

# Dangerous Desires Novel

## Chapter 1

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### 01 An order and Not a request

Tia.

I got to the Woodclaw pack party late, and everyone was in celebratory mode. Kirk motioned me to join him and Caleb in the VIP

section, which I did. When I got there, I was heartbroken to see why Caleb couldn't pick me up.

She was blonde and beautiful, and her name was Kimberly Miles. I knew she and Caleb were talking, but I did not think it would be serious since Caleb was the serious-minded type. I guess he developed a soft spot for her.

I sat down and hid my emotions.

"Sorry I couldn't come, Tia. Kimberly made us wait longer than necessary, so I could not come over. I

will make it up to you, I

promise," Caleb apologised innocently, but I noticed Kimberly wasn't happy about it, and I suspected she made him wait

deliberately.

“No need to make it up to me, Caleb. I am not mad,” I told my friend, and he thanked me. Caleb was also kind to me but as a friend. It hurt, but there was nothing I could do about it.

I had a crush on him ever since we were teens, but I guessed he never noticed. He was all business. Caleb had a lot of pressure on him growing up, and most of it was because his older brother was irresponsible, so he had to step up and train to take over from their father as Alpha. His mother made sure he did not disappoint his father. She was hard on him, and it had paid off. He did well in his Alpha exams, and his father had openly praised him for his effort. I wasn't interested in becoming a warrior until the day Caleb told me he would be going for the Alpha training. We were fifteen then. I immediately signed up and hoped to finish first place so that I could be his beta, and Caleb and I would finally have something in common, hoping that would bring us together and he would eventually see me. If it weren't for Caleb, I would have trained as a medical doctor instead, but I wanted to spend time with him. That was four years ago. Four years of crushing on him

and hoping he would see me one day. He never did, and here we are now, out of the academy, and soon we will be ready to take on our duties, and I was still in the Friend's zone while another woman rested comfortably in his arms. The party went with Kimberly taking up all of Caleb's attention. Kirk, the strongest wolf of our set at the academy and Caleb's beta, asked me to dance, and I obliged, but I had eyes only for Caleb. He had grown into a handsome man, but his looks weren't what drew me to him. He was caring, loving and honest. He was responsible and made selfless decisions. The pack will be in a great place with him as Alpha. I secretly believed I had fallen in love with him. Sure he did not know and would never know as things were because I wasn't the type to ask a guy out. I had thought that maybe when we start running the pack, he will appreciate me more and fall in love, but not anymore.

I wasn't stupid. If Caleb couldn't fall all these years, what would make him fall now. Unless the moon goddess grants me that wish, I guess I would keep pining for him. At this point, I just wanted to be over him and forget about my feelings for him, but it

was damn too difficult. My heart wanted what it wanted, even though it might not be good for us. Tired of dancing, Kirk and I returned to the VIP section, where Kimberly was trying her best to get intimate with Caleb by sticking her tongue in his ear, and he seemed to be making an effort to control the situation. Kirk cleared his throat to announce our presence, and she pulled away from Caleb. I saw her tongue go back into her mouth, and it disgusted me. I doubted it disgusted Caleb because there was lust in his eyes. I was mad at how easy it was for her to get his attention. Was it that men did not fancy strong women? I had heard some people talk about preferences, and it seemed like a girl had to pretend to be dumb and helpless to find a man. If that were the case, I would never be lucky because I was anything but that, and I was a bad pretender.

“So, what will you be doing in the next two years before we take over our positions?” Kirk asked Caleb, and Caleb looked at me.

I knew if my skin were pale, they would have seen me blush at that moment, but my face just seemed expressionless. I couldn't say the same about my eyes, but he wasn't looking at me.

“I do not know, Kirk. Tia, you?” Caleb asked, and I loved how he called my name with so much gentleness. I looked away immediately, then shook my head. I honestly did not know what I would be doing before we take over our offices.

I looked at Kirk to return his question to him, and he smiled at me.

“Travelling. I need to travel a lot because once we take up those offices, freedom will become a thing of the past,” he said, and it was such a brilliant idea. I wondered if I would be able to go with him.

“That is so cool, Kirk,” I said wide-eyed.

” Do you mind if I come?” I asked, and Kirk looked at Caleb as if he needed his permission before he could answer me.

“If you go with him, who will be my friend and keep me company here?” Caleb asked me, and I thought of the obvious answer in my head, Kimberly, but if I said it, he would know I was jealous, and that would make our friendship awkward.

“I am sure you have other friends to keep you company,” I managed, looking at Kimberly, ” Better and more interesting company than I can be,” I completed, and she smiled, knowing what I was implying.

“That is right, Caleb. I am all the company you will need,” she said and licked his earlobe again. She wanted to be luna so bad.

Most of the girls that threw themselves at Caleb wanted to be luna so badly. Not me. I will still feel the same for Caleb, even if he wasn't to be the next Alpha.

“I want to come with you, Kirk,” I said, knowing that I needed time away from Caleb. Time to get over my pining for him. He will never see me, and he will never love me. I needed to accept it and move on. This trip with Kirk would do a lot of wonders for me.

I needed to get over Caleb and focus on other things.

“Maybe I will come,” Caleb said, looking at me and smiling, and I felt down because that would defeat the whole purpose.

