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### Chapter 81: A Reborn Liu Jie

Lin Yuan looked at the time and didn't know that three days had already passed. After three full days of fey evolution, Lin Yuan could feel the significant increase in his spirit qi capacity.

After glancing at the Bronze Usneas that filled the house, he stood up and stretched his body before walking toward the entrance. He opened the door and saw Liu Jie standing there.

Liu Jie was already different from before as his entire aura had undergone an obvious change. His eyes were filled with vigor and vitality. A living person should have an objective, and even if there wasn't an objective, there should be a direction. The reborn Liu Jie now had an objective and also a direction.

"Come, enter the house. Have the last three days been smooth?"

Liu Jie nodded.

"I have already done everything I needed to do during the past three days. In the future, I will only be heeding instructions from the Young Master."

Lin Yuan didn't correct Liu Jie's way when addressing himself. After the Spirit Qi Awakening, retainers were considered a new kind of relationship between humans.

Liu Jie was only complying with the etiquette of being a retainer, so there wasn't a need for Lin Yuan to correct Liu Jie every time.

Lin Yuan then led Liu Jie into the house.

Chimey and Genius immediately ran up Lin Yuan's shoulder and looked at Liu Jie curiously. Red Thorn, which was still consuming food by the side, had also sensed a stranger entering. That spikeless vine was immediately placed on Lin Yuan. It felt just like an alarm, and once Lin Yuan gave the instructions, Red Thorn would immediately launch out its vines to envelop Liu Jie.

When Liu Jie saw Genius and Chimey on Lin Yuan, and also Red Thorn behind Lin Yuan, he lamented before being envious.

Genius was a small cat with two tails and tender, soft fur while having limbs of uneven length.

Chimey was only half a fist in size and was a small bird with azure blue feathers that had beautiful cloud patterns.

No matter who saw these two little fellows, they wouldn't be able to know that it was the Hundred Questions Beast, a domestic pet, and also the Songstress Bird that could only sing.

Red Thorn's sinister appearance was filled with murderous intent, and a single glance was enough for Liu Jiu to know that Red Thorn was a fey with extreme lethality.

Watching how intimate Lin Yuan was with his three feys, Liu Jie involuntarily recalled about his sourcetype lifeform, the Insect Queen. Even though Liu Jie knew that Lin Yuan could heal his Insect Queen, before the Insect Queen completely recovered, Liu Jie would remember his Insect Queen, which had transformed into a cocoon due to its near-death state, causing throbbing pain in Liu Jie's heart.

Liu Jie poured a cup of water for Liu Jie while explaining to Genius, Chimey, and Red Thorn about Liu Jie's status. Red Thorn finally calmed down and continued to consume food and take in energy in order to evolve.

"What are you planning to do in the future? If I don't have any arrangements for you."

Lin Yuan put the teacup on the table beside Liu Jie before he sat on the chair and drank his own tea.

Lin Yuan's question made Liu Jie frown and contemplate.

A retainer's responsibility was to follow by the Creation Master's side since the retainer was the Creation Master's shield and also the sword. Most of the retainers would be acting according to the Creation Master's instruction.

After being asked by Lin Yuan about his future plans, Liu Jie truly didn't know what to answer because he was planning to listen to Lin Yuan's instructions and heed to Lin Yuan's plans.

Lin Yuan saw Liu Jie was contemplating, so he spoke, "You must be unwilling to accept the fact that your status as Sequence #39 was removed from the Radiance Hundred because of your injuries two years ago, right?!"

Lin Yuan's question immediately probed on the problem that Liu Jie had been avoiding all this time. Becoming a member of the Radiance Hundred was always the glory that Liu Jie sought for.

Liu Jie didn't regret protecting Cold Frost City, and if he was given a chance to choose again, he would still risk his life to do the same. However, Liu Jie would still be unwilling to accept the fact that he was removed from the Radiance Hundred.

Therefore, once Liu Jie had found that his Insect Queen couldn't recover, he never even participated in the Radiance Hundred's ranking matches. Given Liu Jie's contribution, if he went, he might even be able to retain his sequence ranking in the Radiance Hundred. At worst, Liu Jie would also be able to enter the Radiance Hundred's honorary hall.

However, due to his pride and the fact that he didn't wish to be pitied, Liu Jie gave up on the opportunity. He gave up on the Radiance Hundred by missing out on the ranking matches and used his own effort to strive to become a Sequence member again.

Am I willing to accept? Of course not!

Lin Yuan saw Liu Jie's expression and already knew of Liu Jie's thoughts. Lin Yuan smiled and said, "I know that you will be unwilling to accept. If so, why don't you stand back up again? Stand back up as a Sequence member of the Radiance Hundred?"

Liu Jie's words were like an explosion that blasted on Liu Jie's head. Liu Jie didn't dare to think like this. He had already used the Willpower Rune to swear an oath to be this young man's retainer. From that moment on, Liu Jie had already expelled thoughts for himself and considered everything from the angler of a retainer.

Lin Yuan's words gave Liu Jie an indescribable feeling.

Am I still able to do so?

Immediately after, Liu Jie's gratitude toward Lin Yuan was overflowing like the endless ocean.

Liu Jie, who had gritted his teeth and endured it after finding out that his Insect Queen couldn't recover, he who had tasted both the ruthlessness of this world now had red eyes. Hot tears rolled down and dripped into the cup, causing splashes and giving the cup of water a salty and bitter taste.

Lin Yuan looked at Liu Jie and immediately patted on Liu Jie's shoulder. "Summon your Insect Queen. I want to see how long it will require for your Insect Queen to recover. If it is fast enough, you might even make it for the Radiance Hundred's ranking match at the end of the year. If you go there, I am sure it will not be a problem for you to get the qualification to participate."

Liu Jie didn't wipe the hot tears that were rolling down. Instead, he lifted his head up and looked at Lin Yuan with a deep gaze, as though he was trying to remember the moment.

After a long period of time, Liu Jie revealed a rather silly smile. With his tears still around, this smile looked rather miserable.

However, Lin Yuan knew that Liu Jie's smile was the sign that the dark days were over, and Liu Jie had finally obtained a new life.

Lin Yuan couldn't help but recall Elder Ning's statement. "A Creation Master doesn't just save feys, but also humans."

Liu Jie summoned his Insect Queen and held it carefully in his hands.

Lin Yuan placed his palm on the Insect Queen's flesh cocoon, and he circulated his spiritual power to rapidly channel spirit qi into the flesh cocoon.

The dark purple flesh cocoon actually started thumping like a heart. With each thump, it would emit a mild and light purple radiance. At the same time, Lin Yuan could feel that the Insect Queen had completely absorbed all the spirit qi he channeled.

After absorbing the pure spirit qi for one hour, Lin Yuan could feel that the Insect Queen could constantly thump gently and wouldn't stop once he stopped channeling his spirit qi.

This meant that the Insect Queen's vitality and life functions had been reactivated. The Insect Queen might still be in a near-death state, but it wouldn't be in a state where it was in suspended animation.

# **Chapter 82: Plans for the Royal Capital**

Lin Yuan made calculations. He might not be able to make an accurate calculation of the Insect Queen's recovery time. Still, after a preliminary calculation, if the Insect Queen recovered in the Pure Land of Bliss inside the Spirit Lock spatial zone, it would take around two months to reach about 80% recovery.

As the Insect Queen's contractor, Liu Jie was naturally able to sense the Insect Queen's changes. When the Insect Queen was able to thump constantly, Liu Jie's heart had also started to thump suddenly.

Liu Jie was able to sense that his Insect Queen couldn't recover its spiritual consciousness yet, but its body was gradually recovering, and Liu Jie could feel it clearly.

During this one hour, Liu Jie had been carefully holding the cocoon and didn't dare to move an inch as he was afraid of disturbing Lin Yuan. When Lin Yuan shifted his hand away from the cocoon, Liu Jie asked carefully, "This... How is my Insect Queen's situation?"

For a person who had just been given hope, he wasn't able to receive another blow of disappointment.

Therefore, Lin Yuan immediately replied, "If you leave your Insect Queen with me, it will be healthy again in around two months. You will also be able to make it for this year's Radiance Hundred rankings match."

Liu Jie already knew that Lin Yuan could heal the Insect Queen, but he didn't expect Lin Yuan was actually able to heal it so quickly. It was truly a pleasant surprise.

Liu Jie then handed the constantly thumping Insect Queen to Lin Yuan. Lin Yuan held onto the Insect Queen and started to constantly channel pure spirit qi into it.

"Young Master, what instructions do you have for me during this period?"

While Lin Yuan helped him heal the Insect Queen, Liu Jie didn't want to idle around. He wanted to help out Lin Yuan as a retainer.

Lin Yuan did have something for Liu Jie to do. "Liu Jie, how much do you know about the Royal Capital?"

Liu Jie immediately replied after Lin Yuan asked the question, "I studied in the Royal Capital's university and lived there for around seven to eight years. I am rather familiar with the Royal Capital and can be considered a local tyrant. However, I haven't been to the Royal Capital for over two years, so I don't know how much it has changed by now."

