

Beast Tamer 1371

Chapter 1371: Fang Mu's Wine!

Yang Paiyun and Du Rui were both waiting for Yi Han to finish his call with Fang Mu, eager to learn Fang Mu's thoughts from Yi Han.

Fang Mu's response to Yi Han would affect the fates and tangible interests of both Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, who have always been led by a Saint Creator in the Human World.

It is the Saint Creator who makes major decisions.

Indeed, a Grandmaster Creator holds supreme authority, but once a Saint Creator becomes involved, the Grandmaster Creator becomes a supporter of the Saint Creator, especially within the Contract Garden.

If they really offended Master Qixing and he chose to retaliate against them, although they were still Grandmaster Creators respected by everyone wherever they went, they would be marginalized within the upper echelons of Human society, and other Grandmaster Creators may suppress them to curry favor with Master Qixing.

It is no wonder that Yang Paiyun and Du Rui overthought it; they had both done similar things before.

After communicating with Fang Mu, Yi Han felt no more pressure at all.

When Legend Butterfly conveyed messages to Yi Han, outsiders couldn't hear the content, so Yi Han could say whatever he wanted in such moments.

The main reason Yi Han was willing to help was actually to earn the favor of Yang Paiyun and Du Rui.

“Let me be frank with you, I have already spoken highly of you to Jianmu, which made Master Qixing’s disciple Jianmu have a very good impression of you.”

“After this incident, I have been constantly running around for both of you, and you can imagine what kind of character a disciple taught by Master Qixing would have.”

“This incident is considered past, and Master Qixing’s disciple does not want to dwell on such trivial matters.”

“Therefore, after you go there, I suggest you don’t bring up this issue again. This time I will take you to meet Master Qixing’s disciple, and you may even get the chance to establish a connection with Master Qixing.”

“Master Qixing has mentioned Jianmu more than once at the Contract Garden gatherings, but in fact, Master Qixing values Jianmu far more than you can imagine.”

Yi Han’s words brought both joy and surprise to Yang Paiyun and Du Rui; it meant that this matter had been completely resolved.

Even if the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association didn’t satisfy Master Qixing in the end, this matter would most likely no longer involve them.

Meeting Master Qixing’s disciple this time, if they could really establish a good relationship with Jianmu, it would be a good thing.

Perhaps they could even get in touch with Master Qixing through his disciple!

Master Qixing’s mention of his disciple twice during Contract Garden gatherings had already made Yang Paiyun and Du Rui feel Master Qixing’s favoritism towards Fang Mu.

But Yi Han said that Master Qixing values Jianmu even more than they could imagine.

Indeed, this is the case!

When Fang Mu was wronged at the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, Master Qixing directly targeted the entire association, even willing to leverage his influence at the Contract Garden gatherings.

Yang Paiyun had only assistants and no disciples, while Du Rui had a total of four disciples.

Neither Du Rui nor Yang Paiyun believed they could do the same.

Du Rui was the first to say to Yi Han.

"Yi Han, my brother, thank you so much for being willing to help us this time. If you ever need our help, just speak up."

"As long as it's within our power, we will not hesitate!"

Yang Paiyun also chimed in at the right time.

"Yi Han, my brother, we weren't very familiar before, but having gone through an incident like this, I think we can be considered acquaintances now."

"If you need anything in the future, just let me know."

Yi Han was very satisfied with their responses; this was the effect he wanted.

"You two don't need to be so formal; if you come to me for help, how could I not assist you?"

"Let's just keep in touch more often from now on."

The relationship with Yang Paiyun and Du Rui was valuable to Yi Han, who might not even find it appropriate to seek them out ordinarily.

Other Grandmaster Creators wanted to contact Yi Han to understand Master Qixing's situation.

They weren't really interested in sincerely making friends with Yi Han.

Helping Yang Paiyun and Du Rui this way, only such a relationship had value for Yi Han.

Liu Er was dispatched by Fang Mu to Yi Han's residence in The Capital to pick up Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, who had already arrived at the Yi Mansion.

Liu Er was now Fang Mu's butler, and his actions represented Fang Mu's attitude.

Since Fang Mu wished to befriend Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, he certainly needed to show his goodwill to them first.

Fang Mu targeted the Beast Collection Merchants' Association as a form of venting. Even if Yang Paiyun and Du Rui did not seek out Fang Mu, he had no plans to cause trouble for them.

Under Liu Er's guidance, the three arrived at Fang Mu's Half Mountain Manor.

Yi Han was no stranger to Half Mountain Manor and was accustomed to the decor and layout at Fang Mu's estate.

Du Rui and Yang Paiyun had not expected that right next to a key College, there could be such hidden paradise away from the world.

Because Yi Han specifically reminded Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, neither of them mentioned the Beast Collection Merchants' Association issue when meeting Fang Mu.

Fang Mu himself had no intention whatsoever to bring it up either.

Fang Mu served Mist Frost Tea, a tea he always enjoyed, to entertain the two Grandmaster Creators, Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, and also brought out two platters of his home-brewed wine.

Fang Mu had been researching brewing techniques since he found the alcoholic drinks in this world profoundly bland and tasteless.

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Fang Mu's brewed wine had always been stored in the Abdominal Space of the Mysterious Bug Cocoon, nourished by Spiritual Energy, the wine had actually integrated some of this energy.

However, the brewing time wasn't very long thus far, and the alcohol content of these wines was only around thirty-five to thirty-six degrees.

To achieve a strength of over fifty degrees would require at least a few more months.

But compared to the wines of this world, the wine brought out by Fang Mu could definitely be called a top-grade liquor, fully suitable for serving to guests.

When Fang Mu first produced these two jars of wine, Du Rui's eyes lit up, and her face showed a look of interest.

Despite being a female Grandmaster Creator, Du Rui was absolutely a lover of wine.

Du Rui's fondness for wine was even greater than Yang Paiyun's.

Yang Paiyun drank like one would drink water, no different from a drunkard.

Du Rui only drank fine wines and believed that good wines need to be savored and are worth tasting.

If wine brought out by a disciple of a Saint Creator like Fang Mu was being served, it must certainly be exceptional in flavor.

Yi Han was also very interested in the wine that Fang Mu had brought out.

Seeing the attention of the three on the jars of wine he had brought out, Fang Mu smiled, patted the solid jar, and then ripped off the seal in one stroke.

A rich fragrance of wine immediately wafted out from the jar.

This was the first time Fang Mu was opening the wine he brewed before, and compared to the flavor of the wines in his memories from his past life, this wine seemed somewhat milder.

Yet, it made Yang Paiyun, Du Rui, and Yi Han involuntarily sniff rapidly.

Delicious, this wine was just too fragrant!

The captivating scent of the wine suggested that it must be quite strong.

Just from the smell, even though the fragrance might not surpass all the fine wines they had tasted, such a rich sensation was unprecedented for them.

When brewing, Fang Mu also added some special Spiritual Materials, whose flavors were extremely suitable for blending into the wine.

These Spiritual Materials turned Fang Mu's wine into a kind of tonic, the wine itself catalyzing the effects of these materials.

However, for Grandmaster Creators, the tonic effect of the wine was not important at all, what was important was the spicy flavor.

Fang Mu didn't use the small wine cups used for drinking in high-end restaurants, but rather boldly brought out three large cups that could hold five to six hundred milliliters of liquor at a time.

He lifted the jar and poured three full cups for them.

The amber-colored liquid, soft and permeating under the sunshine, gleamed with a pale amber luster.

Du Rui was about to pick up her cup when she realized Fang Mu hadn't poured any for himself and quickly asked.

"Sir Jianmu, why aren't you joining us with a glass? Is this wine too precious to serve at this banquet?"

"Please take my cup instead, I won't drink it!"

Fang Mu waved his hand in response.

"I'm not in the habit of drinking, I always feel that drinking could affect thinking."

"This kind of wine is not a valuable item to me, if you are interested you can certainly drink both jars!"

"Having met today, I feel quite congenial with both of you. If you wish to drink this kind of wine in the future, simply let me know, and I'll have someone send it over to you!"

