

## Hidden 1731

### Chapter 1731 Reunion

She had a little interest in art, which was why she went to Su Bei's art exhibition.

However, this was her first time seeing so many collections and paintings.

Seeing the amazement in her eyes, Old Master He said proudly, "These are all the works I've collected over the years."

"It turns out that you already have Su Lu's work," Xu Zhiqin said with a smile.

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There were even three of them.

This meant that the old master had good taste, and it also meant that Su Lu was really famous as a painter.

"Yes, the younger generation bought them for me." Old Master He had loved art all his life. Although he liked expensive works, he also appreciated the works of rising stars.

He had to admire these paintings several times a day.

This was also one of the reasons why he liked Lin Xiruo very much back then.

All these years, Lin Xiruo had not been in a good state of mind due to Su Bei's absence. Many people in the He family had a lot of opinions.

Even Old Madam He had suggested a few times that He Jiang marry another woman.

It was the old master who spoke up for Lin Xiruo. Of course, He Jiang's love for Lin Xiruo had never changed, which was how she could finally wait for her daughter to return and for her family to be reunited.

"Su Lu's paintings have very distinct characteristics. They're never limited to any natural rules. They're free and easy, but they're organized. They're indeed not bad," Xu Zhiqin said softly.

Old Master He was quite happy and discussed a lot with her.

The two of them chatted happily.

Old Master He changed the topic and asked, "What do you and Xuyan usually do?"

"We usually read scripts and novels. Occasionally, we go to art exhibitions." Xu Zhiqin chuckled. "Xuyan is reserved and talented. Doing these things makes him very relaxed. They allow him to display his talent as well."

Due to inheritance matters, Old Master He and He Xuyan had been estranged from each other all these years.

Xu Zhiqin could also tell that Old Master He had called her over for a superficial reason. In fact, he just wanted to understand his grandson through her.

Hence, she changed the topic to He Xuyan. "When Xuyan does what he likes, he'll be especially engrossed."

Old Master He said, "But no matter how much he likes it, it's just his hobby. There are still people supporting the huge He family now, but what about the future?"

Seeing that Xu Zhiqin had lowered her head and wasn't saying anything, Old Master He continued, "He's the grandson of the He family. He should take on the heavy responsibility of the He family in the future. After all, he can't film movies for the rest of his life. Even if he likes someone, he may not like them for the rest of his life."

Xu Zhiqin understood what he meant.

She also knew that he wanted her to persuade He Xuyan.

However, Xu Zhiqin did not covet all the He family's assets. It was more important for He Xuyan to do what he liked.

"He might not be able to work in this industry for the rest of his life, nor might he like the same person for the rest of his life, but I think he'll have no regrets if he pursues this person now. When he thinks about it in the future, he won't be laced with regrets," Xu Zhiqin said in a neither servile nor overbearing manner.

Old Master He's face darkened. "Then do you know that if he comes back to take charge of the family business in the future, you might not be able to help him?"

"You're talking about the future. People change, and they learn and improve. He has the freedom to choose what he wants to do. As for me, my world won't always revolve around him, so it shouldn't be expected of me to help him with the family business. Even if I can't help him, I'm sure he won't mind." Xu Zhiqin's attitude gradually hardened.

She realized that Old Master He was seriously discussing the problem, unlike Old Madam He, who only cared about releasing her emotions.

Hence, there was no need for her to hide anything in front of Old Master He. She could do whatever she wanted.

"How dare you?! How can a woman who marries Xuyan not help him manage the family business?"

"Because I believe that Xuyan wants to marry a wife with her own opinions, not a marriage partner who goes with the flow," Xu Zhiqin said calmly. "I know a couple that's happy with such arrangements."

"Who?"

"Su Bei and Lu Heting. Mr. Lu never forces Su Bei to do anything. Su Bei is focused on doing what she likes. This hasn't left a negative impact on their relationship. On the contrary, it has only made their relationship stronger.

"Initially, I didn't dare to have confidence in marrying into a big family like the He family. However, Su Bei and Mr. Lu's relationship made me believe that all of this can be done. It has also made me believe

that using my own ability to stand by Xuyan's side can help our relationship go further compared to us relying on each other," Xu Zhiqin said softly and firmly.

"If Xuyan doesn't want to film movies anymore and wants to come back, I'll respect his decision. But if he wants to continue, I'll accompany him as well. I believe he'll do the same for me."

Old Master He was so angry that he laughed. "You guys really love each other so much that you're willing to forgo means of survival, huh?!"

"Grandpa He, do you think Xuyan can't make money by filming movies? Then you might really not know him well. Although he strives for perfection when filming, he has achieved great success.

"As a director, everyone respects him as much as the He family.

"Grandpa He, you should go and find out more about his works and his fans.

"Xuyan isn't playing. He's really devoted to this career."

Old Master He fell into deep thought.

He had indeed always treated directing as a game He Xuyan was playing because he was bored. The old master didn't care about the profits He Xuyan raked in with his movies.

Therefore, the grandfather and grandson did not get along for a long time.

Although Xu Zhiqin's words were idealistic, they still gave him an opportunity to stop and think for a short while.

A moment later, Old Master He said, "No matter what you say, he's my only grandson. When the time comes, the family business will definitely be handed over to him."

Xu Zhiqin smiled. "Let's see if he'll be willing."

He Shihui, who came to deliver tea, had just reached the door of the study when she heard this. Her heart skipped a beat.

All these years, she had been seriously helping her grandfather manage the family business. She wanted to obtain greater recognition and was conscientious. She never dared to complain about being tired.

Unexpectedly, Old Master He still planned to leave the business to He Xuyan.

Just because he was a man and she was a woman, did the old master have to treat them so differently?

She adjusted her mindset and was about to knock on the door when she heard Old Master He say, "Actually, if Su Bei wants to help manage the family business, it's not impossible. Besides, Lu Heting can help her."

Xu Zhiqin said softly, "I'm not too sure about Su Bei and Mr. Lu's thoughts. You'll have to ask them for their opinions."

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Chapter 1732 Do You Really Think That I'm Blind And Brainless?

“I’ll talk about it when Lu Heting comes over.” Old Master He nodded.

If He Shihui was only disappointed for a short while just now, she was now in great despair!

Su Bei?

How many days had Su Bei been back in the He family?

She had been wandering outside before, so she didn’t know anything about the He family. She had never been filial to the two elders and didn’t know anything about the entire family. Why would Grandpa give the family business to Su Bei?

Was it because she married Lu Heting?

Why?

Then what about all her hard work over the years?

After a while, He Shihui composed herself and knocked on the door.

“Grandpa, Zhiqin, you’ve been looking at paintings for so long. Are you thirsty? Have a rest and drink some tea.” The capable and calm smile on He Shihui’s face erased all traces of her previous despair.

“Alright, thank you.” Old Master He smiled. “Let’s sit down and admire the paintings.”

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That night, Xu Zhiqin stayed in the He family’s mansion.

Wei Yuxin came over early in the morning with a container of food.

“Yuxin, why are you here so early?” Lin Xiruo asked calmly.

“Aunt, I went to Shande Hall and bought some of Grandma He’s favorite pastries. They’re soft, so they’re very suitable for her. I also bought some other pastries for everyone to try,” Wei Yuxin said with a smile.

“You’ve gone through so much trouble. What do you want to eat? I’ll get the kitchen to cook it. It’s rare for you to come all the way here,” Lin Xiruo said with a smile.

“It’s no trouble at all. It’s rare for Grandma He to like an establishment. I just happened to pass by. I had nothing to do, so I bought the pastries.” Wei Yuxin was also very polite.

Old Madam He walked downstairs and said with a smile, “It’s really rare that there’s a place like Shande Hall in the United States. They’re able to make such authentic S Country pastries. Usually, there’s a limited supply every day. You might not be able to eat them even if you want to. Yuxin, you’re really considerate. Why don’t you stay for breakfast?”

“Okay, thank you,” Wei Yuxin replied with a smile.

Lin Xiruo did not say anything and narrowed her eyes.

