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Chapter 1391: Heavy Responsibility, Power

When Bai Yeshao was leaving, he asked Chu Mu if they should prioritize supplying resources from the Northern Territory to Xuan Gate .

Chu Mu agreed. Chu Mu had come to finish off Xuan Gate's Lü Fengnan, but there was no need to destroy the peaceful relationship between New Moon Land and Xuan Gate in the process. Xuan Gate was still a major faction, New Moon Land did not possess enough strength to be openly presenting demands to them. Taking an arrogant attitude against them would only bring trouble to New Moon Land.

“King Chu, Xuan Gate's Zuo Hefeng is an acquaintance of mine. His strength and reputation is not inferior to Lü Fengnan. Since King Chu wants to get rid of Lü Fengnan, then it's not a bad choice to contact Zuo Hefeng. He is quite strong, it's just that Lü Fengnan's master holds a very high position. If we can help Zuo Hefeng obtain the role of the top disciple, then it will also be beneficial to our New Moon Land,” suggested Bai Shaoye.

“Which side does that Wan Qiu belong to?” asked Chu Mu.

“He is Zuo Hefeng's supporter. Xuan Gate's Gate Master Zuo is Zuo Hefeng's father and Immortal School's vice School Master Zuo is Zuo Hefeng's grandfather. Meanwhile, Lü Fengnan is Xuan Gate Immortal School's Great School Master Qin's disciple.....” answered Bai Shaoye.

“Then let's keep in touch with Wan Qiu, Zuo Hefeng and Gate Master Zuo. Try to provide them with whatever they may need, can you take charge of this matter?” asked Chu Mu.

“No problem,” Bai Shaoye nodded.

“Good. Then I will send some men to you a few days later. Although they are from Xuan Gate, they are loyal to us. You need to accumulate some forces first. I will get rid of Lü Fengnan in future, and the aftermath will be your job,” said Chu Mu.

Chu Mu killed Han Erxing without any hesitation because Gate Master Han himself had betrayed Old Sect Master Xiao. With Old Sect Master Xiao and Magistrate Xiao around, Gate Master Han Yan could not do anything to New Moon Land without any solid evidence.

However, if he were to kill Lü Fengnan, then it would definitely cause an uproar in Xuan Gate Immortal School. Even if Chu Mu himself was not afraid of their revenge, he had to think for New Moon Land too.

Hence, before killing Lü Fengnan, he must make all the preparations in advance. Otherise, the resulting uproar would severely affect the development of New Moon Land. After all, it was utterly foolish to antagonize a formidable foe like Xuan Gate Immortal School.

“King Chu, please rest assured. I have met Zuo Hefeng before. He has much greater foresight than Lü Fengnan. If we can help him to obtain the seat of the top disciple, then he can definitely pacify the uproar and also bring greater benefit to our New Moon Land,” guaranteed Bai Shaoye.

Chu Mu believed in Bai Shaoye’s judgement.

“King Chu, I hope that you can also speak a few words on Madam Ying’s side. Madam Ying also holds a high position in Xuan Gate Immortal School, if she were to give support.....” reminded Bai Shaoye.

“Sure,” Chu Mu nodded.

Bai Shaoye bowed and then left with Wan Qiu.

“Where does King Chu want to go?” asked Lan Yin with sparkling eyes. Her tone became even more alluring than before.

“To Madam’s villa,” replied Chu Mu.

“Ah?” Lan Yin was slightly surprised. She was already prepared to offer her body to him, yet this man was not going to her room? Was she unable to attract his attention using the body that she was so confident of?

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After arriving at Madam’s villa, Chu Mu entered the hall along with the maidservant.

He immediately heard the madam’s laughter after he arrived at the door, the madam must be in a good mood.

Chu Mu walked into the hall and saw an elegant madam with spirited eyes sitting close to Ye Qingzi. Her wrinkles were deepened due to her heartfelt laughter.

Chu Mu could not tell Madam Ying’s age at all. He had heard from Ye Qingzi that Ying Rong was Madam Ying’s adopted son, and that she treasured him very much.

However, Ying Rong had an adventurous personality. He had already started traveling around at a really young age and Madam Ying could do nothing about him. Later on, Ying Rong had chosen to settle down in New Moon Land after he had come to like it. However, he was betrayed and framed soon after and had died before he was able to seek help from Xuan Gate. It could be said that Ying Rong's fate was truly terrible.

Madam Ying's love for her son had even extended to the people whom he associated with, hence she really adored Ye Qingzi a lot. In addition, she also saw that Ye Qingzi had a bright future as Ye Qingzi was also ingenious in the xuan art. After interacting with her for all these years, she was already treating Ye Qingzi like her own granddaughter and had even given Ye Qingzi some secret xuan art manual that Xuan Gate never taught to their disciples.....

"You must be Chu Mu. Qingzi has mentioned you many times," Madam Ying smiled softly and had a good first impression of the handsome Chu Mu.

Chu Mu knew that Ye Qingzi had received plenty of care from this madam in Zhengming Main City, so he felt particularly grateful towards the madam.

"I have also heard about some of your deeds. Hmm, very courageous indeed!" praised Madam Ying.

"Madam Ying, I have something to discuss with you," Chu Mu directly cut to the main topic.

"Tell me," Madam Ying had noticed that Chu Mu was not behaving overly polite like most young generations. He was really straightforward when interacting with others just as Ye Qingzi had mentioned.

"What's your opinion on Zuo Hefeng?" asked Chu Mu.

“Zuo Hefeng?” Madam Ying nodded, “A decent young man. Stable, calm, a person who can shoulder great responsibility.”

“Compared to Lü Fengnan?” continued Chu Mu.

“Much better than Lü Fengnan. At least, I had chosen Zuo Hefeng during the vote for the top disciple seat in the past,” Madam Ying immediately guessed what Chu Mu was intending to say and smiled, “Are you intending on getting acquainted with Zuo Hefeng?”

“I will help Zuo Hefeng take the seat of the top disciple. So, I am here to request Madam Ying’s approval and support,” admitted Chu Mu.

Chu Mu naturally fully trusted the person whom Ye Qingzi trusted.

Madam Ying looked at Chu Mu in surprise. She had never imagined that Chu Mu would immediately say that he wanted to kick Lü Fengnan down from the top disciple seat!

“I personally favor Zuo Hefeng, so it’s not really a problem for me to support him. However, this matter isn’t that simple, is it?” asked Madam Ying.

“It’s fine as long as Madam is willing to support him. My men will be secretly assisting Zuo Hefeng, the rest is up to Zuo Hefeng himself,” said Chu Mu.

External help could only last for a while, the key was to see whether Zuo Hefeng had sufficient capability within him to replace Lü Fengnan.

“Sure,” Madam Ying also did not beat around the bush.

Madam Ying had long disliked Lü Fengnan. He had even dared to harm the Divine Sect’s Old Sect Master, having such a person as the top disciple was harmful to Xuan Gate.

The top disciple of Xuan Gate held a really high position. Surpassing even most of the Border Lords, the future Xuan Gate’s Gate Master was usually succeeded by the top disciple. Xuan Gate’s Gate Master was the most authoritative person in the management of the entire Xuan Gate. Although Madam Ying had already retired and no longer managed matters within Xuan Gate, she definitely did not wish to see such a type of person controlling Xuan Gate.

Madam Ying was also actually rather curious whether Chu Mu could really help Zuo Hefeng take the seat. The top disciple seat in Xuan Gate was not so easy to obtain after all.

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“Are you really thinking about kicking Lü Fengnan down from his position? Xuan Gate’s top disciple is basically the same as the future Gate Master. It’s very difficult to change it,” asked Ye Qingzi urgently right after they had left Madam Ying’s villa.

“Yeah, this matter should be Yu Suo’s forte. Coincidentally, she also wasn’t able to find a breakthrough in Xuan Gate. I will introduce Zuo Hefeng to her, and she can plant many seeds in Xuan Gate in the process,” said Chu Mu.

“True,” Ye Qingzi nodded.

On the Zhengming Continent, with Liu Binglan having taken charge of New Moon Land's development, New Moon Land was rapidly growing.

In the dark, Yu Suo had also continued expanding her Invisible Kingdom. The vast network of the powerful individuals could do many things.

