

## Beast Tamer 1321

Chapter 1321: Target Hall of Fame! [Wood Junhao]: So, does the broadcaster have even more undead Guardian Beasts? I'm very curious about your age, broadcaster, to already have a Diamond Rank Guardian Beast in this ranking! Could it be that the broadcaster has already become a Four-pointed Star Beast Master!?

[Too lazy to slow down]: Becoming a Four-pointed Star Beast Master is impossible, at most he might be a Three-pointed Star Beast Master who used some special method to elevate his Guardian Beast; the broadcaster must surely be a scion of some major power.

[The edge rolls three times]: Am I the only one concerned that the Butcher's Bloodline Summoned by the broadcaster has already evolved to the Tyrant level!? This Dead Creature with the Tyrant bloodline must definitely possess extraordinary prowess!

Fang Mu had already proceeded with the sixth match, and the opponent, upon seeing Fang Mu summon the Fusion Tyrant first, was completely panicked.

The presence of the Fusion Tyrant was astonishing, standing there like a giant at fourteen meters tall.

The intimidation exerted by the Diamond Rank Dead Creature made it difficult for any Guardian Beast below Diamond Rank to even entertain the thought of opposition.

Upon seeing that his opponent had summoned two Silver Stage Guardian Beasts, Fang Mu simply let the Fusion Tyrant fight on its own.

Watching the constantly flashing barrage in his own live broadcast room, Fang Mu suddenly seemed to understand the joy of being a broadcaster.

This feeling of being able to share in real-time during battles was like the spirited wine at a dinner table.

However, in particular environments, such as competing against an equally matched adversary, it was not suitable to divert attention.

Hu Tao was very skilled at managing the live broadcast room, and Fang Mu was thinking of leaving the live broadcast room in Hu Tao's care.

It was said that Jiang Tuo had started broadcasting, and currently, Hu Tao was managing Jiang Tuo's broadcast room.

Jiang Tuo had been continuously engaged in duels recently, and Fang Mu guessed that it would take quite some time before he could match with Jiang Tuo.

Given Jiang Tuo's strength, there wouldn't be many restrictions for him in the under-twenty age ranking any time soon.

It was rare in the under-twenty age ranking to have someone like Fang Mu possessing a Diamond Rank Guardian Beast.

Most of Fang Mu's matches were with opponents who had Guardian Beasts at the Golden or Platinum Tier, making the early duels quite lackluster for him.

Facing those Beast Masters with Guardian Beasts below the Platinum Tier, Fang Mu could easily defeat his opponents just with the Fusion Tyrant.

In the ranking system of the Second World, reaching Diamond Rank and breaking through would take one into a grade called the Hall Stage.

The Hall Stage represented the highest level of ranking in this age group.

After entering the Hall Stage, if one engaged in duels, the matches would primarily be with opponents from the next age group, allowing cross-age competition.

Fang Mu's personal goal was to fight his way to the Hall Stage as quickly as possible; reaching the Hall Stage would bring real joy to Fang Mu.

Fang Mu's live broadcast had started from scratch and was currently in a phase of steadily gaining followers.

The fun of Fang Mu's broadcasts was undeniable; a Diamond Rank Dead Creature in the under-twenty age group was truly unique.

The followers entering Fang Mu's broadcast would gradually become spontaneously organized supporters, helping to promote the broadcast.

After about an hour of broadcasting, the number of people in the broadcast room had greatly increased due to the promotion by these "tap followers."

Finally, in the last match of the ranking contest, Fang Mu encountered a worthy opponent.

Long Fei, born into the Wang Family of the Dragon Rising Federation, managed several restaurants within the Federation.

This was because the Family Head, Wang Fengjian, was the most renowned Forging Spirit Grandmaster in the Dragon Rising Federation.

Wang Fengjian's character resembled the Saint Creator Han Ming, as he greatly enjoyed supporting young Spirit-smithing Masters.

It could be said that Wang Fengjian's influence had spread far and wide over the years.

The Feng Jian Pavilion established by the Wang Family was the largest spiritual instrument supplier in the Dragon Rising Federation, and many of the Spirit-smithing Masters trained by Wang Fengjian ended up staying at Feng Jian Pavilion.

Even now, the Jianmu Commerce Association could hardly surpass the Feng Jian Pavilion in terms of resources and reputation in the short term.

Although Long Fei was not the candidate for the Wang Clan Young Patriarch, he had always been a key Direct Descendant Disciple nurtured by the Wang Family.

Because of his affinity with Dragon race Guardian Beasts, the two Dragon race Guardian Beasts contracted by Long Fei had already awakened part of the Primary Dragon Bloodline.

There was no need for him to advance through the ranks; when evolving from the top level of the Platinum Tier to the Diamond Rank, Long Fei's two Dragon race Guardian Beasts could attempt to transform toward the Master Dragon.

This year, Long Fei had just turned twenty and recently became a Three-pointed Star Beast Master with the Wang Family's support.

Long Fei had always been regarded by the Dragon Rising Federation as the top seed in the under-twenty age group.

Due to his family background, Long Fei had always been proud and arrogant, bearing the distinct style of a major power's scion.

Before matching with Fang Mu, Long Fei was very confident.

Not only did the Dragon Rising Federation regard Long Fei as the top seed, Long Fei himself also thought of himself as a seed contestant.

He believed that, even in the Second World, it would be difficult to encounter a rival in the under-twenty age category.

However, the Fusion Tyrant standing before Fang Mu seemed to completely overturn Long Fei's understanding.

Having already reached the pinnacle of this age group, Long Fei would be moving to another ranking category next year.

Becoming a Four-pointed Star Beast Master before the age of twenty was not only staggering in Dragon Rising Federation but equally so in the entire Beastmaster world.

Chapter 1322: Aiming for the Hall of Fame!\_2 The fourteen-meter-high Undead Species Guardian Beast completely shattered Wang Longfei's proud psychological defenses.

Fang Mu didn't know Wang Longfei, and he had little understanding of the younger generation of the Dragon Rising Federation.

The older generation from the Dragon Rising Federation had all taken the initiative to form connections with Fang Mu.

Fang Mu didn't know Wang Longfei, but Wang Longfei's expression froze abruptly the moment he saw Fang Mu's ID.

The name Yan Luo was not only something Wang Longfei had heard of, but he was also very familiar with it.

Someone in his family once compared Yan Luo and Jianmu, and at that time, Fangmu Jianmu was a Grandmaster Creator's disciple, a status that Wang Longfei could not fault.

However, regarding Yan Luo, who had contracts with multiple Undead Species Guardian Beasts, Wang Longfei had always not taken him seriously.

Wang Longfei harbored such thoughts firstly because the cost of contracting Undead Species Guardian Beasts was too great to deal with in the future.

Secondly, the Undead Species Guardian Beasts contracted by Yan Luo were simply too many and could also be enhanced by mystical runes.

Yan Luo only appeared briefly on the Battle Network, fighting a few matches before disappearing again.

Now it seemed to Wang Longfei that the Yan Luo he hadn't taken seriously had become a giant mountain he needed to look up to!

As a disciple from a major power, even though Wang Longfei was surprised, he quickly suppressed the surprise in his heart.

Wang Longfei proactively greeted Fang Mu.

The previous appearance of Yan Luo on the Battle Network indicated that Yan Luo was also a person from the Dragon Rising Federation.

Wang Longfei felt it necessary to inform his grandfather after this contest ended, and have his grandfather try to pursue Yan Luo.

"Hello Yan Luo, my name is Wang Longfei, I've watched your matches on the Battle Network."

Wang Longfei's statement let Fang Mu know Wang Longfei's background.

Being able to match with an opponent from the same Federation in this Second World, Fang Mu was quite happy.

Wang Longfei had already summoned his two Dragon race Guardian Beasts, the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon and the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon.

Both of Wang Longfei's Dragon race Guardian Beasts had the potential to evolve into Elemental Dragons.

These two Platinum Tier Legendary Quality Sub-Dragons held considerable value in the current age division.

If not for facing himself, Wang Longfei would find it difficult to lose.

Facing two awakened Primary Dragon Bloodline Sub-Dragons, Jiang Tuo had no advantage in contending with them.

After all, due to the limit of the Beast Master Star Level, even if Jiang Tuo contracted the Infinite Silver Silkworm, his several Platinum Tier One Legendary Quality Ice Ghosts would have an even outcome when clashing with the Platinum Tier Ten Rattan Wood Snake Dragon and Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon.

In the case that Wang Longfei also had a Destiny Guardian Beast, the chances of Wang Longfei winning might even be greater!