After speaking, Fang Mu took out two Legend Butterflies, handing them to Yang Paiyun and Du Rui respectively.

Fang Mu wished to build connections with Du Rui and Yang Paiyun. Rather than waiting for the two seniors to take the initiative to contact him, Fang Mu felt it was better to show his intentions and let them feel his sincerity.

Du Rui and Yang Paiyun were first taken aback upon hearing his offer, then bowed and accepted the Legend Butterflies handed over from Fang Mu.

Previously, both Du Rui and Yang Paiyun had been curious about why Qixing valued Fang Mu, this junior, so highly.

Now, Yang Paiyun and Du Rui deeply sensed the merit in Fang Mu.

There was a reason Qixing held Fang Mu, this junior, in such high regard.

Fang Mu's words and actions had led Du Rui and Yang Paiyun to no longer regard him simply as a junior at this point.

"Sir Jianmu, truth be told, I do have the habit of drinking regularly," she confessed openly.

"If I truly ask you for wine in the future, you can't refuse me, alright?"

Du Rui can be considered a person of character, and it's evident from the way she addresses Fang Mu.

Both Du Rui and Yang Paiyun want to befriend Fang Mu, hoping to get in touch with Qixing, who is a Saint Creator, through him.

However, when they truly face Fang Mu, neither Du Rui nor Yang Paiyun, due to their pride as strong individuals, take the initiative to ingratiate themselves with the younger Fang Mu.

Now that Fang Mu has taken the initiative to forge a connection with the two, it makes Du Rui and Yang Paiyun's hearts very content, instinctively feeling a great fondness for Fang Mu.

"Sir Jianmu, if I indeed require such fragrant and delicious wine in the future, I will send my Disciple to personally collect it."

“How could we trouble you to make a delivery!?”

Compared to Du Rui, Yang Paiyun isn’t as temperamental, but their statements amount to accepting Fang Mu’s favor.

Still, they wonder why drinking the wine would affect thought, since wine is just a beverage, after all.

After the three raise their wine glasses and drink the wine into their bellies, they understand why Fang Mu would say such a thing.

The spicy, dense wine enters the mouth as if tiny bubbles explode on the tongue.

Then, the wine flows down the throat and into the stomach, like drinking rolling lava.

Next, the aroma rises from the stomach, enveloping the three in a feeling akin to being in a cloud or mist.

Compared to this sip of wine, all the wine they had before now seems to merely serve as a backdrop.

They feel their blood circulating more freely throughout their bodies from just this one sip.

If one could have a glass when weary, it might well eliminate all fatigue.

In fact, when Fang Mu first offered them wine, neither Du Rui nor Yang Paiyun took it too seriously.

Because neither Du Rui nor Yang Paiyun intended to trouble Fang Mu afterward to seek such palate-pleasing beverages from him.

But now, both Du Rui and Yang Paiyun have enjoyed the pleasurable sensations the wine brings, and they really fear they won’t have another chance to drink such wine in the future.

After savoring the first sip, even a wine connoisseur like Du Rui could not help but quickly take another big gulp.

Once the wine in their glasses is finished, Fang Mu refills their cups.

Fang Mu has his own ulterior motives for pouring wine for them.

After tasting the wine, Fang Mu wants to obtain evaluations of his brew from them and the appropriate market price.

With Fang Mu's skills, space in the Abdominal Space, and the wine's rich Spiritual Energy content, it's sure to have a market.

Moreover, it would likely have great market value.

Upon discovering Spiritual Energy within his wine, Fang Mu raised his own valuation of the beverage.

Fang Mu watches their expressions, clearly still savoring the taste of the wine itself.

Fang Mu thought they would sense the Spiritual Energy contained in the wine with the first sip, as the trio were sensitive to Spiritual Energy being Grandmaster Creators.

Fang Mu refrains from hinting, and Du Rui is the first to realize.

Du Rui exclaims with surprise, "Eh? Sir Jianmu, not only is your wine of high proof and rich taste, but it also contains no small amount of Spiritual Energy which can be directly absorbed by the human body!"

"This wine of yours is truly exceptional!"

Du Rui's words awaken Yang Paiyun and Yi Han, who suddenly become aware of this fact.

Fang Mu, seeing the three have discovered the wine's secret, asks, "So, how much do you think my wine is worth?"

"This wine is a new creation from the Master, and there are plans to sell it."

"The Master has been too busy dealing with Extraterrestrial Embryos to set a price for the wine."

Fang Mu's words make Du Rui, Yang Paiyun, and Yi Han's minds race.

This wine could genuinely be sold to the public!

If so, all three of them are keen on the idea of purchasing a large amount of this wine.

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First, the spiritual energy in this wine can be directly absorbed by living beings, which is extremely beneficial for the three individuals.

Consuming spiritual energy to nourish the body can not only extend one's lifespan but also subtly enhance one's physical constitution.

Second, drinking this kind of wine is an unparalleled pleasure.

However, even though the three of them entertained the idea of purchasing this wine, their pricing remained very objective when Fang Mu asked them to make an offer.

None of the three wanted to take advantage of Fang Mu, as they were all looking to appease Qixing and were thinking of ways to transfer resources into Qixing's hands.

It would be impossible to cause dissatisfaction from Qixing over such a trivial matter, letting Qixing develop a grudge against them.

When it came to making an offer, Yang Paiyun took the lead and said.

“Sir Jianmu, I was preoccupied with savoring the flavor of this wine just now and didn’t notice the spiritual energy contained within right away.”

“Judging by the flavor alone, this wine can be said to be the purest, strongest, and most intense that I’ve ever tasted!”

“It’s a notch above contemporary famous wines!”

“The price of famous wines, converted to the current Second World’s World Coins, stands at four hundred thousand World Coins per pot.”

“The price of your wine can definitely be sold for six hundred thousand World Coins a pot!”

Saying this, Yang Paiyun took the wine cup in his hand and shook it.

“The cup you poured for us is equivalent to a pot’s worth, but this wine also contains spiritual energy, which far surpasses the value of the beverage itself.”

“Judging by the extent to which the spiritual energy nourishes the body, I think the price for a pot of wine can be set around three million World Coins.”

“This vat of yours can pour at least ten pots, and selling it for thirty million World Coins a vat is definitely achievable!”

“All major forces and those who have stepped into the Order would be willing to pay for this kind of wine.”

Yang Paiyun's offer somewhat surprised Fang Mu; he had not thought the price of this wine would be so high.

Fang Mu's Sanctuary Bug Cocoon Abdominal Space contained nearly a thousand vats of this liquor; doesn't that mean Fang Mu could exchange these brewed wines for more than twenty billion World Coins just by themselves?

It's worth noting that it didn't take Fang Mu long to brew these wines; a batch could be brewed in just two or three months.

As the Sanctuary Bug Cocoon's stage constantly increased, along with the newly acquired Skills and exclusive traits, the Abdomen Environment Space became much larger.

Fang Mu could certainly brew even more delicacies within the Abdomen Environment Space.

Du Rui and Yi Han both believed that Yang Paiyun's offer was very objective; neither of them had much to say.

The wine Fang Mu offered, in terms of flavor and efficacy, has basically reached the peak transaction price.

After digesting Yang Paiyun's offer, Fang Mu directly took out thirty vats of wine from his Purple Ice Crystal Ring and said to the three.

"Ten vats each should last you a while to drink."

"Since you all love this wine so much, consider this wine a gift from me!"

"It's a way for a junior like me to express my sentiments."

Fang Mu's gesture was extremely generous; according to Yang Paiyun's price just now, Fang Mu was essentially giving away three hundred million World Coins to each person.

However, neither Yang Paiyun nor Du Rui declined Fang Mu's gift.

The wine Fang Mu sent out was equivalent to Fang Mu throwing them an olive branch; accepting the wine meant acknowledging the relationship with Fang Mu.

The reason Yang Paiyun and Du Rui came this time was not only to appease Fang Mu but also to form a good relationship with him.

Naturally, they would not miss such an opportunity.

Everyone here is dignified; having received Fang Mu's gift, they could look for another opportunity to reciprocate the favor to Fang Mu.