Spending time with him would not make him see me or develop any feelings for me. I have tried that already. I just ended up being his best buddy.

“You'll bring me along?” Kimberly asked, and I almost rolled my eyes. The last thing I wanted was to travel around with her sticking her tongue in Caleb's ear at every given opportunity. It will make me sick. I knew it. If he says yes, I would just think of an

excuse that would help me chicken out of the trip.

“I will think about it,” Caleb said to her, and she frowned and then looked at me as if it were my fault.

She had it twisted because I

did not want Caleb to come on the trip.

We had a couple of drinks and tried not to get drunk, then called it a night.

“Let’s go hunting tomorrow in the morning,” Caleb offered. I waited to hear what Kimberly had to say before agreeing.

“I want to come too,” She said, and I rolled my eyes. Caleb saw me, and he laughed.

“I guess the three of you will have to go without me,” I said, and Caleb frowned.

“Come on, Tia, we are a good team. You and I,” he said, and how I wished that were true. Me and him a team, but it wasn’t, so I just smiled.

“I am sure you, Kirk and Kimberly would be formidable,” I said and did not bother to look at Kimberly’s face. I knew she hated me at this point because it seemed Caleb’s decision had a lot to do with me. I wouldn’t like me if I were her, so I did not take offence.

Caleb told me to think about it, and I drove off. I wasn’t going to think about it. I did not care. All I wanted to do was get over him.

I got home, and everyone was asleep, so I snuck up to my bedroom. I did not want to trouble anyone. Morning came, and I contemplated going on the hunt with Caleb and Kirk. Hopefully, they wouldn't allow Kimberly to join in. I

knew she spent the night with Caleb in the Moon mansion, so I doubted he could ditch her. I headed downstairs to eat. I dislike

hunting in wolf form when I am hungry; it made me act crazy, and I do not want to seem mad.

To my surprise, my parents were waiting for me in the kitchen. They had this worried look in their eyes which got me nervous.

My mother was a nurse, and my father was a doctor. They worked in the medical department, so they were supposed to have gone to the hospital to resume their shift, but something was wrong.

"Tia, how was your night?" My mother asked me with a nervous smile, and I smiled at her.

"Great," I said, trying to ignore their mood, and she nodded at me.

"We need to speak to you about something important, darling." My father said, and my stomach churned. I doubt it was good news.

We left the kitchen and went to sit on the couch in the living room.



My mother looked at my father. It was clear they were communicating with themselves about something through the mind link. I wasn't privy to that conversation.

"Tia, you know how much we love you, right?" My father asked, and that didn't sound right. I knew they loved me, and starting the sentence with that made it obvious that they were about to say something that would make me mad.

"We want what is best for you, but we have duties to the pack, too. We should have told you this over a month ago, but we wanted you to go through your graduation before we break the news to you," My father said, and my mother began to shed tears. I started crying too out of fear. Whatever would make my mother cry was sad.

"Tia," My father said and sighed, "Alpha Aesop Moon has asked for you to be joined with Luke Moon, his first son. Seeing that you beat all the female wolves in your generation and finished second place, and the fact that you are a good young lady and properly brought up, he has chosen you for his son. Alpha Aesop Moon believes the union would help Luke become a better

version of himself and help him mature to support his younger brother when Caleb finally takes over the pack. Alpha Aesop believes your friendship with Caleb will help both brothers settle their differences and support one another. It wasn't a request, it was an order, and we had to comply and accept." he said, and I screamed with all my might.

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02 Tell me it is a joke

**Tia.**

“Tell me it is a joke.” I asked my parent with tears falling down my eyes and my mother shook her head in tears.

“Luke is a mean horrible man. He is cruel and disrespectful. He is a big bully. He cheats, lies, name it. he killed a an innocent person. He is a devil. How could you allow this?” I asked my parents even though I knew they had no say in the matter, but I had to blame someone.

“We had no choice in the matter. They said you are the strongest female of your generation and they believe you will match him and tame him,” my father said and I stood up.

“Enough daddy! We all know you can’t tame someone. Luke is an asshole, and he is fixed. How will I survive in this? I am going to be Caleb’s Gamma. How will I manage my job and an asshole mate?” I asked my parents, and they did not know how to respond.

“You know what? I am leaving. I do not care about the Gamma position anymore. Once I am gone, they can find someone else

to gift to the asshole son,” I said and got up, ready to go up the stairs, pack my bags and leave.

“You can’t leave, Tia, we need you to accept the offer or Alpha Moon would cast us out. We can’t survive as rogues. Once the Alpha casts us out, the mark of the Woodclaw pack would fade in time, and we will turn feral, eventually. That is what happens to rogues. Please, you have to consider this,” my father pleaded with me.

I looked at my mother with tears in my eyes.

“Do you know what you are asking of me? I will be the most unlucky woman to be alive,” I said to her, and she nodded with tears in her eyes.

Luke was not a good person. That was why Caleb had to take up the reigns. Alpha Moon could not trust Luke with his pack, yet he forced my parents to trust the monster with me. He was a wicked man. Maybe I should have been a bad girl, a bitch to be precise. They wouldn’t have thought of me as an option, but I was too busy crushing on Caleb, trying to be the perfect girl for him. I hated my life right now. Unrequited Love, Forced Marriage, name it. I was going to be miserable forever.

