

PLOT OUTLINE

JUST FOR ONE SHIRT

ABSTRACT

A young woman meets a selkie in a club at night. Between the alcohol and what the stranger causes her, she ends up passing out, but not before pulling her shirt so hard that she takes it with her. The selkie, who is in the Human Plane trying to escape from her family, knows that she needs to get her shirt back at all costs. On the other hand, she doesn't want to go home and the young human girl seems impressionable. She explains to her that the ancient laws of her race specify that she must marry the one who stole her shirt and the girl accepts. After the human tries to return the shirt and the selkie insists she keep it, they go to the Water Plane to announce the wedding. If she can make her parents believe that she is really marrying the girl out of respect for traditional customs, she will have about.... 80-85 years of vacation on the Human Plane, more or less... as long as her future wife's life lasts.

OPENING

Noa and Halia meet while partying, dancing with each other. Between the alcohol and Halia's nature Adela gets dizzy and ends up passing out, but not before grabbing and pulling until she rips Halia's shirt off.

Noa wakes up at her friend Adela's house. They discover Halia's shirt, which is somehow no longer torn. It doesn't look like a normal fabric either and following a hunch Adela proposes to go see her grandmother.

They go to Hibiscus and after a nice cup of tea Adela's grandmother examines the shirt and after laughing to herself tells them where they can find the owner.

Adela and Noa follow the slightly confused directions. They walk around several times until they end up sitting on a bench, talking about everything a little bit.

ACTION

- Halia is explaining to her roommate what happened and trying to decide what to do. She realizes that this is the perfect excuse to extend her vacation, which is almost over. Through the window she sees Adela and Noa on a bench and goes out to meet them.
- Halia takes them home and introduces them to her roommate, who is very upset with her decision. They explain to the girls that the fact that Noa has his shirt implies that they should get married. Noa gets dizzy and as she tries to react Adela takes the initiative and asks for some time to think about it all. They exchange phones and both girls leave.
- After some thought and reflection, Noa decides to try to return the shirt. She talks to Halia, who explains that she is not able to give up her traditions easily. Noa then decides to formally propose to her.
- With Adela's help, they visit the city's jewelry stores until they find a suitable ring. Noa proposes to Halia, who naturally accepts.

CONFLICT

They go to the Water Plane, where they announce to Halia's family their engagement. The relatives are surprised and Noa is nervous. Halia spends the day trying not to let anyone mention to her that traditions are not mandatory.

On the way back they meet Halia's roommate, who tells Noa the truth because he doesn't want her to waste her life..

Noa gets angry, throws away the shirt and runs away. Adela finds out what has happened and goes after her. They talk about everything and Noa comes to the conclusion that she needs to talk to Halia to understand why she did it.

RESOLUTION

- Noa expressed her doubts to Halia: was it a coincidence that he took advantage of her or was he already looking for a human to use? But the reality is that the Selkie was amused that he was holding on to her shirt so tightly, so she decided to leave it with him for a while and when she went to give it back to him she came up with the plan. Halia apologizes, explains to him that he no longer has anything to worry about because he said the wedding was going to be delayed.
- After reflecting and spending some time apart, Noa understands that Halia is looking for more freedom. He returns to her and they agree to have a wedding for Halia's relatives only, with no human strings attached for Noa.
- As they go through the preparations, they really get to know each other and little by little sincere feelings arise between them. At the wedding they decide to try to be a real couple and see how far it takes them.