With the combination between both the light and dark, they would definitely become a unique and unshakable existence on the entire Zhengming Continent.

Naturally, regardless of which, individual strength was crucial in the end. The actual management depended on Liu Binglan and Yu Suo, and Chu Mu would not have any time to meddle in the details.

New Moon Land and Invisible Kingdom were both rapidly developing. The stronger they became, the more they would need a King who could reign at the very top. This King could only be Chu Mu!

Despite gaining a special existence such as Ning Maner, Chu Mu did not think that he could be worry free. In contrast, Chu Mu clearly understood that the more he gained, the stronger he had to become, and the more the effort he had to put in.

The Ancient Flood Dragon Person who would be awakening at the next solar eclipse in the Wind Palace.

His strength was sufficient to make many races with supreme bloodline in this world submit to him. His awakening would cause a catastrophe. Chu Mu felt really insignificant compared to that Ancient Flood Dragon Person!

The mysterious path of a Monument Tear Individual. This cruel challenge that he had to face, would he really be able to shoulder the burden of it?

All Monument Tear Individuals were undoubtedly strong. Just a Fake Monument Tear Individual like Gu Xisha was already shocking enough to Chu Mu, what about the other Monument Tear Individuals who had not even shown up yet?

The human leaders hiding in the dark that desired the Messiah Tree Seed would definitely not give up. When they try to make a move again, would he be able to protect Ning Maner?

Ning Maner's heartbroken tear was in his hands. There was also the request he had received from Bai San who had knelt before him which had astonished him.

Protecting Ning Maner, and stepping up to the peak of Nightmare. Chu Mu did not know how heavy that promise was.

There was also the matter of his father who had never shown up. Did he also shoulder a huge burden.....

When all of these things weighed down on him, would he only be able to watch without being able to do anything?

Chu Mu knew that he had to become stronger. Not only to shoulder the burdens, but also for the ambitious hearts of himself and his soul pets!

The next cultivation ground they would go to was Imprint Valley. That place was sufficient to let Chu Mu become much stronger. Chu Mu naturally had to make the best use of this cultivation opportunity!

Ye Qingzi knew that Chu Mu shouldered heavy responsibilities. She did not show much emotion when Chu Mu had mentioned that he would be going to cultivate in Imprint Valley. After all, no other cultivation method would be faster than entering Imprint Valley.

Chapter 1392: Imprint Valley, Third Layer Of The Earth

The spatial gate to the Imprint Valley was within a valley in the mountain range of the Divine Mountain.

The valley was long and narrow. There were many plant type creatures growing along the way. They would open up the way when people walked near it, appearing to be scared.

The plants in the valley would slowly part as Chu Mu, Xia Yin, Lin Mengling and the rest entered. However, after they walked past them, the plants would return to their original position. If not for someone leading the way for them, it would be very difficult to find such a special path in the valley.

The spatial gate was at the end of the valley. It was a majestic cliff.

There were many patterns drawn on the surface of the cliff, carrying an ancient metaphorical meaning. In any case, Chu Mu could not comprehend them.

The person guiding the three of them was none other than Divine Sect's Magistrate Xiao, Xiao Xueang.

Xiao Xueang was not a very talkative person, he had always been a stern person. After arriving at the cliff, he walked forward on his own and began chanting an incomprehensible incantation while touching the cliff with his hand.

The ancient characters and the tiny diagrams on the cliff gradually began to glow. It felt as if the cliff paintings had come to life and began dancing.

When the glow was at its brightest point, a narrow spatial crack appeared on the cliff.

The spatial crack was very deep, and the end could not be seen. It was connected to a mysterious and unknown world.

This was the first time Chu Mu had seen an isolated space outside of New Moon Land. He began pondering over whether this Imprint Valley was the second or the third layer within the bottom three layers.

“Enter, this is a sacred cultivation ground, as well as a burial ground. Don’t risk your lives easily for profit. That will only lock you inside forever,” advised Xiao Xueang seriously to the three.

The three nodded. Xia Yin walked at the forefront. His gaze showed that he had long been anticipating about entering this Imprint Valley.

Chu Mu followed after him. It was not the first time that he had stepped into an isolated space, so he was not overly cautious towards an unknown dimension like Lin Mengling.

“Young master, this Imprint Valley belongs to the third layer of the earth amongst the lower three layers. There are plenty of resources inside, but that also means that the creatures inside are very powerful,” reminded Old Li.

The sharp Old Li could immediately sense the immense potential after Chu Mu had just stepped into that space.

“Third layer.....” Chu Mu was deep in thought.

The power that he possessed was related to the lower three layer space. With his current ability, he could directly tear open a second layer space and did not need to go through a spatial gate to enter an isolated space like the Holy Region.

However, he could not directly enter a third layer space like that. After all, the spatial turbulence around the third layer space was way too violent, enough to rip apart Chu Mu’s body.

Old Li had once described the structure of the dimensions to Chu Mu.

There were around five layers of dimensions. The centermost layer was the world where the humans and soul pets lived in. This world did not have any form of spatial storm or spatial turbulence. There was sunlight, land, ocean, plants and living creatures there. It was the most complete world with life.

Then, it would be the upper and lower first layer dimension next, they were called the second layer of the sky and the second layer of the earth respectively.

If the region with spatial turbulence and spatial storm where living creatures could not survive was considered a sea of death, while the region where living creatures could survive was considered an island, then the second layer of sky or earth were like barren sea's of death, with a few islands spread out on the sea without any pattern to them.

Those islands were the isolated spaces that people would mention.

Chu Mu was rather familiar with the second layer of earth. Nightmare Holy Region, seven Holy Regions, Soul Pet Palace Holy Region, Immortal City, Sealed Tower.....

These were all isolated spaces that belonged to the second layer of sky or earth. Furthermore, Chu Mu could travel within the spatial turbulence of the second layer, so in theory he could freely walk from the Nightmare Holy Region to one of the seven Holy Regions if the direction was correct.

As for the third layer of sky or earth, Chu Mu had actually visited it before.

New Moon Land actually had a gate that connected to a certain isolated space in the third layer of earth. It was the Dormant World in Immortal City.

A world covered in pure white, an isolated space within an isolated space. The space that had sealed Bai Yu for twenty years was in the third layer of earth. However, that was a really small desolate island in the end.

The Imprint Valley was in the third layer of earth. The trio had to first reach the second layer of earth before entering the Imprint Valley.

The spatial passage was pitch black. Chu Mu and Xia Yin walked at the front and did not feel any form of discomfort. Lin Mengling followed the two of them from a slight distance.

“Does Miss Lin Mengling also have something that you are afraid of?” teased Xia Yin as he turned back and saw Lin Mengling acting so cautiously.

“I just feel a slight discomfort,” snorted Lin Mengling.

“The air within the spatial passage is fairly thin and contains dark elements. Adjust your breathing slightly and avoid taking in the dark elements, that will make you feel more comfortable,” reminded Chu Mu as he saw Lin Mengling’s pale face.

Lin Mengling did feel a little stuffy and was a little panicked, so she did as Chu Mu suggested.

The discomfort gradually disappeared and Lin Mengling had recovered a little.

However, Lin Mengling’s skin was originally as white as snow, so she still looked pale even after recovering.

“Thank you,” Lin Mengling felt much better and thanked Chu Mu. However, she was wondering how Chu Mu knew about all that.

“Brother Chu seems to be well versed regarding Other type creatures?” Xia Yin grinned.

“Yeah, I have an Other type soul pet,” Chu Mu nodded.

As they continued walking forward, a light dot finally appeared at the end of the dark spatial passage.

The light dot seemed to be really close, but they still had to walk a long distance to reach it.

A ray of sunlight shone down from above and the scene before their eyes had immediately brightened up. It felt as if they had just walked out from a dark cave.

“Ah? The Imprint Valley is actually such a beautiful place. I had thought that it would be a desolate land without any light,” Lin Mengling’s eyes sparkled.

A green plain, a clear lake that reflected the blue sky, a mountain range that was connected by gentle mountains. There was no impurity, it was clean and refreshing.

After seeing too many beautiful and majestic sceneries, Lin Mengling felt that she was liberated from her oppressed mood after seeing such a simple scenery. She was just like a little girl who had discovered something new, her eyes sparkling with curiosity.

