

Chapter 50

Late afternoon sun filtered through the wooden shutters of the bedroom and a light breeze was blowing sheer curtains. The murmur of the people from the street could be heard from the street and some boy calling for his grandmother woke up the Doctor from her sleep. She couldn't remember falling asleep at all. Finally realized after weeks of not having a proper sleep either due to constant earthquakes or her work. Her body slowly felt heavy recently. Yaz was still sleeping so she slipped her arm around her and palmed her stomach running her hand gently over the curve. She got used to it so much that she wondered what it would be like when it was no longer there. She decided for a change to lie in bed for a bit longer. Something she doesn't do very often, or even has a chance to do when she wants to.

"Sonya...when you get yourself sorted help me out with dinner, please" Nadja said as they walked through the door of the courtyard "And where is your sister?"

"Not sure...Maybe they're still out. Leave them be mum...they need time to themselves. Poor Doctor hasn't got a minute to herself ever"

"I didn't say anything Sonya I just need to know how many people I'm feeding. Since when are you so considering?"

"Thanks mum...Glad you think I'm a decent human being" she rolled her eyes going upstairs "I'll be down in a minute"

"Alright honey"

"Hey...You're back" Doctor waived from the top of the stairs

"Heeey!" Sonya smiled and came up to the Doctor unexpectedly hugging her

She wasn't used to people hugging her or for that matter expressing any emotions towards her in such physical way. But she started feeling more comfortable with it as time passed and even started to like a little bit if she was truly honest with herself.

"We had such a nice time OMG...I hope you had some fun as well"

"We have...I was showing Yaz the Ziggurat oh and we bought some really yummy treats. I left them in the kitchen. Did you know they have a wildest selection of fruit treats ever?"

"You do have a sweet tooth" Ryan said "She would eat any candy anywhere we travelled"

"Oh I do...did I tell you that console has a biscuit dispenser?...I'm rambling...sorry" she scrunched her face

"You probably wanna go and...well...have some privacy" she squirmed pointing to their floor

"Don't worry about it" Sonya chuckled "Wanna help me and mum with dinner?"

"Really? I'd love to...I'm not bad in cooking you know...It could be fun...I did hang out with Gordon for a while, and did I mention that when I married Queen Elisabeth I..."

"You whaaa?" Ryan and Sonya both said at the same time.

"Oh, long story..." she squirmed "It all had to do with Zygon...really complicated.... Please don't tell Yaz. I don't think her hormones can deal with it right now and I'm a big fan of being alive"

"Alright" Sonya laughed "Well you didn't waist any time did ya?"

"How many wives have you had?" Ryan frowned

"Oi! What's that supposed to mean?" Doctor jumped offended.

"None of your business mister" Sonya pulled him by the sleeve "Don't worry...our lips are sealed" she giggled

"I appreciate it"

"Alright see you in a kitchen in ten minutes Doctor. Where is Yaz anyway?"

"She's dead to the world.... I think her and the baby need more rest"

"Yeah...let them sleep. Bless her...her feet are like donuts...Alright...see you in ten minutes then"

"See ya" Doctor waived and ran downstairs

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Nadjia packed all the necessary groceries from the basement into a small basket she found in the kitchen. She was doing pretty well considering she was hundreds of years away from her time and Sheffield. She found it relaxing even though some household chores took a lot more work and effort to complete. It was also a welcome opportunity to have her whole family under the same roof again with the addition of the Doctor and Ryan. Most of the time she would forget that the Doctor was an alien and just look at her as a young woman her daughter married and be reminded of it every once in while that she was in fact thousands of years old. Being as it may, the Doctor broke the stereotypes of how people would normally imagine an alien thousands of years old and she didn't seem that different from any other human.

"Hiya...need help" Doctor suddenly appeared at the entrance of the basement making Nadjia scream almost dropping her basket

"Sooorry...Sooorry"

"Doctor...your walking like a ghost" Nadjia said breathless "Here...take this" she popped the basket in her hands "I need few more things and I'm good to go...When did you come back?"

