

# Between Love and Trust

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Pansy angrily searched for answers in her fiancé's grey gaze. Her arrant fury might've sparked the summer gale raging out-of-doors.

"You promised never to cast a Dark Spell again, Draco." She hoped he'd refute her accusation.

"I—" He choked. "Pansy, I had no choice."

"You *always* have a choice, *Draco*, and you didn't choose *me*," she spat, each word becoming more high-pitched.

"This can't be the end, Pansy."

In response, Pansy slipped his emerald-encrusted heirloom from her finger and turned away as hot, rueful tears poured down her delicate cheeks.

Outside, the harsh wind gave way to sorrowful rain.

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**Author's Notes:** One theory that explains why Draco ends up with the unknown witch Astoria Greengrass.

Draco and Pansy probably had significant betrothal enchantments in place, but I can't imagine they'd keep them bound to one another with a betrayal such as the one Draco's committed. We can only hope that Draco learned from the consequences of his earlier folly and has ceased to practice Dark Magic.

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