In the past, when her health was not too good and she was not in good spirits, Old Madam He had some intentions of letting He Jiang marry another woman.

The Wei family had also tried to get the daughter of a relative of the Wei family to take on this role.

Now, the Wei family thought that Lin Xiruo had forgotten about those things back then. How could Lin Xiruo not remember?

In the early years, Wei Yuxin was not this obedient in front of her. As she was sick, her mind was not too clear. Even so, she had seen Wei Yuxin's true colors a few times.

Now, she wanted to marry her son?

Lin Xiruo felt that the Wei family was too simple-minded. Did they really think that she was blind and brainless?

Her daughter-in-law had to be someone with a good character and a kind heart. She had to have a good relationship with her son. She did not want a daughter-in-law who would keep her son on a tight leash.

Seeing Lin Xiruo's indifferent expression, Wei Yuxin smiled and said, "Aunt, you don't mind, do you?"

"Of course not. What are you talking about? It's not the first day you're here to play." Lin Xiruo smiled. After all, the Wei family's business was a consortium comparable to He Consortium. The relationship between the two families could not collapse just like that. Otherwise, He Jiang would be the one in trouble.

How could Lin Xiruo cause trouble for her husband?

Her words were half-truths, so Wei Yuxin stayed.

A moment later, Old Master He, He Jiang, and Su Bei came downstairs.

Wei Yuxin felt a little uneasy when she did not see He Xuyan and Xu Zhiqin.

If it weren't for the fact that she wanted to see He Xuyan, why would she come here so early in the morning? Why did she have to wait in line for so long at Shande Hall?

Although it was her driver who lined up, she had still spent a lot of her energy.

She felt a little regretful. The last time she went to S Country, the method she used on He Xuyan and Xu Zhiqin was a little too extreme. If she had been calmer and gotten along with He Xuyan bit by bit, she wouldn't have needed to use that method to suppress Xu Zhiqin. Perhaps everything would be much better now.

However, the mistake had been made. It was useless to regret it.

Wei Yuxin could only think of ways to remedy the situation.

"Grandma He, where's Xuyan?" she asked.

"That's right. Where's Xuyan?" Old Madam He also found it a little strange.

Lin Xiruo smiled and said, "Mom, are you asking about Xuyan? He woke up early in the morning and said that he would take Zhiqin to a famous breakfast shop nearby. At the same time, he and Zhiqin also got someone to pack some breakfast for all of us."

Old Madam He nodded. He Xuyan's temperament was not as cold as before.

Previously, he was indifferent to everything. It was worrying.

It was good for him to go out more in the morning.

Wei Yuxin was not in a good mood. She bit her lip slightly. She had spent so much effort, but she would not let He Xuyan see it. What was the meaning of all of this, then?

"Sit down and have breakfast," Lin Xiruo said. "Su Bei, your brother said that he's bringing Zhiqin to meet a few friends tonight. You should go with him. You can familiarize yourself with the situation here."

"Okay," Su Bei replied.

Wei Yuxin took the initiative to say, "I see. Then I'll go too. Many of Xuyan's friends are also my friends. I haven't seen them in a long time. By the way, Su Bei, I caused you some trouble in the mall that day. I'll accompany you to buy some things today. Just treat it as me compensating you."

"Sure." Since Su Bei had nothing to do at the He family's house, she was happy to help her brother and sister-in-law solve some problems.

Besides, she could ask Wei Yuxin about the disputes between the various families here. It would be more convenient.

When Lin Xiruo saw her daughter's expression, she knew what she was thinking. Knowing that Su Bei was capable, she was not too worried. She only smiled and reminded Su Bei, "If anything happens, call me."

"I know, Mom."

"In that case, let's call Zhiqin too," Wei Yuxin said. "I feel quite bad after what happened in the mall that day."

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"Zhiqin is naturally with her fiancé. Of course, it's good if she has time to go. If she doesn't, it's understandable as her fiancé is more important," Lin Xiruo said lightly.

Wei Yuxin blushed and clenched her fists tightly. In the past, Lin Xiruo was always sick and didn't like to care about these things.

Everyone said that she would be fine once Su Bei was found. Now, it seemed that it was true.

Not only had she recovered, but her attitude and words were also sharp.

She was indeed annoying.

However, Wei Yuxin did not dare to hate her. All those years, Lin Xiruo was sick and crazy but He Jiang had never left her. There were countless women who wanted to take the opportunity to climb up the social ladder, but they were all rejected by He Jiang.

Now that Lin Xiruo had regained her senses, she was probably even more difficult to deal with.

## Chapter 1733 Her Love For Him Was Quite Humble

Wei Yuxin still felt that it was more convenient to adopt a soft approach and not have a direct conflict with Lin Xiruo.

Especially in front of He Xuyan, Lin Xiruo's words carried some weight.

"Aunt, you're right. I didn't think it through. I just thought that since we're going to see Xuyan's friends tonight, I could accompany Su Bei and Zhiqin to shop and dress up. Of course, we'll follow Zhiqin's time." Wei Yuxin understood these principles, and her tone became exceptionally docile.

"In that case, discuss this with Zhiqin." Lin Xiruo's tone was also very gentle.

After breakfast, Wei Yuxin called Xu Zhiqin.

In front of all the elders of the He family, she did her best to put on a show.

Naturally, Xu Zhiqin would not embarrass her in front of the elders and agreed directly.

Wei Yuxin stayed until Xu Zhiqin and He Xuyan returned home.

He Xuyan's usually calm eyes were warm and bright. When he appeared hand-in-hand with Xu Zhiqin, it suddenly hurt Wei Yuxin's eyes.

She suppressed her emotions and stepped forward with a smile. "Xuyan, Zhiqin!"

He Xuyan's expression was indifferent as he nodded briefly.

"Zhiqin, let's go," Wei Yuxin said.

"Alright, go ahead. Wait for my call," He Xuyan said softly and planted a kiss on Xu Zhiqin's face.

Xu Zhiqin felt a little embarrassed as they were in front of their elders.

The others knew that He Xuyan was very enthusiastic and bold.

He had been cold for many years and looked like he didn't care about anything. Over the years, everyone had gotten used to his cold persona. They couldn't imagine that he would be so clingy when he was in love.

Lin Xiruo was satisfied and finally relaxed. She said to He Jiang, "From the looks of it, your son still resembles you a little."

"You don't have to worry now," He Jiang said with a gentle smile.

Wei Yuxin didn't know how she got out of the He family's mansion, but Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin were following her.

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Today, Wei Yuxin didn't do anything special. She took Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin to get their hair styled and shop for a change of clothes. Everything was done well.

However, the clothes and hairstyles that Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin chose for themselves were more comfortable and low-key. They were just going to meet He Xuyan's friends, after all.

Wei Yuxin chose a relatively complicated style of clothes. She wore a long black dress, which looked quite grand. Her pair of diamond-studded high heels were also dazzling. She looked much more eye-catching than Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei.

It was no wonder. If she continued to act like this, she probably wouldn't even be able to touch the He family's door. But at this moment, she could only restrain herself for the time being. She did not dare to be too arrogant.

Since this was the case, Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin were happy and relaxed. They casually shopped.

When they arrived at a convenience store, Xu Zhiqin remembered that she had used up all the tissues she had brought with her, so she went in with Su Bei to take a look.

There was always something different about convenience stores in a foreign country. The two of them had only planned to buy some tissues, but when they saw a few unique things, they ended up buying several things.

Xu Zhiqin was holding something when she accidentally bumped into a woman. She apologized, "I'm sorry."

The woman smiled kindly and let it go.

Only then did Xu Zhiqin remember that she had spoken in the language of S Country. She wondered if the woman understood her.

However, when she turned around and saw that the woman had already walked past, she didn't think too much about it and walked toward the cashier counter with Su Bei.

When it was time to pay the bill, Wei Yuxin took a few steps forward and lined up with them. She smiled and said, "I'll be your interpreter."

Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin smiled and said nothing.