"Sir Jianmu, since you've said so, I'll accept it without being polite!"

"I heard that at the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's exhibition, you were interested in a Fire-Affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast. In the past, I have collected quite a number of Catastrophe Class Ghost-Beasts in various categories."

"If you are in need of a Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beast, I can bring my treasured collection for you to choose from!"

Du Rui and Yang Paiyun accepted Fang Mu's olive branch, they had to steer the conversation towards the essential matters.

They also intended to help Fang Mu as much as possible.

Du Rui and Yang Paiyun already knew what kind of character Fang Mu was; both thought that Fang Mu's nature left them with a great chance to preserve the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Fang Mu did not decline their kindness. He was interested in purchasing that Fire-Affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast from the Beast Collection Merchants' Association to select a suitable Ghost System Beast for his Third Sister Fang Yan to form a contract.

Aside from Yan Wood, Fang Qin, Fang Yuan, Hu Tao, and Jiang Tuo also needed Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts.

It was easy for Fang Mu to look for Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts, but finding those that matched several people's requirements was not an easy task.

"Then I'll thank both of you in advance. If I encounter a Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beast that I want, I'll trade with you using Spiritual Energy with a purity of eighty percent or higher, and I won't let you suffer a loss!"

"We're about to have lunch soon. Why don't you join us and also try the skills of our chef!"

Hearing this, Du Rui and Yang Paiyun exchanged glances and then simultaneously said.

"There's no need to go through the trouble for lunch, as the two of us hurried over to the Dragon Rising Federation and haven't been to visit the Shuoyang Grandmaster yet. We would like to greet the Shuoyang Grandmaster and see if we can discuss a few collaborations with the Dragon Rising Federation."

Chapter 1374: Jianmu and Dragon Soaring!_2

"Rest assured, the forces under my command will achieve a win-win result with the Dragon Rising Federation, without causing any problems in our cooperation!"

Since revealing his reputation, Qixing has always stayed within the Dragon Rising Federation, which is extremely important to Qixing!

The Dragon Rising Federation is like being under the protection of the Beast Language Federation, sheltered by Qixing.

Cooperating with the Dragon Rising Federation is also an excellent way to strengthen our relationship with Qixing.

Fang Mu noticed their intentions and said with a smile.

“If you can reach an agreement with the Dragon Rising Federation, it would naturally be a great matter for me as well.”

“You can finalize the specific cooperation details with the officials of the Dragon Rising Federation. If you come with sincerity, the cooperation between you and the Dragon Rising Federation will surely be very pleasant!”

“I wonder if I need to prepare rooms for you two in Half Mountain Manor?”

“Do you two plan to stay here for some time?”

Neither Du Rui nor Yang Paiyun had much to be busy with. After meeting with Shuoyang Grandmaster, both would return to Fang Mu.

Both of them have indeed established a good relationship with Fang Mu, but they both feel the need to deepen these relationships further.

Staying at Fang Mu’s place for some time is the best way to strengthen their mutual relationship.

Since it was Fang Mu who took the initiative to invite them to stay, it wasn’t presumptuous for them to accept.

“Since Jianmu has extended an invitation, we two will trouble you here for a while, and we can have our subordinates send those Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts here.”

“After you have selected the Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts, we will leave with our subordinates.”

Fang Mu heard this and smiled.

“Then I’ll have someone arrange guest rooms for you two!”

Before this incident, neither Yang Paiyun nor Du Rui had ever thought about cooperating with the Longteng Federation officials.

It was Fang Mu who facilitated this matter.

Yang Paiyun and Du Rui discussed two major projects with the Dragon Rising Federation, one related to building a trading channel for Guardian Beasts and the other related to the supply of Spiritual Materials.

Once these two cooperations are finalized, it will be easier for the Dragon Rising Federation to access Guardian Beasts and Spiritual Materials.

The officials of the Dragon Rising Federation give exceptional importance to this matter.

Shuoyang Grandmaster is well aware of why Yang Paiyun and Du Rui came to the Dragon Rising Federation and chose to cooperate.

Qixing and Jianmu have invisibly promoted the development of the Dragon Rising Federation.

The Dragon Rising Federation has not only once tried to reciprocate Qixing, actively proposing to share a portion of the project’s profits with Qixing.

Qixing not only refused but also set up a scholarship fund through the Jianmu Commerce Association and Jianmu Contemplation Hall.

All suitable youths in the Dragon Rising Federation who are Beast Masters, as long as they are twenty years old, can enter the Contemplation Hall under Jianmu to Comprehend Mysterious Patterns once every three years.

It's known that entering the Contemplation Hall once costs nearly two hundred thousand Dragon Rising Coins.

There are numerous twenty-year-old Beast Masters in the Dragon Rising Federation, each of them having the opportunity to avail this benefit every three years.

Such welfare is something that the Dragon Rising Federation itself cannot afford to distribute.

Once this scholarship fund is implemented, the capabilities of the Beast Masters in the Dragon Rising Federation will certainly rise a step higher after a few decades.

Qixing's words are definitely not idle talk, as the expansion of the Jianmu Contemplation Hall has already started, opening up spots gradually.

Fang Mu had just been free for a few days, having recently observed the growth of the Blue Curse Orchid, when Gu Ting, the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, arrived at the Dragon Rising Federation.

Gu Ting didn't know Fang Mu's residence, and neither Yang Paiyun nor Du Rui would tell Gu Ting the location.

Helplessly, Gu Ting had to rely on connections to find Sect Master Xiao Xiang, the president of the Creator's Guild of the Dragon Rising Federation.

Sect Master Xiao Xiang had met Gu Ting several times before, and he had helped Sect Master Xiao Xiang quite a bit when Sect Master Xiao Xiang was searching for a specific Guardian Beast.

Although Sect Master Xiao Xiang had declined Gu Ting's invitation at the time, he did not assist the Beast Collection Merchants' Association or become a backer for them.

But Sect Master Xiao Xiang remembered the favor owed to Gu Ting.

Sect Master Xiao Xiang knew that Yi Han had a deep relationship with Qixing, and Yi Han's ability to become a Grandmaster Creator was largely due to Sect Master Xiao Xiang's help.

Sect Master Xiao Xiang was confident that, when he approached Yi Han, Yi Han couldn't possibly refuse to give face.

Gu Ting had made his intentions clear; he had come to apologize to Qixing's disciple, not to seek revenge.

Taking on the role of the intermediary had absolutely no issues.

Even if Fang Mu ultimately did not choose to forgive Gu Ting, he himself would have returned Gu Ting's favor.

Yi Han, upon hearing that Gu Ting had already arrived at the Dragon Rising Federation, secretly thought that Gu Ting was quite prompt, showing that Gu Tian was a clever person!

Fang Mu was waiting for Gu Ting's arrival.

After informing Yang Paiyun and Du Rui, Yi Han brought Gu Ting before Fang Mu.

All the way there, Gu Ting was immensely anxious, especially after arriving at the Dragon Rising Federation where his anxiety doubled.

It had been a strenuous journey to face Fang Mu, and whether the Beast Collection Merchants' Association could continue to exist depended entirely on Fang Mu's next decision.

Upon seeing Fang Mu, Gu Ting immediately knelt on both knees before him and bowed deeply, saying, "I am Gu Ting, the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association of Jianmu Pavilion. I am deeply sorry for disturbing your mood in the Second World."

“That incompetent person in charge has already been executed by me, currently in the belly of my Guardian Beast.”

“I hope you can be magnanimous and overlook the minor offenses, and not compare us with the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association.”

“We, the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association, have realized our mistake. This time, I have not only brought all the exhibits from the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association, but also some of the Association’s treasured supplies.”

“May I ask if you would be interested in taking a look?”

During this, Gu Ting did not lift his head, burying it very deep.

Fang Mu had already asked She Wan to fetch Wang Longfei, as it wasn’t only Fang Mu who had been humiliated in the Second World.

Wang Longfei had received the same treatment.

So, Gu Ting’s apology shouldn’t be just to himself alone; Wang Longfei also deserved a part!