Lin Yuan nodded and asked another question, "What do you feel if I am to open a store in the Royal Capital after this year?"

Lin Yuan had his own plans too. After Chu Ci finished studying at the Redbud Intermediate Spirit Qi Academy, she should study in the Royal Capital if she wanted to further her studies.

The Royal Capital was the Radiance Federation's central hub, and it took up the land space of up to four Redbud Cities. Lin Yuan might as well set up a store in the Royal Capital earlier and pave the path for Chu Ci.

Before the end of the year, Lin Yuan was going to strengthen himself several times and upgrade his spirit qi occupation to C-rank. At the same time, he wanted to evolve all his feys to silver-grade and above.

All those things weren't considered too difficult. The most difficult task was to upgrade the Bronze Jasmine Lily's quality to Legend quality and transform it into a Fantasy Breed.

The second Willpower Rune that Lin Yuan had comprehended from the massacre was very suitable for Red Thorn. Lin Yuan still had a method to upgrade the Elite Red Thorn's quality to Epic, but he didn't think he could upgrade the Bronze Red Thorn's quality to Legend. It was because Red Thorn couldn't absorb spirit qi and could only accumulate energy from flesh.

Lin Yuan wasn't a true Creation Master, after all. He could only use his unique method to evolve feys, upgrade their quality, and heal their roots.

Seeing how Lin Yuan could heal the Insect Queen, Liu Jie couldn't help but lament at Lin Yuan's Creation Master skill and potential. Now that Lin Yuan had the intention to develop in the Royal Capital, Liu Jie was definitely approving with both hands raised.

The Royal Capital was a place where only people with true capabilities were able to establish themselves and hold firm. The number of resources and opportunities there weren't something the Redbud City could compare with.

Given Lin Yuan's talent and capability, it would truly be a waste if he didn't develop in the Royal Capital.

"Young Master, I feel that if you wish to develop, it is best to head for the Royal Capital. Only after reaching the Royal Capital will you realize that the difference between a prosperous city and the Royal Capital isn't just 'slightly'."

Lin Yuan went into deep contemplation and felt that Liu Jie naturally wouldn't be wrong with his knowledge and experiences.

Since Lin Yuan already had the thoughts, he immediately made the decision. He was going to seal up this little store as it would be the warm home that belonged to himself and Chu Ci forever. It was also the place where he started off in the beginning.

Lin Yuan was a person that dared to act on his ideas. He immediately transferred 500 Radiance dollars to Liu Jie's account. Lin Yuan's current earning speed was far beyond what he could before. Thus, Lin Yuan wasn't as frugal as before when spending.

"Go to the Royal Capital and help me to scout out the situation. Find a suitable place for a store, and if a good store is being sold, contact me directly."

The prices of the stores in the Royal Capital were far higher than Redbud City's. In order to find a good spot in the Royal Capital to open a store, the prices would definitely be high.

Lin Yuan had the confidence to say such words due to the Five Fortune Ranchus that were about to hatch—they numbered around 1,000! Another reason was due to the piece of land in Redbud City that Ling Xiao had given him when he became a Class 2 Creation Master.

Instead of saying that that piece of land had a store, it was better to say that it was a manor that was more than 1,800 square meters. Lin Yuan had chosen the land, and the land deed had already been delivered by Ostrich Logistics to him two days ago.

Lin Yuan was free to do anything with that piece of land. If there was really a suitable store in the Royal Capital, Lin Yuan could just sell off the manor in Redbud City. This way, he would have the initial deposit required for the store in the Royal Capital.

His earning speed would be increased by several times after some time, especially when he progressed to a C-rank spirit qi professional. Lin Yuan spoke with more confidence due to all these conditions.

"Young Master, do you have any requests for the store?"

"Best if it has a large space. I don't have any other requests."

Lin Yuan believed that with his capability and batch production of rare feys, even if he was located in a secluded place in the Royal Capital, it wouldn't affect his development.

Liu Jie was originally prepared to note down Lin Yuan's request as this was the first mission Lin Yuan had given him, so he was particularly serious. However, Liu Jie didn't expect Lin Yuan to only have one request.

After acknowledging the instructions, Liu Jie headed for the Royal Capital. Lin Yuan placed the Insect Queen inside the Pure Land of Bliss and then added plenty of inferior energy ores into the spirit pool.

During the past few days, the consumption speed of inferior energy ores was very fast, so Lin Yuan had to purchase another large batch of inferior energy ores. They were all stocked up inside the Spirit Lock spatial zone and prepared to supply to the spirit pool.

However, after purchasing this batch of inferior energy ores, Lin Yuan already had plans to purchase low-grade energy ores. In terms of value, inferior energy ores were better for the spirit pool, but it took up time for Lin Yuan to add the energy ores into the spirit pool.

Presently, Lin Yuan was no longer as free as before. Different circumstances called for different solutions, and low-grade energy ores were indeed more suitable than inferior energy ores right now.

Lin Yuan then started to enhance feys for seven days without any care for fatigue or hunger. He felt that he was just one step away from becoming a C-rank spirit qi professional.

Just as he was planning to log into the Star Web and order another batch of goods, he noticed that he received information from the Redbud City Lordess, Ling Xiao.

Lin Yuan lifted his brows as he didn't know why Ling Xiao was looking for him.

## **Chapter 83: Wind Speed Rapid Antelope**

As the City Lordess of Redbud City, it wasn't exaggerating to say that Ling Xiao had to make use of every minute of the day. All major and minor matters within Redbud City required her attention and decisions.

Previously, when Redbud City had issued the reward to him, Ling Xiao hadn't appeared personally. It was one of her subordinate officers instead. In Lin Yuan's opinion, it was already his great honor, nonetheless.

But now, the Redbud City Lordess, Ling Xiao, actually looked for him personally.

Ling Xiao: "Lin Yuan, I am Redbud City Lordess Ling Xiao. Two days later, someone will fetch you from the Xia Region. By then, someone will contact you directly. You might need to make preparations for a long-distance trip."

When Lin Yuan received Ling Xiao's message, he used his hands to rub his temples. The message came in a very sudden manner, and Lin Yuan didn't know the purpose of the trip. The message that Ling Xiao sent didn't contain any information either. When Ling Xiao sent this message, instead of saying it was an inquiry, it was more of a notification.

Lin Yuan recalled the benefits that Elder Ning had mentioned before. As of now, he had only obtained a piece of land with a store within Redbud City. However, the benefits that Elder Ning had mentioned definitely didn't refer to this store and land. In other words, this trip might be for a benefit that even Elder Ning would be envious of.

If it was a long-distance trip, Lin Yuan didn't have much he had to prepare for. If there was anything to prepare, it would be to accumulate more energy ores within the Spirit Lock spatial zone so as to have a constant supply.

Thus, Lin Yuan directly purchased another 10,000 catties of low-grade energy ores and 10,000 catties of mid-grade energy ores from Big Sister Xin.

Low-grade energy ores contained spirit qi that was five times as concentrated as inferior energy ores, while mid-grade energy ores contained spirit qi five times as concentrated as low-grade energy ores.

When purchasing this batch of low-grade and mid-grade energy ores, the price was indeed much higher than the inferior energy ores. However, when purchasing such fundamental resources, Lin Yuan didn't feel any constraint at all.

When transporting the 10,000 catties of low-grade and mid-grade energy ores into the Spirit Lock spatial zone, Lin Yuan noticed that the Sword Horn Speed Antelope was already standing up on the Pure Land of Bliss.

Lin Yuan approached to check and realized that the Sword Horn Speed Antelope's injuries had already recovered during this period of time. When the Sword Horn Speed Antelope saw Lin Yuan walking over, it immediately rushed over and stopped in front of Lin Yuan. It extended its tongue to lick at Lin Yuan's fingers. It was a sign of it thanking Lin Yuan for rescuing it from its severely injured state.

Lin Yuan then took some Bronze Usnea vines and fed them to the Sword Horn Speed Antelope. After recovering, the Sword Horn Speed Antelope ate the leaves on the Bronze Usnea vines. Its great appetite had finally been restored.

Lin Yuan watched the Sword Horn Speed Antelope eat. The Sword Horn Speed Antelope was already a Silver X/Elite fey when it was injured, and it was just one step away from reaching gold-grade.

In addition, Lin Yuan felt that his spirit qi concentration within his D-rank spirit qi professional's body had already reached the full capacity. The misty spirit qi within his body felt as though it could transform into liquid spirit qi at any moment.

Previously when Lin Yuan had been promoted into a D-rank spirit qi professional, the amount of misty spirit qi within his body had only one streak. Right now, his body was filled with spirit qi that had all converted into misty spirit qi.