However, she didn't need to be an interpreter. After all, they just needed to buy a few things. They wouldn't need to engage in a conversation. They just had to pay and leave.

There were not many things in Xu Zhiqin's bag, and it could fit more things, so she put all the items into her bag.

It was almost evening when the three of them walked out together.

He Xuyan called and said that he was here to pick up Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei.

"That's alright. We took the He family's car today? We can just go over directly." Xu Zhiqin didn't want to trouble him too much.

"Alright, I'll send you the address. Show it to the driver," He Xuyan said.

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He Xuyan met his friends at a golf club that belonged to one of them.

The blue sky stretched as far as the eye could see.

The sun was about to set, and the afterglow filled the lawn, coating it with a warm light golden color.

When his tall figure appeared, his expression was indifferent and distant. Everyone stood up in unison.

“Mr. He!”

“Mr. He!”

“Xuyan!”

“Brother Yan!”

Everyone stood up and greeted him according to their relationship with him.

Everyone knew that he was only filming movies now. His identity as a director was indeed nothing in this group of people.

However, everyone knew that it was only a matter of time before he took over the He family’s business. Although he only occasionally helped Old Master He and He Jiang handle some family matters, the ability and methods he displayed were still impressive.

He was definitely not an ordinary person.

Hence, no one dared to disregard him just because of what he was doing now.

A moment later, everyone gave up their seats and invited him to sit down.

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“Mr. He, what would you like to drink?”

He Xuyan looked up lazily. “Plain water.”

Everyone couldn’t help but laugh. “Your taste is still so special.”

However, everyone knew that he was aloof and indifferent to everything. His relationship with others was also distant and shallow. Everyone was used to it.

“Mr. He, didn’t you come with your sister and fiancée today. Where are they?”

“I heard that Wei Yuxin is coming with them, right?”

“Wei Yuxin?”

Everyone fell silent.

Everyone knew that Wei Yuxin liked He Xuyan very much. She had been going to the He family’s house every day for so many years. The elders of the He family were touched, and their hearts melted at her dedication. However, He Xuyan had always been indifferent to her.

Even so, everyone felt that it was fine. With the relationship between the two families, this marriage would happen sooner or later.

All of a sudden, He Xuyan brought back a fiancée, which shattered everyone's guess.

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And now, Wei Yuxin was actually helping He Xuyan bring his girlfriend around. Her love for him was quite humble.

Sitting in the crowd, Xiao Xiaobai couldn't help but ask softly, "Mr. He, are you really going to marry that actress in the future?"

He Xuyan turned to her indifferently. She quickly lowered her head, not daring to look straight at him. She immediately cowered.

She was Wei Yuxin's cousin. That was why she asked such a question and spoke up for Wei Yuxin.

He Xuyan's good friend, He Juncheng, glanced at her and said with a smile, "If Xuyan isn't getting married to her, why would he call her his fiancée? Only the men who are playing around with their women call them their girlfriends, do you understand?"

Chapter 1734 Flirtatious

The young men who liked to play around couldn't help but laugh at themselves.

Everyone knew that He Xuyan had never liked to play around like them, so he never had a girlfriend until now.

Everyone had their own aspirations. These aspects were not comparable.

However, he was getting married now. Everyone couldn't help but think of his father, He Jiang. All these years, he had never left Lin Xiruo. Even though Lin Xiruo's reputation was extremely bad because of her illness back then, He Jiang still didn't have any complaints.

It could be seen that He Xuyan had really inherited all his father's good traits.

He Xuyan glanced at He Juncheng and finally smiled. "That's right."

Everyone laughed along.

Xiao Xiaobai's face turned pale.

Someone asked with a smile, "Mr. He, when are they coming?"

"I told you to wait a while. Do you have any objections?" He Juncheng raised his eyebrows and looked at these people.

"We're just filled with anticipation."

"Why don't we go play some golf first? Mr. He, are you coming?"

He Xuyan said calmly, "No, go ahead."

Everyone made plans to play golf or drink tea in groups. Only a few people who were close to He Xuyan were still chatting with him.

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Xu Zhiqin, Su Bei, and Wei Yuxin took the He family's car to the golf club.

As soon as she got out of the car, Wei Yuxin's phone rang.

She glanced at the caller ID and saw that it was Xiao Xiaobai. Knowing that Xiao Xiaobai was already here, she reached out to answer the phone.

Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin waited for her as they slowly walked in.

Unlike Wei Yuxin's grand dressing today, Su Bei's and Xu Zhiqin's hairstyles were very natural. Su Bei was wearing jeans and a white shirt. The outfit accentuated her perfect figure and beautiful legs.

Xu Zhiqin, on the other hand, was wearing a silk top and a mid-length skirt. It was light blue with white trimmings. She wore a pair of nude leather shoes, which made her look extremely elegant and ladylike.

The two of them were waiting for Wei Yuxin when a young man at the side looked over after swiping his card, his eyes lighting up. While waving the card in his hand, walked toward the two of them.

"Misses, are you waiting for someone?" He raised his eyebrows and revealed a flirtatious smile. Although he was good-looking, his actions were a little frivolous.

"Yes," Xu Zhiqin replied casually.

"I'm familiar with this place. Why don't I bring you in?" He leaned over and gave Xu Zhiqin a smile that he thought was even more charming.

He lowered his head so much that he almost leaned against Xu Zhiqin.

Xu Zhiqin took a step back, but he did not feel sorry for his actions. Instead, he smiled even more happily as if he felt that Xu Zhiqin's actions were cute.

He spun his phone on his fingers and reached out to Xu Zhiqin. "Beauty, leave me your phone number. Let's drink, eat, and chat tonight."

He sounded very sure that Xu Zhiqin would give him her contact details.

After all, with his status, it was normal for him to casually ask out a chick here.

It was common for him to have a meal with a woman and go to a hotel room later to settle some of his physiological needs.

However, in a place like the United States where most beauties had blonde hair and blue eyes, it had been a long time since he had seen a gentle and graceful Asian beauty like Xu Zhiqin. His eyes were filled with infatuation and determination.

Xu Zhiqin's pretty face darkened. "That won't do. I don't have the habit of giving strangers my phone number."

“You came to my territory but you’re refusing me?” He raised his voice, but he wasn’t angry. Instead, he found it exceptionally interesting. “Alright, then tell me about your other habits. I’ll pay attention.”

This person was really like a piece of gum. The other party’s rejection was already so obvious. Not only did he not care, but he even wanted the thrill of winning her over.

Xu Zhiqin pulled Su Bei and was about to leave.

He stretched out his long arm and blocked their way. “Where are you going?”

“Wu Zijing!” A sharp female voice called out.

When Wu Zijing’s name was called, he looked up and saw that it was Wei Yumeng. He couldn’t help but pout. “What are you doing?”

Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei recognized the woman. She was the one Xu Zhiqin had accidentally bumped into at the convenience store.

The reason why they had a deep impression of her was that her hair was as curly as noodles, and the clothes she wore were not outstanding. However, her face was very beautiful and refined. She looked a little cold and arrogant.

“What am I doing? What are you doing?” Wei Yumeng asked with a dark face. “Don’t you know that these two are today’s guests?”

“They’re your friends? You should have said so earlier!” Wu Zijing was also here to attend He Xuyan’s gathering today. However, he never thought that one of them was Su Bei and the other was Xu Zhiqin.

After all, there were very few people in the United States who watched movies from S Country. A rich man like him was not the kind of person who liked to watch movies.

Wei Yuxin said coldly, “Since you know that they’re my friends, why aren’t you leaving yet?”

Wu Zijing couldn’t help but snort. “Boring!”

He turned around and left. When he turned around, he winked at Xu Zhiqin. Although they were Wei Yumeng’s friends and it made things a little boring, he would not give up just yet.

“Thank you,” Xu Zhiqin said to Wei Yumeng.

Wei Yumeng nodded. “You guys just came?”

“Yes. Wei Yuxin is still on the phone. We’ll wait for her.”

