**Episode 114**

**In Ryan’s Kitchen with Amanda sat down at the table, looking up at Jasmine. Jasmine closes the door and turns to Amanda; Amanda continues looking at the baby scan photo**

Amanda – Fifteen Weeks and two days it says here; which makes it May. You weren’t with Ryan then, were you?

Jasmine – Well, the Hospital must’ve made a mistake, they must’ve put the dates in wrong.

**Jasmine takes the baby scan photo from Amanda and sits down by her**

Amanda – Really? It’s not his, is it?

**Jasmine looks at Amanda and shakes her head**

Amanda – I’m not having you deceive that poor boy, Jasmine!

Jasmine – Mum—

Amanda – No, I mean it! I am not standing by and watching you live a lie. You’re going to have to tell him!

Jasmine – He knows.

**Amanda looks at Jasmine in shock**

**In Izzy’s living room with Deborah sat down on the sofa with a glass of champagne in her hand. Oliver enters, taking his coat off**

Oliver – You alright, love?

**Deborah nods**

Oliver – What’s happened to the party?

Deborah – I don’t want to talk about it.

Oliver – Why?

**Oliver puts his coat on the table and walks over to Deborah**

Oliver – What is it? What’s happened?

**Oliver sits down on a sofa nearby Deborah**

Deborah – Liz said some stuff about me. I lost it.

Oliver – Well, what sort of stuff?

Deborah – It was horrible, Oliver! She made out I’m a waste of space, just because I’ve failed Izzy one too many times!

Oliver – How dare she; the stupid cow!

**Oliver stands**

Deborah – No, please, Oliver, don’t! She’s been enough trouble for one day.

**Oliver’s mobile rings, he takes it out his pocket and he looks at it**

Oliver – I’m just gonna get myself a glass of champagne, yeah?

**Deborah nods and Oliver walks into the kitchen, closing the door behind him and putting his mobile to his ear**

Oliver – Thanks for calling back. Yeah, I really want to get the ball rolling as quick as possible.

**Oliver takes a bottle of champagne out the fridge and puts it on the kitchen counter**

Oliver – Oh, that’s fantastic news!

**Oliver smiles, opening the champagne bottle**

**In Ryan’s kitchen with Jasmine sat down at the table, Amanda’s stood by her**

Jasmine – Ryan just wants me, Mum; he just wants to be a family, that’s all what matters!

Amanda – Now, maybe. But what about when it’s born? It might not look anything like him! People will start asking questions!

Jasmine – Not all babies look like their Dad’s!

Amanda – Well, what if this one does?! Who is it, Jasmine?

Jasmine – It was just a one off.

Amanda – Do I know him?

Jasmine – No!

**Jasmine stands and leans against the Kitchen Counter, facing Amanda**

Amanda – Well, what if he finds out and wants to be part of the baby’s life?!

Jasmine – That isn’t gonna happen, Mum; he’s out of the picture!

Amanda – You can’t know that!

Jasmine – I’ve had enough listening to this!

**Jasmine walks to the door and Amanda blocks the door from Jasmine**

Amanda – Lies; they destroy families! Maybe not this year, or even ten years down the line, twenty! But, one day that child will find out, and then what?!

**Jasmine leans against the Kitchen Counter by the door and stares at Amanda madly**

Amanda – You’ve got to do the right thing, Jasmine.

**Amanda sits down at the table**

Amanda – Tell the truth.

**Jasmine looks down at Amanda sadly**

**In Liz’s living room with Liz sat down with earphones on listening to the tape on Oliver’s laptop, Liam enters**

Liam – Mum? MUM!

**Liz jumps and stops the clip, taking her earphones out**

Liz – Yeah?!

Liam – I thought you said we shouldn’t listen to that disgusting filth again?

Liz – Absolutely! It’s just that I was looking here—Just checking to see which file it was so that I could delete it! Did I hear the phone?

Liam – Oh! I’m surprised it registered through all that huffing and puffing!

Liz – Who was it?

Liam – It was Auntie Marina, she said she wants you to call her about arranging something at the weekend.

**Liz stands**

Liam – I told her we’d struggle, seeing as we’re so short on staff.

