

After the Divorce

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Hermione couldn't pinpoint the exact moment when she fell in love with Sirius Black. She knew it had to be after the divorce with Ron, and not before. It wasn't until after the first Christmas after the divorce that she saw Sirius for the first time in years. To her embarrassment, she had drowned herself in alcohol and had to be taken home by Sirius. He stayed with her the next day as she got over her hangover. The day had been awkward at first. Hermione hadn't planned on drinking two bottles of red wine the previous night. Apologies ran off her tongue throughout the day; she was forever in Sirius' debt. It was that day that she told him how miserable she had been since the divorce, how the Weasleys avoided her, how her co-workers always whispered behind her back. She remembered that she cried herself to sleep on his shoulder that night.

After that, they began to meet regularly at the Leaky Cauldron for lunch almost every day. Hermione wasn't sure when the flirting began or who started it. She knew that she loved the huge smile and bark-like laugh Sirius had when she told him a joke or told him how beautiful his eyes were, or that he looked much younger than he really was. She knew she constantly thought about him, simple things like the way he held his tea cup, how he leaned slightly to the left when he asked a question, or that he always seemed to linger after they kissed goodbye on the cheek.

All she knew now was that she was possibly in love with Sirius Black, and she didn't want it to end.