

Cupid's daughter

-Synopsis

Cytheria Eros is the one and only daughter of Cupid himself. With a lovely appearance and equally wonderful personality, plus the power to charm anyone with her beauty, inherited from her grandmother Aphrodite, she can make anyone and everyone fall helplessly in love with her by simply glancing at them. She views love as one of the most beautiful things in the world, wishing for nothing more than for people to find true love and live happily. Due to her respectful attitude toward love and how precious it is, she was told she'd make a perfect cupid all her life. Her dad even promised her he'd make her the new cupid on her 17th birthday. It's all she ever wished for, but he suddenly tells her only ones who've fallen in love can take on the role, as you can never truly experience the happiness of being in love unless you fall in love yourself! Having helped countless people fall in love, but never fallen in love herself, Cytheria is suddenly at risk of having her lifelong dream taken away. She begs and pleads for another way to prove herself worthy of the position of cupid, and is able to get a new mission which seems to be even harder than the first! Her new mission is to make Alphard Casimir, the son of anti cupid, fall in love! Will Cytheria be able to make someone who makes others hate each other truly love someone? Find out in Cupid's daughter!

"But father... You promised me..."

"Ria... My beautiful princess... I know I promised you, but- Oh, please don't cry, darling... Shh... There, there..."

"How do you expect me to not?! You know this is all I've ever wanted and how long I've been waiting ever since you announced I'd be the new cupid on my 17th birthday! I've been waiting for 10 years! Ever since I was 7 years old!"

"I know that, but it's the rules. You cannot be cupid until you fall in love."

"You were the one who told me not to worry about it!"

"Yes, but that was because I thought you would eventually fall in love with at least someone, especially as you can get anyone to fall in love with you at a glance. There wasn't anyone you liked?"

"Dad! That's the problem! I wanted someone to love me for me! I didn't want a partner who only loved me because of my power! My interest in anyone immediately dropped once they fell in love with me because of my powers! I thought you'd already kn

ow that I would only love someone if their feelings were sincere. Not if those feelings were due to magic.”

“... Ria, I understand. However, regardless of your reasoning of why you didn't fall in love with anyone, the problem isn't solved. You still cannot become Cupid.”

“That's right! Dad, wait here!”

“R- Ria, where are you going?”

“I'm going to go meet grandmother! Aphrodite, the goddess of love and beauty! She created the rules, so I'm sure I can find a way if I have a talk with her!”

“Ria, wai- She's already gone...”

- At Aphrodite's residence

“Excuse me, but who are you to barge into lady Aphrodite's residence like this?”

“Oh, my apologies. I forgot to introduce myself. Please tell your lady her granddaughter, Cytheria Eros has come to talk to her about an urgent matter.”

Cytheria Eros ↓



Long pink hair

Blue eyes

Lovely and sweet atmosphere

Holds a pink bow and arrow

Arrow has pink ends shaped like hearts

“Her... Granddaughter?”

“Yes. I'm Cupid's daughter.”

“Hmm? Oh, Cynthia, my dear. Come in, come in. Whatever is the matter?”

"Grandmother! I implore you! Please change the rules of who can be cupid!"

"Ah, so it is because of that. I thought you might come to discuss the rules with me."

"Grandmother! I beg of you!"

"Cynthia... Although, I don't quite understand. You can make anyone fall in love with you, and you must know a great multitude of people, man or woman. None of them caught your fancy?"

"Grandmother. I do not wish to be in a relationship due to mere attraction brought by my magic. I wanted a partner who's feelings of affection were sincere!"

"My, my. Such a lovely and passionate response. It shows you are very much aware of the difference between love and lust, and value the preciousness of love. As the goddess of love, how could I refuse a request from a girl who cherishes love to this extent? Not to mention... She is my very own granddaughter. Very well. I shall change the qualifications as you wish. However... I can't allow you to become Cupid without a challenge, it would be unfair to let you off easy. Therefore... I will give you a new mission that you must complete before you can become Cupid. However... It should be known, this new task of yours is very difficult to the point some would call it impossible. A fool's errand. Falling in love would be much easier for anyone else. Even so, are you willing to take on this task... Cynthia?"

I enthusiastically nodded.

"Yes! I'll do anything to be the next cupid!"

Grandmother smiled fondly at me.

"As you wish, Cynthia. Your new task is to make Alphard Casimir fall in love. It can be anyone. God, mortal, man, or woman. All you have to do is make him fall in love."

I slightly tilt my head to the side in confusion. Alphard Casimir...? Wait...

"Alphard Casimir? As in, anti cupid's son?"

"Yes, Cynthia. Him. How clever you are."

Alphard Casimir is the son of my dad's enemy and my childhood best friend. Yes. I know. It's ironic that my future arch nemesis was my childhood best friend. But I

truly didn't mean for it to happen! You see... He was shunned by everyone as anti cupid's son, even as a kid, when his powers hadn't developed yet. I, as cupid's daughter, was never ostracized like that. When I saw him playing alone, I thought he looked lonely, so I walked over and introduced myself. Now, this was a time when we didn't pay attention to someone else's family, so we introduced ourselves by our first name. Or, maybe he just didn't on purpose, because he didn't want me to find out who he was, and I copied him. Regardless of Alph, I mean, Alphard's intention, we didn't know each other's last names. Alph was a nickname he let me call him by when we were little. However, Casimir would've meant nothing to me anyway besides a reaction like 'cool name' or something akin to that. But of course, he didn't know that. I was 6 and he was 7 when we first met. He'd be about 18 now. A few years after we became friends, so when I was about 10, he suddenly pushed me away and began acting cold to me. I had no idea why at the time and got really upset, but now I know. It simply wasn't... Proper. That simply wasn't the way things were done. Anyway... I never saw him again. I... Honestly really miss him. He even gave me a gift for my 10th birthday.

