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## **Chapter 481: Nurturing The Blood Brew Grapevine**

The leaf-shaped Diamond fey storage box used to contain the flesh of many dimensional lifeforms, so it gave off an odious stink.

However, once Red Thorn's Mouth of Relinquish was activated, the energy waves emitted would be sufficient to force out any and all smells.

Genius only needed to land on the Mouth of Relinquish's fleshy flowers when it entered the leaf-shaped Diamond fey storage box.

As such, Lin Yuan would no longer need to stuff paper balls made of leaf pulp up its nose.

Lin Yuan thought that Red Thorn was truly Genius's disciple, for it put on airs just like Genius did.

Lin Yuan was proud to see that Red Thorn was already able to produce simple voice statements.

Red Thorn had still been a plain, unformed source seed half a year ago, but it had blossomed quickly under his wing.

Lin Yuan realized that Red Thorn's intelligence level was increasing as well. When it was digesting flesh in the leaf-shaped Diamond fey storage box, it no longer stuffed itself mindlessly like it used to.

It would now sprout vines that extracted the flesh from the Gold dimensional lifeforms. It would then transport the soluble flesh through the roots connecting the vines and the ortets, all the way to the Mouth of Relinquish.

Next, the Mouth of Relinquish and Tongue of Relinquish would choose the best digesting agent suited to that particular dimensional lifeform before finally digesting the dimensional lifeform.

This method sped up the digestive process considerably.

However, the goal was not just to increase the digestion rate.

Lin Yuan thought that this was a sign of Red Thorn's personality change. It was now conscious of its image and was trying to have etiquette.

When Red Thorn first grew the thornless vine, it had simply asked Lin Yuan to tie it into a butterfly knot.

But as time went on, Red Thorn started to want to improve its looks and requested Lin Yuan to use different colored ribbons to tie the butterfly knot.

The previously emptied stock of Eye of Relinquish had grown to 30 within a day.

Lin Yuan said to Red Thorn, "Red Thorn, can you harvest the Eyes of Relinquish which were meant to go into storage?"

Red Thorn had been playing with the ten large gill-shaped flowers, but it grew serious and spat out some spores once Lin Yuan spoke.

The spores sprouted two vines by Lin Yuan's feet.

Red Thorn called out an Eye of Relinquish through the roots connected to the vines and dutifully handed it to Lin Yuan.

Although Red Thorn could only produce about 60 Eyes of Relinquish, they would immediately turn into a sea of flowers or an important means of attack when combined during battle.

Lin Yuan had also witnessed Red Thorn harvesting Eyes of Relinquish on command in a fight.

The thornless vine had been using the Eye of Relinquish as a toy. When Lin Yuan saw the Blood Brew Grapevines, he came up with the idea of using the Eye of Relinquish to nurture it.

The Mouth of Relinquish digested rapidly.

Unfortunately, Red Thorn's rate of evolution was slow. As such, the Mouth of Relinquish could only start to replenish the Eye of Relinquish when the number fell below 60. Only then would Red Thorn activate the Mouth of Relinquish to turn the excess digested flesh into the Eyes of Relinquish for storage.

Thus, Lin Yuan's depletion of the Eyes of Relinquish would not slow down Red Thorn's evolution.

It only required a large intake of dimensional lifeform flesh.

Lin Yuan placed an Eye of Relinquish into the roots of the Blood Brew Grapevine.

As a Platinum IV/Epic fey, the Blood Brew Grapevine could consume nutrients through its roots. If the Blood Brew Grapevine could not absorb the pure energy from the Eye of Relinquish, Lin Yuan would need to go on Star Web to purchase Platinum fey blood.

The purchased Platinum fey blood would be used to nurture the Blood Brew Grapevine into growing Blood Brew Grapes.

When the Eye of Relinquish was placed at the Blood Brew Grapevine's roots, Lin Yuan held his breath and watched the Blood Brew Grapevine's movements.

What he saw was the Blood Brew Grapevine's roots encapsulating the Eye of Relinquish, squeezing it tighter and tighter.

The sharp roots jabbed at the Eye of Relinquish.

Lin Yuan was surprised by what he saw.

He did not expect Red Thorn's Eye of Relinquish to be so resilient. Or perhaps it was the Blood Brew Grapevine's roots that were too weak.

Lin Yuan produced a feather made of Day and Night Spirit Silver using his Source Sand and slashed an opening in the Eye of Relinquish.

A few of the Blood Brew Grapevine's roots were then able to tunnel in through the opening.

Lin Yuan soon noticed the rippling blood-red energy around the Blood Brew Grapevine.

The Blood Brew Grapevine's seller had set up a shelf for it. All of a sudden, new vines were growing out of it.

The sticky red sap, where the Blood Brew Grapes had been slashed open, was slowly starting to dry.

When Lin Yuan reached out to touch it, the layer of red tree sap immediately fell away.

The wound had become shallow.

The Blood Brew Grapevine guickly absorbed the Eye of Relinguish.

After only 20 minutes, the blood in the Eye of Relinquish was almost all gone.

Lin Yuan noticed that the rate at which the Blood Brew Grapevine absorbed the Eye of Relinquish was similar to the rate at which Red Thorn produced the Eye of Relinquish.

Lin Yuan placed the remaining 29 Eyes of Relinquish at the Blood Brew Grapevine's roots and then used the Day and Night Spirit Silver feather to cut an opening in every Eye of Relinquish.

The opening was small enough to ensure that the blood energy in each Eye of Relinquish would not leak while still allowing the Blood Brew Grapevine's roots easy access.

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When Lin Yuan was done, he noticed that the Blood Brew Grapevine was rather greedy.

It originally did not have many roots, but it had grown numerous more in order to absorb all the Eyes of Relinquish.

The new roots soon joined the old roots in entering the Eyes of Relinquish.

The Blood Brew Grapevine only started to absorb the blood energy in the Eyes of Relinquish after it had ensured that it had engulfed every piece.

Lin Yuan noticed that the Blood Brew Grapevine had its little tricks when it came to this process.

The Blood Brew Grapevine's new roots were much sharper than the old ones, and they were covered with a wooden exterior.

The Blood Brew Grapevine no longer needed Lin Yuan's help thanks to the new roots.

It could now break down the Eyes of Relinquish's defenses on its own.

The blood energy from each of the 29 Eyes of Relinquish was eventually all absorbed into the Blood Brew Grapevine's body.

The vines on top of the Blood Brew Grapevine started to playfully dangle its new roots.

With the addition of its new roots, the Blood Brew Grapevine looked as though it had grown twice in size.

Lin Yuan was unbothered.

The old person who had sold the Blood Brew Grapevine should have pruned all of its vines and leaves. All that was left was the main vine. This ensured that all the blood energy the Blood Brew Grapevine absorbed would be focused on growing Blood Brew Grapes along the main vine.

However, Lin Yuan preferred the Blood Brew Grapevine to grow more vines so as to increase the number of Blood Brew Grapes it produced at a time.

Although this would undoubtedly increase the Blood Brew Grapes' growing time, not pruning the new vines could also preserve the energy in the Blood Brew Grapevine's body. After all, the Blood Brew Grapevine needed to channel more blood energy into regrowing the parts that had been pruned.

