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Chapter 1041 The Three Ancient Kings Of Darkness

The Demon King, the Vampire King, and the Dragon King.

The Three Ancient Kings Of Darkness.

These three powerful Kings created the Majin Alliance, as it was called, led by these three mighty Kings, they wanted to free the continent of Midgard from the control of the Empire of Light and regain a foothold within the continent's territory, to assure their people's future.

While the other tribes shied away and fled to the corners of the continent, hiding from battles and war and from the Empire of Light's watchful eyes, such as the Elves who hid in a dense forest hid behind a mountain, and the Dwarves that hid in the cold tundra inside of unseen mountains, the Majin, Vampires, and Dragons decided to fight back instead.

The Demon King had two friends he made, the Dragon King and the Vampire King. The Dragon King is right with us, Lucifer. And the Vampire King is long dead, the Progenitor of all the Vampires that live in Yggdrasil right now.

According to Lucifer, he was someone strong and reliable, a mighty warrior and king who led his people together. Vampires mostly operated at night, but with his special Bloodline Powers, he could bless his subjects and grant them temporary protection against sunlight, giving them the ability to fight at day.

And this power, was made into artifacts which each of the Horsemen wield, Lord Hendrick is capable of letting these Vampires walk below the sunlight using such power as well, although the veil only last five hours, but its plenty of time.

And about his brother, Sirius, it seems he used to be sickly and weaker than his bigger brother. After thousands of years since the war, it seems he had changed drastically, becoming someone completely different, and leading the Vampires through a new path of bloodshed and crime, unlike their past as a small nation of honorable knights.

Their battle wasn't just for the freedom of non-human species across Midgard, but also against the Gods themselves, who have been manipulating the Empire of Light to spread only the human race as the dominant one through Midgard, and even have been preparing a worldwide conquest to the other continents of Yggdrasil.

Perhaps they didn't realize back then, but it was a fight against the Gods themselves, a fight they would have never been able to win back then. They had no Gods backing them, only their Kings, and their armies. The Gods watched the skies, they revealed all the routes, all their strategies, all their weaknesses.

At the end, they were all taken down, not even the children left behind. It was a massacre, a war rigged from the start.

Yet these three Kings moved forwards, fighting for a new future, a future they never truly saw.

It makes me so frustrated to know what truly happened.

If only I could have been there.

If only...

I clenched my fists in silence, just thinking about these things made my blood boil.

"Sirius... After all these years we've left you alone, you've done all of this to survive, isn't it?" Lucifer sighed. "At the very least, if we have to confront him, it has to be me the one that fights him... I have to take responsibility for leaving him alone and dying alongside his brother and the demon king."

"I won't let you fight him alone." I sighed. "And he's not here anyways, so can you relax? I understand that you remember your past better now, and everything else. But even then, the present won't change because of that."

"...I know." Lucifer nodded, sighing. "I apologize. I might have gone too overboard with my reactions. I was simply... rather shaken."

"It's understandable you felt that way, Lucifer." Jonathan smiled, patting his shoulders. "It'll be okay, maybe we can find a way to save the Vampires."

"Shut up! And don't touch my shoulder you human!" Lucifer quickly pushed him away. "I know what I must do, but it won't be easy to convince the rest of the Vampires, and if they're far too gone like these fools, it's not like there'll be any other option than to kill them."

"I-I guess..." Jonathan sighed. "Maybe I was being too optimistic."

"It is fine, a person like that in our party was necessary, not everything is grim and dark." I nodded. "Though, I am too worried and angered right now as well. Once we enter that city, we'll be ignoring everything else except the Vampires. We'll move as quickly as possible to the underground through the route Kimiko will share with us, and then we'll kill anybody that gets on our way, take all the prisoners inside my Shadow Realm, and snatch the cubes."

"So that's the plan... Alright, I'm ready." Partner smiled, nodding.

"Me too, Maria." Emeraldine said. "It's finally time for us to finish this entire ordeal in gold sand. We have to move forward, end this, and then keep going. There's too much left behind after all."

"I agree." Lucifer nodded. "The Empire of Light must be growing stronger with every passing day, and that gathering of Dukes and Duchess will be rather soon, isn't it? They'll gather over the Empire of Light's castle. We have to hurry up then."

"I know." I smiled. "And we'll do just that, yes... But after all of you evolve, that is! Don't just think you can keep fighting in your current states. If you got all the requirements, just evolve already! It doesn't matter if it takes a few hours. Let's get this done with while we are outside the Emerald Fountain city."

"A-Ah, right... Yeah, let's do that then." Lucifer nodded.

"Agh, I guess? I did get the materials." Partner nodded.

"I suppose I might as well." Emeraldine agreed.

"I can't really evolve myself... But I have no Level Cap. My Class Rank Up, however, I'll need to do that somewhere with a church that has the Class Rank Up crystal or something." Jonathan sighed.

"Alright, I guess we can find that in the city." I nodded. "Nyx, come here as well, you have to evolve, young lady."

"Oh right!" Nyx appeared out of my shadows. "Almost forgot- Huh? Who are those people, mama?"

