It's a Mapleshade kind of christmas

Mapleshade (AU?) MAP

"AU" RUNDOWN

This would be after Maple's kit's passing. She sees everyone having a great time with their loved ones during the holiday when all of her's are no longer alive. She then walks around creating grinch-like steals as she plans her revenge on the cats who 'wronged' her in myler's barn. After going to sleep, her kits come to her in her dreams. The seeds of the past (ghost of christmas past) would be larchkit's ghost showing maple her past and what led up to her actions. Pinkie's Present (ghost of christmas present) would be petalkit's ghost, showing maple that everything will be ok and that she should live a happy rest of her life Peacefully in the barn with Myler. Luna's future would be kind of like a plot twist, Luna's future (ghost of christmas future) would be patchkit's ghost showing Maple's future and what will happen if she goes through with her plan. After waking up, realizing the damage she could do, Maple decides not to take revenge and lives in the barn with Myler to live the rest of her life.

GENERAL RULES

you will be held accountable for the rules you miss so read them carefully.

- ★ Do not add lyrics
- ★ No watermarks, that includes from programs like Flipaclip or an editing program.
- ★ Do NOT ask for a part on the discord server, doing that will get you kicked!
- ★ *Max number of parts you can have is 3* but don't bite off more than you can chew!
- ★ Collabs are fine, just please let me know who you're collabing with so I can credit them properly
- ★ You must have examples of your art and animations on your channel! This MAP is Not first come first serve.
- ★ Thumbnail contest is being hosted in the discord! (yes you <u>must have a discord if you want to join the</u> thumbnail contest!)

IMPORTANT RULES

- ★ This map is mostly amy! But pmy isnt discouraged:)
- ★ **Discord is mandatory!** No exceptions! That being said, heres the server link LINK
- ★ Please use the canvas size 1920 x 1080!
- ★ You have a month to finish your part! But we still will be setting very strict deadlines. Were hoping most parts get done before the month deadline. I am really hoping we can get the map done *before christmas* despite it having 44 parts, but hopefully we can get it done as soon as possible!
- ★ Follow the art direction! LINK

- ★ There will be extensions, just as long as you provide a WIP
- * stick to the beat!
- ★ WIP spamming is encouraged! This helps catch any errors early on
- ★ Please do not apply in the comments! I am taking applicants by google forms! After submitting your application, please comment "i applied" so i know its legit! Form link LINK
- ★ Please put a few parts you'd be interested in! Including backup spots! This makes your chances of getting in much greater!
- ★ If you need to drop PLEASE LET ME KNOW! Dropping is totally fine and normal! Even if you just lost motivation its perfectly fine! Just please let me know as soon as possible so im able to reorganize as fast as possible!



Maple says goodbye to the holiday

Part - 1

Set/Type - Winter / Riverclan / Dusk

"Happy Hearth's Warming, They say in the street... Happy Hearth's Warming! They think they're so sweet." Mapleshade is seen hiding while watching appledusk and reedshine in riverclan, decorating a small pine tree with pinecones, flowers, and other things that would be used like ornaments on a christmas tree. Mapleshade angrily watches. She makes a mocky face before saying they think theyre so sweet while turning around away from riverclan camp.

Part - 2

Set/Type - Winter / Riverclan / Dusk

"Words said so often that they lack any meaning."

A shot of reedshine and appledusk 'hugging(?)' in front of the tree.

Why should I join in when I could be intervening?"

Mapleshade walks through the snow before unsheathing and looking at her claws.

Part - 3

Set/Type - Winter / Riverclan / Dusk

"Every pony loves this cursed holiday!"

Shot of Mapleshade's face, on "ho-li-day" show Appledusk, Reedshine, and the last one i forget lol having a good time

"But would they be better off with it out of the way"

Mapleshade hops on a small pine tree that was decorated by some apprentices, she hops onto it, making the tree bend to the ground.

Part - 4

Set/Type - Winter / Riverclan / Dusk

"Well"

Mapleshade steps off the tree, making it shoot back up, and all the decorations go flying off screen. "Ob-kay!"

Mapleshade is looking to the side of the screen at "oh" and then turns her head at "kay!" and faces the screen, walking toward it like the original scene here - <u>Link</u>

Part - 5

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"Say goodbye to the holiday! With my magic, I'll erase it"

Maple is shown stalking through a bush in thunderclan, behind a kit who isnt paying attention., while no cat is looking she steals some prey that was a gift to the tiny kit. After maple steals it and slides back into the bushes, the kit turns around and looks confused asf.

