## **KIRSTIN**

There once was a girl called Kirstin. She was only 17. Through the day she was a normal human being, but at night she changed into a beautiful white wolf. She had enough of her Mother's defending her from the world, from the night, from her heart, from what she really was... so she decided to leave. Many questions arose in her head, but she didn't know the answers. She only knew that she would succeed. Deep in the woods she found a cottage which was abandoned so she stayed in it.

One day as she was walking through the woods, she found a wolf cub who softly squealed and tried to wake up his mother's dead body. She picked him up and said, "Don't worry little one. I will always be by your side, Austin."

Years passed and Austin grew up, and although Kirstin was human through the day, he did not do any harm to her. He loved her as his mother. One day Kirstin couldn't sleep so she left the cottage and went for a walk. Suddenly she noticed a hunter. She wanted to move, but she couldn't. She couldn't take her eyes off him. She just stood there. Her dream was interrupted by his "hello". They talked, they hugged and kissed goodbye. Austin begged her to reconsider her meeting with the hunter, but she didn't want to listen.

In the evening they met again. They seemed happy but Kirstin suddenly felt a known tension in the air. She knew he was there. Austin jumped out of the ambush, but the hunter was too quick. The conflict ended with the painful loss of Austin. The flame extinguished in Kirsten's eyes and when the hunter noticed that he expected a thank-you for saving her life, but instead, she said: "You killed an innocent life." It was only fifteen minutes before the sunset. She ran to the forest. When she reached the edge of the cliff above the sea, she smiled the sun goodbye, because she knew she would not survive another night. She felt she was changing, and with the change, the desire for revenge grew. All she could think of was her son's body with no life in it. She wanted to revenge her child. Her blue eyes filled with emptiness, became red and filled with darkness.

She returned to the hunter and mortally wounded him, but even before she was able to kill him, he also wounded herself, so she began to turn back into a human. This shook the hunter and half-dead he watched her on the ground. She was lying in blood and smiling. She felt as if she had been the happiest wolf in her little forest. She was waiting patiently to die. She wanted to go back to Austin... and so she died with a smile on her face.