Seeing She Wan bring in Wang Longfei, Fang Mu gestured to him and then said to Gu Ting.

“Back in the Second World, it wasn’t just me who was insulted without cause, but also my friend.”

“If my friend is willing to forgive you, then let’s consider this matter settled.”

Hearing Fang Mu’s words, Wang Longfei felt profoundly moved. Fang Mu saying this showed that he really regarded him as a friend and gave significant importance to him.

Because the way Fang Mu spoke underscored that he cared about his own dignity.

Wang Longfei himself had no ability to trouble the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, and it was extraordinary that Fang Mu, capable of defending himself, still considered him.

With that, Gu Ting quickly turned to face Wang Longfei, expressing his sincere apologies.

Just as he had apologized to Fang Mu, he expressed his heartfelt regret to Wang Longfei.

Wang Longfei would certainly forgive Gu Ting; if he didn't, he would really be too unreasonable!

Wouldn't that be forcing Fang Mu to deal with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association?

Gu Ting, the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, had a reputation equal to Wang Longfei's own grandfather, and could even possibly be stronger.

After all, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association was an official power of the Beast Language Federation, representing it.

While the Wang Family was merely part of the Dragon Rising Federation, financially speaking, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association earned much more than the Wang Family.

Wang Longfei gave no reply to Gu Ting, only nodding at Fang Mu.

Signaling to Fang Mu that he no longer dwelled on the matter.

Seeing Wang Longfei's gesture, Fang Mu then said to Gu Ting, who was still kneeling on the ground.

"My friend has forgiven you, do stand up."

"As for whether I truly forgive you, it depends on whether you have brought all the exhibits here."

“Among these exhibits, if there is the Fire-Affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast that I should have outright bought...”

Chapter 1375: Fang Xiaomu Becomes a Worshipped Figure!

Gu Ting, upon hearing Fang Mu tell him to stand up, still didn't dare to immediately rise.

Instead, he bowed again toward Fang Mu before standing up and speaking.

“Sir Jianmu, not only did I bring over the fire-affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast that caught your eye, but I also plan to offer it as a gift to you directly.”

“I only hope that you won't find it inadequate!”

“Just wait for your examination, I can assure you that the fire-affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast I brought is indeed the one you were interested in.”

“This exhibit was set by the people of Qianmang Villa. The people of Qianmang Villa did not follow the rules and privately decided on the exhibit with the person in charge from Beast Collection Merchants' Association; from now on, we will refuse any form of cooperation with Qianmang Villa.”

Upon hearing these words, Fang Mu directly spoke with a cold voice.

“It's none of my business who the Beast Collection Merchants' Association decides to work with or not. It is up to your association to make that decision.”

“As for myself, the only person who has offended me is the responsible person from your Beast Collection Merchants' Association, not Qianmang Villa.”

“I presume a power that gathers weavers won't come looking for trouble with me proactively.”

Fang Mu's tone was very light, but Wang Longfei could faintly sense Fang Mu's dissatisfaction from his words.

The words spoken by Gu Ting, the Chairman of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, sounded like he was trying to shirk responsibility.

It was as if he was trying to redirect Fang Mu's dissatisfaction with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association toward Qianmang Villa.

If Gu Ting truly harbored such thoughts, then he was somewhat treating Fang Mu like a fool.

Although Fang Mu was young, he wouldn't be guided by Gu Ting in this way.

Truly, Gu Ting's actions instead made him seem very unwise.

When coming to apologize to Fang Mu, Gu Ting should not have treated Fang Mu like just a youngster.

Fang Mu's dissatisfaction with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, as he said, was due to the association's person in charge insulting Fang Mu, even wanting to check both his own and Fang Mu's wallets!

Prior to this, Fang Mu hadn't bothered to argue with the person in charge from the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Fang Mu let Gu Ting express an apology on behalf of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, and Fang Mu did not have a very bad impression of Gu Ting.

However, after Gu Ting said these things, Fang Mu's impression of him certainly would not be favorable.

Gu Ting also picked up on the meaning in Fang Mu's words, which made Gu Ting silently curse the situation in his heart.

When he brought up Qianmang Villa, he was filled with righteous indignation as if he was considering Fang Mu's feelings, but Fang Mu didn't buy his act!

Realizing his error, Gu Ting dared not play any more clever tricks and hurriedly brought out the fire-affinity Disaster-Level Ghost-Beast, handing it over to Fang Mu.

"Sir Jianmu, what you said is correct. Qianmang Villa naturally would not dare to harbor such an idea."

"It's our Beast Collection Merchants' Association's fault for not managing our person in charge properly. In the future, our association will certainly restrain these managers to prevent similar situations from occurring!"

"Sir Jianmu, I would like to invite you to become a patron of our Beast Collection Merchants' Association, to supervise our association."

"Every year, I will set aside ten percent of the net profits of Beast Collection Merchants' Association to give to you, and all of our association's Beast Resources will be prioritized for your search and use!"

"May I know your opinion on this?"

If saying that the previous attempt to deflect blame was a spur-of-the-moment idea by Gu Ting, then this invitation to Fang Mu was a decision made by Gu Ting after much consideration.

Gu Ting made this decision with three considerations in mind. The first was to hope that by doing this, he could completely appease Fang Mu.

To prevent Fang Mu from blaming the Beast Collection Merchants' Association in the future.

The second consideration was to mitigate the impact of this incident on the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

If Fang Mu became a patron of the association, it would be as though having a connection with the Saint Creator Qixing.

This would not only prevent the association's clients from refusing to trade with them but would actually prompt them to seek cooperation with the association even more.

The additional resources that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association would thus earn would definitely be more than the ten percent that would be given to Fang Mu every year.

The third layer of consideration revolved around the Grandmaster Creators Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, who were planning to exercise strict control over the Beast Collection Merchants' Association because of this incident.

They would intervene in the management affairs of the association.

The Beast Collection Merchants' Association had always depended on the Grandmaster Creators Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, this was without a doubt.

But Gu Ting also had concerns, fearing that if Du Rui and Yang Paiyun's involvement was too extensive, they might directly assign their assistants to work within the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Gu Ting did not want to have to consult the assistants of the two before managing the association.

The Grandmaster Creators Du Rui and Yang Paiyun were reasonable and understanding in their actions, but their assistants might not necessarily be so reasonable.

Having Fang Mu become a patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association would help suppress the influence of Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, and also ensure that even if something happened in the future, they would not easily abandon the association.

His proposal seemed to entail some loss, but in reality, it was a good plan benefiting multiple parties!

Wang Longfei was very surprised to hear this. The resources earned by the Beast Collection Merchants' Association every year could certainly be described as vast, with ten percent of the net profit amounting to several hundred million World Coins, or even more!

In Wang Longfei's perspective, there was no reason for Fang Mu to refuse the offer.

Indeed, Wang Longfei was from a prominent family, but he was not a helmsman of a major power, and he could not grasp the deeper implications of this.

Wang Longfei couldn't think of it, but Fang Mu certainly could.

Fang Mu looked at Gu Ting with an amused expression, silently noting that Gu Ting was quite the schemer.

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However, those who dare to make such choices have the foundation to do great things, and Fang Mu is willing to fulfill Gu Ting's aspirations.

Because Fang Mu values the Beast Resources of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Jianmu Contemplation Halls are blooming everywhere in the Dragon Rising Federation, with at least one hall being established in the top five cities of each province.

Creating Jianmu Contemplation Halls is a good move, and Fang Yuan has been vigorously discovering talents and introducing these exceptional people to the Jianmu Commerce Association for training.

Then, these trained managers are deployed to various branches of the Jianmu Contemplation Halls.

The issue of manpower is easy to solve, but finding high-quality Guardian Beasts is indeed very difficult.

The quality of a Contemplation Hall primarily depends on the Beast Bloodline and levels nurtured within the hall.

By becoming a patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, the resources of the association will be prioritized for oneself; thus, the difficulties faced by the Jianmu Contemplation Halls are essentially resolved.