The Mother of Bloodbath would need to eat an immeasurable number of Blood Brew Grapes if it wanted to promote to Myth III. As such, the Mother of Bloodbath would be able to eat its fill of Blood Brew Grapes whenever the Blood Brew Grapevine produced its maximum number of Blood Brew Grapes.

Lin Yuan did a quick check to ensure that everything was in order before storing both Red Thorn and the Blood Brew Grapevine into the leaf-shaped Diamond fey storage box.

Previously, Lin Yuan had not instructed Red Thorn to store its Eyes of Relinquish because of his experimentation on the Eyes of Relinquish.

But now that Lin Yuan was going to get Red Thorn to continuously produce Eyes of Relinquish to nurture the Blood Brew Grapevine, it was better to maintain the 60 Eyes of Relinquish on Red Thorn.

The extra Eyes of Relinquish would be placed at the Blood Brew Grapevine's roots.

The Source Sand might be Lin Yuan's current main choice of fey to use in battle, but Red Thorn's fighting abilities could strike a team as a whole. It could only be of significant use under the right circumstances.

Lin Yuan was accustomed to expanding the range of effectiveness of his fighting power, for it allowed him to utilize the best action regardless of what situation he was facing.

Despite already having powerful guardians like the Mother of Bloodbath and Endless Summer by his side—not to mention the Extreme Token the Moon Empress had given him—Lin Yuan felt it was best to remain on his toes.

Since the Blood Brew Grapevine could absorb the Eyes of Relinquish and was growing rapidly, Lin Yuan could now set his worries at ease.

This undeniably helped Lin Yuan save a large amount of money.

The Eyes of Relinquish came from water world dimensional lifeforms. They had enormous bodies, and each piece of their flesh was sold for cheap. It was the most affordable meat ingredient in the world.

Since Red Thorn could rely on these water world dimensional lifeforms to sustain itself, it saved Lin Yuan the effort of collecting the blood of feys.

Lin Yuan used to stress about how to procure the water world dimensional lifeforms, but one stroll through the Indigo Azure Sea Market had resolved that worry.

It was almost time for the dimensional rift's active period. There was an endless stream of people coming to trade for water world dimensional lifeforms with the Indigo Azure Guards.

Lin Yuan planned to strike up a deal with the middle-aged man when he returned to the Royal Capital. It would be best if he managed to get his hands on some water world dimensional lifeform to store in the Diamond fey storage box.

Suddenly, Lin Yuan realized that if the Mother of Bloodbath knew that the Blood Brew Grapes it consumed were made from water world dimensional lifeforms, it might be repulsed.

Lin Yuan dismissed the thought as unimportant. The important thing was that the Blood Brew Grapes were packed full of the sparkling blood energy that the Mother of Bloodbath needed.

Now that he had finished all his additional chores, Lin Yuan could focus on his own affairs.

Lin Yuan took the Mountain-Containing Embryo he had traded out of the button-shaped fey storage box.

The Mountain-Containing Embryo was jumping around, and it looked like a bean to Lin Yuan.

The Mountain-Containing Embryo carried an air of virtue as it leaped about. It seemed as though this small yellow ball could even scale mountains. It could also be said that the Mountain-Containing Embryo felt like it was part of the mountains itself.

Lin Yuan turned the Source Sand into some landscape rocks and wrapped the jumping Mountain-Containing Embryo inside.

Lin Yuan could feel the Source Sand's strange happiness, showing that it was glad to be of service to him.

Inside of the Mountain-Containing Embryo was the ever-changing consciousness of the mountains.

Thus, when the Source Sand was covering over the Mountain-Containing Embryo, it could use Metal Consume Manifestation to devour the Day and Night Spirit Silver. It would use its memory of the shape of the Divine Travel Black Swallow's feather to produce the golden feathers Gray grew when it evolved into the Sky-Clouded Crane.

The golden feather was much more complicated to produce than the Divine Travel Black Swallow's feathers. Hence, some time was needed in order to fully memorize and implement the change.

The Source Sand would also take time to fully absorb the Mountain-Containing Embryo's altered abilities.

As such, Lin Yuan stored the hardworking Source Sand away.

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While the Source Sand was changing into its button form, it looked as though it was housing a potato.

Lin Yuan could not help but wonder if this was what people were referring to when they said even the humblest objects carried a certain amount of majesty.

Since there was not much time left, Lin Yuan left the Spirit Lock spatial zone and returned to his tent.

The faint aroma of seafood porridge drifted into the tent. He realized that Big Brother Liu must have started on breakfast.

Lin Yuan stretched and strolled out of his tent.

When he walked out of the tent, Lin Yuan noticed that the Mother of Bloodbath had also woken up. It was standing next to Liu Jie, who was cooking a huge pot of seafood porridge.

Every now and then, it would toss a few pieces of shelled prawns, dried scallops, and abalone pieces into the bubbling pot.

The Mother of Bloodbath kept adding ingredients, and it did not look like it was going to stop anytime soon.

The more ingredients the Mother of Bloodbath threw in, the more vigorously Liu Jie's eyelids twitched, especially when it added the abalone pieces.

Liu Jie finally had to stop it.

"If you add more abalone pieces, the porridge will be too thick!"

The Mother of Bloodbath stopped adding the seafood and asked, "This is my first time cooking. What if Lin Yuan, Listen, and the rest don't like the taste because there are too few ingredients?"

Liu Jie pulled out a crystal bottle of salt and handed it to the Mother of Bloodbath.

"The seafood was bought first thing this morning. You also added some Platinum abalone liver juices. There's no way it won't taste delicious. All we need to do now is to add some salt to bring out the porridge's freshness. About four shakes of this crystal bottle should be enough."

Lin Yuan's eyebrow jumped when he heard that the Mother of Bloodbath was the chef behind this morning's breakfast.

But he saw how attentively Liu Jie was guiding it, even giving specific instructions on how much salt to add, so the food might as well have been cooked by Liu Jie himself.

The Mother of Bloodbath was more like a sous chef.

The blazing sun set the entire sky alight, and foamy waves crashed softly on the shores. The ocean spray was completely devoid of life.

The Sea Burial Lotus Flower had utterly removed all traces of energy from the coastal seas, essentially leaving it barren.

It could very well take more than 100 years for the area to recover.

Without feys in the shores, there should be no danger as long as a water world dimensional rift did not open up here, making the area suitable for a holiday location.

Lin Yuan reveled in the abundant variety of ingredients, specifically the Mother of Bloodbath's mouthwatering seafood porridge.

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Unfortunately for the Zheng family, they were not having a gleeful time.

A middle-aged man with three scars on his face was pushing a wheelchair along a narrow path that cut through an expansive yard.

The dawn air was still pregnant with night chill. The skinny youth in the wheelchair had a thick blanket draped over him and was dressed in a set of white wool robes.

The scarred middle-aged man pulled the blanket tighter around the youth as he bowed and said, "Third Young Master, you've been out twice as long as usual. How about we return after walking through this alley?"

The skinny youth in the wheelchair was in a good mood as he replied, "No rush. I want to visit the cherry blossom forest after we're done walking around here. It's a pity that it doesn't snow in Indigo Azure City. The red cherry blossoms aren't as vibrant when they're not viewed against the blank white canvas of snow."

The scarred middle-aged man knew that the Third Young Master's mood could not simply be described as good. He knew why the Third Young Master's had such a bright and spirited demeanor.

