#### **Physician Wife 51**

#### Chapter 51: Large and Luxurious

"Nuannuan, to be honest, I was mad that Big Brother Chi Yang chose you over me. I was upset. But after what happened yesterday, I know that I can't force anything to happen. Don't worry, I won't seduce or flirt with Big Brother Chi Yang anymore. Please forgive my horrible intentions, okay?"

If she could not win over Chi Yang, she would choose to destroy Zhong Nuannuan instead.

She did not believe that Chi Yang would still want to treasure Zhong Nuannuan and her faded beauty.

If she could not have him, neither can Zhong Nuannuan!

Of course, Zhong Nuannuan did not believe a word Zhong Qianqian said. She knew how deep Zhong Qianqian's love for Chi Yang was. She witnessed it herself in her past life.

Zhong Nuannuan could only smile at what Zhong Qianqian said.

"I'm so happy that both of you have managed to get everything out in the open. Hurry up and eat your breakfast. I'll take you two to buy new gowns."

"Mom, I want to go to Tianheng Holdings! I heard from my friend that there are more first-tier brands there compared to Yuncheng Department Store. Plus, a lot of the first-tier brands over there offer customization. Yuncheng Department Store should step aside now that Tianheng Holdings is here. It's been opened for more than a week and I haven't been there yet!"

Jiang Shuwan looked at Zhong Qianqian with a look of defeat on her face. "You're like a money-burning machine."

Zhong Qianqian chuckled. "Don't you and dad earn a lot of money so that Nuannuan and I could spend it? Am I right, Nuannuan?"

Zhong Nuannuan smiled. She did not answer.

After the three of them finished their breakfast, they went to Tianheng Holdings together.

When they got out of the car, what they saw was a building fit for a king. Zhong Qianqian's heart swelled with pride and confidence. She started to act as a guide to Zhong Nuannuan as if she was the owner of Tianheng Holdings.

"Nuannuan, this place that we're in is called Tianheng Holdings. You grew up in the farming district, so you won't know about it. This place is the fashion leader of all the aristocrats in Hanlan. Even though it has only been around for five years, the socialites and successful people from Hanlan, even Emperor District, would feel proud to be able to step foot in Tianheng Holdings.

It's obviously a mall, but it's like being transported to F country's Champs-Élysées when you first walk in.

Look at the tiles on the street, don't they scream medieval European Renaissance to you? And now, look at the sides of the street. They're so brightly lit and elegant. The buildings you see that look like European castles are all shops for branded goods.

There's an English lawn too that surrounds the rows of branded good stores. If you get tired from all the shopping, you can enjoy some authentic English high tea while relaxing on the lawn.

The products that are being sold in this mall are all international branded goods. There are even customization services for the most premier first-tier brands. Tianheng Holdings really is a luxurious and elegant place. What do you think? It's beautiful, no?"

After talking for so long, Zhong Qianqian thought that she would be able to see the look of shock and wonder from a country bumpkin like Zhong Nuannuan, but who knew all she did was lift the corner of her lips just a little. She did not show any expression on her face.

Zhong Qianqian pouted. She could only conclude that Zhong Nuannuan was indeed a country bumpkin. People like her would not know how to respond to this kind of luxury.

"Mom, you must buy me a custom made gown today. It would be best if it's from Venia."

## Chapter 52: It Looks So Good

Jiang Shuwan's eyes widened. "Girl, Venia's custom designs cost millions! Plus, the banquet's only a few days away. How would they be able to make a one in time for it?"

"I don't care! You promised that you would give me a custom gown as a present! It's not like Mr. Venia makes all the gowns himself when he has so many apprentices at his side. The gowns made by his designers aren't that expensive. Plus, I'm going to buy the ready-made ones, so I don't think it will cost as much."

Jiang Shuwan debated this internally. In the end, she lifted up her thumb. "You can't exceed this amount. If you do, you can't have it no matter how good it looks."

"Alright!" Zhong Qianqian's eyes became bright. She agreed to it immediately.

Venia's custom design!