Fang Mu accepts Wang Longfei's invitation to participate in the grand opening of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association not only to view the exhibits but more importantly, to find suitable Guardian Beasts in bulk for the Jianmu Commerce Association.

"Letting me become a patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association is negotiable. If I become a patron, you are clearer than I am about how much benefit your association can gain."

"I don't need your Beast Collection Merchants' Association to distribute more profits for me, but when I express the need for a certain Guardian Beast, your association should prioritize my request and find what I need."

"I need to obtain the right to use the channels of your Beast Collection Merchants' Association."

Upon hearing Fang Mu's conditions, Gu Ting did not hesitate and agreed immediately.

What Gu Ting values is different from what Fang Mu values; Gu Ting is focused on profit.

The Beast Collection Merchants' Association needs these profits to give back to the Beast Language Federation, and, compared to profit, the channels for acquiring resources are not as important anymore.

When Fang Mu uses the channels of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, he will undoubtedly purchase a large number of Guardian Beasts from the association.

This in itself will bring huge benefits to the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

As a disciple of a Saint Creator, Fang Mu will certainly not take Guardian Beasts from the association without giving something in return.

His position as a patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association makes him a major customer as well.

Gu Ting immediately replied.

"Of course, that's not a problem at all!"

"Sir Jianmu, whatever your needs are for Guardian Beast resources in the future, just speak to me, and I am confident that our Beast Collection Merchants' Association will be able to satisfy you."

"In terms of Beast Resources, there are hardly any organizations that can do better than our association!"

When Gu Ting spoke these words, he was very serious and certain, showing the confidence and capital that the association possessed.

Seeing Gu Ting's straightforward approval, Fang Mu directly said,

"If that's the case, I am now a patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association."

"Before I take a look at those exhibits you've brought, I'd like to trade with the Beast Collection Merchants' Association for the supplies listed."

After saying this, Fang Mu handed over the list that Fang Yuan had previously organized to Gu Ting.

Since the Jianmu Contemplation Halls need a great number of Guardian Beasts, the list was organized like a booklet.

Gu Ting carefully examined the list Fang Mu handed over.

The Beast Collection Merchants' Association indeed had all the Guardian Beasts listed, but the quantity Fang Mu wanted was really too much.

So much that the association would face great pressure and need a lot of time to supply these Guardian Beasts.

The amount of Guardian Beast transactions would be equivalent to several years of the association's usual trade volume.

This Guardian Beast trade deal had reached the scale of tens of billions of World Coins in terms of capital.

Priding himself on the association just a moment ago, Gu Ting now had to face the association's shortcomings.

"Sir Jianmu, both the variety and number of Guardian Beasts you wish to trade are indeed too extensive, and our association's stock of Guardian Beasts is simply not enough."

"To gather these Guardian Beasts, we would need at least two months and also face great financial pressure."

"I hope you can offer some financial support to our Association, and I will strive to complete this order within a month and a half!"

Gu Ting really wanted to offer Fang Mu some benefits when Fang Mu proposed the trade.

It's just that the strength of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association did not allow Gu Ting to do so.

Not to mention the insufficient funds of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, even if they could meet the requirements, mobilizing such a huge amount of funds would definitely affect the operation of the association.

Even as the president, Gu Ting did not have the ability to make such a promise.

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu raised his eyebrows.

When Gu Ting mentioned that the order could be completed within two months, Fang Mu was already very surprised in his heart.

Later, Gu Ting further compressed the time to one and a half months, which secretly stunned Fang Mu with regards to the capabilities of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

The Beast Collection Merchants' Association truly is a force that has deeply cultivated in the Beast trade for so many years.

"I am trading with your Beast Collection Merchants' Association, not asking for resources from you, your association can trade these Guardian Beasts to me in batches."

"Every batch of Guardian Beasts that comes to my hands will be settled immediately, so it won't affect the cash flow of your association."

Having said so, Fang Mu took out a card.

In the Beastmaster world, there is actually no unified currency, as the currency resources used by various federations differ.

There are many differences in exchange rates when converting currencies between different federations.

With the emergence of the second world and the popularization of World Coins, the Beastmaster world has a unified currency, and also issued a stored-value card that can store World Coins.

With this card, in any federation's second world office, one can exchange for the federation's currency at an extremely high rate with World Coins.

“There are twenty billion World Coins inside, let’s use it as the start-up capital for the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association to fulfill this order!”

“This is my first collaboration with your Beast Collection Merchants’ Association, I trust that you will not disappoint me!”

Gu Ting joyfully accepted the card that Fang Mu handed over.

With these twenty billion in start-up capital, the deal with Fang Mu would no longer have any impact on the cash flow of the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association.

The Beast Collection Merchants’ Association’s extensive search and purchase of Guardian Beasts from the outside world is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate strength.

The Beast Collection Merchants’ Association itself needs such opportunities to demonstrate its competitiveness.

After discussing the trade-related matters with Fang Mu, Gu Ting swiftly took out the remaining exhibits.

While picking them up, he thoughtfully explained to Fang Mu.

“Sir Jianmu, since some of the exhibits include Vicious Beasts, they might be quite noisy, please pardon the disturbance!”

Fang Mu had already begun to use his Innate Divine Skill [Eye of Omniscience] granted by Fool’s Shadow to investigate these exhibits when Gu Ting took them out.

Fang Mu’s standards had become increasingly high, and none of the Spiritual Materials caught his interest upon inspection.

There are two reasons why Fang Mu was not interested; first, the elixirs concocted from these Spiritual Materials were not as effective as Fang Mu's Blood Aged Wine.

Secondly, these Spiritual Materials had extremely demanding storage conditions, and Fang Mu did not want to spend time and energy on storing such materials.

The sixth exhibit was a Sacred Relic, which simply could not be compared to the Sakura fall that Fang Mu had traded before.

It also could not compare to the Sacred Relics that Fang Mu had provided for Fang Yuan, Yan Wood, and Fang Qin.

More importantly, this Sacred Relic was a mustelid Guardian Beast, and the method by which it helped the Beast Master enhance their spiritual power was through a scent released from a gland of this creature named Honey Essence Mustela.

This scent was key to boosting the spiritual power of a Beast Master.

However, the scent released by the Honey Essence Mustela gland was truly foul, and both Wang Longfei and Fang Mu could not help but cover their noses now.

Besides the unappealing method of aiding the enhancement of spiritual power, what's more, significant was that the Honey Essence Mustela did not have the potential for metamorphosis.

Even so, such a Sacred Relic was still pursued by all parties in the present world.

Gu Ting continued to bring out subsequent exhibits.

When he moved out a metal cage, Fang Mu's eyes lit up, and he was immediately captivated by the Guardian Beast inside the cage.

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The Guardian Beast in this cage was lying breathlessly inside, its body bound by layers of dark silver chains.

A long needle was inserted into its back, with a potion bottle hanging high above on the needle.

This scene reminded Fang Mu of the IV drips he had for cold and fever in his previous life.

The ferocious beast in the cage clearly couldn't even move, yet its eyes still revealed an untamed spirit.

Its eyes were fiercer and more domineering than any Dragon Beast Fang Mu had ever seen before.

This Dragon Beast was controlled in this manner, indicating it must be extremely precious.

Otherwise, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association wouldn't bother with such a troublesome affair for no reason.

Gu Ting had been keeping an eye on Fang Mu while presenting various items, and upon noticing Fang Mu's interest in the Dragon Beast, he quickly introduced it to him.

"Sir Jianmu, this Everchanging Burrowing Dragon isn't actually an original exhibit, I've also brought some choice items that the Beast Collection Merchants' Association have not displayed before."

"This Everchanging Burrowing Dragon is one of them!"

"Unlike typical Dragon Beasts, which inherit their properties through bloodline, the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon underwent a transformation by chance after consuming a large amount of flesh and spinal marrow from a primary Dragon Species, under the nourishment of the world's natural forces."

While Gu Ting was introducing the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon, Fang Mu had already used his Innate Divine Skill [Eye of Omniscience] granted by the Fool's Shadow to examine the data on the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon.