When the misty spirit qi clashed and was about to condense into liquid form, it would scatter again. Lin Yuan knew that he required an opportunity. If he wanted to continue evolving Bronze Usneas to break through this barrier, it would be the same as dripping water to penetrate a stone. If he was able to evolve this Silver Sword Horn Speed Antelope to gold-grade, it would be the same as a concentrated torrent, allowing Lin Yuan to blast through this obstacle.

Lin Yuan placed his hand on the Sword Horn Speed Antelope, which had already eaten to its full, and he circulated his spiritual power at full force. He made use of the spirit qi within the Spirit Lock spatial zone, which was several times more concentrated than the outside world, to enhance the Sword Horn Speed Antelope.

Lin Yuan was uncertain how long it would take to evolve a Silver fey to gold-grade, but in order to not delay the appointment he had two days later with Ling Xiao, Lin Yuan set an alarm.

It was unknown how long passed as Lin Yuan converted and channeled spirit qi for thousands of times. Ultimately, it broke through the obstructive layer within the Sword Horn Speed Antelope with undying determination and spirit.

The moment when the obstruction was broken through, the Sword Horn Speed Antelope's body glowed with a resplendent golden luster. At that moment, the Sword Horn Speed Antelope was going through a life-changing metamorphosis. It was progressing from Silver X to Gold.

During the metamorphosis, the Sword Horn Speed Antelope's horns were the first to transform. The Sword Horn Speed Antelope's sword horns were straight like a sharp sword, but now, its straight horns didn't continue growing. Instead, they were actually shrinking and transforming into curved horns.

The Sword Horn Speed Antelope's body size shrunk in just a moment until it was just a third of the original size. Its coffee-colored fur was also constantly turning lighter and finally ending toward more of a khaki and milky color.

When the originally nimble Sword Horn Speed Antelope reached gold-grade, it underwent a thorough spiritual mutation. It was now a small cute lifeform.

After shrinking down, the Sword Horn Speed Antelope's legs became slender and longer. They were filled with power, and it gave the body a streamlined shape and more explosive power, allowing it to become even more nimble.

The Sword Horn Speed Antelope wasn't just able to use its basic ability to smash enemies with its sword horns, but it could even use the sword horns to slice at the air to form air blades that could attack enemies from a distance. With the Sword Horn Speed Antelope's nimble movements, it could easily take the role of a long-distance assassin.

Lin Yuan used True Data to check on the Gold Sword Horn Speed Antelope. This cute little antelope in front of him already had a different name after reaching gold-grade. It was no longer called the Sword Horn Speed Antelope.

[Fey Name]: Wind Speed Rapid Antelope

[Fey Species]: Artiodactyla genus/Antelope species

[Fey Grade]: Gold (1/10)

[Fey Type]: Wind

[Fey Quality]: Elite

Abilities:

[Horn Smash]: Using the horns on the head to smash the enemy.

[Horn Blade]: Using the sharp horns to slice the air and form air blades to attack and slash enemies from afar.

[Protection of Wind]: Wind energy floats around the body's surface, forming a layer of wind force shield.

[Sword Strike Storm]: Summons a storm that covers a massive area, conducting a large sweeping attack. The storm is filled with air swords that could slice metal plates.

Exclusive Skill:

[Agile Wind]: When controlling the wind, it could increase the flow of wind and increase the speed of wind-type abilities.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope was a rather uncommon evolution path for the Sword Horn Speed Antelope. It gave up on its close-combat capabilities and turned into a violent spellcaster.

It was rather obvious just by looking at the gold ability, Sword Strike Storm. The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope could circulate spiritual power to summon a storm that covered a massive area, conducting a sweeping attack. The storm even contained air swords that could cut metal plates.

It was considered an extremely violent multi-target ability. Apart from the Sword Horn Speed Antelope's basic ability, all the other abilities were a perfect combination for the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope.

## **Chapter 84: Surprisingly Important**

Other than this Wind Speed Rapid Antelope's cute appearance, its price could definitely grow by a few times.

Lin Yuan patted the evolved Wind Speed Rapid Antelope with satisfaction and thought to himself, This fellow has really done well and will fetch a good price.

The Wind Speed Rapid Antelope was looking at Lin Yuan with bright, sparkling eyes while using the soft fur and cute horns to rub at Lin Yuan's hand. It was thanking Lin Yuan for allowing its life to transform. Perhaps, not long after, Lin Yuan would sell off this Wind Speed Rapid Antelope and allow it to have its own spirit qi professional as a partner. It would also be benefiting the spirit qi professional. This was the best outcome for the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope.

At that moment, Lin Yuan felt the return of spirit qi from the Wind Speed Rapid Antelope, allowing him to immediately break through the barrier from a D-rank to a C-rank spirit qi professional.

Once the spirit qi entered his body, the misty spirit qi started to condense within his body. Finally, the misty spirit qi condensed a drop of glistening water droplet. Subsequently, more misty spirit qi gathered toward the water droplet and enlarged the water droplet's size.

At that moment, Lin Yuan knew that he had officially become a C-rank spirit qi professional.

The alarm that Lin Yuan had set previously had yet to ring, but his phone rang instead. When Lin Yuan picked up the phone, he saw an unfamiliar number. Lin Yuan's contact list had only a few phone numbers: Chu Ci's number and a few of the numbers he used for importing goods. The numbers included Yang Mingkai, Liu Jie, Ah Neng, and a few others.

Even Zhou Jiaxin was only contacted on the Star Web.

If his phone was ringing now, it was probably the person that Ling Xiao had sent.

After picking up the phone call, before Lin Yuan could speak, a rather respectful voice was transmitted. "Lord Lin Yuan, I am one of Lordess Ling Xiao's subordinate officers. My name is Ling Wu, and I am now at the Xia Region's governor residence waiting for your arrival."

Lin Yuan never expected for anyone to address him as a 'lord'. According to Lin Yuan's status as a Class 2 Creation Master, it was fine for him to be called a 'lord', but it depended on the other party.

If it was someone looking for Lin Yuan's help or some spirit qi professionals, addressing Lin Yuan as 'lord' was very normal. However, Ling Wu was the City Lordess Ling Xiao's subordinate officer, and for Ling Wu to address him as a 'lord', Lin Yuan was rather surprised.

Lin Yuan didn't have many things to pack along, and the Spirit Lock spatial zone already had sufficient stock of energy ores. The Blue Flash Butterfly's cocoon was also placed on a table within the Spirit Lock spatial zone, and Lin Yuan was just waiting for it to hatch. Lin Yuan reckoned that the hatching would take place in the next two days.

In fact, during the recent period of time, Lin Yuan never channeled any spirit qi into the butterfly cocoon to help with the Blue Flash Butterfly's hatching process. There was a reason—the Blue Flash Butterfly's hatching was nature's work. If Lin Yuan were to hasten this process, it would be as if he was trying to change nature's divine work to a certain degree.

The Blue Flash Butterfly might hatch earlier, but the vitality and evolution potential would suffer a huge decline as compared to natural hatching. Thus, even if Lin Yuan was in a hurry to make the Blue Flash Butterfly into Morbius' Bronze spirit-locked fey, Lin Yuan still waited patiently.

Creation Masters might be able to evolve feys and upgrade their quality, and in certain aspects, Creation Masters were just like omnipotent gods. However, when feys were transforming, if a Creation Master interfered, it would only harm the said living creature's evolution potential.

Since there was nothing to pack, Lin Yuan replied, "After receiving Lordess Ling Xiao's message, I have already finished packing. I will head over to the governor residence now."

After hanging up the phone call, Lin Yuan exited from the Spirit Lock spatial zone and circulated his spiritual energy to store Genius, Chimey, and Red Thorn into his Spirit Lock spatial zone.

In normal times, Lin Yuan wouldn't store Genius, Chimey, and Red Thorn into the Spirit Lock spatial zone, as he preferred to let them live in the outside world along with him. For this long-distance trip, even though Lin Yuan might have methods to bring Genius and Chimey along by his side, they didn't work for the massive Red Thorn. Hence, Lin Yuan decided to store them all within the Spirit Lock spatial zone.

Originally, Lin Yuan was planning to check his capabilities' changes after progressing into a C-rank spirit qi professional. He wanted to see how much faster he could evolve Usneas and whether his healing ability could affect the Cinnabar Sweet Osmanthus more. Unfortunately, he didn't have the time.

After donning a neat attire, Lin Yuan looked into a mirror at a radiant and handsome youth. He let out a smile, revealing his white teeth, before heading straight for the regional governor residence.

Even though Lin Yuan had been living in the Xia Region for many years, he was still very unfamiliar with the regional governor residence. Previously, Lin Yuan had always been living his life in a routine and had never stepped foot into the regional governor residence.

Lin Yuan felt as though he was living another life as he headed to the regional governor's residence.

After alighting the Thick-Hoofed Donkey Car in the regional governor residence's vicinity, Lin Yuan walked less than three minutes to reach his destination.

Numerous people were at the regional governor residence's entrance, and a rather tanned man was in the center, surrounded by the group. Lin Yuan actually recognized a few of the individuals within the group.