I became angry. I wanted to return upstairs when the doorbell went off. My mother went to answer the door, and I smelled him. It was Caleb. I turned to look at him, and his eyes were crimson, sad and teary as mine. He entered the house, sad and shaking.

“Tia,” he managed and stretched his hands towards me. He did not need to ask twice. I went to him, and he hugged me tightly.

My parents left to give us some privacy.

I began to cry profusely.

“I am sorry, Tia. I did not know they would do this. I did not know he would do this,” he said, and I cried.

“I don’t want to be with Luke, Caleb. I do not like him. I can’t be with him. Help me, Caleb,” I cried, and he held me tightly.

“I am not Alpha yet, Tia. I have no say in this,” he said, and I could feel his sadness in the crack in his voice. Did he feel

something for me all this while?

“I thought we had time, but I guess I was wrong,” he said, and I did not know what he was trying to say.

“I am sorry, Tia. I am sorry. I did not know,” he said, and I wondered why he thought we had time. I guess he wouldn’t tell me now, thanks to Alpha Aesop Moon.

We finally broke the hug, and I looked at his crimson eyes. There was nothing to say.

“Know that I will always be there for you. I would not let him harm you. You can come to me whenever.

You can call on me

whenever, and I will be there. I will never be too busy to attend to you. I know my brother is an asshole, so I will look out for you.

It is the best I can do in this situation.” he said, and I did not know what to say. I wished I did not try to be his beta, if I had stayed

down and taken medical classes instead, Alpha Moon wouldn’t have noticed me and felt I was a good match for his unruly son.

“Caleb..” I said, thinking of confessing my feeling, but I decided not at the last minute because as things were, we could never act on them.

“What is it, Tia,” He asked me with eager eyes.

“Nothing, Nothing but fear,” I said, and he pulled me back and held me. I breathed in his scent and allowed myself to rest in his

embrace. I could never have him. I could never dream of ending up with him. I could never hope he would see me. It was over.

He was going to be my brother-in-law. My desires for him were now forbidden. I took in his scent and held him tightly. I wished I

could give it up to him at that moment, but I did not dare to ask him. I rested in his arms, and he held on to me tightly. He kissed my head and then pulled away.

“We will still be best of friends. I do not care what the pack says. You are still my best friend, Tia. No one will replace you,” he

said to me, and it broke my heart because I wanted to be more and our friendship was one of his father’s reasons for joining me

with his son. Twisted. I wanted to be Caleb’s Luna, his love, his north, but someone destined me to remain in the friend zone

forever. It was bearable and I could live with that.

Caleb wasn’t the only man in the world and I would move on eventually, but

forcing me to marry an asshole was wicked.

Suddenly running away and becoming feral seemed like the best option. I wanted to leave.

Caleb and I went upstairs to my room. For the first time, it felt weird having him in there. It had always been weird since I started

crushing on him, but it felt very weird now. I did not know what living in their mansion, the Moon

Mansion would be like, but I

doubted if I could handle seeing Caleb every day while married to his brother. I hoped my heart would not get me in trouble.

Caleb waited for me while I went to the bathroom to shower. I wept a lot in the shower and sat on the floor. While I cried, I contemplated running away.

I dressed up in the toilet and headed out. It wasn't like Caleb had never seen me naked before; we shifted and went hunting often, but I just felt it would be weird dressing up in front of him now.

"How are you feeling," he asked me, and I nodded. His eyes were still crimson, but there was nothing either of us could do.

"Luke doesn't want the union either," Caleb said to me, and I was surprised. "That was how I found out. I overheard him arguing with our father about it. He doesn't want you, Tia and that is what scares me the most," he confessed, and I knew why. Luke was wicked, he was bound to take out his anger on me.

"Then why won't he reject it," I asked Caleb, and he sighed.

"Ever since they picked me to be Alpha instead of him, he has not opposed my father much. I think the humiliation of placing me



above him has made him docile. I do not know, but Luke has a girlfriend he loves very much. This is unfair for both of you,”

Caleb said.

“Will I still be your Gamma?” I asked with a sad tone because I did not want to be Luke’s mate. I wanted to be Caleb’s mate.

“Yes, you will still be my Gamma unless you decide to resign because of the situation,” he said to me, and I shook my head. This was all too much, and I needed time alone to process and accept the situation.

Caleb left my home sad, and I stayed in bed crying all day. My parents tried to cheer me up, but I couldn’t. I refused it. I hated them, and I hated my life. If the Alpha had opted to join me with Caleb, I would have welcomed it. Why Luke?

I spent two weeks crying and moping about the place. I refused to attend functions or gatherings, and I doubted I would do that anytime soon. Luna Stacy Moon visited us twice to speak to my parents about the arrangements. She was Caleb’s mother.

Luke’s mother died when he was born, and Alpha Aesop Moon mated with Stacy. Everyone referred to her as Luke’s mother ever

since, but Luke never failed to correct people she wasn't. I was indifferent to the woman. All I wanted to do was disappear, and I couldn't do that, anyway.

Caleb got into trouble a few times that week. His father blamed it on his idleness and delegated some responsibilities to him, so I did not get to see my friend. I was going to be given to Luke soon, and I dreaded it, anyway. There was no date yet, but I knew it was soon.

