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#### Chapter 131: Spiritual Power Vortex

Wu Xin's cold eyes flashed with a deep killing intent, and stepping forward in large strides, he wanted to rush into Nangong Yu's bedroom.

However, Qing Long stepped forward to block him, "Master has commanded that without his order, no one is allowed to enter."

Wu Xin's sharp gaze landed on Qing Long as he coldly said, "Qing Long, do you think you can stop me? Moreover, don't forget that our first priority is to ensure Master's safety!"

He had barely finished speaking when his eyes flashed with a cold light, while a fierce amount of spiritual pressure was released from his body.

Qing Long dodged too late, the jolt from the spiritual pressure pushing him back several steps. His complexion became somewhat pale and unsightly.

Qing Long, Bai Hu, Zhu Que, and Xuan Wu, were each given a code name after one of the four divine beasts. To the public, they are known as Nangong Yu's personal bodyguards.

Unknown to most though is that Nangong Yu had four other guards that he had secretly trained. They were given code names' after the four ferocious beasts, Wu Xin, Wu Yu, Wu Nian, and Wu Gou. They were guards trained to offer their life for their Master, no matter the danger to themselves.

All eight people were experts in their respective fields, each a leader in charge of their own force. However, as teams, Qing Long is the leader of the four great divine beasts, with Wu Xin the leader of the four great ferocious beasts. Wu Xin's team was slightly stronger than Qing Long's team.

After Wu Xin pushed Qing Long aside, he focused his spiritual power in his palm, using it to open the iron gate leading into Nangong Yu's courtyard.

The iron gate had just opened, when before anyone could enter the courtyard, they were abruptly blinded by a bright flash of white light.

Next, it was like a sudden gale started in the courtyard, causing the leaves on the ground to scatter in the air. These sudden storm clouds seemed like a foreshadowing of trouble ahead.

Wu Xin's complexion changed, and rushing to stand in front of Nangong Yu's bedroom door, he roughly pushed it open.

However, as soon as Wu Xin and the others entered the room, their expressions stiffened as they blankly stared at the curtain in front of them.

The curtain hung from the bed and fluttered in the cool breeze, along with the tassels and clothes surrounding it.

Behind the lightly fluttering curtain, alternately hidden from view and then visible, Nangong Yu and Hexi were tightly embracing each other. With their lips plastered together, it was difficult to distinguish their expressions.

The corner Wu Xin's mouth twitched, along with everyone else's. Awkwardly shuffling their feet, they didn't know what to do with their hands or where to look.

This is the first time that they had ever seen their cold hearted Master display such unbridled passion. He was always emotionless, yet now he is behaving like he is intoxicated.

However, before Wu Xin and the others could return to their senses, a vortex could suddenly be seen by the naked eye, slowly forming between the two people.

The vortex spun, first absorbing the spiritual power in the room, and gradually accelerating its speed as it slowly expanded. Once it shrouded Wu Xin and the others, it then spread outside the room.

As Wu Xin stood absent minded, he unexpectedly felt a great invisible force start to suction out the spiritual power from within his body.

"What's going on here? How could this be?!"

With shock written across everyone's faces, they hurriedly set up protective barriers around their bodies, capable of resisting that suction.

Fortunately, after they set up the protective barriers around their bodies, the suction disappeared without a trace. No...more precisely, the suction bypassed them, following the vortex to spread out to surrounding areas.

Wu Xin gazed towards the delicate and slender girl on the bed, his eyes showing bewilderment.

Is this strange vortex created by this woman? Was this why Master insisted on risking his life to save her? In the end, just who is she??

"Slut, why with Master...get off him! Go die!" A shrill scream suddenly reached their ears.

Wu Xin and the others turned their heads, only to find Zhu Que looking insane as she rushed towards the two intimate people on the bed.

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#### **Chapter 132: Unlucky Zhu Que**

As Zhu Que stood there, the huge vortex hovered over her, and little by little, it suctioned out many years worth of her accumulated spiritual power that she had cultivated. Her complexion aged and withered at a speed naked to the eye, yet she was completely unaware of it. Zhu Que's entire body trembled as she became devoid of rationality, and she rushed towards Hexi in the centre of the vortex.

It is unknown when, but she was now holding a dagger, the tip shining a strange blue-green. Obviously it is smeared with something highly poisonous.

A crazy smile was plastered across Zhu Que's lips; even if she had to risk her cultivation base, she must kill this woman, she must get revenge of the hatred due to her disfigurement! Furthermore, she will not let this slut snatch Master away!!

"Zhu Que, you can't—!" Qing Long and the others exclaimed, their complexions suddenly changing.