"Third Young Master, there was a blizzard at sea last night, but it only lasted for a short while," said the scarred middle-aged man.

The skinny youth chuckled.

"The snow might have stopped above the sea, but it must have moved to another area. It wouldn't just end so abruptly. If only my legs were strong. I could have enjoyed the ocean view last night."

The skinny youth suddenly asked, "Uncle Fu, you said that even Nightmare VI disappeared. How's Second Brother taking it?"

The scarred middle-aged man did not respond because he knew that the Third Young Master was only engaging in soliloquy. He was actually detached from reality at the moment.

Disturbing him while he was in such a state would only spell trouble.

Suddenly, the Third Young Master heaved a sigh.

"Well, Second Brother's legs are still working. At least, he'll be able to do something about it. If he was like me, he'd truly be crippled by helplessness."

The middle-aged man suddenly felt the initially exceptionally pleasant weather shift as a cold wind kicked up.

A figure surreptitiously appeared beside the skinny youth's wheelchair.

He was dressed in black robes and had a figure which would tower over the average person, giving his black robe a wide and voluminous appearance.

The black figure whispered into the skinny youth's ear, "Third Young Master, I've confirmed that Nightmare VI is dead. I've also sent the item as per your orders."

The skinny youth in the wheelchair stretched contentedly, and his fingers rapped on the wheelchair's armrest. His mood had apparently improved.

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Lin Yuan emerged from the ocean, having just checked on the Ethereal Jellyfish's progress of collecting the Floating Silver.

He realized that the Ethereal Jellyfish was collecting the Floating Silver Strands much faster than he had anticipated.

It had already collected 1/3 of the Floating Silver Strands from the ocean floor in just one night. This meant that all of the Floating Silver Strands would be collected at the same time tomorrow.

Zhou Luo's Lava Dragon Lizard was instrumental in this result.

After spending a day in the ocean, Lin Yuan felt that spirit qi professionals had stringent criteria when picking their contracted feys.

The majority of feys could only control one of the three realms—the sea, the land, and the skies.

There were very few feys that could control two or even three.

Different feys could use different abilities in different environments.

For example, no matter how strong Liu Jie's Insect Queen became, it could only rely on its Lightning Gathering Moths and Hurricane Owlet Moths to fight against enemies from the sea surface.

When it came to enemies that were submerged underwater, Liu Jie would be helpless.

Lin Yuan felt it was necessary for him to contract a real aquatic fey in the future besides Red Thorn that could fight underwater.

### **Chapter 484: The Two Who Earned a Lot**

Lin Yuan's phone suddenly rang. He couldn't help but feel a little surprised when he saw the caller.

After picking up the phone, Lin Yuan heard the opposite party speak first.

"I don't think it's possible to exchange any dimensional lifeforms' flesh for the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh anymore."

The voice coming from the other end of the phone was very forthright, with a hint of apology.

Lin Yuan subconsciously replied, "It's okay even if you can't exchange any dimensional lifeforms' flesh. I have a lot of abyss dimensional lifeforms' flesh here as well."

The middle-aged man on the other end of the phone realized that Lin Yuan had gotten the wrong idea and hurriedly said, "We exchanged the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh for the demon

dimensional lifeforms' flesh. It's only because it's easier to sell the disassembled spiritual materials from the demon dimensional lifeforms' flesh.

"Our boss has found a way to exchange the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh for some basic supplies.

"Therefore, I would have to go back on the exchange condition that I promised you before."

When Lin Yuan heard that, his eyebrows immediately jumped wildly.

He had managed to find a way to exchange for water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh with much difficulty, so he couldn't just let it go like that.

Moreover, hundreds of Gold water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh would have to be consumed every day for Red Thorn to use its Mouth of Relinquish at full capacity to spawn the Eyes of Relinquish to nurture the Blood Brew Grapevine and allow Red Thorn to evolve its ability to breathe underwater.

Previously, those that he had exchanged were only enough for Red Thorn's Mouth of Relinquish to consume for a month or so.

As Red Thorn became stronger and stronger, with acid secreted by the Tongue of Relinquish that specialized in digesting water world dimensional lifeforms, Lin Yuan's demand for Gold water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh had to be on another level.

How could he not have the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh!?

The middle-aged man on the other side of the phone was an Indigo Azure Guard, so the boss he mentioned must be the Indigo Azure Guard Captain.

Lin Yuan didn't know if he had come to the desolate island yesterday with the two Guard Envoys.

Since the Indigo Azure Guard Captain had done that in exchange for basic supplies, Lin Yuan could also provide basic supplies.

Apart from basic supplies, in order to be able to exchange Gold water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh, Lin Yuan would even be willing to take out some relatively rare materials.

As long as he could always use the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh, it was akin to doing the most economical thing.

"Uncle, I'm not only able to take out basic supplies here, but I can even provide fine goods and some rare spiritual materials to exchange for the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh."

As he spoke, Lin Yuan was a bit puzzled. He needed the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh as rations for Red Thorn.

Why exactly did other people need such a smelly thing like the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh?

While Lin Yuan was puzzled, he didn't know that the middle-aged man on the other end of the phone was even more puzzled.

What's wrong with this world?

How can someone be willing to take out fine goods and rare spiritual materials to exchange for Gold water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh!?

Rich people are really something!

When Boss found a channel where he could exchange the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh for basic supplies, it was like New Year's for the Indigo Azure Guards.

The Indigo Azure Guards usually discarded most of the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh every year.

The middle-aged man, who had previously discarded the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh, didn't feel it was a waste, but it was a little painful to think about.

Lin Yuan soon heard the middle-aged man on the other end of the phone speak frankly again.

"If you can really take out fine goods and rare spiritual materials, our boss will naturally not refuse. However, if you want to reach long-term cooperation, you can't buy as little at one time as before."

The middle-aged man suddenly felt a burst of pleasure!

He now had the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh. Why did he suddenly feel that he was holding a precious bargaining chip and could start bargaining?

Lin Yuan felt even better after hearing the middle-aged man's words.

"In the future, every time I exchange, it'll be in the form of one Diamond fey storage box.

"We will still follow the previous price, except that I'll convert the price of the demon dimensional lifeforms' flesh according to the price sold on Star Web.

"The price of the fine goods and rare spiritual materials will also be based on the Star Web price. What do you think about it, Uncle?"

The middle-aged man had canceled the agreement of the previous transaction mainly due to the loss of value in the process of reselling the spiritual materials broken down from the demon flesh, which had been exchanged with the water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh.

In addition to the value loss, breaking down various demon flesh among the abyss dimensional lifeforms also took a lot of time, and he was willing to use fine goods and rare spiritual materials to exchange.

It would be like helping the middle-aged man offset the price difference in between. This middle-aged man should be willing to do so.

In Lin Yuan's opinion, converting all the prices on Star Web was a more cost-effective price for the middle-aged man. After all, the price of the demon dimensional lifeforms' flesh on Star Web was far more expensive than the actual value by about 1% to 2%.

As expected, Lin Yuan immediately heard the middle-aged man's cheerful laughter after he finished speaking.

"You're fastidious!"

Lin Yuan couldn't help but be embarrassed when he heard how the middle-aged man had addressed him.

Previously, he had called him Uncle, but now, this middle-aged man was calling him Brother, so Lin Yuan couldn't call him Uncle anymore.

