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DESTINY AWAITS THEE.

The new nation of Krakoa offers the promise of peace to mutantkind, but peace has been hard to come by. Formerly villainous Apocalypse has declared his intention to harness mutant magic, but not everyone is convinced—especially since his experimentation seemed to put Rogue into a mysterious floral coma. And war in Otherworld called Brian Braddock into battle against the sorceress Morgan Le Fay—but when she possessed Brian, he used the last of his strength to give his twin sister, Betsy, the Amulet of Right...bestowing upon Betsy the mantle of CAPTAIN BRITAIN.



Captain
Britain



Apocalypse



Jubilee



Rogue



Gambit



Shogo



Kate Pryde

The English Channel.
Fourth century B.C.E.

Apocalypse was
the first of his kind.

But it is a misconception
that he was their common
ancestor. In time, other
mutants appeared all over.

He went to them because
they were scattered. His
people did not have a home.

Not like they
do now.

These mutants had never heard
of Akkaba or the people there.

But alas, it was their direction
that was perfect, not their
seaworthiness.

They were born twins,
and when the two were
together, they could
never lose their way.
A gift from the gods.

It made them *superior*.
Different. So they were
sent away.

Apocalypse didn't save
them--his people or not,
he didn't save those who
died by their own means.

But he thought:
I should honor
their deaths.

Or at the
very least...

...remember its location.

Atlantic Ocean, several miles off the coast of Cornwall, England.

Thanks for the ride, Captain Kate.

Of course, Captain Britain.

Gosh, I haven't been to the old Excali-Braddock lighthouse since we destroyed the original!

Did they add a hot tub this time? I made requests.

It was the seat of power of Excalibur for so long--it seems right to set up a gate there.

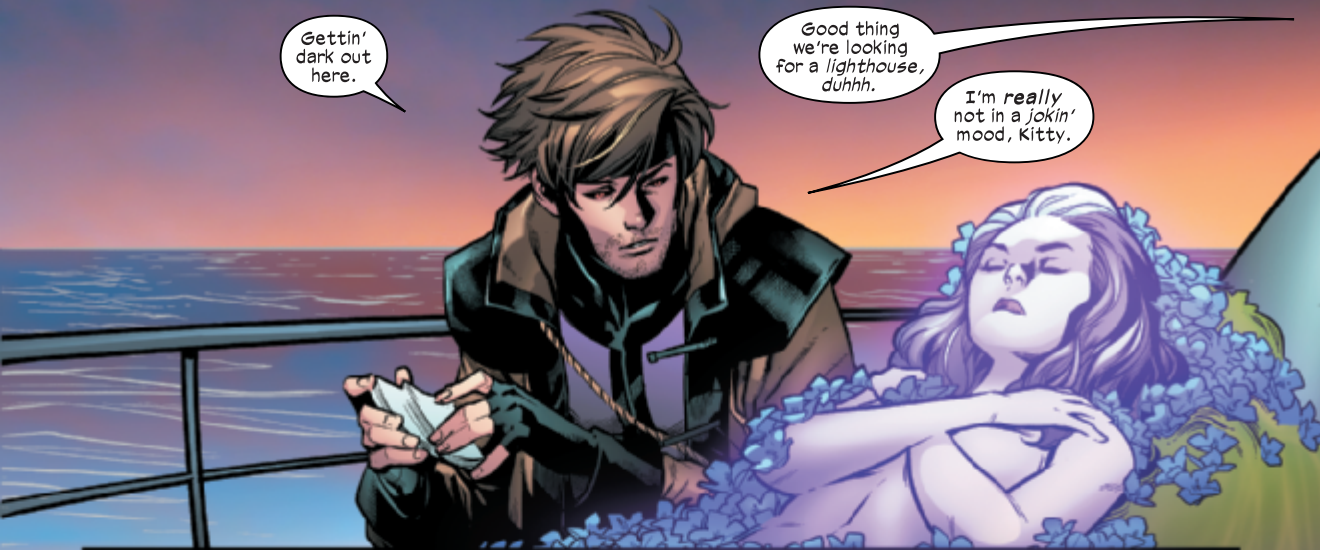
And it might be the way to save Brian.

I can't stick around, but when I come back to visit? Hot tub.

I'll see what can be done.

Glad y'all are feeling so jokey.





Gettin' dark out here.

Good thing we're looking for a lighthouse, duhhh.

I'm really not in a jokin' mood, Kitty.



Aw, Remy. I'm sure Rogue's okay.

It's pretty hard to not make her okay. She's tough.



Gosh, she looks so peaceful there. Like a princess.

Has anyone tried kissing her?



Just asking!

You could have stayed on Krakoa and helped Apocalypse babysit Shogo.

Uh, Shogo is in very safe hands away from Apocalypse or Gambit.

Like I'd leave my boy with either!



What part of in't in a joking mood do y'all not understand?!

Brokenhearted?