However, it was too late, the sharp dagger blurring as it was fiercely stabbed towards Hexi.

But the expected eruption of blood didn't happen. On the contrary, Zhu Que who had rushed over screamed, and with her body resembling a kite flying off after it's string is broken, she flew around the room, finally crashing into a wall.

She spit out a mouthful of blood, denial and hatred in her eyes as she glanced at Hexi, then fainted with disappointment written across her features.

Bai Hu looked at her worriedly, whispering, "Zhu Que didn't form a protective barrier over herself before she fainted, her cultivation base..."

"Humph, she valued her jealousy more than Master's safety. She reaps what she sowed!" Wu Xin's cold and pitiless words instantly dispelled Bai Hu's intention of helping Zhu Que.

Just at this moment, Nangong Yu suddenly opened his eyes in the centre of the vortex. He first thoroughly examined Hexi's body using his spiritual power, to make sure she wasn't in any danger, then, his cold dark eyes swept around the room, finally landing on several of his subordinates outside the door.

Wu Xin and the others felt their bodies quiver all over under the gaze of those cruel, icy red eyes, to the point that they were almost unable to maintain their protective barriers.

Nangong Yu coldly snorted, then said in a low voice, "No next time! Whoever dares to violate my orders in the future, don't even bother to appear in front of me again."

As he finished speaking, he waved his hand, and the door that was knocked open by Wu Xin closed in a flash, firmly sealed with a spiritual power enchantment.

Wu Xin gasped for breath, his face sagging into an expression of relief after the terror he had felt.

Just a moment ago, Master's expression when he had looked at him was really too frightening.

Wu Yu frowned while muttering next to him, "It's close to the time for Master's illness to show up. If Master is like this now, what will happen to him later, will he be okay?"

They all looked at each other in dismay, sinking into a depressed silence.

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At this time, everyone worrying in the courtyard of Hell King Manor wouldn't know, but that vortex which had first only affected the six of them, had now swept throughout Yan Jing City.

Apart from Nangong Yu, no one knew that in the centre of this vortex, the seal on Hexi's dantian is gradually lifting.

At this moment, Hexi's dantian resembled a dissatisfied and greedy black hole. Countless amounts of spiritual energy was being sucked in, but when the spiritual energy was completely absorbed, it was still unsatisfied.

The vortex continued to expand, and the fierce wind began to strengthen abruptly, causing dust and sand to fly everywhere. While the spiritual energy that was drawn into the vortex, regardless of whether it was from the air or the vegetation, was completely absorbed.

Demonic beasts in the forest rampaged, their bodies all emitting a harsh light as they resisted their spiritual energy being absorbed with all their strength.

In the sky of Yan Jing city, martial artists riding on Flying Swords suddenly felt the swords under their feet start buzzing, and no longer able to transfer their spiritual power, they fell down from the sky one by one. Fortunately, every martial artist that is able to fly possessed a magical tool that would protect their body and save their life, so they were luckily able to escape from an ending of becoming a meat patty.

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#### **Chapter 133: Demon Day And Night**

In Yan Jing city for anyone that is a cultivator, when they tried to absorb spiritual power, they discovered that not only were they unable to absorb any, but instead, an invisible force was extracting the spiritual power within their bodies.

All the martial artists turned pale with fright, and immediately, they took out all kinds of spiritual talismans and magical tools to resist this powerful suction. However this force was much larger than they expected, so other than martial artists at Gold Core stage or higher who were able to form protective barriers, the rest of the martial artists, no matter how powerful a magical item they used, they couldn't stop the spiritual power dissipating within their bodies.

At this time in Yan Jing city, alleyways that are normally silent as soon as the sun set, were instead in chaos. Even the older generations from large influential families that were in closed door cultivation were alarmed, having come out earlier.

Every major family, including Jin Ling's royal family, all sent out troops to inquire and investigate the source of why they were unable to use their spiritual power. Unfortunately, since all the martial artists were unable to use their full strength, they naturally couldn't find the source of this weird phenomenon.

Suddenly, the absorption of spiritual power sped up, and in the sky above Yan Jing city, there appeared a huge white vortex, visible to the naked eye.

The vortex rotated faster and faster, while it's size grew larger and larger. Hovering above Yan Jing city, it resembled a white sun, lighting up the entire city.

"Heavens, what's that?"

"Is this vortex absorbing our spiritual power?"

"In the end, what is this?"

All the martial artists in Yan Jing city rushed outside to look at the glaring white vortex.

Suddenly, someone shouted out, “Demon day and night has arrived...this is the beginning of the demon day and night!!”

Once these words were said, all the martial artists burst out in a huge uproar, horror expressed on everyone’s faces.