Fang Mu did not know whether Wang Longfei had contracted a Beast that could boost his own tier, a creature exceedingly rare throughout the entire Beastmaster world.

If Wang Longfei did not have such a Guardian Beast contracted, Fang Mu was very willing to offer an Infinite Silver Silkworm to bolster Wang Longfei's strength.

To ensure that the Dragon Rising Federation could add a Dinghai Shenzhen Level figure in this sub-twenty age bracket competition!

Fang Mu said with a smile.

"It's truly a fate that we could meet here! You must have been quite bored after so many matches, right?"

"Let's have a good fight, and we can catch up after exiting the arena!"

Wang Longfei was a very forthright person by nature, and Fang Mu's personality was quite to Wang Longfei's liking.

Wang Longfei let out a hearty laugh.

"Of course, we must have a good fight, but I'm well aware that I can't beat you."

“After the fight, I’ll add you as a friend, we should get together in person if there’s a chance!”

After speaking, Wang Longfei immediately issued commands to his Dragon race Guardian Beasts.

Wang Longfei actually did not want to give his all in the contest with Fang Mu.

Firstly, since he and Fang Mu both hailed from the Dragon Rising Federation, competing fiercely with each other would inevitably reveal many of their secrets.

Wang Longfei did not want to expose his Destiny Guardian Beast or the profound patterns he had comprehended.

Secondly, Wang Longfei also feared that a full-force showdown with Yan Luo might lead to a flare-up between them or himself.

If that were to happen, how could he possibly conduct friendly offline communications with Yan Luo in the future?

Fang Mu did indeed entertain the idea of having a proper fight with Wang Longfei, but upon witnessing Wang Longfei’s offensive, Fang Mu knew that Wang Longfei had no intention of revealing his secrets.

Wang Longfei’s decision could be described as clever to a certain extent, but it somewhat lacked bravado.

In the duel with Wang Longfei, Fang Mu could still keep his secrets, but if Wang Longfei wished to give it his all, he would have to lay all his cards on the table.

Even for the sake of the Dragon Rising Federation’s interests, Fang Mu would not impose difficulties on Wang Longfei.

However, to show respect for Wang Longfei, Fang Mu still summoned the Heart-hooking Female.

The Heart-hooking Female's appearance was both horrifying and beautiful, exuding a dangerously alluring aura.

This kind of humanoid female undead creature ranked exceedingly high among the undead species.

Even those unfamiliar with dead creatures could easily discern this.

Because Wang Longfei's Rattan Wood Snake Dragon and Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon bore the Elemental Dragon bloodline, neither was suitable for close combat.

However, when the opponent had front-line Guardian Beasts, Wang Longfei was also compelled to send his Guardian Beasts forward to hold the line.

Otherwise, Wang Longfei's scope of maneuver would be greatly diminished, which was highly detrimental to his subsequent responses.

The Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon could use rock as its basis, employing both mud and rock to construct a solid layer of armor around its body.

In many cases, the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon proved more usefully versatile than traditional Defensive Beast Conquerors.

The Rock Armor covering the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon's body could quickly regenerate, and the rocks forming the armor could detonate upon contact with the target, resulting in rock explosions that attacked the opponent.

Verbally showing weakness to Fang Mu, Wang Longfei also revealed his reluctance to expose his secrets.

But Wang Longfei still intended to prove his strength to Fang Mu.

Wang Longfei was well aware that only by doing so could he earn equal treatment from Fang Mu!

Yet the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon did not collide with the titanic tyrant as Wang Longfei had anticipated; instead, one-third of its body embedded into the tyrant upon impact, as though slamming into a soft pile of dough.

Following that, the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon felt a tremendous force pulling on it, preventing its head from dislodging from the tyrant's body.

Wang Longfei urgently commanded the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon to trigger rock explosions within its Armor, and a succession of blasts echoed from within the Fusion Tyrant's body.

The explosions visibly shattered some of the Fusion Tyrant's flesh but did not inflict significant damage.

The tissues hidden within the Fusion Tyrant, harvested from other creatures, began to serve their purpose.

Two scythe-like arms, each exceeding five meters in strength, emerged from the Fusion Tyrant's flesh and tightly clamped around the head of the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon.

The continuous rock explosions rendered the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon's rock shell exceedingly fragile.

Targeting accurately, long bone spikes were thrust fiercely into the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon's head, eliciting a piercing wail from the creature.

The desperate struggles of the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon slightly disheveled the Fusion Tyrant, but in the end, it failed to break free from its bonds.

No one knew what sort of attack the part of the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon, now embedded in the Fusion Tyrant, had endured, but it was clear that the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon had essentially lost its ability to fight.

The Heart-hooking Female was an opportunist; upon seeing a mass of vines released by the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon showering towards her like a downpour of tendrils, she swiftly dodged to take cover behind the Fusion Tyrant, using the tyrant's body as a shield.

She then promptly executed the skills "Curse Finger" and "Heart Sea Torture" on the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon.

Within the area afflicted by "Heart Sea Torture," the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon instantly grappled with internally suppressed anguish.

Although this torment did not initially cause substantial effect on the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon, "Curse Finger" began eroding the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon's mental resilience.

Chapter 1323: The Rising Yan Luo! The loss of mental resistance deepened the effect of "Heart Sea Torture," causing the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon to lose its will to fight.

"Curse Finger," when facing targets with weak minds, directly causes their minds to collapse, but as a Dragon race Guardian Beast, the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon's heart was still formidable.

However, under the combined effects of "Curse Finger" and "Heart Sea Torture," the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon's will to fight was limited to protecting Wang Longfei.

Before advancing to the Diamond Rank, the strength of the Restrained Heart Maggot Girl primarily lay in launching attacks on targets' minds through "Heart Touching Whip" and "Chaotic Heart Claw."

Now, the Restrained Heart Maggot Girl didn't even need to use these two Skills and could rely on "Restrained Heart Pervasion." The influence on the Rattan Wood Snake Dragon's mind spread all the way to Wang Longfei, who was a Beast Master, causing a devastating blow to his mind.

Once the mind collapsed, consciousness would be submerged in chaos.

The Heart-hooking Female once again used "Heart Sea Torture," directly granting Fang Mu the victory.

The entire battle ended in just over two minutes, with Wang Longfei, a top competitor under twenty years old, easily disposed of by Fang Mu.

It wasn't that Wang Longfei lacked strength; from beginning to end, Fang Mu's Fusion Tyrant and Restrained Heart Maggot Girl had dominated Wang Longfei's Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon and Rattan Wood Snake Dragon in terms of ranking.

If the Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon and Rattan Wood Snake Dragon had been promoted to the Diamond Rank, it wouldn't have been so easy for Fang Mu to defeat Wang Longfei.

Fang Mu would have needed to summon more Dead Creatures.

Fang Mu knew that thoroughly crushing Wang Longfei like this would deal a significant blow to him.

Nevertheless, dealing a blow to Wang Longfei was better than deliberately going easy on him, as deliberately holding back would have truly shown disrespect to Wang Longfei as an opponent.

By this time, there were already over one hundred thirty viewers in Fang Mu's live streaming room, and the barrage of comments scrolled faster than those in rooms with over a thousand viewers!

[Poorly One]: No way? I almost thought I went into the wrong livestream. Is this really not a battle between the ages of twenty to thirty? Are there Diamond Rank and Platinum Tier Guardian Beasts in under-twenties?

[Plump God]: The age segmentation of the livestream cannot be wrong. Dream Beasts wouldn't make such a mistake. Seeing such a high-level duel in a ranking match feels like a dream!

[Desert Fish]: Come, join the fan club. Join now and you are all early fans. Investing in this host will definitely pay off! Just not sure how long this host will keep broadcasting?

Before this duel, Fang Mu's fan club only had two members, but after the match, the number of members in Fang Mu's fan club had surpassed seventy.

Over half of the audience in the livestream had chosen to join Fang Mu's fan club at the first opportunity.

Many of the remaining viewers hesitated over which of the other five fan clubs they should unfollow to join Fang Mu's.

The number of members in Fang Mu's fan club continued to grow, and at the moment it broke one hundred, an extra star symbol appeared in Fang Mu's livestream room.

This star symbol was only available to hosts whose fan club exceeded one hundred members, giving these hosts the chance to be randomly recommended during live broadcasts.

In the Second World, all the famously renowned hosts basically started off unnoticed and shot to fame after their fan club members exceeded one hundred and received this symbol.