"Bad Vampires we defeated and turned into Zombie friends." I smiled, patting her head.

Chapter 1042 Everyone Evolves

And once the decision was made, they started to evolve. One after another. Their evolutions were all different. Nyx was encapsulated into a cocoon of black crystals, Lucifer turned into a cloud of darkness and phantasmal black flames, Emeraldine was engulfed by a bright tree, and Partner was covered by a storming spiraling and swirling cloud made of blood essence.

They were all unique and amazing, the very act of evolution was one of great intrigue to me. It brought so many variables and forms to a living being. It was very strange that humans for some reason were not allowed to evolve. It was something that was a thing even in Yggdrasil, a world of magic.

Does this mean that humans themselves are indeed not magical enough to perform the act of evolution and always need to first become a non-human being to be able to? I don't know what sort of non-human I could make Jonathan into without needing him dead first though.

Maybe some sort of Vampire if I use the Blood Skills I have somehow? But nah, that's not something he would have wanted anyways, and I don't want to force him into becoming a non-human being either. He's happy and fulfilled as the human he is.

And I, myself was a human as well. And as strong as it made me to die and become a ghost that could evolve, there is not a single day I didn't wish I could simply go back to the simpler times, when I was a

human that reincarnated here, living with my noble family, a happy-go-luck slice of life as an adventurer witch, with her heroic boyfriend.

Yeah, I've meet so many people I love now, hell, I even got a daughter and maybe a few more children on the way too! But... the simplicity and innocence of my first life can't be easily replaced even now. It is something that still remains within me, perhaps as nothing but a reminiscence of the "good old times".

Nonetheless, I can't return to the past, the present is now, and there's many things to do. I've evolved, and I've gained even more strength, this power I've been building since my resurrection as an Undead won't go to waste.

I'll use it for good, I'll save people, I'll try to find my brother, and we'll crush these fucking vampires once and for all. And once I am done with this, I'll go relax back home, and spend time with my lovers and my kid until the next big war happens!

It might sound dumb and overly simple, but I just want to rest for once. And once we're done with this damned trial in front of us, it'll be finally over.

"So we'll need to find the cubes first?" Jonathan wondered as he sat down over the dunes at my side, looking everyone evolve.

"Yeah, I think I might be able to break through the Divine Blood Barrier on my own though, even without finding those weird cubes or whatever." I shrugged. "But it is better if we go to the other places first to secure all the innocents are safe. We won't take turns though; I've decided to go to all three places at the same time."

"At the same time?!" Jonathan was flabbergasted. "Can you do that? Wait, right you can."

"Yes, I can separate my body thanks to a Privilege gifted to me." I smiled. "I've obtained many new Body related Skills, and I can even combine them together, so these three versions of myself will still remain very powerful, don't worry."

"It's not that I am worried." Jonathan sighed. "I just want to quickly find your brother... I hope he's okay, wherever he is."

"Do you have memories of Arthur?" I wondered.

"I do, I only met him a couple of times, but every time I met him, that little boy was always so eager to see me. He admired me as a hero, and always got really happy whenever he said that his sister was going to become the hero of light's wife." Jonathan laughed slightly bitterly. "He was a boy full of innocence and life. I can't even begin to fathom all the pain and agony he had gone through since you were executed... And your family too..."

"But if he had truly survived until now, he might have changed a lot, and become much stronger too." I sighed. "But he might be now scared of what I've become... After evolving into what I am now, I think I've become even more alien than before. A strange being. Although it brings me a lot of power, it also makes me feel uncomfortable, a bit."

"Really?" Jonathan wondered, touching my hand gently. "Maria, you shouldn't feel like this. Although your soul and body have changed, you're still the same you, deep down. Even more now, that you've recovered your memories!"

"You think so?" I wondered. "But sometimes, it also feels like my personality is changing, my body, my soul, it slowly affects it. I might be even slowly... being eroded away, and losing my true self as whatever I am becoming takes over."

"No, that's not true. Sometimes we get mood swings, maybe because of all the stress you've gone through..." Jonathan said. "But you're the same as ever, Maria. I can tell, looking at those gentle and thoughtful eyes. You might have become desperate, even furious. And I can tell that's also justified, seeing the circumstances of the last days... But that doesn't mean you'll stop being yourself."

I stared at Jonathan blankly. This man really doesn't give up, huh?

"Okay, okay, I guess! I am still the same, maybe I've always been insane anyways..." I sighed, looking into the blue sky, and then into the faraway city. "Let's do the best we can now too, so we can finally get some rest afterwards. I've been accumulating too much stress I suppose."

"Yeah, I'll be your shield, as always." Jonathan smiled, his eyes shining brightly.

I have been a bit selfish, thinking only about myself, when someone like him, who doesn't even know how his family is back in the Empire of Light, is constantly helping me.

Jonathan is a very selfless man, isn't he? Almost too much.

"You're a good man, Jonathan." I caressed his handsome face, giving him a kiss. "There's your reward."

"M-Maria..." He blushed cutely. "See? You're still the same as always."

"Hahah, dummy." I giggled.