As a Xia Region citizen, Lin Yuan naturally knew how the Region Governor looked, and he was none other than the man standing beside the tanned man.

The other individuals standing beside the Region Governor were people that Lin Yuan had met before too. He had to talk with them before opening his little fey story. However, the conversation back then was one way. Lin Yuan knew them, but they wouldn't remember an insignificant person like the Lin Yuan from back then.

The tanned man had also seen Lin Yuan and quickly walked a few steps forward before he waved and said, "Lord Lin Yuan arrived really quickly. I just arrived here, and Lord Lin Yuan is already here."

The Region Governor only knew that Ling Wu was the subordinate officer under Lordess Ling Xiao. When Ling Wu had arrived here, he hadn't said anything apart from that he was waiting for someone.

Thus, they had spontaneously chosen to stand beside Ling Wu and wait. Little did they expect that the person Ling Wu was waiting for a youth. What was even more unbelievable was that Ling Wu addressed this youth as a 'lord'.

Nonetheless, when everyone saw the Class 2 Creation Master crest on Lin Yuan's chest, they immediately understood. To have become a Class 2 Creation Master at such a young age meant that the youth had an influential background.

After some conventional greetings, Ling Wu summoned his Platinum fey, the Scarlet Feather Fire Eagle. He then informed Lin Yuan to sit on the fey.

Lin Yuan had already sat on a Platinum fey previously, so he wasn't as excited and nervous as compared to his first time sitting on a Platinum fey.

This Scarlet Feather Fire Eagle was a formidable power offense-type fey, and its wings would flow with flames when it flapped the wings.

The Platinum fey brought Lin Yuan to Redbud City at a very fast pace.

While seated on the Scarlet Feather Fire Eagle's back, Ling Wu constantly conversed with Lin Yuan and appeared to be rather friendly.

Lin Yuan understood that when City Lordess Ling Xiao sent Ling Wu to fetch him, it was actually a display of her attitude. She could have asked for Lin Yuan to travel to the Redbud City by himself, but instead, she had asked for her subordinate to fetch him.

If one observed Ling Wu's reaction, they would notice he was rather respectful toward Lin Yuan. This had indirectly shown that Ling Xiao actually put a lot of importance on Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan couldn't understand what sort of benefit would allow a City Lordess like Ling Xiao to treat him with such importance.

## Chapter 85: Who Can Compare to This Empress?

At Radiance Federation, Royal Capital...

It was the most prosperous place in the entire Radiance Federation. When one took a glance over the city, everything looked so harmonious.

It was originally a great afternoon, but all of a sudden, the sky turned gloomy. Thick clouds that were dyed with ink had started to extend their sharp claws across the clear sky. It was just like an avaricious and ruthless demon that wanted to occupy the blue sky.

When the dark clouds covered the sky, it felt as though the sky had lowered significantly and gave off some pressure from above the Royal Capital.

Between darkness and light, a beautiful arc split the sky into two equal parts.

Everything happened within a burst of spark as the dark cloud exploded with bright electric arcs, and they looked just like slithering silver snakes. The dark marsh was actually tumbling and overflowing.

Gusts of wind blew across violently and caused ripples in the lake outside of the Royal Capital. The wind also blew across the trees, causing leaves to fall and produce a magnificent sight.

In the Royal Capital's Leaning Moon Mountain, inside the garden of the Radiant Moon Palace...

A lady in moon-colored long robes lifted her head to look at the sky, which portrayed gloominess and brightness, darkness and light, pressure and ease, heaviness and lightness, all of which complemented each other.

While looking at this wonderfully fused scene, she sighed and said, "Darkness clears up when encountering the morning sun, while the afternoon sun will turn dark when encountering the shades of rain."

A breeze gently blew across the lady's fringe, giving her additional gentle beauty.

The clash of extremities would always be nature's most charming display, and the charm could cause a shock that could cleanse the mental state.

The lady lowered her head and stirred up the water jar with a lotus flower within. The lotus flower felt as though it was spiritual and was emitting fragrance when the lady was fiddling with the water.

At that moment, an icy cold female voice echoed beside the lady. "Moon Empress, this Sunset Jade Leaf Lotus has been nurtured by you in this garden for slightly more than two years and has already evolved to diamond-grade."

The Moon Empress lowered her head, picked up an amber bottle, and sprayed the fluid within the Sunset Jade Leaf Lotus bottle. The Sunset Jade Leaf Lotus glowed with multi-colored sunset light as though it treasured the fragrant mist produced from the amber bottle.

"This Sunset Jade Leaf Lotus might have already reached diamond-grade, but the diamond-grade ability isn't a support-type ability. It is an offense-type ability," The Moon Empress' voice sounded a little regretful as she replied to the woman with the icy cold voice.

"Cold Moon1, bring this Sunset Jade Leaf Lotus and put it in the lotus pond behind the palace. It is a waste of the lotus fragrance and sunset colors if it is placed in this garden."

Cold Moon nodded, and a set of footsteps resounded. As the footsteps were getting closer, a gentle male voice echoed. "Moon Empress, the information I provided to you previously belongs to that young prodigy who immediately passed the Class 2 Creation Master exam at Ling Xiao's Redbud City. I have already confirmed that all his three lifestyle-class spirit qi occupation exams did obtain full marks. Elder Ning set the questions, and they were said to be much craftier than the lifestyle-class associations."

The man's voice made the Moon Empress raise her head while her eyes were filled with bright light.

"Completing the Class 2 Creation Master exam at the age of 18. Furthermore, he actually got full marks for all three lifestyle-class spirit qi occupation exams. He is truly worthy for his title as a 'Young Prodigy'!"

The man's gentle voice continued. "Moon Empress, I have already informed Ling Xiao to bring that young prodigy over."

"You have done well, Mystic Moon."

Once the Moon Empress finished her words, the noisy wind inside the garden suddenly stopped, and there was no more wind. It was unknown if it was a coincidental stop or whether the words stopped the wind.

Mystic Moon quickly bowed. "These are things that I ought to do. There is another thing, the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association heard that the Moon Empress has the intention to accept a disciple. They have chosen and sent the number one genius among the young Creation Masters, Creation Master Tribunal Sun."

Before the Moon Empress could speak, Cold Moon's cold voice echoed first. "Creation Master Tribunal Sun? A young Creation Master actually has a title? Could he be a Class 4 Creation Master at a young age?"

Mystic Moon looked at Cold Moon and laughed lightly before replying in a gentle tone, "No matter how much of a genius a person is, Class 4 Creation Masters aren't something that the youth generation could reach. This Tribunal Sun is only a Class 2 Creation Master, but I heard that he is already qualified to progress to Class 3. Tribunal Sun is a title that is given by the Creation Master Association's three Vice Presidents. He is now 24 years old."

Cold Moon's face didn't change, and her voice was still as cold. "Tribunal Sun? The heavens have offered a tribute of the light of the sun? This title is truly majestic. Is the Tribunal Sun going to govern the entire Radiance Federation?"

The Moon Empress chuckled and said, "Cold Moon, how can you bear to say such things? But from the looks of it, Creation Master Tribunal Sun must have been carefully nurtured by the Creation Master Association."

After hearing the Moon Empress' words, Cold Moon pursed her lips and said, "After learning that the Moon Empress wants to accept a disciple, the Creation Master Association has already sent over seven or eight individuals. If this Tribunal Sun is really exceptional, why didn't they send him earlier? He even has a title now? Who knows if this title is newly conferred?"

Mystic Moon nodded. "Cold Moon guessed correctly. This Tribunal Sun is called Cheng Rui, and he was the first person that the Creation Master Association sent. Back then, he was rejected because Moon Empress was busy. They gave him a title and sent him again. I wonder what the Moon Empress' opinions are?"

The Moon Empress shook her hand. "Forget it, since the Creation Master Association is sending him a second time, it wouldn't be nice for this Empress to reject again. When that young prodigy comes over, ask the Creation Master Association to send that self-titled Tribunal Sun to come along too."

Mystic Moon acknowledged. "Yes, Moon Empress. But at the same time, Dean Wang from the Creation Master Academy of the Royal Capital's Advanced Spirit Qi University has also recommended someone. This person isn't just a Creation Master. He is also Sequence #3 of the Radiance Hundred. His title is Overflowing Sea." The Moon Empress replied, "Then send him over together. Let the young prodigy see the strength of those who stand at the apex of the young generation."

After hearing the Moon Empress' statement, Cold Moon's cold voice was suddenly filled with surprise. "For Moon Empress to consider so much for the young prodigy, is Moon Empress going to immediately accept him as your disciple? Does that mean that Mystic Moon and I will have a young lord?"

The Moon Empress smiled. "I will only know if I accept him after seeing him and personally testing him."

The Moon Empress might be saying this, but she recalled the information on Lin Yuan that Mystic Moon had sent over previously.

The lines of words stated that he was a youth that sought survival with his younger sister.

After his parents' honorable death, he had sent his younger sister to school with diligence and determination. He had done everything he could to prepare a fey for his younger sister.