Even though she was getting a ready-made one, a gown like this won't be repeated nor mass-produced. It was one of a kind. She would surely be the prettiest one in the room when she wears it to the banquet.

Zhong Qianqian grabbed Jiang Shuwan's hand excitedly. She could not wait to go to Venia's shop.

Jiang Shuwan looked at the directory in her hand and said, "Venia's at the center of the mall. Let's get a dress for Nuannuan first. Don't forget, Nuannuan's the main character for Sunday's big banquet."

"Ah, right! Nuannuan, let's go. We'll go pick a gown out for you first."

After she said that, Zhong Qianqian wanted to grab Zhong Nuannuan's arm, but Zhong Nuannuan managed to dodge before she could grab on.

Knowing that Zhong Nuannuan was still angry at her because of her pettiness, Zhong Qianqian did not take her actions to heart.

The perimeter of Tianheng Holdings was surrounded by international third-tier brands.

Jiang Shuwan and Zhong Qianqian immediately walked toward the cheapest and most inconspicuous shop, taking the silent Zhong Nuannuan along with them.

"My God, Nuannuan, look at this. I think it'll look amazing on you."

Zhong Nuannuan was speechless after looking at the gown Zhong Qianqian picked out for her.

Was that even a gown? It was just a normal dress!

It was a yellow knee-length dress that was designed to look similar to the Hanbok, a traditional Korean dress. There was a yellow ribbon with red designs that went over the chest, and below it were two longer strands of ribbon.

Jiang Shuwan walked over and looked at the dress from top to bottom. She pretended that she accidentally saw the price. After spotting the price tag, she grinned. "Aiya, this looks so beautiful. Nuannuan, this color goes so well with your skin tone."

She said to the store assistant, "Choose one that's my daughter's size."

"Yes, madam."

The store assistant quickly looked for one that suited Zhong Nuannuan. When she was about to hand the dress to Zhong Nuannuan, Jiang Shuwan snatched the dress and removed the price tag.

"My daughter has sensitive skin. I have to get rid of the tag so that it won't cause her any irritation."

"Madam, you can't remove this. If it's removed ... "

"I can immediately tell that this dress is the perfect fit for my daughter. What's wrong? Do you think we can't afford it?"

The shop assistant shook her hands. "No, Madam. I didn't mean that. Since you've already made the decision to buy this dress, then of course you can remove the tag."

Jiang Shuwan glared at the store assistant before turning to look at Nuannuan and said with a grin, "Nuannuan, go and try it on."

"Why do I need to try it on since you've already bought it?"

### Chapter 53: Biased

"Of course you have to try it on. If it doesn't suit you, I can buy you another one. You don't have to be so courteous toward me. Go on."

"Nuannuan, wear it out and let me see."

Zhong Nuannuan rolled her eyes. Initially, she had wanted to stay in the dressing room for a while and not try it on, but now she did not have a choice.

The dress did not even have a waistline.

It reached below the thigh and did not cover the ankle, but it did cover the places that needed to be covered up.

The dress was obviously designed for fat and flat-chested girls, or maybe even pregnant women. One thing was for sure, and that was it did not suit her one bit. However, her mother actually thought that it would look good on her.

Zhong Nuannuan took out an inconspicuous item that looked like a USB and scanned the QR code on the dress. The brand of the dress, designer, purchase price, incoming quantity per model, and even the shipping price were all displayed on the screen.

Price: 2370!

Zhong Nuannuan was showered with praises when she came out of the dressing room wearing the dress.

"You're so beautiful! I knew you would look even more beautiful after donning on some new clothes. My daughter is so beautiful!"

"Nuannuan, I made the right choice, no? I told you this dress would go well with your skin tone."

"Nuannuan, this dress is made for you. Not only does it fit your body perfectly, but it also complements your fair skin tone!" Jiang Shuwan was so happy that Zhong Nuannuan was able to make a 2000 dollar dress look like it was worth 20,000 dollars. Her task was basically done.

"Miss, you're so pretty."

The store assistant praised earnestly.