Xia Yin and Chu Mu had gone to various places and had also seen various sceneries. Although this plain scenery did look refreshing, there was no need to get so excited about it, was there?

“So the cold and impartial Magistrate Lin was actually a countryside girl in her heart, how cute,” teased Xia Yin again.

Lin Mengling realized that her behavior did not match her identity. She hurriedly put on a solemn expression and coldly replied, "I just like this place! Can't I?"

"Hehe, people say that noble ladies like country bumpkins, this seems to be true after all. Brother Chu and I both came from the countryside. The sceneries we have at our places would definitely suit the taste of our beautiful lady Lin. Please visit us if you have the time and bring some fame to our humble places. Don't you think so too, brother Chu?" said Xia Yin.

"True, there are plenty of such clean sceneries there," Chu Mu nodded. If Lin Mengling really preferred such sceneries, then Xiang Rong City should be to her liking.

Lin Mengling was the cherished pearl of Divine Sect. Everyone was desperately trying to appeal to her.

Chu Mu would not purposely try to appeal to Lin Mengling, but maintaining a friendly relationship was also important.

"Ulterior motives," Lin Mengling directly ignored Chu Mu and Xia Yin. She walked ahead first towards the direction of the lake.

Chu Mu and Xia Yin were not really interested in this place. So, while Lin Mengling was enjoying the scenery, the two of them were looking for the spatial gate towards the third layer of earth following Xiao Xueang's instruction.

Soon, they found the spatial gate and called for Lin Mengling.

Only Lin Mengling knew the incantation. Chu Mu and Xia Yin could not open the gate. They definitely could not enter Imprint Valley without going through the spatial gate.

Lin Mengling did not linger around too much and opened the spatial gate that connected to the Imprint Valley after chanting the incantation.

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The refreshing scenery at the second layer of earth had brightened up Lin Mengling's mood. However, after actually entering the Imprint Valley, she started frowning deeply.

The sky was shrouded with dense dark clouds that it almost reached the ground.

The barren land did not have any plants at all. The brown and black rocks were spread out raggedly. Various strange trenches crossed one another. Rocky mountains were erected haphazardly. Deep and dark valleys.....

This was Imprint Valley, completely the opposite of the beautiful scenery from a moment ago. It was also the exact horrible image that Lin Mengling had in mind.

Xia Yin shrugged his shoulders and was about to tease Lin Mengling, but stopped in his tracks after he saw Lin Mengling glaring at him.

Chu Mu stood on the spot and glanced around, trying to find some familiarities.

He seemed to have seen this cold and hard barren land as well as the mysterious pressure somewhere before.

Chu Mu had travelled to many places. Endless ocean, vast forests, boundless glaciers.....

However, it was his first time to the Imprint Valley, yet he somehow felt a little familiar towards this place. Could it be a portion of the memory from the Heaven Boundary Monument?

That memory did not contain such a barren image though. Perhaps it could be said that he only possessed a small portion of the entire memory, some of the memories were still buried deep within his soul and were not awakened yet.

“Wuwuwu~!”

Mo Xie cried on Chu Mu’s shoulder, it was not known whether it liked or disliked this place.

Chu Mu rubbed its fluffy ears and smiled, “There are plenty of powerful creatures here, you won’t get bored.”

Little Mo Xie nodded eagerly to his words and kept swinging its nine tails.

“Whoo! Whoo! Whoo!”

An enormous pair of wings appeared in front of the three of them from the dense clouds. The powerful flapping sounds entered their ears.

It was a huge silhouette, and it had a powerful aura while it flew past them near the bottom of the clouds!

It only flew past them without taking a glance at the three of them and gradually disappeared into the distant clouds.

“That..... That’s.....” Xia Yin watched the departing silhouette absentmindedly, his eyes filled with astonishment.

Chapter 1393

“That’s the Martial Cloud Dragon!” Lin Mengling was the first to shout out the name of that majestic wing type soul pet!

Martial Cloud Dragon was a wing type dragon, it was the peak of the wing type creatures. Based on it's racial ranking, it should be very close to the Five Great Undying Legends!

This type of creature with a supreme bloodline would definitely be a soul pet that would be fought over by the major factions, the value of its offspring alone could even surpass many of the Immortal items.

Lin Mengling could be considered an individual who held an extremely high position within the human realm. Meanwhile, Xia Yin could also be considered an outstanding soul pet trainer. They had already seen many high class soul pets before, but they were still astonished when they saw the Martial Cloud Dragon flying past them within the clouds.

They have already encountered such a high class wing type creature right after entering Imprint Valley. There might be even more powerful unknown soul pets hiding within this Imprint Valley. If they could obtain an offspring, then it would further strengthen them!

“Young master, this Martial Cloud Dragon and Ancient Feather Devil are equally ranked at the top amongst the feather type creatures. Of course, that’s only from the knowledge of the human realm. It’s difficult to say if there are any other higher class creature's somewhere else,” said Old Li.

“What’s special about Martial Cloud Dragons?” asked Chu Mu.

“They are the real masters of the sky. In the same rank, three pure blood Empyrean Cyan Hidden Dragon's may not be able to match even one Martial Cloud Dragon,” replied Old Li seriously.

Empyrean Cyan Hidden Dragon’s bloodline could already be considered an extremely powerful bloodline. The Martial Cloud Dragon could take on three of them at once when both sides were at the same rank. This Martial Cloud Dragon’s strength was certainly amazing. However, he did not know the rank of that Martial Cloud Dragon that they had just encountered. If Little Hidden Dragon could have a fight against it, then it would definitely let Little Hidden Dragon gain a huge profit.

“Looks like the upcoming one year of training will be very interesting,” Xia Yin rubbed his chin and imitated a stroking action despite not having a beard.

Chu Mu turned to Lin Mengling and asked, “Do you know where we have to go?”

Lin Mengling shook her head and replied, “I thought that you two would know.”

There was a diagram within the Imprint Valley. This diagram could gather the Immortal Aura within this region. If they meditate over there, then they could advance into the Spirit Immortal rank fairly quickly.

Chu Mu, Lin Mengling and Xia Yin were all ninth remembrance Spirit Dominators. A chance for them to break through to Spirit Immortal rank like this was extremely rare. That explained why Tang Zhuo had become so absentminded after he lost. Losing the chance to advance into Spirit Immortal rank this time might have caused him to be stuck at ninth remembrance for the rest of his life.

Yu Suo had told Chu Mu only the rough position. Chu Mu showed a bitter smile on his face after seeing Lin Mengling and Xia Yin being unable to find the way. He could only lead the way himself.

“It should be over there. Magistrate Xiao said that the place with three mountains erected together is the cultivation diagram,” said Lin Mengling as she pointed towards the three mountains that were erected in the horizon.

The three mountains almost looked like three standing swords with their tips pointed towards the sky.

Yu Suo had told Chu Mu that these were the foundation pillars for the cultivation diagram. By using the root of the three mountains as nodes for gathering the Immortal Aura of this region, it would then become a triangular formation with an effect similar to a whirlpool, constantly pulling the Immortal Aura into the formation.

Hence, the cultivation process here was rather simple. They just had to sit within the triangular formation and meditate there, that would almost certainly ensure their advancement them into Spirit Immortal rank.

They only had one chance to use this Immortal Valley, it was an extremely rare chance to obtain. Lin Mengling was only able to obtain this chance because she was the cherished pearl of Divine Sect.

On the other hand, Xia Yin was providing the Energy Magic Stones necessary for the cultivation formation in the Imprint Valley. It was a matter of course for him to obtain a spot too.

Saintess Yu had been the one to fix the formation here that was broken for many years. This spot originally belonged to her, but due to the ancient restriction placed in this Imprint Valley, not only would she not get stronger inside, but her level would fall back instead.

Coincidentally, Chu Mu had reached Zhengming Main City at such a time. Yu Suo desired the pure evil energy within Chu Mu's body, hence she naturally appealed to him.....

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After reaching the place where the cultivation formation should be, they saw that the three mountains created a pot valley at the center.

Complicated patterns were carved everywhere inside the pot valley, making one's eyes dizzy just looking at them.

The cultivation formation covered a fairly large area. It had a diameter of about five to six thousand meters. The best cultivation spot here would naturally be at the center. There was an ancient triangular diagram of about ten meters at the center.

