

The Charm of Soul Pets

Chapter 16: Second Stage Defeating a Third Stage

Little Mo Xie had already been summoned by Chu Mu and seeing the Ten Legged Centipede appear, the haughty Mo Xie also immediately leapt in front of Chu Mu. It stood off against the centipede that was over one meter tall.

Zhang Ge clearly did not want to be mocked by his peers, and wanted to finish the fight as fast as possible. He immediately ordered the Ten Legged Centipede to attack Little Mo Xie.

The Ten Legged Centipede's entire body was like a iron chain. As it moved, it ferociously moved its tail pincer and resolutely smacked it towards Little Mo Xie.

Little Mo Xie's body was weak, and her defense was lacking. If she was hit by the Ten Legged Centipede even once, she would most likely lose the strength to fight.

Luckily, Little Mo Xie possessed speed more nimble and faster than that of the Ten Legged Centipede. With a light hop, Little Mo Xie dodged the Ten Legged Centipede's tail pincer, She suddenly extended her sharp claws and swiped at the Ten Legged Centipede's body.

"Zizi"

Mo Xie's claws seemed to grind against metal. This attack clearly had not broken the Ten Legged Centipede's defense.

Chu Mu didn't pay any heed to this. After all, Mo Xing had attacked while dodging, so her body didn't have a chance to gather force. Thus, it was very hard to exhibit the claw's formidable power.

"Dance around it in circles. Its body is relatively sturdy." Chu Mu had already thought of a countermeasure to deal with the Ten Legged Centipede and immediately instructed Little Mo Xie.

Little Mo Xie was also very agile, and after dodging the Ten Legged Centipede's tail pincer, she never stopped moving. Even if the Ten Legged Centipede continued to swing its tail in attack, it would stop for a long time after every attack. It needed time to recover before continuing.

Zhang Ge saw that Chu Mu's Moonlight Fox was extremely nimble and also knew that he couldn't continue like this. He immediately used his mind to issue an order.

(TL: Something like a mental connection with the Soul Pet so that one doesn't have to talk to communicate)

After issuing the order, the Ten Legged Centipede stopped continuously attacking Little Mo Xie. It abruptly coiled up, faced the ground, and unexpectedly dug into the ground in an instant. It left a large, deep hole in the grass field.

"Enter the ground to use Scuttle Attack?" A smile appeared on Chu Mu's face. It could be said that he knew the Ten Legged Centipede's abilities like the back of his hand. Immediately he issued an order to Little Mo Xie.

Little Mo Xie stopped in her tracks and didn't move. She seemed to be quietly waiting for something...

Seeing the Moonlight Fox stand in one spot motionlessly, Zhang Ge, Ge Qing and the others sneered. Evidently, they thought that the fight was about to end. After all, Moonlight Foxes were a delicate Soul Pet and had no way of withstanding the Ten Legged Centipede's Scuttle Attack.

"Hurry up and let your Soul Pet run. If its position is locked on by the Ten Legged Centipede, you will lose." Beside him, Ting Yu was inwardly quite worried.

Scuttle attack was the standard case of a bug type ability. After digging into the ground, the Soul Pet would then suddenly resurface and attack the enemy's spot: the underbelly.

Chu Mu didn't pay heed to Ting Yu's anxiety. He closed his eyes, consumed his own Soul Power and released his own perceptive force.

The perception ability covered the entire grass field. Even without using eyes, Chu Mu was able to use Soul Power to feel the light movement beneath Little Mo Xie's feet.

Suddenly, Chu Mu opened his eyes.

"It's right now; jump up!" A voice resounded.

The mental connection between Little Mo Xie and her master was extremely sensitive. The second Chu Mu issued his command, Little Mo Xie stored her energy and leapt up into the air!

"Beng!"

All of a sudden, the turf blew apart and a meter long centipede scuttled from under the grass like a black steel spear. It unexpectedly jumped two meters into the air.

While the Scuttle Attack was being unleashed, Little Mo Xie had immediately jumped at that second and managed to avoid the quick and violent attack. She then proceeded to attach her claws to a nearby tree.

Gracefully, she landed on the tree trunk and then jumped once more. She unexpectedly launched herself at the Ten Legged Centipede suspended in the air!

“Ripping Claw!” Chu Mu issued a command!

Little Mo Xie’s claws awe-inspiringly stretched out and when her body began descending, she furiously swiped the air, creating two intersecting cold lights.