Demon day and night, could this really be the world’s biggest calamity—demon day and night? Doesn’t that mean, the big calamity will soon descend upon Mi Luo continent?

In the distance, a man with the appearance of an evildoer, with long and narrow phoenix eyes, was at this moment standing on the summit of a mountain. Looking at the white light in the distant east that was just like a scorching sun, the corner of his mouth raised into a brilliant smile, “After waiting for so long, finally...has it finally appeared?”

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At this point, in the centre of the vortex, Hexi wasn’t the slightest bit aware that she had caused something strange.

Currently unconscious, her originally dried up and empty dantian, was little by little being filled. The meridians throughout her body were being nourished by the pure essence of spiritual power, and after circulating around her body twelve times, it then returned to her dantian.

The last seal that remained on her dantian had now been destroyed, eroding away with the pure spiritual power, causing Hexi’s cultivation base to rapidly increase in stages.

Early stage of Qi Refining, middle stage of Qi Refining, peak of Qi Refining...Nangong Yu slightly raised an eyebrow as he watched the cultivation base of the girl in his arms rising. Slowly it broke through to the Qi Refining stage, and from the Qi Refining stage, in a flash it rose to the advanced rank of the Foundation Establishment stage. Yet despite this, the growth of her cultivation base still didn’t stop.

Such a frightening advancing speed, if other martial artists were to see it they would certainly be scared to the point that their eyes would fall from their sockets.

Nangong Yu bowed his head, kissing the girl’s warm and soft, rose petal lips. So although the blood within his body had begun to freeze, causing his body to tremble in pain, while his skin is pale and transparent, seeming as if it will crack at any time, his lips still formed a gentle and soft smile.

At the same time, Hexi’s space was also undergoing earth-shaking changes.

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#### **Chapter 134: High Rank Foundation Establishment Stage**

The bottom of the Ninth Secluded Spirit Spring boiled, a vortex hovered above Ancient Rhyme Spiritual Field, and a click could be heard from every door in Xumi Palace.

And inside Xumi Palace, inside one of the empty rooms, the constantly leaping light within the huge egg suddenly froze. Cracks now started to appear across its formerly smooth surface, as if something was about to break out of it...

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Warm sunshine shone in from outside, illuminating Hexi's body. The speck of golden light flickered across her beautiful and delicate face, resembling a naughty spirit, causing her to wake.

With her long eyelashes slightly trembling, Hexi frowned as she slowly opened her eyes. Just as she was about to move her body, she suddenly released a pained groan.

Her whole body felt like it had been crushed by elephants running over it. The ache was unbearable, especially the meridians within her body, they felt like they had been pulled by something. Even moving one finger was painful.

Hexi took a deep breath, wanting to soothe her body by running her internal energy through it, yet unexpectedly, her dantian slightly responded as well. There was the pure essence of spiritual power overflowing from her dantian, and in a flash, it spread to the meridians throughout her body.

Under the nourishment from the spiritual power circulating, the pain in her meridians slowly soothed, gradually helping her limbs to become more flexible. The feeling resembled a whole body massage, and Hexi couldn't help but sigh due to the comfortableness of it.

Suddenly, her expression changed and she abruptly sat up.

With the spiritual power in her dantian working, and using the awareness of Divine Sense[1] to be able to see clearly, she could watch the spiritual power slowly wandering about in her meridians. When the spiritual power reached the meridian running to her hand, Hexi's mind focused, and in the next moment, a multicoloured ball of light formed on her palm.

Shocked, she lost her focus, and the multicoloured ball of light instantly disappeared.

This...how could this be? Her dantian is unsealed?

Moreover, the spiritual power within her dantian had raised her cultivation base to at least ninth rank of the Foundation Establishment stage?

Her memories from before she lost consciousness slowly overflowed, and she remembered that she was being chased by several Meridians stage assassins who wanted to kill her, so she had fled into Cang Mountain. Although she had tried every method to deal with them, even managing to kill two of them, in the end, there was still a gap in their strength and her's, and the enemy had stabbed her through the chest and abdomen with a sword.

Yet now her body wasn't injured, while her skin was even more exquisite and translucent than before. Even the white whip scars marring her skin had completely disappeared.

So is she really completely awake? Furthermore, in such a short while she had managed to jump over the Qi Refining stage, landing on a high rank of the Foundation Establishment stage?

Hexi's heart filled with joy. After transmigrating her strength had been too weak, and she had had no way to advance as her dantian was sealed, so all along she was anxious. The majestic Bai Wuchang[2], the organisation's youngest gold medal killer since the beginning of history, had unexpectedly fallen to the point of being called trash in a different world?