Zhong Nuannuan did have a nice body after all. She was 170cm tall and had curves in all the right places. There was not a part of her body that was not perfect. Even if she were to wear a sack instead of clothes, she would still be able to make it stylish.

With everyone's praises, Zhong Nuannuan could only smile lightly. Even though she was smiling on the outside, she was screaming MMP on the inside. (t/n: Chinese equivalent of WTF).

At the end of the day, it all came down to the fact that the dress was cheap.

The dress was so ugly, but they were showering her with a bunch of praises.

"Store assistant, wrap up this dress for me."

"Alright, madam."

"Mom, should we go get my gown now that we've already gotten Nuannuan's?"

"Let's go!" Jiang Shuwan pinched Zhong Qianqian's cheek adoringly. When she realized that Zhong Nuannuan was still next to her, she immediately reached out for her hand and said, "Let's go, Nuannuan. Let's go shop for your sister's gown."

"Alright." Zhong Nuannuan answered and nonchalantly removed her hand from Jiang Shuwan's grip.

When Jiang Shuwan noticed this, she suddenly realized something and chuckled. "Nuannuan, what is it? Do you not like the dress we got for you? If you don't like it, I'll buy you something else."

Even though Jiang Shuwan sounded genuine, there was a look of annoyance on her face.

To Zhong Nuannuan, she did not care about a mere dress. After being insulted by Jiang Shuwan though, she just wanted to wipe that smirk off her face.

"Mom, you're so biased. This weekend's banquet is for me and not sis. Yet, you're buying her a 1 million dollar dress when you only spent 2000 dollars on me."

After listening to Zhong Nuannuan, Jiang Shuwan and Zhong Qianqian's faces froze.

## **Chapter 54: Nasty Mother and Daughter**

They did not stop themselves from talking about Venia's customized gowns in front of Zhong Nuanuan because they figured that she was a country bumpkin who would not be able to understand what they were talking about.

Jiang Shuwan even ripped the price tag from Zhong Nuannuan's dress before it reached her hands.

It was only then Zhong Qianqian and Jiang Shuwan realized that not only did Zhong Nuannuan understood what Venia and its customization services were, but she also saw the price of the dress.

When did she even have the chance to see it?

Jiang Shuwan felt like she was being shamed.

If Zhong Kuijun found out about this, he would definitely scold her.

"What did you just say? Why are you saying it like I'm abusing you? The dress you were wearing just now really did look good on you. Plus, it goes with your skin tone. That's why I bought it for you. I never said that I'll only buy you one. I never told you to wear that dress to the banquet either."

Jiang Shuwan's words carried two meanings. However, Zhong Nuannuan grabbed Jiang Shuwan's arm and said, "I knew you were the best. There was no way you would buy a 2000 dollar dress for the main character of the banquet and buy a 1 million dollar gown for the side character. Mom, I won't ask for much. If you're getting a 1 million dollar gown for big sis, then I would only ask that you get me one that costs 2 million. I've never worn such an expensive dress before. I'm sure all eyes will be on me during the banquet."

The corners of Jiang Shuwan and Zhong Qianqian's lips twitched. They wanted so badly to hit this country bumpkin.

After Zhong Nuannuan's comments, Jiang Shuwan and Zhong Qianqian lost all interest to shop. They were both in a bad mood as they made their way to Venia.

The shop was located at the center of Tianheng Holdings. The whole outlet was designed to mimic a small castle.

"Nuannuan, this is Qianqian's favorite brand. It's a little too mature for you, so I don't think the gowns here will suit you. I'll shop with your sis first and then I'll shop for other dresses with you after we buy hers."

After setting foot in Venia, Jiang Shuwan started making comments even before looking around. Since it was an international first-tier brand, she did not want to buy something here for Zhong Nuannuan. She would just tell her that she had run out of money after buying Qianqian's gown.

However, Zhong Nuannuan was displaying the spoiled traits of a youngest child. "I like whatever my big sister likes. We're sisters after all!"

Jiang Shuwan: ...

Zhong Qianqian: ...

They were sisters now? What about the time when they were fighting over a man? Weren't they sisters then?

I wanted to strangle her. What should I do?