He always stuck to his principle when doing business and was never proud or rash. These were all character qualities that the Moon Empress admired.

A person's character was actually more important than talent at times. However, she would still need to see Lin Yuan personally before it counted.

As one of the Moon Empress' two Moon Envoys, Mystic Moon was going to relay the Moon Empress' message to the Creation Master Association and the Royal Capital's Advanced Spirit Qi University. However, when he left, his heart already knew he had an additional young lord.

Otherwise, with the Moon Empress' temperament, she would not have divulged any biased feelings.

"Cold Moon, follow me to the breeding room. As a mentor, my welcome gift must be appropriate."

The Moon Empress was now thinking of how the Chef Supreme and Bamboo Monarch treated their disciples as treasures.

The Moon Empress felt that it was nothing.

Comparing who dotes on their disciple more? Who can compare to This Empress?

#### **Chapter 86: Blue Jade Pegasus**

The Scarlet Feather Fire Eagle traveled at extreme speed and arrived at Redbud City swiftly.

Lin Yuan stood on the Scarlet Feather Fire Eagle's back, but he couldn't even see the entire view of Redbud City. It showed how massive Redbud City was.

The Scarlet Feather Fire Eagle didn't land at the area where Redbud City specifically reserved for flying feys to land. Instead, it flew straight toward the city lordess residence and landed at the limestone stairs outside.

"Lord Lin Yuan, please enter with me. Lordess Ling Xiao must have been waiting for some time."

This statement made Lin Yuan raise his brows. When Ling Wu had contacted Lin Yuan, he had already headed for the Xia Region's regional governor residence almost instantly without delay. Therefore, even if Ling Xiao had been waiting for some time, it wasn't because Lin Yuan was late. It was due to the fact that Ling Wu felt that Ling Xiao wanted to see Lin Yuan urgently.

Since Lin Yuan wasn't able to think of a reason, he simply put his thoughts aside first. After all, once he saw Ling Xiao, she would probably give him an answer.

After following Ling Wu into the city lordess residence's main hall, there was only Ling Xiao in there alone. Once Ling Wu informed Ling Xiao he had brought Lin Yuan here, he excused himself to deal with his other tasks.

When Ling Xiao was looking at Lin Yuan, her expressionless face might not show any trace of delight, but Lin Yuan could feel happy emotions from her actions.

"It must have been a tiring journey. Have a casual lunch with me, and I will bring you to the Royal Capital in the afternoon."

After hearing the two words, 'Royal Capital', Lin Yuan felt as though he cleared up his previous doubts.

It seems like the benefit that even Elder Ning felt envious of is in the Royal Capital.

Benefits that are connected to Creation Masters in the Royal Capital and even the Class 4 Creation Master, Elder Ning, is envious. Could it be related to the three esteemed ones that are above the clouds?

"City Lordess, this one isn't tired. May I know why we are going to the Royal Capital?"

Ling Xiao hesitated for a moment and said, "The Moon Empress wishes to see you."

There were no other words.

Originally, in case Lin Yuan didn't ask, Ling Xiao wasn't planning to say anything and would just bring Lin Yuan to the Moon Empress. As for the Moon Empress' plans to accept a disciple, Ling Xiao might know of it, but she wouldn't divulge it to Lin Yuan.

Ling Xiao truly hoped that the Moon Empress' disciple would originate from Redbud City, and the mentioning of it might give Lin Yuan some advance notice to perform well in advance. However, Ling Xiao understood that some things could be said while some others must not.

As for the Moon Empress' plans, Ling Xiao didn't dare to say too much. Staying silent was the best choice.

Lin Yuan couldn't believe that he had guessed correctly. It seemed like the great benefit that Elder Ning mentioned was related to the Moon Empress.

Ling Xiao sized up Lin Yuan and said, "After the meal, go for a shower and get a change of clothes. I will ask someone to prepare clothes for you. When meeting the Moon Empress, you must not be lacking in manners."

Lin Yuan suddenly felt that he was being despised. He looked at the jeans that had faded after all the washing and the short-sleeved shirt before looking at Ling Xiao's eyes again. Lin Yuan was certain now that he was being despised.

Ling Xiao immediately called for two individuals. They were the city lordess residence staff members, and she instructed them to bring Lin Yuan to shower and change his clothes.

After some dressing up, when Ling Xiao saw Lin Yuan again, her eyes lit up. She had picked spirit qi clothes that were definitely conforming to the norms of society.

The black spirit qi clothes had some dark patterns, with appropriate trims, and a matte texture. Some simple metallic decorations accompanied them. Seeing Lin Yuan in the extremely simple spirit qi clothes, even Ling Xiao involuntarily muttered, "A beauty in the high places is like a jade, while a handsome young man is unmatched."

This young man wasn't just a sunshine-boy, handsome and bright, but there was even a type of composure. This was a quality and aura that Lin Yuan had been wearing but in secret. When the hidden aura was released, it really added a manly feeling to Lin Yuan.

The lunch that Lin Yuan ate wasn't simple. It was a full table of eight courses, and they were only for himself and Ling Xiao. Among the dishes, most of them used ingredients from Gold feys. This meal allowed Lin Yuan to understand what it meant to be rich and imposing. This entire meal was the same as eating half a Gold fey, which cost close to 10,000 Radiance dollars.

However, after consuming these delicacies, Lin Yuan had a subtle feeling that his spirit qi was constantly increasing. The food cooked with Gold spiritual ingredients actually had the effects of gradually increasing one's cultivation.

Upon seeing the Lin Yuan was almost done, Ling Xiao said to the butler behind her, "Go and prepare a portion of Spirit Luster Rhino's milk and make it into a double skin milk dessert for Lin Yuan."

The Spirit Luster Rhino was a Platinum fey, and it was said that its milk had great effects on strengthening the bones. To think they would actually use it to make a double skin milk dessert...

After eating this meal, Lin Yuan understood that one's cultivation was really the same as rolling a snowball. It was very strenuous to roll a small snowball into a large snowball. If one used too much strength in the middle, the snowball would scatter.

However, when the small snowball became a large snowball, no matter how it was rolled on the ground, there wasn't a need to worry that it might scatter. But it would be hard to feel the size of the snowball getting bigger.

Hence, in order to make the snowball bigger, one must not even miss out on any snow and fuse them all into the snowball. This was why high-ranked spirit qi professionals would use food nutrition to support their cultivation.

Upon feeling the transformations to his spirit qi and bones, Lin Yuan couldn't help but think that he could still afford food made with Bronze spiritual ingredients. In fact, he could also afford the occasional meals that were made with Silver spiritual ingredients.

Should I give Chu Ci and myself some food that is made with these spiritual ingredients?

After the meal, Ling Xiao summoned her aerial fey.

Lin Yuan was looking at this spirit horse that was entirely white with a blue jade-like horn. It even had a pair of giant white wings that had spots of blue gemstones. It was suave and graceful.

When using True Data, Lin Yuan finally found out that this graceful horse was actually a Diamond Fantasy Breed, the Blue Jade Pegasus.

After riding onto the Blue Jade Pegasus' back along with Ling Xiao, Lin Yuan never expected there would be a day where he could actually ride on a Fantasy Breed.

The Blue Jade Pegasus flapped its wings and soared into the sky. The sharp horn on its head was emitting a fantasy- and jade-like blue luster. It felt like a blue field where the sun warmed the jade and produced magnificent colors.

The Blue Jade Pegasus was flying at an extreme speed, and when Lin Yuan looked down, he felt that the mountains were all fuzzy images that were just like illusions.

"It will take over one day to reach the Royal Capital from Redbud City when traveling on the Blue Jade Pegasus. During this period of time, you can rest up on the horse's back."

Lin Yuan had also nodded and agreed.

"City Lordess, if even the Blue Jade Pegasus will need over a day to reach the Royal Capital, then we must be very far away from Redbud City!"

Lin Yuan looked down at the illusory mountains and couldn't help clicking his tongue again.

Previously, he had been lamenting at the speed of the Blue Jade Pegasus, and right now, he was lamenting at the distance between Redbud City and the Royal Capital. Or it should be said that he was lamenting at the size of this world.

## **Chapter 87: Fantasy, Five Transformations**

Ling Xiao looked at the mountains they were passing by like an illusion and the brilliance of lights when the Blue Jade Pegasus was flapping its wings.

"Redbud City isn't considered far from the Royal Capital. Among the 32 cities, Redbud City is situated on the central-southern side and is considered the 14th closest major city to the Royal Capital. Cold Frost City in the extreme north, Scorch Flames City in the extreme south, and Dwelling Pool City in the western Great Pool are cities that are considered far from the Royal Capital. With the Blue Jade Pegasus' speed, it will need around half a month to complete the journey."

Ling Xiao didn't talk much normally, but she was willing to give a thorough explanation to Lin Yuan.