At this moment, the middle-aged man said, "Brother, the active period of the dimensional rift is about to begin and will last for nearly half a year, so I can't offer any more trades during this period.

"The next time should be six months later.

"If you need a lot of water world dimensional lifeforms' flesh, you need to finish the deal with me before tomorrow.

"Otherwise, our boss may empty all the dimensional lifeforms' flesh now in exchange for some ordinary supplies that can improve the meals of the feys."

After hearing the middle-aged man's words, Lin Yuan immediately stated, "It might be better for me to look for you in Indigo Azure City. It just so happens that I have an empty Diamond fey storage box, which can just be filled up when trading."

After agreeing on the location with the middle-aged man, Lin Yuan hung up the phone.

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At that moment, a rather serious voice suddenly came from behind the middle-aged man, whose face was happy.

"Why are you smiling like that? Listen to you laughing at the door for nearly a minute!

"Why? You've finally found a girlfriend after being single your entire life?"

# Chapter 485: Truly A Classy Person!

The middle-aged man frowned and said, "Captain, don't you think you should arrange a girlfriend for me after all my hard work?"

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain was the azure armor-wearing man Lin Yuan had met on the deserted island.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain patted the middle-aged man's shoulder and chided him playfully. "You brat, I've been single for five years longer than you! Are you really asking me to set you up now? Quickly, be serious now. Let's go take care of all the water world dimensional lifeforms we have stored up. Then we'll talk!"

The middle-aged man scratched the back of his head before smiling devilishly.

"Captain, I think I closed a huge deal. We don't need to exchange half of the water world dimensional lifeform flesh for ordinary supplies."

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain kicked the middle-aged man.

"Stop stalling and just speak what's on your mind! I've been super-busy these two days and haven't had much sleep. I'm in no mood to entertain you!"

After being kicked, the middle-aged man dutifully told the Indigo Azure Guard about the deal he had struck with Lin Yuan over the phone.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain frowned slightly as the deal seemed too good to be true.

If the deal went through, the Indigo Azure Guards would be able to receive an enormous amount of basic supplies, fine goods, and rare spiritual materials before the dimensional rift.

However, such a sweet deal needed to be investigated thoroughly.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain had come to ask the middle-aged man to go trade water world dimensional lifeform flesh with him. Now that they had another buyer, they could cover it on the way.

The possibility of being able to trade for rare spiritual materials and fine goods at hand would make anyone dive straight in.

"How much water world dimensional lifeform flesh does the other party want?"

The middle-aged man grinned from ear to ear.

"They want a Diamond fey storage box worth of it."

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain was shocked and pondered over the information.

When he came back to his senses, the middle-aged was still standing at his original spot. He coughed and said, "Then what are you waiting for? Go and get ready! Besides the Diamond fey storage box, make extra preparations."

The middle-aged man made a sound of acknowledgment and bustled off to prepare.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain thought to himself, I'll have to see for myself how this plays out. What kind of rare spiritual materials and fine goods will they use to exchange for the Diamond fey storage box?

There are so many kinds. The more popular items will be snatched up immediately. If it's just some worthless items, it will mean they merely want to transfer the load onto me.

If that happens, I'm better off just trading for regular daily necessities.

After Lin Yuan hung up, he informed his comrades that he was going to head into Indigo Azure City first to trade.

Endless Summer told the Mother of Bloodbath to continue separating Nightmare VI's spiritual ingredients.

It transformed into a gorgeous ball-shaped light purple flower and landed on the jade bead of Lin Yuan's spirit qi clothes.

It gave Lin Yuan's white attire a pop of color.

Apparently, Endless Summer planned to enter Indigo Azure City with Lin Yuan. It was taking precautionary measures against the Zheng family's possible retaliation.

Lin Yuan understood where Endless Summer was coming from.

Despite its concerns, Lin Yuan felt that the Zheng family currently did not have the heart to come after them for revenge.

The Zheng family might be a veteran faction, but they had lost two of their emperor-class experts.

Moreover, two of their Spirit Guard Envoys were in Indigo Azure City, meaning the Zheng family was currently shorthanded.

At present, they needed to be more careful when they were in Indigo Azure City, in case the two veteran factions who allied with the Zheng family tried to cause him harm.

Although the loss of the two emperor-class experts was not enough to remove the three families' hold on power, it did result in the Zheng family becoming the weakest link.

This time, the Mother of Bloodbath did not fight with Endless Summer about going to Indigo Azure City with Lin Yuan.

The Mother of Bloodbath might be Lin Yuan's Path Protector, but Endless Summer was currently stronger.

In spite of the strong front it was putting up, the Mother of Bloodbath needed time to recover from its previous injury.

Liu Jie and Listen, who were free in the daytime, went into the ocean to help the Ethereal Jellyfish collect the Floating Silver Strands.

The Ethereal Jellyfish might be able to collect the Floating Silver Strands, but it lacked the fine motor skills to properly organize and store them.

Zhou Luo watched in shock as Liu Jie and Listen started competing again.

Zhou Luo did not understand why they would use something so bitter as a betting stake.

The Platinum Bitter Gourd Pulp might as well be poison.

When Lin Yuan arrived at the agreed-upon restaurant in Indigo Azure City, he realized the middle-aged man had not arrived.

He sat and observed the sight in the restaurant.

The place was abuzz with customers. It was still morning, but numerous customers were seated in the store and had ordered drinks, fruit platters, and sweet biscuits.

Lin Yuan ordered freshly squeezed watermelon juice as he waited for the middle-aged man.

He started to organize the fey storage box he had obtained from Jiao Hanzhong.

The leaf-shaped Diamond fey storage box held a fair amount of dimensional lifeform flesh, as well as some wild feys he had caught deep in the Endless Forest.

Hence, Lin Yuan planned on emptying Jiao Hanzhong's fey storage box so it could be used to store the dimensional lifeforms.

Lin Yuan had never delved into Jiao Hanzhong's fey storage box before. Now, he saw that Jiao Hanzhong had not gathered many resources.

He must have invested most of his resources on the Cold Snow Pine.

Almost immediately after, Lin Yuan realized he was wrong.

Jiao Hanzhong was truly a classy person!

The Diamond fey storage box had always been used to store supplies, but Jiao Hanzhong had managed to produce an atmosphere akin to Morbius's Spirit Lock spatial zone.

Although it did not have the Spirit Lock spatial zone's effects, its interior resembled a small garden.

### **Chapter 486: Looking Forward to Working Together Again**

The fey box contained hundreds of flora and fauna that had obviously been carefully taken care of. The leaves were pruned to perfection, evidence of loving nurturing.

Lin Yuan used Morbius' True Data to check and found that many of the plants were of a rare species.

Unfortunately, they did not have much practical use as most of them were just edible ingredients.

There were 20 Platinum climbing roses that had grown flower buds.

The roses were a superior breed, and one stalk could probably sell for 10,000,000 Radiance dollars.

As long as there was a wall, regardless of the height, the climbing roses would be able to grow upward and bloom, creating a beautiful wall of flowers.

The scent from the large green petals acted as a natural mosquito and fly repellent but still attracted butterflies.

Jiao Hanzhong must have gone through a lot of trouble to collect all these plants because such rare plants could not be bought with money.

He must have spent decades collecting all of them.