I sat on the patio of our home when A car pulled up in the driveway. A young, beautiful brunette with porcelain skin stepped out of the car, looking angry. I figured she must have lost her way, so I stood up, ready to give her directions. "Are you Tia Lockwood?" she asked, and I slowly nodded because I did not know her.

"You gold-digging bitch. What do your parents have on Alpha Aesop?" she asked me, and I was confused.

"Do you know how long Luke and I have been together?" she asked in tears, " We were sweethearts for a long time, and now I hear they have chosen you to be his mate?" She said, and I was tongue-tied. I had absolutely nothing to tell her. I too was still processing it.

“How dare you, Tia? I promise you we will make it hell for you,” She threatened me, and that was when I got pissed. It wasn’t my fault that Alpha Aesop picked me for his son. I did not even like the guy.

“Watch it!” I yelled at her, “I do not give two fucks about Luke. I don’t like him and don’t want to be his mate, but there is nothing I can do about it. Instead of ranting and trying to bully me, tell your boyfriend to tell his father to pick you; trust me, you will be doing me a huge favour. He isn’t a great catch,” I said, and I could see her contemplate advancing towards me. I growled out at her.

“You need to fuck off, bitch. Or I will tear you to pieces with the way I am feeling right now,” I said to her, and she was surprised. I wasn’t playing. She backed away into her car and drove off.

“Great, I now had to deal with the girlfriend too. I wasn’t even his mate yet, and this was happening. Since Luke had not come to see me, I guessed the feeling was mutual

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03 Rules of Engagement

**Tia**

“Tia!” my mother called me. Since the day they told me of the arrangement, I had remained indoors. I did not want anyone to see

me. By now, the entire pack and country would have known that I was to be joined with Luke Moon, the asshole. I had also been receiving a lot of threat messages from an anonymous number. I figured it was the bitch that drove into the driveway. I honestly did not care. Nothing she said got to me. I was more worried about what my life would be with Luke. Nothing she said bothered me. I wanted her to keep her promise to me. I would be at peace that way. I guess it was easier for her to lash out at me than at Luke or Alpha Aesop. I got up from bed, still wearing my pyjamas and headed downstairs; It was afternoon, but I did not care. I had cried so much that I had no more tears left to cry. I was numb in a way, and I embraced the numbness. It was much better than pain. Caleb and I spoke every night, and he said a lot of encouraging things to me that weren't helping. I wished he would just stop calling. I wanted him for so long, and now I will never have him. Calling me wasn't helping, but he did not know that. He was being a supportive best friend, and I could not fault him for it.

I sluggishly went down the stairs, and to my surprise, Alpha Moon and Luke were in our home. I disappointed my parents with how I looked and I hoped the Alpha would feel the same way and call it off. My eyes were swollen, quite alright.

“Good afternoon, Alpha, Mr Moon,” I said, greeting father and son. Alpha Aesop was sitting on the couch, and his son sat next to him. The man did not look as old as everyone tried to make him seem. He was in his early fifties but looked like he was forty. He had dark hair and brown eyes, His beards were well kept. He was easily the most handsome man of his generation. I could see why women were still crushing on him. His sons had inherited their good looks from him. Luke on the other hand looked like a sex god. He had dark hair, clean beards and frosty blue eyes. His eyes could trap a soul. He had a hard gaze, and his jawlines were pronounced. The shirt he wore hugged his body tightly and his tattoos and muscles looked sexy. He wasn't a giant, and neither was he small. He was perfect. The right amount of bulkiness. His skin was perfectly sun-tanned, and he looked hard. He looked like they carved him from stone.

I swallowed hard when I saw him. I had not seen him in a while. I was impressed by what I saw. But looks could not buy love, and even though he was hot and looked like a god, I wasn't interested in the union, but my opinion did not matter in this.

"Tia," Alpha Moon said, and I responded as a gamma should. I stood upright and saluted Alpha Moon.

"Congratulation on your future position as Gamma, Tia. Woodclaw and Caleb are blessed to have you in the ranks." he commended, and I thanked him.

"Luke, I will give you time to know your mate. Why don't you take a walk together while the Lockwoods and I discuss the event."

He ordered, and Luke stood up and walked outside. He did not say a word to me. I did not want to follow him since he did not ask me to come along, but I dared not disobey the alpha, so I followed Luke. The guy sat on the patio staring at the houses on the street. I did not want to sit next to him, so I remained standing.

"Don't get ideas into your head, little girl. I am not happy that my father has chosen to ridicule me like this, but I will never love

you, and you will never be my true mate. I just believe you should know my stance, so you do not get your hopes up after the wedding,” He said, and I cleared my throat.

“Understood, Mr Moon. I am not looking forward to the wedding either, and I wished I could turn it down, but your father left me and my family no choice but to accept. It was either I say yes or rogue status. I do not expect love or affection from you, and neither would I give it.” I said to him with a voice that carried no emotion. He looked at me and then stood up a bit confused.

“Don’t fool yourself. My father is paying your folks a lot of money for this union. You and your parents are just like all the middleclass folks in this country. Always ready with their shovel to dig for gold,” He said, and I almost slapped him but controlled myself.

“A feisty one,” he said with a smirk. He must have noticed the slight raising of my hand. “Quick-tempered too. I wondered how you made it as Gamma. Must have fucked your way up. A lot of women do it, but you are the only one that had succeeded.