After listening to Ling Xiao's explanation, he felt that all the books' knowledge was just numbers. Numbers weren't as shocking as when he was seated on a Fantasy Breed fey. He could feel the speed and use time to measure the Radiance Federation's vast land.

"If we traveled across water, wouldn't the time be shortened?"

Lin Yuan realized that Ling Xiao had been instructing the Blue Jade Pegasus to travel above land. Even if they went across water regions, it would be over rivers and lakes, but not the sea region.

Ling Xiao used her hand to stroke the Blue Jade Pegasus' neck and combed up its hair. However, her expression was much more serious.

"When you possess a fey that can fly across the horizon, the first lesson to learn is that you must not fly above the ocean."

After the Spirit Qi Awakening, the ocean that allowed humans to hunt freely was now the world's most treacherous place. No matter how spacious the land was, it occupied only less than 40% of this planet. The remaining 60% was made of the ocean.

The ocean was deep and immeasurable. Even in the coastal waters, there were chances of encountering wild Gold feys. A Gold fish-type fey could easily overturn a fishing boat in the sea.

Occasionally, Platinum feys would also visit the coastal waters, making it very dangerous even in the coastal waters.

If one was flying above the sea region and encountered a giant whale fey, they might be accidentally injured by the water pillars that the giant whale feys blasted out.

After hearing the serious tone in Ling Xiao's words, Lin Yuan immediately memorized Ling Xiao's statement.

He might have memorized the statement, but he still asked, "Not even a Diamond/Fantasy fey?"

Ling Xiao turned back to look at Lin Yuan with a face of approval. She didn't expect Lin Yuan to immediately recognize that this Blue Jade Pegasus was a Diamond/Fantasy fey.

It wasn't hard to see that the Blue Jade Pegasus was a Fantasy Breed, but in order to let Lin Yuan have a comfortable journey, Ling Xiao had already withdrawn the Blue Jade Pegasus' imposing aura.

Lin Yuan was still able to see that the Blue Jade Pegasus was a Fantasy Breed, nonetheless. This level of knowledge and experience wasn't something that a new Class 2 Creation Master would have.

Ling Xiao might have given her approval, but she still sounded particularly stern.

The stern words made Lin Yuan feel as though his hair was standing on end. "Because there is a possibility of Myth Breed feys appearing in the deep sea."

"Myth Breed?" Lin Yuan asked in return.

Myth Breed was something that Lin Yuan had never heard before. In fact, there wasn't any mention among the information on the Star Web.

It was unknown why the words 'Myth Breed' gave off a magically stunning sensation.

"Yes, Myth Breed! It is an existence that is beyond the Fantasy Breed. When a fey reaches the Legend quality and is fused with a Willpower Rune formed by the world's willpower, it will be known as a Fantasy Breed. Fantasy Breed feys are lifeforms that are already beyond the range of science. They are feys that only exist in fantasies.

"As for Myth Breed, it is to gradually transform fantasies into realistic myths. Whenever a Myth Breed fey appears, it is the same as a new myth being born. Each of them possesses the power to create a myth and legend."

When talking about the Myth Breed, Ling Xiao's eyes were filled with respect and also expectations.

This conversation had opened up a door to the new world for Lin Yuan. Previously, he always thought that Fantasy Breed was the peak.

Lin Yuan knew that Creation Masters could evolve feys limitlessly, but he didn't think that there was a Myth Breed above the Fantasy Breed.

Ling Xiao looked at Lin Yuan's shocked expression and thought silently. It isn't considered too early for me to say such things. If Lin Yuan became the Moon Empress' disciple, Lin Yuan would be able to make contact with a myth. Because the Moon Empress is a living myth.

"Lin Yuan, the Myth Breed is the Radiance Federation's secret that isn't circulated in the Star Web. Therefore, you must not divulge it. Apart from that, do you know the different grades of Fantasy Breeds?"

Ling Xiao's question was something that Lin Yuan didn't know either. However, these questions had already stimulated Lin Yuan's thirst for the unknown.

"This junior doesn't know. Will the City Lordess please enlighten me?"

Ling Xiao pointed at the Blue Jade Pegasus below and said, "This Blue Jade Pegasus is a Fantasy I fey. Fantasy Breed feys are graded by the Fantasy Five Transformations. Each transformation is taking one step closer to heaven. Five transformations will be equivalent to an ascension."

Lin Yuan had recorded the words, 'Fantasy Five Transformations' into his mind.

Ling Xiao looked at Lin Yuan and suddenly said, "If possible, as you progress as a Creation Master, your combat capability should not lag behind too."

With regards to Ling Xiao's words, Lin Yuan had deep sentiments. Creation Masters were just a great option to evolve feys. It was also considered a kind of strength, but there were times when a combatclass spirit qi professional's capability was a true lifesaver.

After reaching this subject, Ling Xiao and Lin Yuan didn't speak anymore.

The sun was setting in the west and night was descending. The thin air in the sky was filled with cold temperatures.

After October, it was already considered autumn.

The bright moon suspended in the horizon, and when Lin Yuan was looking at the moon, he felt as though he could touch it. However, when he reached out, the bright moon felt as though it was infinitely far away.

Lin Yuan was observing the night with the bright moon until daybreak when the sun and moon switched places.

During the switch, Lin Yuan had a sudden comprehension, and a Yin-Yang Willpower Rune appeared within his mental world.

Lin Yuan closed his eyes to feel the Willpower Rune that was derived from the switch between the sun and the moon.

Ling Xiao's eyes were wide open. Even if Ling Xiao had lost her emotions, she still wished she could yell out, What a goddamn prodigy!

While riding on my Blue Jade Pegasus, this kid was actually able to comprehend a Willpower Rune just by looking at the sunrise.

When had it been that easy to comprehend a Willpower Rune?

If Ling Xiao didn't possess any Willpower Rune and if Lin Yuan wasn't so close to her, Ling Xiao wouldn't have been able to sense the formation of Lin Yuan's Willpower Rune.

However, Ling Xiao didn't know that Lin Yuan didn't just have one Willpower Rune. He had a total of three Willpower Runes constantly revolving in his spiritual energy.

If Ling Xiao knew, she would have wanted to kick Lin Yuan off her Blue Jade Pegasus' back.

# Chapter 88: Sequence #3, Overflowing Sea, Long Tao

Ling Xiao was amazed by Lin Yuan's talent as he was able to comprehend a Willpower Rune just by looking at the sunrise, and she even wanted to trample on Lin Yuan a little. However, she was circulating her spiritual power, using it to isolate the air currents in the sky.

It allowed Lin Yuan to be in the most suitable environment for him to comprehend, while Ling Xiao quietly protected Lin Yuan.

Ling Xiao only withdrew her spiritual power after Lin Yuan opened his eyes. She then said to Lin Yuan in a serious tone, "By comprehending a Willpower Rune, you have taken a step closer to obtaining a Fantasy Breed. But remember my words. If you wish to let your fey become a Fantasy III fey, you must not allow it to become a Fantasy Breed after evolving to the grade of Platinum."

After hearing Ling Xiao's statement, Lin Yuan subconsciously asked, "Then what about Fantasy V?"

"I am not exactly sure on how to achieve Fantasy V, but your fey should become a Fantasy Breed during the grade of Gold. Otherwise, unless there is a huge fated opportunity, the fey would only reach Fantasy III."

Lin Yuan memorized Ling Xiao's explanation. Such information was truly precious for a combat-class spirit qi professional who had just comprehended a Willpower Rune.

"Then what if a Bronze fey's Legend quality is upgraded to Fantasy. Would there be a chance to reach Fantasy V?"

Ling Xiao took a deep breath and fixed her eyes on Lin Yuan. "Do you think the difficulty in upgrading a Bronze fey into a Fantasy Breed is the same as to upgrade a Gold fey into a Fantasy Breed? To upgrade Bronze feys to the Legend quality is more than 100 times harder than to upgrade Gold feys to the Legend quality. Even if a Class 4 Creation Master did their best, they might not be able to achieve it. In addition, do you think Willpower Runes are that easy to comprehend?

"Even among the young generation's Radiance Hundred, not everyone possesses a Fantasy Breed. Most of their feys are either stuck at the Legend quality, or they do not have any Willpower Runes."

It was true. After becoming a Sequence member of the Radiance Hundred, one could enjoy the Radiance Federation's resources and also access to Creation Masters.

Even if a Gold fey's quality couldn't reach Legend, it shouldn't be a problem to reach the Legend quality at platinum-grade.

As for Willpower Runes, Lin Yuan didn't feel any difficulty at all. His three Willpower Runes had come smoothly and naturally without obstructions, just like how he drank water.

Ling Xiao's words also reminded Lin Yuan something. Subconsciously, Lin Yuan had thought that the difficulty in upgrading a fey to the Legend quality was the same from Bronze and above.

Be it Bronze, Silver, or Gold, as long as the spirit qi reached a certain point, all feys' quality could reach Legend with the correct combination of spiritual ingredients.

However, Lin Yuan realized he had thought it wrongly. Such situations were only suitable for him and not for other Creation Masters.