Now that she had finally broken her shackles, and advanced to the Foundation Establishment stage in such a short while, how could she not be happy? One must know that apart from here; the prodigy filled

Hell King Manor, that throughout all of Yan Jing city there is only a few Meridians stage martial artists. While it was possible to count the amount of Gold Core stage martial artists with only ten fingers.

In her memories, Nalan Feixue was called a talented martial artist because it had only taken her two years to reach the early stages of the Foundation Establishment stage.

Hexi laughed lightly, she couldn't help but spread her palm out once again, and very soon, another multicoloured ball of light filled with spiritual power appeared on her palm.

Focusing her mind, she subtly controlled the spiritual power, and without much effort that multicoloured ball of light turned red, representing the fire element.

Hexi's eyes shone, and the red coloured ball of spiritual power soon became blue, representing the water element.

[1]Divine Sense – An ability possessed by cultivators to scan their surroundings (far beyond the limits of their ordinary 5 senses) with their spirit. The total area they can scan corresponds to the strength of their spirit.

[2]Bai Wuchang – White Impermanence. Hexi's assassin name from her past life.

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#### **Chapter 135: Soft And White Meat Ball**

According to her thoughts, she was unexpectedly able to change the ball of spiritual power into five different colours, as well as combine them! However, don't common martial artists only have a single white colour to represent their spiritual power? Even double attribute spiritual roots display a milky white colour. Furthermore, the more spiritual roots a person has, and the more spiritual power they use, the white ball of light would appear dusky, like a muddy moon.

Suddenly, a young and tender child's voice sounded in Hexi's mind, "Silly Mother, this is because Mother's cultivation is the five elements of spiritual power, so of course there are five different colours."

Hexi was surprised at first, then she realised that this familiar child's voice belonged to Dandan.

But, didn't Dandan say that when she was outside her space, they would be unable to communicate? Yet now she could clearly hear Dandan's voice from inside her space, so didn't that mean that Dandan had also risen in rank?

Hexi's heart pounded, and in a flash her consciousness entered her space.

Once she entered her space, Hexi felt that the spiritual energy was now more than ten times richer than it previously was as it assaulted her senses. Before she had a chance to look around at the changes in her space though, she suddenly felt something round run into her arms with a 'thump'.

Hexi staggered back several steps, before she then steadied herself with difficulty, raising the small thing in her arms in front of her eyes.

This is a smooth, soft and white meat ball, eh...or jelly to be more precise? Touching it feels really good; it was cool, soft, and it's colour resembled silky milk. Anyone who looked at it will crave to swallow it.

On top of the meatball is a small round head, and on it's small head it didn't have hair, but two slender antennae. At this moment that small head was slightly tilted, it's antennae gently swaying, while a pair of big, watery, jet black eyes occupied half of it's face, staring with a fixed gaze at Hexi.

Four short, small, and fat lotus root-like limbs incessantly moved, and a pitiful protest came out from it's mouth, "Mother, Mother! Dandan feels uncomfortable when you carry me like this! Mother, Dandan wants to be hugged!"

Those big black eyes blinked, brimming with childlike admiration and longing as they looked at Hexi, so although Hexi has a cold and emotionless heart, when being looked at by these adorable eyes, of course her heart would be moved.

She blinked and asked, "You're Dandan?"

"Mhm!" Dandan nodded. Suddenly it struggled to free itself from Hexi's raised hands, and with one jump, it hung itself around Hexi's neck, "Mother, I'm Dandan! Dandan missed you so much!"

Feeling it's soft and jelly-like texture touch her face and rub lightly, acting like a spoiled child who would throw a tantrum, Hexi simply didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

She grabbed it from her neck, but this time adjusted the way she held it so it could be comfortable. Looking at it's plump body, she frowned, "How come you're so fat?"

Letting you eat, eat, and eat every day, now look! Now you've turned into a rolling ball!

Dandan heard this and immediately started crying, "Dandan not fat! Dandan's originally like this...Mother dislikes me, wagh..."

"Alright alright! Dandan's the cutest, Dandan's the slimmest! Mother doesn't dislike you, will this do?"

Hexi appeased it for half a day, and only then did the overly sensitive, spoilt, spiritual pet feel good. She recalled it's words from just a moment ago, and asked, "What did you mean when you said the five elements of spiritual power?"

Five elements of spiritual power, wasn't it five spiritual roots? The five spiritual roots in a cultivation world were known as useless spiritual roots, and that was practically what her previously crippled dantian was. But it seemed that when referring to her spiritual power, it wasn't the same.