“Since you’re here with Wei Yuxin, I’ll leave first.” Wei Yumeng didn’t seem to like Wei Yuxin at all. She turned around and left.

After taking a few steps, she remembered something and reached out to give Xu Zhiqin something. “Take this.”

Looking at the item she handed over, Xu Zhiqin put it away and smiled. “Thank you.”

Wei Yumeng turned around and walked away expressionlessly.

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“So who is she...?” Xu Zhiqin didn’t know much about the He family.

He Xuyan had a cold attitude. He did not care much about many people and things, so he wouldn’t tell Xu Zhiqin about them either.

Su Bei said, “She’s Wei Yuxin’s half-sister. She’s the legitimate daughter of the Wei family. Wei Yuxin’s mother is the mistress. Now, the outside world only knows about Wei Yuxin but not Wei Yumeng.”

“No wonder. One is smooth and slick, while the other is calm and indifferent.”

Su Bei had also heard Lin Xiruo casually mention these things. Wei Yumeng herself had a good relationship with Lin Xiruo. Previously, when Lin Xiruo was sick, Wei Yumeng did not look down on her just because of her illness.

Now that Lin Xiruo had recovered, Wei Yumeng did not specially pay a visit to flatter her either.

Naturally, Su Bei had a better impression of Wei Yumeng.

The call Wei Yuxin received was actually nothing important. It was just Xiao Xiaobai asking about He Xuyan and Xu Zhiqin.

Hearing that He Xuyan was especially protective of Xu Zhiqin in front of everyone, Wei Yuxin was in a bad mood.

Chapter 1735 Each With Their Own Strength

She said a few hurried words and hung up.

She smiled and walked over. “Su Bei, Zhiqin, let’s go in.”

When the three of them arrived, the people who had gone to play golf had already returned.

A group of more than ten people was drinking and chatting aimlessly.

When Wei Yuxin walked in, she was wearing a long black dress, diamond-studded high heels, and exquisite makeup. Everyone’s eyes lit up. They all knew that she usually liked to dress up. Now that He Xuyan was back, she would definitely take the task more seriously.

However, it had to be said that she was really beautiful. She looked passionate. It was really a wonder that she hadn’t melted He Xuyan’s heart all these years.

Among the group of people here, there was no lack of men who were interested in her, but none of them could win her over.

She came in and greeted everyone generously.

Just as everyone responded, they saw two other beauties appear behind her.

They had just seen such a beautiful woman like Wei Yuxin, but when they looked at the other two, they felt that Wei Yuxin was a little vulgar.

One of the two behind Wei Yuxin was tall and slender. She was wearing a simple shirt and jeans, which outlined her perfect lines. Her long legs were especially stunning.

Her natural chestnut long curly hair made her face only the size of a palm. She looked carefree yet flirtatious. It was as if one could only admire her from afar but could not get any closer to her.

The woman standing beside her was not that tall, but she had a gentle temperament. She was wearing a light blue silk skirt that made her look even more gentle and beautiful.

The two of them had completely different styles and were different in terms of beauty. However, for a moment, it made the people looking at them so dizzy that they did not know which one to look at.

At first glance, they felt that the one on the left was better, taller, and more perfect. But in the next second, they felt that the one on the right was more gentle and beautiful. On closer inspection, they felt that both of them were very beautiful. It was difficult to say who was better.

If Wei Yuxin was an artificially exquisite beauty, then these two were natural beauties.

“Yuxin, you’re so mean! When did you get new friends? Why didn’t you bring them over to meet us sooner?”

“That’s right, that’s right! You’re too good at hiding them!”

“How should I put it? No matter what, these two beauties are equally matched!”

“Wrong. It’s too belittling to say that they’re evenly matched. They each have their own merits!”

“Yes, yes, yes. They both have their own merits!”

Wei Yuxin’s face darkened. The surprised look in these people’s eyes was much more genuine than before. It was as if they had never seen a beautiful woman before this.

She clearly felt that she was not inferior to Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin at all, but these people gave all the praise to these two women.

“Yuxin, hurry up and introduce them to everyone! It’s fine if you’ve hidden them from everyone all this while, but now that they’re here, aren’t you going to tell us their names?” someone urged Wei Yuxin.

As everyone spoke, He Xuyan stood up and walked toward Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin.

Everyone was surprised...

Then, they saw that He Xuyan, who had always been indifferent, was showing a trace of warmth in his exceptionally dark eyes. He reached out to hold the gentle and delicate woman’s hand as well as the tall beauty’s arm.

Finally, someone reacted. “F\*ck! Could the two women be... Mr. He’s fiancée and sister?”

“No wonder that tall beauty has Lin Xiruo’s charm!”

“My apologies!”

“Mr. He, please forgive us for not recognizing your sister and fiancée!”

“Previously, I was wondering what kind of woman was worthy of Mr. He. Now that I’m looking at the beauty in front of me, I finally don’t need to rack my brains to think about it! Apart from her, who else is worthy?”

When Wei Yuxin heard these words, her face turned pale.

These people said these words from the bottom of their hearts. Men were sometimes easily deceived by external things like makeup.

Even so, some men had the sharpest eyes. They could tell the difference between a real beauty and an ordinary beauty at a glance.

Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin were beautiful actresses. They had conquered countless big directors, so they could naturally conquer this group of people at a glance.

He Xuyan introduced calmly, “This is my fiancée, Xu Zhiqin. This is my sister, Su Bei.”

All of a sudden, the men were in an uproar. They no longer had a chance with Xu Zhiqin, but they still had a chance with Su Bei!

“Mr. He, do you need a brother-in-law?”

“Brother-in-law He, please take a look at me!”

“Get lost!” He Xuyan gritted his teeth. “I already have a brother-in-law.”

Everyone howled in disappointment, but they only thought that he was saying this to absolve Su Bei of trouble.

After a while, everyone persisted. “Mr. He, how about this? You should join our WeChat group. This way, it’ll be easier to contact you in the future.”

It was too obvious that the person who spoke had ulterior motives.

However, several of these people were He Xuyan’s best friends. He Xuyan did not refuse and even let Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei join the WeChat group.

“You don’t have to be reserved. These people are just glib-tongued,” He Xuyan said softly to the two of them.

Xu Zhiqin’s and Su Bei’s phones quickly rang.

Seeing Wu Zijing not far away, Xu Zhiqin looked at him. “Mr. Wu, didn’t you want to exchange contact details with me just now? Why aren’t you adding me on WeChat now?”

After Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei came in, Wu Zijing was originally smug at the thought that he would get lucky tonight. However, he did not expect the two of them to have such identities.

Just now, he really wanted to dig a hole and bury himself.

If not for the fact that he was sitting too far away from the door, he would have wanted to escape just now.

Later, when he saw that Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei didn't say anything, he was a little relieved. He thought that these two women wouldn't dare to make a big deal out of it and wouldn't mention the past again.

Unexpectedly, after a while, Xu Zhiqin called his name.

Everyone looked at Wu Zijing.

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He Xuyan lowered his eyes and asked calmly, "What happened?"

"When we were at the door just now, Mr. Wu Zijing insisted on getting my contact details. He even said that he wanted to go out to drink, eat, and chat with me tonight. Fortunately, Miss Wei Yumeng helped us out later. Otherwise, Su Bei and I would really be at a loss," Xu Zhiqin said calmly. "I think he must've really wanted to get my contact details, so this is a good opportunity for him. If everyone here adds me, it'll be very convenient for him to add me too."

Everyone knew that Wu Zijing was an expert at playing with women. It was not strange for him to do such a thing.

Chapter 1736 Burning Pain In Her Heart

However, Xu Zhiqin failed. Everyone couldn't help but mourn for him for a few minutes.

Wu Zijing didn't expect Xu Zhiqin to tell He Xuyan what had just happened.

At this moment, he looked extremely embarrassed. "Mr. He, I really didn't know that she was your fiancée just now..."

This woman had rejected him many times. If she wasn't He Xuyan's fiancée, would she still pester him like this?

Xu Zhiqin just didn't want to give him face.