Everything in the Second World was guaranteed to be relatively fair.

Even if there were some changes in the Second World, they were implemented universally for everyone.

It took Wang Longfei quite a while to recuperate from his defeat and come to terms with having been overwhelmed.

Wang Longfei was surprised to find such a formidable figure hidden within the Dragon Rising Federation.

Once he regained his composure, the first thing Wang Longfei did was to send a friend request to Yan Luo.

Fang Mu had just completed the classification match and was ranked as Bronze One.

Fang Mu hadn't yet gone to participate in the promotion match, but he directly accepted Wang Longfei's friend request when he saw it.

Even in private chats during live broadcasts, Fang Mu wouldn't synchronize messages to the livestream.

Wang Longfei, speaking in admiration, said,

[Wang Longfei]: Brother, I turned twenty this year. May I boldly ask how old you are? Your strength seems to top our entire region!

Wang Longfei always had this easygoing personality towards people he respected, and at his twenty years, he was basically the age ceiling in the entire division.

Calling Fang Mu "little brother" was most appropriate.

The way Wang Longfei addressed him was meant to show closeness, attempting to bridge a closer relationship with Fang Mu.

If Fang Mu was willing to share his age, it meant he was open to building a connection.

Seeing the message from Wang Longfei, Fang Mu smiled.

[Yan Luo]: Big brother, I am seventeen this year. I can't say for sure if I can be the top leader in this age group, but I am indeed aiming for the Hall Stage.

Wang Longfei had thought that even if [Yan Luo] appeared young, he must be at least nineteen, or even twenty like himself.

He had never expected that Fang Mu, at just seventeen, had already reached such a level of strength!

This only further strengthened Wang Longfei's desire to get to know Fang Mu.

[Wang Longfei]: Brother Yan Luo, when will your livestream end? We might as well meet up in the Second World first. If possible, I'll organize a gathering at the Dragon Soaring Pavilion in the Dragon Ascend Federation Capital.

Chapter 1324: The Rising Yan Luo! \_2 [Wang Longfei]: “If you’d like, I can introduce you to some more friends your age.”

Fang Mu didn’t refuse Wang Longfei’s invitation.

[Yan Luo]: “I just arrived in the Second World for duels, and I’ve just started live streaming. I plan to fight my way up to the Golden Rank today without stopping. Even if I continuously win, I’ll likely have to compete in more than twenty duels, accounting for matching and preparation times, which would take at least three hours.”

[Yan Luo]: “I’m currently in East Giant City. How about I let you know before I finish, and we meet up in East Giant City?”

From Yan Luo’s words, Wang Longfei could feel a strong sense of confidence. It was Yan Luo’s first day competing in the Second World, and right after finishing the classification match, he had already set his sights on the Golden Rank.

Only continuous wins with high hidden points would possibly achieve this goal.

Any loss would decrease the hidden points, making this goal extremely difficult to reach.

If someone else had said this, even if their strength was comparable to Wang Longfei’s, Wang Longfei would have thought them too arrogant.

But the words came from Yan Luo, and with his strength, he indeed had the capital to be that arrogant.

[Wang Longfei]: “I’m very familiar with East Giant City. My family owns quite a few businesses there, including a restaurant. How about we just gather at my family’s restaurant?”

[Wang Longfei]: “Here, you can taste authentic Dragon Rising Federation flavors, as well as quality dishes from other federations.”

[Wang Longfei]: “It’s all family here, so it’s more comfortable to gather.”

Wang Longfei’s words to Yan Luo had no intention of flaunting his family’s status; he merely aimed to further strengthen their relationship.

Given the extent to which Yan Luo had been nurtured, his background certainly had to be much stronger than Wang Longfei’s own.

Previously on the Battle Network, Yan Luo was too low-key, only participating in a few duels, leading people to often compare him with Saint Creator Qixing’s disciple, Jianmu.

At that time, the majority felt Yan Luo was not worthy to be compared with Jianmu, but now Wang Longfei had changed his mind.

If Yan Luo was only seventeen or eighteen years old, then Jianmu and Yan Luo’s ages should be similar.

Jianmu was, at most, at the same level as Yan Luo, and it was uncertain who would win if they met.

Wang Longfei remembered that Yan Luo had summoned four Dead Creatures on the Battle Network, not including the humanoid Dead Creature summoned today.

With five Dead Creatures in his possession, Jianmu would likely find it difficult to compete with Yan Luo in terms of the number of Guardian Beasts.

After Fang Mu replied to Wang Longfei’s message, seeing many in the live stream asking when he would stream, Fang Mu felt a bit overwhelmed.

Fang Mu didn’t have that much streaming time usually and couldn’t stay immersed in the Second World all day like other broadcasters.

Moreover, Fang Mu wasn’t going to live stream every duel; his role as a broadcaster was merely a hobby.

Once Hu Tao helped Fang Mu manage the streaming room, Fang Mu's streaming space might become more formal.

Fang Mu honestly explained,

"I don't have a fixed streaming schedule, and I decide to stream spontaneously."

"But today, I will try my best to reach Gold Ranking before I stop broadcasting."

After saying this, Fang Mu proceeded with the matchmaking for the promotion.

As the saying goes, every beginning is difficult, and for all broadcasters in the Second World, the initial accumulation was always lengthy.

Even though Jiang Tuo was already famous, it had still taken him quite some time to build in the initial stages, not as quickly as Fang Mu's accumulation.

For the promotion to Silver Ranks, Fang Mu didn't encounter any notable opponents; he easily crushed and won the duels.

During this period, Fang Mu received a recommendation, attracting at least two to three thousand viewers.

Fang Mu's streaming room once again demonstrated strong stickiness.

The viewers who were recommended to Fang Mu's streaming room basically didn't leave again.

The number of people in Fang Mu's fan group had already broken through a thousand by the time he reached Silver Two, and the star mark in Fang Mu's streaming room changed.

Fang Mu had become the host with the highest viewer-to-fan ratio in the Second World.

In both his past and present life, what Fang Mu never lacked were the so-called “organic promoters.”

Many of Fang Mu’s live stream viewers had gone to forums to promote his stream, and “Diamond Rank Dead Creatures” became the biggest highlight of the promotion.

In other age brackets, Diamond Rank wasn’t much, but in the under-twenty bracket, the term “Diamond Rank” was rarely seen.

Some fans even went to other hosts’ streams to promote Fang Mu’s live stream.

In the vast environment of the Second World that integrated many nations, reputation was highly valued.

Therefore, most hosts would be very generous when faced with such situations.

Even if they hated these promoters of other hosts in their hearts, they wouldn’t immediately mute these “organic promoters.”

But it was undeniable that such promotions could indeed have an effect.

Jiang Tuo had quickly risen to fame initially through such fervent recommendations by these “organic promoters.”

At this moment, Fang Mu had finished his duel and wanted to check the barrage in his live stream but found he could no longer keep up with the speed of the messages.

Fang Mu decided to stop responding to the barrage and quietly continued streaming.

Fang Mu had been dueling for over two hours and had made his way to the promotional match from Silver One to Gold Rank.

Even though his opponents were not strong and he had been fighting for such a long time, Fang Mu still felt very tired.

He planned to end the stream after the last few promotion matches.

Fang Mu inwardly sighed at his bad luck, having fought over twenty matches without encountering a decent opponent.

The strongest opponent he encountered in the recent twenty matches was far inferior to Wang Longfei.

At this moment, Wang Longfei was already waiting for Fang Mu in the restaurant his family owned in East Giant City.

Wang Longfei wasn't aware of Fang Mu's thoughts, and knowing them would certainly leave Wang Longfei feeling speechless.

After all, he was considered a leading contender in this age bracket; not just anyone could be compared to him.

The Second World had been open for a long time, and those who were prepared had almost all entered the Second World ahead of time, with their rankings reaching Platinum Tier and above.

The reason Wang Longfei had only now started competing in the Second World was that he had been sent by his grandfather, Wang Fengjian, to train with Shuoyang Grandmaster for a period.

While training with the Shuoyang Grandmaster, Wang Longfei found it inconvenient to log into the Second World; otherwise, he would have already made a name for himself there.

Fang Mu being a relatively late player, he still managed to thoroughly stir up the waters in the under-twenty age section.

A number of hosts quietly visited Fang Mu's stream after their own streams had ended.

Seeing the Fusion Tyrant summoned by Fang Mu at the start of every duel, the hosts couldn't help but swallow hard.

Once Yan Luo reached Platinum Tier, there would be a chance to be matched against them.