The Class 5 Spirit Craftsman Hu Quan had already started to look for an architect to begin the Dome Guild Club's construction.

The plants from Jiao Hanzhong's fey storage box would be perfect as decoration in the guild club.

A small garden could also be built outside the mansion's bamboo forest, where the rare plants could be cultivated.

Lin Yuan continued looking through the items inside of Jiao Hanzhong's fey storage box. He discovered 50 source-type items inside.

Ignoring all the rare plants, this had to be the majority of Jiao Hanzhong's wealth.

After Lin Yuan set aside the items he deemed more valuable and harder to source from the items he planned to trade for water world dimensional lifeform flesh.

When he was finally done organizing Jiao Hanzhong's fey storage box, he took a big gulp of watermelon juice.

A few more gulps later, Lin Yuan caught sight of the middle-aged man walking toward him.

The middle-aged man waved at Lin Yuan when he saw him, and Lin Yuan hastily stood up to wave back.

Lin Yuan noticed a familiar figure next to the middle-aged man. It was the Indigo Azure Guard Captain he saw on the deserted island.

Lin Yuan waved in greeting to the Indigo Azure Guard Captain as well.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain was shocked to see Lin Yuan.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain did not expect the trading partner to be the same person who seemed to have a complicated relationship with the two Guard Envoys.

The middle-aged man took a seat opposite Lin Yuan and ordered peanuts. Lin Yuan handed Jiao Hanzhong's fey storage box to him and asked, "Please take a look at the items inside. Do you think they're worth trading for some water world dimensional lifeform flesh?"

Lin Yuan had already organized the items inside.

After he removed the items he wanted to keep for himself, he realized the remaining pile was rather scarce. Hence, he had added 200 Silver/Elite Usneas.

Lin Yuan had carefully calculated the value of the items and had deemed it more than enough.

When the middle-aged man was done looking through the items, the peanuts that he had popped into his mouth tumbled out.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain frowned.

What's wrong with him? How could he have asked me to introduce him to a girl? It would only ruin the poor girl's life.

The middle-aged man passed the fey storage box to the Indigo Azure Guard Captain.

After the Indigo Azure Guard Captain was done looking through the fey storage box, his jaw dropped too.

If he had eaten peanuts like the middle-aged man, he would probably have choked.

One careful look was enough for the Indigo Azure Guard Captain to be certain that the items inside were definitely enough.

There were even Silver Usneas that could continuously reproduce. It was great value for money!

Although there were some risky items as well, if a hot item like the Usnea was priced according to Star Web prices, the masked youth would be able to sense his sincerity for sure.

The Indigo Azure Guard Captain handed the filled fey storage box as well as the extra dimensional lifeform flesh to Lin Yuan.

"I look forward to working together with you again!" said the Indigo Azure Guard Captain.

Lin Yuan did not reject the extra water world dimensional lifeform flesh, just like how the middle-aged man and the Indigo Azure Guard Captain did not reject the extra rare spiritual materials.

Lin Yuan set his worries at ease after the trade, as he would no longer need to be concerned over sourcing for water world dimensional lifeforms.

Lin Yuan had also saved a large sum of money.

The journey back was smooth.

Lin Yuan and Endless Summer were back on the deserted island.

The Mother of Bloodbath was almost done separating Nightmare VI.

When the Mother of Bloodbath saw Lin Yuan, it offered him all the resources it had gleaned from the Cold Snow Pine and the Dream-Eating Bat.

"Look at my handiwork. Haven't I improved by leaps and bounds since the time I separated that old crow?"

Lin Yuan noticed it had been detail-orientated and separated out the different spiritual ingredients into different crystal bottles.

He gave the Mother of Bloodbath a thumbs up.

The Mother of Bloodbath could be a professional.

It proudly accepted Lin Yuan's praise and stretched as it took out its phone.

"My phone is almost out of battery. Lend me your phone. I want to share the recipe for my grilled seafood with my online friends," said the Mother of Bloodbath to Lin Yuan.

Despite his twitching eyebrows, Lin Yuan gave it his phone.

The Mother of Bloodbath had shared many of Liu Jie's dishes, and its online friends had quickly become loyal fans.

However, only those who had tasted Liu Jie's food would know the true joy behind it.

After becoming used to his delicious food, Lin Yuan could now feel that Spirit Food Pavilion's food was not up to par.

There were just some dishes that Liu Jie was better at cooking.

### **Chapter 487: Blooming Osmanthus**

Lin Yuan went into the ocean after giving the Mother of Bloodbath his phone.

He saw Liu Jie and Zhou Luo with Green Oxygen Sea Anemones over their mouths.

They were bundling the Floating Silver Strands the Ethereal Jellyfish had found into a ball.

Lin Yuan was about to help when Zhou Luo handed him the bundled Floating Silver Strands and pointed toward the surface of the water.

Both men floated up to the surface.

"Young Master, we've already formed a total of 47 bundles. Each bundle consists of a kilometer of Floating Silver Strands," said Zhou Luo.

Lin Yuan gasped in spite of himself.

The Floating Silver Strands in his hands were already worth a small fortune.

Besides blocking spatial fluctuations, the Floating Silver could also be used to create the trunks of fey carriages or pad walls as an anti-spy mechanism.

Hu Quan could probably get numerous uses out of the Floating Silver Strands.

"You should get back to the shore, Young Master. You don't need to go underwater. The three of us are more than capable of keeping up with the speed of your Ethereal Jellyfish. In fact, I find myself free a lot of the time," said Zhou Luo ruefully.

Lin Yuan took into account Zhou Luo's words and expression.

His mind immediately thought of the possibility that Liu Jie and Listen were up to another one of their strange competitions.

Since he was of no help underwater, Lin Yuan returned to the island.

He requested Liu Jie's Insect Queen to produce a Hurricane Owlet Moth so he could dry his clothes and proceeded to return to his test.

He decided to enter the Spirit Lock spatial zone again as some time had passed, and he wanted to check if the Source Sand had changed in any way after absorbing the Mountain-Containing Embryo.

Zhou Luo dove underwater once again.

The more time Zhou Luo spent with Lin Yuan, the more he noticed the differences between Lin Yuan and other influential young masters.

Lin Yuan did not carry himself with their overwhelming arrogance.

Zhou Luo could distinctly feel the closeness and graciousness Lin Yuan extended to himself and others.

Meanwhile, Lin Yuan had realized a fragrance had arisen in the Spirit Lock spatial zone. It was a familiar scent because it was very similar to that of the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassias at the Radiant Moon Palace entrance.

However, it was heavier than the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia's perfume.

The fragrance carried a subtle hint of bitterness.

When he had been strengthening Gray yesterday, Lin Yuan had noticed the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus, which had lost its tree core half a year ago, was growing a smattering of small flower buds.

Lin Yuan had been too focused on Gray yesterday and had not paid much attention to the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus's changes.

Lin Yuan remembered that although the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus had demonstrated signs of recovering from its injuries before, it had never produced flower buds.

Yet, small scarlet flowers had bloomed all over the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus's branches now.

The flowers were flooding the branches, almost completely obscuring the leaves.

Occasionally, some of the flowers would fall, landing on the white Pure Land of Bliss.

It resembled a rain of flowers and created the same ambiance of elegant beauty.

