

Chapter 38 - Edward and Alphonse.

"Nahida! I was talking about you with Nazuna." Bulma's eyes were shining. Nahida didn't quite know how to react, so she just kept a smile on her face and answered calmly.

"Welcome back, Bulma. Are you looking for a room?"

"I want a room, but I'm not just here to rest. I also came here to talk to you."

"Yes, I realized..." Nahida noticed this mainly because of her excitement when she saw him. Her eyes continued to shine, and her breathing became irregular. She was looking forward to talking to him.

"Can we sit down somewhere to talk?"

"Sure, no problem. Nazuna, can you pour us both some tea?"

"Hm? Oh, yes, of course. I'll ask Lucky to prepare it."

"Thanks."

Nazuna got up and ran towards the kitchen.

"This way, Bulma." Nahida signaled for Bulma to go ahead, and he followed her to one of the tables. Nahida pulled out a chair for Bulma to sit on, and she sat down. Her face was red because of the way Nahida was treating her.

He was suddenly acting like a gentleman.

Nahida sat down facing Bulma and then asked her to start. He was curious what she wanted to talk about.

"I'll be honest. Could you go on a date with me? I want you to go out with me, and we can get to know each other better."

Hearing Bulma's words, Nahida stood still for a few seconds before raising the corners of his lips. "A date? Sure, why not? Where do you want to take me? Or do you want me to choose a place?"

"I had a place in mind, if you don't mind."

"I don't mind. Is it a restaurant by any chance?"

"Something like that. Can I come here tomorrow? I can pick you up here with my car."

"Tomorrow? But aren't you going to sleep here tonight?"

"Yes, but I'll get up early tomorrow and go home. I'll return here in the evening to go out together."

"All right, in the evening is perfect." Nahida sighed, and then Nazuna arrived at the table carrying a tray with two cups of tea. After pouring, she bowed her head and then walked away. "But I didn't think you'd be so direct."

"Well, I was tired of waiting. I thought you'd noticed what I wanted and would ask me out, but you never said anything."

"I've only seen you twice before. There was no way I would approach you and ask you out. What if you treated me like a crazy person? It's better not to risk it." Despite knowing that Bulma was interested in him, Nahida decided to wait.

He knew he could make her uncomfortable if he suddenly approached her, even if she liked him. Besides, he didn't feel very confident, that's a problem he needs to solve.

"I would never do that! You should have talked to me and asked me out the second time I came here. I came here that day to see you, you know?"

"..." Nahida didn't know that Bulma could be so direct with her feelings, so he was surprised.
"Can I be a bit more aggressive from now on? Do you give me that permission?"

"Aggressive? What do you mean?" Bulma asked, her face flushed.

Seeing her reaction, Nahida smiled provocatively and then touched Bulma's face. She paled, and he felt her cheek, caressing her as if she were his woman.

Bulma reached her limit. Her face turned so red that Nahida thought she was going to faint.

After this little provocation, Nahida laughed, and soon Bulma recovered. The two continued talking for a few more minutes. Their conversation only ended when some fascinating new customers showed up.

Nahida wanted to welcome them.

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Two people had arrived.

A short boy with blond hair and an arm made entirely of steel. His height was like a child's, making his aura a little comical.

And besides the short boy, a large man in full body armor entered the hotel. Or so Nazuna believed. Unlike her, Nahida knew that there was no one inside that armor.

Nahida approached the Elric brothers with a smile.

"I'd like a room. We're on a trip; this is the only place we could find." Edward said to Nahida. Fortunately, there were rooms available.

"Sure. Nazuna, can you take care of it?"

"Sure, no problem. The price is 4000, and 5000 if you want a meal. You only want one room, right?"

"If the room has two beds, yes. Alphonse is too heavy for me to sleep in a bed with him."

"Hey."

"It's just a joke. Here you go." Edward handed Nazuna the money. After that, they both received a key.

"Do you want something to eat now? I can ask the cook to prepare something."

"I'm quite hungry. I'd better have him prepare a lot of food." Edward smiled and went to one of the tables with his brother. After they got there, Edward said that his brother wouldn't eat.

He didn't explain the situation exactly, which was understandable.

"So... Food for one person? I see." Nahida confirmed with him, pretending not to know about Alphonse's situation.

'That's interesting.'

Nahida went into the kitchen and asked Lucky to prepare the best food he could. While in the kitchen, Nahida decided to try the Brazilian stroganoff that Lucky had prepared.

"Hmm, that's very good. Did you serve it to the customers?"

"No, I made it just for you to try. Besides, the customers haven't arrived for lunch yet. They'll start arriving now."

"Oh, that's right. I thought it was later, and they'd already eaten. I spent less time at Rimuru's house than I thought. All right, you can prepare more of this to serve Edward."

"Edward?"

"Yes, he's a new client who's just arrived. Make a good amount of this. You can also serve it to the other customers who start arriving."

"Right!" Lucky replied with a smile.