If their Mystic Beast's strength wasn't at Diamond Rank, facing Yan Luo meant an inevitable defeat with hardly any chance to fight back.

In the Second World, across all age groups, there were almost no playful hosts; strength was everything.

Generally, fans won by a host's strength would leave once their favorite was defeated.

These hosts secretly joined Yan Luo's fan group, deciding to end their own streams when Yan Luo was broadcasting.

As long as they avoided streaming at the same time as Yan Luo, they wouldn't have to face this formidable opponent again!

At this time, Jiang Tuo was also streaming live, and Hu Tao, as the moderator of Jiang Tuo's stream room, noticed that many people were promoting Yan Luo.

Hu Tao was particularly sensitive to the name Yan Luo, as Jianmu had often been compared to Yan Luo on the Battle Network, and people had even compared her to Yan Luo as well.

Hu Tao sneakily entered Yan Luo's live stream room.

Chapter 1325: The Young Man Who Dominates the Grandmaster! Hu Tao, upon entering the live streaming room, watched the young man who had just matched with an opponent.

Even though the young man wore a mask, Hu Tao was overwhelmed with a strong sense of familiarity.

Hu Tao was certain that this Yama was the same Yama known from the Battle Network.

Yama also had a giant Undead Creature in the front line, and it was clear that the tier of Yama's Undead Creature had been upgraded.

Hu Tao planned to stay here to thoroughly analyze Yama's strengths, as it was only a matter of time before Yama would be matched against Jiang Tuo.

Fang Mu did not like to communicate with his opponents during combat, unless the opponent initiated conversation, only then would Fang Mu respond.

The barrage of comments in the live streaming room was moving too fast, so Fang Mu did not interact further with the audience.

Fang Mu was about to engage in the final duel, and he had sent a message to Wang Longfei beforehand, asking for the address to avoid delaying their meeting later.

Wang Longfei was a promising young talent from the Dragon Rising Federation and would later represent the Under-Twenty Section of the Federation in a competition against other Federations.

Fang Mu intended to give Wang Longfei a helping hand, otherwise, Fang Mu would not have accepted the invitation from anyone else!

In the final match of the promotion tournament, Fang Mu finally matched against an opponent with a Platinum Tier Guardian Beast.

This opponent was not as strong as Wang Longfei, and Fang Mu easily defeated the opponent without much effort, securing the victory.

Before ending the broadcast, Fang Mu spoke.

“Today’s live stream ends here, I might stream again tomorrow, let’s meet by fate!”

After saying this, Fang Mu turned off the live streaming room, and did not spend an hour maintaining his fan base like other streamers do after a battle, to increase fan loyalty.

Streamer’s communication with fans often makes it easier for the audience to send tips.

The more Hu Tao watched Yama, the more convinced she was that Yama was Fang Mu.

Having spent over two years with Fang Mu, there was no way Hu Tao could mistake Fang Mu’s voice.

All the Guardian Beasts Yama had contracted were of the Undead Species, and from the perspective of the Guardian Beasts, there was no overlap between Yama and Fang Mu.

But having witnessed many of Fang Mu’s incredible abilities while following him around, it wasn’t surprising to Hu Tao that Fang Mu was Yama.

In fact, on the Battle Network, Jianmu and Yama had virtually emerged at the same time.

Hu Tao remembered Fang Mu telling her that once his Soul grew stronger, he would prepare a Catastrophe Class Ghost System Beast for her.

Fang Mu seriously asked her about her needs and ideas concerning the Ghost System Beast, but Hu Tao was unfamiliar with them.

Hu Tao had no opportunity to learn about Ghost System Beasts at School.

Facing the unknown, Hu Tao did not make an immediate choice, but instead asked Fang Mu meticulously.

Fang Mu systematically explained to Hu Tao about the Ghost System Beasts, and Hu Tao asked about the type of Ghost System Beast he had contracted.

Fang Mu did not conceal it from Hu Tao, and directly told her it was a summoning-type Ghost System Beast.

Seems like the identity of Fang Mu as Yama was largely based on that summoning-type Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beast.

Jiang Tuo would also end his live stream soon, so Hu Tao did not need to speculate wildly; by just asking Fang Mu directly she would naturally understand.

Suddenly discovering Fang Mu's secret pushed a sense of urgency in Hu Tao's heart.

Her strength used to surpass Jiang Tuo's, but now Jiang Tuo had completely surpassed her, and Fang Mu was incomparable.

In this trio of herself, Jiang Tuo, and Fang Mu, she had become the weakest link.

If it weren't for her lack of personal strength, Hu Tao would definitely have set up her own live streaming room in the virtual world, instead of just being an assistant helping Jiang Tuo manage his streaming channel.

The moment Fang Mu turned off the live broadcast, his viewers flooded into various forums and post bars; the fame of Yama quickly became widespread through omnipresent "word-of-mouth" marketing.

Considering the ranks of Fusion Tyrant and Heart-hooking Female alone, no one dared to look down on Yama.

Fang Mu had already arrived at a restaurant called Wanhong Pavilion following the address given by Wang Longfei.

Wang Longfei, the young master of Wanhong Pavilion, was personally waiting downstairs for Fang Mu's arrival.

Upon seeing Fang Mu, Wang Longfei warmly escorted him to an elegant private room upstairs, where the food and drinks Wang Longfei had ordered in advance were already prepared.

In the virtual world, there was no need to worry about dishes getting cold when hosting guests, which saves a lot of time usually taken to order.

Smiling, Wang Longfei handed a special menu to Fang Mu.

"Brother Yama, Wanhong Pavilion currently only sells Dragon Soaring Federation's specialty dishes externally. Those chefs from other Federations still undergo assessments to ensure the quality before they can officially start."

"This is the menu proposed by those chefs, you might want to try some!"

"In the virtual world, everyone's stomach is like a Bottomless Pit; you can taste as much food as you want without worrying about feeling full."

"Brother Yama, you can order any appetizer that interests you. I also haven't tried many of these dishes."

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu was not shy with Wang Longfei. Wang Longfei was so enthusiastic towards him; acting too politely might give the impression that he wanted to distance himself from Wang Longfei.

Chapter 1326: The Young Man Who Dominates the Grandmaster!\_2 Fang Mu simply ordered all the culinary delicacies that interested him, and soon the dishes from various federations were brought to the table.

Throughout the meal, Wang Longfei kept conversing with Fang Mu. Wang Longfei didn't manage to probe much into Fang Mu's background, but Fang Mu had figured out all there was to know about Wang Longfei.

It turned out that Wang Longfei was the grandson of the Dragon Rising Federation's Master Wang Fengjian!

Feng Lin had mentioned Wang Fengjian to Fang Mu more than once, suggesting that Feng Lin and the Wang Family might be somewhat related.

With such a background, it was no wonder that Wang Longfei was so powerfully skilled!

The Guardian Beasts that Wang Longfei had contracted required a vast amount of resources to cultivate. If he had come from a minor household, it would have been impossible for these two Dragon race Guardian Beasts to be cultivated so excellently!

"Brother, your strength is truly formidable. Not to hide it from you, the reason I entered the second world so late is that I spent some time learning from the Shuoyang Grandmaster,"

"My Rock Mud Sand Sub-Dragon was personally enhanced by the Shuoyang Grandmaster!"

Wang Longfei had a smug expression on his face as he spoke these words. As a young man, it was inevitable that there were times when one would want to boast.

In the Dragon Rising Federation, having contact with the Shuoyang Grandmaster was a matter of great honor, and since Wang Longfei couldn't outdo Fang Mu in strength, he hoped to gain Fang Mu's recognition through other means.

Fang Mu had not previously made contact with the Shuoyang Grandmaster, but that didn't mean he was unfamiliar with him.

Fang Mu had already seen the Shuoyang Grandmaster several times at the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, where the Shuoyang Grandmaster had repeatedly expressed a desire to visit him.

Now that Fang Mu had returned to the Dragon Rising Federation and had been discussing a cooperation with the Bamboo Green Pale Deer clan, he had not yet responded to the request from the Shuoyang Grandmaster.

It was time for Fang Mu to respond to the Shuoyang Grandmaster!

Otherwise, it was quite possible that the Shuoyang Grandmaster would feel that Fang Mu had an issue with him or was unwilling to make an alliance, which would be problematic!

Since the Shuoyang Grandmaster had a good relationship with the Wang Family, Fang Mu could pass the Infinite Silver Silkworm to Wang Longfei through the Shuoyang Grandmaster.