Chapter 1043 Bloodline Absorption Technique

It has been an hour and a half since everyone began evolving, and I think we were already midway through. Perhaps in another hour or two, they would be finally done. The process was faster than I imagined, albeit slower than my own evolution. For now, to pass the time and perhaps gain more strength, I checked the items I had acquired from the Raid Shop.

Aside from the Bloodline Ring, which I haven't activated yet because I might need the blood or bone marrow of Partner as I have no blood myself, there were two other items in my eyes, both consumable and Skill related.

The [Pure-Blooded Vampire Themed Skill Fusion Ticket (SSS Grade)] and the [Bloodline Absorption Technique Skill Book (S Grade)]!

The first was a crimson-colored metallic ticket, containing the small painting of a blood drop and a bat on it. By reading the description, it said I could fuse up to five Skills together into a powerful Divine Vampire Skill.

The combined Skills will gain the powers of a Vampiric Skill, becoming incredibly unique and also a core ability for whoever dares to sacrifice five Skills for that. I have so many Skills that it wouldn't really hurt me to combine five out of them, and it doesn't cost any System Points either.

At the end, this was a rather obvious choice!

And lastly, the Skill Book, it seems to give me a single powerful Skill named Bloodline Absorption Technique. Now that I have flesh and some sort of weird blood coursing through me (I think?), I might as well begin collecting these Bloodlines and combine them to gain many benefits.

Let's use the book first!

With a mere mental command and by opening the Skill Book, the pages started moving rapidly. Countless runes appeared, imbuing their knowledge and information into the depths of my mind and soul, engraving them completely into my body, and then making the book disappear on an explosion of red light.

FLAAASH!

[You have used the [Bloodline Absorption Technique Skill Book (S Grade)]]

[You have absorbed the contents and magic power of the [Bloodline Absorption Technique Skill Book (S Grade)] successfully!]

[You learned the [Bloodline Absorption Technique: Lv1] Physical Skill!]

[Bloodline Absorption Technique: Lv1]

A powerful and ancient ability that the Vampires of the World of Umbralheim utilize to steal the Bloodlines of Beasts and other living beings. The more Bloodlines they stack together and combine into

one, the more innate abilities they can acquire, modifying their bodies, strengthening their physiques, and obtaining powerful new abilities in the process.

The Bloodline Absorption Process is simple, yet at the same time rather complicated for some that are always killing before thinking. To absorb Bloodlines you must have a living, weakened target first. Drinking their blood while activating this Skill, as long as the target does not resist too much, will make it possible for their Bloodline to be slowly assimilated.

Consuming only a single target will never net a complete Bloodline, however, and will only raise its percentage of absorption. Many targets of the same bloodline are often required to obtain it, the stronger the bloodline, the more targets might be needed, or sometimes, an incredibly overwhelmingly strong target might also do the trick.

When absorbing Bloodlines from a living target, increases Absorption Speed by +100% with an additional +15% with each Skill Level. When stealing the Bloodline of a foe, decreases that foe's Stats by up to -50% and has a 30% chance to paralyze them for 1 minute.

Based on the Bloodlines you absorb and complete to 100%, you gain bonuses to your Skills Powers and Effects and Basic Stats.

+1% = Low Rank Bloodlines.

+4% = Mid Rank Bloodlines.

+8% = High Rank Bloodlines.

+15% = Divine Rank Bloodlines.

Bloodline Slots will increase by +2 with each Skill Level. You can free Bloodline Slots by combining Bloodlines together. Some Bloodlines will be incompatible with one another for Fusion, however.

Available Bloodlines (0/4):

None

"Ah, I suppose I am starting with a clean slate on this, huh?" I wondered, rubbing my chin as I watched the skill description in fine detail. "Well, well, this is not so bad. I might be able to steal the bloodlines of those Zombie Vampires? I wonder if it could work."

"What are you talking about?" Jonathan was curious. "Bloodlines?"

"Yes, I acquired a rather unique new Skill, it'll help me steal Bloodlines to start up my own." I smiled. "It'll give me boosts to my stats and skills depending on the ranks they have! Pretty neat, right? Alright, hey you Vampires, come here."

I summoned all the fresh Vampire Zombies and told them to open a small wound on their hands, still fresh blood came oozing out. The skill description did say they needed to be alive though, so maybe it won't work... Well, it's better to try first.

"L-Lady Maria, what are you planning to do?" Kimiko asked me shyly.

"Shut up and stay still." I said with a stern voice. "[Bloodline Absorption Technique]!"

FLUOSH!

A sphere of red Blood Energy surged from my hands, as it started absorbing the blood I was draining from the over twenty Zombie Vampires. I kept absorbing and letting the sphere drink it all. Over time, its size and volume increased more and more. The Vampire Zombies were completely dried out of their blood, resembling old mummies.

"Gehh... M-My blood...?!" Kimiko cried with a dried, grandma voice.

"[Undead Restoration]"

FLASH!

However, I quickly healed them, as they came back to normal. The sphere wasn't reacting yet, so I kept draining their blood and regenerating it, until something happened after the thirtieth session.