"If I had nothing to do with Xuyan, you wouldn't have given up even after I rejected you, huh?" Xu Zhiqin asked calmly.

Wu Zijing didn't expect that although this woman looked gentle, she was actually so unyielding.

He stammered, unable to speak.

He Xuyan did not look at him. His black eyes were indifferent, and there was not much emotion in them. He looked at Wei Yuxin. "Zhiqin, didn't you have her accompany you in just now?"

Wei Yuxin didn't expect that she would be blamed for this. She looked embarrassed and quickly explained, "I received a call when I came in just now. I didn't see Wu Zijing harassing Zhiqin. Otherwise, I would definitely have interfered."

"It's okay. Fortunately, Wei Yumeng helped us out," Xu Zhiqin said.

He Xuyan nodded at Wei Yumeng to express his gratitude.

His attitude toward Wei Yuxin and Wei Yumeng was completely different.



Everyone knew that Wei Yumeng had no status in the Wei family, and Wei Yuxin would take over the family business in the future. However, the difference in He Xuyan's attitude was really obvious.

She had just helped out Xu Zhiqin once, but she was already treated differently.

Seeing this, Wei Yuxin felt a burning pain in her heart, but she had no choice but to endure it.

When Wu Zijing realized that He Xuyan didn't say anything to him, he relaxed a little.

He Juncheng asked, "Sister-in-law, do you want to drink or something? And Su Bei, what do you want to drink?"

"They don't drink." He Xuyan refused directly.

Especially Su Bei. If his parents knew that he had brought Su Bei here to drink, they would definitely treat him ruthlessly. Lu Heting wouldn't even get the chance to flare up.

He Juncheng smiled and said, "Alright, the two of you will drink something else."

He eagerly handed over the menu. "Take a look at what drinks you want. We ordered a lot of alcohol just now, so we'll need some time to finish it all."

Only then did He Xuyan raise his black eyes and say calmly, "Wu Zijing."

Wu Zijing shuddered and stood up involuntarily. "I'm here!"

He stood up straight.

"We ordered too much alcohol. Didn't you say that you were going to treat my fiancée to a drink tonight? Then let me give you a toast now." He Xuyan's voice was still neither cold nor hot.

Everyone understood that Xu Zhiqin wouldn't let go of the matter just like that. It turned out that

Wu Zijing cried, but he didn't dare to disobey. He went forward and picked up a glass of wine. "Thank you for your toast, Mr. He. I'll drink it now!"

He drank it all in one gulp.

"Good alcohol tolerance," He Xuyan said calmly. "Here's another toast to you."

Wu Zijing didn't dare to refuse. He downed another glass.

Just now, everyone had ordered strong alcohol, including whiskey. Usually, they drank it with ice.

The two glasses that He Xuyan gave Wu Zijing were without any ice. If he drank like this, no matter how good his alcohol tolerance was, he might not be able to take it.

"Here's to you," He Xuyan continued.

He always said something indifferent.

Someone naturally came over to help pour more whiskey for Wu Zijing.

Soon, Wu Zijing had drunk more than ten glasses. Even though he usually had a high alcohol tolerance and was used to drinking and fooling around, he couldn't stand drinking so many glasses in such a short time.

His face turned the color of liver. He panted, but he didn't dare to refuse to drink.

He Xuyan kept toasting him. Naturally, someone would be there to pour Wu Zijing more whiskey.

Wu Zijing had no choice but to keep drinking.

Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei did not persuade him. Like He Xuyan, their expressions were indifferent.

They all knew that if they were really fooled by Wu Zijing's little trick during their first meeting, it would not only hurt their reputations in the future but also He Xuyan's dignity.

Did Wu Zijing really not know their identities?

Maybe he really didn't and it was an honest mistake.

Perhaps he knew, but he felt that He Xuyan wouldn't care too much about women. After all, they were just women. This so-called sister of his also came out of nowhere, so he, Wu Zijing, dared to tease her.

Whether it was intentional or not, Wu Zijing's actions meant that he was either stupid or bad.

Such a stupid person naturally had to bear the punishment he deserved.

In the end, He Xuyan stopped talking and only nodded. The people around him understood his cue and hurriedly filled Wu Zijing's glass.

Wu Zijing drank half of it with trembling hands before vomiting it out. The stench was overwhelming.

Someone immediately called a waiter in and tidied up the scene in a moment.

Then, someone quickly refilled his glass.

Wei Yuxin couldn't stand it anymore. Was it necessary to do this for Xu Zhiqin?

Besides, had Xu Zhiqin suffered any substantial harm?

"Xuyan, I think Wu Zijing is about to die. The whiskey is too strong; it'll hurt his stomach and body. Why bother?" she persuaded him. "If he doesn't know what's good for him, he should be punished. Everyone knows that he's in the wrong, but if something happens to him after drinking so much, it won't be good for Zhiqin's reputation."

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"Oh, what's wrong?" He Xuyan asked calmly.

"After all, it's because of Zhiqin..." Wei Yuxin said.

He Xuyan raised his eyelashes. "So it's someone else's problem that Wu Zijing harassed others?"

Wei Yuxin: "..."

She said in a low voice, "That's not what I meant. But we're friends, after all. We meet often..."

“From tonight onward, I probably won’t have a friend like him.” He Xuyan’s tone was cold and indifferent.

This meant that the He family would not collaborate with the Wu family in the future.

Although He Xuyan did not inherit the He family’s business, he still had some say at home.

Everyone was stunned. They all knew that he had always been lukewarm. No one could move his heart, and at the same time, no one could offend him.

That was how people like Wu Zijing could freeloader off others while drinking and eating with He Xuyan. He could also earn some money for his family business.

He Xuyan would never say anything because of their actions.

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Everyone had always thought that he was so indifferent that nothing mattered to him.

But now, it seemed that... He Xuyan had a bottom line.

Everyone silently looked at Xu Zhiqin and then at Su Bei. Their thoughts became clear.

Chapter 1737 Hitting A Sore Spot

Wei Yuxin didn’t expect him to treat Wu Zijing like this!

Over the years, Wu Zijing had been currying favor with him for several years. He had done many things for He Xuyan.

However... Wei Yuxin did not dare to refute He Xuyan.

He Xuyan had already laid out his bottom line. She was not stupid enough to step on it now.

Wu Zijing was so drunk that he lost consciousness. If he had known this would happen, he would never have dared to provoke Xu Zhiqin.

Everyone couldn’t help but mourn for him. He knew that Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei would appear together today, but he still wanted to lay his hands on such a beautiful woman. He should’ve considered the women’s identities first. He was too blind to have rushed over like that.

Therefore, no one could sympathize with him after such a thing happened.

Moreover, he often slept with women like this. If the women were unwilling, he would take advantage of them. Everyone had long disliked him. This punishment was indeed not heavy.

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Wei Yuxin was really angry.

She could only swallow her anger.

What right did Xu Zhiqin have to make He Xuyan do this for her?

After Wu Zijing was forced to drink a few more glasses, he went limp and could not drink anymore.

He Juncheng said, "Get him out and let his family come and get him! Don't let him appear in front of Xuyan again!"

Soon, Wu Zijing was sent out. He was so drunk that he did not know that his fate had changed drastically.

After this incident, the atmosphere in the room became much better. Everyone laughed and joked.

"I'm almost drunk from the smell of alcohol," a young man said. "I'm dizzy!"

"Mr. Xie, why is your alcohol tolerance deteriorating?"

Mr. Xie's full name was Xie Lanshan. He smiled and said, "This is hard liquor. Can someone give me a few mints to help wake me up?"

"I have some." Xu Zhiqin took out a box of mints from her bag and handed it over.

"Thank you, Sister-in-law!" Xie Lanshan said politely.

Wei Yuxin shivered and sat up straight.

When Xu Zhiqin was shopping at the convenience store just now, she had put a box of condoms in her shopping basket.

In that convenience store, the packaging of condoms and mints was of the same color and size. They were also in English, so it was very difficult to distinguish them.