Indeed, as Gu Ting said, an Insect Beast would need to absorb a large amount of Dragon Bloodline and even consume a substantial amount of dragon marrow to possibly undergo the transformation.

And this transformation requires a lot of external conditions.

For example, the bloodline of this Insect Beast itself must be exceptionally strong.

Otherwise, it would not survive consuming the dragon's flesh as it would burst from the energy within the flesh!

Out of a thousand Insect Beasts given this chance, it would be remarkable for one or two to successfully transform.

The Everchanging Burrowing Dragon is a Guardian Beast with extremely strong combat capabilities, adept in close combat using Elemental Energy.

Most remarkably, it possesses no innate attributes, and its properties change according to the elemental concentration of its environment.

This ensures that the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon always has plenty of Elemental Energy to use in battle.

In a sense, this unique trait makes it unaffected by elemental suppression in combat.

Besides combat capabilities, the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon can also enhance other Dragon Beasts.

Its presence can effectively improve the energy recovery and self-healing abilities of Dragon Beasts.

This Everchanging Burrowing Dragon was even more suitable for Fang Qin than Fang Mu.

The Subduing Dragon Nightmare Tiger does have Primary Dragon Bloodline in its tails, but it is a Tiger Type Familiar, not a Dragon Beast.

The amplification ability of the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon is ineffective on the Subduing Dragon Nightmare Tiger.

All the Guardian Beasts contracted by Fang Qin are of the Dragon race, and the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon being contracted by Fang Qin could significantly elevate both Fang Qin's strength and strategic value.

Fang Mu had decided to acquire this Everchanging Burrowing Dragon!

Before acquiring it, Fang Mu had one thing to clarify: why would the Beast Collection Merchants' Association treat the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon in such a manner.

Even a Vicious Beast wouldn't need such strict control, would it?

The elixirs continuously infused into the body of Everchanging Burrowing Dragon are most likely sedative in nature.

Gu Ting had guessed Fang Mu would probably ask this question, and he spoke seriously.

"Sir Jianmu, this Everchanging Burrowing Dragon is extremely defiant in nature, and even a Golden Stage Guardian Beast couldn't break this darksteel cage."

"Let alone this Silver Stage Everchanging Burrowing Dragon!"

"It is impossible for the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon to harm anyone in the cage; we're not worried about it hurting people."

"What we're worried about is the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon harming itself!"

“Previously, because control was insufficient, and no Dark Silver Lock was used to bind it, the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon absorbed Fire Elemental Energy and burnt through the chains on itself.”

“It almost killed itself!”

“Ever since that incident, we’ve adopted this method of controlling the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon.”

“The elixirs being infused into the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon are nutritional potions formulated by one of our Association’s Senior Creators, laced with sedative and paralytic components.”

“If you can’t find an appropriate Contractor for the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon immediately, I suggest you also control it in this way!”

Fang Mu nodded in understanding upon hearing this.

Indeed, some Guardian Beasts, due to their temperaments and the nature of their bloodline, tend to harm themselves when captured by humans and can’t stand the confinement.

Like the small creatures Fang Mu collected with his research team in his previous life, they were poorly suited to captivity in containers and frequently died.

The fact that Fang Mu had his eye on this Everchanging Burrowing Dragon was quite a Blessing.

Otherwise, who knows how long it would remain in such a state under the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association.

For such precious Guardian Beasts, the Merchants’ Association would never sell them casually.

“How much is the fixed price for this Everchanging Burrowing Dragon?”

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Gu Ting did not immediately make an offer to Fang Mu, but pondered for a long while before speaking.

“Sir Jianmu, if you are interested in this Everchanging Burrowing Dragon, I can gift it to you!”

“It would also serve as a sincere expression of my apologies to you once again!”

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu didn’t even consider it and shook his head directly.

“I won’t just trade this single Guardian Beast with you. It is already a favor that you brought more of your Beast Collection Merchants’ Association’s collection here.”

“Buying these Guardian Beasts outright is to provide your Beast Collection Merchants’ Association with more funds to help me collect the Guardian Beasts I want.”

Hearing Fang Mu’s words, Gu Ting felt some regret as it was clear that Fang Mu did not accept his favor.

But at the same time, Gu Ting was also relieved because the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon was extraordinarily precious.

Allowing Gu Ting to gift such a precious item meant he had to consider how to explain it to the other managers of the Beast Language Federation upon his return.

Gu Ting had several competitors within the Beast Language Federation, and these competitors would pressure him regarding this matter.

If Gu Ting wanted to please Fang Mu, he would have to pay out of his own pocket, and doing so to gift the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon would create great pressure for Gu Ting himself.

“Sir Jianmu, you should know, although I am the head of the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association, I am also a councilor of the Beast Language Federation.”

“There is more than one councilor in the Beast Language Federation, and the minimum price I can offer you is 1.2 billion World Coins.”

“This Everchanging Burrowing Dragon is worth as much as four Heaven-disaster-level Fire Attribute Ghost Series Beasts.”

Fang Mu found Gu Ting’s offer quite reasonable and did not haggle with him.

“I’ll take this Everchanging Burrowing Dragon, and we’ll settle the rest later, keep bringing out the other exhibits!”

Hearing this, Gu Ting hurriedly continued to bring out the exhibits one by one, among which were several Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts.

However, these Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts were not suitable for Fang Mu or the people around him at the moment.

Nevertheless, Fang Mu decided to keep these Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts as reserves for the Infinite Tower.

Maybe they could be useful again in the future.

In any case, the Infinite Tower will continue to have strong and outstanding young members join the ranks.

Just then, a loud buzzing sound that made Fang Mu’s eardrums ache rang out.

Wang Longfei yelled out involuntarily from the shock of the buzzing.

Gu Ting quickly looked apologetically towards Fang Mu and Wang Longfei.

“Sir Jianmu, this is a Vicious Beast on display from our Beast Collection Merchants’ Association, the sound just now was from its wing flapping.”

“This creature usually flaps its wings only once a day; I did not expect it to flap its wings suddenly.”

“Fortunately, this cage has a lot of soundproof Spiritual Materials added; otherwise, the sound of its wings might cause people’s ears to ring!”

Fang Mu did not care about this and ignored Gu Ting’s explanation.

Under the exploration of the Eye of Omniscience, Fang Mu discovered that this Vicious Beast was called Reincarnation Bundled Cicada.

There are two standards for judging a Vicious Beast, one is that the Vicious Beast itself has boundless reproductive capabilities, and the other is that the individual Vicious Beast can cause irreversible destruction.

The ability of the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada clearly belonged to the latter category, but its destructiveness was not small compared to the former.

The Reincarnation Bundled Cicada has no vision, no hearing, only a perceptive ability for the energy around it.

The Reincarnation Bundled Cicada instinctively flies towards the strongest energy source within its range, lands on the body of the target, and then injects its abdominal needle into the body of the target.

Following that, the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada would then demonstrate its special ability, making the target connected to it undergo reincarnation.

Causing the living being to return to its newborn state.

While the energy accumulated during the life form's growth would be drawn into the body of the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada, the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada feeds on a portion of this energy, then releases the remaining energy in the form of sonic bundles.

This causes energy whirlpools and massive explosions.

The Reincarnation Bundled Cicada uses the propulsive force of explosions to travel to far-off places, then resumes its foraging.

Yet creatures influenced by the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada and trapped in its cycles do not have their lives reset, as their lifespans do not continue to increase.

On the Vicious Beast list, the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada is rated as A-class.

Should the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada possess a strong reproduction capability, it could be classified as a super S-rank Vicious Beast.

The reason why Reincarnation Bundled Cicada can travel using explosions is due to its capability for elemental immunity.

The Reincarnation Bundled Cicada fears physical attacks, which allows it to trigger at least nearly thirty explosions with just one flap of its wings per day!

The more Fang Mu studies the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada, the more he perceives its worthiness for a contract.

In Fang Mu's hands, the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada would not be treated as an ordinary Guardian Beast, but as a secret weapon.

Using the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada against strong opponents might yield unexpectedly effective results.