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#### **Chapter 136: Promoted Space**

Dandan bit a finger, blinking it's big eyes as it looked at Hexi, "The five elements of spiritual power are metal, wood, water, fire, and earth, five types of spiritual power! Mother, you don't even know about this?"

Hexi held her forehead, she shouldn't have had hope for Dandan's IQ. Moreover, this guy obviously didn't know anything, yet it had an expression on its face that showed it thought she was stupid...fine! I'll just ignore you, we'll see whether you'll be able to be good or not!

Hexi no longer paid any attention to this little imp, and turning her head, she began to examine the changes in her space.

That's right, after only one night, Hexi had not only lifted the seal on her dantian, promoting to Foundation Establishment stage, but Dandan had hatched from its egg, while her space had also experienced a big change.

Originally vast, the Ancient Rhyme Spiritual Field now expanded further away than the naked eye could see, and the spiritual herbs that grew in her space, had all matured in one night.

One must know, that in Mi Luo continent, spiritual herbs are graded by years. For example, the growth period for a first grade spiritual herb is 10 years, for a second grade spiritual herb it's 100 years, for a third grade spiritual herb it's 1000 years, for a fourth grade spiritual herb it's 5000 years, and for a fifth grade spiritual herb it's 10 000 years. It's very difficult to find spiritual herbs that are fifth grade and higher, and it's not so easy to distinguish how old they are.

Originally the Ancient Rhyme Spiritual Field could accelerate a plants growth period a hundredfold, but for first or second grade spiritual herbs to grow into third grade spiritual herbs, it still requires a long process. Yet now, in only one night, several stalks of third grade spiritual herbs had matured.

What made Hexi even more amazed, is that a portion of first grade spiritual plants in her space had unexpectedly advanced to second grade spiritual plants! In Mi Luo continent this kind of situation was unheard of!

Hexi quickly walked to the Ninth Secluded Spirit Spring, noticing that from its outward appearance, nothing had changed in the spirit spring.

But, when she cupped her hands to try and drink a mouthful, she felt that compared to its previous rich spiritual energy, it had now increased several times in such a short while, nourishing the five viscera and six bowels in her body. With such potent spiritual power infusing her meridians, not only did she not feel pain, instead, she was so comfortable she released a sigh.

It seems that even the Ninth Secluded Spirit Spring has promoted!

Hexi was pleased and noticed Dandan imitating her by leaning on the side of spirit spring, its small head stretching over to drink a mouthful of spring water.

Yet after drinking just two mouthfuls it suddenly raised its body, flinging the water off its head, and said with a deflated expression, "No taste, it's not tasty at all!"

Hexi was amused by Dandan's small appearance despising the water. She then discovered, that since the spiritual plants in her space had matured, and that the spiritual energy is so rich, Dandan is no longer interested. Even the Ninth Secluded Spirit Spring is actually being despised by him.

“You’re a little guy that doesn’t know what’s good! Before, as long as it contained spiritual energy, wouldn’t you happily eat it all? Now that you’ve grown up, you’ve actually learned to be picky about food.”

Dandan hugged Hexi’s arm, it’s body hanging off her as it acted like a spoiled child and said, “Mother makes the best foods to eat, Dandan could eat it for a lifetime and will never dislike it. Mother, Dandan hungry, so hungry! I want to eat Mother’s tasty roast chicken, cake, and rabbit meat~~”

Black lines appeared on Hexi’s forehead. She felt that this little guy did nothing but eat when it was in the egg, and now that it’s hatched it’s become a picky eater! In the future, will it keep eating till she becomes a pauper?

Hexi didn’t know, but ever since Dandan had been eating the spiritual foods that she made, it’s appetite had begun to be wicked, as previously Dandan had no way to refuse it if it wanted to break out of it’s shell. But after hatching, it has a human sense of taste and aesthetics, leading it to begin avoiding things with spiritual energy but no taste. Of course, if the spiritual energy is rich to a certain extent, Dandan will still ignore the taste and drool.

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#### **Chapter 137: Spirit Firmament Palace**

However, thinking about it now, Hexi herself is also hungry. Just before she was chased by the assassins, she had made a lot of food and placed it safely in a room in Xumi Palace, specifically finding a cabinet to organise and store different foods. Remembering it now made her salivate.

One must know that the time in Xumi Palace has practically stopped, so the food stored inside, no matter how long it is left there, is still exactly the same as when it was stored. So when it’s removed, even the steam wouldn’t have dissipated.

Arriving at the front of Xumi Palace, Hexi was surprised to discover that even Xumi Palace has gone through some strange changes.