Seeing Little Mo Xie’s position, everyone was stupefied. They clearly did not think that this Moonlight Fox was surprisingly able to emit a Ripping Claw!

“Shua! Shua!”

The cold lights dissipated in the air and a dent appeared in the Ten Legged Centipede’s body. It then??fell heavily onto the ground

Little Mo Xie, on the other hand, landed on the ground with ease. She haughtily raised her head and didn’t even glance at the Ten Legged Centipede.

“No need to be worried. My Ten Legged Centipede has already strengthened its flesh armor. This small fox’s Ripping Claw can at most injure its skin.” Zhang Ge’s face was frozen. He felt that his Ten Legged Centipede being attacked by the Moonlight Fox was somewhat humiliating and he hastily gave an explanation.

After explaining, Zhang Ge immediately ordered his Ten Legged Centipede to climb up and continue fighting.

“Get up!!”

“Hurry and get up!!”

The mental thought was unable to make the Ten Legged Centipede stand up and Zhang Ge could only rush towards the Ten Legged Centipede, yelling at it loudly. However, after shouting a number of times, the Ten Legged Centipede still hadn’t moved.

“What happened?” The other three revealed suspicious expressions and their gazes fell on Ge Qing.

Ge Qing’s eyebrows creased and after a while he opened his mouth: “Just now that small fox’s Ripping Claw attack was extremely strong....”

Nevertheless, when Ge Qing's voice faded, the Ten Legged Centipede's body suddenly began twitching.

"Gazhi!!" A crisp sound rang out. A few claw scars appeared on the twitching body of the Ten Legged Centipede. These claw traces unexpectedly indicated that its body was severed into a few pieces!!

Seeing such a terrifying scene appear, Zhang Ge's face instantly paled and he blankly looked at the Ten Legged Centipede that was currently chopped up into several pieces.

"What a strong attack power!" Ting Yu was rather close and just now, she completely and clearly saw the entire process of Little Mo Xie unleashing her Ripping Claw.

The Ten Legged Centipede's flesh armor was at the middle stage, and its defensive strength could be considered top quality. However, it was still thoroughly lacerated to death by one of Mo Xie's ripping claws.

Ge Qing and the other person each exposed an expression of shock.

In Ge Qing and that youth's eyes, a malevolent and violent Ten Legged Centipede unconditionally should easily beat a Moonlight Fox. The current contrast of the Ten Legged Centipede's death brought them shock, surprise, and disbelief.

"Wuwu"

Suddenly, the battle's victor, Little Mo Xie, lifted her head and let out a howl.

An indistinct ray of light passed through the tree leaves and washed over the Moonlight Fox's body. Mo Xie's beautiful tail gradually became more developed and furry. It looked like a small girl's fur skirt: noble and beautiful!

"It's grown!"

To Chu Mu, Little Mo Xie growing was more exciting than defeating the Ten Legged Centipede!!

"Wuwuwu" Little Mo Xie let out another howl.

Ge Qing's group of youngsters were stupefied when they saw the results of Little Mo Xie's growth!

"This small fox just entered the third stage!!"

"A second stage Moonlight Fox defeating a third stage Ten Legged Centipede, is.... Isn't this too abnormal? That's not a mutated Moonlight Fox is it?"

“That is a Moonlight Fox. Its claws should be at the late stage of young claws...” Ge Qing’s expression became abnormal and he glanced at Chu Mu.

In one respect, a Moonlight Fox having late stage claws while being at the second stage in levels meant that the Moonlight Fox’s aptitude was excessively large. Another aspect naturally indicated that the Soul Pet Trainer was extremely good at raising the Soul Pet. Moreover, just from the current fight, it was clear to see that Chu Mu knew the Ten Legged Centipede like the back of his hand. It was enough to indicate that he was an exceptionally talented Soul Pet Trainer!

[Editor’s Note: Let’s catch em all ash!]

Chapter 17: The Nightmares Advent

Ting Yu also had an expression full of astonishment and excitement. She looked at Chu Mu and put on a smile: “It turns out that you were very certain of the outcome.”

Chu Mu only laughed, but didn’t say anything.

Zhang Ge, to the side, stood frozen on the spot and stared at the already dead Ten Legged Centipede.

He had spent a long time just to capture this Ten Legged Centipede, and during these past few days, he had invested a lot of sweat and blood. The most important thing was that once the Ten Legged Centipede died, he wouldn’t have any chance of entering the top ten in the not-too-distant Life and Death Battle. If he didn’t enter the top ten, he would be mercilessly killed.

