving them something to talk about, get ya clothes off kit kat, we are streaking” She says.

“You can’t be serious?” I ask her.

“They pick on you because they know it is embarrassing you, you have nothing to be ashamed about, you look better than these fugly b*tches” she says.

“I’m down!” Says Angie, walking over to us. She starts taking off her clothes stripping bare.

Jasmine laughs before looking at me. “See” Jasmine nods to Angie.

“Are you really going to do this?” I ask them.

“Yeah I started it, this is me apologising” Angie says. Jasmine shrugs. “Sh*t I am even doing a cartwheel,” She says. I laugh at her. “You know what, let’s do this,” I tell them, stripping my clothes off.

“D*mn girl you have nice tits” Say Jasmine.

“See these Tammy, something you will never have because you are so flat you make the walls jealous” Jasmine tells the punk b*tch that had been picking on me in every class.

Jasmine walks to the door before swinging it open, and walking out.

“I can’t believe we are doing this” I squeal nervously. As soon as she walks out I hear the boys catcalling and whistling at her. Angie walks over to the door taking a deep breath before looking back at me. “Coming Kat?” She says, I snort holding in my laugh before walking over and peering out.

“One... two .. three” Angie says and we both rush out, “Woohoo” Jasmine says shaking her a\$\$s and we chase after her. She runs down the corridor before running outside and true to her word she did cartwheel on the oval as we lapped it.

All three of us burst out laughing as we made our way back to the gym to retrieve our clothes when suddenly a ticked off Mateo spots us and I suddenly cover myself and so do the girls. He has three towels in his hands. He tosses them at us and the girls run off and I quickly wrap mine around me.

“Are you nuts, the F*cking Alpha is going to kill me now” He says, looking everywhere but at me.

“So it was fun” I tell him and he looks at me.

“Fun, you just ran naked across the entire oval in front of everyone,” Mateo says, pushing me toward the gym.

“F*ck Kat, you better hope nobody filmed that, if the Alpha finds out”

“Too late to worry about that because he is right there” I tell him.

“What?” Mateo says, spinning around. I duck behind Mateo, he looked very angry. My mother was hot on his heels coming toward us.

“I’m out” I tell Mateo, doing a runner, he tries to grab me but I slip from his fingers.

“You have to come home with me Kat, you can’t run forever” I hear the Alpha call after me.

I laugh running back to the locker room and getting dressed. Jasmine and Angie talking excitedly.

“Mateo looked like he was about to kill us,” Angie says, putting her jeans on when the door suddenly opens and my mother comes in. I groan great, here comes the lecture.

“10/10 for that cartwheel Jasmine, but I just need to say one thing” We all pause, waiting for the scolding.

“That was the most hilarious thing I have ever seen, you girls have the whitest asses I have ever seen” She says and we all start laughing.

“No I am being serious you girls gotta get some sun on them bums” She says with a chuckle.

“Happy birthday Kat,” She says, coming over and hugging me.

“Oh your dad and I got you something” She says pulling a box out of her pocket.

“Close your eyes” She says and I do. I hear her fiddling with the box before feeling her place a necklace around my neck. She clasped it into place.

“You can open your eyes” She says and I do. I look down at the gold chain and she hands me the box when I notice the pendant. “A pumpkin,seriously dad” I say out loud.

“Has matching earrings” She says and I look in the box. Two hanging pumpkins on each earring. I chuckle, shaking my head but slip them on anyway. “Thanks mum” I told her, giving her a side hug. She kisses my head.

“Well you better go face the Alpha he is waiting for you outside and he didn’t appreciate your nudie run in front of the entire school” My mother says.

“Can I come home with you, you can smuggle me out?” I ask, hopeful.

“Nice try, gotta face him sometime” She says and I sigh heading for the door.

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