The sphere fused itself into my chest, as I saw slight visions of Vampires being born within the depths of the dark world of Umbralheim, born from red cocoons of blood, from ancient, primordial lakes born from the blood of an immemorial, fallen deity.

They rose, killed, and fought for supremacy, every one of them born cunning and malicious by nature, slowly awakening their own powers and creating their bloodlines. Four powerful families governing this world.

However, before I could see more, I was back to normal.

Ding!

[Blood Absorption Successful! You have absorbed the following Bloodlines to 100%: [Lesser Bloodline of the Bloodheart Vampire Family: 100% (Low-Rank)] [Weakened Bloodline of the Black Lotus Ronin Family: 100% (Low-Rank)]!]

"Woah..."

Chapter 1044 Absorbing Bloodlines

"Woah..."

I felt the blood coursing through my veins, it activated, something deep red and something deep black surged, fusing into my own self, and improving itself to completely new, and incredible levels.

"So this is obtaining a bloodline!" I felt shocked. "I even had a flashback of seeing the origin of the vampire bloodline I absorbed!"

"U-ugh... I'm glad for you... my lady..." Kimiko groaned, falling into the sand.

"Hahah, sorry for overdoing it with you guys, but I had to make sure I got all the percentage possible." I laughed. "Rest for now, consider this one of your many punishments for kidnaping people."

As I walked away, I looked at the system messages.

Ding!

[Blood Absorption Successful! You have absorbed the following Bloodlines to 100%: [Lesser Bloodline of the Bloodheart Vampire Family: 100% (Low-Rank)] [Weakened Bloodline of the Black Lotus Ronin Family: 100% (Low-Rank)]!]

[Both Bloodlines have been equipped successfully: 2/4]

[You gained +100.000 Ki and Attack.]

[You gained +150.000 Magic and Agility.]

[You have unlocked the [Lesser Bloodline of the Bloodheart Vampire Family: 100% (Low-Rank)] Bloodline Abilities: [Blood Energy Gathering Technique] [Blood Weapon] and [Curse of Blood]!]

[You have unlocked the [Weakened Bloodline of the Black Lotus Ronin Family: 100% (Low-Rank)] Bloodline Abilities: [Magic Katana Wielding Arts] [Master Swordsman's Instincts] [Black Lotus Ki Gathering Technique]!]

Ooh, it comes with bonus stats and abilities! This is amazing! I'm glad I choose that Skill Book now. Let's try some of them right away!

"Hmm, I see..."

First of all, with the Vampire Bloodline I got, they're very straightforward techniques. [Blood Weapons] allows for the creation of special weapons made either out of my own blood, or the blood of my foes, fusing it with my own Blood Energy.

It is not just some random projectile though, a [Blood Weapon] is deeply connected with the Bloodline and Blood Core Power of a Vampire, although I don't have the latter, as my Bloodline has two bloodlines within it, the weapons that come are rather unique.

They're mostly all versions of different katanas, which became of a dark red color, and whenever I swing them, black lotus petals are left behind as some sort of illusory ability.

"This is really interesting..."

[Curse of Blood] was the curse every Vampire had when being one. It was the inability to be below the sun, the endless thirst for blood, but also their strengths, such as bodies capable of regenerating from lethal blows, being able to grow by drinking blood, gaining supernatural bodies and abilities, having no lifespan, and so on. I wasn't particularly affected by any of its effects though, but I did feel a bit stronger physically.

Lastly, the [Blood Energy Gathering Technique] was some sort of "Cultivation" technique that the Vampires of Umbralheim deciphered on their own, giving them the ability to cultivate their own internal Bloodlines, Blood Cores, and Blood to generate Blood Energy, the previous essence and resource they need to activate most of their abilities, aside from Mana, and apparently also required for their Blood Heart Core Ranks to increase.

Moving on to the second Bloodline, the abilities were also quite awesome this time. [Magic Katana Wielding Arts] allowed for the usage of special Katana techniques, with varying usages of Ki and Mana, although I was never taught any of such techniques, they felt already imparted upon my very bloodlines. Moving the Blood Weapon allowed me to leave black flames and black lotus as I swung it. What a mysterious technique, it is similar to what Kimiko used.

The [Master Swordsman's Instincts] and [Black Lotus Ki Gathering Technique] were simpler. The first one gave me some sort of natural knowledge of swordsmanship, its movements, how to parry blows, how to evade, and how to better strike foes too. It was like a natural in-born talent! So this is how Bloodlines work, huh? Anyways, the latter was another gathering "cultivation" technique that refines basic Ki and transforms it into Black Lotus Ki, which is darker and more potent for Katana Arts.

"L-Lady Maria! A-Are you using the techniques of my family?!" Kimiko was eyeing me. "Amazing... But how?! Did you absorb my bloodline?"

"Yeah, I didn't tell you I was doing that before?" I asked her. "My bad then."

"I-I never thought the old bloodline of my family would ever get assimilated like this..." She felt slightly disappointed.

"Well, your entire bloodline would have ended with you, you were already dead, girl." I sighed, crossing my arms. "Anyways, it seems your family has this Black Lotus power thing?"