**Liz looks through a folder**

Liz – No, it’ll be fine!

Liam – Mum, this is getting ridiculous.

Liz – I said I can manage, Liam.

Liam – No, I’m gonna call Harry; I’m sure I can ask him to do a shift at the restaurant or something?

Liz – No! No, he’s made his decision and we have to respect that!

**Liam picks up his mobile**

Liam – No, look you can just message him and—

Liz – I said, “*No!*”

Liam – Mum, what’s got into you? We have to make Harry welcome to the Hotel, don’t we?

**Liz snatches Liam’s mobile off him and slams it to the floor, she slams down Oliver’s laptop lid**

Liam – MUM?!

**Liz picks up the laptop and exits, slamming the door behind her**

**In Ryan’s Kitchen with Jasmine and Amanda sat at the table**

Jasmine – Me and Ryan have made our decision, and it’s got nothing to do with you.

Amanda – Then you’re making a terrible mistake.

Jasmine – I’m happy, Mum. I feel strong and good about myself for the first time in ages! Maybe ever! If this gets out, I don’t know if I can handle it, Mum. I don’t know if I can handle the questions, and suspicions! You know what it’s like; don’t make m go there, please Mum!

**Luna enters and looks at Amanda**

Luna – Come on, Birthday Girl, we’re all waiting!

**Luna exits and Amanda looks at Jasmine**

**In Ross’ living room with Lauren stood by the table, closing Louise’s suitcase. Court enters and Lauren opens the suitcase again**

Court – What are you doing?

Lauren – I want you to have a look in here! Look at it.

**There are piles of new clothes in the suitcases**

Lauren – EVERYTHING in here is brand spanking new! Look, they’ve still got all the labels on!

Court – Just let it go, Lauren!

Lauren – No, she’s up to something, Court, and I’ve got to find out what it is.

**Court rolls her eyes and exits, Lauren closes the suitcase**

**In Ryan’s living room crowded with people, Luna, Elliot, Jasmine and Ryan are amongst the crowd. Amanda enters**

Elliot – Here she is! The Grandmother to be! I bet you’re chuffed to bits, eh?

Ryan – Amanda, you’re happy for us, aren’t you?

Amanda – Of course!

**Jasmine turns to Ryan**

Jasmine – Ryan, can I talk to you for a minute?

Ryan – Yeah, sure!

Luna – No, you can’t! Because I need him! Elliot, come on; we’ve got a surprise for Amanda!

**Luna leads Ryan and Elliot out the room, exiting**

**In Rach’s kitchen with Sophs looking through the fridge, Rach is stood by the door and Sophs pulls out a tin of rice pudding**

Sophs – There’s not much I can do with a cold nugget and half a tin of rice pudding.

**Sophs puts the tin back in the fridge and closes the fridge door, turning to Rach**

Rach – We could go out?

Sophs – You and me?

Rach – Yeah! Why not? I fancy a curry!

Sophs – Well, I am hungry!

Rach – We could order something at the restaurant?

Sophs – Yeah! Yeah, OK, I’ll just go and get ready! I won’t be long.

**Sophs exits, closing the door behind her. Rach takes her mobile out her pocket and looks at it, she texts someone,** *“We’re on.”*

**In Izzy’s living room with Deborah sat on the sofa, Oliver enters holding some letters**

Oliver – Do you want a takeaway?

Deborah – Oliver—

Oliver – No, listen, Izzy’s gone out, you deserve a little treat.

Deborah – I’m not really in the mood.

Oliver – I’m trying to cheer you up here! There must be some rubbish on the tele that you want to watch! I don’t—I promise you; you can watch it to your Heart’s content and I will not complain! Sort yourself out some food, I’m gonna go and get my coat!

**Oliver exits, walking into the bedroom. Deborah picks up a menu from a Chinese restaurant and Liz enters holding Oliver’s laptop, slamming on the table. Deborah stands**

Deborah – What the hell do you think you’re doing?!

**Liz opens the laptop lid and turns it on**

Deborah – Isn’t that Oliver’s laptop?

Liz – You’re not the only one who’s playing sick games behind everyone’s back!