Suddenly, Zhang Ge was like a maniac!

“You demon, I’m gonna kill you!!”

A dagger had suddenly appeared in Zhang Ge’s hand, and he unexpectedly charged towards Chu Mu.

Facing Zhang Ge’s surprise attack, Chu Mu still retained his calm as he stood still.

“Shua!!!”

A moon colored shadow quickly jumped into the air and used its sharp claws to scratch Zhang Ge’s stomach. Zhang Ge was halfway through his charge when he came to a sudden stop. He frightenedly stood frozen in one spot and looked at the cold Moonlight Fox.....

Half of Little Mo Xie's body remained crouched on the ground. Her silver eyes frostily stared at Zhang Ge; a row of teeth was exposed in her mouth. This brought about a ferocious persona.

"One more step and the dead one will be you." Chu Mu apathetically said.

In a second, after Chu Mu saw that Zhang Ge didn't dare to act blindly without thinking, he walked over to the where the Soul Cores were and put away both of them. He then proceeded to turn around and leave.

"Want to leave?"

At this time, Ge Qing let out a sneer and chanted an incantation. On the ground, a blue pattern appeared. Within this curtain of light, he summoned his Soul Pet.

"Sisisisi~~"

A large snake nearly two meters long suddenly slithered out of the curtain of light. The snake's body was covered in flashing phosphorescent scales!

Scaled Serpent!

A High Rank Soul Pet! From the color of its scales, it was possible to tell that this was a terrifying fourth stage Soul Pet!

Fourth stage, High Rank- its strength could be said to be extremely close to the foremen's Hunting Wolves that had attacked them!

Chu Mu creased his eyebrows. He had thought that this place was relatively close to the campground, so Zhang Ge's group wouldn't dare act rashly. Unexpectedly, Ge Qing still dared to attack him.

"Tactfully hand over those two Soul Cores and I will spare you and your little Soul Pet." Ge Qing glared at Chu Mu and spoke in a cold manner.

As Ge Qing said this, the other four Soul Pet masters summoned their own Soul Pets. Most of them were all third stage Soul Pets.

Chu Mu's expression turned somewhat heavy and the adjacent Ting Yu's face also wasn't too good looking. It was clear that they didn't expect these people to be so shameless and audacious, causing trouble so close to the campground.

"Ahhh!!! Ahh! Ahhh Ahhh!!"

Suddenly, an incomparably miserable shriek resonated through the air!!

The battle about to begin at any moment was suddenly disrupted by the abrupt miserable shriek!

Everyone was frozen and their eyes immediately fell on Zhang Ge who had suddenly turned mad.

Zhang Ge had suffered some unknown attack and was ineffably clutching his chest. His face was incomparably pale and perspiration unceasingly rolled down his cheek. His entire face was pinched together because of the pain!

The miserable shrieks continued and Zhang Ge began to roll on the ground without end. The extremely painful appearance caused everyone's blood to run cold!

"Nightmare... it's the nightmare..." A youngster came to a sudden realization and terrifyingly pointed at the faintly discernable black shadow encompassing Zhang Ge's body.

The black shadow was like a specter growing continuously distinct. It frighteningly enveloped Zhang Ge's body, causing his body to incessantly twitch. The veins and arteries on his body began to bulge and his pupil kept on growing bigger...

"His Nightmare is unexpectedly advancing a stage right now..." Ge Qing's face turned ugly. He completely did not expect this to occur.

A Nightmare which devoured its host's soul!!

It was clear that Zhang Ge's Soul Power wasn't enough to provide for the Nightmare's increase in level. His soul would thus act as the supplement, causing him to ultimately face a plaintive death.

Once the Cyan Nightmare flared up, the foremen were able to detect it. Once Zhang Ge's soul had been devoured, the Cyan Nightmare in his body would become a masterless Soul Pet and would quickly be put away by the two foremen.

Chu Mu also used this opportunity to free himself from Ge Qing and his gang.

"Hmph, you killed Zhang Ge. I will take revenge for him. On the day of the battle, you just wait for my Scaled Serpent to swallow you into its stomach!" Ge Qing didn't plan on letting Chu Mu go easily. Just as Chu Mu was about to leave, he spoke out in a threatening manner.

After returning to his wooden hut, Chu Mu's heart was palpitating. This wasn't because of Ge Qing's threat, but because of Zhang Ge's terrifying death.