"Y-Yes..." She nodded. "It is part of our innate powers. My father once told me when I was very young, that our ancestor came from a land of swordsmen and warring states."

"Huh..." I muttered. "I wonder if your ancestor was summoned here from the Sengoku Era of Japan, or if he comes from a World that is like an Ancient, Mythical Japan? Well, whatever the case, thank you for the bloodline."

"I-It's nothing..." Kimiko looked clearly disappointed on herself, but I didn't pay any mind.

Now, to the ticket, while my family has yet to break out of their cocoons. I can combine up to five damned Skills into one, what do I choose?

Do I pick the Skills I need the least or use the least? Or should I pick some strong ones expecting something strong in result?

Well, whatever the result is, the resulting Skill will be a Divine Skill of incredible power, so I can't really go wrong with either choice.

Let's see...

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Okay, I think I've made up my mind. I'll just pick random Skills I don't care about that much, or that I won't really truly develop either way, either because they became obsolete due to my new evolution and new skills, or because of their lack of usage in battles, and that can only help on very specific things.

Ding!

[You have used the [Pure-Blooded Vampire Themed Skill Fusion Ticket (SSS Grade)]!]

[You have selected the following Skills for Skill Fusion using the Ticket: [Bone Weapon and Armor Creation: Lv10] [Dragon Spirit: Lv10] [Blood Arts: Lv10] [Farming: Lv10] [Mining: Lv10]!]

[Initiating Skill Fusion!]

FLAAASH!

Chapter 1045 Fusing Skills

I selected the Skills I wanted to combine after careful consideration. I chose the weirdest and most "useless" skills around to make something crazy and weird that I wanted to see happening. So let's check that.

Ding!

[You have used the [Pure-Blooded Vampire Themed Skill Fusion Ticket (SSS Grade)]]

[You have selected the following Skills for Skill Fusion using the Ticket: [Bone Weapon and Armor Creation: Lv10] [Dragon Spirit: Lv10] [Blood Arts: Lv10] [Farming: Lv10] [Mining: Lv10]!]

[Initiating Skill Fusion!]

Yeah, it was those Skills! I wondered what the heck would come out of fusing Bone Weapon and Armor Creation with Dragon Spirit, Blood Arts, FARMING and MINING. The last two are the most hilarious and might either be completely ignored or become a key part of the new Skill.

FLAAASH!

All Skills came together with the ticket, which turned into a sphere of divine blood essence. Unlike with the forge, there was no need for me to do anything, I just sat down with Jonathan at my side and watched as the Skills merged together.

The five skills spheres fused into the larger blood essence sphere, melting and becoming a bright golden and black liquid, which was then slowly absorbed by the sphere as it became smaller and smaller.

And then, it was done...

The sphere moved towards me, fusing into my chest, as I quickly gained the information about a brand-new Fusion Skill, a rather amazing one at that.

Ding!

[Congratulations! You have successfully fused all Five Skills into the Divine Pure-Blooded Vampire Themed Skill: [Demonic Farm and Abyssal Mine Of Blood Dragon Bones: Lv1]!]

"What the hell is this Skill?! It sounds so weird! Hahaha! No way!" I laughed my ass off in front of Jonathan. "I love this! I'm going to keep fusing the weirdest skills together from now on!"

"W-What happened? What did you get?" Jonathan wondered curiously. "Oh right, you bought the Skill Fusion Ticket, right?"

"Yep!" I nodded. "And what I got is well, pretty weird already by name, now let's see what it actually does."

I decided to first activate the Skill without looking at the description, so I am more surprised before reading everything and getting spoiled about what it can do. It's always more fun to find out what these crazy things can do before checking the detailed description after all.

"Alright, let's see." I stood up and walked a few meters away from Jonathan. "[Demonic Farm and Abyssal Mine Of Blood Dragon Bones]!"

The moment I activated the Skill, a wave of Darkness and Blood Energies rushed out of my body, a Domain was formed, or something similar. It was as if a pseudo dimension was summoned surrounding me. It changed the sands into a field of red and black soil, with crimson grass growing here and there.

Even the skies above changed, showing an eternal night sky and a crimson moon on top of us. Jonathan found this amazing, gasping and saying "wow!", he was very easy to surprise! Men are like this I suppose.

But this visual effect wasn't the only amazing thing. The field of soil wasn't just there, there was also a black cave, an entrance leading somewhere.

"S-So this is your new Skill? It's so weird, what is it supposed to do?" He asked.

"I believe it is something like a Pseudo Pocket Realm and a Domain fused together." I explained. "Let's see..."

As we walked through it, I felt my Mana connected to the soil and the caverns, and then, with a mere thought, something popped out of the fields, making Jonathan trip down.

"Ouch, what the- Huh?!"

And we were left speechless when what surged from the soil was a giant piece of red colored bone, it was like the skeletal claws of a dragon, a red boned dragon of sorts. The bones weren't just colored though, an Aura of Darkness and Blood surged from it constantly.

"So this is it, I can produce these bones from the soil? Alright..." I nodded. "What else? Hmm, shapeshift them?"