The three corners of the triangle pointed towards the three mountains. They were also the three spots where Chu Mu, Xia Yin and Lin Mengling were supposed to meditate.

The three of them had reached their current strength not by purely relying on their luck. They were all cultivation maniacs, including Lin Mengling.

After sensing the dense Immortal Aura within the cultivation formation, they wanted to just settle down as soon as possible and break through their current limit.

Spirit Immortal rank was more meaningful for Chu Mu. The power of his semi devil transformation was related to his soul remembrance level. If he could break through to Spirit Immortal rank, then his semi devil transformation would also become much more powerful. When encountering enemies at the level of Gu Xisha again, Chu Mu would have enough confidence to take them on.

“No way.....”

“What’s happening here? What are those?” Lin Mengling frowned.

Chu Mu laughed bitterly and stared intently at the center of that triangular formation.

There was a huge figure lying at the center with a pair of membrane wings hung down!

Its snores were thunderous. The air it exhaled from its nostrils became mini tornadoes.....

Xia Yin also showed a bitter expression and spoke, “We really have a deep fate with this Martial Cloud Dragon.”

Martial Cloud Dragon!

The black figure sleeping at the triangular formation was the Martial Cloud Dragon that they had encountered before!

“What should we do?” asked Lin Mengling.

The Martial Cloud Dragon’s aura was very strong. The three of them were not fully confident if they would be able to defeat it.

“Although we have not activated the cultivation formation yet, this landscape naturally gathers Immortal Aura. This Martial Cloud Dragon sure chose a good place as its nest,” said Xia Yin helplessly.

“This Martial Cloud Dragon should at least be at the low class Immortal rank,” added Chu Mu.

“I wasn’t going to provoke it anyway,” Xia Yin also knew that it was at the low class Immortal rank, but that was only the minimum estimation.....

“Me neither,” Chu Mu agreed with Xia Yin.

Yu Suo’s strength was restricted in Imprint Valley, similarly Chu Mu’s strength was also restricted here and he could not use semi devil transformation.

Provoking a creature at minimum low class Immortal rank without being able to use the semi devil transformation was completely irrational!

“So that's why I'm asking what do you want to do!” grumbled Lin Mengling.

“Dear princess Lin, I have heard that your communication ability is quite decent. Why don't you try persuading that Martial Cloud Dragon to shift a little to the side? It can continue to sleep, while we also cultivate ourselves. We can just be peaceful neighbours,” said Xia Yin.

“Why don't you try it?” replied Lin Mengling coldly.

Dragon race would usually sleep for months. If this Martial Cloud Dragon really ended up sleeping at the cultivation formation for a year or half, then their cultivation trip would truly be completely wasted!

Xia Yin laughed dryly and asked Chu Mu, “Brother Chu, do you have any good method?”

Chu Mu rubbed his temple, this matter was really a headache for him too.

He was actually thinking about letting Little Hidden Dragon spar with that Martial Cloud Dragon before. However, after clearly sensing its rank, he had totally gotten rid of that thought.

“Huhu~! `hu~!”

Within the thunderous snoring sound, a youthful cry suddenly rang out.

A tiny figure sleeping above the Martial Cloud Dragon's head shook a little. Then, the three of them saw a pair of bright eyes examining them while it hid behind the dragon horns.

"A Martial Cloud Dragon cub!" Lin Mengling's eyes immediately started sparkling.

Xia Yin and Chu Mu also saw it. That Martial Cloud Dragon cub was very young, it definitely did not surpass the third phase.

The Martial Cloud Dragon was blue in color. The adult Martial Cloud Dragon's wings were solid and powerful. However, the little dragon cub was unbearably cute. It had a pair of gem-like sparkling eyes, tiny dragon horns, small sharp dragon fangs, immature wings and a chubby blue body.....

The little dragon cub made Chu Mu recall Little Hidden Dragon's childhood. It was very lovable.

"Wuwuwu~!" Tiny Mo Xie suddenly jumped down from Chu Mu's shoulder and approached the Martial Cloud Dragon harmlessly while it dragged its nine fluffy tails behind it.

"Brother Chu, your soul pet....." Xia Yin immediately reminded Chu Mu.

This distance should be the limit for the Martial Cloud Dragon. If they stepped forward any further than this, then the Martial Cloud Dragon would definitely treat them as enemies.

Furthermore, with an offspring with it, the Martial Cloud Dragon should be at it's most wary period.

Chu Mu originally wanted to stop Mo Xie, but after he remembered Mo Xie's racial skill, he let it go.

Tiny Mo Xie was not afraid at all of the domineering aura of the Martial Cloud Dragon. The racial skill Pitiful Appearance it possessed could allow such a powerful creature to simply neglect such a tiny creature.

Xia Yin and Lin Mengling held their breath. They were really worried whether the Martial Cloud Dragon would suddenly raise its claw and slam that little cute fox to death.

However, that did not happen. The Martial Cloud Dragon continued snoring. Tiny Mo Xie even climbed onto its huge body.

After witnessing such a scene, Lin Mengling and Xia Yin did not know what to say anymore.

"Brother Chu, your little fox is so charming," complimented Xia Yin.

Tiny Mo Xie continued climbing while swinging its nine tails behind it. Finally, it jumped onto the Martial Cloud Dragon's head.

"Wuwuwu~!" Tiny Mo Xie cried out to the little dragon cub.

The little dragon cub did not seem to be afraid of strangers. After seeing tiny Mo Xie approaching it, it simply flapped its tiny wings excitedly as if it had found a playmate.

“Wuwu~!” Mo Xie slowly stretched out its tail and shook out some snacks from them.

Mo Xie would usually hide things that it liked to eat within its nine fluffy tails. It would occasionally take some out to chew when it got bored. Ye Qingzi had made most of those snacks and they were all delicious. Mo Xie was quite smart and thought of using those snacks to bribe the cub.

The little dragon cub stretched out its chubby paw and took a bean to eat. As it chewed the bean slowly, it immediately let out a joyful voice and sucked all the beans into its mouth with a deep breath.

After sucking in a mouthful of snacks, the cub chewed them happily. Its appearance with stuffed cheeks was truly adorable.

At that moment, the Martial Cloud Dragon opened its eyes. However, it only raised its eyelid for a moment and continued to snore again.

Mo Xie knew that the Martial Cloud Dragon’s action meant that they were acknowledged and welcomed now. Hence, it raised its tiny paw and waved towards Chu Mu, showing a victory pose.

Xia Yin and Lin Mengling were utterly dumbfounded.....

In this era, soul pets that could act cute were far rarer than those which could fight! Chu Mu’s little fox was truly a godly soul pet.

Chapter 1394: Imprint Valley Creatures Assault!

Through its communication skills, Mo Xie had finally convinced the little dragon cub to persuade its parent to shift a little.

Lin Mengling and Xia Yin were still a little afraid. The Martial Cloud Dragon showed no intention of leaving the spot. There were probably not many who could actually meditate peacefully under the watch of a wild dragon.

Who knew if the Martial Cloud Dragon would suddenly start treating them as eyesores and would simply wipe them out with a dragon breath while they were busy meditating.

Chu Mu had interacted with wild soul pets before. As long as the communication was settled, he was not worried about the Martial Cloud Dragon suddenly becoming enraged. After all, Mo Xie was accompanying its cub as a playmate.

When Little Hidden Dragon was still young, Mo Xie was its full-time babysitter. Hence, Mo Xie was already familiar with babysitting a dragon cub. Soon, the dragon cub was following behind Mo Xie wherever it went.

The Martial Cloud Dragon was not completely free of worry about its child. It would secretly open its eyes once in a while to check. Once it ensured the cub's safety, it would continue snoring. It had always been paying careful attention to its child.

"We better not target the cub. The Martial Cloud Dragon doesn't seem to detest humans. However, if we were to show any ulterior motives, it will definitely attack us," said Chu Mu.

The Martial Cloud Dragon's race rank was very high. A Martial Cloud Dragon cub's value far surpassed that of many Immortal items. Honestly speaking, even Lin Mengling and Xia Yin were slightly tempted after seeing its cub playing around in front of them despite having experienced large events.

However, considering the strength of the Martial Cloud Dragon before them, it would already be the best for them if they could simply stay together peacefully.