This wasn't the first time Chu Mu had seen someone's soul be devoured by a Cyan Nightmare. However, every time he witnessed it, his heart felt as if a terrifying demonic claw was clasped around it.

Chu Mu unconsciously rubbed his chest and spoke to himself: "Breeding you, Nightmare, has already rendered me unable to perform skills; you absolutely cannot ineffably grow on me..."

In reality, Chu Mu's White Nightmare had already grown to a terrifying fifth stage! If he could summon the White Nightmare to fight for him, Chu Mu would be able to easily defeat all his competitors. After all, a White Nightmare was on a completely different level than a Cyan Nightmare.

Only, it was a pity that all of Chu Mu's current Soul Power was being used to raise the White Nightmare. If he didn't continue to raise its level higher, he had no way of letting it join the fight. The remaining small portion of Soul Power could only be used to control Little Mo Xie's fight. This forced him to only stand on the side and give directions while fighting.

Fortunately, none of the Soul Pet Trainers on the island had learned Soul Pet Trainer skills yet. Moreover, they had all received the Soul Power restriction of the Cyan Nightmare. If not for this, Chu Mu would have suffered endlessly during fights.

Chapter 18: Encountering a Powerful Enemy

"This is no fun. Once your Moonlight Fox uses Charm and Affliction, my Soul Pet has no desire to fight. Even if it's a level higher than yours, it's to no avail." Ting Yu growled as she returned her Soul Pet into its own space.

Ting Yu's Soul Pet was a "Thorny Precious Flower Demon"; it belonged to the Botanical Kingdom- flower type- rose species, and it was a High Rank.

Within the island, Thorny Precious Flower Demons were the ninth highest ranked Soul Pets and their strength reached the seventh stage. Formerly, Ting Yu had remained discrete, and it wasn't until recently when her Soul Pet was discovered by him.

Chu Mu was her roommate and would naturally know before others. However, when he found out that this small and cute girl possessed such a formidable Soul Pet, he was extremely shocked.

"Hmph, your Little Mo Xie is a freak. It's clearly only at the sixth stage, which is lower than my Flower Demon. It's rank is also lower than my Flower Demon and its claws have only just reached the first stage of completion. But my Flower Demon has no way of defeating it!" Ting Yu was somewhat bitter as she glared at Chu Mu.

"Haha, when the contest occurs, it's best if you don't encounter me." Chu Mu laughed.

There were only a mere five days left until the decisive battles. After undergoing nearly two months of progress, Mo Xie had also learned Affliction and Charm, these two Beast Spirit abilities.

Affliction was a unique pretense skill of Moonlight Foxes and caused it to adopt a pitiful pretense. This garnered it strong Soul Pet sympathy, weakening the opponent's fighting spirit.

Charm was a skill that would use a beautiful external appearance to create a facade, confusing the opponent's state of mind.

(TL: It's like pokemon)

These two skills had no attacking properties, but Chu Mu could use them very effectively during battle, and cause extreme danger to the opponent's life.

There weren't many people willing to provoke Ting Yu's Thorny Precious Flower Demon, but when Ting Yu secretly fought against Chu Mu, she would always lose to him.

"There are still five days before the decisive battles. There shouldn't be a problem for your Little Mo Xie to obtain the top ten spots." Ting Yu said.

"My Soul Pet is perfect for restraining your Thorny Precious Flower Demon. In my opinion, there shouldn't be many people capable of facing your Flower Demon, right?" Chu Mu said.

"That's not definitive. Although I haven't fought with those people, according to my knowledge, there should be at least a few people with Soul Pets stronger than my Thorny Precious Flower Demon." Ting Yu said.

"Oh, let's hurry and finish this battle. Explain to me the others' Soul Pets." Chu Mu said.

"You only know how to immerse yourself in training and breeding your Soul Pet so you don't know anything about others. Eventually you'll suffer losses because of this." Ting Yu glared at Chu Mu.

Chu Mu indifferently laughed.

Subsequently, Ting Yu informed Chu Mu of the relatively strong ones:

"Tang Xian's Steel Teeth, eighth stage- High Rank, its species rank is ranked tenth, but its strength is ranked in the top five!"

"Gu Feng's Rock Demon, ninth stage- Middle Rank, its species rank is 20th, and its strength is within the top five!"