Xumi Palace has 81 doors, and in total there are nine palaces all grouped together, nine doors to every palace. Yet because most of the doors were closed, Hexi was unable to see what was inside them. Therefore, up until now Hexi had only known what the first palace is called, the Spirit Firmament Palace. The only door open there was the first room where Dandan was placed.

But now, after her space had promoted, the originally locked eight doors had unexpectedly disappeared. There was now only one door remaining with the words “Spirit Firmament Door” on top of it, and at this moment it was closed.

Hexi slowly pushed the door open, and in a flash, her mind was suddenly filled with vague information— “Ninth Palace in Heaven, this is Spirit Firmament. All living things are for thou to use.”

The door completely opened, and the first thing Hexi saw, is eight jade boxes floating in the air, surrounded by flickering white light.

The shape of these jade boxes is quite ordinary, and on the jade boxes a simple totem is carved. Hexi felt that she had seen this totem somewhere before.

Each jade box is surrounded by a milky white, close to transparent light, and the jade boxes floated around the room on this light, like mischievous imps. Hexi reached out her hand to catch them, yet they darted away before she could even grab one.

Her eyes were following one of the jade boxes, when her gaze fell to the left corner of the room, and suddenly she was so shocked she nearly jumped.

She saw an extremely familiar storage rack, and arranged on it had been her cooking tools, etc. Clearly the Spirit Firmament Door was Dandan's former location.

But now, that corner is in a mess. The small doors on the storage rack were open, empty bowls and plates were piled in a heap, while there were several chewed bones thrown to the ground.

Veins appeared on Hexi's forehead, and turning around, she saw Dandan duck its small head. With the appearance of a guilty conscience, it secretly tried to slip away, immediately letting Hexi know who the culprit is.

She extended out her hand, grabbed its neck, and lifted it before her eyes, darkly asking, "Dandan, did you eat these things?"

Dandan ducked its small head again, pitifully replying, "Mother, I was hungry...when I climbed out of the egg...hungry...so I eat~~"

The corner of Hexi's mouth twitched, "This cabinet was full of food! You've eaten so much, yet you still dare to shout at me that you're hungry?!"

Her braised moon chicken, roasted cloud rabbit, preserved porcupine leg...two full storage racks of food! She spent a lot of crystal stones to buy the ingredients, and little by little built up a stockpile, yet unexpectedly, it was all finished overnight!

Moreover, when she looked Dandan up and down, it looked so small, how could it eat so much food?! The amount of food was ten times the size of it!

Dandan's mouth flattened, and weeping, it said in a sorrowful child's voice, "Dandan's body is growing, of course I will be hungry. Mother, don't get angry, okay~~"

Hexi felt helpless, she was unable to find a way to deal with this terrible eater of food!

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#### **Chapter 138: Divine Sense Imprint**

Hexi put Dandan back on the ground, but it immediately tried to take advantage of her and clung to the bottom of her clothes, shouting about being hungry.

This time Hexi completely ignored its spoiled child act, spreading out her hands, "Everything was eaten by you, where would I get the ingredients from in such a short time? I have no energy either, so there's nothing I can do, you'll just have to starve. Furthermore, I want you to clean up this mess you made, otherwise, you'll never eat the food that I make again."

Finished speaking, she no longer cared about Dandan's tantrum, and instead started to examine the jade boxes.

Dandan yelled for half a day, but after realising that Hexi was really angry and was refusing to acknowledge him, he couldn't but help drop it's small head, it's antennae softly drooping.

All of a sudden, the antennae on it's head moved, and looking around at the mess in the room, it lifted it's arms in the air, waving it's small hands.

Soon, everything was once again categorised, all neatly placed back on the shelves.

Dandan looked at the shelves for a long while, letting out a giggle, and just when it was about show Hexi so she could praise it, it noticed her staring at the eight jade boxes flying around the room with anxiousness.

The antennae on it's small head swayed, and suddenly understanding, it waved a claw in the air. Soon after, the light surrounding the eight jade boxes flickered, and with a whoosh, they flew towards Hexi, abruptly stopping in front of her.

Hexi stared blankly, confused about what had just happened, when Dandan used it's small and short legs to run to her, pulled a corner of her clothes, and boasted, "Mother, you see, I've tidied it all up. I also helped Mother catch these disobedient boxes. Mother, aren't I awesome? Don't get angry again, okay?"

Hexi touched it's small head, praising it. Seeing it roll about in happiness, she couldn't help but laugh. Whether it's in an egg or this unknown shape, this little guy behaves like a five year old child.

Hexi picked up one of the jade box's, first trying to open it using spiritual power, and when that failed, she used her Divine Sense to probe it.