**Liz presses *“****Play***” on a clip**

Liz - And I am not the one with a dysfunctional family!

Sophs - **\*On a tape\*** Shall I take this off too?

Oliver - **\*On a tape\*** Oh, yes please!

**Deborah stares at Liz in horror**

Sophs - **\*On a tape\*** What does she call you when she’s excited? Go on! If you tell me, I’ll take it all off!

**Oliver enters, walking out the bedroom**

Oliver - **\*On a tape\*** Well, sometimes she calls me “*Captain Holmes*”!

**Liz turns to Oliver and exits, closing the door behind her**

Sophs - **\*On a tape\*** Well, Captain Holmes, I’d better take this off or you might make me walk the plank!

**Oliver runs to the laptop**

Deborah – Leave it, Oliver.

Oliver - **\*On a tape\*** Oh, Sophs; Deborah could learn a lot from you!

**Sophs laughs on the clip**

**In Ryan’s living room with a crowd of people dancing. Ryan enters and switches the light off and walks to Amanda and Jasmine. Elliot enters holding a cake with candles lighted on it, followed by Luna, they all sing**

Elliot – Happy Birthday to you! Happy Birthday to you! Happy Birthday, dear Amanda!

**Elliot places the cake on the buffet table**

Elliot – Happy Birthday to you!

**Ryan hugs Jasmine from behind and they all clap**

Luna – Speech!

Amanda – Oh, no! I can’t do speeches!

Luna – Oh, come on, Amanda; don’t be shy!

Amanda – Well, actually, there is something I need to say!

Luna – Oh, let me just get my camera!

**Luna gets her handbag from the side and gets out her camera**

Amanda – Firstly, I would like to say, “*Thank you*” to Luna and Elliot for making my Birthday so special! And Secondly—

**Amanda turns to Ryan and Jasmine**

Amanda – Congratulations to Ryan and Jasmine! Who are gonna make wonderful parents!

**Derek walks over to Ryan and Jasmine and smiles at them; everyone claps and Luna pulls her camera out to Jasmine and Ryan**

Luna – Smile, Jas!

**Ryan and Jasmine smile and Luna takes a picture**

Luna – That’s great! Come on then, blow out the candles so I can take a picture! And don’t forget to make a wish; go on!

**Amanda walks over to the cake on the buffet table, Amanda blows the candles out and Luna takes a picture, everyone cheers**

**In Izzy’s living room with Deborah sat at the table crying, with Oliver’s laptop in front of her, Oliver stood on a chair nearby**

Deborah – How could you do this to me AGAIN, Oliver?! With THAT?! I mean; a recording of it, have you been listening to it every night since, then?!

Oliver – I went over to Sophs’ one night, and I got drunk; Alex got me to go round and—I thought I deleted it.

Deborah – It was on your laptop, Oliver! What if Izzy or Sarah found it?!

Oliver – You don’t understand—

Deborah – No, I don’t!

Oliver – You went out that night and I panicked when Alex cornered me, and he blackmailed me into going to Sophs’ flat and I can’t remember what happened after we had a drink!

Deborah – So, that makes it okay, does it?

Oliver – No! She got me drunk, Deborah. I was flattered!

Deborah – If that’s the best you can do—

**Deborah laughs, hiding her tears**

Oliver – It was a set-up.

Deborah – How many times did you do it with her?

Oliver – Just the once, I swear.

Deborah – LIAR!

Oliver – No, it’s the truth!

**Deborah stands, looking at Oliver**

Deborah – Well it sounds like it was worth it, then! Is there a video of it as well? Like Carly down the alleyway?!

**Oliver stands**

Oliver – Listen, I can explain! It’s the biggest mistake I’ve ever made and I really—

**Oliver grabs Deborah’s arm and she pulls herself away from him**

Deborah – GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME, OLIVER! I should never have forgiven you for what you did with Carly!

**Deborah exits, slamming the door behind her**

**In the restaurant with Amy, Lauren and Sasha sat down at a table, a waiter is by them and Louise enters**

Louise – Oh, Lauren! Do you mind if I sit there?

**Lauren rolls her eyes and stands, Court enters**

Louise – I just want to grasp every moment for the last time!