"Hey, aren't you Shuwan? Are you buying a gown for Qianqian?"

When Zhong Nuannuan lifted her head, she saw her mother's best friend Lin Xin.

She was standing right there, but Lin Xin pretended not to see her as if she was blind. She swaggered next to Zhong Qianqian. "I didn't see Qianqian for a whole month. Have you gotten thinner? Your diet works so well!"

Lin Xin's daughter, Ye Mengxi, had always beaten her for the title of the prettiest girl in school. This was enough reason for Zhong Qianqian to hate both their guts. When confronted with Lin Xin's greetings, however, she smiled generously. "Hello, Aunty Lin."

Jiang Shuwan smiled. "The banquet's this weekend, no? That's why I brought Qianqian and Nuannuan here to buy new gowns."

Lin Xin glanced at Zhong Nuannuan before continuing to ignore her. She looked at Jiang Shuwan and asked, "Zhong Nuannuan killed Zhou Jinhui. That's a fact. How did you manage to get her out of prison?"

### **Chapter 55: Face Smacking**

"What other choice do we have? When this child got incarcerated, we could only sit and wallow in our misery at home. In the end, it was Chi Yang who came up with the idea."

"Chi Yang? That young man from the military base that old man Zhong wanted to introduce to Qianqian? The one with a higher rank than old man Zhong even though he's only 26?"

"Sigh, stop talking. Chi Yang is Nuannuan's fiancé now."

Through this conversation, they were indirectly saying that not only was she the one who had murdered Zhou Jinhui, but she was also the woman who had snatched her own sister's boyfriend. The thing Zhong Nuannuan could not tolerate was that they were referring to Chi Yang as though he were someone who acted freely by abusing his power.

"Shuwan, I didn't mean to say this, but we've been friends for so long. Even if some of the things I say are a bit harsh, it is for your own good. "Nuannuan was kidnapped when she was small, and during this whole time, she grew up in the countryside. It is one thing that she does not have the temperament of a socialite, but as a mother, how can you let her steal her own sister's boyfriend? This is too disgusting.

"She stole her sister's boyfriend at home, and she snatched the title of the prettiest girl in school from Lil Xi. This was all fine, but I heard that she's been going around flirting with other boys, especially the seniors in the undergraduate course. She has been amorous with a lot of boys.

"Shu Wan, you carried her in your belly for 10 months, so how could you just leave her be after she had suffered in the countryside for so long? You're just harming her!"

Jiang Shuwan looked at Zhong Nuannuan. She was surprised. "Nuannuan, are you still flirting with other boys in school?"

"Still? Mom, when you said 'still', you're indirectly supporting Aunty Lin's slander. You're also agreeing that I snatched sis's boyfriend!"

After hearing Zhong Nuannuan's quibble, Lin Xin was unhappy. "What do you mean by slander? I'm telling the truth, okay? In our circle, who amongst us doesn't know that you stole your sister's boyfriend?"

"Chi Yang is my fiance. We're in love. After feeling so strongly for each other, Chi Yang drafted a wedding report for the military base. What does my sister have to do with this? What do you mean by me stealing my sister's boyfriend? Aunty Lin, please don't just spout nonsense like this to ruin one's name and reputation."

After hearing Zhong Nuannuan's reply, Lin Xin was furious. She smirked coldly. "You're truly from the countryside. What a sharp tongue—you're able to lie through your teeth."

"It looks like Aunty Lin has a lot of misconstrued preconceptions about me. Aunty Lin is my mother's best friend, and you already have such deep misunderstandings of me, so, what more of other people?"

"If you know other people have bad opinions of you, you should change. Don't use that slutty face to flirt with other men. It's important to behave with dignity."

Zhong Nuannuan smiled lightly. "It looks like everyone has misunderstood me. What a coincidence the banquet is this weekend, since it looks like I have to clarify the situation between me and Chi Yang, the situation between Chi Yang and sis, the situation between me and Zhou Jinhui, and also the situation between Zhou Jinhui and sis to everyone. This is so that everyone will stop misunderstanding me."