Lin Yuan didn't have to worry about feys not being able to reach the Legend quality, but he didn't have any idea on how to upgrade his source-type lifeform, Red Thorn. Red Thorn's progress was considered the greatest challenge that Lin Yuan faced so far. Even now, Lin Yuan still didn't have any solution.

After one entire day of flight, Lin Yuan was already able to see the Royal Capital's outline under the rising sun. The grand Royal Capital was truly spectacular, and it made Lin Yuan feel like he was on a heroic journey. Royal Capital, I, Lin Yuan, am here!

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"Oh? Isn't this Lord Overflowing Sea, the Radiance Hundred's Sequence #3? The Radiance Hundred should currently be participating in the tribulation missions. Why is Lord Overflowing Sea here at the Leaning Moon Mountain?" The one speaking was a youth with thin lips.

The youth might have a genuine smile while speaking, and his actions were passionate too, but they were still unable to cover the feeling of pretense.

Cheng Rui looked at Long Tao, who stood beside him, with arrogance. He was Sequence #3 of the Radiance Hundred and also known as Overflowing Sea. It gave Cheng Rui a pressure that was several times heavier.

Long Tao might be Sequence #3 of the Radiance Hundred, a formidable combat-class spirit qi professional to boot, but he was also an extremely talented Creation Master.

Cheng Rui's combat capability wasn't comparable to Long Tao, but in terms of Creation Master talent, Cheng Rui was certain that he was better even though they had yet to compete.

After all, he was known as the best Creation Master among the young generation and already had the title of Tribunal Sun as a Class 2 Creation Master.

Long Tao didn't even look at Cheng Rui. Instead, he looked at the elder standing behind Cheng Rui as he said, "If you aren't genuinely calling me as Lord Overflowing Sea, then don't. I have never liked such pretentious behaviors. To have a title as a Class 2 Creation Master... Our ages are similar, but why didn't the Creation Master Association give me, Long Tao, a title too?"

Long Tao's words weren't just targeting Cheng Rui, but also the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association that backed Cheng Rui.

As for the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association's action, it didn't just dissatisfy Long Tao, but it had also dissatisfied the Creation Master Academy of the Royal Capital Advanced Spirit Qi University.

Even if one's potential was great, they would naturally receive a title with honor when the individual reached that status. But to receive a title at Class 2 and openly declare that Cheng Rui was the No.1 Creation Master among the young generation, it would certainly cause dissatisfaction among all the extremely talented youths.

Cheng Rui's face was turning white and green while the elder standing behind Cheng Rui quickly responded, "Little Long, you are being too much with your words. Cheng Rui is indeed capable enough to receive this title."

This elder behind Cheng Rui was the Vice President of the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association, and he was famed for a very long time.

Long Tao's words might be criticizing and overbearing, but with his status as Sequence #3 of the Radiance Hundred, the elder didn't dare to berate him. In addition, standing beside Long Tao was the Dean of the Creation Master Academy of the Royal Capital Advanced Spirit Qi University.

The Royal Capital Advanced Spirit Qi University's Creation Master Academy had always been competing with the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association. If the elder from the Creation Master Association were to say more, the old rival would have joined the battlefield.

Long Tao still had the same expression and didn't look at Cheng Rui. "A few days ago, I successfully passed the Class 3 Creation Master exam at the Creation Master Association in Ascending Dragon City. If Cheng Rui is capable enough for this title, I wonder if I can also receive my title from the Creation Master Association in advance? However, even if the Creation Master Association wishes to give me a title, I will

not accept it. Once I become a Class 4 Creation Master, I will naturally seize the title that belongs to me."

Long Tao's words were like slaps after slaps. There was nothing wrong with his words, but they were slaps that ruthlessly smacked on Cheng Rui's face. His words had also caused the Vice President of the Creation Master Association to turn gloomy.

However, Long Tao's words weren't wrong at all.

Had it not been for the Moon Empress accepting a disciple, even if Cheng Rui was talented, he wouldn't have obtained a title as a Class 2 Creation Master. The conferring of a title was to elevate Cheng Rui's status as the No.1 Young Creation Master.

But now that Long Tao was already a Class 3 Creation Master, even if Cheng Rui also had a Class 3 Creation Master's potential, he still wasn't one yet.

As the Vice President of the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association, he no longer had as much confidence in Cheng Rui as before. However, he thought for a moment and felt that it should be the Moon Empress who would make the decision in the end. The Moon Empress would take just a split moment to make her choice, and it didn't mean that Cheng Rui didn't have a chance.

## **Chapter 89: An Important Person**

The dean of the Royal Capital Advanced Spirit Qi University's Creation Master Academy stood there while twirling two jade spheres in his hand. He looked at the Creation Master Association's Vice President and said, "Old thing, right now, even the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association is inferior to our academy when nurturing Creation Masters. Therefore, the No.1 young Creation Master of this generation isn't from your association. He is from our academy!"

After criticizing, the elder with the jade spheres laughed heartily. It was a burst of very forthright laughter, and it was genuinely from the bottom of his heart.

However, it was also this laughter and angered the Vice President of the Creation Master Association so much that his body was shaking gently. He was obviously quite enraged.

"You old thing, what is there worth being happy for?! In the end, Long Tao is registered as a Class 3 Creation Master under our Ascending Dragon City's Creation Master Association. He is still considered a member of our Creation Master Association."

The Dean from the Creation Master Academy had stopped twirling the jade spheres too and said in a flabbergasted tone, "You idiotic old man are too shameless! How can you even say something like that!? Shouldn't you ask if the Ascending Dragon City's Creation Master Association admits if they are on the same side with your Royal Capital's Creation Master Association? If you can say it like that, then I can also say that all the students in the federation are students from our academy!"

Creation Master Associations between cities had a competing relationship as they would strive for more resources for their city's Creation Masters. When a Creation Master participated in the city's Creation Master Association exam, they would be recorded as the city's Creation Master.

The Royal Capital's Creation Master Association might be in the Royal Capital and was just like a headquarters for all the Creation Master Associations, but the truth wasn't so. Instead of saying they were the headquarters, it was better to say that they were the top rival for each Creation Master Associations.

The two elders started a dispute as soon as they met under the Leaning Moon Mountain. It made Cheng Rui and Long Tao rather embarrassed.

Cheng Rui didn't dare to mention that he was the No.1 young Creation Master in front of Long Tao. In fact, he was no longer proud of his title like before and actually felt rather ashamed.

However, Long Tao was obviously not planning to let go of Cheng Rui. "I have watched your interview on the Star Web. You don't look the same as you do in real life as compared to the Star Web. On the Star Web, you look as though you are really the leader of the young generation!"

Long Tao might be speaking indifferently, but this statement was more like a heavy punch as compared to the slaps earlier. Cheng Rui was so agitated that his expression turned from green to red.

"Long Tao! You are too much! You are one year older than me. One year later, I will definitely become a Class 3 Creation Master too! Your Creation Master talent might not be better than mine! I am just one year younger, that's all."

Instead of looking at his weakness, he found an excuse. Just by this attitude, Long Tao felt that Cheng Rui was a weakling.

Long Tao believed that after he entered the Radiance Hundred Sequence, all of the competitors he faced were all senior to him. The eldest would be ten years older than him, as a Sequence member could remain in the Radiance Hundred for ten years.

Long Tao had been on a path of obstacles and used four years to reach his position as Sequence #3, while his Creation Master's progress didn't get delayed either. This was because Long Tao had never found an excuse for himself to fail. He confronted failure, analyzed failure, and treasured failure. He treasured failure because the number of failures was getting increasingly low and close to zero.

Cheng Rui's attitude was something that Long Tao despised.

"You are not thinking to say that the river that flows to the east for thirty years will flow to the west for the next thirty years, so I shouldn't bully you just because you are young, right?"

Cheng Rui did want to say these words, but they were exposed by Long Tao first. At that moment, Cheng Rui understood that he wasn't going to be a match for Long Tao in terms of words. The more he said would just be seeking more trouble for himself.

Cheng Rui had never met with Long Tao before this. In the matches, Long Tao always had the dominant and aggressive style, while his interviews were seldom as conversational. Cheng Rui didn't expect Long Tao to be such foul-mouthed, and his words to be truly infuriating.

There was a gentle and clear voice that echoed throughout Leaning Moon Mountain.

"I am here on the Moon Empress' orders to receive Elder Du and Elder Meng."

The gentle voice caused Long Tao to narrow his eyes. The voice felt as though it was right beside him, but there was no one to be found. After a period of time, Long Tao still couldn't find the source of the voice.

Elder Du, the Vice President of the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association, and Elder Meng, the Dean of the Royal Capital Advanced Spirit Qi University's Creation Master Academy, suddenly spoke loudly toward the air. "We have troubled Envoy Mystic Moon."

Once Elder Meng and Elder Du responded, a man with long silver robes suddenly appeared in the passageway leading to the Leaning Moon Mountain. The man was walking over unhurriedly, but in less than two steps with ease, he had traveled across dozens of meters and arrived in their vicinity.