"Two hours 35 minutes ago. Yaz and the baby are sleeping"

"Good...she needs to rest. So do you" Nadjia said putting onions in the basket

"I did have a nap...quite a long one as it goes" Doctor said as they climbed the stairs "Did me good...I didn't think I needed it so badly to be honest"

"You do...and you do need more. You still have dark circles underneath your eyes"

"Do I?" she scrunched her face

"Yeeees...Now you may be alien but surely even aliens need sleep" Nadjia smiled as they walked into the kitchen

"We do...just not as much as humans...But to be honest even I was pushing my limits lately"

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"This is fun" Doctor said haply chopping vegetables

"Told ya" Sonya smiled "Here put it into this" she popped the pot in front of her

"Where are Ryan and Hakim?" Doctor asked

"Went night fishing on the river" Nadjia said

"That's nice...I do love fishing.... very relaxing.... I do end up releasing all the fish though"

"What do you eat on your planet?" Sonya asked

"We do have solid food like fish, fruit and so on but mostly it's boring Sonya. Pill shaped food on solid strips, called Promarzzi bars. They are color coded depending on a taste. We do eat honey toast though. Human food is much more interesting...apart from pears...Don't ever eat pears Sonya"

Sonya laughed "Why not I love pears"

"What's wrong with pears Doctor" Najia asked confused

"Ewwwww nooo they leave horrible taste in a mouth" Doctor said disgusted

"I think they're nice" she giggled

"How can you eat that Sonya?"

"Dunno....I like them" she shrugged

"Neah..." she shakes "Blaaaah"

You're funny

"All done...That looks nice" Doctor said proudly and peaked inside of the pot "This is nice...all of us hanging around together like this?"

Sonya nodded happily "Do you and Yaz cook?"

"All the time...When we have time...Not much of it mind you. Might be now when the baby comes. Should be cause I'm taking a baby holiday...Is that what it's called?"

"What you mean is a maternity leave" Nadjia laughed

"Mmmmm" Doctor nodded "That's it....at least until she's big enough to travel"

"Alright...all done, and I need to put it to cook" Nadjia closed the pot

"Please let me.... It's heavy" Doctor grabbed the pot and moved it to a stove

"Thank you honey. Well, we can have some drinks now"

"I actually bought something today" Sonya said taking ceramic bottle from one of the shelves "The man said it's a nice fruit drink....Did you ever have this Doctor?"

"Mmmmm...I don't think so" the Doctor took the lid off smelling the contents of the bottle "Oh well, smells nice"

"Good" Nadjia grabbed some pitchers from the cupboard and popped them on the table

"What's the craziest place you ever travelled to?" Sonya asked

"Uuuu...dunno Sonya ...hard to say.... I've been to many places" she twisted her lips thinking "Ooooh I

know...well, not sure iff it's the craziest but definitely falling under one of the most unusual ones. I visited a place which would change and shape its surroundings according to your thoughts. The planet could connect to the synopsis in my brains creating different environments"

"Ooooh...so if I would think about Maldives, it would look like I'm there?" Sonya asked in amazement

"Yes...very interesting. Also, very confusing not to mention extremely dangerous"

"Why dangerous?" Nadjia asked "Seems like a dream place to me"

"Aaaaaa....see because it was a trap...Planets way of keeping you there forever as you lose the sense of what's real and what's not. Took me ages to find my Tardis"

"OMG that sounds like a horror movie" Nadjia shook her head "Uff"

"It was fun at first ...I had the most amazing ride on space water slide down the mountain...Great fun"

An hour later Yaz was woken by the laughter from the kitchen echoing across the house. She got up confused and quickly got dressed. As she was coming downstairs, she could hear the voices from the kitchen giggling even louder.

"Jedi...What's a Jedi? " Doctor frowned confused "And what's that?" she pointed to the drawing on the paper

"Oh get out...It's a lightsaber silly! ... How can you not know about Jedi?" Sonya laughed nudging Doctor's shoulder "Where do you live?"

"Tardis" Doctor bursts out laughing "Well you had no clue about the Dalek" Doctor said smut

"She thought it was a Dyson hoover" Nadja screamed

"Are you drunk?" Yaz frowned from the door

"Hey potato" Doctor looked at her a glossy eyes "Maybe"

"OMG you're all drunk" Yaz laughed "Is that Pictionary!?"

"Our Babylon 5 version of it" Sonya laughed "She's never seen Star Wars...What the hell Yaz....What did you two do for ten years?"