# Chapter 56: Still Face Smacking

Jiang Shuwan remained quiet by one side. After Zhong Nuannuan threatened her good friend, she finally explained to her, "Lin Xin, there are some misunderstandings regarding this. It's just as Nuannuan had said, nothing is going on between Chi Yang and Qianqian. Nuannuan never stole her sister's boyfriend. Initially, her father only wanted to introduce Qianqian to Chi Yang, but, in the process, Chi Yang unexpectedly fell for Nuannuan.

"Furthermore, the court has already come out with a verdict regarding Zhou Jinhui's death. He suffered from epilepsy, and when he fell, it was because of his condition. His family even admitted this."

Zhong Nuannuan lifted the corner of her lips in satisfaction. Her eyes were glistening as she stared at Lin Xin provocatively. Her face made it seem as though she was poised to attack at any moment; she looked like an elf under the moonlight from every angle.

"Did you hear that, Aunty Lin? That's the truth. The final verdict of the court was to clear my name and acquit me. Yet, you're insisting that I killed Zhou Jinhui. If this isn't slander, what is it?"

"You..."

"Moreover, Chi Yang is my fiancé. It is right and proper for him to help me discover the truth and clear my name. He's a soldier, and to protect the country and its people, he took part in hundreds of battles before he turned 26. He has all kinds of scars and wounds on his body, and used his life and passion to gain success. I won't let anyone question or slander him.

Aunty Lin, since you're my mom's friend, I won't look into this. But if I hear you slandering and defaming my fiancé again, I will lodge a complaint to the military court. If you suspect my fiance, then we should just let the military court decide if he's innocent or not. However, if you lose that case, prepare yourself, Aunty Lin. I'm afraid you won't be able to come to such a luxurious place to buy clothes again."

Lin Xin's face became red and then turned pale from Zhong Nuannuan's words, but she could not find the words to retort. She almost started bleeding from biting her tongue so hard.

"Nuannuan, my mom said this because she cares. You're Aunty Jiang's daughter after all. My mom doesn't want her best friend's daughter to become a bad apple. Like the idiom says, correct mistakes if you have committed them and guard against them if you have not. How can you treat my mother so acrimoniously?"

Lin Xin's daughter was also one of the beauty queens in Zhong Nuannuan and Zhong Qianqian's school. Oh, more like ex-beauty queen. Ye Meng Xi spoke up and began to talk some sense into Zhong Nuannuan while maintaining the image of an elegant noblewoman who had been wronged.

Zhong Nuannuan smiled and replied, "Oh, then I have to ask you this. In the school forum, the ex-beauty queen of Ye University was caught looking at the most handsome boy in school, Leng Qirui, with hearts in her eyes. She even gave him a love letter. However, behind his back, she held hands with the young master of Tianke Video and hugged the young master of Changyang Technology. There's also a picture of her kissing the young master of Xiaolong Real Estate. Are all those fake?

"Even though I have no idea who defamed me behind my back and claimed that I was amorous with a lot of boys at school, no matter how soiled my name is, at least I never got caught. I was never photographed doing despicable things that would disgrace my family name!"

# Chapter 57: A Smack in the Face Again

"Auntie Li, I'm sure you don't know about Ye Mengxi's secret that was exposed in the school forum. She was so young, and yet she was so naughty. She even learned how to flirt with multiple men at the same time from those horrible women. It's hard carrying a child for 10 months, right? Well, she's your daughter, so how could you let her learn to be so despicable? You should lecture her properly. Tell her not to use that slutty face to flirt with other men. It's important to behave with dignity."

Zhong Nuannuan said what was on her mind and sarcastically repeated what Lin Xin had said to her without missing a word.

Lin Xin had always been arrogant. All of the upper-class women would smile and greet her whenever they saw her, but now, she was being slapped in the face. Feeling frustrated, Lin Xin raised her voice a few octaves. "What the hell are you saying? Do you think I can't also sue you for slander? Do you think that you're the only one with an education? My husband is the chairman of the board. If you continue spewing bullsh\*t, I'll ask him to expel you!"