Lauren – No. No, of course I don’t. Be my guest.

**Lauren walks over to Court and Louise sits down between Amy and Sasha**

**In Ryan’s living room crowded with people, focussed on Ryan and Derek eating cake**

Derek – The icing’s like concrete! Chuck it in the bin, will you?

**Derek takes the icing off the cake and passes it to Ryan. Ryan exits and Luna walks over to Derek holding a tray of cakes**

Luna – You polished that off a bit, Derek! It’s gorgeous, init?

**Luna places a slice of cake on Derek’s plate**

Luna – Here, have another slice!

**Ryan walks over to Derek, hiding a laugh**

Luna – I can’t take all the credit though! I’ll get samples half price, so if you want anything special—?

Derek – Thanks, Luna! I’ll—I’ll let you know!

**Luna exits and Derek looks at Ryan, beginning to laugh**

Ryan – What?

Derek – I just can’t believe it! I can’t believe I’m gonna be a Granddad! It feels like last week Jasmine was born! I’m really chuffed for you both. It’s just—Me and Jasmine will never be like we used to.

Ryan – Well, things might change!

Derek – No, they won’t. I’ll give you a bit of advice; just be true to yourself. Honest. Alright? No matter what! Don’t lie, because they made me lost everything I had! I want to do it right this time; I want to be a better Granddad than I ever was a Dad! I owe Jasmine that.

**Ryan smiles at Derek**

**In the restaurant with Sophs and Rach sat down opposite each other at a table. Jason enters and walks over to Rach**

Jason – Alright, gorgeous?

Sophs – Umm—I thought it was just gonna be us?

**Jason sits down next to Rach**

Sophs – Look, no offense, the last thing I need is to play gooseberry on a night out with a couple of losers pretending to be friends.

**Sophs stands, picking up her handbag**

Sophs – I’m really sorry!

Rach – You won’t have to.

**Sophs turns and Kieran’s stood in front of her. Sophs turns to Rach**

Sophs – You must be joking.

Rach – Look, right now you need as many friends as you can get!

Kieran – What are you playing at, Rach?

Rach – Sit down, we’ll talk about it!

Sophs – No, it’s fine! Kieran, you stay. I was just leaving anyway.

**Rach stands looking at Sophs and Kieran**

Kieran – No, don’t be stupid. I’m going; I’ve lost my appetite already all of a sudden anyway.

Rach – Look, no one is going anywhere, OK?

**Sophs rolls her eyes and sits down opposite Rach. Rach sits down and Kieran takes his coat off, sitting next to Sophs. Jason picks up the plate of garlic bread**

Jason – Garlic Bread, anyone?

**Kieran takes a slice and puts it on his plate**

**In the restaurant kitchen with Deborah leaning against the wall, wiping her tears away. Sarah enters**

Sarah – What are you doing in the dark, Auntie Deborah?

**Deborah looks at Sarah and Sarah sees her tears**

Sarah – Auntie Deborah?

**Sarah looks at Deborah sadly**

**In the Picnic Area with Amanda sat down on a bench looking up at the Hotel. Jasmine enters**

Jasmine – I wondered where you were!

**Jasmine sits down next to Amanda**

Jasmine – You’re missing out on all the fun! Thank you, Mum; for not saying anything. I’m gonna make you so proud!

**Jasmine grabs hold of Amanda’s hand and smiles, Amanda smiles back**

Amanda – You’re strong, Jasmine; Stronger than I ever was. You’re gonna make a wonderful Mum! Kelsey would be proud of you if she was here.

Jasmine – I miss her, Mum.

Amanda – I know. Do you know what I wished for when I blew out the candles? I wished that this baby would bring you all the happiness you deserve.

Jasmine – It will, Mum! I know it will; I’ve never been happier! It just feels right about me and Ryan now!

Amanda – That’s wonderful! Isn’t it?

Jasmine – Yeah, it is!

**Amanda laughs and hugs Jasmine, Jasmine holds onto Amanda, hugging her with a smile on her face**

**In the Restaurant with Kieran and Sophs sat next to each other at a table opposite Jason and Rach**

Rach – Look, Jason! They’re doing Christmas specials!

