

Chapter 0027

She places her hand on his chest. “Yes, Cyran, I accept your offering.” ¹

A cheer from Liam’s pack erupts throughout the room, proud that their Alpha’s offering was accepted by a Guardian.

A furious snarl comes from behind me, silencing the cheers. Artemis turns to see Kai fighting to come forward. His canines have extended and his claws are starting to emerge. Rik is obviously fighting for control and Chase has moved in front of him, restraining him from attacking Cyran.

I felt the change in Cyran as he moved to push me behind him. I quickly push Artemis back so I can take control of the situation before it gets out of hand.

When I look back at Cyran, his canines are extended and his claws are coming out. I put both hands on his chest. Not to restrain, but to distract.

“Cyran, Liam.” I waited until his eyes return to me. “What should I do with this offering? It’s awfully big and, well, I’m still in the middle of my school day.” I smiled at Cyran, hoping to distract him enough to

relax, while I watch Chase and some other warriors from my pack from the corner of my eye moving Rik out of the cafeteria.

Liam's eyes start to lighten, his claws and his canines retract. However, it was Cyran that responded. "Liam will take this and have it processed. The meat will be ready tomorrow but the skin will need another day or two to be tanned and cured."

His eyes track back over to Rik who is still growling and fighting Chase. To bring his attention back to me, I say, "Maybe Liam can bring the meat by tomorrow after school. He can train with my dad and I." His eyes whip back to my face. It's an honor to train with not just one, but two Guardians. "We could make..." I look at the bear again, "bear steaks?" I ask it as a question, because, is that even a thing? I have no idea, but I'm desperate for him to focus on me and not Rik's continued growls that are still clearly audible even though he is outside now.

His eyes shift back to their beautiful shade of sage and I know that Cyran is calm now. "I'd like that. I'll make sure to have some..." he pauses, trying not to laugh, "bear steaks ready to throw on the grill." I smile back at him. "Wonderful."

He leans down and gently touches his lips to mine.

Then, he grabs the bear and pulls it back over his shoulders. As he turns to leave, I can't resist one last remark.

"Oh Alpha Liam?" He turns and looks at me. "Please make sure you shower before you come by tomorrow." I say to him with more sass than normal in my tone. He smiles and nods his head in acknowledgement before turning and leaving the cafeteria.

I release a huge breath as I turn around to Jason and Lacey giving them a 'Can you fucking believe that?' look.

Lunch is over and I'm not hungry anyway after all of that. Jason hands me my gift basket and my bag then grabs his own. As soon as we walk out of the cafeteria, he pulls me into a quiet corner of the school. "What the hell was that Cara?"

"Which part Jason?" I whisper-yell back at him. "The part where Alpha Liam killed a bear with his own hands and brought it to me as an offering or the part where Alpha Rik went all psycho alpha and almost started a fight with Liam?"

"Yes." He responds and then we both just stare at each. He chuckles and then pulls on my arm. "C'mon. We have to get to class." He looks at me as we walk. "

+20 BONUS

Have you ever eaten bear before?”

“Nope. Have you?”

“Nope.” he pops the ‘P’ at the end of the word. “So let me know how it is. Oh and, just because I’m not an Alpha, doesn’t mean you can’t invite me to train with you and your dad sometime.”

I stop and look at him. “Jason, you’re my best friend. I like you and want you to continue to be in my life. Odds are good that if you trained with me, it would kill you.” He just shakes his head.

I wasn’t joking.



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“ Whoa! A bear! What do you think of Liam’s offering? And what about Rik’s relaxation package?”

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