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Summary

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Or the one where Sofia trick or treats for the first time.

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It took a while for them to decide what she was going to be for certain. There were so many good options, Luca and Wyatt threw a bunch of comic book characters into the mix and Hayden even suggested a few things the girls had been in the past.

A pumpkin, a tiny witch, a bat, a mini hockey player, a princess — all of these were great ideas but none of them stuck with Shane or Ilya.

They were stumped for weeks having started late September thinking about what Sofia would be thanks to a night seated in the living room for family game night when somehow the family photo albums got brought out and resulted in an idea of what she could be.

Shane had been browsing the costume website when the topic was brought up again, a few dozen cute costumes were displayed on his screen but he couldn't decide. It was such a simple thing to pick and yet they were acting as though this were a decision that would affect their daughter for the rest of her life.

"She could always be a ladybug." Yuna suggested, laying her uno cards down on the table revealing her hand to pick the now very much now asleep Sofia up from her palette on the floor. She had been busy playing with her toys, doing some tummy time, trying her hardest to stay awake but of it was hard work being a baby.

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Ilya crowded in, eager to see his Shane as a baby. Sure, he had seen plenty but he wanted to see how cute he was for his first Halloween.

"Look at my Shane bug, you were too cute *moya lyubov*." The Russian cooed, pressing a sloppy kiss to his husband's cheek.

"She would make a cute one, plus I actually saved yours if you guys want to use it." Yuna offered, ready to dig Shane's old costume out of storage.

It would probably fit correctly too given that Shane was a chunky baby just like Sofia. Shane always blamed Ilya's Russian genes for making his baby big but it was partially his own fault.

"I guess it wouldn't hurt to try." Shane decided, agreeing to take it home with them to try on her when she was awake.

It was safe to say Sofia was the cutest little ladybug they had both ever seen in their entire lives.

The minute Shane put it on her (without much protest surprisingly) they both decided that she would make the cutest second generation bug.

However they were struggling to make sure her hat stayed on, her curls kept popping out from under the little knit hat with two antennas sticking out from it.

"She is fattest little bug I have ever seen in my entire life, Shanya." Ilya was about to pass out the moment Shane brought Sofia back out of her room after trying on her very first Halloween costume.

"My mom said she made this hat for me, somehow the original hat that came with the costume was too small." Shane was happy to see that this one fit Sofia despite her hair but they could fix that with a few clips.

Ilya had bought a bumble bee costume and Shane was going to be a caterpillar. Ilya wanted to be a worm at first so he could ask his husband if he would still love him because he had a master plan for that costume idea apparently.

"Is funny yes? I am the worm and every time we walk up to a house I will say Shanya would you still love if I was worm? And then we would get more candy this way."

However, Shane had vetoed that one because it would 'scare' Sofia — the costume Ilya had picked looked far too realistic for his taste. So a bumblebee it would have to be.

Sofia loved playing with her papa's headband, squealing happily the every time he would lift her in the air and pretend to 'fly' her around the room. Shane had just finished up packing the the wagon they had decorated to look like a garden. He had to make sure they had *everything* they needed to go trick-or-treating for the evening.

"*Moya lyubov*, we are not camping out. We are just walking door to door and then coming home to give out the candy." Ilya reminded, placing Sofia in the wagon to strap her into her seat safely. "She won't need anything before we get home, if she does I will be very surprised."

"I fed her a bottle about an hour ago so she'll be due in about three hours— maybe less if she gets hungry early which she has been lately." Shane received a 'she will be fine' look from Ilya followed by a kiss which stopped the rest of his words in their tracks. This would be okay, they could take Sofia trick-or-treating and everything would be fine.

He wasn't even sure what he was worried about, Sofia did fine at the grocery store. She was *amazing* at practices and games so she would probably be just fine and he was overthinking it all.

Their first house, Sofia was wide awake and ready for whatever. Her bright eyes were following her papa as he rang the door bell and held her up.