Currently at a lower tier, the Reincarnation Bundled Cicada might acquire other abilities as it evolves and ascends in rank.

As item after item is presented, the number of exhibits has now exceeded sixty.

Fang Mu knows that Gu Ting must be nearly done presenting his items.

Suddenly, Gu Ting spoke to Fang Mu as if he was revealing a treasure.

“Sir Jianmu, I have a beastmaster here that our Beast Collection Merchants’ Association obtained through special channels.”

“I will give you this beastmaster only if you agree to become a patron of the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association.”

“This beastmaster has a significant background, and I believe you might have heard of it.”

Not wanting to keep Fang Mu in suspense, Gu Ting immediately presented a potted plant.

Planted in this aqua-colored Plain Jade Basin was a slender, arrow-like orchid.

This orchid had only four or five sparse leaves, but fortunately, a butterfly-like lavender flower blossomed from the grown leaves.

Fang Mu recognized the name of this plant-type beastmaster without even using the Eye of Omniscience.

“It’s the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid! The inherited Guardian Beast of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley!”

Hearing Fang Mu name the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid immediately, Gu Ting wasn't very surprised.

The name of this ancient inherited Guardian Beast, Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid, is very well-known, and there is visual information available to the public.

Due to its need to absorb pure spiritual energy for growth, it's extremely difficult for the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid to advance in tiers.

Fortunately, the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid can absorb energy from plant species with the same bloodline, completing its evolution and enhancing its bloodline.

This makes each succession in Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley brutally ruthless.

Each Valley Master of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley rose to power upon the blood of their kin, but this method ensures that every Valley Master is an exceptional fighter.

"Sir Jianmu, our association acquiring this Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid is truly coincidental. The Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley is unaware of its existence here; otherwise, they would have sent someone to reclaim it long ago."

"The strength of the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid is undeniable. With it, you can freely control any butterfly beastmaster."

"Every Valley Master of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley enters battle with a flurry of hundreds of butterflies, typically achieving an invincible status at their tier."

"If you are interested in the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid, Master Qixing, with his pure spiritual energy, could cultivate it for you, and its potential might not be lower than what it could achieve by absorbing energy from the same bloodline type."

Gu Ting quickly added another statement.

“Please rest assured, I don’t intend to provoke a conflict between you and the Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley by offering this. If this news really got out, even if Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid is not in the hands of the Beast Collection Merchants’ Association...”

“Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley, considering Master Qixing, would hesitate to target you, but would surely target our association!”

Fang Mu was indeed tempted when he saw the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid.

Fang Mu didn’t even need to use Covenant Blood Essence to contract the Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid; he merely needed to plant it in the exclusive terrain of Above the Green Field in Eden Dreamland.

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Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid, when it comes down to it, is quite similar to a Heavenly Disaster Level Ghost Series Summoning Beast.

Heavenly Disaster Level Ghost Series Summoning Beasts control undead creatures, while Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid controls one butterfly Beastmaster after another.

Contracting a Heavenly Disaster Level Ghost Series Summoning Beast requires nurturing Undead Species Beasts, and those butterfly Beastmasters controlled by Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid also need to be cultivated.

All resources of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley are given priority to the Valley Master, allowing the Valley Master to manifest a spectacle of hundreds of butterflies fluttering simultaneously in battle.

If Fang Mu is willing to spend resources to nurture Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid and take control of many butterfly Beastmasters.

With Fang Mu’s ability to produce resources, it’s not impossible for him to create a scene of thousands of butterflies in flight during battle!

For those who don't have sufficient resources on hand, even if they come across a creature like Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid, they can only admire from afar and not dare to entertain the idea of using Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid.

This is one of the reasons why Beast Collection Merchants' Association did not assimilate Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid internally.

Of course, in addition to this, Beast Collection Merchants' Association's consideration of the relationship with Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley also plays a significant role.

Fang Mu now has Lian Dai as his Dao Protector, and although Lian Dai cannot always be by his side, she is capable of rushing over at the first sign of danger to Fang Mu.

There's no need for Lian Dai to step in; Jun Feng, an Order peak level strongman, can help Fang Mu solve any intrusion from Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley.

At the Contract Garden gathering, Fang Mu learned many tidbits of information, including that the Valley Master of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley is on good terms with several Grandmaster Creators.

The overall strength of the Valley Master of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley is only at the Peak of Order and has not yet broken through to Gods' Domain.

It's said that the Valley Master of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley's life is nearing its end, and the valley is accelerating the selection process for the younger generation.

It's rumored that there are numerous outstanding individuals among the younger generation of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley, and intense internal competition and frequent bloody conflicts are expected to occur.

Fang Mu has no fondness for a force that is indifferent to such internal affairs.

When the younger generation within a force has to guard against each other, the relations between members are destined to be extremely unstable.

Fortunately, every Valley Master of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley possesses absolutely formidable strength; otherwise, it would be hard to ensure that members do not rebel.

In the Beastmaster world, countless forces have experienced internal strife.

Truth Hall is currently undergoing an internal struggle with Fang Mu's silent support from behind.

"I believe your Beast Collection Merchants' Association will not continue to err after making the right choice; as for me, what can the current Valley Master of Adoring Butterfly Fairy Valley do even if he knows I possess Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid?"

"If the Valley Master truly wishes to vent anger, it will undoubtedly be towards your Beast Collection Merchants' Association."

"If there's nothing new, I'll take all six Heaven Calamity Ghost Series Beasts, the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon, and Reincarnation Resounding Sculpted Cicada, this plant of Fondly Butterfly Immortal Orchid, as well as those dozen or so Blood River Irises."

"Help me calculate the price; after that, I'll have the funds transferred to your hands immediately."

"Even if I don't have enough World Coins on hand, I'll settle the payment with the market value in Grandmaster Creator resources."

"Rest assured, collaborating with me will not bring losses to your Beast Collection Merchants' Association!"

Hearing this, Gu Ting hurriedly responded.

"Sir, I am fully aware of what you've said. How could you possibly let us suffer losses!?"

"I will give you the lowest price within my authority."

Compared to World Coins, any force would undoubtedly prefer to receive Grandmaster Creator resources; Beast Collection Merchants' Association usually obtains very limited Grandmaster Creator resources from Du Rui and Yang Paiyun.

The actual cost of exchange is also significantly higher than the market price.

In the Beastmaster world, obtaining stable Grandmaster Creator resources is an exceedingly difficult task, and the core members of Beast Collection Merchants' Association need these resources to enhance their strength.

Not only that, but a large portion of these Grandmaster Creator resources obtained by Beast Collection Merchants' Association also has to be handed over to the Beast Language Federation.

From this transaction, Gu Ting managed to find a way to appropriate the Grandmaster Creation Elixir for himself, keeping it in his own hands.

Having served as the president of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association for many years, Gu Ting also had his own desires regarding the Beast Language Federation.

Indeed, as he said, Gu Ting gave Fang Mu the lowest price, and She Wan transferred the resources to him.

In addition to World Coins, there were twenty-five bottles of Life Elixir with a purity of 90% and a bottle of Spiritual Elixir with a purity of 80%.

Gu Ting was astonished by the amount of Grandmaster Creator resources Fang Mu used for the exchange; Gu Ting felt joy but also pressure.

Because for Gu Ting to digest such a quantity of Grandmaster Creator resources in one go was indeed challenging.

Gu Ting planned to look for connections; even if he couldn't keep it all, he would at least try to retain eighty percent!

When leaving Half Mountain Manor, Gu Ting's expression was completely different from when he arrived, his face full of joy.

Not only did this trip resolve troubles and leverage the relationship with the Qixing Disciple of Saint Creator, but it also meant that Du Rui and Yang Paiyun, two Grandmaster Creators, could continue to stay within the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

Moreover, Du Rui and Yang Paiyun could not fully intervene in the affairs of Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

In this turmoil, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association emerged as the biggest winner!

After returning, the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's shop in the second world could reopen.

The fact that the Qixing Disciple of Saint Creator became a patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association is something Yang Paiyun would personally call and inform those big clients of the Merchants' Association.

