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"It wasn't easy." Alyssa smiled. "Only those who are unbelievably close or on good terms with Rose Emerson would be invited today, and each one a pillar in the fashion community—that or a VIP client of hers, I wonder which category you fall into, Ms. Gardner?"

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She was terrified that Alyssa might suddenly reveal she was married to Jasper. If that happened, Liana would be labeled a sleazy mistress.

"That's enough, Lia!" Jasper ordered, his tone sharp.

Everyone's gaze then fell back on Alyssa.

Was this remarkable and beautiful young woman really from the country? They couldn't tell one bit. Her sense of fashion and confidence

+15 BONUS

"I was trying to be polite, Jasper, but she clearly harbors hostility toward us Plus, wasn't) tefing the truth? Liana pouted, feeling like she had won once again.

"Ms. Emerson is here!" someone suddenly cried out

Above the quests on a winding staircase was Rose Emerson herself, slowly descending. She was dressed in a rose-colored jumpsuit straight from her brand Rozabeta, her hime cut hairstyle giving her a proud, royal look

But the moment she spotted Alyssa amongst the quests, her expression changed.

A grin spread across her face as she ran the remaining way downstairs.

"Why didn't you tell me you were coming over, Madam? I've missed you, you old geezer!" She squealed happily, running toward Alyssa.

Today's Bonus Offer

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He didn't like how things were going. He never participated in any dinner parties or high tea events unless he had to meet with a client. Right now, he fell like he was being taken advantage of by Liana

Sure enough, his appearance shocked many of the quests.

Isn't that Jasper teckell from Beckett Group?

It really is him! Damn, he's even more handsome in person!"

"Who's that woman with him? How lucky the must bel

"What? Don't you know who that is? That's Liana Gardner, Mr. Beckett's fiancéet She's the one he divorced his ex-wife for. Imagine that!"

"Oh, my God! Are you kidding me?"

Liana was high on all the gossip, feeling unbelievably proud of herself. To her, every woman here was envious of her because she had successfully won over a man as fine as Jasper Becket