Otherwise, unless Fang Mu revealed his own identity, the Wang Family would not likely allow Wang Longfei to use something that Fang Mu gave to him casually.

When Fang Mu sent out the Infinite Silver Silkworm, it might seem like a resource expenditure on his part, but in reality, the person who contracted the Infinite Silver Silkworm would be under Fang Mu's control.

This control didn't mean that Fang Mu could manipulate the person to work for him, but rather, Fang Mu could control the person's life and death through the Infinite Silver Silkworm.

Fang Mu kept giving out the Infinite Silver Silkworms, which might result in him controlling the majority of the rising young generation in a few hundred years.

As the wine proceeded through its rounds and the flavors of the dishes came and went, Fang Mu sincerely said to Wang Longfei,

"Coincidentally, I also know the Shuoyang Grandmaster. I thank you for the banquet this time, and later I'll have the Shuoyang Grandmaster transfer a gift to you on my behalf."

"It should greatly enhance your strength!"

Wang Longfei was taken aback upon hearing Fang Mu's words. It was not surprising that Yan Luo knew the Shuoyang Grandmaster, as there was probably no one within the Dragon Rising Federation who didn't know him.

But for Yan Luo to say that he'd have the Shuoyang Grandmaster transfer a gift to him!

Such an action on Yan Luo's part was equivalent to troubling or even commanding the Shuoyang Grandmaster.

The Shuoyang Grandmaster seemed approachable, but he was in fact very conscious of his own status. How could he be casually ordered around by a junior like Yan Luo?

Wang Longfei wasn't dull-witted. Fang Mu's words made him subconsciously think of Saint Creator Qixing.

It could be said that Saint Creator Qixing was the only person in the Dragon Rising Federation with a status more prestigious than the Shuoyang Grandmaster.

However, the disciple of Saint Creator Qixing was named Jianmu, not Yan Luo.

Wang Longfei knew what Jianmu's Guardian Beasts were like, and he once considered Jianmu as his hypothetical rival.

But after Jianmu showed his true Combat Capability on the Battle Network, Wang Longfei knew he was no match and no longer considered Jianmu as his rival.

Could it be that Yan Luo was also a disciple of Saint Creator Qixing?

Wang Longfei had not heard such rumors before.

Uncertain of Yan Luo's identity and having made an indirect inquiry to Yan Luo without a clear response, Wang Longfei felt it would be inappropriate to ask further.

Wang Longfei thought that there was no need for Yan Luo to deceive him about such things, for such matters could not stand up to scrutiny.

If the Shuoyang Grandmaster was really delivering a gift from Yan Luo to him, he could take the opportunity to learn about Yan Luo's identity through the Grandmaster.

Just as Fang Mu had left the second world and opened his eyes, he saw Hu Tao and Jiang Tuo sitting around him.

Jiang Tuo looked as composed as ever, but Hu Tao's gaze towards him carried a hint of strangeness.

Fang Mu and Hu Tao were old acquaintances, so seeing Hu Tao's expression, he knew that she had something to ask him.

Fang Mu said with a smile,

"Ah Tao, if you have something to say, just ask me directly, there are no strangers here."

Upon hearing this, Hu Tao looked firmly at him but asked with a hint of hesitation in her tone,

"Ah Mu, you're Yan Luo, aren't you?"

"I heard Yan Luo's voice in the live stream; it sounded exactly like yours!"

Jiang Tuo was startled by Hu Tao's words. Today in the live stream, Jiang Tuo had seen people discussing Yan Luo.

Jiang Tuo's understanding of Yan Luo was not less than Hu Tao's; he had watched Yan Luo's matches on the Battle Network with great attention.

Jiang Tuo always found Yan Luo's three Corpse Hunters quite interesting.

Jiang Tuo had just asked Hu Tao if the Yan Luo mentioned in his own live stream was the same one from the Battle Network.

Hu Tao had given Jiang Tuo a positive answer, so how had Yan Luo suddenly turned into Fang Mu!?

You should know that Yan Luo's Guardian Beasts have absolutely no connection with Fang Mu's!

Seeing the certainty in Hu Tao's eyes, Fang Mu knew she had confirmed that he was Yan Luo.

Fang Mu had no intention of hiding his identity from Hu Tao and Jiang Tuo; he chuckled and nodded.

"Ah Tao, you guessed right, Yan Luo is me!"

"I heard you saying that you have been managing Xiao Tuo's live stream recently; if you have time, you might as well help manage mine too!"

Hu Tao was very happy that Fang Mu hadn't kept it from her.

"Helping you manage the live stream is a trivial matter for me, Ah Mu. Just set me as an admin before your next stream, and you won't have to worry about the live stream anymore!"

Fang Mu inquired about Jiang Tuo's and Hu Tao's recent state of affairs. Both had made steady progress in strength and academics.

During the conversation, Fang Mu could keenly sense that Hu Tao was deliberately avoiding some topics, all of which were related to strength.

As a classmate who had spent more than two years with Hu Tao, Fang Mu was very aware of how competitive she could be.

Hu Tao must have been feeling dejected for falling behind him and Jiang Tuo in terms of strength.

After pondering for a moment, Fang Mu spoke to Hu Tao with extreme seriousness,

"Hu Tao, I should have told you before that your Barrier Silver Phoenix possesses the main Bloodline of the Barrier Sparrow, the Phoenix Breed, which has infinite possibilities for Evolution."

“The Backtracking Bell Sparrow, as a Fairy Type Beast Control, is the same.”

“Your Destiny Guardian Beast, the Bird Armor Puppet, has been absorbing Special Metal Spiritual Materials; by now, equipped on the Guardian Beasts, the Bird Armor Puppet should be able to easily overcome opponents.”

“You should have not used the Bird Armor Puppet in combat for a long time. Try it, and you will find that you are much stronger than other Defensive Beastmasters at your level!”

“A Defensive Beastmaster’s most important aspect is their functionality, not individual Combat Capability.”

“In the future, your potential is limitless. There’s no need to worry about whether you are powerful or not at the moment.”

Hu Tao knew by Fang Mu’s words that he had seen through her concerns; she felt a bit embarrassed in her heart.

Fang Mu’s words were essentially an affirmation of Hu Tao, giving her a great deal of confidence.

Hu Tao had always regarded the Bird Armor Puppet as her trump card and indeed had never used it in combat.

Chapter 1327: Rampart Golden Phoenix! Suddenly, Fang Mu felt a burst of intense spiritual fluctuations emanating from within Hu Tao.

Fang Mu looked delighted at the sign, knowing that Hu Tao was about to breakthrough the constraints of a One-point Star Tamer and become a genuine Two-Ray Star Beast Controller!

Jiang Tuo had already achieved a breakthrough to the realm of a Two-Ray Star Beast Controller several weeks earlier.

After becoming a Two-Ray Star Beast Controller, Jiang Tuo, who was already stronger than Hu Tao, further widened the gap between them, making it impossible for Hu Tao to fight against Jiang Tuo.

Jiang Tuo's Ice Ghosts, which had grown in strength to the Platinum Tier, could easily defeat Hu Tao's Golden Tier Barrier Silver Phoenix.

If the gap between the two hadn't been so vast, Hu Tao wouldn't actually mind battling with Jiang Tuo.

During the process of fighting with Jiang Tuo, Hu Tao could also gain quite a lot.

But the gap was too wide, and being constantly defeated, Hu Tao not only gained nothing but didn't want to be looked down upon by Jiang Tuo.

Hu Tao had always longed for the advancement of her Beast Controller star level, and now she had finally gotten her wish!

Neither Hu Tao nor Jiang Tuo could have become a Two-Ray Star Beast Controller so quickly without Fang Mu's investment in resources.

Fang Mu not only let Hu Tao and Jiang Tuo use the Sacred Objects: Heavy Sakura Cleansing Carp but also distributed Brilliant Golden Honey to both, for their daily use.

Without Fang Mu's resource investment, it would have taken at least half a year more for Hu Tao and Jiang Tuo to become Two-Ray Star Beast Controllers.

Both Hu Tao and Jiang Tuo could only be considered talented, but it was Fang Mu's personal cultivation that turned them into top-notch geniuses.

Jiang Tuo, having just become a Two-Ray Star Beast Controller, was well aware that it was best not to be disturbed by external factors during the promotion process of a Beast Controller's star level.

Although Jiang Tuo had a lot to say to Fang Mu, he obediently stepped aside and waited for Hu Tao's ascension in rank.

The violent spiritual fluctuations inside Hu Tao soon stabilized, and with a joyful face, she said,  
"Ah Mu, Xiao Tuo, I've become a Two-Ray Star Beast Controller!"