After a period of contact, the three realized that the Martial Cloud Dragon truly did not show any hostility. Hence, they no longer paid attention to the snoring powerful creature and stood on the three corners of the triangular cultivation formation.

Xia Yin asked Lin Mengling, “You know the initiation incantation, right?”

Lin Mengling shook her head and turned to Chu Mu, “Only Saintess Yu should know the incantation to operate this formation. She should have told you.”

Chu Mu nodded and began chanting while he stood at the triangular formation node.

As the incantation continued, a stream of light started flowing along the carved patterns of the triangular formation and it slowly lit up the entire formation.

The triangular formation gradually erected a triangle star formation. At the same time, the summit of the three mountains shot out light beams and that were connected at the tips, becoming a huge triangle star formation.

The big and small formation resonated with each other. Suddenly, the air current within the entire pot valley rapidly changed, as if the air was suddenly vacuumed out!

After the air was vacuumed out, the ferocious air currents from the surroundings surged in. The approaching air currents contained vast amounts of energy, it was as if a dried up sea was suddenly flooded!

Dense Immortal Aura started pouring into the triangular formation and hit the three. The three of them knew the value of this energy and hurriedly entered into the state of meditation. They began to desperately absorb the energy!

The Immortal Aura was like the fuel for the spirit world. After continuous accumulation of it, it would stir up a wave to help break through the ninth remembrance limit!

This wave required continuous accumulation. Chu Mu, Xia Yin and Lin Mengling knew the rarity of Immortal Aura, so they did not want to waste any of that energy and immediately focused on cultivation.

After the cultivation formation was activated, the Martial Cloud Dragon immediately stopped snoring. It turned its head to look at the three humans sitting inside the formation curiously.

The Martial Cloud Dragon naturally sensed the Immortal Aura swarming towards the humans. However, that amount of Immortal Aura could not help it raise its rank anymore. On the other hand, it was beneficial towards the growth of its child.

The Martial Cloud Dragon opened its mouth and held its child with its mouth, then it put it down in the cultivation formation.

The dragon cub simply stood there in confusion and did not know what to do. The Martial Cloud Dragon spoke a few words in their native language and the cub finally settled down. It obediently lay inside the cultivation formation and began sleeping.

Chu Mu, Xia Yin and Lin Mengling had sensed the little cub entering the cultivation formation simultaneously.

The dragon cub was a low rank, so the Immortal Aura that it absorbed was insignificant. As it would not snatch their resources from them, they only opened their eyes to take a slight glance at the cute snoring cub before continuing with their meditation.

Mo Xie also returned to Chu Mu's shoulder. The lingering Immortal Aura caused its surroundings to be filled with warmth. It was the most suitable environment for sleeping.

Mo Xie yawned and dove right into Chu Mu's bosom to find a comfortable position to take a nap in.

Chu Mu opened his eyes with a bitter smile. This little creature simply disliked going back to the soul pet space to sleep, so he could only hug it in the end.....

Mo Xie did not absorb the Immortal Aura. However, letting it just sleep in such an environment would certainly be beneficial to it. Chu Mu still ended up deciding to inject a portion of the Immortal Aura he absorbed into Mo Xie to raise its strength.

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Cultivation was a very boring process.

However, every powerful individual had to go through this boring process. Chu Mu, Xia Yin and Lin Mengling had enough patience to complete this boring cultivation.

Furthermore, they could easily last for a few months after settling down like that.

On the first day, the three never opened their eyes after they had completely settled down.

It was the same for the second day. They had to absorb the Immortal Aura and convert it into their own power. This was a complicated process that did not allow for any form of distraction.

On the third day, they were still focused on cultivating. By now, that little dragon cub had already woken up and it walked around in the triangle formation out of boredom.

The adult Martial Cloud Dragon was sleeping, and Mo Xie was also sleeping. The three humans were peacefully cultivating. Only the innocent little dragon cub could not understand why they had to cultivate. It dragged its chubby body and ran onto the adult Martial Cloud Dragon's head at times, then ran to Chu Mu's side and pulled tiny Mo Xie's tails at times, then ran to bite Lin Mengling's skirt at times.....

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“Ao~!”

Suddenly, the adult Martial Cloud Dragon opened its large jaws to yawn.

A gust of storm swept out from the direction of the yawn into the distance.

The Martial Cloud Dragon slowly spread out its wings. The majestic blue membrane wings at it engulfed the ground looked extremely intimidating!

The Martial Cloud Dragon stretched its body a few times that had been lying down for a few months and it slowly stood up.

It took a glance at the three humans who were still cultivating and did not bother them. It only lowered its head and held its child in its mouth.

The little dragon cub knew that its mother was about to leave with it. Hence, it pulled Mo Xie's tail hard and woke Mo Xie up.

"Wuwuwu~!" cried Mo Xie while still half asleep.

Over the past few months, the three humans and the adult Martial Cloud Dragon did not move a single inch. Only Mo Xie would occasionally get up and bring it to stroll around outside.

Now that they were leaving, the little dragon cub naturally wanted to tell Mo Xie about it.

"Huhuhuhu~!" The little dragon cub's eyes were wet with tears, it seemed very reluctant to leave.

Mo Xie saw that it was getting so depressed and gave the final bit of snacks to it. The little dragon cub immediately swept clean all of the snacks and it no longer cried. It happily left with the adult Martial Cloud Dragon.

After the little dragon cub left, it was Mo Xie's turn to feel sad. Its hidden stash was actually cheated away by that little thing. It would not have gotten soft on it and given away its hidden stash if it had known this to be the case. It still had to stay here for over half a year. How was it going to survive the days without any snacks?

Tiny Mo Xie climbed back onto Chu Mu grumpily and closed its eyes with an unhappy mood.

Without anything to eat, it could only focus on cultivating. It seemed that it was about to break through soon. It would be able to fight stronger enemies after it breaks through, that would be more interesting.

The Martial Cloud Dragon flapped its wings and it flew back into the clouds.

Meanwhile, Chu Mu was the first to open his eyes. He took a glance at the leaving Martial Cloud Dragon and shut his eyes again to continue his meditation.

Soon after Chu Mu shut his eyes, Xia Yin and Lin Mengling also opened their eyes. They similarly sensed the Martial Cloud Dragon leaving, but they also immediately returned to meditating just like Chu Mu.

Perhaps, even they themselves could not believe that they had just stayed together with an Immortal rank Martial Cloud Dragon for a few months and were safe to tell the tale.

This was certainly an interesting experience.

After the Martial Cloud Dragon had left, the three still continued on with their cultivation. It would take them about a year of focused cultivation if they wanted to break through.

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After an unknown amount of time had passed, the three of them suddenly opened their eyes simultaneously!

The three took a glance at one another and noticed that everyone felt that something was amiss. Their expressions turned stern immediately.

“You two also sensed it?” Xia Yin was the first to speak.

Chu Mu and Lin Mengling nodded. Lin Mengling turned to look at the place outside the pot valley and spoke, “A group of powerful creatures are approaching here.”

Rumble~!

The vibration of the ground was getting more and more intense as the group of creatures approached. The three of them could even hear various roaring sounds very close to them!

It was a group of soul pets, and they were all very powerful!

For some reason, they were running towards the cultivation formation.

“We certainly neglected a very serious problem,” Xia Yin spoke in a serious tone, “This place is constantly gathering Immortal Aura. The Immortal Aura will get denser and denser as time passes. This would definitely attract many Imprint Valley creatures here. They are probably trying to chase us away from here and take this place for themselves.”

“But why didn’t they do that earlier? We have been cultivating here for over four months now,” Lin Mengling was confused.

Chu Mu smiled bitterly, “The Martial Cloud Dragon was sleeping here. Those greedy Imprint Valley creatures didn’t dare to come. Now that the Martial Cloud Dragon has left, it’s the same as losing the best guardian. Looks like we will have to face the greedy Imprint Valley creatures for a long time.”

Chapter 1395: Guarding In Shifts

On the barren and cold land, the wind kicked up the sand and stones. The running creatures left deep trenches along the ground they trampled. They were rampaging like hungry wolves who had smelled fresh meat, desperately running towards the pot valley.

There were at least ten soul pets coming from every direction. There were also some figures that were flying around the mountain summit ready to make a move!