Unexpectedly, as soon as her Divine Sense touched the jade box surrounded by light, it was as if she had used a key to open a lock. The light around the jade box disappeared, and it then heavily landed on Hexi's hands.

Seeing Hexi's puzzled expression, Dandan's antennae perched upright on it's small head, and with a crisp and clear, childlike voice, it said, "Because Mother is the owner of Xumi Palace, these jade boxes recognise Mother's Divine Sense Imprint. Other people have no way to open these jade boxes!"

Hexi suddenly understood, and collecting the remaining seven jade boxes, she hurriedly opened them.

Soon, the boxes were emptied, and everything inside was arranged neatly in front of Hexi.

A hard shelled egg the size of a chicken egg, two black coloured pills with unknown properties, and five jade slips.

Hexi sat cross-legged on the ground, examining the things in front of her, unsure of what to start with.

She beckoned Dandan over, "Dandan, do you know what these things are?"

Dandan scratched it's antennae with a small, stubby hand, confusion across it's face.

However, when it noticed the jade slips, it's eyes lit up like it suddenly recalled something. Running over, it pulled one of the jade slips from the pile, handing it to Hexi, "Mother, I remembered! Grandpa Xumi

said that he left Mother some guides. He told me to tell Mother, that after the Spirit Firmament Palace door opened, to first look at this...yes, it's this jade slip."

Hexi's eyes shone, and taking the jade slip, her mind quickly sank into it.

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#### **Chapter 139: New Harvest**

"Xumi Palace, also known as Mantuo Shen Mansion, was created by a Xumi Taoist using a myriad of the world's spiritual objects. Refined over many years, it has now become a divine artefact. Since the beginning, when the Mi Luo and Xian Luo continents were formed, there were rumours. These rumours said that whoever possessed Xumi Palace obtained heavenly law, and that whoever obtained heavenly law, would rule all lands under heaven. Therefore, the person who inherits this divine artefact must be descended from a divine bloodline. They must harbour virtuous thoughts and beneficence towards common people, otherwise, they will be devoured whole by heavenly law itself."

"Xumi Palace is divided into nine palaces and eighty one doors, the nine palaces are; Spirit Firmament, Black Firmament, Green Firmament, Blue Firmament, Scarlet Firmament, Jade Firmament, Amethyst Firmament, Highest Firmament, and Divine Firmament. Each palace has nine doors, and each of the nine doors have a set location. But if the nine doors open all together, a formation will be activated and the nine doors will disappear, changing into a palace instead."

Hexi continued to read, discovering that in addition to storing treasures in Spirit Firmament Palace, the biggest feature here is the time stagnation. Of course, this kind of time stagnation could only be useful for storing foods as it was unable to be used for cultivation, so it's only function is keeping food fresh.

When Hexi went to look at the information detailing the other palaces', she found that the text was covered by a layer of white mist, causing it to be unreadable. It seems that the information will only be readable once the palaces are unlocked.

Moreover, looking at the meaning of this guide, it appeared that each palace served a different purpose. Inside each palace there are probably more treasures concealed, so once all of the palaces are open, there would be a large sum of money, enough that it could make one very wealthy.

Unsatisfied by the lack of information, Hexi put the guide down and picked up the remaining jade slips.

In these four jade slips, three contained the same type of content; they were ancient records from the Xumi Taoist, called the All Living Things Record. The All Living Things Record was divided into sections documenting spiritual plants, spiritual beasts, and spiritual tools. Everything that the Xumi Taoist had seen throughout their life was described inside and instead of vague details, each characteristic, as well as the locations of where they could be found, was documented with great care. It included information about all kinds of rare treasures, rare birds, and unusual beasts, there was even a clear image of each thing accompanying the jade slip.

Wasn't the All Living Things Record like a version of the Compendium of Materia Medica[1]? Hexi had been afraid that because she herself is a newbie in this different world, that she wouldn't be able to recognise or understand anything and be considered a country bumpkin. Now she doesn't need to be worried!

By the time Hexi had reached the last jade slip, she was positively overjoyed. Her previously neutral expression transforming into a brilliant smile.

Recorded in the last jade slip is the knowledge on how to refine pills, written by Old Man Xumi himself. Called the Overflowing Cauldron Pill Scripture, it lists the prescription for every kind of precious pill.

In her previous life, Hexi was known as an accomplished doctor with excellent medical expertise, so when she arrived in this strange cultivation world, of course she wanted to learn how to refine pills. But unfortunately in Mi Luo continent, becoming a doctor is a scarce profession. The art of pill refining is secretly passed down between family members, or between master and disciple. If you were able to find a book regarding pill refining at the market, describing its basic foundation, it would be priceless.