When the Pure Land of Bliss was absorbing the World Grace yesterday, it must have benefited the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus on top of it as well. If the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus received an unexpected boost, what about the Phoenix Perching Chinese Parasol Tree?

Lin Yuan scanned the Phoenix Perching Chinese Parasol Tree next to the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus and noticed that the Phoenix Perching Chinese Parasol Tree's branch that housed Chimey's nest had grown a new branch.

Although the new branch did not increase the size of Chimey's nest, it did make the nest appear more lustrous.

Lin Yuan could vaguely feel that the Phoenix Perching Chinese Parasol Tree was sending gold energy to the nest at a slightly faster speed than before.

Such an increase was not noticeable if not scrutinized.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope Lin Yuan had put in charge was currently manipulating the wind into forming a vortex.

It was hard at work gathering the scarlet flowers that had fallen on the Pure Land of Bliss.

When the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope sensed Lin Yuan entering the Spirit Lock spatial zone, it bolted over to him and hopped around in delight. It was more affectionate than usual.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope had a different relationship with Lin Yuan than the other non-contracted feys he was nurturing.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope had seen for itself how Lin Yuan had swooped down and saved it from tipping over the cliff of death.

Lin Yuan had provided it with a lovely place to stay.

Thus, the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope felt as much gratitude and affection toward Lin Yuan as Chimey and Genius.

Lin Yuan stroked the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope's small head.

Lin Yuan looked at the seven Bronze/Legend Elemental Shellfish he had placed around the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

Other than those that had been absorbed by the Floating Island Whale and the Twin Red Pagoda, the rest of the Elemental Shellfish had produced elemental pearls.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope had gathered and placed them all neatly in a pile.

Lin Yuan marched over to the elemental pearls and took out the Celestine Elemental Shellfish's heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearl. He then handed it to the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope.

Previously, Lin Yuan had never thought of nurturing the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope, which was why he had never invested resources into it.

But now, Lin Yuan had decided to nurture it. Although the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope did not have a good foundation, Lin Yuan did not despise it in the least.

The fallen flowers of the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus were precious.

The Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus flowers could be used as a rejuvenating supplement, had detoxing properties, and could suppress toxins in the body.

Although it did not have the same effects as the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia's flowers, which had the Marrow Cleansing ability that improved the body's genetic model, the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus's flowers were still a premium edible ingredient.

The manor's maple syrup consumed during breakfast could be replaced with the nectar of the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus's flowers.

Lin Yuan noted the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope's thoughtfulness.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope was a fey that could spiritually transform elemental energy, making it able to experience the pure blustering wind energy inside the elemental pearl.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope carefully nudged Lin Yuan's hand, lowered its head, and swiveled its neck.

#### **Chapter 488: Closer to the Truth**

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope's action seemed to be hinting Lin Yuan help it wear the wind-elemental pearl on its neck.

Lin Yuan smiled and crushed the wind element heavenly-maiden-grade pearl before signaling for the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope to eat it.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope's current intelligence was just like the reliant pets that people had in Lin Yuan's previous life. As long as you take some action, they would be able to understand the meaning of your action. If Lin Yuan spoke to the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope with words, it still couldn't understand.

Nonetheless, Lin Yuan spoke to the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope like how he spoke to Genius and Chimey. "Little fellow, with your current body, you will need to use one elemental pearl every three days. From now on, I will feed you one pearl every three days."

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope saw Lin Yuan crushing the nice pearl and passing it over with his palm. It didn't understand why Lin Yuan was so wasteful and allowed it to eat such a great thing. However, the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope still delightfully licked all the pearl powder.

Lin Yuan shook his head helplessly. Is this little fellow afraid that the elemental pearl powder will go to waste, or is it washing my hand?! Isn't this a little too clean!?

Since the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope wasn't powerful innately and didn't receive nurturing when it was young, Lin Yuan decided to rely on resources to develop the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope.

Such a priceless treasure was something Lin Yuan could obtain effortlessly. However, it was hard to find another Wind Speed Rapid Antelope that was so considerate and sensible. It was also able to use its instincts to tidy up the Spirit Lock spatial zone so orderly.

Even if he could find another one, Lin Yuan felt that it would never be as fateful as this little fellow here.

With the pleasant surprise of the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus blooming flowers, Lin Yuan went closer to observe the Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia that was living on the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus.

After taking a look, Lin Yuan realized that the Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia had already progressed from Gold VIII to Gold X. Furthermore, it grew long and thin tassels.

When Lin Yuan saw the tassels, he knew that it was an indication that the Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia was going to bear fruit.

Lin Yuan was truly looking forward to the Cinnabar Osmanthus Haworthia's fruit. Once the fruit was ripe, it would allow Lin Yuan to enhance his spiritual energy. It was something that he never dared to meddle with.

Even though the enhancement wouldn't be much, it could allow Lin Yuan to pick another fey without thinking about the limits of his spiritual energy, allowing him to have more choices.

After everything was settled, Lin Yuan made the Source Sand transform it into its sand form.

Lin Yuan realized that the Mountain-Containing Embryo was indeed smaller than before. However, the Source Sand was still in its original state and had yet to upgrade from Fantasy I to Fantasy II.

Nevertheless, Lin Yuan could obviously feel the Source Sand's extreme transformation.

Previously, when the Source Sand was split in two, it would be to split up the original body and the sand that it produced by using the ground. But now, the Source Sand could produce a kind of sand that was high in density.

The high-density sand might not be superior in control as compared to the Source Sand itself, but Lin Yuan had better control over it than the Source Sand's produced sand.

The amount of high-density sand might not be much, but it was totally enough to envelop Lin Yuan within a three-meter radius.

This certainly gave Lin Yuan a great and pleasant surprise for such a transformation to happen after the Source Sand absorbed the Mountain-Containing Embryo.

Lin Yuan planned to give this high-density sand the name Close Guard Sand.

The Close Guard Sand's existence greatly improved Lin Yuan's close-range defense and offense.

Lin Yuan was now able to feel the horrific increase in strength when one nurtured a fey with superior resources.

Lin Yuan was rejoicing that he hadn't found another spiritual ingredient to nurture the Fantasy Breed Source Sand's quality.

Lin Yuan took one piece of earth-elemental pearl and tossed it into the Source Sand. The Source Sand immediately transported the earth-elemental pearl to the side of the Mountain-Containing Embryo before circulating the sand. It made the earth-elemental pearl constantly rub and grind against the Mountain-Containing Embryo.

Lin Yuan suddenly felt that the Source Sand's soul was probably... an old man? With the muddled intelligence it had at Gold/Fantasy, it already knew to rotate balls[1].

What would happen once it continued to develop?

Lin Yuan had yet to give the Source Sand a name, but since he knew that the Source Sand liked to rotate balls, why not call it Bunchy.

Lin Yuan wanted to make use of the boundless earth-elemental energy from the heavenly-maiden-grade earth-elemental pearl to temper the Source Sand's elemental body.

The sand element was a variant of the earth element, and they were of the same source.

The Source Sand was an elemental source-type lifeform. Therefore, it had great benefits when being tempered by such pure earth-elemental energy. It would also help the Source Sand to increase its grade.

Upon sensing the Source Sand's absorption speed, Lin Yuan speculated that the Source Sand would need to use around two heavenly-maiden-grade earth-elemental pearls per day. In other words, it would need 60 pearls in one month and 720 pearls in one year.