Caleb does not fancy you, so you chose to settle for me. It is all about the moon money and the power that comes with being a Moon. Trust me, all that glitters isn't gold," He said, and I did not know how to respond to his words. I did not know my parents sold me until then, but I could not let him have the last say, so I pushed to hurt him.

"At least I amount to something in this pack. You will forever be the big brother of the Alpha and nothing else." I said, and he almost slapped me. He held his hands in the air, and they shook. I saw the rage in his eyes pure rage and nothing else. I had struck a nerve. It did bother him. Placing his brother above him bothered him. I wouldn't have rubbed it in, but he started it. I almost flinched. He was a stronger Alpha than Caleb. He was domineering. If it wasn't for the innocent life he took, he would have been alpha. Where Caleb asked for respect, Luke commanded it. It was overwhelming that I flinched.

"We are not equals. You better watch your mouth Lockwood, or it will be ugly. I agreed to come here only to lay down some rules," he said and sat back down on the bench with me still standing.

“You will never be my mate, so do not ask for things that mates are entitled to. I have someone I love very much,” He said, and I chuckled, remembering the bitch that came to yell at me and how she had been threatening me.

“As long as she respects herself and stays away from me, you have nothing to worry about. I do not care what you two do together.” I told him, and he was silent a bit. I knew my responses annoyed him, but I was only telling the truth.

“We will be a couple in the public eye for the benefit of my father but never in private.” He said, and I accepted.

“As long as you do not bully me, you have nothing to worry about. If what you say about buying me is true, then I will treat this as a contract. Once your brother becomes Alpha, You should be willing to release me,” I said to him, and he laughed.

“That will never happen, Tia. I will have to claim you eventually for my fatherbe and stepmother’s benefits. We will be bound forever,” he said, and I felt a sharp pain in my chest. Instead of touching my chest, I flinched a bit.

“What about your girlfriend? How will she manage?” I asked him.

“I will never be Alpha, and honestly I do not want the position. We will find a way to love each other, and she will bear my children,” he said, and I sighed.

“I guess you have it all figured out for yourself then. What about me?” I asked him, wondering where there was happiness for me in all this.

“What do you mean about you?” he asked me calmly. He wasn’t angry anymore. It was amazing how his anger cooled so quickly. Maybe he thought I would object to his words, but I honestly did not care.

“I mean, you have everything figured out for you, what about me?” I asked, and he nodded.

“If you meet someone you like, feel free to screw them, don’t just get pregnant and bring bastards home and don’t get caught. I honestly don’t care. I am sure you have a lot of boyfriends and officials you screw at the academy because no woman has ever finished at the top position before. You can continue your relationship with them, you will need to, so you can keep the gamma position, because if another wolf that is stronger than you comes along, you will either be demoted or removed,” He said, and I

did not bother to say anything. I was a virgin. I had never been with anyone before. Was saving myself for Caleb, stupid.

“Well, since all that is ironed out. I guess we would have no issues living as husband and wife.” He said, and I nodded.

“Do we sleep in the same room?” I asked him, and he shook his head.

“Not really. My room has a conjoined room. You will sleep in the one I am not sleeping in. I have fixed the place up for you. Be

warned, it is a poorer wing of the mansion. My father does not dote on me as he does on Caleb.” He

warned, and I honestly did

not care. I wished we would sleep in separate rooms completely. A conjoined room meant we would see each other, and there

will be no door between us. Something told me I would not find it easy in that condition.

We returned to the house. Alpha Aesop had finished talking to my parents.

“I see the love birds have finished talking. I guess we will see at the wedding then,” Alpha Aesop said, and my father shook his hand with respect.

“James, you and Amy have raised a beautiful and strong daughter. I wanted her for Caleb because she is Luna material, but I

knew she would make more impact on Luke's Life. Caleb is already gentle, Luke needs a gentle touch, and Tia is the sweetest girl I know that would be perfect to complement my son," Aesop said and hearing that, I hated myself some more. I should have been a bad girl. I would have been considered for Caleb.

"It is not about what you want, father. Don't lie to them," Luke said, and Alpha Aesop became angry. "Luna Stacy was afraid Caleb would pick Tia, so she forced you to join us together. This is about what Stacy wants, and she does not want Caleb with a Lockwood. She wants Caleb with someone that has money. And we all know you are forcing this union. The Lockwoods don't even want this. You had to pay them for it. All so Stacy can be happy. Ruining my life and Tia's life, so Caleb can marry from a rich home and keep Stacy happy," He shot at his father and walked out. I was stunned at his words, and I now understood what happened. Luke was bold and daring, but he was true and honest. He said exactly what was happening. Stacy Moon did not want her son to end up with me because I was middle class, and she wanted someone that

came from money. Kimberly, perhaps. I never really stood a chance.

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**Tia.**

Caleb finally came to see me. Four days after, Alpha Aesop and Luke visited me. I sat at the back in the garden staring at nothing. I was still processing all Luke said to me and what he revealed as to why they were forcing the union.

" You have lost weight, Tia," Caleb said, sitting next to me, and I had nothing to say. He sighed, stood and began to pace about the garden. He seemed a bit frustrated. I knew he wanted to talk, but I had nothing to say. His mother had ruined my life because she believed I wasn't good enough for him. It had nothing to do with helping Luke. Luke and I were victims, forced into a loveless marriage to get me out of her son's hair. The woman was a bitch and selfish.