The newly advanced Two-Ray Star Beast Controller Hu Tao shared her joy with Fang Mu and Jiang Tuo first thing.

Fang Mu reached out to smooth the tuft of hair standing on top of Hu Tao's head with a smile and said,  
"Hu Tao, now that you've advanced your Beast Controller star level, both your Destiny Guardian Beast and your other two contracted Guardian Beasts can also rise in rank."

"Why don't I help you with that now, so you can start dueling solo in the second world!"

Hu Tao's Guardian Beasts were all at the Golden Stage, which made it hard for her to make a name for herself in the second world's under-twenty age division.

Once Hu Tao's Guardian Beasts reach the Platinum Tier, her strength will definitely be at the forefront.

In combat, Hu Tao may not be able to win consecutively like myself and Jiang Tuo, but she would be able to defeat the vast majority of opponents.

Those discerning viewers would easily recognize the value of Hu Tao as a Defensive Beastmaster.

Rather than assisting Fang Mu and Jiang Tuo in managing a live broadcast room and being a support person, Hu Tao would definitely rather defeat formidable enemies in battle.

Otherwise, when she stood alongside Fang Mu and Jiang Tuo in front of the public one day, many would surely question her.

Hu Tao had already experienced a deluge of skepticism from the audience when she first teamed up with Fang Mu to compete in the doubles division on the Battle Network, with every forum full of doubts about her.

Hu Tao had been keeping an eye on these forums, feeling very sad inside, yet she never mentioned it to Fang Mu.

Fortunately, Hu Tao later proved herself with real talent and strength.

Having gone through such questioning once, Hu Tao really didn't want to go through it again!

Ever since she decided to become Fang Mu's teammate and follow him as a partner, Hu Tao would no longer shy away from what Fang Mu offered.

Hu Tao summoned her Barrier Silver Phoenix, Retrace Sparrow Demon, and her Destiny Guardian Beast, the Bird Armor Puppet, with great openness.

Fang Mu could tell from the condition of Hu Tao's three Guardian Beasts that she had put a lot of effort into cultivating them.

The size of the Barrier Silver Phoenix had increased by at least one-fifth compared to before, with nearly thirty meters across when its wings were fully spread.

If the training room weren't big enough, the Barrier Silver Phoenix would not be able to spread its wings at all.

As a Metal Bird Guardian Beast, the Barrier Silver Phoenix normally fed on metals, absorbing energy from metals to strengthen itself.

The best food for the Barrier Silver Phoenix was Nazhen Firm Silver.

Nazhen Firm Silver is a type of Mithril and a relatively rare one at that, with each gram selling for over six hundred Dragon Rising Coins.

A fist-sized piece of Nazhen Firm Silver sold for over eight hundred thousand Dragon Rising Coins, and the Barrier Silver Phoenix could eat at least fifteen fist-sized pieces a day to reach its limit.

Ever since Fang Mu started cultivating the Barrier Silver Phoenix for Hu Tao, and its rank rose to Golden Stage, Nazhen Firm Silver became the Beast's daily essential fare.

It basically consumed up to the limit it could handle every day.

Just maintaining this one Guardian Beast cost over ten million Dragon Rising Coins a day.

Even those large forces would likely find it hard to afford such an investment.

Yet, such investment was the basic requirement for a Guardian Beast to evolve and improve in the best possible direction.

Fang Mu made no savings in resources to facilitate the fusion of the Barrier Sparrow with the Phoenix Breed Bloodline.

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Otherwise, the bloodlines of the Barrier Sparrow and the Phoenix Breed within the Barrier Silver Phoenix would find it difficult to coexist in the same body.

Usually, Fang Mu would use the Sleep Moss to put the Guardian Beast into slumber before taking Hu Tao's Guardian Beast to the breeding room for further nurturing.

Fang Mu did this to prevent the news that he held the Blood Aged Wine from leaking out, but now, Fang Mu was no longer worried about this.

He discovered that adding Spiritual Energy with a purity of ninety percent to the Blood Aged Wine formed a combination which turned the Blood Aged Wine into a translucent, light red liquid.

The Blood Age Wine infused with Pure Spirit Qi maintained its original effects.

However, under the stimulation of Pure Spirit Qi, the effectiveness of the Blood Aged Wine was enhanced.

At the very least, combining pure Spiritual Energy and Blood Aged Wine made the Blood Aged Wine no longer resemble blood.

Fang Mu began by pouring several bottles of Life Elixir into the sharp beak of the Barrier Silver Phoenix, who understood the benefits these Life Elixirs held for itself.

The Barrier Silver Phoenix strained at the beak, preventing any of the Life Elixir from flowing out.

Fang Mu also prepared some Blood Aged Wine infused with Pure Spirit Qi, ready to feed it to the Barrier Silver Phoenix at a critical moment.

Absorbing the Life Elixir and Covenant Blood Essence in a conscious state undoubtedly offered greater benefits to the Barrier Silver Phoenix.

For creatures like the Barrier Silver Phoenix with two types of bloodlines, every Evolution was essentially a process evolving from death to life.

Inside the Barrier Silver Phoenix, the bloodlines of the Barrier Sparrow and the Phoenix Breed were tumultuously struggling and fiercely competing for control over its body, causing the Barrier Silver Phoenix to emit painful, mournful cries.

Witnessing this made Hu Tao incredibly anxious, as the sturdy feathers of the Barrier Silver Phoenix kept falling off while the skin beneath its feathers was randomly tearing open into large gashes.

Hu Tao was so agitated that tears were swirling in her eyes. Seeing her state, Fang Mu spoke to her,

“Ah Tao, the Barrier Silver Phoenix is undergoing a vital stage in its Bloodline Transformation, as both bloodlines battle harshly within.”

“As its Contractor, you must encourage and cheer for the Barrier Silver Phoenix!”

“Your encouragement is the only support for the Barrier Silver Phoenix right now!”

“We have always provided the Barrier Silver Phoenix with the highest quality resources, and this advancement brings a great chance for its bloodline to evolve further.”

“Once the bloodline of the Barrier Silver Phoenix advances further, all of its skills and exclusive trait effects will be significantly strengthened!”

Hearing Fang Mu’s words, Hu Tao felt a surge of determination solidify within her.

With Hu Tao’s encouragement, the condition of the Barrier Silver Phoenix significantly improved.

When the Barrier Silver Phoenix’s endurance was nearly at its limit, Fang Mu poured the prepared Blood Aged Wine into its mouth.

The Blood Aged Wine entered the body of the Barrier Silver Phoenix and revitalized it, giving it a renewed vitality that greatly balanced and promoted the two competing bloodlines within its body.

Fang Mu could visibly see the Barrier Silver Phoenix growing in size.

As it grew, the tough, slender feathers grew back on the body of the Barrier Silver Phoenix.

The wingspan of the Barrier Silver Phoenix had not increased much, but its wings had become much thicker.

The broad wings imparted a stronger sense of security, and the feathers on the head perked up more prominently.

The grand feather crown atop the Barrier Silver Phoenix's head further accentuated its imposing aura!

The shimmering golden light dancing upon the feathers of the Barrier Silver Phoenix evidenced the transformation of its bloodline.

Using the Innate Divine Skill [Eye of Omniscience] of Fool's Shadow, Fang Mu surveyed the Barrier Silver Phoenix after its bloodline transformation.

[Beast Name]: Barrier Phoenix

[Beast Species]: Long-Winged/ Sturdy Winged

[Beast Level]: Platinum (1/10)

[Beast Element]: Metal

[Beast Potential]: Diamond

[Beast Quality]: Legendary

Skills:

[City Wing]: Reinforces the wings to be as sturdy as city walls, significantly enhancing their hardness. The wings can deflect most physical damages when used to block attacks, and store energy from elemental attacks when impacted by them.

[Firm Protection]: When shielding a designated target from damage, it can create a barrier on the target using its own energy. The barrier redirects the damage received by the target to itself, thereby enhancing its combat spirit, which can resist mental and spiritual trauma.

[Unload Wall]: Applies an Unload Wall command to an enemy target. The target under this command will have its defense reduced, and once it reaches a low, the Armor Break effect will spontaneously transform into a Spell Break effect.

[Burning Feather Lock]: Burns its own feathers to sublimate its tough feathers, removing negative effects on allied units. Once the feathers sublimate to a certain extent, they form feather locks, which when wrapped around a target nullify one of their unique traits, causing equal numbers of their traits to become ineffective as long as it does not use its unique traits.