"Aunty Lin, I'm saying this because I care. Ye Mengxi is the daughter of my mom's best friend after all. I don't want to see the daughter of my mom's best friend becoming a bad apple. Like the idiom says, correct mistakes if you have committed them and guard against them if you have not. How can you treat me so acrimoniously? You even want to get the chairman of the board involved in this. Could it be that you want to use the public office to avenge private wrongs? Would the chairman agree to this?"

Again, Zhong Nuannuan repeated what Ye Mengxi had said back to her.

If slander means that you care, then enjoy a taste of your own medicine.

Lin Xin's chest was heaving from Zhong Nuannuan's words. Her usual aristocratic demeanor had disappeared. "You b\*tch, you have such a smart mouth. Let me give you a piece of advice, behind an able man are other able men. No one can avoid wetting their shoes if they are always walking along the riverbank."

Zhong Nuannuan chuckled coldly. "What a lady. There are only course words coming out from your mouth. There's no difference between you and those uncultured women in the countryside. So, don't pretend like you're better than everyone else. You're just using your position to bully others. Let me give you a piece of advice, don't be so unkind to other people, you have to learn to be a docile woman. No one can avoid wetting their shoes if they are always walking along the riverbank. In the end, not only will you not be able to seduce any man, but your man will be easily seduced by other women."

Lin Xin kept on saying that her husband was on the school board, but perhaps she was unaware that her husband was already having an affair with her own sister.

Lin Xin and Ye Mengxi's faces were red after hearing Zhong Nuannua's scathing words. They were speechless. It was so difficult to hold in their anger that tears even fell from Ye Mengxi's eyes out of frustration.

Jiang Shuwan was astonished. She did not understand why there was such a big change in Zhong Nuannuan after being in prison for only a month.

Before this, she would just ignore it when people were talking bad about her. How did she become such a smart mouth after one month in prison?

"Lin Xin, don't be mad. Nuannuan..."

"Hmph!" Lin Xin scoffed and pulled Ye Mengxi away.

"Lil Xi, let's go. Aunty Jiang is unavailable as she brought something shameful along with her today. Let's just shop on our own."

"Okay."

The enraged mother and daughter refused to listen to Jiang Shuwan's explanation as they turned around and left. However, they did not exit Venia as they instead walked upstairs.

"Nuannuan, you fought with Aunty Lin, so it's not appropriate to go upstairs right now. Why don't you wait here, I'll go upstairs and look around with Mom. We'll come down after seeing if there's anything suitable."

## Chapter 58: Dispute

Zhong Qianqian did not want Zhong Nuannuan to use her mom's money.

They bought her a two-thousand-dollar dress just now, which Zhong Qianqian thought was already extremely excessive for a country bumpkin like her.

However...

"No! This is sis's favorite brand. Although I don't understand, I know that I won't go wrong if I buy the same thing as sis. Moreover, mom said that I am the young miss of the Zhong Family. I am a noble debutante. So, I want a dress that costs millions to match my identity. As a debutante, I don't want what's best, only what's most expensive!"

Jiang Shuwan, "..."

Zhong Qianqian, "..."

Both of their faces were extremely dark at this point.

The most expensive nightgown Zong Qianqian owned cost 700 thousand dollars, and the rest cost tens of thousands or hundreds of thousands. Jiang Shuwan only agreed to buy her the ones that cost a million after she had been wronged multiple times.

Even though they had shares in the Cloud Group, the money was all in Zhong Kuijun's hands. Their annual allowance was capped at two million. In the past, a one-million-dollar dress was impossible.

However, she finally had the opportunity to buy it, but Zhong Nuannuan kept on interrupting shamelessly. This was so heartbreaking.

If she really wanted to buy it too, then its value would be lowered.

How despicable!

Zhong Nuannuan did not care how Jiang Shuwan and Zhong Qianqian feel. In short, if they were unhappy, then she would be happy.

When they got upstairs, everyone's gazes were captivated by a present that was placed in the middle of the shop.

