

Chapter 0079

Oliver moves me behind him so fast it took me a second to blink and register it happened, Sam moved Sierra next to me and stood shoulder to shoulder with Oliver. The wall of male testosterone should piss me off and to some extent it does. But with Kaley, I will let them handle her as long as possible. I know one day she will come for me and I won't let her hurt me anymore, I won't have to. For now, they can have her.

"Well, it's about time you kids got here!" Luna Ava's voice rings over to us, I peek around Oliver's arm to take in the scene. Kaley's psycho face switches back to the sweet mask she wears to get adults to give her her own way.

"Luna! It's so great to see you! The guys were just telling me about dinner tonight, I hope you don't mind an addition to the table." Cue folded hands and the little girl twist. I have to admit, she put a good spin on the situation and a weaker person would have given in to her.

"Oh, I'm so sorry. I wish you would have called me boys, but I only made enough for the usual group. Maybe another time...umm"

“Kaley.” She gives the Luna her name, but her smile falters a bit.

“Right, Kaley. Maybe another time. Skylar, Sierra come on, you can use my bathroom while the boys use the guest rooms, I want to hear all about training today. Lucas said it was amazing. Have a good evening Kaley.” Luna Ava waves her off and moves into the doorway, clearly the conversation was over and we were all happy to comply with the Luna’s wishes.

Oliver turned around keeping me directly in front of him and pushed me toward the front door where Luna Ava stood waiting. Sam and Sierra right behind. Mateo and the twins bringing up the rear. I could see in the reflection of the windows that none of them spared a backward glance at Kaley and she looked murderous.

As soon as we were all inside Luna Ava started laughing. “You should have seen your faces when she tried to say you invited her for dinner.” She grabbed her stomach. “But her face when I said ‘no’ was even better. The Cunningham's have been trying since Kaley was born to find a way to force a chosen mate bond with the boys. It’s getting absurd. Kevin showed up earlier today, I’m sure with the same intention of getting an invite to dinner. Anyway, you

all really do smell which I guess is to be expected when you train for almost ten hours. Girls come on, I'll show you to my bathroom and we'll get you something to wear." She says sweetly, then turns to the guys "Boys, move it!" They all hustle up the stairs to the second and third floors. Sierra and I giggle at how she can get these boys, who are easily twice her size and strength, to move like she electrocuted them.

The first floor houses the Alpha and Luna's offices to the left of the massive central staircase, the formal living room that is set up for pack meetings and other large events to the right of the staircase and the massive kitchen at the back. The second floor of the packhouse is for guests. There are six large rooms, three to each side of the house. The main staircase stops at a beautiful walkway on the second floor where you have a great vantage point of the front door and living room. I'm sure many speeches and grand entrances have been made on this set of stairs. Alpha Lucas does as few unnecessary speeches as possible.

From what I have heard, each guest room was individually decorated to perfection by the Luna herself. They are large enough to make any neighboring Alpha feel welcome and comfortable with their own ensuite bathroom and minibar, but

not obnoxiously overdone.

The third floor is for the twins. I believe there are actually four bedrooms on their floor, for the four kids their ancestor had when he built it originally. I think I heard Mateo say that one room has been turned into a study of sorts and another into a game room, then each twin has their own room.

The fourth floor is the Alpha and Luna's floor. No one but the Alpha, Luna and their kids go up there. It's the one place they can just be. Away from all the pack business and responsibilities. Luna Ava leads us to an elevator housed behind the staircase that goes up the center of the house to her floor. It's hidden in plain sight and can be locked down like the staircase that takes you from the second floor to the twins floor. It helps keep people from snooping around during parties.