Jason – That’s months away!

Rach – Yeah, but these things get booked up really quick though, don’t they?

Jason – Well, maybe me and you could go?

Rach – Yeah! Yeah, why not?

Kieran – What about you, Sophs? Got any plans?

**Sophs rolls her eyes, looking at Kieran**

Sophs – What do you think?

Kieran – Could always see if Derek’s available.

**Jason laughs**

Kieran – No, seriously; she prefers the more mature man!

Jason – Are we all ready to order then?

**Sophs turns to Kieran again**

Sophs – Yeah! Why don’t you try today’s special?! Death by Curry. With any luck, it might actually work.

**Rach rolls her eyes. Around the table with Lauren, Amy, Louise, Sasha and Court sat around the table eating**

Louise – This is nice... For a Hotel.

Lauren – Well, we like it!

Louise – Oh, you must be mistaken, Lauren! I have wonderful restaurants with walking distances!

Lauren – Oh, I’d love to go(!) Can I ask you something, Louise? What made you settle in France?

Louise – Well, apart from the food; it was the climate, the language, and the men!

Amy – You know what they say about the French; some of the best lovers in the world!

Court – Yeah! Apart from they smell of garlic, fags and coffee.

Lauren – Well, is there anyone special in your life at the moment?

Louise – Not since Sebastian!

Sasha – Who?

Louise – Oh, he was so handsome, and kind and he wanted me to marry him! But on condition, I’d given up the business, and he would’ve done anything! Anything for me at all.

Lauren – Oh! I would’ve thought that you’d jump at the chance!

Louise – Oh no, Lauren! My independence is far too important! I had to say goodbye to him.

Lauren – You’ve changed your tune. You were always interested in Alex because of the size of his wallet.

Louise – I gave Alex the best years of my youth! Besides, money is always meaningless without a family or friends to share it with! Which is why I came here for my old Jamba friends. I just hope it’s not too late.

**Amy glares at Louise and sips her drink**

**In the Restaurant Kitchen with Deborah sat down, Sarah enters and pours a glass of vodka for Deborah, she passes it to her, sitting down by her**

Sarah – Drink up, Auntie Deborah!

**Deborah glugs down the drink and places the glass on a table nearby**

Deborah – All the time Oliver was out—He—He was having sex with Sophs, and if I find out if it was in my flat I’ll kill him!

Sarah – Stop torturing yourself!

Deborah – Why did I let him into my flat, Sarah?

Sarah – Because you made a promise to Izzy, and for some twisted reason you love Oliver.

Deborah – Not anymore.

Sarah – When you found out about his and Carly’s fling he was in a terrible state.

Deborah – It didn’t take him long to bounce back though, did it?

Sarah – He’s been vulnerable because of Alex, Auntie Deborah!

Deborah – I thought you would be on my side?

Sarah – I am! But, we all make mistakes.

Deborah – So I’ve just got to shut up like a good girl? Forget it ever happened?

Sarah – You have a man that loves you. You think REALLY carefully before you throw all of that away.

**Deborah looks at Sarah, wiping away her tears**

**In the restaurant with Kieran and Sophs sat down opposite Jason and Rach; they’re all eating**

Jason – I’m not boring you, am I? I can go on a bit!

Kieran – No, mate; this is completely fascinating!

Jason – So, I’ve got half an hour before Geoff comes back; I knew he would kill me if he found it!

Rach – So, what did you do?

Jason – Here’s the clever bit! I got a magnet and—

Kieran – Magnet! Oh my god, a magnet! Magnet! That is genius! Rach, where did you find him; from the houses of parliament or something?!

Jason – I haven’t got enough money to go there, man.

Kieran – No, please don’t stop now! Sophs loves a good car story!

Jason – Really?! Well, I’ve got loads!

**Sophs sarcastically smiles, looking at Jason**

**In Ryan’s living room crowded with people, Amanda enters and Derek, Luna and Jamie are amongst the crowd**

Luna – I thought you were abducted by aliens!

Amanda – Sorry, Luna! I just had to nip out for a bit!

Luna – Well, we’ve ran out of booze, haven’t we?