"The greatest gift that I give today And every pony will have to face it"

She does a little waltz with the prey before throwing it off screen.

Part - 6

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"No more little games for you to play"

Mapleshade walks up from the side of the screen on a cliff, looking down at thunderclan below her singing this line. The shot would look something like this! - <u>link</u>

"After you say goodbye to the holiday!"

A shot of mapleshade looking down at the camera before turning around and walking offscreen angrily.

Part - 7

Set/Type - Winter / Snowy Field / Day

[instrumental]

We see maples paws angrily walking in the snow and across the screen. (follow the beat!)

"Goodbye Hearth's Warming, you had a good run"

Pan up to see mapleshade angrily lip syncing this.

"Goodbye Hearth's Warming, it's over, you're done"

Mapleshade walks up to 4 different 'doodles' in the snow, each doodle is a cat, reedshine, appledusk, rayenwing and frecklewish. She slams her paw angrily into the images, making the 'doodles' no more.

Part - 8

Set/Type - Winter / Snowy Field / Day

"Finally set free from your forced celebrations"

Mapleshade says bitterly, in the background show her with her kits in the nursery, being congratulated

"No need to reply to your trite invitations"

She swipes the memory away and exits the screen

Part - 9

Set/Type - Winter / Snowy Field By Riverclan / Day

"Calendar's shorter by a single day"

Appledusk and the others are talking happily, Mapleshade watches from afar

"Is my magic up to the test?"

Zoom to Mapleshade, she unsheathes the claws on one paw and examines them

"Time to see, I can't delay!"

She turns and runs off (try to do something with the beat of the song!)

Part - 10

Set/Type - Winter / River / Snowy Field / Sunset

"Say goodbye to the holiday!"

Mapleshade hops/skips along the stepping stones of the river.

"Prepare the spell, no hesitation"

Mapleshade successfully crosses and looks behind her and across the river before looking ahead and hopping offscreen.

"All memory shall fade away"

Mapleshade runs through the snow while memories of her happy kits in the background quite literally fade away at the line 'fade away'

"See Equestria's new transformation"

Mapleshade is seen (with her back towards the screen) reaching the top of a hill, looking at Myler's barn in the distance and runs towards it.

Part - 11

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's Barn / Night

"No more shall any pony say!"

Mapleshade lets herself into the barn and begins singing loudly. On "say," include Myler looking down from the rafters, looking terrified.

"Happy Hearth's Warming!"

Mapleshade says this and giggles. This part would look something like this - Link

Part - 12"

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's Barn / Night

"After today!"

She turns and sings, zooming out with the swell of the music.

"After today..."

She curls up in a pile of hay and goes to sleep before the screen goes to black.

LarchKit's Seeds Of The Past

Part - 13

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's Barn / Snowy Field / Night

"We aren't going' to the past to learn about the holiday! We're going to learn about you!"

Larchkit smiles while saying this, he then puts his paw on maple's chest.

[instrumental]

Larchkit grabs maple's paw and leaps into a portal, the screen flashes white, maple and larch are in the past, a bright snowy day in the clans. They're levitating and floating, looking at the snowy field below them.

Part - 14

Set/Type - Winter / Sky / Day

"As a young thing, life sure is somethin"

Maple and larch are still levitating in the sky, maple is clinging onto larch's tail looking at the ground from above, scared shes gonna fall.

"You go makin' choices large and small!"

Larchkit giggles and continues to fly through the air.

Part - 15

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"Always growin' like a seedlin' And playin' is like dreamin'"

Larch lowers himself and maple to the ground, looking around.

"And before you know it, big and tall"

Maple and larch walk up to and into thunderclan, looking younger than maple remembers it. (keep in mind nobody can see them)

Part - 16

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"And every little bitty choice you make"

Larch nudges his elbow into maple's and smiles.

"Sends you down a path to who you are today"

Maple and larch walk as cats around them are bustling, preparing special trees and gifts.

Part - 17

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"So let's take a little trip down memory lane"

Mapleshade and larchkit stop as a silhouette of a kit in the foreground rolls across the screen.

"And see just what the past has to say!"

Mapleshade stares in awe as she is now looking at herself as a kit. Happy and excited.

Part - 18

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"Aw, look how cute you were! Looks like you're not too upset it's Hearth's Warming Eve either."

Larchkit smiles at mapleshade, he gives a warm smile about how maple used to love this time of year.

Part - 19

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"The seeds of the past They grow pretty fast"

Mapleshade watches Maplekit hop around with some other kits, Frecklewish and Ravenkit, they all used to be friends and they all run offscreen to play.