As I thought, I could, the bones emerged constantly, not full skeletons but random pieces of the giant skeleton of a dragon whose bones were blood red. Each time Mana was injected, more and more bones grew like a farm field of plants... but of bones this time.

By merely giving it an input, the bones fused and melded together into masses of red color, quickly taking the shape of large weapons and pieces of armor. I could customize them a lot, and even make them levitate without issues through the skill effect.

"Let's see how strong they are..." I said. "Jonathan gives me a strong hit with the sword." I equipped a full set of red bone dragon armor, which seemed to even increase my stats a bit. "Come on!"

"What? But..." He hesitated a bit.

"Come on dude, I am stronger than you by far, I won't die." I shrugged. "Are you afraid?"

"Honestly yes..." He admitted. "But okay, if you say so, Maria."

He wielded his sword and unleashed a series of attacks against me. The power of a Hero was only leaving tiny scratches over the armor. It was really tough!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

"Holy shit this armor is in another level entirely!"

Crack, crack...!

CRASH!

However, it ultimately shattered into pieces. We thought it had good durability already, but then it surprised us. The shattered bones became a mass of dragon blood that floated around my body and then took the shape of a phantasmal blood dragon.

"ROOAAR!"

"Woah, what the hell?!"

This Skill kept surprising us!

The Phantom Blood Dragon immediately went to attack Jonathan, unleashing powerful claw attacks, tail attacks, and kick attacks, with occasional and deadly bites. And then, a powerful breath attack.

Jonathan resisted them fairly well because I gave him two shields made of the same materials. Once five minutes passed, the creature dissipated into red mist.

"That was strong! I think it held some of the power and force I inflicted into each hit." He explained.

"You think so? That's pretty crazy." I laughed. "Now let's go to the mines!"

"The mines? Wait, Maria!" He followed me from behind as I ran towards the entrance to the "mines" of this weird Pseudo Realm Domain.

We already saw what the Demonic Farm does, so let's see what the Abyssal Mine has to offer.

Chapter 1046 Demonic Farm and Abyssal Mine Of Blood Dragon Bones

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After analyzing the Farm with my expanded sense domain, I was able to find out it was roughly five-hundred-meter wide, after that it got cut off, the skies were like an illusion and so was the moon, but it was still a pretty neat design, nonetheless.

Moving to the caverns, it was just as wide but from underground. It seems it was even possible to just hide here if I ever wanted to. The caverns stone was red and black with interchanging colors. And the only thing growing everywhere was red-colored dragon bones.

Unlike the farm where I had to "plant" them using Mana, these bones down here were already made, and looked ancient. Using a mining tool, I mined them out in large chunks with ease.

And then reassembled them into weapons and armor, but that didn't work this time. They were only falling apart again.

"Weird, these can't become weapons and armor?" Asked Jonathan.

"I think why that's the case, while the ones above are for that, these guys are different." I smiled. "And I believe they're formed as the bones from above break and then become Phantasmal Blood Dragons.

Look." I gave it some Mana and then injected some Phantom Essence, and that was all it needed for the bones to react. Fusing together into a giant thirty-meter-tall Blood Bone Dragon Undead.

"ROOOAARR!"

"Oh wow, it's an Undead now!" Jonathan was amazed. "Maria your Necromancy is so fun to see, haha!"

"Is it? Hehe, well, back then I had none of that, just darkness magic and curses." I giggled. "It was fine, but nothing beats this."

The blood bone dragon looked at the two of us with its empty eyes, with flared with crimson blood flames. Then, it showed us its abilities as I gave it the command. The same basic attacks as the Phantom Blood Dragon, but now carrying the weight and heaviness of a full bone body.

Also, it was fairly stronger than any generic undead I've summoned, it seemed to carry some percentage of my own stats, similar to the phantom blood dragon as well. Oh, and it could summon some blood spells and arts too.

"Not bad at all, these guys are definitely S+ Rank and the Phantom Blood Dragons at least S Rank." I nodded. "Might get stronger if the Skill Levels up as well."

As I was done checking this fantastic new Skill through discovery, I then opened the system window to see its technical description. Maybe there were still things I was missing.

[Demonic Farm and Abyssal Mine Of Blood Dragon Bones: Lv1]

A Divine Skill born from the fusion between the [Bone Weapon and Armor Creation: Lv10], [Dragon Spirit: Lv10], [Blood Arts: Lv10], [Farming: Lv10], and [Mining: Lv10] Skills through the [Pure-Blooded Vampire Themed Skill Fusion Ticket (SSS Grade)] Item.

Summon the embodiment of your Darkness and Blood Essence and Summon a Pseudo Realm Domain within 500-meters around you, with an additional +50 meters with each Skill Level. This Pseudo Realm Domain is vast and can be used and molded in many ways, from using it to hide from the outside world or to even as a movable Domain to trap foes inside. This Domain is divided into two sections, the Demonic Farm and the Abyssal Mine.

The Demonic Farm will sprout Blood Dragon Bones whenever you inject Mana into its dark soils, which can be manipulated freely and whose Durability and Toughness is based on 20% of the user's Health and Ki Stats. Using these Blood Dragon Bones, it is possible to either utilize them as projectiles against foes, or to create barriers with them.