**Luna runs to the table full of alcohol and trips, Jamie catches her**

Luna – Sorry, Jamie!

Jamie – Tell you what, Amanda; why don’t you come over to the club? I’ll take you into the V.I.P suite; you can carry on your celebrations there, can’t you?

Amanda – Thanks, Jamie, that’s very kind of you! But—

Luna – C’mon, Grandma! It’s not every day of the week you get asked out, is it?!

Amanda – Well—I suppose; for a bit!

Luna – Come on then, let’s get ourselves dolled up! We might even bag ourselves a boy!

**Luna grabs Amanda’s hand and runs out the room exiting, pulling her with her**

**In the Kitchen with Jasmine stood up sipping a glass of water, Ryan enters, closing the door behind him**

Ryan – I was just beginning to get worried about you!

**Jasmine stays silent and sips her drink**

Ryan – What is it?

Jasmine – I tried telling you earlier.

**Jasmine places the glass of water on the table by her**

Ryan – Tell me what?

**Jasmine sits down at the table, looking at Ryan**

Jasmine – She knows.

Ryan – What? You told her? Jas, we agreed!

Jasmine – Ryan, she found the scan photo.

Ryan – I can’t believe this!

Jasmine – She’s not gonna say anything—

Ryan – Yeah, well she might not mean to, but you know what she’s like! She wants to blurt it out!

Jasmine – She won’t! She promised!

**Jasmine drinks some more of her drink madly**

**In the restaurant with Lauren, Amy, Louise, Sasha and Court sat down at a table; a waiter’s taking away their empty plates; they have mugs of coffee in front of them**

Amy – Thank you, that was gorgeous! I’m completely stuffed!

Louise – I’m glad none of you are disappointed; I was trying to be generous!

Court – Well, I had a lovely meal; and it was a lovely meal. Wasn’t it, Lauren?

**Lauren smiles slightly**

Louise – It’s my pleasure, Courtney!

Sasha – I’ve got some brandy back at the flat; we can have that tonight perhaps?

Amy – Yeah, that would be great!

Court – Well, I’ll walk you guys to Ross’ flat and then I’ll go back for bed.

**The Waiter hands Louise her credit card**

Louise – Oh, there must be a problem with my card; I don’t understand—Let me try again!

**Louise hands the waiter her credit card**

Sasha – That’s alright, I can take care of it!

Lauren – No you can’t!

Court – Give us a minute, will you?

**The Waiter nods and exits**

Lauren - **\*Whispering to Court\*** I knew it!

Court – Lauren, just leave it, will you?

Lauren – No! I’ve kept my mouth shut for long enough!

Amy – What are you on about?

Lauren – Amy, I thought you and Sasha had a bit more sense! Alex dies; and here she is, Queen Louise; with full of ludicrous tales and five star restaurants, chefs, millionaires and now women with credits cards without any credit! You’re phony and you always have been!

Sasha – Hold on a second—

Louise – Lauren, how can you say that?!

Lauren – I saw what was in your suitcase; it was full of brand new stuff! You had to leave your past behind in a hurry and I want to know why!

Louise – But it’s not like that! A French designer friend of mine heard that I was going to be reunited with my old friends and he wanted me to look my best!

Lauren – Oh, and who was that then? John flaming Galliano?!

Court – Alright, that’s enough, Lauren.

Sasha – Can’t you see how upset she is?

Louise – They’re just samples on loan; I’ll return them when I get home.

Lauren – Nice story, but that doesn’t explain the credit card! You’re a joke.

**Louise pulls out another credit card**

Louise – I just realised I gave him an old credit card; I didn’t see its expiry date; I must’ve taken it out of my purse!

**A Waiter walks over to Louise and she passes him her credit card**

Louise – I’m so sorry; that one should be fine!

**Court glares at Lauren and Lauren sips her coffee**

**In the hallways with Rach and Jason walking with Sophs and Kieran talking to each other walking, nearby**

Rach – Y’know? I should do that professionally!

Jason – What?

Rach – Match make!

Jason – Well, I can give you some services! I’ve found my perfect match.

**Rach laughs and they both exit. Kieran stops at his flat and turns to Sophs**

Kieran – I don’t suppose you fancy coming in for a coffee?