“There’s also Ge Qing who threatened to swallow you alive. Although his Scaled Serpent is only at the seventh stage, it’s extremely ferocious. After fighting others, it seems to not have lost yet.”

“As for the publicly accepted strongest, it would definitely be Zhou Shengmo. His Soul Pet is a naturally endowed Hunting Wolf, eighth stage- High Rank, it possesses a complete Wolf Claw and complete Wolf Teeth. Even if it hasn’t learned any skills, my Thorny Precious Flower Demon cannot defeat it. We should just hope to not encounter this fellow, otherwise we’ll be in big trouble...”

Having mentioned Zhou Shengmo, Chu Mu’s face darkened. When he was undergoing survival training, this fellow entrapped him and had nearly caused him to lose his life. This enmity would not be forgotten by Chu Mu!

“Of course, there is another person: you. You were able to train an ornamental type Soul Pet into this sort of a level. If you had a High Rank Soul Pet like the rest of them, obtaining a spot in the top three wouldn’t be a problem.” Ting Yu said.

Chu Mu still only laughed and didn’t bother explaining anymore.

“I’m going to Mao Forest for a walk. Train by yourself.” Chu Mu said.

“Hmm, why don’t we go together?” Ting Yu said.

“There’s no need, there’s a chance I’ll go to a dangerous area.” After speaking, Chu Mu left.

Chu Mu traversed the grass field and walked towards Mao Forest.

Mao Lin was relatively close to the inner island. It could be considered similar to the Bramble Forest and was an area that separated the inner island from the outer island. This place also harbored a few strong Soul Pets.

Last month, Chu Mu brought Little Mo Xie to Mao Forest and found a second level medicine- Gyokuro Pungen.

Dew was the most pure liquid nutrient. When the leaves of plants that absorbed the world’s essence and dew fell on the same spot, if there was fertile soil, a Gyokuro Pungen would grow.

As a second level medicine, the Gyokuro Pungen’s use was very apparent; it could make a Soul Pet grow faster. Moreover, if one were to blend the Gyokuro Pungen with a second level Heavenly Blue Grass according to a three to two ratio, a third grade medicine compound- Heavenly Blue Gyokuro Pungen- would be created! This would immediately cause a Soul Pet to advance a few stages and was thus a rare good.

There were only five days left until the competition. After the competition, he would either be killed or brought to another island, so Chu Mu had to use these few days to obtain the Gyokuro Pungen.

Last month when Chu Mu saw it, he didn't take it because the Gyokuro Pungen's appearance would always be accompanied by a Hundred Eyed Palm Soul Pet.

Hundred Eyed Palms were from the Plant World- Flower Type – Hundred Eyed Palm Species- Mid Ranked Soul Pet. The Hundred Eyed Palm accompanying the Gyokuro Pungen was usually about the eighth stage. Most places with a Gyokuro Pungen would have this Soul Pet.

Just after stepping into Mao Forest, Chu Mu smelt an earthen smell. The past few days had seen rainfall, so the atmosphere was particularly fresh, causing one to feel rather fresh and relaxed.

Chu Mu brought Mo Xie and on his shoulder was also the small cyan insect. The small cyan insect's vigilance was very high so Chu Mu had dodged danger many times because of it.

After walking approximately one kilometer into the forest, Chu Mu heard a few people speaking in the dead quiet forest.

Chu Mu immediately stopped and hid behind a large tree.

Chu Mu normally wouldn't interact with others while moving about on the outer island. After all, Chu Mu didn't belong to a group and it would be very easy to be taken advantage of.

"Brother Zhou, just the three of us should be able to deal with it." Among them, the hoarse voice of a young man rang out.

"Even without the two of you, my Hunting Wolf should be enough. I let you come just in case something happens." The male called Brother Zhou said.

"Of course, of course." Another voice immediately echoed.

Hiding behind the tree, Chu Mu peered through the twigs and looked at the youth walking over from amongst the three. His face turned dark.

The youth called Brother Zhou was Chu Mu's powerful enemy, Zhou Sheng Mo. His body was large, and he also had a high aptitude Hunting Wolf that was foreboding to everyone. As the contest approached, there was no doubt that he would obtain first place.

As for the two youths beside Zhou Sheng Mo, Chu Mu had a vague inkling that one was called Luo Chen and the other was called Ma Zhi. Luo Chen's strength ranked within the top ten and Ma Zhi was around the middle. Not strong enough to take note of, but not something to ignore.