" Why didn't you tell me Luke came to see you?" Caleb asked me, and I looked at him.

" I did not feel it was necessary," I replied because I knew it wouldn't have mattered.

" We are friends, Tia. Everything is necessary. Everything matters," He said with concern. He looked stressed out. With the dark

circle under his eyes, he wasn't sleeping.

" Help me, Caleb," I finally broke down, and he looked at me, worried.

" If I were Alpha, I would cancel this madness, " He said, shaking my head.

" Your mother set this up," I said, and he frowned at me.

" Luke said it before your father, and he could not deny it. She felt you and I might end up together, and she did not want you marrying from a middle-class family, so she troubled your father to join me with Luke so I would no longer be a problem," I said, and he shook his head.

" That is not true. She knows we are just friends, and there is nothing between us. If I wanted to date you, I would have," he said, and his words hurt, but they were expected.

" She doesn't see it that way. Please talk to her, Caleb. She is ruining two lives because of her fear—mine and Luke's. Your brother has someone he loves dearly. It is unfair to both of them. As for me, she condemned me to live a loveless life for the rest of my life. It is such a high price to pay for being your friend. Tell her I will drop the gamma position and move away. Help me, Caleb," I said and began to weep.



" I don't want to marry your brother. Please," I begged him with tears.

He sighed and sat next to me. He was speechless.

" If Luke is telling the truth, then I can't help. No one can talk to her, not even me," he cracked, and I began to weep.

" Caleb," I said with a weak voice, " Please. Luke will not go easy on me. He has laid down a lot of rules. I will be miserable.

Please. I deserve happiness too. It is unfair for your mother to ruin two lives because of you. Does that not bother you? Your

father bought me for Luke. My parents had no choice but to accept." I said, crying, and he pulled me close to comfort me.

" Please, Caleb, Help me", I cried bitterly, and he rubbed my back.

" Will talk to her about it. I can't make you promises, Tia, but I will try my best to beg her to stop." He said, and I nodded. I wasn't

hopeful that he would succeed, but I would have felt worse if he hadn't tried.

Honestly, I would have braced myself and taken the match, but I did not want to be subject to the kind of Luke. He was a

murderer and a drunk, among other things. It would be loveless and empty.

We sat outside for a while, and soon, Caleb left, leaving me to sit alone and stare at nothing.

I waited two days and yet no word from Caleb. He did not even call me, and I felt abandoned.

I lay on my bed and stared at the ceiling, counting the days to my death. The day I married Luke would be the funeral. I doubted I

would take up the Gamma position when the time came. The drive to serve had left me. Resignation was slowly becoming a choice.

There was a knock on my door, and I knew it was my mother; I could smell her along with the tray of food she was holding. I was silent, and she gently let herself into my room. That was why I did not bother to answer in the first place. She was going to let herself in any way.

“Tia, You need to eat something,” she said, laying the food tray on the table in my room.

” How can you and daddy live with yourself after selling your daughter?” I asked her with a disgusted look on my face.

My mother looked away, standing frozen by the table.

” He gave us no choice, Tia. The money was to ease his conscience,” She said.

" Yet you took it, and I am sure you have spent it. Did it ever occur to you that Luke might call it off and Alpha Aesop might want his money back?" I asked with disgust, and she looked at me.

" We had no choice, Tia. It was a 'take it or get out' decision, so we chose to take it. We have money problems, Tia. We were about to lose our house. The bank was going to close in on us at any time. The loans we took to put you through the elite academy and get you private tutors had come to bite us in the arse," She explained, and I could not believe her.

" So you sold me to pay the loan you acquired for my education?" I asked, and she shook her head.

" No, Tia, Alpha Moon gave us no chance. We were already going to allow the bank to close on the property and move to my sister's house to stay for the time being. When Alpha Moon forced the union on us, we decided to use his money to solve our financial troubles," she explained, and I was still mad at her.

" What will he do if he calls it off and wants his money back?" I asked, still hoping Caleb would succeed.

” Why will he call it off and ask for his money back?”  
She asked me.

” I told Caleb what Luke said about the true reason behind the union, and he promised to speak to his mother about it and convince her to call it off,” I said, and she looked at me wide-eyed and stunned. I bet she never expected I would act quickly on the matter.

She sat next to me with tears streaming down her face.

” Tia, my darling, Tia. I did not know you would take it this hard,” she said. “I am hurting too, but I need you to be tough. Caleb and Kirk travelled yesterday and will not be back until it is time for him to take over the Pack.” She said, and I was stunned.

Did they decide to go on that vacation without me?. Why will Caleb do this at the time I needed him the most. He was supposed to talk to his mother and get back to me. Instead, he decided to travel. My heart was broken. Silent tears streamed down my face.

” It was Luna Stacy that forced the trip,” My mother said, ” Caleb’s butler, Norman, told me when he came for a check-up that

Caleb had a heated argument with his mother about Luke and how what she was doing was unfair. She decided to force him on a trip to gain experience and return a better Alpha," She said, and I cried because it was my fault. I should have left well enough alone and not asked him to talk to his mother and get me out of the marriage. He would have been here. I should leave it all alone. My friend was gone and won't be back until two years later, and I will still be marrying Luke. Everything was a waste.