"Just look at who you were back then"

Mapleshade watches as tears fill her eyes, missing how nice things used to be.

Part - 20

Set/Type - Winter / Thunderclan / Day

"The seeds, as they grow Look what they can show"

Larchkit walks up next to mapleshade with a sad look. He glaces at her.

"Reveal the truth time and again"

Maple and larch are seen sitting down in the middle of the clearing, maple looking upset before the screen slowly fades to white.

Part - 21

Set/Type - Fall / Thunderclan Camp / Light rain

"Then some distress."

A shot of maple during her exile, staring up in horror.

"Words so careless"

A shot of Oakstar, angrily telling

"Standin' there, you don't know what to do"

Past Mapleshade is seen still staring in horror, tears falling down her face, all her kits underneath her hiding behind her front paws.

Part - 22

Set/Type - Fall / Thunderclan Camp / Light Rain

"Feelin' helpless You can't make it hurt less"

Larch and maple watch it occur, next to the crowd of cats watching her past self get exiled. Maple looks shocked and upset watching this unfoil again.

"So you go and change your point of view"

Past maple's sadness turns to anger before she turns and walks offscreen.

Part - 23

Set/Type - Fall / River / Harsh Rain/Storm

"And in that moment, though you didn't know it"

Past maple is seen angrily stomping her paws in the harsh rain, her kits scardley following. (make sure her pawsteps kind of follow the beat!)

"Your defenses set up walls you built to last"

A shot of the roaring river is seen before panning up to reveal past maple and her kits watching almost ready to cross.

Part - 24

Set/Type - Fall / River / Harsh Rain/Storm

"Leading to the pony you've become today"

Past mapleshade is seen hopping onto the stepping stones, trying to carry her kits but is visibly struggling. "And the spell you're about to cast It all comes from your past,"

Larchkit and mapleshade are desperately watching but stay put knowing theres nothing they can do. Larchkit looks forward and then to mapleshade.

Part - 25

Set/Type - Fall / River / Harsh Rain/Storm

"The seeds of the past We grow up so fast"

Mapleshade, tearing up, says this to the screen.

"Some hurts never go"

Past maple slips on the stones, herself and her kits now falling into the river.

"Away..."

A shot of past maple, reaching out for her kits in the river while they get swept away,

Part - 26

Set/Type - Fall / River / Harsh Rain/Storm

"The seeds, as they grow, This we can't let go "

Larchkit pats mapleshade's back before shaking his head at "This we can't let go"

"All tied to this one holiday"

Maple and larch sit in front of the river, larchkit turns his head to look up to the sky. We pan up as the screen slowly fades to white.

PetalKit's Present

Part - 27

Set/Type - Winter / Tree Hollow / Sunset

"Wo-oah! Woah!!"

Petalkit leaps up, her tail twitching.

"Whats happening to you?"

Mapleshade concerningly asks this while reaching a paw out.

"My spirit of heartswarming present sense is going off! That means a song is coming oooon!"

Petalkit excitingly hops up in front of mapleshade. At the end of her line she grabs the top of the screen, pulling it down to reveal a green screen (this would help transition into our next part, would look something like this! - <u>Link</u>)

Part - 28

Set/Type - Winter / Tree Hollow / Myler's Barn / Sunset

[Instrumental]

Petal pushes maple out from under the hollowed tree and pushes her into Myler's barn.

"Take a look at everything around you!"

Petalkit reveals a large barn full of happy cats celebrating.

All the smells that surely will astound you"

Petal picks up a mouse and gives it to maple.

"Open up your heart, it will surround you"

Petalkit shows a nice celebration going on.

"In the magic of Hearth's Warming Eve"

Petalkit pops up in between two kittypets under a mistletoe and looks at them curiously,

Part - 29

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Sunset

"The little things that make it better"

Two cats have mice in their mouths, they throw them up into the air letting the cat catch and take their mouse to eat.

"Little ponies spreading cheer"

Loners and kittypets are laughing together.

"Give a toy,"

Petalkit gives a small kittypet kitten a toy mouse with patches on it,

"a hug,"

Petalkit slides over and gives maple a big hug.

"a sweater!"

Petalkit shoves a big bow collar onto a loner. The loner looks excited.

"Memories that last all year"

Mapleshade watches curiously.

Part - 30

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

"The present's always filled with presents! Large, medium, and small!"

Petalkit hops onto some presents put underneath a pine tree in the barn.

"Sometimes the most important things Aren't very big at all!"