Noises echoed all around them. Chu Mu, Xia Yin and Lin Mengling faced three different directions. Dust clouds rumbled from those three directions. The earth kept trembling and cracking.....

“Fight. If they were to break the cultivation formation, then our hope of entering Spirit Immortal rank will pop like a bubble,” Xia Yin’s eyes became spirited. It was completely different from his usual casual attitude.

They could tell that he was a person who really liked fighting!

After reciting an incantation, a dark green diagram manifested in front of Xia Yin. A vine appeared from that diagram.

With one main vine as the core, countless thinner vines rapidly spread out from it and weaved into a protection vine formation around the three of them!

As Chu Mu watched Xia Yin summon this soul pet, a little curiosity and confusion flashed across his eyes.

“Young master, this is Season Immortal Vine, a vine type creature with the best defense amongst its species,” Old Li explained to Chu Mu immediately, “This Season Immortal Vine is famous for its defense. There was once an army of several hundred Dominators and several thousand Emperors that had attacked Beiming City. Xia Yin’s Season Immortal Vine was able to keep the city completely unscathed. It was in that war that Xia Yin had gained fame and he became a legend.”

Chu Mu did not know how Old Li collected his information, he even knew things that had happened not so long ago.

Since Chu Mu had become acquainted with Xia Yin, he naturally wanted to know more about his new acquaintance. Beiming City’s defense war far surpassed New Moon Land’s independence fight in scale. Xia Yin had made a name for himself in that war. He was certainly a City Lord worthy of respect as he had defeated the invading army all by himself!

“The population of creatures in this Imprint Valley is clearly overflowing. Creatures may constantly come swarming towards this place. The three of us should conduct a defensive battle with the area that my Season Immortal Vine covers as formation nodes,” said Xia Yin.

Lin Mengling clearly knew about Xia Yin’s achievement as well, so she also believed in the defensive ability of Xia Yin’s Season Immortal Vine.

Following Xia Yin, Lin Mengling also chanted an incantation!

The soul pet Lin Mengling had summoned was a Light's Fury.

Light's Fury seemed to be the signature soul pet of the Divine Sect. Lin Mengling's Light's Fury should be at the pseudo Immortal rank, the milky white glow throughout its body exuded a holy aura.

Chu Mu did not summon any soul pet and let Mo Xie handle the battle for him.

Mo Xie had accompanied Chu Mu all this time and had slept for a long time. It was just in need of some exercising.

A purple flame enveloped Mo Xie's body and it danced in the wind.

Nine long and elegant tails spread out and they looked even more flashy than the Season Immortal Vine on the ground.

Xia Yin and Lin Mengling looked at Mo Xie simultaneously. Xia Yin smiled, "Congratulations Brother Chu, your soul pet seems to have gotten stronger again."

Lin Mengling also took a few more glances at it after sensing Mo Xie's aura becoming more powerful.

Lin Mengling was actually at the venue when Chu Mu fought against Han Erxing. As far as she knew, this Fox Noble should have only been within the Dominator rank, but it was only one step away from pseudo Immortal rank now. If it could cultivate a bit longer within the cultivation formation, then it would definitely be able to advance into pseudo Immortal rank easily.

The purple flame burned along the slightly sloped earth, turning the area of the pot valley in that direction into a sea of flames.

The earth started rumbling, kicking up dust clouds. In that direction, there was an Evil Scorpion charging at the forefront. It led a few Dominator rank Evil Scorpions behind it and stepped into the purple flame fearlessly.

The Evil Scorpion leader should be near Immortal rank according to its aura, and those other Evil Scorpions that were following behind it should be at peak Dominator rank.

Mo Xie was already able to fight against near Immortal rank in the past, and now that it has also reached near Immortal rank itself, it naturally would not fear them.

“Wuwuwuwu~!” After a long cry, Mo Xie confidently charged towards that near Immortal rank Evil Scorpion.

On the other side, Lin Mengling had also encountered a difficult opponent.

The cultivation formation gathered Immortal Aura and it could mainly help paragon Dominator and near Immortal rank creatures successfully advance into pseudo Immortal rank. Creatures that would desperately be swarming towards this place were naturally at such ranks. Three near Immortal rank creatures appeared in Lin Mengling’s direction!

Fortunately, Lin Mengling's Light's Fury was at pseudo Immortal rank and it was a rank higher than those three creatures. Lin Mengling seemed to be very confident and did not summon any other soul pets. She decided to let her Light's Fury take on those three near Immortal rank Evil Scorpions by itself.

Xia Yin's Season Immortal Vine not only provided cover for Chu Mu and Lin Mengling, it also built a vine stronghold in the direction Xia Yin faced. That direction had the most number of enemies. There were about over twenty of them, with strength around near Immortal rank to middle class Dominator rank.

Season Immortal Vine should be the strongest amongst the three soul pets. Those twenty plus creatures of different races would be paying a heavy price to charge through that vine stronghold.

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Blood spewed everywhere within the flames. Mo Xie was the first to end it's battle. Only the near Immortal rank Evil Scorpion was a little troublesome to defeat, the others did not pose a threat to Mo Xie. Soon, Mo Xie had finished off all nine Evil Scorpions and their corpses were burnt to ash by the purple flames.

As the enemies in this direction were already cleared up, Chu Mu intended to help Lin Mengling next.

However, Lin Mengling did not need Chu Mu's assistance, because her Light's Fury was gradually using its own tactic to confront the encirclement from the three Evil Scorpions and began to gain an upper hand. Victory was only a matter of time.

As for Xia Yin's side, Chu Mu similarly did not need to help him as those twenty plus soul pets of different races never came out after they had entered Season Immortal Vine's vine stronghold.

Chu Mu and Xia Yin had both ended their battles already. They noticed a few silhouettes loitering in the distance. However, those creatures did not have the courage to charge in, so the two of them had no reason to pursue those silhouettes needlessly.

The two then turned their attention to Lin Mengling's battle after theirs were over. Originally, out of a simple gentleman courtesy, the battle should have been handled by the men. However, Lin Mengling was very different from most women, she was much more brutal in battles compared to most of the men. It was really difficult to tell that such a beautiful and cold woman like Lin Mengling would show a battle maniac style of fighting that was on par with male soul pet trainers.

Lin Mengling had finally finished the battle on her side. Her Light's Fury did not kill those soul pets and simply let them go after defeating them. This was different from the merciless methods used by Chu Mu and Xia Yin.

There were a total of five near Immortal rank creatures involved in this assault. Lin Mengling took on three by herself, and the other two were finished off by Chu Mu and Xia Yin respectively.

Near Immortal rank was already on the level of Han Erxing and Xin Xin. From how the three of them were able to easily finish the battle, it was sufficient to say that they had already surpassed the so-called Outstanding Expert Competition standard. They were certainly amongst the most powerful tier of the young generation.

Furthermore, it was clear that the three of them did not use their full strength.

“Lingmeng, letting them go like this is not a very good idea. They will definitely return after recovering from their injuries. They may even bring a larger group of their species along next time,” said Xia Yin.

“I will not take the life of any creature unnecessarily. It’s your business if you want to kill,” Lin Mengling held firmly onto her own principle.

Xia Yin smiled bitterly, “Fine.....”

“The creatures that are living in this Imprint Valley won’t be so few. More and more soul pets would sense the uniqueness of this place where we are currently cultivating. If such waves of soul pets keep barging in, then we can’t concentrate on cultivating,” Chu Mu frowned.

With the Martial Cloud Dragon around, the three of them were able to meditate peacefully for four months. However, after it left, those tempted creatures would definitely continue swarming towards here. Nobody knew how many wild soul pets between paragon Dominator and pseudo Immortal rank resided in this Imprint Valley. If they kept fighting them, then they would not have the time to cultivate peacefully.

“No way, how can there be so many of them?” refuted Lin Mengling.

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In the following half a month, the facts had proven Chu Mu’s words.

The Imprint Valley creatures continued swarming towards them ceaselessly, always attempting to snatch the Immortal Aura that could rapidly raise their strength from them.

The three of them did not get any chance to cultivate at all and had to focus solely on defending against the intruders.

More and more corpses spread out in the entire pot valley. The smell of blood had also similarly attracted some herds, tribes, empires or even dynasties over. There would only be more and more enemies coming if this trend continued.