" Try to eat, Tia. Don't kill yourself. You are a tough woman; it is not easy for a woman to obtain the gamma position. I know and believe you will cope. I know Luke does not have a good reputation, but I believe you will adjust successfully," She said, pulling me close and kissing my forehead. She finally left my room, and I did not bother to go near the food. The fear that churned my stomach made it impossible for me to eat. I picked at my food, flushed the rest down the toilet, and washed my dishes. I wanted to fade away, but that was impossible to do.

I wept. The fact that they had not decided on a day yet scared me. Something about Alpha Aesop putting things in order and how big and significant this wedding was: forced marriage was hardly that, especially when the parties were unwilling. I hoped time would fly by quickly.

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### 05 Family Business

#### **Luke.**

My father was weak and unbelievable. Allowing his Luna to destroy two lives to please her was sick, weak and despicable.

Where does Stacy's cruelty stop? It is bad enough that she turned my father against me to become alpha. Did she have to tie Tia and me into a loveless marriage to get Tia out of the way? I followed my father to Tia's home and said a lot of nonsense there to understand what was going on because Stacy had told me the Lockwoods asked for a union with our family because their daughter was the strongest female of her generation. She claimed they wanted her to be Luna as her right. Since she and my father did not want their daughter with Caleb, they settled for me. Stacy was full of shit. Tia had a crush on Caleb, and everyone knew. It wasn't a hidden thing; even Caleb knew and ignored it. It was a harmless crush.

The girl showed how determined she was when she quit her calling and signed up at the academy. She had surprised everyone and finished second. At first, we all thought that she made sure she finished second just so she would be the first to be considered as Caleb's Luna, but after talking to her, however harsh or brief, the poor girl wasn't thinking in that direction. I was hurt, and that was why I told the truth when we went back into the house. I was sick of my father's lies. Instead of allowing him to continue spewing nonsense, the Lockwoods needed to know what had happened. I wanted to tell Tia that Caleb knew about it, but I believed I had said enough. That would have just broken her heart, and she was already broken. The girl was too young for this. Stacy was a complete bitch. Caleb finally confronted his mother to call it off, but she had gone too far and wasn't the type to eat her words. I still blamed my half brother for this shit. He knew the girl was head over heels for him. Instead of being honest with her, he deliberately kept her in the friends' zone. He enjoyed seeing her struggle with her emotions. I had heard him tell his friends she made passes at him



several times. After meeting Tia and having a brief and uncomfortable discussion with her, there was no way she made passes at him. The girl was too damn arrogant to admit her feelings. She would have been a great Luna. Since Stacy did not want her, she should have left well enough alone and allowed the girl to be in peace. Eventually, she would have gotten over it or met someone before she resumed her gamma position. How did they expect Tia to help Caleb run the pack as his Gamma while unhappy?

How did they expect the best from her?

I did not know what to do. I did not want to touch Tia or claim her. It wasn't because I hated her, but because I knew she did not want me, and I am not the type to take advantage of another person. I will not mate with Tia against her will. I wasn't like Caleb.

He had messed up countless wolves and gotten a few pregnant, and my father and his mother had cleaned up the mess quietly.

I was looking back at everything. Caleb would be a terrible Alpha, but Stacy wanted her son there at all cost, and an accident after leaving the club, that had killed an innocent biker had granted her wish.

I tried to tell my father that I wasn't drunk, that my break had failed, but he wouldn't have it. Claiming I was a bad example, I stood there as Stacy escalated the matter. I knew the biker's life was important, but what about mine? I would have died.

Someone included silver in that accident for some strange reason, and I did not know-how. The biker would have survived if it

were not for the silver. Instead of my father investigating what was happening, he wrote me off and placed Caleb above me. I

waited for him to write Caleb off. After hearing about his escapades but my father didn't.

Instead, he had said it wasn't as bad as what I did. He keeps saying I took a life, but it wasn't really my fault. He creates excuses

for Caleb that he did not stand a chance against those girls. He kept saying everyone wanted to be Luna and wanted Moon

money. Why didn't I get involved with many girls when I was up for the Alpha position. I had only been with one girl all my life,

Elisabeth Barnes and thanks to Stacy; I will have to let her go and break her heart in the process. Stacy ruined three lives or

maybe four if Tia had someone for the sake of her son. I wasn't mad at her. I was angry at the weak alpha who allowed his Luna to do whatever she wanted. I could not hate my mother for dying, but she should have held on to life to spare the country and pack Stacy's cruelty.

I fixed up the bigger room for Tia and moved my things to the smaller room. I wanted her to be comfortable and cope with the situation. She was a victim in all this, not a gold digger or a slut, as I had implied to understand the situation better. The nineteen-year-old girl was a victim and nothing more, and neither were her parents to blame. They were powerless and rankless. They had no choice but to accept my father's offer. Being cast out and becoming a rogue was worse than death. The pack mark fades, making them unable to hold their human form, and then they will roam like wild animals in the wild. It was a pity. There was no second chance for rogues in my world. Once the pack mark fades, that is it. A wolf could only belong to one pack in its lifetime. I believe the mark thing was a cruel precaution to enforce loyalty, and the Alpha family had the right to take it away.

Bartholomew, my butler, walked into my room while I got ready for my date with Elisabeth.