Such a consumption speed was something that few could afford. Even if they could afford it, how many would be willing to pour in such resources to their feys?

Nurturing feys was a process of using resources to roll a snowball. The ratio of investment and return wasn't equal. However, it was obviously not realistic if the owner wanted the fey to evolve without any investment.

This was also why people with a strong foundation could nurture powerful feys with the prerequisite of having talent.

Naturally, Lin Yuan was more than willing to use any available resources when nurturing a fey.

Morbius was Lin Yuan's contracted fey, and Morbius' exclusive skill, Spirit Lock spatial zone, allowed Lin Yuan to have the confidence to carry out such nurturing processes.

As compared to the consumption of the heavenly-maiden-grade elemental pearls, the production of the elemental pearls was more than enough.

Lin Yuan then started to carry out the routine enhancement of Silver Usneas in the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

This method he used to increase his spirit qi professional rank—consuming his spirit qi when enhancing feys—was simply too difficult!

After exiting the Spirit Lock spatial zone, Lin Yuan immediately felt the Ethereal Jellyfish sending a spirit wave toward him.

Lin Yuan's eyes immediately widened. He knew that the secret hidden in the coastal sea had finally been revealed.

#### Chapter 489: Got Sucked In

Once Lin Yuan got out of the tent, he saw Listen sitting with drenched clothes while he constantly sent rations into his mouth.

Obviously, Listen had already used all of his stamina when trying to collect the Floating Silver Strands under the sea. From the looks of it, the winner and loser between Listen and Liu Jie had already been decided.

Lin Yuan walked beside Listen, took a bag of fresh fruits out of the button-shaped fey storage box, and asked, "What kind of bet did you make with Brother Liu this time?"

Listen responded with a bitter face, "It is the pulp of the Platinum Bitter Gourd. Originally, we were only betting on this, but I added on another condition that we cannot drink water three hours after finishing it."

Lin Yuan reached out and patted on Listen's shoulder while revealing a sympathetic expression.

It was fine to eat a Platinum Bitter Gourd; one would simply have a taste of bitterness that was enough to break the gallbladder. If the victim was to drink a few cups of sweet fruit juices or the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus' nectar, it would quickly disperse the bitterness that was so extreme that it would make one think of death. However, not drinking water for three hours after eating the Bitter Gourd was simply too ridiculous! What kind of immortal condition was that!?

What difference was there to begging to play three days and three nights with a girlfriend? The extreme bitterness wasn't something that would disperse just by enduring for a moment. Wouldn't Listen have to experience the bitterness constantly for three hours?

Even Lin Yuan, who had suffered for the first half of his life, wouldn't dare to imagine this sensation.

Lin Yuan then saw the Mother of Bloodbath and Endless Summer holding a mobile phone each and fiddling with it.

These two Suzerain/Myth feys had already reached the extreme state of 'hand on the phone and phone on the hand'.

However, the Mother of Bloodbath was using her mobile phone to share the delicacies that Liu Jie made in the foodie group, attracting some praise.

As for Endless Summer, it was in all sorts of accessory groups and being frenziedly promoted with all sorts of products.

Lin Yuan felt it was truly great. As long as Endless Summer didn't dye her hair, anything was good.

When the Mother of Bloodbath saw Lin Yuan exiting the tent, she pursed her lips. Is there anyone more homebody than Lin Yuan in this world? We finally came to the sea, yet he is actually not enjoying the scenery and the sea breeze!

People who are always on Star Web are called fat homebodies! But apart from drinking less soft drinks, is there a difference between a skinny homebody and a fat homebody?

The Mother of Bloodbath stood up and was preparing to ask Lin Yuan to move around this barren island before going toward the sea to catch some crabs.

Immediately after, the Mother of Bloodbath saw Lin Yuan suddenly jumping into the sea.

As such, the Mother of Bloodbath could only sit back down and continue to play with her phone. However, she wasn't chatting in the foodie group this time. She opened up the search engine and started searching: A skinny homebody suddenly loves sports and took the initiative to swim? What is going on?

The top search result came out with an answer: The skinny homebody is definitely diving underwater to see some babes. Anyone who is asking such a silly question definitely needs some nourishment for the brain!

Just as the Mother of Bloodbath was getting angry, she thought of the words, 'see some babes'.

Liu Jie and Zhou Luo are naturally not babes! But their looks are considered outstanding. So what is going on when a skinny homebody dives into the sea to see handsome men?

The Mother of Bloodbath suddenly felt that the humans of the world were very hard to understand! Male spiders are easier to understand! But male spiders don't know how to cook, so pass!

When Lin Yuan dove into the sea, he saw that Liu Jie was still standing on the seabed and constantly wrapping up the Floating Silver Strands. As for Zhou Luo, he was commanding the Lava Dragon Lizard to smash an underwater hill that was obviously many times harder than the other seabed rocks.

Lin Yuan came nearer and realized that the effects of the smashing from the Lava Dragon Lizard weren't very significant. He immediately summoned Red Thorn and asked it to produce a huge group of brutal vine ramets.

The brutal vine ramets used the sharp thorns on the vines to constantly grind down the underwater hill.

After half an hour of the brutal vine ramets' grinding and the Lava Dragon Lizard's smashing, the final piece of Floating Silver Strand that was under the hill was removed.

Just as Liu Jie pulled out the last strand of the Floating Silver, the spatial zone within the sea suddenly vibrated violently. It was so violent that a giant opening was ripped open.

The giant opening immediately sucked Lin Yuan, Liu Jie, Zhou Luo, Red Thorn, and the Lava Dragon Lizard inside.

Due to the loss of the first layer of defense of the Spatial Magnets, and the second layer of defense of the Floating Silver Strands, once Lin Yuan and the others were sucked inside, a giant dimensional rift opened on the surface of the sea.

Immediately after, an unforeseen incident took place within the giant dimensional rift, causing it to shake.

The dark red giant rift suddenly gushed out with violent spatial energy. The spatial energy felt as though it was attempting to pull and make the dimensional rift opening even bigger.

As soon as Lin Yuan's group vanished and when the dimensional rift suddenly appeared, the Mother of Bloodbath flashed and appeared where Lin Yuan had vanished.

The Mother of Bloodbath only saw the Ethereal Jellyfish trying to fiddle with the spatial zone with its soft tentacles as though it wanted to enter the dimensional rift that had a layer of restriction.

Surprisingly, once the soft tentacles touched the restriction, they were sliced into dust by the dimensional rift. However, the Ethereal Jellyfish seemed like it didn't feel any pain and wanted to risk its life by squeezing inside.

The Mother of Bloodbath stopped the Ethereal Jellyfish and activated the fresh Blood Law. But even with all the blood energy in its hands, it hesitated to use it against the dimensional rift with the layer of restriction.

Endless Summer had an abnormally unpleasant expression. "Why is there a controlled pinnacle Class 3 water world dimensional rift here?

"What happened to the spatial zone within the water world dimensional rift? It actually upgraded the class of the dimensional rift."

The Mother of Bloodbath that normally didn't have any expression was now revealing a face of panic, helplessness, and self-blame.

The Mother of Bloodbath hugged the Ethereal Jellyfish and couldn't help recalling how that youth had done everything he could during the World Cleansing.