However, where they shine the most is through becoming Blood Dragon Armor and Blood Dragon Weapons, their defensive and attack stats based on the same calculation as before. When equipped with a full set of armor and weapons, increases all Stats of the wearer based on 50% of the equipment Durability and Attack Power, and grants the ability to wield some Basic Blood Arts and Blood Dragon Aura.

Whenever the Armor and Weapons break, they, instead of disappearing, becoming Phantom Blood Dragons, which will receive all the stats of the equipment and remain for 5 Minutes fighting and defending the wielder before dissipating.

The Abyssal Mines work when the Demonic Farm begins working beforehand. Once enough bones shatter and enough Phantom Blood Dragons are made, Fossilized Blood Dragon Bones will grow on the cavern's depths. Once mined, these bones can be fused and risen into Blood Bone Dragons, whose stats will be equal to the previous shattered bones Durability and Attack Power plus the stats the Phantom Blood Dragons had.

There is no time limit for the Blood Bone Dragons, but they will quickly dissipate once their health points are depleted and won't be able to be reutilized.

Additionally, while being within the Domain itself, the user and all allies receive a boost to their Blood and Darkness Attribute Energies Recovery Speed of +500%, while their HP and Ki Recovery Speed increases by +300%. Darkness and Blood Attribute Magic Power further increases by +250%, and their MP Cost decreases by -30%. All of these effects increase by +10% with each Skill Level.

"Such a big description, but I can tell it is necessary." I smiled. "Yep, pretty much everything we saw is here, more detailed and also specifying the terms of stats. The Bone Dragons here can't disappear unless their health depletes. And their stats are really high too! This skill ended being pretty cool. I'll have to leave some Phantom Clones here to mine the bones as they're produced though."

"It sure is a long description..." Jonathan looked at the Skill Description in disbelief. "But it is an amazing and useful Skill without a doubt, yes."

"Yeah, now... Oh, are they finally finishing their evolutions?" We noticed as we walked outside the Domain that the cocoons were slowly beginning to break open.

And the first one to finish was my daughter, Nyx!

Crack, crack...!

CRASH!

"ROOOAARR!"

Her new evolved form was definitely even larger, and even mightier than before.

But there was also something really adorable about her even as a big and intimidating dragon!

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Nyx had finally evolved! And it showed. Compared to her previous dragon form, she was at least four times bigger than before. Easily surpassing over a hundred meters of height, and she was supposed to still be a baby dragon! The Soul Book is really helping her evolve fast compared to how Lucifer described to us how slow dragon metabolism was.

Maybe it also helps she's not totally a dragon anymore, as her egg was influenced by my own powers, soul, and phantasmal energies, so she's also part ghost, or dead spirit, whichever name would anybody like to call this.

Her body was covered by black and red colored crystal-like scales, while her draconic head was long and mighty, with sharp crimson eyes. She now had golden horns spreading upwards, spiraling majestically like horns.

Her long silvery-white hair on top of her head and down her long neck remained, now even longer and silkier than before, giving her a characteristic appearance different than other dragons who were hairless. This was without a doubt a trait she inherited from me; she has the same hair color as mine!

Overall, her appearance had gained a slightly aquatic dragon appearance, with sharp gills and larger arms, three pairs of them now, with a long tail resembling that of sharks. Her wings remained, now with even bigger claws, looking like a giant pair of claws behind her.

And well, one of the biggest things was that she had ten eyes, yes, ten! Four over her head, and the other six were spread on her two shoulders, another on her chest, a fourth on her forehead, and two more in the palms of her giant hand-like wings.

However, that wasn't everything...

Ding!

[The [Ultimate Skill: Divine System] has affected Nyx's evolution, granting her an even stronger evolution through your influence and connection!]

[Nyx has acquired a new Class and Subclass!]

[Nyx has acquired a new Divinity and Physique.]

[Nyx has evolved into the [Ten-Eyed Moon-Swallowing Umbral Ghost Dragon of Demise: Bakunawa]

[Name]: [Nyx Luna]

[Status]: [Happy] [Hungry] [Recently Evolved]

[Race]: [Ten-Eyed Moon-Swallowing Umbral Ghost Dragon of Demise: Bakunawa] [Divinity]: [Divine Flame: Demise (Tier 1: Rank 1)]

[Physique]: [Moon-Swallowing Dragon Of Destruction Physique (Tier 1: Rank 1)]

[Class]: [Moon Eating Dragon of Demise: ★★ (Unique Grade)]

[Subclass]: [Dragon Princess of the Black Seas: ★★ (Unique Grade)]

[Level]: [0/200]

[HP]: [3.600.000/3.600.000]

[MP]: [3.660.000/3.660.000]

[KI]: [1.000.000/1.000.000]

[Attack]: [3.585.000]

[Defense]: [3.585.000]

[Magic]: [3.610.000]

[Agility]: [3.595.000]

[Aether]: [90.000]

[Divine Power]: [200.000]