Petalkit sings this while standing next to mapleshade.

Part - 31

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

[Instrumental]

Show different shots of loners, kittypets and other cats having a grand time in the barn together.

Part - 32

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

"What a party, there's so much to see here!"

Petalkit and mapleshade are now outside the barn, petalkit hops up onto the window sill and peers inside,

"Can't believe you didn't want to be here"

A shot from inside the barn, maple and petal are shown looking in through the window.

"You'd have had a blast, I guarantee here!"

Back outside petalkit says this to maple.

"This is the spirit of Hearth's Warming Eve!"

Petalkit smiles and encourages maple to go inside and have fun.

Part - 33

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

"Cider's flowing, this is living!"

Cats are shown drinking out of a wooden bucket on a beam. The bucket tips and water falls onto a cat below.

The cats all laugh together.

"Come on and feel the beat!"

Petalkit hops in and dances as cats around her cheer.

Part - 34

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

"Life is better when you're giving!"

Maple watches cats giving prey and other nature-like items as gifts.

"Each time you do it feels so sweet!"

A shot of mapleshade smiling a little.

Part - 35

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

"The present's always filled with presents, So come on, open your eyes!"

Petalkit climbs up the small pine/christmas tree and sings this at the top.

"Spend time with ponies just like you And watch your spirits rise"

Mapleshade walks up to the tree and smiles.

Part - 36

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

"The present's always filled with presents! Take a look around!"

Mapleshade is shown looking up at the tree and giggling before turning around.

"The reason for the holiday, Is quite easily found"

Mapleshade looks around at the barn watching all these happy cats get along and have a great time.

Part - 37

Set/Type - Winter / Myler's barn / Night

"Yes, the reason for the holiday, Is quite easily found!"

Petalkit is seen in the middle of the crowd smiling before panning out to reveal everyone, the scene should look something like this! - <u>Link</u>

"And the reason is to be with your friends!"

Petalkit then hops up in front of the screen and says this before the screen finally goes black.

Part - 38

Set/Type - Harsh Winter

"I see a cold wind blowing through"

A shot of thunderclan camp, completely desolate and frozen over.

"I see days neither fun nor free"

A shot of riverclan, the same as thunderclan.

Part - 39

Set/Type - Harsh Winter

"I see a future caused by you"

Patchkit looms over maple and points his paw right at her.

"I see a path not meant to be."

Mapleshade, looking up at patch, stumbles backward as a flash of her dark forest self appears where she is.

Part - 40

Set/Type - Harsh Winter

"The future should be filled with magic"

Patchkit lifts his paw to show a vague vision of cats frolicking in the air (cats like Crookedstar, Ivypool, cats she didn't directly hurt in Mapleshade's Vengeance but does cause extra suffering to)

"Dreams and wishes brought to life"

The vision like apparitions of appledusk and reedshine are shown with their kits before pressing their heads together lovingly.

(this is what the 'visions' would look like - Link)

Part - 41

Set/Type - Harsh Winter

"But the days ahead are dark and tragic"

Mapleshade looks at the 'visions' sadly, her eyes wide.

"No time for hope when all is"

Patchkit walks across the screen, making the 'visions' of frecklewish, ravenwing, and crookedstar vanish. "Strife"

Patchkit steps on the 'vision' of reed and apple making it disappear.

Part - 42

Set/Type - Harsh Winter

"Whatever might have been"

In Patchkit's paw flashes a vision of Mapleshade reuniting with her friends, it fades quickly.

"All the dreams that ponies share"

It is replaced by Mapleshade laughing with her friends

"Because of you, Snowfall Frost"

Patchkit closes his paw on the illusion and points to Mapleshade

"Now the future is a cold nightmare!"

Patchkit shouts, a he yells "nightmare," a vicious snowstorm materializes

Part - 43

Set/Type - Harsh Winter

"They arent real! Its just a little fillies story!"

Mapleshade turns around and shakes her head.

"They are all too real, Snowfall. And your actions will allow them to return! The future of equestria shall be bathed in a blanket of eternal snow!"

Patchkit yells this line to maple, before fading away as the storm starts to form even more.

Part - 44

Set/Type - Harsh Winter

"No! I never meant for this to happen! I didn't understand! I didn't see how important hearth's warming eve was!"

Mapleshade keeps turning around as the snow storm starts to circle her.

"Please spirit! I havent cast the spell yet! Is there still time? IM SORRY!"

Mapleshade dips to the ground (kind of like bowing?) and starts to tear up and put her paws on her head cry before the screen flashes to white.