

Primitive 91

Chapter 91: construction of the deer enclosure

The deer enclosure is now ready and is adjacent to the rabbit enclosure.

It is a fence-style construction, which is not very challenging for the Green Sparrow Tribe, as they already have experience building walls.

Here's how the construction of the deer enclosure took place:

The shape of the deer enclosure was outlined at the selected location, forming a rectangular enclosure with dimensions of 50 meters in length and 30 meters in width, totaling an area of 1500 square meters.

Considering the twenty-two deer, their large size, and the need for potential expansion, Han Cheng deliberately made the deer enclosure large.

The tribe members cleared snow from the chosen area. A fire was lit on the ground to soften the frozen soil before digging.

Bone shovels, more efficient than the previous flat wooden sticks, were used for digging.

Using feet to press down one side of the shovel significantly increased digging speed.

Large and deep pits were dug at each side's four corners and the middle for stability. Large pillars with a diameter exceeding fifteen centimeters were planted in the deepest pit.

Smaller wrist-thick pillars were planted between the large pillars for additional support. The gaps between the pillars were filled with woven branches.

Large pillars were cut and prepared during an earlier fire. The large pillars were placed, and rocks were added at the base for stability.

Smaller pillars were efficiently planted between the large pillars. The gaps were filled with woven branches.

Completing the deer enclosure marks a significant achievement for the Green Sparrow Tribe, providing a secure and spacious environment for the deer.

In Han Cheng's hometown, this technique is called "Biao" or "Bie."

The method uses relatively thin and flexible branches to weave through the vertical pillars, alternating left and right. Once completed, the entire deer enclosure becomes a solid structure.

The woven height, using thin branches, is approximately 1.2 meters. Above this, there is a gap of about 40 centimeters. After the gap, another 30 centimeters of height is again woven with thinner branches. This design ensures both light penetration and material efficiency and does not compromise the enclosure's solidity.

Around the deer enclosure, Han Cheng dug a drainage ditch. The ground inside the enclosure was covered with a thick layer of wood ash mixed with dry grass and crushed leaves, showing great attention to detail.

Due to recent disturbances from the Flying Snake Tribe, certain elements of the deer enclosure were not completed, such as the missing roof and the mud plaster on both sides of the 1.2-meter-high fence envisioned by Han Cheng. These will be addressed in the coming days.

The Deer Lord, with a crisp and delicious oilseed rape in its mouth, quickly consumed it. Without Han Cheng's intervention, it voluntarily buried half of its head into the animal skin bag held by Han Cheng, using its tongue to scoop out a mouthful before pulling its head out to savor the rare delicacy.

Following their leader, the rest of the deer entered this entirely unfamiliar space. However, these deer were used to them and showed no unease. Following Han Cheng's instructions, Hei Wa and others brought a lot of dried grass and prepared wooden planks, treating the deer hospitably. As a result, the deer became more relaxed.

Their mouths moved swiftly, occasionally swaying their small tails, showing a carefree demeanor. Watching this scene, Shaman couldn't help but grin widely. Especially when a recently born fawn, after eating a few oilseeds from his hand and licking his hand with its tender tongue, Shaman was even more delighted.

He gently stroked the head of the little deer and looked at the group of deer peacefully grazing. The inner joy was indescribable, and his admiration for Han Cheng knew no bounds.

A Divine Child, without resorting to violence, brought back such a large group of live deer to the tribe. Catching them would be extremely difficult, even for the tribe's adults. Yet, the Divine Child, still a youngster, brought back so many live deers. Once tamed, their tribe would have a deer population similar to rabbitstruly a miracle.