He had allowed it, which had given up on enduring the World Cleansing during the Myth II upgrade, to transform into its human form.

It was Lin Yuan Path Protector, but it had actually lost the vigilance that it should have in this dangerous situation.

When outside, it should constantly be following Lin Yuan and following Lin Yuan under the sea. If it had been under the sea with Lin Yuan when the dimensional rift suddenly opened, it would have been able to react immediately. Lin Yuan wouldn't have been sucked into the dimensional rift.

# Chapter 490: The Cold Moon in the Sky

When a dimensional rift evolved, it was equivalent to sealing off the original dimensional space. This formed an independent spatial environment that was constantly ripping and expanding.

Even if the Mother of Bloodbath exerted all of its strength, it would not be able to tear open a dimensional rift that was in the process of evolving.

Moreover, even if someone had the ability to tear such a dimensional rift open, the Mother of Bloodbath would desperately rush to stop that person.

If a dimensional rift was torn open during the process of evolution, then its internal spatial energy would dissolve into chaos and collapse.

At that time, Lin Yuan would be ripped into pieces, destined to have no chance of survival.

Now, the Mother of Bloodbath held Lin Yuan's Ethereal Jellyfish in its arms; they were the only thing with which it could determine Lin Yuan's life and death.

Although the Mother of Bloodbath had suppressed its panic, the self-reproach written on its face was unabated.

It took to the air directly and returned to the deserted island, taking out the cell phone that it had previously received from Lin Yuan.

Despite being a Myth Breed fey, the hand with which the Mother of Bloodbath held Lin Yuan's cell phone still trembled.

It had been alive for a long time. Yet, all the traces previously left by life paled in comparison to those left in this half a year.

Scenes of the times it had spent with Lin Yuan, from their very first meeting, flashed in its mind.

It would not abandon him now!

In the end, its entire life was integrated into the Return from Faraway mansion. The mansion had long been regarded by the Mother of Bloodbath as its home.

Spider feys had always been cruel, but once these cold-blooded feys were certain about something, they tended to be more sincere.

The Mother of Bloodbath forced itself not to let its thoughts wander any longer and lowered its head. Its eyes rested on the cell phone in its hands.

It took a deep breath and dialed a number on Lin Yuan's cell phone.

It understood that it could not do anything now.

However, that person might have had some idea.

At Leaning Moon Mountain, where gulls and herons circled as butterflies fluttered...

The Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia gave off an elegant osmanthus fragrance, which permeated the air in front of the Radiant Moon Palace.

Today, there was something different about the Radiant Moon Palace—four tea attendants stood at its entrance.

Although their expressions were unusually serious, they revealed a hint of expectation.

Mystic Moon was standing beside the table with a jade pumpkin teapot in his hand within the inner palace.

His gaze was on the Moon Shadow Walkway within the inner palace.

The walkway led inwards to the Moon Empress' bedchamber.

At this time, all of the Suzerain lotus flower feys in the inner palace's lotus pond spouted haze.

This made the inner palace look like a fairyland shrouded in sunlight.

In the pond, the peony-like tails of a few Spirit-Siphon Goldfish, which had evolved from the Platinum to the Diamond grade at some point in time, occasionally surfaced.

Ripples emerged on the surface of the haze-shrouded lotus pond.

At that moment, Mystic Moon's thoughts were obviously not on the jade pumpkin teapot in his hand.

Thus, as he was pouring tea from the teapot, he accidentally spilled some on the table. He hurriedly placed the teapot on the table before using a piece of cloth to wipe away the water stains.

Compared to the expressions of the four tea attendants standing at the entrance of the inner palace, the worry in Mystic Moon's eyes was greater.

He could not help but mutter softly, "This is the Moon Empress' third time reaching this Myth grade in the past few years. Not only did she fail in her last two attempts, but she also suffered heavy losses.

"I really hope that the Moon Empress will come out unscathed this time."

At that moment, the cell phone that the Moon Empress had previously placed on the table suddenly began to ring.

Mystic Moon did not react immediately.

The Moon Empress' cell phone seldom rang. Most of her calls came from Lin Yuan.

However, the Moon Empress had recently suggested that the Radiance Hundred Sequence should be changed.

Hence, the chance that it was the Radiance Sacred Hall contacting the Moon Empress had also increased.

Although Mystic Moon was one of the Moon Empress' two Moon Envoys, he would not directly respond to her calls on her behalf.

That would be overstepping his authority.

Yet, right after the cell phone had stopped ringing, it sounded again, three times in a row.

It seemed that there was an urgent matter at hand.

Mystic Moon glanced at the cell phone and realized that it was Lin Yuan who had called.

He could not help frowning slightly. These three consecutive calls were rather pressing.

Could Lin Yuan have encountered something urgent?

The Moon Empress was currently in seclusion. If Lin Yuan really required urgent assistance, Mystic Moon himself could take care of the matter.

With that in mind, Mystic Moon picked up the phone.

Upon answering the call, he heard a strange female voice on the other end instead of Lin Yuan's familiar one.

After hearing what the speaker had to say, Mystic Moon's face darkened.

In an instant, a violent spiritual fluctuation spiraled from Mystic Moon's body.

At the same time, magnificent bright silver patterns appeared on his forehead, cheeks, and palms. His pupils also turned dark silver.

Mystic Moon's usually gentle voice acquired an edge of coldness and worry.

"Wait for me to inform the Moon Empress!"

Having said that, Mystic Moon spared a glance at the Moon Shadow Walkway of the inner palace.

He gnashed his teeth, grabbed the cell phone that he had yet to hang up, and headed towards the walkway.

Just then, in the bedchamber of the Moon Shadow Walkway, the Moon Empress' originally shut eyes suddenly opened.

In the instant that the Moon Empress' eyes opened, her demeanor was entirely transformed.

Her previous bearing was comparable to a bright moon shining diagonally across a large river, unparalleled in elegance and destined to be at the peak.

Now, all of her sharpness and nobility disappeared instantaneously, the bright moon reduced to a wisp of soft, gentle moonlight.

The hint of a smile hovered on the Moon Empress' lips.

But right after that, her eyebrows knitted tightly together.

Abruptly, she could no longer sense the existence of the Extreme Token that she had given to Lin Yuan.

At that moment, she heard Mystic Moon's voice at her door.

"Moon Empress, I have an important matter to report. It is regarding the Young Lord, so I had no choice but to bother you."

Upon hearing Mystic Moon's words, the Moon Empress immediately picked up the little rabbit beside her that was nibbling its carrot incessantly.

In a flash, she left her bedchamber.

When the Moon Empress appeared before Mystic Moon, he sensed her body's condition and instantly knew that she had really broken through the boundary.

Now, she was already of a higher rank than an S-rank spirit qi professional.

Yet, Mystic Moon could not utter even a single congratulatory phrase to her.

He handed over the cell phone that was still on the line to the Moon Empress.

After picking up the call, the Moon Empress' initially cold expression became impassive and calm in less than a moment.

Soon after, countless experts and ordinary people from the Radiance Federation raised their heads and looked toward the sky.

At that moment, the sky had suddenly transformed!

It had originally been midday, with the sun slanting slightly to the west.

In the blink of an eye, the white day had turned into black night, the scorching sun into a bright moon.

It was just that the moonlight radiating from the moon at that moment appeared unusually cold!