It was a long ombre blue dress, with the skirt the color of mercury. Under the moonlight, it looked like a pool of mercury had spilled on the floor. The workmanship around the waist was delicate with silver

patterns etched on it. From top to bottom, it looked like something from medieval European courts, such that one would be reluctant to divert their gaze away from it.

"Mom, I want this dress."

"Mom, I also want this dress."

Although Lin Xin and Jiang Shuwan were best friends, Ye Mengxi and Zhong Qianqian were not friends. This caused some slight tension to form in Lin Xin and Jiang Shuwan's relationship.

Now, both of the girls had their eyes on this dress. Lin Xin and Jiang Shuwan's best friend status was being challenged.

"Shuwan, look at Qianqian. Even though she lost some weight, I'm afraid it will be difficult for her to wear this dress. Why don't you let Lil Xi have this dress instead? Lil Xi is thin, she can wear this."

Jiang Shuwan's expression changed when she heard this. "What do you mean by that? Are you saying that Qianqian won't be able to wear this? Why don't we settle it this way? Let Qianqian try it on. If she can wear it, then it's ours."

Lin Xin's expression changed too. "What's the point of that, Shuwan? Even if Qianqian can wear it, it will barely be satisfactory. This nightgown must be expensive, why don't you just get something that fits her? Look at Lil Xi, I know this nightgown will suit her with just one look"

"Lin Xin, I'll be frank with you, so don't be mad at me. Lil Xi is indeed very pretty, but aside from that face, the other parts of her body have not yet fully developed. Look at this dress. It's so thin and fitting, I'm sure she won't be able to support it, especially around the chest area. If she wears this, I'm afraid her entire belly will show."

Lin Xin and Ye Mengxi's face darkened. They had been angered by Zhong Nuannuan just now, and now Jiang Shuwan was attacking them indirectly. Lin Xin's face contorted into an ugly shape, and she retorted, "It's better than the nightgown bursting open!"

### **Chapter 59: Haute Couture Nightgown**

Jiang Shuwan did not want to ruin her relationship with Lin Xin. She immediately said to the shop assistant, "Wrap this nightgown for me."

"I saw this first. First come, first served. You should sell it to me first."

"You didn't pay yet, what do you mean 'first come, first served'?" Jiang Shuwan did not want to let her have it.

The shop assistant did not have a chance to say anything during their dispute. Thankfully, the store manager heard their commotion and hurried upstairs.

When she was about to ask what happened, she saw Zhong Nuannuan, who was standing behind the four women.

The store manager's eyes went wide as her mouth hung agape. Just as she was about to say something, she saw Zhong Nuannuan shaking her head at her.

The store manager understood Zhong Nuannuan's hint. She lifted the corner of her lips in a professional yet sweet-tempered smile and asked, "Madams, I am the store manager of Venia. What happened? Do you need me to resolve this for you?"

Lin Xin asked hurriedly, "Store manager? You're here just in time! I saw this nightgown first, and I want to buy it, but she suddenly came up and said that she wants to buy it too. Your nightgowns are all custom made and are one in a million. Don't you think she's making something out of nothing?"

"Lin Xin, you didn't make a reservation for this dress. You haven't even paid. You can't stop me from paying as I was the first one to offer to pay. So, store manager, who should get this dress?"

The store manager pointed at the blue nightgown and asked, "Madams, do you mean this?"

"Yes." Lin Xin and Jiang Shuwan said in unison.

Ye Mengxi and Zhong Qianqian glared at each other. The fire in their eyes would make Hell look chilly.

"I'm sorry, this dress was booked three months ago. This dress was made personally by the CEO cum Head Designer of Venia, Mr. Venia, according to their measurements. It has already been paid for too. I'm sorry I can't sell this to you."

After hearing that the nightgown was designed by Venia, Lin Xin and Jiang Shuwan gave up in embarrassment.

"How much is this nightgown?"

Zhong Qianqian's eyes were glued on this dress. This was the prettiest dress she had ever seen.

The design was simple yet stylish. At a glance, it looked elegant and fancy. What did lavish yet low profile mean? It meant this dress.

"This nightgown is 7.5 million."

