

MEGAN - OPT 2

INT. PEGGY'S APARTMENT / LIVING ROOM - AFTERNOON.

START

Megan (hair already braided) is sitting on a couch with a sign on it that says "Blythe's" and Ashley is sitting on the floor between Megan's knees having an Aperol spritz while Megan braids her hair. Upbeat music on in the background that Megan is enjoying. Colin is chewing a toy. Ashley checks her phone and puts it down, a bit glum.

ASHLEY

I feel like 30 is too old for matching braids. It used to be a cute thing and now it feels sad.

MEGAN

Excuse you! We will do birthday braids for ever. Even when we are old and have three hairs. They will be braided.

ASHLEY

I'll probably be into wigs then.

MEGAN

Better.

ASHLEY

Best.

MEGAN

Where are you staying tonight?

ASHLEY

Hopefully G money's.

MEGAN

Just say Glenn.

ASHLEY

I will not.

MEGAN

Will you stay all weekend?

ASHLEY

I think that's the plan. Our first weekend together. I'm nervous. Where will I poo?

MEGAN

In his toilet.

ASHLEY

I'll find a cafe. Uh. My hands look old.

MEGAN

You're fun today.

ASHLEY

Muggan I don't feel ok about turning 30.

MEGAN

Getting that.

ASHLEY

Or maybe I just don't feel ok about turning 30 and dating someone in their forties. I feel like everything just got really old really quickly. Suddenly now I'm in my forties, by proxy.

(she touches her neck)

I feel jowl-ly.

MEGAN

But you're not. You JUST turned thirty, three hours ago.

ASHLEY

But what if nobody likes him?

MEGAN

They're going to love him. Except for Ryan but... he hates everyone.

ASHLEY

I just don't want to be a bubble couple that only exist on the couch like when you dated that guy with one big shoe.

MEGAN

Why you bringing up the big shoe guy? Leave him out of this.

ASHLEY

I can't.

MEGAN

They will. He's cute. He's comfy.

ASHLEY

Well, he reckons tonight's on the house...

MEGAN

Oh then they're gonna love him.

Ashley checks her phone.

ASHLEY

Still nothing from Dad. Cool guy.
Maybe that's why I'm into a
greybeard. Maybe it's his fault.

Megan gets onto her feet and collects their empty glasses determined to change the vibe. This next section is very overlapped.

MEGAN

Listen up. We're gonna have a shot
of Peggy's good shit/

ASHLEY

It's all brandy/

MEGAN

And go have a fucking great night
at your Silver Fox's Bar/

ASHLEY

/Don't call him that/

MEGAN

(talking louder)
/Where you can do whatever you like
cos you're in bed with the owner/

ASHLEY

/I'm not though. We couldn't even
do tha-

MEGAN

SHUT UP ASH. YOUR VIBE IS VERY
DEPRESSING AND YOU NEED TO SORT IT
OUT OR I WILL INVITE LYNELLE TO
YOUR BIRTHDAY DRINKS.

Ashley stops still.

ASHLEY

You wouldn't.

MEGAN

(threatening)
She's been texting me. Asked what
our plans are.

ASHLEY
You monster. Get me a brandy.

MEGAN
Coming right up.

Megan goes to leave, Ashley catches herself in the mirror.

ASHLEY
I just don't want to stop dancing.

MEGAN
(calling back to her)
Then don't you jowly bitch!

END

~~INT. ECHO PARK BREWERY - MEN'S ROOM. AFTERNOON.~~

~~Glenn is in the bathroom stall at Echo Park. Brett is leaning against the wall talking to him through the stalls.~~

~~BRETT
Hey my neighbours are looking for a dog if you're a bit cooked on Col. They're heaps woke. Having a disabled dog will really up their shit.~~

~~GLENN (O.S.)
No, it's easier to manage now Ash and I are more of a thing. Plus I love him.~~

~~Glenn appears from the stall and is wearing a pink too-tight polo with the collar up, skinny jeans and bright white sneakers.~~

~~GLENN (CONT'D)
What do you think?~~

~~BRETT
Jesus.
(calling out)
Chi, you gotta come check this out!!~~

~~GLENN
Don't call her! I'm trying to look good for Ash and her friends.~~

~~BRETT
You look like a Love Island contestant.~~