Sophs – Yeah I will. Thank you.

Kieran – Good.

**Kieran puts his key in the lock**

Kieran – Oh, and I apologise for the mess in advance; I can’t be bothered with it, it’s just—

Sophs – You haven’t had anybody else move in yet, then?

Kieran – No!

**Kieran turns to Sophs, turning the lock and taking his key out smiling at Sophs**

Kieran – But I will in the next few days.

**Sophs’ mobile rings and she takes it out her handbag and looks at it**

Sophs – Just a minute.

**Sophs walks halfway down the hallway, putting her mobile to her ear**

Sophs – Hello? No, I haven’t! I’ve only just switched my phone on. Oh, OK! Right. Yeah, of course I’ll be there! Thanks.

**Sophs hangs up and puts her mobile back into her handbag and turns to Kieran**

Kieran – What was all that about?

Sophs – They’re reading Alex’s will on Thursday, and I’ve been invited.

**Sophs smiles and Kieran looks at her madly**

**In Liz’s kitchen with Liz sat down at the table in the dark. Liam enters, switching the light on**

Liam – How long have you been back?

Liz – I didn’t think you were in.

Liam – I’ve been studying to make up for today. Where’s the laptop?

Liz – I took it back to them.

Liam – And you did delete it before—?

**Liz looks at Liam sadly**

Liam – Mum! Please say you didn’t—

Liz – Adultery’s a sin.

Liam – What?!

Liz – I was doing her a favour, Liam—!

Liam – Mum, Sarah trusted me with that laptop! If you just realised, you’ve just probably blown her Auntie’s relationship and she’s probably gonna blame me!

Liz – If your father was doing that kind of stuff behind my back, I would want to know!

Liam – No, Mum, you just want to hurt her! You want to get back at her for not inviting you to her stupid party!

Liz – No—!

Liam – How could you?!

**Liam storms out the kitchen, slamming the door behind him, Liz sighs sadly as the door slams**

**In Izzy’s living room with Oliver sat down on the sofa. Deborah enters with her coat on and she glares at Oliver**

Oliver – Should I pack?

Deborah – Not yet. I need to know if you’re hiding ANYTHING else. But you have to tell me everything, Oliver; right now. And I mean everything.

Oliver – Thank you—

Deborah – None of your fidgets and your stupid little lies! Cos I’ll find out and that’ll be it, Oliver, I’ll take Izzy and I’ll never come back!

Oliver – That laptop; it isn’t mine.

**Deborah looks at Oliver puzzled**

Deborah – What?

Oliver – It’s Alex’s.

Deborah – I don’t understand.

**Oliver stands, looking at Deborah**

Oliver – I knew that that file was on there. Alex and Sophs were using Carly’s video to blackmail me; I didn’t know about the Sophs file until the other week.

Deborah – Blackmail? But, why?

Oliver – Do you remember when I told you I sold Alex the loan to the Pub?

Deborah – Yeah.

Oliver – It was nearly changed for—For that file. Deborah, I was terrified! I couldn’t risk losing you again; I only just got you back! So, on the night Alex died I broke into the Pub.

Deborah – The Night—The Night Alex died? The day he was murdered?

**Deborah looks at Oliver horrified and Oliver sits down on the sofa, sighing**

**In Ross’ corridor, Court and Lauren walk out the living room, Lauren closes the door**

Lauren – Listen to her; Lie after lie! She’s got those girls hooked-line-and-sinker!

Court – Yeah, well I’m going back to Judy’s flat to sleep on the sofa again, so I suggest you go to bed before you do anymore damage.

Lauren – She’s a phony, and I’ve got to protect those girls!

Court – No you don’t! They can make up their own minds, Lauren, and besides, it’s not about them, is it? It’s about YOU and HER! Now, if you want my advice, Lauren; I’d keep Louise to one side at least until the will reading. You never know; she might end up being the next landlady of the Dirty Duck Pub!

**Lauren looks at Court in horror**

Court – Night, Lauren.