“Master Luke, the boutique is here to deliver your bride’s clothes,” he said. I stood up from where I was sitting on the chair and

walked into the Master’s room that I had fixed up for Tia. I looked around. I had never slept in it; I had always slept in the smaller room. I realised that someone would be finally using it.

“Have them arrange her things in the walk-in closet. Move my things to the wardrobe, and put the rest of my stuff that could not

go into the wardrobe in storage. I do not use most of the stuff anyway.” I said, and Bartholomew nodded.

“Your father has invited you to a late lunch in the breakfast room. It will start in fifteen minutes,” Bart said, and I was mad. I had

plans and things to do. He should have told me earlier, so I would have fit it into my schedule.

I walked past Bart and headed to the right wing of the mansion where Stacy, Caleb and my father lived. It was the flashy part,

and it was all Stacy’s work. She liked money. Stacy was the real gold digger, not those poor girls Caleb had lied to. My brother

was a good pretender; I had to give it to him. No one but his innocent victims and us knew this about him. It was sickening. Yet everyone saw me as a drunk and a murderer. I walked into the breakfast room and found my father and his bitch eating. The sight of Stacy repulsed me. "Have a seat, Luke," my father said with an odd smile. I sat down quietly. There was a file on the table that had nothing written on it, and I wondered what it was. "Have you finally accepted the union?" he asked me, and I knew it wasn't a question. I had no choice. "Yes," I said to humour him out of obedience. "Make sure you keep her out of Caleb's hair," Stacy said, and I wanted to respond but held my peace. "She is already out of Caleb's hair. She had been since her parents told her about it." My father argued, and she rolled her eyes. "So she sent my son to fight me?" she asked. "That was all, Caleb. Stop trying to pin this on Tia. Did it ever occur to you that maybe Caleb genuinely liked the girl and only chose not to date her to please you?" My father asked, and I almost laughed because Caleb only loved one person, and that was himself. He kept Tia around because he knew she adored him and would do anything for him, but I held my peace.

“Anyway, I did not call Luke here to discuss Caleb. You seem always to find a way to make everything about Caleb.” My father said a bit angrily, and she turned away.

“Take this.” My father said, handing me the file.

“Sign them and keep a copy. My signature is already on it.” He said, and I wondered what it was.

“What is it, father?” I asked him, and he sighed.

“Since you will not succeed me as Alpha, It is only fair to hand the company over to you,” he said before saying a word. Stacy banged the table.

“Impossible!” she yelled, and my father sighed.

“The deed is already done, Stacy. I cannot change it.” My father told her, “ After your honeymoon, you will start to work at the

company and work your way up, but you own it after you have signed the documents. Working your way up will help you

understand the business,” my father said. Stacy tried to reach for the files, but I took them from the table.

“If you give him everything, where will that leave me and my son, Aesop?” She asked.

“When I mated with you, it was to take care of Luke and raise him as your son. Instead of being a mother, you chose to be his

adversary, tormenting him at every given opportunity. He would have been alpha if you hadn't run your mouth about the accident.

You made sure I had no choice but to put Caleb there. Well, Caleb will be alpha as you have wished, and Luke, his older brother,

would run the family business and control the money." My father said, and she sneered at him.

"You want a drunk to.." She said

"Compared to Caleb, he is a saint," My father said, and I could not believe the drama.

"Above all, Chloe and I started those businesses together. She owns ninety per cent of the capital. It is only fair I hand her

company over to her son." My father said, and I was shocked that they had been spending my mother's money.

"I was in financial trouble when I met Chloe, and she had loved me regardless. She covered my shame by letting me run her

business. Apart from the Moon mansion, everything belongs to her, and I will not betray her in death and give her legacy to

another woman's son. Caleb should be satisfied with being alpha, but the money and the companies belong to Luke's mother,

making it Luke's too. Take it or leave it." My father said, and I held on to the documents. I was going to sign it, make a photocopy and save the original in a safety deposit box at the bank, away from Stacy.

"If you die, what will happen to Caleb and me?" Stacy asked, close to tears.

"Well, if you were a good mother to Luke, I would have said he would care for you, but I doubt Luke and the unhappy wife you made me purchase for him would care about the woman that ruined their lives. Everything has consequences. I only went along with your plan because I knew that innocent Lockwood girl was too good to be with Caleb. She would be Gamma and would be the strongest consideration for Luna. I could not allow Caleb to damage her in good conscience," My father said, and I was shocked. My father had allowed the union to protect the Lockwood girl.

"Start a business. Learn how to make money instead of spending another woman's sweat, Stacy. So you can leave something for your son. Being alpha does not guarantee wealth, and Caleb cannot control Luke because Luke is the true alpha. We all



know how this will play out in the pack. Luke might have killed an innocent pack member, which disqualifies him for the position, but Caleb will only be alpha by name because he can never control or command respect and loyalty that Luke does,” My father said, Then turned to me and spoke. “You are now in charge of the business and your life. Do not expect me to get involved with your marriage. Take care of the family and the staff as you should as the head of the family. Your wife is a young girl. Be patient with her. I know you have a temper, Luke, but please spare that girl. None of you wanted this, but her qualification as Gamma has made me do this. It would be hard to see a strong young, promising wolf fade away in the arms of Caleb. Do your best for her.” He advised and stood up. That was my cue to leave.

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