

Chapter 58 Accepting?

Hunter's P.O.V.

My great Grandmother just smiles as I call her Nanna and Dad faints to be hurt by the smack I gave him. Justice is running back and forth in my head, not knowing on what to concentrate on first and I am right with her on that.

"Don't let Papa walk to for off, I want to get to know his Lycan." Justice says and I giggle at the nickname she gave my Grandfather. I am in my great Grandfather's arms as I take a look at all my family members.

Uncle Drake gives me a strange look from time to time and I see that he is watching my Brothers as well. Justice and I can't figure out why and I can feel that my head is getting overcrowded again.

Papa is the one that realizes that I am no longer focused and he asks me what is going on, "I don't know, Papa. Uncle Drake's behavior is confusing me and my thoughts are running wild. It almost feels like I am drowning." I reply.

Uncle Drake turns to Jayce and asks, "None of you told her?" I just look at him as Mom guides me to a couch and Papa pulls me onto his lap. I can see that Uncle Drake and Papa are talking through their mind-link and Papa seems to becoming upset.

"Drake, can I talk to you outside for a minute?" Dad asks and the two of them walk out of the office. I can tell that Papa gets to listen in on the conversation and his facial expression changes with the second. I giggle as I look at his face, because it is funny to see.

When they walk back into the office Papa says, "She knows something is going on and her head is trying to make sense out of it, but she hasn't put everything together yet.

Her mind will keep running in circles until it does make sense, but this might cause her to black-out as it will become to much to process. I know what I am talking about, it has happened to me more than once and sometimes I still haven't figured it out by the time I wake up."

Jayce sits down on the coffee table and grabs hold of my hands. "Princess, there is no easy way of telling you this and we all know that it will piss you off. Just know that we thought we were doing the right thing and that we never meant to hurt you in any way.

Jax, Jason, Justin and I never talked about this and we didn't know until a few days ago. We promised Mom and Dad we would tell you today, even if it means that you will tell us to go to hell." My eyes move around the room and I can tell that everyone knows what he is going to tell me, except of course for me.

Papa tightens his hold on me and even though I haven't tested it I know that I won't be able to free myself. "Princess, you need to promise me that you will hear him out and that you will try to understand where they are coming from." Dad asks and I just nod my head.

I can see that Jayce is nervous and the others are not looking comfortable either. "Princess, I am just going to say it as I know no other way of saying this. You are our Mate."

My mind goes blank as I stare at Jayce and it takes me a few seconds before his words fully register. "He said our Mate, does he mean all of my Brothers, is he telling me I have four Mates." I ask Justice, but she is as stunned as I am and doesn't respond to me.

"Hunter, talk to me. Ask your questions out loud, it will help you process everything." Papa says and I ask softly "Who knew?" Just looking around I can see it written on their faces, everyone knew and none of them said a word.

I ask the questions that pop up in my head and Jayce answers all of them. Papa is right, asking them out loud helps me process things a bit easier and it is helping in easing my mind. Once I have no more questions I excuse myself and go up to my room.

Laying on my bed I let everything from the past two years pass before my eyes, things that never made sense all of a sudden become clear as day and I realize that some of the things I did were hard for them to deal with.

I slowly drift of to sleep as I realize that I lost two years of building a bond with my Mates.

Jayce's P.O.V.

She took it better than I had expected, she didn't get angry and she didn't tell us to go to hell. All in all a good outcome if you ask me, but I hate the fact that she walked out of the room once she was done with asking questions.

Her Grandfather explained that she would be better able to process everything with all the answers we gave her and that she just needs time. Time we are going to give her, because we don't want to risk losing her.

Five minutes ago Justin went upstairs to check on her, she has been up there for over two hours now and he was getting worried. "Our Princess is fast asleep." He states as he walks in to the room.

"That was to be expected. This kind of thing drains us and we need to rest or sleep. I will teach her what to do to reduce that to a minimum and as she gets older it will also become easier." Papa says.

He told us he liked the name Hunter gave him and that he wanted us to call him that as well, making Pops tell him what Hunter calls him. Both men have been talking about her ever since and from time to time Brent and Gabe tell Papa their own stories about Hunter.

Papa also finds out that they found out two years ago they are Mates, while they have known each other their whole lives. "Gabe, can I ask you something? If you don't want to answer that is fine and you should just tell me." He asks and Gabe tells him to ask away.

"Do you think your Mate-bond with Brent is stronger because you already had a bond with him?" Gabe looks at Papa before he says, "Yes, I do believe so. Brent and I didn't have to get to know one another, we already knew everything we needed to know and it gave us the chance to put our focus on other aspects of our new relationship."

I look at Jason and I know he has realized the same thing I did, if we had told Hunter sooner we would have been forming a bond already. We would have been able to use this time to get to know one another without the interference of the sexual part of the Mate-bond.

"It looks like our Grandsons finally realize they really missed out." Pops says to Papa and both men chuckle. Yeah, Pops is right. We missed out on getting to know what she likes and doesn't like, we missed out on figuring out what sets her off and we made her miss out on those things too.

Maybe it is time that the Council revises our views on underaged Mates. They will have to set ground-rules, but I know that it will be better for the underaged Mate in the long run.

"I could have gotten to know Justice." Colt whines in my head and I realize that there are two more parties that could have benefitted if I had told Hunter. I ask my Brothers through the mind-link if their Lycans feel the same and they all confirm they do.

Hunter sleeps through dinner and we just let her, apparently her body needs the sleep to recuperate. Dinner is passed with talking and laughing, we even get a few stories on a five year old headstrong Mom from Papa.

"Papa, she hasn't changed much. She is still headstrong and she scares the shit out of me." Jason whispers loud enough for everyone to hear, making Mom glare at him and Papa just laughs.

After dinner Uncle Drake, we are no longer allowed to call him Alpha Drake, gets ready to go home and his parents will be leaving with him. Papa on the other hand has decided to stay and Pops invited him to stay in his Quarters with him.

Those two are becoming good friends and I fear that some day soon we will regret having both of them live in the Palace. I think Hunter takes after Papa and with the two of them here our lives will never be boring again.

It is close to midnight when Uncle Drake and his parents leave, but not before Mom and Dad promised to visit them soon and to bring all of us with them. Apparently Mom has a rather large family and according to Uncle Drake they all will want to meet us.

He said he would have a tough job in the morning as he would have to explain why his Brother is absent and once they would know why their next question would be when we would be paying them a visit.

Mom told him that she wants to let the news settle first, before we will make the trip out there to see the rest of the family. Before my Brothers and I turn in for the night we sneak into Hunter's room and give her a kiss on her forehead.