**Court exits, closing the door behind her and Lauren puts her hand on her head and sighs, she picks up her mobile and takes out her mobile, dialling a number and putting it to her ear**

Lauren – Hello? It’s Lauren! I’m so sorry to phone you so late! But, I need you to do a bit of digging.

**Lauren looks scared**

**In Izzy’s living room with Oliver sat down on the sofa, Deborah’s nearby looking at him**

Deborah – It was during Ian’s memorial, wasn’t it? Everyone was there and I didn’t understand where you went to!

Oliver – I had to delete that file, OK? So, I just grabbed the laptop and left!

**Oliver stands, facing Deborah**

Oliver – Deborah, I had to protect you from the truth! I mean, you can see that, can’t you?! It was just one lousy night with Sophs and one time with Carly! I’d never regretted anything so much in my life!

Deborah – Oliver—

Oliver – No, I’ll change! Whatever it is you want me to try and do—Please! I can’t lose you again! Deborah, I’m so scared. Every time there’s a knock at the door, I think it’s the police coming to get me and I—I know I don’t deserve it, but I need your help.

**Deborah looks at Oliver and sighs**

**In the hallways outside Ryan’s flat with Jamie and Derek. Amanda and Luna walk out the flat**

Derek – You took your time, didn’t you?

**Elliot, Ryan and Jasmine walk out the flat, closing the door behind them**

Luna – Had to make ourselves look beautiful!

Jamie – You need to take your coat, Luna; it’s a fair way!

Luna – I don’t need one!

Elliot – I think you’re mad this time of year! Tell her, Jasmine; will you?

Jasmine – Well, she’s not gonna listen to me!

Luna – You pick on a woman sometimes, don’t you, Elliot?!

**Jasmine, Ryan, Amanda, Derek, Jamie, Luna and Elliot begin to walk down the hallway, Amanda grabs hold of Ryan’s arm as they walk**

Amanda – I want to tell you how proud I am of you; being there for Jasmine! Taking all of this on; I know you’re gonna do your very best to take care of her, and keep her well!

Ryan – Yeah, of course I will!

Amanda – And I promised to Jasmine I wouldn’t breathe a word! I promised. You can trust me, Ryan.

Ryan – Thanks, Amanda; that’s great! You do realise how important this is though; don’t you? Keeping this quiet.

Amanda – Oh, of course! I mean at first I was—Concerned. But, now I think you have made the right decision!

Derek – “*Decision*”? About what?

**They all stop walking and Amanda, Ryan and Jasmine turn to Derek, Jamie, Luna and Elliot**

Jasmine – Nothing—!

Amanda – No, Jasmine; I can explain!

Jasmine – Shut up.

Derek – What is it, Ryan?

Luna – Ooh, I know! He’s about to confess to murder! Ryan in the Pub with a pistol; what do you reckon, Elliot? It’s always the quiet ones!

**Luna and Amanda laugh**

Ryan – I didn’t mean it to happen!

**They all look at Ryan horrified**

Derek – What?

Ryan – I dunno how to tell you this—

Derek – Ryan, don’t do this; you’re worrying me.

Ryan – I’ve done something terrible. I’m so sorry.

**Jasmine looks at Ryan horrified and Ryan looks down sadly**

**DON’T FORGET TO VOTE DAILY FOR WHO YOU THINK KILLED ALEX AT THE “WHO KILLED ALEX?” PAGE FOR YOUR PREDICTION!**

**TO BE CONTINUED**

**Ryan – RyanLanbert098**

**Jasmine**

**Amanda – Jasmine’s Mum**

**Doctor Oliver Holmes**

**Deborah – Izzy’s Mum**

**Derek – Jasmine’s Dad**

**Luna – Lickish**

**Elliot – Schlopz**

**Jamie – Court’s Brother**

**Sarah – Izzy’s Cousin**

**Liz – Judy’s Friend**

**Liam – Liz’s Son**

**Sophs – Soaphie**

**Rach – hellokitty273**

**Jason – Gemma’s Friend**

**Kieran – Jasmine’s Brother**

**Lauren – x.ATurtle.x**

**Louise – Alexander’s Girlfriend**

**Court – Courtneighh**

**Sasha – PixelRainbow.**

**Amy – amyrose2024**