She had set a trap for Xu Zhiqin.

Those who were familiar with this group of people knew that they liked to eat mints when they drank.

Of course, they could get it from the waiter, but if anyone had some in their bag, they wouldn't mind taking them out and sharing them with everyone.

Xu Zhiqin gave it to Xie Lanshan directly...

Wei Yuxin could already predict how exciting the next scene would be.

Even if no one thought that Xu Zhiqin had ill intentions from this incident and they didn't dare to mock her for her poor English, this small embarrassment was destined to haunt Xu Zhiqin.

In fact, Wei Yuxin had thought that Xu Zhiqin would give the mints to Wu Zijing, making him think that Xu Zhiqin was interested in him. In that case, he would definitely harass her later.

Who knew that Wu Zijing was too impatient? He was courting death.

Now, Wei Yuxin could watch Xu Zhiqin embarrass herself. At the very least, Xu Zhiqin's reputation would definitely be tarnished.

How things unfolded didn't match her expectations, but it was better than nothing.

Xie Lanshan took it and opened the lid before pouring two mints into his mouth. He handed the mints back. "Thank you, Sister-in-law."

“Everyone can have some.” Xu Zhiqin placed the box of mints on the table, indicating that anyone who needed to sober up could take them.

Someone else took one.

Doubt gradually appeared in Wei Yuxin’s eyes.

She had clearly given Xu Zhiqin a box of condoms. How could they become real mints?

She subconsciously glanced at Wei Yumeng. She had seen Xu Zhiqin just now. Could it be that she had reminded Xu Zhiqin?

Wei Yumeng lowered her head and drank her wine, too lazy to look at Wei Yuxin.

After a round of drinks, everyone ordered something else. Soon, it was past eight o’clock.

“You guys go ahead. We’ll go back first.” He Xuyan stood up.

“So early, Mr. He?”

“That’s right. Don’t you want to play anymore?”

“No,” He Xuyan said calmly.

“Then let’s meet again next time.”

“Goodbye, Mr. He. Goodbye, Sister-in-law. Goodbye, Su Bei.”

Su Bei waved at them.

Wei Yuxin couldn’t help but stand up. “I came in the same car as Su Bei and Zhiqin. Why don’t we all go back together?”

It was as if the huge Wei family could not provide her with a car.

He Xuyan did not object.

After leaving the golf club, He Xuyan pointed at a car and said, “Your car is over there?”

“My car?” Wei Yuxin wanted to take the same car as him.

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Even if he was not interested in her, it was good to stay a little longer by his side.

Even if she could take another look at him, it would be enough for her.

“The driver called a taxi for you,” He Xuyan said calmly.

He had no intention of staying with Wei Yuxin any longer.

Wei Yuxin bit her lip, feeling wronged.

Su Bei stood at the side with pursed lips, though it was still evident she was smiling. She didn’t know why Wei Yuxin was feeling aggrieved. Her brother had already made it clear that he had no feelings for

her. He would marry Xu Zhiqin in the future. Did Wei Yuxin still hope that her brother could send her home?

Soon, He Xuyan brought Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei into the car. No one paid attention to Wei Yuxin.

How could she take the taxi?

Naturally, she refused to lower herself. She immediately called the driver at home and asked him to send a car over.

Wei Yumeng slowly walked out.

Wei Yuxin walked toward her and said, "Do you think you can get close to the He family just by currying favor with Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei? It's still unknown if Xu Zhiqin will marry He Xuyan. As for Su Bei, she only came back as an adult. Her relationship with the He family is limited. Do you really think she's the daughter of the He family?"

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"I don't know what you're talking about." Wei Yumeng's face was cold and arrogant, and her tone was extremely indifferent.

"You!" Wei Yuxin was furious.

She was naturally talking about Xu Zhiqin taking out real mints from her bag.

She had personally placed the box of condoms in Xu Zhiqin's bag. How could she not know that they had been swapped?

During this period, only Wei Yumeng interacted with Xu Zhiqin and Su Bei. If it wasn't Wei Yumeng, who else could it be?

However, Wei Yumeng looked innocent as if she didn't know what was going on. How could Wei Yuxin say it directly?

"What about me? It's my own business who I interact with. I'm not sure if Xu Zhiqin can marry He Xuyan, but I know that the probability of you marrying He Xuyan is quite low. As for Su Bei, she's Lin Xiruo's daughter. If Lin Xiruo's relationship with her is limited, is her relationship with you any better?" Wei Yumeng retorted.

Wei Yuxin felt a chill in her heart.

Chapter 1738 Leave It To Me Tonight

Previously, when Lin Xiruo's condition caused her to be in poor health, she had indeed added insult to injury... She wondered if Lin Xiruo still remembered those things.

She shuddered at the thought.

Wei Yumeng said calmly, "On account that you're also a member of the Wei family and you still have to represent the Wei family on various occasions in the future, let me give you a piece of advice. Don't cause trouble for yourself, lest the entire family suffer on your behalf."

“Wei Yumeng, what right do you have to criticize me?”

“It seems that you’re the one who took the initiative to talk to me today.” Wei Yumeng looked at her.

Wei Yuxin had been in a terrible mood recently. She was rendered speechless by Wei Yumeng.

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Su Bei was sent back to the He family’s mansion.

He Xuyan and Xu Zhiqin did not return to the He family’s mansion.

Old Madam He was a little dissatisfied. “Why aren’t you staying?”

Lin Xiruo smiled and said, “Mom, give the young people some freedom too.”

“They’ll have plenty of alone time when they’re married in the future,” Old Madam He said.

“Mom, have you agreed to their marriage?” Lin Xiruo took the opportunity to ask.

Old Madam He immediately shut up.

Lin Xiruo only smiled. He Jiang said, “Children and grandchildren have their own lives to live. Mom, let Xuyan decide his own matters.”

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He Xuyan and Xu Zhiqin returned to their villa.

They entered the house together. He reached out and pressed her against the door. He lowered his head and kissed her.

The temperature around them rose.

He Xuyan looked lukewarm in front of everyone, and his attitude was extremely indifferent as if everything in the world had nothing to do with him.

Only Xu Zhiqin knew how passionate he was behind closed doors.

He was like a heat source that could burn everything. It could easily engulf her every time.

He kissed her, passionately and fiercely.

Under his increasingly skilled kisses, Xu Zhiqin could not hold on for long. Her legs began to weaken.

He Xuyan opened his mouth, his dark eyes burning. “Zhiqin, will you give yourself to me tonight?”

It was a warm question but also a low and hoarse plea.

They had been together for a long time, but the two of them had yet to reach the last step.

Everything stemmed from his respect for her.

He thought that he could wait until after they got married.

But now, he knew that he couldn’t wait any longer.

Due to Wei Yuxin's provocation, the two elders of the He family refused to agree to their marriage. He knew what Xu Zhiqin had been through recently.

Marriage was inevitable, but he wanted to give her more certainty.

And a sense of security.

He wanted her to be his completely.

He also wanted to make him hers.

"I don't think... I've ever refused..." Xu Zhiqin blushed and looked at him boldly.

He Xuyan's eyes lit up at that moment.

He lowered his head and kissed her again. Then he picked her up by the waist and carried her back to the room.

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When Xu Zhiqin woke up the next day, the sky was already bright.

She moved her fingers, and her whole body felt sore.

As soon as she opened her eyes, she saw He Xuyan's half-smile in front of her. Her face turned red again.

He Xuyan lowered his head and pecked her on the lips. "Did you sleep well?"

She couldn't help but want to complain. How could she have slept well?

He usually looked lukewarm, but who knew that when he was really on fire, he would be completely domineering?

She was so tired that she was knocked out.

However, she had indeed slept soundly. It was just that her back was sore.

"Mom called me just now and told us to have a good rest. We don't have to go anywhere."

"How does Mom know about this?" Xu Zhiqin was embarrassed.

Could it be He Xuyan?

She was too ashamed to face anyone.

She lifted the blanket to cover her face.