"Trick-or-treat!" Ilya beamed, he didn't feel ridiculous at all though Shane's cheeks were the slightest bit warm. He hadn't done this in *years*, not since he was a little kid but Ilya acted as

though this was something that he had been training his entire life for.

"Aww look at this cutie patootie! She's the most precious little *lady* I have ever seen!" The little old woman cooed, pinching Sofia's chubby cheeks. She didn't mind one bit, smiling from ear to ear showing a big gummy smile making grabby hands at the decorations that were hanging from the ceiling of the porch.

"What's her name?" The older woman asked, handing her a tiny knitted stuffed pumpkin.

"Her name is Sofia and believe me you just made her night she loves stuffies." Shane smiled, appreciating the fact that Sofia got something she could enjoy since they really couldn't let her have any of the candy it was just more or less the experience of getting to do it for the first time with her.

"I'm glad! I don't have many tiny ones coming this way but I always see you both walking her in the stroller so I wanted to make sure she got something just for her."

Shane's heart could've melted, they had the best little neighborhood.

They planned on donating the candy to the local women's shelter for the kids that weren't able to go trick-or-treat.

Which they actually ended up getting a lot more than they thought, at least an entire box full of candy that weighed the wagon down.

They went the rest of the way around the neighborhood and called it a night when Sofia started getting sleepy, rubbing her eyes and yawning as they turned the corner to go back home.

"Looks like someone is getting sleepy, should we call it a night?" Ilya stopped the wagon in front of their steps, brushing his finger over Sofia's chubby cheek moving a wispy strand of hair as she stared ahead, eyes slowly closing.

"Yeah I would say so, I mean we have an entire box full of candy. I know Luca will want it but he'll get another cavity if we give all to him so I'll load it in the car while to go to the shelter while you take Sofia inside," Shane unlocked the car and put the box inside the trunk, grabbing the candy they were going to hand out if they had any stray trick-or-treaters come their way.

Shane poured the big bag into a bowl and turned their porch light on making sure that kids knew they were 'open for business'. He made Sofia a bottle, stripping his costume off as he walked through the house. The costume was cute and all but he was done being a caterpillar for this year.

He folded it up and placed it in their Halloween box, grabbed a pair of pajamas for himself and changed into them.

When he made his way back into the living room, Ilya and Sofia still both in costume were snuggled up on the couch watching 'Scooby-Doo'.

"Is mostly for us, I put it on just in case she wakes up." Ilya explained, motioning Shane over which he happily obliged snuggling into his alpha with their pup nestled in their laps against both their chests.

"Oh yeah wouldn't want her waking up during Friday the 13th that would probably pretty scarring. She might think Wyatt is actually Jason." Shane teased, referencing the old version of the goalie mask that Jason wore and coincidentally Wyatt wore to the team Halloween party.

"Right, right. Yes, we will not traumatize her we will just take her candy is much better this way." Ilya grinned, kissing the top of both of their heads a soft rumble of content situating deep in his chest.

Celebrating holidays like this with their a pup of their own, it put a lot more meaning into them. Holidays that he didn't know could hold such joy in them, the little moments — they were so much sweeter now.

"Happy Halloween, Sofushka. Papa promises we will not eat or donate your candy next year." Ilya promised their snoozing pup who had not a care in the world, just happy to be snuggled up to her papa and daddy.

End Notes

💌 heyyyyy everyone sorry it took so freaking long to get this written 😭 i wanted to wait until closer to halloween to post it but here it is! little sofia is a shanebug it was completely inspired by this amazing art i saw it and was like yup that's what sofia is going to be ❤️
<https://www.tumblr.com/alfart23/824722261437202432/from-the-hollanders-photo-album?source=share>

also big shoutout to dirty_chai_latte for this idea! 🐞

anyways i hope you guys enjoy and i hope you all have a happy halloween! 🎃

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