

A New Home

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Hermione gasped as Snape lifted her off her feet and carried her, laughing, over the threshold of her new home. Dark and brooding, tucked away from its neighbors, she couldn't help thinking the building bore a striking resemblance to its owner.

As her husband whisked her towards the bedroom, she caught passing glimpses of the house's décor: cobwebs gilding an arm-chair, dusty tomes and jars of goodness-knows-what lined the shelves.

"Well?" he asked, dropping her gently on the bed.

"It's... homey," she replied, eyebrows arched playfully.

Leaning into her, caressing her face, he murmured in her ear: "It is now."