

Love In Space

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INT. FUTURISTIC SPACE STATION BAR

A *Next Generation* "Ten Forward" style bar populated with various humans and aliens in various shapes and sizes.

GERMLEY, the alien Barman, is behind the bar. FRANKLIN, a glum-looking gentleman in a scifi Military uniform, sits down at the bar in front of Germley.

FRANKLIN

Sythe-Scotch. Neat. On the rocks.
With no ice.

GERMLEY

Troubled, Mr. Franklin?

FRANKLIN

Oh Germley. You don't know the half
of it.

Germley hands Franklin the drink, which he downs in one. When he sets it down Germley fills it up again, and Franklin takes a small sip from the new glass.

FRANKLIN

I'm an idiot.

GERMLEY

Yes, you are.

FRANKLIN

I haven't even told you what I've
done yet.

GERMLEY

Oh. Right. Sorry. I thought we were
just talking generally. So...

Germley reaches for a nearby dirty glass, sneezes a thick blue ooze into it, and begins cleaning.

GERMLEY (CONT)

Share.

FRANKLIN

So there's this girl on board.
Crewman Jaim.

GERMLEY

Ooh, she's spicy.

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FRANKLIN

She is. She's also in love with me,
and I'm fairly sure I like her too.

GERMLEY

Delicious.

FRANKLIN

And yet I can't get this other girl
out of my head. Fralot. I met her
on Shore Leave back on Titan. She's
incredible. Smart, witty, more
curves than a packet of Pringles.

GERMLEY

Ah, and you're having difficulty
deciding what to have from the
menu?

FRANKLIN

So to speak, yeah. I like Jaim. I
like Jaim a lot. But Fralot and I
had this deep spiritual connection
thing, y'know? Like it's deeper
than just a physical attraction.
I'm stuck between a rock and... and
a bigger rock.

GERMLEY

The solution is simple, Mr.
Franklin. Eat one of them now, and
save the other one for later.

FRANKLIN

What?

GERMLEY

Wait, no. Sorry. I keep forgetting
your species doesn't eat its own.
Forget I spoke.

THE END