Exclusive traits:

[Thorn Feather Crown]: Reduces damage sustained by half when guarding other targets. The more targets it protects, the less damage it endures, and it also receives slight healing when the guarded targets are healed.

[Suffering Siphon]: Absorbs and converts the damage suffered by itself or protected targets into vitality, healing itself based on the severity. Excess life energy is stored in the wings.

[Barrier Enhancement]: All defensive effects grow stronger with progression. Upon receiving an attack that could break the shield, it forms a barrier that blocks a single instance of damage not exceeding its own threshold after the shield detonation.

Evolutionary Path:

1: Barrier Golden Phoenix, 2: Guarding Nation Arrow Phoenix, 3: Barrier Dragon Crane.

Upon examination, the Barrier Silver Phoenix had indeed evolved into a Barrier Phoenix, just as Fang Mu had anticipated!

Seeing the name Barrier Phoenix put Fang Mu's mind completely at ease.

Hu Tao's Iron Winged Green Pigeon evolving into a Barrier Phoenix confirmed Fang Mu's earlier thoughts were now fully realized.

As long as there are no major unexpected developments in its evolution, the Barrier Phoenix will continue to evolve along its current bloodline.

Evolving into a Barrier Golden Phoenix will not be possible when it advances to the Diamond rank due to its current bloodline status.

An attempt would only be made upon reaching a higher sequential stage.

Fang Mu would not consider either the Guarding Nation Arrow Phoenix or Barrier Dragon Crane among the three evolutionary paths, especially the Barrier Dragon Crane.

The Barrier Dragon Crane might potentially have a stronger combat capability than the Barrier Golden Phoenix, as it contains the strong bloodlines of Barrier Sparrow, Dragon race, and Crane Species.

While the Barrier Sparrow and Crane Species bloodlines could possibly fuse, the inclusion of the Dragon race bloodline makes fusion almost impossible!

If bloodline conflicts occur, it might lead to a collapse during rank progression and could potentially result in the death of the beast.

In the developmental process of Guardian Beasts during the Seventh Era, Creators often crossed various beasts to cultivate high-quality Guardian Beasts.

The offspring from these crossbred beasts often carried dual bloodlines and exhibited formidable power at lower tiers.

However, these beasts usually died from bloodline collisions during bloodline transformation upon training them to a sequential tier.

After frequent tragedies, Creators ceased such research!

The Barrier Dragon Crane belongs to beasts with abnormal bloodlines.

After observing the evolutionary path of the Barrier Phoenix, Fang Mu focused on the new skills it acquired upon ascending to the Platinum tier.

[Burning Feather Lock] is extensively described under the Eye of Omniscience as essentially a support-type skill that removes negative statuses of allies.

Besides assisting allies, the sublimated feathers formed into feather locks can also control the unique traits of enemy targets.

This makes the enemy unit's exclusive traits lose their effectiveness!

Chapter 1329: Puppet Performance Theater! Fang Mu had seen skills that could seal the environmental elemental energy around and interfere with the energy circulation within a target. He had also seen skills that limited the effectiveness of a Beastmaster's Runes.

It was rare to come across abilities that could directly restrict an opponent's unique characteristics.

The Barrier Phoenix, with the skill [Burning Feather Lock], could assist its own side while choosing the most strategically valuable enemy Guardian Beast to restrict one of its exclusive characteristics.

It was very likely that because of the loss of this one exclusive characteristic, the strategic significance of the enemy's Guardian Beast would be greatly reduced.

The Barrier Phoenix, with its skill [Burning Feather Lock], could not only control one exclusive characteristic of an enemy Guardian Beast. If the Barrier Phoenix gave up the use of its own exclusive characteristic, it could restrict the same number of exclusive characteristics of the enemy Guardian Beast.

Before a Guardian Beast reached Legendary Quality, it only had three exclusive characteristics. Such a restriction was like an unexpected strike that directly crippled the enemy's Guardian Beast.

The three exclusive characteristics of the Barrier Phoenix were extremely effective and held significant strategic value.

It seemed that the Barrier Phoenix's sacrifice of its own exclusive characteristics to restrict those of the enemy's Guardian Beast was a poor deal, but it was not necessarily the case.

Firstly, the Barrier Phoenix could choose to restrict those Guardian Beasts with higher strategic value than its own, and secondly, the Barrier Phoenix's restriction was often part of a strategy to target and eliminate a specific enemy.

Once the targeted enemy unit restricted by the Barrier Phoenix was eliminated, the skill [Burning Feather Lock] would release its restriction on itself, allowing it to continue using its exclusive characteristics in combat.

Watching this, Fang Mu couldn't help but utter several sounds of admiration.

"Ah Tao, the new skill acquired by your Barrier Phoenix upon advancing to the Platinum Tier is enough to make you the core of the battlefield."

"Your Barrier Phoenix, especially in battles where the enemy Guardian Beasts are stronger than ours, will always have a higher strategic value than other Guardian Beasts!"

Fang Mu never gave empty praises without reason. He really believed in the strength of the Barrier Phoenix to speak so highly of it!

Fang Mu's Destiny Beast, Fool's Shadow, possessed the Innate Divine Skill [Eye of Omniscience]. Fang Mu's understanding of Guardian Beast information was even higher than that of Hu Tao, the Barrier Phoenix's Contractor herself.

Hu Tao was still somewhat confused and didn't understand the meaning behind Fang Mu's words.

Hu Tao was a talented young girl with excellent strategic vision, and Fang Mu had always been directing He Deen to explore Hu Tao's strategic potential.

As a Defensive Beastmaster, strategic insight was more important than pure combat skills.

Once Hu Tao understood the new skill acquired by the Barrier Phoenix, she instantly realized why Fang Mu would say such words.

Jiang Tuo, looking at the imposing Barrier Phoenix, stepped forward and said to Hu Tao.

"Sister Taozi, congratulations on your Guardian Beast's successful Bloodline Transformation and advancement in tier!"

For a Beastmaster, advancing in tiers might be easy, but a real Bloodline Transformation was an extremely difficult achievement.

He himself had contracted Four Ice Ghosts, which evolved along their inherent bloodlines without needing to consider Bloodline Transformation like ordinary Guardian Beasts!

Jiang Tuo's Ice Ghosts just required cultivating with excellent Supplies. With enough resources, raising them would be much easier than raising ordinary Guardian Beasts!

After cultivating the Barrier Phoenix, Fang Mu didn't waste time and immediately turned his attention to the Retrace Sparrow Demon.

As a Fairy Type Beast Control, the Retrace Sparrow Demon's intelligence was extremely high.

While Fang Mu was cultivating the Barrier Phoenix, the Retrace Sparrow Demon had already been eagerly waiting for Fang Mu's upcoming cultivation.

The Retrace Sparrow Demon, Hu Tao's Guardian Beast, had been cultivated by Fang Mu from the moment it gained Spiritual Intelligence and was exceptionally close to him.

Knowing that Fang Mu would be using resources to cultivate it, the Retrace Sparrow Demon affectionately pecked Fang Mu's cheek twice.

Seeing this, Hu Tao couldn't help but laugh.

"Ah Mu, this little guy is really close to you!"

"If others saw this, they'd definitely think that this Retrace Sparrow Demon is your Guardian Beast!"

Hu Tao was jesting, but she was very pleased to see her Guardian Beast so close to Fang Mu.

However, the Retrace Sparrow Demon, misinterpreting Hu Tao's words as jealousy, quickly flapped its wings and flew to Hu Tao's side, cuddling her neck and acting coquettishly.

It made both Fang Mu and Jiang Tuo somewhat want to contract a Fairy Type Beast Control for battle!

Jiang Tuo's Four Ice Ghosts and Fang Mu's contracted Sea Flame Twins were much larger than the Retrace Sparrow Demon and didn't suit such affectionate gestures as the Retrace Sparrow Demon did.

The Retrace Sparrow Demon was always absorbing various metals, accumulating Metal Attribute for itself.

Aside from absorbing various Metal Spiritual Materials, the Retrace Sparrow Demon also fed on various Spirit-type Spirit Materials.

It particularly liked the pollen produced by the Essence Wisteria Flower Pistil.

During a trade with the Green magician, one of the Eight Evil Seed, Fang Mu obtained a Fungi called Fairy Mushroom from the Green magician.

The spores produced by the Fairy Mushroom were extremely beneficial for Fairy Type Beasts, maximizing the potential for the advancement of their Beast Bloodline.