Chapter 19: Ripping Apart the Hundred Eyed Palm

Chu Mu desperately wanted to find an opportunity to kill Zhou Shenmo. After all, ambushing had a higher chance of success than duelling, but he never got the chance. Now that Zhou Shenmo had two people beside him, Chu Mu had to bide for another opportunity.

The sound of conversation became distant along with their silhouettes into the thick forest. Watching them disappear completely, Chu Mu came out of cover, glanced in their direction one last time, and continued on his path towards the Gyokuro Pungen.

To conserve energy, Chu Mu avoided fighting any soul pets he met while following the marks he left last time. After half an hour, Chu Mu finally found the Gyokuro Pungen under several trees, with a Hundred Eyed Palm beside it.

The Hundred Eyed Palm was big and thick, as if multiple banana leaves were piled together. On them were many eye-like patterns, realistic yet slightly scary.

"The leaves of this Hundred Eyed Palm should have a rank two skin layer, so the leaves will be very tough. Mainly attack its stem." Chu Mu warned little Mo Xie quietly.

The clever little Mo Xie nodded, her silver eyes watching the Hundred Eyed Palm intently.

Chu Mu had been feeding Mo Xie with purely beast type soul cores the past two months, so Mo Xie's teeth, claws, and limbs were now more powerful.

The Moonlight Fox's main attack method was still with its claws. Its teeth were just supplementary, and the Moonlight Fox didn't have any abilities involving teeth either.

"Let's start!" Chu Mu climbed onto a branch nimbly and commanded little Mo Xie to attack the Hundred Eyed Palm directly from above.

Little Mo Xie's movements were, as always, agile. Climbing the twenty meter tall tree was like walking on flat ground. Upon running to the edge of a branch, she stomped hard and launched herself swiftly through the green leaves.

"Ceng!!" Sharp claws extended from her paws, slicing a few nearby leaves in half!

With a cold gleam, Mo Xie fell quickly. Charging up her claws, she nimbly evaded the big leaves of the Hundred Eyed Palm and went straight for the stem!

Ripping Claw! Mo Xie was now very skilled at using Ripping Claw. Her movements finished in one swift motion, and were both quick and violent.

However, the Hundred Eyed Palm immediately lowered its shield-like leaves in defense, blocking Mo Xie's attack and successfully protecting its fragile stem!

"Shua!!" Ripping Claw ripped open the Hundred Eyed Palm's leaf, leaving deep gouge marks on the shield-like leaf, extending from the middle all the way to the edge, oozing out a thick sap!

This Stage 8 Hundred Eyed Palm already had three shield-like leaves. Having one leaf hurt by Mo Xie, the Hundred Eyed Palm didn't falter, immediately spinning its stalk, causing its sharp leaves to become a deadly turbine!

"Tripetal Blade, Mo Xie, stay 5 meters away!" Chu Mu immediately commanded.

Mo Xie lightly landed. Bouncing immediately, she leaped twice more, spun around mid air, and landed, sliding a small distance while staring at the Hundred Eyed Palm cool-headedly with her silver pupils.

"Huahuahuahua!!!"

The Hundred Eyed Palm's casted Tripetal Blade, causing its petals to spin quickly, creating chaotic turbulence and lifting any rubble nearby into the air.

With the spinning of the Hundred Eyed Palm's stalk, Tripetal Blade could extend to up to four meters. A tree within this range quickly fell with a thundering crash under the might of the petals.

The Hundred Eyed Palm only lasted a moment. Sensing Mo Xie leaving its range, it stopped casting the ability.

"Now's the time!" Chu Mu caught the opportunity perfectly, giving the command the moment that Tripetal Blade ended.

Receiving the command, Mo Xie dashed abruptly, fast as thunder, with her claws extended while running an unpredictable zig zag. Leaping, she casted Ripping Claw again!

"Shuashua!!!" Criss crossing, Mo Xie's claws landed very accurately onto the Hundred Eyed Palm's stalk, cracking it distinctly!

"Be careful of its Hundred Eyed Poison Needle!" Chu Mu glanced at the eye patterns on the half-bent Hundred Eyed Palm, and immediately warned.

Sure enough, as the Palm was about to fall, the eyes on its three leaves suddenly opened, revealing rows upon rows of black needles!

The Hundred Eyed Poison Needles locked onto Mo Xie, and the needles on the first leaf shot out, densely packed and sharp!

“Pupupupupu!!”

Mo Xie leaped back, and all the needles nailed the ground where she just stood, riddling the ground with thousands of holes!