He Xuyan smiled. "What are you thinking about? I just told Mom that I drank a little yesterday and had a headache, so I don't want to go out today."

Xu Zhiqin finally poked her head out of the blanket. "I see. Does it still hurt, then? Shall I make you some hangover soup?"

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“Silly girl, don’t you know if I drank or not?”

Only then did Xu Zhiqin remember that he didn’t drink at all last night. He just made toasts.

She should have known. After all, he didn’t smell of alcohol.

Perhaps she was too tired last night, so she had yet to regain her rationality.

She blushed again at the thought.

He Xuyan saw all the changes in her expression and felt that she was gentle and cute.

He felt a little regretful. He had insisted on waiting until after they got married... He had been restraining himself. It was only now did he know how much he had missed out on.

“I forgot that you didn’t drink,” Xu Zhiqin whispered.

“Yes, but one can get drunk without getting drunk.” He Xuyan lowered his head and kissed her again.

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Wei Yuxin came over early in the morning again.

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This time, not only did she not see He Xuyan and Xu Zhiqin, but she also did not see Su Bei.

Su Bei woke up early in the morning and hopped on a video call with Lu Heting. She hadn’t gone downstairs yet.

Lin Xiruo smiled faintly and said, “Xuyan and Zhiqin are staying in their own place. I’m afraid they won’t be coming over today.”

“They’re staying together?” Wei Yuxin was surprised.

“Huh?” Lin Xiruo was even more surprised than her.

Wei Yuxin also felt that she was making a mountain out of a molehill. “It’s nothing. I just remembered that they’re not married yet.”

“It’s only a matter of time before they get married. Feudal society has long died out. Before a couple gets married, they have to confirm that they’re suitable for each other by staying together. That’s how they’ll know if their relationship will last in the future. From the looks of it, the two of them are indeed quite suitable.” Lin Xiruo drank her tea and smiled happily.

Wei Yuxin was so stifled that she didn’t even want to say perfunctory words. How could Lin Xiruo do this?!

Lin Xiruo said gently, “Are you here to shop with Zhiqin and Su Bei today? It seems that the Wei family hasn’t been very busy recently.”

“I’m quite busy. Actually, I’m just here to visit Aunt.” Wei Yuxin adjusted her smile. “If there’s nothing else, I’ll leave first.”

“Okay, take care,” Lin Xiruo said calmly.

“Then I’ll wait for Su Bei’s welcome party.” Wei Yuxin smiled.

Lin Xiruo didn’t say anything else and watched her leave.

Although Lin Xiruo had a gentle personality, it was impossible for her to completely disregard her grudge against the Wei family.

In the past 20 years, the Wei family had openly and covertly introduced He Jiang to another woman for him to marry. The thorn in her heart could not be removed anytime soon.

As one of the eight consortiums, the Wei family had some authority and exerted a lot of pressure on He Jiang.

She didn’t have a deep understanding of these pressures in the past. Now, she knew how much her husband had to endure to protect his position in the He family.

She would remember the entire Wei family, including Wei Yuxin!

Wei Yuxin seemed to think that she would forget everything now that it was in the past. She even wanted to marry He Xuyan?

Chapter 1739 My Honor

Wei Yumeng was the only one in the Wei family who treated Lin Xiruo well back then.

Even if He Xuyan had to marry someone from the Wei family, Lin Xiruo would only approve of Wei Yumeng.

However, all of this still depended on He Xuyan’s preferences. He had already chosen Xu Zhiqin, so Lin Xiruo naturally respected his choice.

At the thought of this, she felt that she had let her husband down and owed him a lot.

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She got up and walked toward the kitchen. The servants could not help but panic when they saw her. “Madam, why are you here? Is there anything you need?”

“No, I came to take a look.”

“Madam, just let us know if you need anything. We’ll get it ready for you at any time. The smell of smoke here is heavy and dangerous. You should leave first.” The servants all knew that she had been in low spirits in the past.

Afraid that she would fall ill after coming to the kitchen, they tried their best to make her leave as no one could bear the responsibility if something went wrong.

Lin Xiruo just wanted to come in and make soup for her husband. Why were these people ushering her out?

She knew their concerns and said with a smile, "Don't worry. I'm in good health, and there's nothing wrong with my mind. Nothing will happen to me. Besides, even if something happens, I'll explain it to my husband. It'll have nothing to do with you. Don't stop me."

"But what are you going to do, Madam?" a servant asked after realizing they wouldn't be able to dissuade her.

"I just want to brew some soup. Prepare the ingredients for me and teach me how to cook it."

"Actually, if you want to cook soup, it's very simple. Sit aside for a while and we'll cook it for you. When it's ready, we'll scoop it for you."

After all, they did not dare to let Lin Xiruo do it herself.

Some of the older servants knew that even if Lin Xiruo did not marry into the He family, she was still a precious daughter of the Lin family. She had never cooked before.

If anything really happened to her, no one would be able to escape responsibility.

Lin Xiruo was so angry that she laughed. Did they really think she was a three-year-old child?

However, this also showed that He Jiang had treated her as he had for decades. When she first married into the He family and she wanted to cook egg fried rice for him, she had experienced the same thing.

After He Jiang got up, he went to the gym for a while before returning to his room. Seeing that Lin Xiruo was not around, he slowly walked downstairs.

When he saw a servant, he asked and heard that Lin Xiruo had entered the kitchen.

'The kitchen?'

He Jiang frowned and walked quickly to the kitchen. Ever since he met Lin Xiruo, she had never been to the kitchen. She wouldn't step foot in there, and he wouldn't let her either.

What was going on now? Why did she have to go into the kitchen?

Lin Xiruo finally convinced the servants to take a spoon for her and focused on putting the ingredients into the pot.

The servants stood at the side and served her carefully, afraid that she would make a mistake and hurt herself.

Just as everyone was trembling in fear, they were even more stunned when they saw He Jiang.

What day was it today?

First, Madam came into the kitchen, and then Sir came in too.

What was going on?

He Jiang gestured for everyone to keep quiet. Everyone silently moved aside and lowered their heads to avoid looking at them.

“So you put in the sea cucumber like this?” Lin Xiruo asked with a frown, unable to handle the ingredients in her hand.

Suddenly, there was a familiar aura behind her. A palm reached out and held her hand.

Lin Xiruo was slightly surprised, but she immediately knew that it was He Jiang.

His voice sounded reproachful. “What’s wrong? Why do you have to cook in person?”

“Don’t you like sea cucumber soup? Since I had nothing to do at home, I wanted to learn how to make this soup and cook it for you personally.”

He Jiang said in a low voice, “It’s my honor. But I hope that my wife can spend more time with me and not waste her time on these things.”

The servants were slightly shocked. Even He Jiang had come to the kitchen.

However, they were not surprised by the couple’s love.

Everyone knew that He Jiang doted on his wife. Some of the older servants knew this since the couple got married.

However, at that time, they felt that it was just the beginning. Who could say for sure what would happen in the future?

After all that had happened, they knew now that the couple’s love was genuine and lasting. Even if the world collapsed, it would not change He Jiang’s feelings for Lin Xiruo.

All these years, Lin Xiruo’s condition had been fluctuating. Even if it meant He Jiang had to give up on the consortium’s matters, he would still accompany Lin Xiruo.

The couple’s relationship had never changed.

The servants quickly walked away and gave the couple some space.

Lin Xiruo smiled and turned around. “But I want to cook it for you.”

“Then let’s do it together.” He Jiang nodded. His wife was still gentle and delicate, just like when he first saw her.

Time would change, and time would pass. However, once some things were engraved in one’s bones, they wouldn’t change anymore.

“It’s been hard on you all these years, Hubby.” Lin Xiruo’s eyes were filled with tears. She didn’t know how he spent his time when she was sick.

As if reading her thoughts, He Jiang smiled. “It hasn’t been hard at all. After all, you’ve always been by my side. I always knew that you would definitely get better. That’s why I was always hopeful.”

“Hubby.” Lin Xiruo was extremely touched. She looked at the man in front of her. There were not many traces of time left on his face. He only looked more refined and gentle.