The gift ↓



Pink cherry blossom shaped jewels

I used to wear it every single day until my dad found out who it was from and confiscated it from me. That was the first and last time he ever got mad at me and confiscated something that was mine.

"Cynthia? Is anything wrong?"

"Oh, no. Sorry. Umm... But can't I just shoot him with one of my arrows? Obviously only with his fated one, I won't make him fall in love with someone random. This seems a bit too easy."

"Hahaha... Honestly, Cynthia. Do you really think I'd call it a challenge if it was as simple as shooting him with an arrow? Goodness, no. Your arrows and powers have no effect on him. You need to make him fall in love the... Ahhh... Human way."

"Like... Organically? No magic?"

"Yes, Cynthia."

"So... Uhh... How do I do that?"

"You umm... Well... Go on dates first. You spend time together for a few hours and then go back to your house. You can go get drinks, watch a movie, anything during those few hours. A courtship. Then... You decide to actually be in a relationship after falling for that person. But you don't have to go that far. Just get him to fall for someone."

"Okay! But who?"

"Anyone, sweetheart. Oh, here's a picture of him in case you don't recognize him.

Alphard Casimir ↓



Half black half red hair
Emotionless red eyes

"Th- This is him?!"

I stare in shock and disbelief. How... How could Alph change so much? I know it's been 7 years, but... I never imagined he could change this much... Alph, at least, the Alph I knew, was a kind and considerate person who would always have a warm smile on his face. His eyes would sparkle with joy or cloud over with sadness so easily. Alph had the most expressive eyes I've ever seen on anyone. Clear and pure, there wasn't anyone more fitting than Alph for the saying "Eyes are windows to the soul." I used to tease him often when we were little to see how his eyes would change with just one simple word from my lips. However... Now, his eyes look so... Vacant. There's nothing behind them anymore. I can't see any emotion in them. Sure, he looks the same, but... He's like a doll version of Alph. The things I loved about him are gone... You know, if I was going to love anyone, I always thought it'd be Alph. He had a certain spark which fascinated and drew me in. Now... That spark of his is gone. I barely recognize him. I'd believe you if you told me this picture was a very lifelike doll that was made using Alph as a model. Ah, I seriously feel so irritated. It wasn't enough to tear us apart, you broke him?! To the point it's a challenge to make him feel?! God darn it. What did you do to him?! More specifically... What did his dad do to him? You let your son become this practically i

animate person? And before you say a person can't be inanimate, he can hardly be called one at this rate. He's like a doll or robot or something. And how do I know if I haven't met him? As the daughter of Cupid, I can tell what someone is like to find people they are compatible with by looking at an object connected to them. In this case, the picture my grandmother gave me. By looking at a picture of Alph, I can instantly see his general demeanor and attitude.

"Cynthia?"

"Y- Yes?!"

"I'm sure you can see this will be difficult. Are you still willing to do this?"

I nodded enthusiastically.

"Alright then. If you can make Alphard fall in love with someone, you can be cupid."
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"Thank you!"

"Of course. Off you go now, Cynthia."

"Yes, grandmother."

I leave, but my mind is occupied with Alphard... If he's truly that... Emotionless, how can I get him to fall in love? Maybe because I was so distracted, I accidentally bump into someone.

"Ouch! Sorry, are you okay?"

"Are you blind? Watch where you're going, you klutz. Now look at what you've done. You've dirtied my clothes!"

"I- I'm sorry, I didn't mean to ru- ... Alph?"

"Excuse me?"

"Sorry, I mean... Alphard."

"Oh. So you do know who I am. And yet you dare run into me?"

"Alph... ard... Don't you remember me?"

"Am I supposed to remember an insignificant girl like you?"

"... Well, get to know me now! I'm Cytheria Eros, and I'm here to help you find love!"

"What? Love is pointless and useless. I don't need it. Just leave me alone."

"Nope! Even if you don't need it, I have to help you find love for my own goal!"

"What? Just go away. I don't need someone like you to help me find love."

"I told you. I can't because you are my ticket to achieving my dream- You still have that brooch I gave you?"

"What brooch?"

"The brooch on your chest."

The brooch ↓



Sparkling red gem

The brooch might seem like a simple accessory, but it's actually a gift I gave him when we first met, to commemorate our new friendship. It was the very first gift I gave him. It's been over 10 years, but it's so well taken care of it looks brand new. He still has it... That makes me so happy. Maybe there's still a chance for me to revert him back! I was honestly super hurt he didn't even remember me, but it has been quite some time. However... He still kept my gift~!

"What's it to you?"

"Haha... Can I have it?"

"What? No."

"Why? It's pretty... Especially the red gem. But... I guess it suits you better because the red matches your eyes."

Of course, I have no intention to take it back. It was a gift after all. I'm curious as to what his reaction will be. You see... When I gave him the gift, I said I bought it because the red jewel reminded me of his pretty eyes. He said it was the most precious gift he's ever gotten and that he'd treasure it. I'm basically repeating what I said then, just different context.

"You can't have it."

"Why?"

"It's... Ugh..."

"Are you okay?!"

"Yeah, yeah. I'm fine, just... Give me a sec."

I don't know what to do... He glares at me whenever I try to get closer, so I just watch on worriedly. He straightens up again.

"As I was saying. I don't need love."