

The Dragon Beside Me

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Long Yu Heng waited until the mechanics arrived. He watched the whole process until the woman safely drove away. Only then did he slide into the driver's seat. Long Yu Heng glanced through the rearview mirror and noted the change in Long Fei's expression.

"You're feeling better now?"

"Hmm..." Long Fei continued to look out the window. The slight smile on his face was evident.

Long Yu Heng was startled at the man's reply. Just a while ago, his face was very pale and it doesn't seem as if he was in a good mood. However, something changed in that short time he had left. "You seem to be in a good mood. What happened?"

A chuckle escaped him. "Yu Heng, we might find her soon."

His eyes lit up. "That girl you have been looking for? How?"

Long Yu Heng has been by his cousin's side for years and knew that their family has been searching for a girl that Long Fei had met twenty-five years ago. Initially, he had thought that everyone was looking for this girl because she had seen something that she should not.

However, Long Yu Heng later learned that the reason they were looking for this girl was that... something had happened between Long Fei and that girl. From then on, their fate was sealed.

At the thought that their search would finally be over, Long Yu Heng could not hide his excitement.

"That girl just now," Long Fei spoke slowly. "It seemed that she is related to the person we are looking for."

"How are you sure?"

Long Fei lowered his head. "I can smell it. Her blood. Her scent. It's hers. It must be her." He was sure that the girl was in that vehicle a few minutes ago.

The look on Long Yu Heng's face turned serious. If Long Fei could really sense her, then this must be the truth. This time, they are really close to finding that woman.

Although he should not be doubting Long Fei's intuition, Long Yu Heng could not help but wonder what would happen if he was wrong. He... did not want Long Fei to be disappointed.

"Fu Xing is already running an investigation," Long Fei continued. "It would not be long before we figure out her whereabouts."

Long Fei began to imagine their meeting after a long time.

He seemed to remember that adorable girl who would always come to find him. That time, the little girl had promised him that she would return to the small town to look for him again. However, she seemed to have forgotten about her promise.

His eyes turned darker and his lips curled into a dangerous smile. It seemed that he will have to punish her for failing to keep her promise.

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Su Ruan tapped her pen on her notebook as she watched the stylist work on the model. All of a sudden, cold wind brushed her body, making her shiver. Her heart skipped a beat as if it was warning her that something bad was going to happen.

She raised her head and started to look around. However, she could not see anything strange around.

All sorts of thought came to her mind and she realized that she was probably scaring herself. There's no ghost in this world, right?

Su Ruan quickly brushed those thoughts off her mind.

As she turned around to look at the model again, her phone on the table started to buzz.

Her eyes lit up when she saw the name on her screen. It was her maternal grandfather, Ma Hao Dong. Seeing that it will take time before the model was going to get ready, Su Ruan took her phone and leave the room.

She entered the emergency staircase and swiped her finger on the screen. "Grandpa." Her voice turned softer as she spoke.

The old man laughed happily. "Su Ruan, are you at work?"

"Mhm... but it's fine. I'm not very busy at the moment. The others are still setting up the set. I can talk. Grandpa, how are you?"

"I'm doing fine. It's just that... Grandpa missed you very much."

Her lips curled into a faint smile. "Grandpa, I missed you too."

Su Ruan felt a little guilty as she said those words.

After her parents had divorced, she haven't been visiting her maternal grandparents as much as she wanted to.

Her Grandpa would often tell her to visit him but her father would prevent her to go the small town. According to her father, while she was still a little girl, she had seen something in the woods and fainted.

Later, each time that her parents bring her back to the small town, Su Ruan would have an episode. It seemed that the town scares her.

After that, her parents had never taken her back to the small town.

However, Su Ruan did not have any memories regarding what her parents had told her. She could not remember if she was afraid of anything or what would happen to her whenever she came to the place.

Su Ruan only remembered the orchard and the apple trees lining up outside her Grandpa's place.

Now that she had grown up, Su Ruan would often plan to visit her maternal grandparents in that small town again. However, these days, she has been busy with work. It was hard for her to take a long off-day.

Moreover, her mother would often bring her maternal grandparents over to the city. She could still meet them without heading over to the small town.

"Come over and visit me when you're free. The apples are not in season at this time but the scenery around this place is the best. If you come over, I will take you to look around. The lake view is especially beautiful. These days, more tourists were coming over to stay at this town."

Her guilt deepened. "Grandpa, I will think about it."

"How about coming over to celebrate Chinese New Year with me this time?"

Su Ruan began to hesitate. "Grandpa, you know that I always celebrate New Year with my paternal grandparents."

Her paternal grandparents only had her as their grandchild. Meanwhile, her maternal grandparents had a few grandchildren and great-grandchildren. If she decided to head to the small town to celebrate New Year, then, her paternal grandparents' place would be very... lonely.

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Su Ruan could almost imagine her Grandpa's disappointment as she said those words. Taking a deep breath, she then spoke, "Then, how about after the new year? Grandpa, this time, I will surely take time to visit you, alright?"

"Alright. Then, I will wait for you to return." Ma Hao Dong knew that his granddaughter was only coaxing him as she made her promise.. However, there was nothing else that he could do other than believe that one day, his granddaughter, Su Ruan would visit them in D Town.