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As for Yu Yi's death, it gave Gu Ting a severe warning. Gu Ting would take this as a cautionary tale and strictly constrain the other members within the Beast Collection Merchants' Association to prevent similar incidents from happening again.

Jianmu didn't make things difficult for the Beast Collection Merchants' Association; he could be considered quite reasonable.

After all, if they managed to offend someone who was unyielding even when in the right, where would the Beast Collection Merchants' Association get the power to seek forgiveness?

The most critical issue was, with Fang Mu becoming the patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, wouldn't similar troubles occurring again be equivalent to the Beast Collection Merchants' Association courting trouble for Fang Mu?

By then, the Blessing that they had obtained through misfortune might once again turn into disaster!

Yang Paiyun and Du Rui quickly learned the news of Fang Mu becoming the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's patron.

The Beast Collection Merchants' Association was a force supported by Yang Paiyun and Du Rui. Given that they had already planned to connect with Jianmu through Qixing, Jianmu becoming the patron of the Beast Collection Merchants' Association meant they now had an additional channel to communicate with Fang Mu.

This was something Yang Paiyun and Du Rui were more than happy about!

If Yang Paiyun and Du Rui knew about Gu Ting's concerns, they would certainly find his worries both naive and laughable.

Yang Paiyun and Du Rui did indeed say they would manage the Beast Collection Merchants' Association, but their goal in managing the association was not to snatch power from Gu Ting's hands.

They wanted to keep the Beast Collection Merchants' Association in check, ensuring it wouldn't bring trouble to them in the future.

The Beast Collection Merchants' Association was just one of the forces they supported; their focus wasn't really on it.

With Fang Mu becoming the Beast Collection Merchants' Association's patron and the association earning more money because of this, there would be more returns for both Yang Paiyun and Du Rui. This matter could be considered perfectly resolved.

Fang Mu made his way directly to The Capital. Meanwhile, Lu Yuyu was still the Executor sent by the Beastmaster Alliance to JA City.

However, it was clear that Lu Yuyu's mind hadn't been on his duties as an Executor recently; otherwise, he wouldn't have neglected his responsibilities to the extent of not even showing up for work!

Basking in the light of Jianmu Commerce Association and the Jianmu conceptual project, the Lu Family's Keystone Construction had evidently become one of the new elite forces within the Dragon Rising Federation.

Fang Mu's arrival at The Capital was not announced in advance to Fang Yuan, Fang Qin, and Yan Wood.

Fang Mu's visit came just at the right time; both Fang Qin and Yan Wood were with Fang Yuan.

Seeing Fang Mu, Yan Wood immediately ran over and messed up Fang Mu's hair.

"Little Wood, I've found that we meet less now than when I first came to study in The Capital."

"Just remember to send me more messages even when you're out!"

Yan Wood grew up with Fang Mu, and given their close ages, their way of interacting was different from how Fang Mu interacted with Fang Yuan and Fang Qin.

Fang Yuan and Fang Qin definitely wouldn't start by messing up Fang Mu's hair.

But this somewhat annoying behavior in the eyes of others was precisely what illustrated the close relationship between Fang Mu and Yan Wood.

Only in front of Yan Wood would Fang Mu show this childlike side of himself.

“Third Sister, you were always busy with Club Guild matters when I was around before, how’s the Club Guild doing now?”

Yan Wood chuckled.

“Little Wood, do you still remember that management team you helped me find? With them around, I don’t have to worry about the club’s affairs at all!”

“They manage everything so orderly that I can focus more on improving my personal strength.”

“My Combat Capability has become much stronger than before!”

Yan Wood sounded very proud when speaking of her situation.

It was because her increase in Combat Capability had just recently been praised by Yi Han.

Fang Qin walked up with a smile, began to tidy Fang Mu’s hair, and said somewhat helplessly to Yan Wood.

“Xiao Yan, I reckon your strength is mostly no longer a match for Little Wood now!”

“Even Little Far and I might not be able to beat Little Wood!”

“Little Wood, if I’m not mistaken, Yan Luo must be you, right?”

Hearing Fang Qin’s words, Fang Mu wasn’t surprised in the slightest; even Hu Tao could recognize him, so it was natural that his elder sister Fang Qin could too.

“Yes, big sister, Yan Luo is one of my alternative identities.”

Fang Yuan was preoccupied with too many matters, so even though he was not as wholly devoted to the management of Jianmu Commerce Association and Jianmu meditation as before, at the end of the day, it was still Fang Yuan who had to make the decisions.

Thus, Fang Yuan didn't enter the second world immediately after it opened!

But even so, Fang Yuan had heard the name Yan Luo.

Many top brass within the Jianmu Commerce Association were discussing news about Yan Luo, saying that this Yan Luo, who dominated the under-20 age group in the Battle Network, was a person from the Dragon Rising Federation.

Originally, Fang Yuan planned to investigate Yan Luo once he was less busy, for whether Yan Luo was from the Dragon Rising Federation or not, being in the under-20 age group made them a competitor to Fang Mu.

However, before Fang Yuan could look into it, he heard the news that Yan Luo was an alias of Fang Mu.

Yan Wood, having been in seclusion during this time, was unaware of the situation in the second world as described by Fang Qin.

During the time Fang Mu was active on the Battle Network, Yan Wood had focused on auditions across various Club Guilds.

Yan Wood didn't inquire further but made a mental note to investigate Yan Luo upon entering the second world.

When Fang Qin said she was no match for Fang Mu, Yan Wood, despite her competitiveness, had no intention of refuting it.

Yan Wood had long since acknowledged this fact.

Fang Mu had already demonstrated strength on the Battle Network that she couldn't hope to match.

Fang Yuan was the sibling who communicated with Fang Mu the most regularly and was acutely aware of how busy Fang Mu was.

Fang Yuan spoke directly to Fang Mu.

"Little Wood, did you come here to discuss something specific?"

Fang Mu replied leisurely with a stretch, "Second brother, I've been really busy lately, and I plan to take the opportunity now to rest properly."

"You should also make sure to balance work and rest on your side!"

"I'm here this time to prepare some things for you. The internal selection of the Dragon Rising Federation is about to begin."

"It's always good to prepare a bit more before the internal selection."

"I've found a Catastrophe Class Ghost System Beast that's perfect for Third Sister and a Dragon race Guardian Beast that would suit you, big sister, to enhance your overall strength."

"Second brother, it's time for you to make a covenant with a Ghost System Beast. In the next few days, someone will bring over a large number of Ghost System Beasts for you to choose from."

"Among the hundreds of Catastrophe Class Ghost System Beasts, you will surely be able to find one that suits you for covenant-making."

Having said that, Fang Mu took out the Ghost System Beast and the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon that he had just traded from the Beast Collection Merchants' Association.

The eyes of all four were instantly drawn to the Everchanging Burrowing Dragon.

The Everchanging Burrowing Dragon, looking miserable tied up with Shadow Chains inside a cage, made its fierceness and aggressiveness all the more precious against the backdrop of its plight.

Fang Qin always admired such Guardian Beasts.

“Little Wood, why is this dragon beast controlled like this? Should we release him?”

Fang Mu didn’t explain much but responded to Fang Qin with a smile.

“Big sister, once you make a covenant with it and it becomes your Guardian Beast, we will naturally have no need to control it anymore.”

“Big sister, go ahead and covenant with this Dragon race Guardian Beast first, and afterwards, I will provide resources for training this Dragon race Guardian Beast. I aim to enhance it to Diamond Level Ten before the selection.”

“This way, at your age group, you will both be elite figures.”

“After all, no Beast Master under thirty has reached the Six-Polar Star rank capable of elevating a Guardian Beast to Sequential Rank, so Diamond Level Ten is already the limit!”

“Big sister, among the Ghost System Beasts that will be delivered in a couple of days, you can also choose one with the Water attribute or Earth attribute to make a covenant with.”

“In terms of actual combat capability enhancement, Ghost System Beasts are indeed stronger than normal Guardian Beasts.”

“In fact, even if you both wish to covenant with summoning-type Catastrophe Class Ghost System Beasts, we can afford it.”