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New Adult Paranormal Romance Series - Wolf Shifters in Seattle

PART4: Penance (Dark Alpha 5)

Shifters live in the shadows of Seattle, just under the skin of the alpha male, dot-com billionaires who are building a new Silicon Valley in the Emerald City.

Jak's plan is a dangerous one... but will he even get the chance to carry it out?

Is love stronger than magic? Or will breaking an unbreakable bond destroy them both?

Penance (Dark Alpha 5) is 60 pages or 15,000 words. It's the fifth of six episodes in the Dark Alpha Series. The complete series box set is available as a bundle. All the individual episodes are available in kindle unlimited.

Contains strong sexual themes/language and is meant for readers over 18.

Penance Details

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Caroline Barker says

After the initial escape from Mace (Arianna's unwanted mate and alpha) in the last instalment, entitled Escape, it is Jak's every intention to ensure the safety of Arianna and her family from Mace's wrath. Even if it means he has to give up his own life to do so. The heat is on, but Jak has a plan, or does he?

Without Arianna's knowledge, Jak is to give himself to a witch in return for her to cast a spell to rid Arianna of Mace's magic bond to her. This should enable Arianna to live her own life, have her own pups, without Mace ever being able to have a hold on her or any child/shifter she bears.

The opening scenes are with Jak and Circe, the witch who is to carry out the spell. But first, she wants her taste of Jak's HOT wolf. This scene is intense, dark and will certainly make the reader feel just as sickened as Jak is. We know he is desperately in love with Arianna, and that's what the reader has to keep reminding themselves. That is why he is doing this. He needs the assurance that Arianna and her family will be kept safe. She needs to be unmated from Mace. But, will the deal with Circe go according to plan? Will the witch carry out her spell, or is she just using him to have her wicked way with him?

Meanwhile, Arianna is wondering where on earth he is, and what errand is taking him so long. She is sure he is in trouble. What if he can't reach her, can't get back to her? She knows the lengths that Mace will go to in order to get her back and seek revenge:-

“... Mace isn't just any mate – he's a bastard dark alpha. He'll tear through anything and anyone who stands between him and what he wants, and he really doesn't care who he has to kill to do it.”

During the course of Penance, Arianna learns of her family's help in trying to rescue her, and she wonders why everyone is helping her. There's Jak, her brothers, Sarra.... After all she has betrayed her bonded mate and alpha, and yet they accept her, and what is happening, even though their lives are at risk. But, she's come this far – she can't go back, and she couldn't have stayed!

With another 5* instalment, Alisa Woods' writing is simply amazing. With surprising turns in the story, strong characters and great fluidity this is a fantastic read. As with every episode thus far, there is so much packed into these short stories, not just with the storyline and action, but with the character building and their emotions – it really is hard to put down. And, you'll be begging for more!

To find out what happens you're going to have to check out Penance for yourself! But one thing is certain – it isn't the end until the final instalment, released on March 30th, 2015, which is also when the complete box set of Dark Alpha will be released for you to enjoy back-to-back episodes! I can't wait for Book 6, and for Alisa Woods' future releases!

A copy of Penance was provided by the author in return for a fair and honest review.

Jennifer says

ARC received from author for review

Oh my word! Jax deserves to be an alpha after everything he goes through. Now I'm holding my breath until I get the next part.

Letty (Cover to Cover Book Blog Reviewer) says

We are almost at the end of Jak and Arianna's story and it just keeps getting more and more intense.

Still running from Mace, Jak had a very important decision to make regarding their future. Should they just run and continue finding ways to hide or is there something else he can do? Can he really give up everything for Arianna, and free her from the mating bond she has with Mace?

Jak has made a deal with the witch Circe and he's planning on going through with it, but suddenly things are not happening as planned.

I started reading Part 5 and before I knew it, I was done. Did it really not take 5 minutes? That's exactly what it felt like. it was so interesting and fast paced that once I started, I didn't stop until it was over. I can't wait to see what the conclusion will bring us.

Carrie says

I received a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

Admittedly, it took me a while to get to finishing this installment. Somewhere along the lines, this book got lost in the shuffle of my daily reading and just didn't end up back on my kindle until the end of the year. Happily, however, I really enjoyed this one! While this series is definitely darker than my typical read, this installment was all about love and sacrifice.

Jak has already said that he is willing to risk his life for Arianna, but this book puts his convictions to the test. Will he really give up his life just so she can be free of her alpha? We also get to meet Arianna's family, who seems equally as determined to have her freed from the evil jerk that stole her away in the first place. While, of course, this ends without complete resolution, there was a feeling of happiness I got from this book that I didn't get from the others. Now I really can't wait to see what happens next between these shifters and witches!

Angela Withrow TheArdentReader says

Jak is on a mission and he will do anything to succeed! Even if it means betraying someone's trust! Arianna has no idea what he is up to, but she just hopes that he is ok. she knows her family is looking for her as well and this makes her very happy. But for how long? Can Jak break her bond with Mace?

The story is very intense and I can not wait to see how Alisa Woods will end this story! The plot thickens!!! One more volume to go and I can only imagine what is n store next!

Heather Carver says

If you haven't read books 1-4 in the Dark Alpha serial then you need to go and do that right now. This book is a continuation on them.

Jak had a major decision hanging over his head. Does he run with Arianna? Or does he go with the witches spell and risk losing his life? He is determined to keep Arianna safe, but if he dies who will protect her? He doesn't have long to figure it out because Mace will be looking for them soon. Will he make the right decision or will everything go astray? Can Arianna and Jak find love free of Mace's bond? Or are they destined to be apart for good?

I cannot wait for the final installment in this serial. I'm really excited to see how it ends and what happens with Jak, Arianna and Mace. Alisa Woods is amazing at leaving you salivating for more.

bookaholic ge says

I received this book as an ARC from Alisa Woods for my honest review.