“This won’t do,” said Xia Yin with a stern expression.

The enemies were endless. It was not that they were not strong enough to take on those creatures, but they would not be able to cultivate properly if they kept getting assaulted like this.

The time they had to cultivate here was very limited. They had already wasted half a month of it. If they continued wasting the time like this, then they might never be able to advance into Spirit Immortal rank.

“Let’s just summon all our soul pets and have them defend the surroundings of Season Immortal Vine. This should scare off all those ambitious soul pets. Even if that doesn’t work, at least those creatures won’t be able to break in if we do that. We can just continue our cultivation then,” suggested Lin Mengling.

Xia Yin shook his head in denial, “There’s a risk in doing that. Imprint Valley is an unknown land. If we were to exhaust most of our fighting strength on these things, then once we encounter a creature on the level of Martial Cloud Dragon, the three of us won’t even be able to escape from it.”

“Let’s guard in shifts then?” Chu Mu suggested, “Any of the three of us can single handedly take on the entire assaulting wave right now. I will stand guard for a period of time, while you two focus on meditating during this period. Once my soul pets are completely exhausted, one of you will take over the baton from me and allow me to meditate, as well as letting my soul pets rest too.....”

“In that case, doesn’t that mean that we will be sacrificing one third of our cultivation time?” asked Lin Mengling.

“We can only do that now. It’s better than wasting the time of all three of us like this,” Xia Yin agreed with Chu Mu’s suggestion.

Lin Mengling lamented, they had never even considered such a situation like this occurring before coming.

“Brother Chu, let me guard first,” said Xia Yin.

“Sure,” Chu Mu did not refuse. Xia Yin had more soul pets, so it was more suitable for him to take the shift first.

Chapter 1396: Evil Scorpions, Full On Assault Chu

Mu and Lin Mengling continued on with their cultivation. In order to isolate themselves from any exterior interference, they shut off their sense of hearing and had even retracted their sensation, because only then could they guarantee to fully focus on cultivation.

Xia Yin was strong, and with his Season Immortal Vine around, Chu Mu and Lin Mengling believed that there would not be any accidents occurring.

The moment Chu Mu closed his eyes, he felt as if he had entered a long dream and would not know anything that happened afterwards because Chu Mu was doing a complicated process repetitively.

Taking in the Immortal Aura from around him, accumulating the Immortal Aura into his soul, then repeating it over and over.

The lingering Immortal Aura in the air could be considered as food to a certain extent. So it would not pose any significant problem to them if they were to cultivate like that for months.

However, Xia Yin could not endure a war of attrition over a few months by himself no matter how strong he was.

Creatures that would probe the place they were at were mostly between pseudo Immortal and paragon Dominator ranks. There might even be some creatures coming to snatch the resources from them in order to break through to low class Immortal rank. Furthermore, there would be more and more creatures gathering towards the cultivation formation as time passed. One was due to the higher density of Immortal Aura, the other was the bloody smell that was spreading out from the corpses attracting the creatures with a sharp sense of smell.

Places of conflict usually meant that they were places with benefits. A large number of creatures did not know what might be there, but they would definitely take a look after smelling the blood.

After about twenty days, Xia Yin's soul pets had completely exhausted their fighting strength.

"Go take a rest, I will continue from here," said Chu Mu after taking a glance at Xia Yin.

"Yeah, I leave it to you," Xia Yin nodded and sat down in the cultivation formation.

Combat was the most direct method of cultivation. Chu Mu would never want to miss out on any battles. If not for the precious Immortal Aura within the cultivation formation, Chu Mu would actually welcome a chance for a continuous battle like this!

In a glance, the barren pot valley was already full of corpses. It could be seen that the battlefield was already tidied up, but the lingering bloody smell could not be gotten rid of.

During the first day, it was still rather calm. Xia Yin's fighting strength had probably deterred the surrounding creatures to some extent.

On the dawn of the second day though, a large colony of black and red creatures had suddenly appeared from the horizon!

Those creatures had thick and smooth armor, sharp pincers and a curved tail with a poisonous sting at the tip!

Like black and red mud flowing down from higher ground, an innumerable number of Evil Scorpions charged forward madly and produced threatening hissing sounds!

Chu Mu stared at those Evil Scorpions in shock. Those Evil Scorpions were at least Dominator rank. Based on a rough estimate, there were about one thousand of them!

Chu Mu had witnessed an Emperor army before, but he had never seen a Dominator army, and especially a size of a thousand at that!

Over a thousand Dominators charging forward, such a scene was truly astonishing. Each step they took could cause a crack of over ten kilometers to appear on the surface of the earth. During a

charge, the space shook chaotically. The rampaging air currents transformed into a disastrous storm and whipped through the entire region.

“Did Xia Yin also survive through such onslaughts?” Chu Mu was astonished.

This was only the second day of his shift, and yet such an enormous number of enemies had appeared. This single battle alone might already completely exhaust his strength, yet Xia Yin was able to guard them for twenty days!

Chu Mu did not think that he was unlucky. He had encountered so many powerful creatures in the start that it could only mean that Xia Yin was really very strong.

Xia Yin guarded had them for twenty days, providing precious cultivation time for Lin Mengling and himself. Then he also could not just back down after a few days, that would be too disgraceful.

Chu Mu could not use his semi devil transformation while in the Imprint Valley, so he could only rely on his soul pets.

Guarding for twenty days. If an army like this Evil Scorpion would come swarming in every few days, then it would be a huge challenge for Chu Mu.

However, Chu Mu liked facing challenges. Each of his soul pets also possessed the same ambitions!

“Mo Xie, you can fight to your heart’s content this time,” Chu Mu took a glance at Mo Xie on his shoulder!

After reaching this rank, soul pets would normally take a long time to recover after getting completely exhausted if there was no special nurturing involved.

Chu Mu had to arrange his fighting forces rationally, or he would definitely not be able to last over ten days.

Mo Xie jumped down from Chu Mu's shoulder. When it saw that a thousand-man strong Evil Scorpion army was charging towards the cultivation formation from all directions, its silver eyes immediately sparkled with excitement!

This was a group of really powerful enemies, it would definitely be able to fight to its heart content this time!

Mo Xie did not charge out. This time, it focused on defending instead. It stood right in front of Chu Mu, calmly and excitedly waiting for the arrival of the Evil Scorpions!

"Devil Tree, protect everyone," Chu Mu chanted and summoned his Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

Devil Tree Battle Soldier had received Ning Maner's nurturing and had reached peak Dominator rank. In addition to the Xuan Wood Leaf's effect, its actual strength should be one level higher than a normal peak Dominator rank.

In a group battle, Devil Tree Battle Soldier's ability would show its best performance. It should not be a problem for it to take on a paragon Dominator role.

Devil Tree Battle Soldier could not achieve the same feat as the Season Immortal Vine that did not allow a single intruder to pass through it after deploying its vine stronghold, but protecting an area of one to two kilometers would not be a problem for it.

“Little Hidden Dragon!” With another incantation, Chu Mu summoned his third soul pet!

Little Hidden Dragon’s Spectral Dragon had reached peak Dominator rank. Its Empyrean Cyan Hidden Dragon bloodline was still at high class Dominator rank though. There was still only about ninety percent of the souls that were needed.

Devouring a paragon Dominator rank’s soul would allow Little Hidden Dragon to grow by another ten percent.

There were over a thousand Evil Scorpions before them. Even though they were not at the paragon Dominator rank, devouring souls in large quantities was sufficient for Little Hidden Dragon to improve its strength!

If Little Hidden Dragon’s triple properties could all reach peak Dominator rank, then its strength would be at near Immortal rank!

A chance to devour high rank souls like this was really rare to come by. In the past, Chu Mu had a very hard time finding any high class Dominator rank creatures. Now that there were over a thousand of them in front of him, Chu Mu really wanted Little Hidden Dragon to devour all of their souls. Then, Little Hidden Dragon’s strength would definitely increase to a terrifying level!

“Ghost King!” After summoning Little Hidden Dragon, Chu Mu summoned Ghost King next!

Ghost King had reached peak Dominator rank earlier than Devil Tree Battle Soldier. After Ye Qingzi gave Chu Mu the Immortal Ghost Stone, Chu Mu had asked Ning Maner to especially nurture Ghost King, in order to build the foundation for Ghost King to advance into Immortal rank.

