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A porcupine filled with desperation seeks help from her fairy godmother and ends up at the Crossroads for a makeover and a Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) chance at love.

Pansy is desperate. She is the only porcupine in a family of wolves, and her body is bound tightly to the local area with wild magic. All in all, she isn't prime dating material.

When her fae godmother sends her to the Crossroads and makes special arrangements for her, she wasn't sure what to expect, but a full-on Cinderella-style makeover wasn't it.

Arriving at the Crossroads is a problem, the wild magic in her system literally blew the roof off the Meditation Centre and that is only the beginning of Pansy's problems.

Axander headed to the Crossroads when he couldn't find the woman for him back at home, but travelling to the shifters' dating dimension, he finds that Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) the woman he wanted was in front of him the whole time. She was just protected by scent-masking engine oil and an entire pack of wolves.

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## Chapter One

Pansy Medeela swallowed heavily as she watched the man of her dreams approach. Yes, she had had a crush on him for Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) the last five years, but she knew that, to him, she was simply a mechanic.

“Good afternoon, Mr. Barkley.” She hadn’t had time to clean up, so she stood there in her boiler suit and grease smudges.

“Afternoon, Prix. Is she ready yet?” He referred to his 1960 Oldsmobile 98.

“She’s ready, but you have to take better care of her. She is not designed for country roads. I pulled two pounds of gravel from her undercarriage.” Pansy handed him the bill and watched him sign for the repairs before giving him his keys. The repairs would be put on his account and settled at the end of the month.

“Well, I am glad that I got this out of the way. I am heading to the Crossroads at the end of the month. Hopefully, I will find the woman for me.”

He winked at her Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) and left her standing behind the counter, her hopes and dreams crushed in his wake.

Pansy was reeling. She didn’t know what to do. Since she had first found him and Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) his classic car by the side of the road, she had had a crush on Axander Barkley, honey badger.

“Who was that, Prickles?” Her brother Thomas came up beside her.

“Barkley. He retrieved his Olds.”

“Right. You did great work on that. She looks like new.”

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“She deserves better than a self-centred jackass like him. Excuse me.” She left her stunned brother and retreated to the break room where two more of her relatives were sitting and having coffee.

Her father and second youngest brother blinked at her arrival and got to their feet.

She snarled at them and slammed Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) out the back door of the shop, heading for the woods.

Pansy climbed a tree and sat there, trying to figure out what to do next. Her life revolved around her family and fixing cars. She loved the cars, but she wanted more from life than simply fixing other people’s toys.

Andrew came and stood at the foot of the tree. “What is wrong, Pansy?”

He was the only one of her brothers not to call her Prickles or Little Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) Prick. It was hard being not only the only girl in a family of men, but also the only porcupine in a family of wolves. She was a random, and it made her life hell when she tried to get outside her own social circle. No one wanted to mess with the pack.

“I Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) am stuck, Andrew.”

He blinked. “In the tree?”

She laughed. “No. In my life. Even Barkley is heading off to the Crossroads and I am stuck fixing car after car and being surrounded by fangs and tails. I want a life. I want a family, Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) babies, a chance to have a man that doesn’t hump the couch in his shifted form.”

He chortled. “Yeesh, do it once and you are branded for life.”

Pansy slithered out of the Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) tree. “I just want more, and I need to go where no one knows me or you or anyone in the Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) family.”

“The Crossroads is expensive, Pansy. We Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) can’t afford it.”

“I know. I am thinking of moving.” She didn’t mention that *she* could probably afford it. It wasn’t really a matter of money; it was a matter Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) of the pack.

His shock was visible. “Leave? You would leave?”

“I think I have to. I am not a Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) member of the pack. I am not one Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) of you even though I know you love me. I do not doubt that I have a wonderful and protective family, Andrew, but how can I find a mate if I

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can't get out of that protective circle?"

He put his hands on her shoulders and his forehead against hers, snuffling gently for comfort. "Next week is your party. Aunty Keelie will be there, and she might have some ideas."

Pansy perked up. Her godmother's visits were always wonderful, even if the presence of a fairy set her father's teeth on edge. Pansy was the only woman she knew with an actual fairy godmother.

"Did Dad actually let her have the right date and time this time?" She smiled.

"Yup. He gave the invitations to Dougal, and Doug shuffled them before putting them back into their envelopes. No fairy weed, hexes or crushed carob this time."

Pansy sighed in relief. The drama surrounding her birthday parties was legendary. Her father moved location, gave Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) Keelie the wrong times and even went so far as to bribe transporters to hide the event. Somehow, her godmother always Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) managed to find her and give her her gift.

When she was young, she was given jewellery that she thought was pretty. Now that she was an adult, she knew that she had enough money in gems to buy a large chunk of the countryside. When she turned fifteen, the gifts had become more practical, classic cars and deeds to property near her father's home. Now that she was turning twenty-five, she had no idea what the gift would be, but she knew that her godmother would be happy to see her. She always was.

"Come on, Jarrod is making dinner and it isn't spaghetti."

Pansy grinned. "Oh good. Little Prick (Shifting Crossroads Book 9) Pot roast!"

Andrew tucked her under his arm and steered her through the woods, down the path from the garage to their home and into the pack house.

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