This is the 5th book in the Dark Alpha series and I am simply in love! I would really like to be a fly on the wall when Alisa creates these short stories because they are getting better and better as the story progresses.

In this book plans become actions and Jak is 100% ready to show Arianna what he is willing to do to save her. Jak is a man after my own heart he is may only be a beta but he is more Alpha then any wolf in this whole series.

This book was great, it had a great story line, I believe the emotions the characters displayed. When I read the book it was like a movie playing out right in front of me down to the last scene where I held my breath and cried. You wont get any spoilers from me but I will say, if your not reading this book I don't know what you are doing with your life right now. Great series for a great price!

Linda ♥? Sassy, Classy && a Little Bit of Nasty says

4.5 Stars

This is what I've been waiting for! The books that precede this didn't do much for me. But now I'm excited to see how this serial will end! Bring it on, Alisa! :D

Diane Lynch says

Penance (Dark Alpha 5) by Alisa Woods In Penance, we meet Arianna's brothers and enter the next phase of keeping Arianna safe.

I thought I liked Jak in the other episodes. Wow, I don't know how anyone could not adore him after reading this installment. Jak is extremely selfless. He is a good man who is truly in love with Arianna. He would make an incredible Alpha. One that is fair, compassionate, and strong.

I like Arianna's brothers. They seem like good men. They would do anything for their sister. Heck I think anyone that gets to know Arianna well would do anything for her, except for evil Mace and his minions.

Penance was a fast read filled with excitement. I love this story. I cannot wait to read the last book.

Complimentary copy provided by author in exchange for an honest review.

Ilona says

Loving it

The story is heating up. Jak is about to risk everything in order to save the one he loves. Jak makes a deal with a witch in order to free Arianna from the mating bond of her cruel Alpha. Now that Jak finds a new Alpha to ensure Arianna's safety- Jak decides the witches spell is the only option. Unfortunately, when Arianna figures all the details of the breaking spell it is too late to undo. Is love stronger than a magically spell- only time will tell.

This story is hot, sexy and full of intense moments that are captivating and gives us hope love is stronger than a unloving magically power.

I can wait for the final installment.

Barb Shuler says

First off, I have to say thank you to Alisa Woods for providing me with an ARC of this installment. Second.. I LOVED IT! Not that I ever would have guessed different. As this serial unwinds I've grown to love the characters more and more. And this installment made my feels go all over the place. But that is always a good thing.

spoiler alert

This one is hard to review for the simple fact that from page one to the end its non stop, heart pounding and has you falling over yourself to get to the next page to see what is going on. I love Arianna and Jak, Jak is a good man on a mission to save the woman that he loves from Mace. He wants all traces of Mace gone so that

Arianna can get as far away from him as she can. Jak wants to keep her safe and more importantly he wants her to be able to have a real life. One where she is not controlled or manipulated by a dick-head alpha with a dark, manipulative side. Arianna needs a real man, a real wolf to take care of her, to love her and to be there for her. To protect her and her future.

Jak and Circe have a plan worked out. He will go to her, do what is asked and she will do the spell to take Mace's alpha bond from Arianna. He knows the risks associated with this spell. But nothing will stop him from doing it. Jak loves Arianna and love knows no boundaries in a time like this. When Jak meets Circe things change between them, so much so that she tries to discourage him from doing this spell.. but even she can see how much he loves Arianna. So she does him one better. Circe introduces Jak to Adrianna's brothers. Marco and Kalis. Both strong boys who had to grow up fast. Marco, the oldest has proven himself to Jak. Proven he can take care of his sister if this ends badly for Jak. Kalis is young but he will still be there to help protect Arianna.

When Arianna and Sarra meet them all at the Morgan Media group they pile in Sarra's jeep and head off to a secure location to do this spell.... then its game on. But when Sarra, who has been silently fuming this whole time figures out exactly what Jak is doing.. it may be too late to stop this from ending badly.

Ashley Martinez (ilovebooksandstuffblog) says

Wow!

I need to read the next one now! The anticipation is killer. There lots of tension and sweet moments in the episode building up to the finale. I'm not sure what more to say except I need to read the next one now!

Nancy♥The♥Bookaholic says

Jak will do anything and everything in his power to break the bond between Arianna and Mace. His plan to do this is a very dangerous one. I hope it's all worth it at the end. I'm ready to find out if he'll get his HEA.

~~3 HEARTS~~

Natasha says

Jak is going to meet Circe to make a deal and to meet Arianna's family to make sure they will take care of

her. Arianna is getting antsy waiting for Jak to call her to make sure he's not doing anything dangerous. It all comes down to whether they can make it through this very trying times with Mace's mating bond still intact. He still has a hold on her and he's not going to let her go. Jak meets Arianna's brothers Marco and Kalis and hopefully they can come up with an agreement so Arianna can be set free for good. Will they be able to help in time before she figures out what is going to happen next?

♥? Paulette says

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(The Dark Alpha Series)
Author – Alisa Woods

Well if I wasn't completely in love with Jak before, I am now. So willing to sacrifice himself for the woman he loves and what a mystery Circe is. It was pretty neat though seeing a witch who cares. Circe is a nice surprise. I loved Sarra and I hope she finds a man to love her..... Jak is going to meet Circe to make a deal and to meet Arianna's family to make sure they will take care of her. Arianna is getting antsy waiting for Jak to call her to make sure he's not doing anything dangerous. It all comes down to whether they can make it through this very trying times with Mace's mating bond still intact. He still has a hold on her and he's not going to let her go. Jak meets Arianna's brothers Marco and Kalis and hopefully they can come up with an agreement so Arianna can be set free for good. Another cliffhanger.