"Live under the console" Doctor laughed

"Chasing Dyson hoovers" Nadjia slumped her head on the table pissing herself laughing

"Exterminate" Doctor yelled

"OMG you're all wasted" Yaz screamed laughing

"Mmmmm..." Doctor looked at her with puppy eyes "See Sonya here bought this lovely drink Yaz"

"And there's not much left" Nadja said peaking inside

"Wanna try?" Doctor asked "Uuuu on a second thought you're a pregnant potato...I forgot"

"You forgot I was pregnant?" she laughed

"Maybe...old brains Yaz" Doctor grinned happily wrapping her hands around her waist and leaned her head on her tummy "Sooooorry munchkin...mummy has a bit of a head wobble"

"I think food is overcooked" Nadja opened the pot "Looks a bit mushy"

"I've had worse" Doctor raised finger in the air then slumped her head back on Yaz's stomach

"I think everyone needs to eat something" Yaz laughed

"Absolutely cause I feel a bit sick" Sonya said looking a bit grey

"Come on all you lot...sit down" Yaz shook her head laughing "You...let go...I need to get to the stove" she chuckled at Doctor practically sleeping on her

"But you're such a soft potato" Doctor rubbed her face into her tummy

"OMG" Yaz laughed as she was unwrapping her arms so she can get to the food

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"I do feel better for eating Yaz" Doctor stood in the middle of the room whilst Yaz was unbuttoning her trousers and stepped out of them holding on to her shoulders. She sat on the edge of the bed feeling dizzy.

"Arms up" Yaz shook her head laughing "You're still drunk though"

"It does feel a bit wobbling" she lifted her arms up

Yaz pulled her t-shirt off then lifted the bed cover "Come on...in you go"

"Where are you going Yaz?"

"Oh I'm just gonna go out for a drink with my mates"

"You whaaaa?" Doctor's eyes grew wide

"OMG you're so wasted" she laughed "What was in that drink?"

"It's Sedah...fermented pomegranate...I feel a bit sick Yaz"

"Oh baby...Wanna have some water?"

"Mmmmm..." she nodded looking like she's gonna throw up

Yaz never knew her to be sick and she was hopeful she wouldn't be. Not with Tardis outside the city walls anyway.

"Here you go baby" she passed her some water and stroke her head

"I'm so sorry Yaz...this is very embarrassing. I should be taking care of you"

"Oh don't be silly...you just got pissed.... Hey at least this time you didn't leave our stuff at the tavern.... that's an improvement" she laughed and kissed the top of her head

Doctor moaned uncomfortably and lied down again. She did not look well at all and Yaz was hoping she's going to sleep it off. She wasn't sure at this point if eating overcooked dinner was such a good idea as Doctor curled up in a ball. Yaz lied next to her and kissed her shoulder then blew out the little oil lamp next to the bed.

"Wake me up if you feel bad" she said quietly

"Mmmmm" Doctor mumbled "It must be at least 150 years since I felt like this Yaz"

"Not long then" she giggled

Yaz stayed awake for a while running tips of her fingers up and down Doctor's arm. She wasn't sure if she had fallen asleep or not and she wasn't going to ask either in case she had. She was woken up by the sound of water and saw Doctor standing in the bathroom with her arms splayed across the sink craning her neck.

"Babe...are you alright?" Yaz asked getting up

"I'm alright Yaz...go back to bed"

"Have you been sick?"

"Mmmmm" she mumbled with her head down

"Oh god...Why didn't you get me up" she said getting out of bed

"Not a fan of my wife holding my head above the toilet Yaz..." she huffed barely managing to get the words out. Then tucked her hair behind her ears and splashed some water on her face.

"Heeey...don't be stupid"

Yaz grabbed the towel and wiped her face "C'mere you silly woman" she slipped her hand around her waist helping her to get back to bed

"I'm so sorry Yaz"

"Stop saying that...Do you feel better?"

"Mmmm" she nodded sitting on the bed "I think so"

"I'll get Ryan if you want we can go to Tardis get you something. I don't know what to give you" she said stroking her hair

Doctor smiled from the corner of her lips "I'm drunk Yaz not ill" she took her hand and kissed her knuckles "Don't worry...I'll be fine...I got drunk before...I got drunk a lot worse than this when I was a bloke....I'd love to tell you more about it but right now I feel so bad"

"I'm just worried. Never seen you like this"

"Mmmm...seen myself worse" she smiled leaning her forehead on Yaz's stomach "Mummy's a drunk...sorry munchkin...Very embarrassing I must admit...Let's try and sleep Yaz" she said pressing her lips to her stomach

"But you wake me up if you feel bad...promise" Yaz put her finger underneath her chin raising her gaze "Promise?"