Jiang Shuwan and Lin Xin were glad after hearing that. Thankfully, it had been paid for by someone else. It would be too embarrassing if they were about to pay but could not fork out the money.

After Zhong Qianqian and Ye Mengxi heard the price, they became jealous of the woman who was able to have a man spend so much money on her.

"It's been three weeks. Why didn't he come and take it?" Doubts arose in Ye Mengxi's heart.

The store manager smiled. "I am not sure about that. I just know that this man custom made this nightgown for his beloved fiancé. It's for their engagement party."

"Who is this man?" Zhong Qianqian felt that if she could ever find a man like that, it would not be very hard for her to give up Chi Yang.

"Yeah, we know all the famous people in Jiang District. Who booked this?" Ye Mengxi and Zhong Qianqian shared the same thought.

He spent so much on a woman, yet the nightgown had been kept here for so long. Perhaps something went wrong with their engagement.

If they knew who that person was, they could get to know him through family connections.

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This piqued Jiang Shuwan and Lin Xin's interests as well.

If he could spend 7.5 million to custom make a gown for his girlfriend, he must not be just some regular rich man.

The store manager smiled gently. "I'm sorry, the identity of our buyer is private and confidential. I can't tell you."

Everyone pouted. They had no choice but to stop thinking about it.

"If everyone wants to buy nightgowns, then we have some ready-made ones here. They are all one in a million."

The store manager led them to the custom goods area. Since Venia was a top-tier international, the quality of their products was far from poor.

However, as they looked at the other basic ready-made items after looking at that haute couture dress, they felt that none of the designs could compare. Moreover, they cost hundreds of thousands, some even over a million, it was not worth the money at all.

Everyone felt like they were looking at street stall commodities while browsing the display on the loft.

"Sis, what's the price range you are looking at?"

Zhong Qianqian was feeling upset, but after hearing Zhong Nuannuan's words, she felt even more upset.

She smiled. "I don't like the nightgowns here, so I don't want it anymore. Didn't you say that you'll get anything that I get? Let's go to another shop."

Zhong Nuannuan looked unhappy. She was soon led away by Jiang Shuwan.

"Be careful on your way out. Come again next time."

When Jiang Shuwan and the girls left the store, the store manager called for all of the staff. They abandoned the other customers and stood uniformly at the door before bowing 90 degrees at Jiang Shuwan.

After they turned the corner, Zhong Qianqian finally felt like she had enjoyed enough of the enthusiastic gaze from the store manager. Zhong Qianqian lectured in satisfaction, "Nuannuan, did you see that? The service from branded stores is indeed different. So, we all have to work hard and fight to be a respected aristocrat. Only then will you be treated with respect and manners when you go out in public. If you don't believe me, come here next time yourself. I'm sure they won't send you off so courteously."

Zhong Nuannuan smiled. She did not reply to Zhong Qianqian's comments.

After Lin Xin and Ye Mengxi walked around that shop, they left because they did not see anything that interested them. Their standards had gone up after seeing that dress.

"Please be careful on your way out."

A store assistant bowed slightly and saw them out the door.

"Hey, what's wrong with you guys? Why did your store manager bring the whole crew to bow 90 degrees at them when they left, but now it's only you when we leave? Are you discriminating against your customers? Didn't they not buy anything too?"

The corner of the store assistant's lips lifted into a smile as she said, "It was the store manager who brought everyone to send the customers off. I am just a mere store assistant, so I'm not sure why she did that. Madam, we have so many customers to serve... If you have any dissatisfactions, why don't I ask for more store assistants to send you off?"

"Never mind, there's no need!"

Lin Xin was unhappy with the difference in treatment. However, the store assistant's explanation was reasonable. She could not ask the entirety of Venia to come and send her off just because she was a customer, right?

It would be fine if she was a super VIP, but she was not.

In short, it was that store manager who was senseless. Did she really think Jiang Shuwan was some aristocrat? She was just a nouveau riche who got her wealth in the past ten years.

Meanwhile, the store manager who she had just thought of as senseless was excitedly making a phone call in the store manager room on the third floor.

"Yes, I saw her. It was the chairman!"