{Characteristic Skills}: [Dark Element: Lv--] [Death Element: Lv--] [Poison Element: Lv--] [Illusion Element: Lv--] [Fiend Language: Lv10] [Shadow Transportation: Lv10] [Abyssal Divine Dragon Body: Lv3] [Supernatural Divine Senses: Lv4] [Venomous and Poisonous Scales: Lv3] [Ancient Dragon Heart: Lv--] [Morph: Lv--] [Shapeshift: Lv8] [Super Self-Regeneration: Lv9] [Hardened Divine Dragon Scales: Lv3] [Ancient Divine Phantom Death Dragon Domain: Lv3] [Little Gluttony: Lv9] [True Dragon Form: Lv7] [Lesser Divinity: Dragon Phantasm: Lv4] [Divine Phantasmal Dragon Body: Lv4] [Ahi Vritra Embodiment: Lv4] [Divine Concept: Demise: Lv3] [Moon-Swallowing Umbral Ghost Dragon Body: Lv1] [Bakunawa Embodiment: Lv1]

{Resistance Skills}: [Status Effect Immunity: Lv--] [Magic Damage Resistance: Lv10] [All Element Resistance: Lv10] [Poison/Toxin/Venom Absorption: Lv-] [Erosion Resistance: Lv10] [Holy Light Resistance: Lv9] [Chaos Absorption: Lv4]

{Physical Skills}: [Myriad Divine Phantasmal Claws: Lv3] [Phantasmal Body Recreation: Lv4] [Abyssal Chaos Breath: Lv9] [Phantasmal Death Claws: Lv9] [Venomous Dragon Scale Powder: Lv9] [Third Draconic Eye of Death Perception: Lv7] [Fifth Draconic Eye of Phantom Control: Lv4] [Obsidian Demonite Crystal Scale Armor: Lv4] [Void Piercing Spear Tail: Lv4] [Moon-Swallowing Draconic Jaws of Demise: Lv1]

{Magical Skills}: [Demonic Curse: Lv4] [Life Steal: Lv3] [Spectral Phantasmal Flare: Lv4] [Abyssal Dark Star: Lv4] [Greater Mana Mastery: Lv3] [Ancient Dragon's Aura: Lv9] [Void Shadow Spear: Lv5] [Blood Feast: Lv9] [Soul Devourer: Lv9] [Abyssal Spear of Death and Demise: Lv4] [Summon Phantom Dragon Familiar: Lv9] [Fake Life: Lv7] [Shadow Sneak: Lv8] [Phantasmal Dragon Fusion: Lv8] [Phantasmal Dragon Fusion Magic: Lv4] [Abyssal Black Seas of Darkness Domain: Lv1]

{Support Skills}: [Shadow Storage: Lv9] [Undead Healing: Lv9] [Summon: Lv8] [Spirit Summon: Lv8] [Materialization: Lv9] [Moon Eating Phantasmal Stomach: Lv3] [Draconic Phantom Boost: Lv5]

{Title Skills}: [Daughter of the Apostle of Death: Lv9] [Little Dragon Princess Of Death and Darkness: Lv9] [Chaos Bringer: Lv8] [Lesser Calamity: Lv8] [Gluttonous Eater: Lv8] [Tail Biter: Lv10] [Dragon Slayer: Lv7]

[Plague Slayer: Lv8] [Little Devil: Lv10] [Fish Slayer: Lv10] [Amphibian Slayer: Lv10] [Undead Slayer: Lv10]
[Ahi Vritra: Lv5] [Bakunawa: Lv1]

{Divine Protections}: [Hel's Divine Protection] [Maria's Divine Protection]

"Mama! I've evolved! I feel so strong, stronger than ever before! For real!" Nyx said, wagging her gigantic tail around. "Look how big I am now! Like papa and you when you transform!"

"Yes I noticed dear." I smiled. "Well done! T-This is amazing, you got to SS+++ Rank already?!" I gasped. "You were only A+++ Rank before! You got so strong its ridiculous! I guess I wasn't the only one skipping rank now. Also, wait, what? I gave you a Divine Protection?!"

"Yeah you gave me one! Thank you mommy! I love you mama!" She started licking my entire body with her gigantic dragon tongue. "It is thanks to mama that I've grown so strong!"

"M-Maybe a bit, but it's also thanks to all your efforts, honey." I patted her big snout. "Looks like that Demise Divine Concept is shaping your evolution a lot now. And Bakunawa, huh? A rather peculiar name. It is some sort of Filipino Dragon that ate the moon I think, really amazing it was an evolution available."

"Yes! I look kind of similar than before though, right? Isn't it, uncle?" She looked at Jonathan.

"I-I, yes of course!" Jonathan laughed slightly nervously.

Nyx's gigantic and powerful presence had put Jonathan in high alert even though she was just a child. It was understandable though, the pressure she emanated and her big draconic... and well, rather demonic appearance did indeed bring a lot of attention.

"How about you turn back to your smaller form now?" I asked her. "So we don't bring unwanted attention for now. Pretty please, baby?"

"Umm, okay!"

POOF!

With an explosion of black smoke, Nyx was back to normal.

And at the same time, the other cocoons were beginning to break open.

Lucifer and Partner were the first ones to come out.