The second leaf suddenly fired, and little Mo Xie was forced to dash up a tree, needles chasing closely after her tail, leaving a clean row of needles behind her!

“Gezhi”

The tree was very fragile. After being pierced by the needles, it immediately snapped, emitting a crisp noise before falling.

The third leaf had the most needles, and there was no cover for Mo Xie within 10 meters; she was completely exposed within the attack range of the needles!

“Pupupupupupu!!”

Hundreds of needles swept across like thundering hail, frenzily seeking to hit something!

“Moon Shadow.”

Mo Xie seemed to sit calmly, but a vague shadow started to appear on her body.....

All the poison needles flew threw the blurry shadows as if it were fog, encountering no resistance.

Moon Shadow was the Moonlight Fox’s evasive ability. Even without the moon, she could cast it, but its effects would be slightly discounted.

Of course, with good control, even without moonlight, Moon Shadow could easily avoid many strong attacks.

Little Mo Xie’s knew Moon Shadow since she was Stage one. Now that she mastered it, even without moonlight, dodging an ability like that was still no problem.

“Alright, finish it!” A confident smile appeared on Chu Mu’s face.

Little Mo Xie's silhouette slowly became defined again. Crouching and dashing quickly, she slashed the Hundred Eyed Palm's stalk without any ability.

The body of the Palm was already bent. With the swipe of a claw, the stalk was finally ripped from its leaves, swatted down violently by Mo Xie.

Chu Mu jumped down from the tree. Looking at the corpse of the Hundred Eyed Palm, he petted Mo Xie and smiled while he said, "You bring me the soul core while I dig out the Gyokuro Pungen."

Chapter 20: A Crisis Appears

Gyokuro Pungens were relatively expensive; when Chu Mu dug it out, he had to be extremely cautious. If the stem was damaged at all, its value would completely diminish and today's hard work would be wasted.

Little Mo Xie's movements were rather quick and her claws slashed across a few times until she found the location of the Hundred Eyed Palm's flower bud and retrieved its Soul Core.

The plant world's Soul Cores were similar to the amber- sparkling and translucent ones. Its size was only as big as an adult's thumb. A majority of Soul Pet's Soul Cores were extremely small, but the energy inside was exceptionally large.

Currently, Chu Mu had only allowed Mo Xie to eat Beast type Soul Cores and Demon Spirit type Soul Cores. The other Soul Cores would not be eaten if possible.

In reality, Soul Pets eating Soul Cores that didn't belong to its attribute didn't have that large of an impact. However, if it only ate Soul Cores that belonged to its attribute, there definitely would be a few beneficial changes.

Little Mo Xie obediently stood to the side with the Hundred Eyed Palm's Soul Core hanging between its teeth. She waited for Chu Mu to dig out the Gyokuro Pungen.

"Okay, okay, don't put on that pitiful face. This item is definitely for you to eat, but you have to wait until I find the Heavenly Blue Grass and combine them together before you eat it. It will be extremely beneficial for you." Chu Mu caressed Mo Xie's small head.

Mo Xie squinted her eyes. She enjoyed Chu Mu stroking her like this and let out a few whimpers...

"Let's go. You should be hungry, so let's go find a Beast Type Soul Pet for your meal." Chu Mu put away the Gyokuro Pungen, stood up and looked into the depths of Mao Forest.

Mo Xie nodded her head and affectionately jumped into Chu Mu's bosom in an attempt to make Chu Mu carry her.

Chu Mu was overcome by helplessness and said: "Right now you are only in the first evolution, so I have no problems carrying you. However, when you get to the higher evolutions..."

"Sha sha sha"

Chu Mu was in the midst of speaking when the cyan bug on his shoulder suddenly let out a soft noise.

"What, is there something?" Chu Mu immediately put down Mo Xie and asked in a soft voice.

"Sha sha sha" The small cyan bug only used an extremely soft noise to reply; its gaze fell on the area in front of Chu Mu.

"Learning Natural Heart would be the best. At the very least, I would be able to understand you." Chu Mu said.

The information the small cyan bug gave Chu Mu wasn't about danger, but instead a warning. The cyan bug was only trying to tell Chu Mu that there was something in front.

Chu Mu originally wanted to keep walking forward, so he brought Mo Xie and walked into the depths of Mao Forest.

After walking a few minutes, Chu Mu understood why the small cyan bug let out the noise. Approximately one hundred meters in front of Chu Mu, he had encountered one of those three people from before, Ma Zhi.