"Promise...I do think I'll be fine now Yaz. I honestly don't think anything is left in my stomach anyway" she said tucking herself back into bed "I'm really sorry"

"Will you stop saying sorry" Yaz laughed getting back into bed "But you've had a grait time"

"I have...That was so much fun...Your mum can be quite funny"

"I still can't believe you managed to get my whole family drunk" Yaz laughed

"It didn't taste like alcohol...We all thought it was just a nice fruit drink until it was too late"

Yaz giggled snuggling up to her "I wonder how them two are"

"Oh boy. I hope better than me"

"Nightie night baby" Yaz stroke her face with her thumb

"Night night sweet potato...Night munchkin" she peaked underneath the covers then rested her head on a pillow wrapping her arm around Yaz "I hope I'm not stinky"

Yaz burst out laughing "Noo you're not...sleep"

"Alright" she fell silent for a moment "Love ya" she then said quietly

"Love you too...party animal" she giggled

"Did I tell you..."

"Sleeeeeeep"

"Oh...sorry Yaz"

"You can tell me in the morning"

"Alright potato"

Yaz giggled snuggling up.

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"Morning!" Hakim said haply walking into the kitchen

"Morning dad" Sonya turned over her shoulder with a smile

"Don't yell" Nadja said grumpy sitting at the table

"I'm not yelling" he said confused and kissed her cheek "You alright?"

"She got drunk last night" Sonya laughed "We all did"

"OMG really?"

"Yeah...we got absolutely wrecked all of us including the Doctor" she giggled "It's all my fault I got some drink from the market"

Hakim laughed "Did you have a nice time? I bet you have"

"Mmmmm..." Nadja mumbled rubbing her forehead "I'm having a banging headache though"

"Morning" Doctor said with a rasp voice walking into the kitchen barefoot with sunglasses on her face

Sonya laughed as soon as she saw her. She was dressed in Yaz's blue cotton trousers loosely hanging off her and a white oversized cotton top which she assumed was also Yaz's as Doctor never wore it before. Her hair was curly and messy.

"Blimey...you look rough" Sonya smiled and kissed her cheek

"I feel rough" she said in a low voice making Sonya laugh even more "Me brains hurt"

"Sit down...want some brekkie?"

"Mmmmm..." she nodded "That'd be nice...thanks Sonya"

"It's alright" she giggled

"Do you girls need me to go and get you something from the Tardis?" Hakim asked "Some hangover Tardis meds maybe Doctor?"

"I'm sure I'll be fine...Should be...at least for this echoing to stop in me brains it's making things sound really weird" she put a finger in her ear "That's better..You don't look that good either Nadja"

"My head feels like a pumpkin....I think I'm gonna be sick again"

"Oh boy..." Doctor nodded

"Seriously Doctor I can go....It's no bother...I'll be back before you know it"

"Could you? I'd go but I'm afraid I might pass out half way to it...Seriously I think I'm getting too old for this"

Sonya laughed putting some breakfast in front of her "I thought you said you're still young"

"Mmmmm..." she mumbled concentrated on what she was writing on a paper "Here's what I need Hakim..." Doctor said passing him a note

"Oh...is that on left from the lever?" he pointed to the sketch

"Mmmmm...just don't touch that button there it tickles her"

"Right"

"Can I go?" Sonya asked

"Sure you can...We can have some Ice-cream on a way"

"There's no Ice-cream here dad"

"Or something then" he shrugged his shoulders

"Thanks for that Hakim I really appreciate it"

"Don't mention it Doctor"

Nadjia got up, she didn't look to good "I have to lie down"

"Oh god...alright mum" Sonya brushed her hand over her shoulder "We're gonna get something from the Tardis...don't worry"

"Mmmm...shot gun" Nadjia smirked and walked off

"Oh boy" Doctor laughed

"Alright...we're gonna go now Doctor" Hakim said

"Thank you so much....Oh Sonya thank you for the breakfast....this is really helping"

"No problem...enjoy...see ya later" she waived from the door

"See ya" Doctor gave them a waive and continued digging into her breakfast haply

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"You do know what you're doing, right?" Sonya asked as she left the house with her father

"It's not that complicated...look" he points to the paper " she wrote everything down "

"I just don't want us to mess something up...she's gonna kill us"

"We're not...don't worry. This is nice...you and me doing stuff together" he smiled hanging his arm over her shoulder "We haven't done this in a long time you and me"

"Nooo...we haven't" she smiled "I do miss it"

"You do?...Well...why don't you say so then?"

"I dunno...I suppose I had a weird faze when I thought it wasn't cool to hang around with you" she smiled and kissed his cheek "But I'm out of it now"

"Good...Oh look...I haven't had any breakfast...this looks nice" he points towards the man making pancake looking dish by the side of the road

"I haven't either...that looks yummy"

They took the breakfast and continued towards the Tardis.