"Elder Du and Elder Meng still look so brilliant. However, we cannot ascend the mountain yet as we still need to wait for an important person to arrive." Mystic Moon turned silent after speaking.

Elder Du and Elder Meng looked at each other and could see the astonishment in each other's eyes.

Mystic Moon was a king-class expert, and he was already at the pinnacle of king-class. His contracted feys were all mainly spiritual-type, and he might be a support-class spirit qi professional, but any of the same class experts would say that the most troublesome foe they faced were spirit qi professionals with spiritual-type feys.

Putting aside Mystic Moon's strength, just his status as one of the Moon Empress' two Moon Envoys, he represented the will of the Moon Empress wherever he went.

Mystic Moon might look gentle, but his way of doing things was abnormally tyrannical. He was just like a razor-sharp thread hidden in the snow—there was no shadow or form. But once someone made contact, they would be severed into pieces.

Mystic Moon might not be as emotionless as Cold Moon when dealing with matters, but he was abnormally arrogant.

We are supposed to wait for an important person here?

The words 'important person' stated that this person should be rather familiar with the Moon Empress and could already be considered one of her own. Otherwise, the words would be an important guest and not an important person.

For Mystic Moon to mention the word important, it was easy to imagine the status of that person.

Elder Du and Elder Meng pulled Cheng Rui and Long Tao to the side.

Even Long Tao, who was Sequence #3 of the Radiance Hundred, had also withdrawn his aura and was abnormally obedient.

At that moment, a snow-white figure with a blue jade horn flew over from far away. A pegasus with wings glistening with a blue jade-like texture was flying toward the Leaning Moon Mountain.

The gentle and expressionless Mystic Moon put on a smile.

The Blue Jade Pegasus finally landed.

Ling Xiao led Lin Yuan and leaped off the pegasus.

Elder Du and Elder Meng took a glance at Ling Xiao and immediately averted their gaze before fixing their eyes on Lin Yuan.

Lin Yuan's hair was rather messy due to the wind, but when he was standing under the sunlight, he gave off an indescribable aura that lit up the eyes of Elder Du and Elder Meng.

### **Chapter 90: Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia**

Elder Meng and Elder Du definitely knew Ling Xiao. Even as the City Lordess of Redbud City, it still wasn't enough for Mystic Moon to use the word important. Therefore, the important person mentioned by Mystic Moon could only be this youth standing beside Ling Xiao.

Lin Yuan could obviously feel five pairs of eyes staring at him apart from Ling Xiao right now. While feeling the gazes, he didn't know any of these people. However, due to respect, he still nodded in response as a greeting.

Ling Xiao originally wanted to make an introduction, but Mystic Moon's gentle and clear voice echoed. "Everyone is here. Follow me to the Leaning Moon Mountain. Lin Yuan, come beside me. We shall walk together."

Lin Yuan had already noticed the silver-robed man that spoke. The silver-robed man's aura was like a torrential undercurrent underneath the deep sea with no signs of ripples on the surface.

Lin Yuan didn't expect this silver-robed man to actually know him. He looked toward Ling Xiao and saw her make a gulping motion but didn't say a word. She merely nodded to Lin Yuan.

As such, Lin Yuan walked beside Mystic Moon in a relaxed manner. Mystic Moon let out a bright smile and led Lin Yuan up the mountain.

Ling Xiao walked together with Elder Meng and Elder Du, while Long Tao and Cheng Rui walked by the side. The five of them followed behind Ling Xiao and Mystic Moon.

At that moment, Elder Du and Elder Meng looked at Ling Xiao. She gave Elder Du and Elder Meng an expressionless greeting while saying, "It is what Elder Du and Elder Meng are thinking."

Elder Meng and Elder Du looked at Lin Yuan with rather complicated eyes. They had a feeling that this youth that made their eyes light up was actually here to harvest the peach. Moreover, from Mystic Moon's actions, could this Lin Yuan be the person that the Moon Empress had already decided to accept?

Long Tao looked at Lin Yuan with probing eyes. Cheng Rui was looking at Lin Yuan with eyes of jealousy and complication.

After a few questions from Elder Du and Elder Meng, the rest of the people knew of Lin Yuan's identity. He was the one that had directly passed the Class 2 Creation Master exam in Redbud City. The Creation Master Association's reformation started off with Redbud City and was now conducted over the Radiance Federation's 32 cities. What was the implication of the reformation? Elder Du and Elder Meng understood, but they never expected someone to actually meet such harsh requirements. In addition, this person arrived so quickly!

Long Tao was rather calm on appearance, but Cheng Rui's face was filled with obvious reluctance to accept this outcome. Cheng Rui gritted his teeth and thought, He is just a kid that passed the Class 2 Creation Master exam. What is so great about that? He might have been lucky at that time. I am already almost capable enough to take the Class 3 Creation Master exam. To crush this kid, wouldn't it be as easy as playing with toys?

Long Tao looked at Cheng Rui's expression and burst out with a laugh. "Why don't you compare yourself with him and see how much younger he is than you?"

Cheng Rui's expression was always rich, and especially after being criticized by Long Tao, he looked as though he had eaten 30 lemons followed by 30 bitter gourds.

One had to admit that the Leaning Moon Mountain was filled with beautiful sceneries. Lin Yuan activated True Data along the way, and apart from his conversation with Mystic Moon, he saw plenty of Gold feys and even some Platinum feys.

These feys were mostly plant-type ones, with the occasional butterflies, dragonflies, bees, and small avians. The rare feys that were hard to see in the outside world could be seen everywhere in the Leaning Moon Mountain.

At that moment, Mystic Moon said, "We will be reaching the Radiant Moon Palace in a few more steps."

Mystic Moon's words weren't just for Lin Yuan, but they were also for the people behind them.

After passing through a gallery of mountains, Lin Yuan saw a palace that looked as though it was constructed with fluorite. The palace's main body was white like white jade, but it was emitting sparkling light like the moon in the sky.

There were two straight trees in front of the palace that were close to ten meters in height. The trees were blooming with delicate flowers that were a fusion of gold and silver. The flowers were so dense that it made the branches hang downward.

These two trees were actually Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassias!

When looking at the True Data, Lin Yuan felt he was going to fall over. These two Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassias were actually Diamond X. Of course, that wasn't important. The crucial point was that their quality was Legend.

Such precious species were planted at the palace entrance without anyone contracting them, and they were only used as a part of the scenery. This was something that Lin Yuan couldn't imagine.

When Mystic Moon saw Lin Yuan look at the two Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassias, he took the initiative to introduce, "The two cassias are rather good-looking and have been planted here. The Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia is rather special, but it doesn't have any fragrance. However, the flowers can

be used to make osmanthus honey. Cold Moon is great at making osmanthus honey. I will ask Cold Moon to prepare one bowl for you later."

Feys like the Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia were actually beyond Lin Yuan's knowledge. He could only know of its name through True Data. Lin Yuan might not be sure, but Ling Xiao, Elder Du, and Elder Meng knew what they were.

After hearing that Mystic Moon was going to casually give a bowl of osmanthus honey to Lin Yuan, even the three authority experts wanted to try and ask for a portion, even if it was just a few drops.

The Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia' nectar was great for eliminating impurities. Normally, others would dissolve one drop into a cup and dilute it several times for consumption.

If Lin Yuan were to drink an entire bowl of Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassia nectar, it was probable that all of his body's impurities would be cleansed.

The world only had two Silver Stamen Gold Luster Cassias, and they were in the hands of the Moon Empress but were planted in front of the Radiant Moon Palace.

The Moon Empress might harvest ten drops of nectar for the Royal Capital Advanced Spirit Qi University and the Royal Capital's Creation Master Association, but even if they accumulated for a few dozen years, they still couldn't gather a bowl.

"Mystic Moon, the osmanthus honey is brewed by me, and you actually want to give it to others. Even if it is a gift, it should be from me."

The voice sounded limpid like the ice water in the icy pool.

Lin Yuan looked at the lady and noticed a blue-robed lady looking at him.

Mystic Moon let out a bright smile. "Alright, Cold Moon, bring them to see the Moon Empress. I still have other tasks given by the Moon Empress."

Cold Moon nodded and said to everyone, "Follow me into the Radiant Moon Palace."

After entering the Radiant Moon Palace, Lin Yuan felt that every spot in the palace was emitting grace. There was a platform with a table at the front and two boxes.

Cold Moon pulled Lin Yuan to her side and said to Elder Meng and Elder Du, "The Moon Empress has placed a treasure in each of the boxes. Both parties can allow your young talents to pick one of the boxes. The treasure within the box shall be considered a gift from the Moon Empress."

Cold Moon's words made Elder Du and Elder Meng's eyes light up. But at the same time, they didn't understand why there were only two brocade boxes while there were three young talents?

Lin Yuan stood beside Cold Moon and watched indifferently. He might not know what was happening, but he knew it wasn't simple.