To Ma Zhi's side was another youth. This youth didn't make a large impression on Chu Mu and he didn't know his name.

"Truly excessive. He unexpectedly wanted us to stay here and defend. He told us that he was afraid of other Soul Pets and other groups obstructing his task, but he's clearly more afraid of us suddenly attacking him!" Ma Zhi indignantly said.

"Then what are we to do? Who let his Hunting Wolf be so strong? Even if a few of our Soul Pets combined forces, we still wouldn't be his opponent. All the benefits will naturally fall to him alone." The adjacent youth said.

"Aih, it's not like you don't know... in five days time, it will be the time of our deaths. Unless what Zhou Mo Sheng said was true, where he would help us inflict heavy losses to the other groups and thereby give us one of the 10 spots, we will definitely die." Ma Zhi said.

“What are you insinuating?” The adjacent youth quickly caught on and lowered his voice.

“I haven’t said anything so don’t go arbitrarily thinking. I would much rather test my luck in the competition than to work with Zhou Mo Sheng. He’s even more ferocious than those foremen!” Ma Zhi immediately said.

“That’s right, that fellow will kill if he says he will kill. If it wasn’t for my strength being insignificant and that I didn’t had a chance of surviving on my own, there’s no way that I would’ve entered his group.”

Not far away, the hiding Chu Mu heard their discussion and rubbed his chin.

On the island, the matter of life and death was very crucial. At the very beginning, a majority of people would choose to act alone and search for High Ranking Soul Pets. However, in the end, there were some with inferior luck and strength, causing them to have obtained unsatisfactory Soul Pets. After going through the training stage, they would be even more inferior to others.

In this way, even if the Life and Death Contest had yet to arrive, many people knew that they were definitely going to die. Therefore, these people would have naturally choose to join and depend on a particularly strong Soul Pet Master. By doing this, they may still have a sliver of an opportunity to live

“After this time, there will no longer be anyone capable of being Zhou Mo Sheng’s opponent. He has already reached the Seventh Remembrance and obtained three Soul Pets...” Ma Zhi soliloquized.

“Indeed, he is actually too strong. There are definitely a plethora of people who still don’t know that he has three Soul Pets. Moreover, this is a Ninth Stage Soul Pet. If it’s actually subdued by him...”

Hearing this, Chu Mu’s eyebrows immediately creased and his expression turned gloomy.

On the island, everyone’s first Soul Pet was the Cyan Nightmare. The second Soul Pet was the one going to be used in the upcoming fight. As for those who managed to obtain a third Soul Pet, there simply wasn’t one. After all, the requirements for a Soul Pet Trainer’s Soul Power had to have reached the High Remembrance level.

A Soul Pet Trainer’s cultivation was divided into Nine Remembrances. The first three remembrances were Low Remembrance, the middle three were Mid Remembrances and the last three were High Remembrances.

Low Remembrance could only sustain one Soul Pact, a Mid Remembrance could have two Soul Pacts and a High Remembrance could have three Soul Pacts.

On the island, all Soul Pet Trainers were situated around the Fifth Remembrance and those with relatively high talent had reached the Sixth Remembrance. As for Zhou Mo Sheng, he had currently reached the Seventh Remembrance and his Soul Power was enough to sustain three Soul Pets!

An additional battle Soul Pet wasn't a small matter, even if they couldn't be simultaneously summoned!

"His current attack should definitely be at the high stage. If Zhou Mo Sheng is to obtain that ninth stage Soul Pet..." Chu Mu quickly realized the crisis' existence.

Chu Mu could be certain that if Zhou Mo Sheng were to encounter him in battle, he would kill him. The current Zhou Mo Seng was about to obtain three Soul Pets, so even if Chu Mu's control of the battle was strong, he was definitely still not his fellow's opponent!

"I definitely have to stop him." Chu Mu's face turned dark.

"I'll start by attacking these two."

Ma Zhi and that youth's Soul Pets were by their sides, so sneak attacking them was extremely difficult. However, since they said they were guarding the exterior, Zhou Mo Sheng was most likely situated a ways away. Even if a fight were to break out, he probably wouldn't notice it, or wouldn't have the inclination to pay attention to it. After all, a ninth stage Soul Pet wasn't easy to deal with.

Chu Mu proceeded to walk out. He brought Mo Xie towards the two people with an apathetic look in his eyes.