If the high-ranking members of Ancient Genesis hadn't all contracted contaminants and none had contracted a Fairy,

Fang Mu believed it would have been impossible for Ancient Genesis to trade such high-level Supplies with him.

The Fairy Mushroom could absolutely be considered a foundational supply in Fang Mu's possession.

Chapter 1330: Ever since Fang Mu obtained the Fairy Mushroom, he had been continuously cultivating it.

The growth of the Fairy Mushroom required the watering with a variety of toxins, which the rain brought down by the Sea Flame Twins contained.

With the watering from the Sea Flame Twins, the originally extremely difficult-to-cultivate Fairy Mushroom grew rapidly, sprouting layer upon layer of mycelium.

The cap of the Fairy Mushroom boasted dazzling colors.

It is said that the brighter the color of a mushroom, the more toxic it is, but though the Fairy Mushroom fed on various toxins, it did not contain any poison itself.

Fang Mu had previously tested this with the Flower Spirit of the Blood Exhausted Other Shore.

The difference between the Flower Spirit and the fairy was not significant, as both possessed the same bloodline.

However, the Flower Spirit was a fairy that had transformed from a plant-type beastmaster, and the Blood Exhausted Other Shore was connected to the rate at which Fang Mu produced the Blood Aged Wine and the Covenant Blood Essence.

Although it was not contracted by Fang Mu, its priority ranking was only second to the two Destiny Guardian Beasts and Xi Xi.

The Backtracking Sparrow Demon was now a two-winged fairy and to become a four-winged fairy upon advancing to the Platinum Tier was nearly an impossible feat.

Being able to become a four-winged fairy upon stepping into the Sequence was already fortunate for the Backtracking Sparrow Demon.

Many fairies contracted by powerful beings had reached Sequence Seven or even Sequence Six and remained two-winged.

During the rank advancement of the Backtracking Sparrow Demon while consuming the Fairy Mushroom, Fang Mu fed it some Blood Aged Wine.

The essential foundation certainly needed to be well established!

As the energy and spiritual fluctuations on the Backtracking Sparrow Demon increased, it clearly succeeded in ascending its rank.

Fang Mu used the Eye of Omniscience to inspect the rank-advanced Backtracking Sparrow Demon.

[Beast Name]: Backtracking Sparrow Demon

[Beast Species]: Fairy Spirit/ Sparrow Demon Type

[Beast Level]: Platinum (1/10)

[Beast Element]: Metal

[Beast Potential]: Diamond Rank

[Beast Quality]: Legendary Quality

Skills:

[Sparrow's Call]: Uses its own call to encourage other bird and mechanical beasts, enhancing the energy recovery rate of bird and mechanical beasts.

[Backtracking Focus]: Stares at the target with both eyes, creating a special shield on the target. This shield offers no defense, but after a certain period, it will cause everything inside to revert to the state they were in when the shield was applied.

[Backtracking Double]: Doubles the backtracking effect during the process, where surplus energy from units with full life energy will form a damage-resistant shield on the target and double the effect on enemies based on the original impact.

[Reverse Retrospection]: Applies retrospection on enemies, whereby all buffs and healing states acquired by the enemy during the process of reverse retrospection will be transferred to our side after the retrogression.

Exclusive Traits:

[Instrumentalization]: Transforms itself into a special weapon for the Contractor to use.

[Backtracking Assassination]: Absorbs damage sustained by the retrospection target during the process, then delivers the damage as a mental shock to a designated target, colliding with the target's spiritual power.

[Possession]: Merges with the Contractor, allowing the Contractor to inherit its abilities, gaining the same defensive effects and energy.

Evolutionary Path:

①: Backtracking Sparrow Demon (four wings), ②: Origin-Trace Sparrow, ③: Flow Retrospection Sparrow Demon (two wings).

The newly acquired skill [Reverse Retrospection] of the Backtracking Sparrow Demon completely opened up its potential.

It enabled the Backtracking Sparrow Demon to be used not only as a Defensive Beast Conqueror in combat but also gave it strong offensive capabilities.

And such offensive nature often brings supportive and healing effects to our side.

This gives the impression that the Backtracking Bell Sparrow is versatile in defense, healing, assistance, and attack.

The reason it is considered an illusion is because the Backtracking Sparrow Demon needs to be used at the most opportune moment, to create an effect of using the enemy's force against them.

During team battles, if Fang Mu's side manages to injure the enemy's Main Battle Mystic Beast, causing it to be on the brink of death and losing its ability to continue attacking,

if the enemy has a strong healing or assistance unit, they could very likely cast their abilities to recover the injured Main Battle unit.

If at this moment, under Hu Tao's command, the Backtracking Sparrow Demon applies [Reverse Retrospection] to it,

it not only keeps the enemy's Mystic Beast in a dying state but also allows the massive amount of healing and support energy poured out by the opponent to be used by our own units.

Hu Tao, with her exceptional strategic insight, knew the effectiveness of this new skill acquired by the Backtracking Sparrow Demon the moment she learned about it.

Although this ability won't significantly improve her individual combat capability, it can produce miraculous effects in a team setting.

And with that, Hu Tao was completely satisfied!

This way, Hu Tao, when teaming up with Fang Mu and Jiang Tuo, wouldn't just be their adjunct and could fully demonstrate her value in battle!

Long before Fang Mu helped Hu Tao cultivate the Barrier Phoenix and Backtracking Sparrow Demon, he had already instructed Hu Tao to allow her Destiny Guardian Beast, the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi, to absorb Blood Aged Wine, to stimulate the metal energy accumulated in its body over time.

If the Barrier Phoenix, which consumes about fifteen clumps of Nazhen Firm Silver daily, is considered a small rice bucket, then the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi, which devours more than six types of Metal Spiritual Material every day, can definitely be called a big rice bucket!

The daily consumption of Metal Spiritual Materials by the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi costs at least fifty million Dragon Rising Coins.

Cyan Stone Business Association controlled over ten Subterranean Dimensional Rifts of Destruction Level and above, using Space Spiritual Material and special spatial formations to stabilize these rifts.

Cyan Stone Business Association has been continuously and steadily providing Fang Mu with various Metal Spiritual Materials.

If these materials were to be bought on the open market, Fang Mu would need to liquidate his resources first.

The purchase of such a large volume of Metal Spiritual Materials would inevitably draw the outside world's attention.

The cultivation scheme Fang Mu set for the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi was something even those Grandmaster Creators wouldn't dare to set lightly, as for them it is impossible to invest most of their resources in just one Guardian Beast.

Even if this Guardian Beast could bring huge returns, it's still not as cost-effective as distributing resources among multiple Guardian Beasts!

Hu Tao had always felt anxious about the cultivation path Fang Mu had laid out for the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi.

The resources consumed by the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi and the Barrier Phoenix every day were more than what Hu Tao's parents could earn in their entire lives.

If it weren't for Fang Mu's insistence, Hu Tao would have already proposed to halt this method of cultivation!

From the current situation, it can be said that none of the resources invested have been wasted.

The Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi had successfully upgraded to Legendary Quality, gaining a new exclusive trait, [Puppet Performance Theater].

[Puppet Performance Theater]: Unleashes the metal energy contained within itself, setting up a theater composed of metal energy within a certain range. Each target present in the theater will have an Inferior Puppet Body appear beside them, and these bodies will grow stronger with the amount of time spent in the theater.

The Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi's Skill [Performative Decapitation Dance] and Innate Divine Ability [Reversal Puppet Veil] both apply to these Inferior Puppet Bodies.

Inferior Puppet Bodies are a major tactic used by the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi, capable of employing its defensive type skills.

However, relying solely on the Innate Divine Ability [Reversal Puppet Veil] to cultivate Inferior Puppet Bodies would hardly keep up with the demand.

And the exclusive trait [Puppet Performance Theater] obtained by the Bird Armor Puppet Xi Xi upon its upgrade to Legendary Quality perfectly resolves the issue of an insufficient number of Inferior Puppet Bodies.

In the theater, these Inferior Puppet Bodies that accompany our own units are essentially defensive dummies with multiple effects.

Moreover, these defensive dummies can continually be strengthened in the field, and each strengthening will inevitably bring a significant increase in their Defense Capability.

If used against enemies, the Inferior Puppet Bodies could also serve as a control tactic to restrict the opponents.

Should the enemy not understand the attacking mechanism of Inferior Puppet Bodies and attempt to forcefully attack them to release the target inside, they might trigger the disassembly mechanism of the Inferior Puppet Body.

They are very likely to dismember the target trapped inside during the Inferior Puppet Body's disintegration process.