“The pot is almost burning,” He Jiang reminded her with a smile as he kissed her.

After Su Bei finished her call, she went downstairs to look for her mother. She was overwhelmed by her parents' display of affection.

"I'm sorry. I'm just here to see if there's anything to eat. Dad, Mom, please continue..." When Su Bei came over, the servants were gone, so she went straight to the kitchen.

Unexpectedly, He Jiang and Lin Xiruo were hugging each other and cooking something.

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She and Lu Heting were both people who often showed off their affection to others. She didn't expect that she would catch her parents' PDA this time.

He Jiang coughed lightly and let go of Lin Xiruo. The latter's face flushed red as she coughed awkwardly.

"Su Bei, come over quickly. Try the soup I made," Lin Xiruo called out to her daughter.

Su Bei originally planned to leave as soon as possible, but He Jiang also said gently, "Come and try it. Your mother spent a long time preparing it."

Su Bei couldn't refuse, so she could only go forward and take a mouthful. She frowned slightly and said, "It's quite delicious."

"Then you should have a bowl." Lin Xiruo was very happy. This was the first time she had yielded such good results.

She quickly scooped a bowl for Su Bei and He Jiang.

Su Bei held the spoon and stirred the soup gently.

He Jiang was straightforward. He finished the bowl in two or three mouthfuls. Lin Xiruo then refilled it for him.

He Jiang quickly finished all the soup in the pot.

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Only Su Bei was still stirring the soup in the bowl. However, she was not a fast eater to begin with, so Lin Xiruo didn't find it strange and only looked at her gently.

"Um, honey, can you help me get some milk from the fridge?" He Jiang asked.

Lin Xiruo naturally went without hesitation.

As soon as she turned around, He Jiang immediately picked up Su Bei's soup and drank it in one gulp.

Su Bei's lips twitched as she looked at him. She really admired her father!

What a man!

The greasy but sweet sea cucumber soup had a strong fishy smell. Su Bei almost vomited at the first mouthful. Yet her father could actually drink it all in one gulp.

She gave He Jiang a thumbs-up!

He Jiang reached out and stroked her hair. He could just finish the soup himself. Why make things difficult for his precious daughter?

Lin Xiruo gave He Jiang a small carton of milk and another one to Su Bei. "What else do you want to eat? I'll get it."

"No need. I'm very full," Su Bei quickly replied and pointed at the empty bowl in front of her.

Only then did Lin Xiruo reveal a satisfied smile.

After He Jiang received a business call and left, Lin Xiruo sat in front of Su Bei and asked with a smile, "How was the sea cucumber soup?"

"It was good."

"Tell me the truth," Lin Xiruo asked.

Seeing that Lin Xiruo didn't look like she was faking it, Su Bei asked honestly, "Mom, did you get confused between the sugar and salt?"

"Oh, I think so. What else?"

"Did you put in the organs of the sea cucumber too?" Su Bei said uncertainly.

"Sea cucumbers have internal organs?"

'Alright, you're really amazing!'

Su Bei asked curiously, "How do you know that the soup doesn't taste good?"

"If the soup was delicious, how could your father drink it all without leaving me a sip? Also, he usually goes to get the milk himself. When does he ever order me around?" Lin Xiruo's gaze was gentle as she thought of her husband.

Su Bei usually felt that what she had with Lu Heting was already the best kind of love, but when she looked at her parents, she was still sincerely envious.

Decades had passed, but their relationship was still the same. It was really rare.

Lin Xiruo smiled and said, "Don't tell your father that I know about the soup."

She would practice more and work hard.

"Got it." Su Bei nodded and said with a smile, "I'm not a traitor."

She felt so happy to be their daughter!

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Although Old Madam He was not completely satisfied with Xu Zhiqin and He Xuyan's relationship, He Jiang and Lin Xiruo supported Xu Zhiqin wholeheartedly. Su Bei often said some good things about

Zhiqin in front of her too. Seeing the smile on He Xuyan's face, Old Madam He's attitude had indeed changed a lot.

"I'm really old. I can't dissuade you young people anymore," Old Madam He said. "The He family has a business banquet tomorrow night. Xuyan, bring Zhiqin and attend it together."

As long as Xu Zhiqin was qualified to handle such an occasion and was able to receive people with ease, Old Madam He could reluctantly be at ease.

This was her standpoint and a test.

He Xuyan naturally knew that his grandmother's attitude was gradually relaxing. He nodded and said, "Zhiqin and I will be prepared."

"Then can I go too?" Su Bei asked.

Old Madam He immediately smiled gently and said, "Of course, you have to go. You're the precious daughter of our He family, so how can you not go? Be good and dress up well before going. Also, I'll get the butler to bring over the set of jewelry I had when I was young. You can wear it. You'll definitely look good in it."

"Thank you, Grandma!" Su Bei raised her eyebrows and smiled. "I just don't know if I can pull off the jewelry you wore when you were young. Your appearance must have far exceeded mine when you were young. I'm afraid I can't compare to you."

"Hahahahaha." Old Madam He laughed out loud. "How is that possible? You definitely pull it off. When the time comes, you have to put on the jewelry, do you understand? You're the best-looking person in our family. If you can't pull it off, no one can."

Ever since Su Bei had come back, Old Madam He had been smiling a lot.

There was originally some rift between Lin Xiruo and the old madam. However, seeing that the old madam treated Su Bei with sincerity, Lin Xiruo opened her heart and no longer cared about the small matters from back then.

"What about Dad and Mom? Are they coming with us?" Su Bei asked again.

He Jiang looked at Lin Xiruo, asking for her opinion.

Since Lin Xiruo could attend the business banquet with both her children, she naturally had to go.

"Su Bei and Zhiqin are both new here. I have to accompany them," Lin Xiruo said with a smile.

He Jiang immediately said, "We'll go."

The power dynamic between the two was evident.

Old Madam He really couldn't bear to see her son like this. He was like this when he was young and was still like this when he was old. It was no wonder that He Xuyan followed in He Jiang footsteps and disobeyed his family.

However, He Jiang's treatment of Lin Xiruo reduced the number of messy disputes in the He family. This was also a good thing.

At the thought of this, Old Madam He felt a little better.

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On the day of the business banquet, Lin Xiruo brought Su Bei and Xu Zhiqin to pick out their clothes and do their hair.

He Jiang and He Xuyan did not go to the company either. They became drivers and helped the women carry their bags.

"Su Bei, don't you think that Zhiqin's complexion has been especially good these past two days?" When Xu Zhiqin was getting her makeup done, Lin Xiruo specially called Su Bei over to take a look.

"Oh, right. It's very good." Su Bei reached out and poked Xu Zhiqin's face.

Actually, the mother and daughter did not say anything special. However, Xu Zhiqin's face suddenly turned red, and even the corners of her eyes were stained with a hint of red.

It was as if they had seen through something.

Lin Xiruo couldn't help but laugh. "Okay, okay. Su Bei, let's get our makeup done too."

Only then did Xu Zhiqin's expression return to normal. She looked at He Xuyan, who was waiting at the side, with a gentle gaze.

Soon, the three of them were ready.

Lin Xiruo was wearing a modified cheongsam. She exuded a calm temperament that had accumulated over time. Her hair was tied up behind her head, making her look imposing and elegant.

Xu Zhiqin, on the other hand, was wearing a nude long dress. She looked gentle and dignified. Her hair was coiled into a petal shape, but she still looked playful.

The nude dress made her skin look even more beautiful than snow.

Su Bei, on the other hand, knew that Old Madam He wanted to test Xu Zhiqin's ability with the He family's business banquet tonight, not hers. Hence, she specially chose a slightly sweet-looking dress so that she would look like she was only attending the banquet with her parents and did not have any other intentions.

She chose a pair of earrings to wear out of the set of jewelry that Old Madam He had given her. She did not dress too grandly.

The three of them came out, and He Jiang's eyes lit up when he saw Lin Xiruo.

He smiled and reached out to hug her waist.