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"So what do we do?" Sonya said as they walked inside "Seems weird being here without her...I'm still trying to wrap my mind over it being a spaceship" she said walking around the console

"I know...it does seem strange at times but I'm getting used to it.... Right...here we go" Hakim followed instructions and Tardis hummed in response switching all the lights on. The machinery started working and Hakim smiled satisfied "Yes!...it worked...it really worked"

"You're getting a hang if it dad" Sonya laughed "Can you imagine if we press something and fly off"

"OMG...don't" he laughed "I think I'd be more scared of your mum than Doctor"

"I think they'd both kill you" she giggled "Do you think she gets lonely?" Sonya asked sitting on the steps

"Who? Doctor? She's got your sister now Sonya and baby is on a way. I think her days of loneliness are finished. I do feel sorry for her...it couldn't been easy on her"

"Noooo...Tardis silly" she giggled "And yes I do feel sorry for the Doctor as well...she's a good girl...seems very sad sometimes though"

"Oh...maybe...I don't know...maybe not. She's a form of AI as far as I understand. Maybe she creates her own word when she's left alone or maybe she can go places inside her dimension...This is a whole world inside this box. So maybe she just goes on a nice holiday when Doctor leaves...gives herself a bit of a break"

"Could you imagine if people ever got a hold of this technology how they would absolutely abuse it"

Hakim sat next to his daughter and looked at the console, his eyes wondered around the control room for a moment before he spoke "Humans would weaponize it Sonya...use it to change historical events to fit their agenda politically. If we ever get a hold of this we would not only destroy ourselves...we would be

the end of the universe"

"It's sad isn't it...I mean you have this person who has all this power in her hands and all she needs to do is pull that lever" her eyes focused on the metal bar on the top of the console "and yet she doesn't even do it for herself... she carries all that pain inside.... of all the people she lost and all the things she's seen and she won't ever abuse it...you know change a course if history...I respect that a lot you know...it says something about her" she turned to her dad

"I don't think it's that simple pumpkin...I think she's very much aware of the laws of the universe that you and me can't even grasp...She has made mistakes...she's not perfect...but she's a good person and her hearts are huge...it's all that matters in the end of the day" he tapped his hand on her leg "Come on...I think it's all done" he said getting up

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Yaz smiled as she walked up to rooftop finding Doctor in a shade comfortably lounging in a massive wooden chair filled with cushions

"Hey potato" she lifted her head smiling as Yaz stepped behind her

"I was looking for you" she smiled brushing her hand over her neck and leaned over kissing her

"C'mere" she said lacing their fingers together and pulling her around to sit next to her

"You sure it won't break underneath me" Yaz giggled making herself comfortable next to her

"Neah...strong wood Yaz" she giggled "Had a nice sleep?"

"Mmmmm...how are you today?"

"Rough...but getting there...Needed my brains to sink agai3 Yaz...Things moved in very odd way" she smiled

"I see you went through my wardrobe" she laughed pulling the elastic of her trousers

"Mmmmm" she nodded smiling

"Looking good...you should wear it more often" she smiled slipping her hand underneath the loose top stroking her stomach

Doctor put her arms around her and kissed her temple "This is nice...I like this Yaz...feels like we're on one of those leisure planets"

"I love it" she smiled looking up at her

"Why don't we ever do this?"

"We do...every time we try shit follows us around" she laughed "Told ya...shit magnet" she giggled pressing lips to her cheek

"Cheeky potato" she giggled pulling her in shaking her playfully

"Aaaaa...shaking a baby silly" she laughed

"Ups....sorry munchkin"

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"Do we need to lock it?" Sonya asked as they stepped out of Tardis

"No...it locks itself...just need to shut the door properly" he said pulling the door shut.

"I'm a bit hungry again" Sonya laughed as they walked towards the main entrance of the city

"We can get some food for everyone if you want? I think dinner is gonna be on me today" Hakim laughed.

Suddenly, a strong explosion threw them both several meters to the ground. Hakim shielded Sonya's head with his hands as debris flew past them in the second burst of the explosion. Sonya opened her eyes and couldn't hear anything except for buzzing in her ears.

"Daaaad!" she cried out

"Sonya...are you alright?" he frantically grabbed her face between his palms and heard her muffled cries as he wiped her face from the dust. Her arm was bleeding with a splinter still stuck in her forearm.

"OMG!" she looked over her father's shoulder "TARDIS!!!!"

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