And yet here this jade slip regarding pill refining was found, listing in detail all kinds of medicine ingredients and prescription combinations. Combinations detailing the choosing and usage, how to pair them, contradictory medicines, and even how to refine fire attribute and temperature control. So once Hexi saw this, she exclaimed in joy.

“Mother, I’m hungry. How about you roast this egg for me to eat?”

Hexi, immersed in the Overflowing Cauldron Pill Scripture, extricated herself with reluctance as Dandan’s eager voice reached her ears.

Hexi turned her head in surprise, and seeing Dandan holding something round, she couldn’t stop black lines from forming on her forehead. Isn’t that the nameless egg from one of the jade boxes?

“You’re not allowed to eat that! I’ll go out now to find food for you, so behave and take good care of the egg for me. If you dare eat the egg, don’t ever think about eating anything in the future!”

[1]Materia Medica = Latin for Medical Material. Here it refers to a collection of medical books. For more infos.

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What a joke, this is a treasure Old Man Xumi left! Maybe one day it would hatch into a divine beast, so if she let Dandan eat it, wouldn’t she cry to death with regret?

Dandan blinked it’s big eyes towards Hexi, “I won’t eat the egg. Mother, how about you take me out so we can eat together, I’ll be obedient.”

Hexi’s brows raised. Staring at it’s eye catching appearance, the corner of her mouth couldn’t help but raise, and shaking her head she said, “For the time being, no. There are a lot of bad people outside, if they catch and cook you, what would you do? You better stay in the space for now, I will bring you delicious food.”

Old Man Xumi had said that Dandan’s identity will trigger greed and desire in humans. Her current strength is too weak, how could she dare to casually bring this little guy out?

Once it heard that bad people would want to catch him, Dandan’s small antennae trembled with fear, leaving it no choice but to quit asking about going out.

Feeling aggrieved, it held the egg as it pitifully said, “Then Mother, you should quickly bring in food for me to eat, Dandan hungry~”

After saying that, it’s small face rubbed against the eggshell. Hexi has good vision and noticed that when Dandan rubbed against the egg, a faint light seemed to be emitted from within.

Putting aside thoughts of the egg, she picked up the two strange pills and sniffed them. Yet without being able to figure out what they were for, and not wanting to randomly eat them, she tossed them back into a jade box, deciding to temporarily leave them for now.

Withdrawing from her space, Hexi let out a long sigh of relief, her mood brighter than it had been since she had awoken.

As expected, now that her strength is increasing and she finally has the ability to defend herself, she is at last able to feel a sense of security.

Touching her grumbling stomach, Hexi got up and walked out of the room. Yet as she reached the inner courtyard, she stared blankly as before her eyes is a gorgeous palace with an exquisite garden on display.

Just a moment ago when she was inside the room, she had noted the unfamiliar decorations and furnishings, but it wasn’t until this moment, seeing this luxurious and noble residence, that she felt that her intuition was right.

When she was losing consciousness after being attacked by the assassins from Drought Demon Organisation, she vaguely remembered seeing a familiar face and hearing a grave voice in her ears that caused her to feel relieved.

Nangong Yu, that must have been Nangong Yu!

Hexi covered her chest with a hand and felt her heart palpitating incessantly, a grateful expression slowly emerging in her eyes.

If she’s not mistaken, only Nangong Yu has the Yuan Yang Fruit, and only Nangong Yu knew how to unseal her muddled dantian. Moreover, when she was being chased, the imprint on her hairpin protected her from a fatal strike, so Nangong Yu certainly would have known of her situation.

So, he saved her life in the nick of time, as well as helping her unseal her dantian.

Thinking of this, Hexi’s footsteps accelerated. At this very moment she was eagerly wanting to see Nangong Yu, she didn’t want to delay meeting him for another second.

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Looking for someone to ask for directions, Hexi had barely made it to the courtyard’s gate, when she heard noises from outside.

The voice of the man was very familiar to Hexi as it belonged to Bai Hu, that freeloader who would come to her courtyard everyday for food and drink.

But that woman's voice...at first Hexi thought it was unfamiliar, yet as she continued listening, she felt it was somewhat familiar.

Listening to them, she heard Bai Hu's voice cold with disapproval, "Zhu Que, don't cause trouble again. This is Master's order, don't tell me you won't even obey Master's orders?"

Zhu Que? Zhu Que! Hexi suddenly realised that no wonder she felt this woman's voice was unfamiliar yet familiar, and that she thought it was faintly annoying. So as it turns out, it was that arrogant woman who claimed she came to present pills to Hexi by her Master's order, yet who tried to kill her instead.

Saying all this, the person who saved her must really be Nangong Yu!