Nurturing was one thing, whether Ghost King could advance into Immortal rank by itself was still hard to tell. After all, Ghost King still lacked the most direct battle experience.

In this guarding shift, Ghost King would be able to receive the most direct battle experience that it lacked and Chu Mu could choose a suitable timing to strengthen Ghost King with the Immortal Ghost Stone. That way, Chu Mu would obtain another Immortal rank soul pet. Of course, that was as long as the strengthening does not fail.....

One of Chu Mu's soul pet slots was still occupied by Yu Suo, so he could only control a total of four at maximum.

The current formation was Mo Xie, Little Hidden Dragon, Ghost King and Devil Tree.

Only Mo Xie had reached the Immortal rank amongst the four. The other soul pets were only at paragon Dominator or peak Dominator ranks.

On the other hand, the Evil Scorpion army's average strength was at middle class Dominator rank. Other than Mo Xie who could take on an assault by several hundred Evil Scorpions by itself, Little Hidden Dragon, Ghost King and Devil Tree would definitely die if they are under the siege of a hundred Evil Scorpions.

Chu Mu from the beginning did not expect these four soul pets by themselves to take on a thousand Evil Scorpions at middle class Dominator rank. However, since it was a defensive battle, what Chu Mu had to do was not to kill those Evil Scorpions in the shortest time, but to instead conserve his fighting strength to the greatest extent.

Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier excelled in defense. In a formation battle, those Evil Scorpions would not be able to easily break through their defenses. Hence, Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier would be maintaining the defense, becoming a rock type stronghold and wood type stronghold respectively that surrounded the cultivation formation.

Meanwhile, Mo Xie and Little Hidden Dragon would only fight within the stronghold, they would be in charge of killing any Evil Scorpion that attempted to break through this defense.

The longer Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier could defend, the more enemies Mo Xie and Little Hidden Dragon could kill.....

Xia Yin had already deployed a defensive stronghold around the cultivation formation before ending his shift. This stronghold was shaped by his Season Immortal Vine.

In a defensive battle, if there was a stronghold, even if it was only a tattered one, it would still be better than facing enemies from all directions on a plain.

Hence, after Chu Mu had summoned Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier, Ghost King was rapidly chanted its incantation and had built up tough stronghold walls one after another around this pot valley.

Evil Tree Battle Soldier's roots were rapidly entangling the cold stone stronghold walls and had deployed various poisonous plant traps all around.

The solid rock stronghold combined with the complicated plant stronghold. This type of defense was the most ideal one. Chu Mu believed that even if there was an enemy that was five times

stronger than Devil Tree Battle Soldier and Ghost King, it might not be able to collapse this thick layer of defense.

“If I had known that there would be so many enemies, then I would have deployed such a defensive measure last night,” Chu Mu felt frustrated at the hurriedly built defensive structures.

If not for the frame of the vine stronghold that Season Immortal Vine had built still remaining, Chu Mu would not have been able to complete a defensive stronghold in such a short time.

Speaking of which, Xia Yin did not even remind him of such a situation occurring. Chu Mu had been fully focused on cultivation. There was no way he would know that these Imprint Valley creatures had already become this crazy. The assault of over a thousand Dominators was rarely seen in the Zhengming Continent.

“Gugugugugu!”

“Gugugugugu!”

Finally, the rampaging Evil Scorpions had arrived. It was a full on assault!

The densely packed creatures were not Commanders or Monarchs, nor were they Emperors, they were all Dominators!

In the past, any one of those Evil Scorpions could easily wipe out New Moon Land.

However, Chu Mu was currently facing over a thousand of such creatures alone!

Chapter 1397: Black And White Devil

Chu Mu had still underestimated the total power of the assault from a thousand Dominators.

The defensive stronghold that Chu Mu had deployed contained three layers. He had originally thought that the outermost layer could stop the first charge of those Evil Scorpions. However, he had never expected those menacing monsters to instantly shatter the first layer with their thick armor!

Stones and broken roots shot up into the sky. A dense insect type aura suddenly swept across the land and swallowed everything!

“Gugugugu!”

Those Evil Scorpions spat out corrosive toxins from their mouths. The outer layer of defense was mostly made up of obstacles. Although their hardness far surpassed that of a normal rock, those Evil Scorpions were not normal creatures either. They were all Dominators, they could easily shatter the earth within dozens of kilometers to them with a random technique in a normal world!

The speed of those Evil Scorpions as they crept was also very fast. A deep hole would be left behind by their sharp legs on the rocks as they crept forward!

Thousands of sharp legs left thousands of holes on the rock surface of the outer layer of defense. The Evil Scorpions stamped over the walls that were covered in roots and charged directly into the middle layer of defense.

Traps were laid everywhere in the outer layer, but the death of just a few dozens of Evil Scorpions was insignificant in front of the thousand strong army.

“Wuwuwuwu~!”

Seeing the flood of Evil Scorpions incoming, Mo Xie cried out a warning while it stood at the highest point of the stronghold!

Purple flames rapidly shot up into the sky and turned into a cloud of fire that enveloped the entire pot valley above the summit of the three mountains!

Within the cloud, purple flames started spewing out like raindrops from it, densely raining down from the sky onto the Evil Scorpions!

Fire lotuses filled with destructive aura started blooming everywhere on the ground, leaving large craters on the surface of the ground as well as taking away the lives of a lot of those Evil Scorpions.

The defense of those Evil Scorpions was really high. Mo Xie's fire technique had incredible offensive might, yet the fire rain could only kill at most about fifty Evil Scorpions.

Mo Xie naturally would not be able to unleash this large scale flame technique twenty times in a row. Noticing that the effect of its attack was weak, Mo Xie decided to jump down from the plant stronghold and directly tear apart those arrogant Evil Scorpions with its claws!

The middle layer of defense worked to a certain extent to stop them. Mo Xie posed a sufficient threat by itself using its Immortal rank strength and it truly held the ground. Mo Xie was even able to take on the assault by two to three hundred Evil Scorpions on its own.

Little Hidden Dragon was not very useful in such a large scale battle. If it were to get hit by fifty Evil Scorpions simultaneously, then it would be difficult for it to survive.

Fortunately, Little Hidden Dragon's ghost property was its greatest reliance. Rock and plant type strongholds had made the geography complicated. Little Hidden Dragon could keep passing through the terrain while finding suitable chances to wipe out an Evil Scorpion in one hit.

Little Hidden Dragon could easily wipe out the Evil Scorpions that were below the peak Dominator rank easily with its current strength. Its target was also these high class Dominators.

The middle layer of defense was not invincible though. After the defense was broken through, Mo Xie and Little Hidden Dragon retreated to the most solid inner layer of defense at the perfect time.

The inner layer of defense was the hardest defensive layer. At the same time, Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier could also participate within such a distance. With the cooperation of the four soul pets, in addition to the more compact space which strengthened the overall defense, it would definitely become an unbreakable stronghold!

In the battle in the middle layer of defence, Mo Xie had killed about 150 Evil Scorpions. Little Hidden Dragon had done its best to devour the souls and had only managed to kill about 30 Evil Scorpions. In addition to those that were killed by the traps, there were about 800 Evil Scorpions left.

After returning to the inner layer of defense, Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier had immediately unleashed a wave of force. Huge rocks fell from the sky, the ground was dented in all of a sudden, roots started squirming like snakes from within the abyss beneath the ground!

The roots forcefully started pulling those Evil Scorpions into the abyss. Even if those Evil Scorpions desperately struggled against it, the falling rocks would smash them down!

This trap activation had instantly killed 50 unprepared Evil Scorpions.

Mo Xie, as an Immortal rank, could only kill about 50 Evil Scorpions using a flame area of effect technique. Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier were both only at the Dominator rank, hence such a feat was astonishing. As expected, in a defensive battle, the cooperation between Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier was truly remarkable!

Evil Scorpions were not elemental creatures. Their long-range techniques were not really powerful. They mostly relied on close-range combat to unleash their full strength.

As the Evil Scorpions swarmed closer to them, many Evil Scorpions stabbed into the air using their sharp legs!

Evil Scorpions had six eyes. When the ground could not aid them, the sky would become their foothold. Pairs of crimson eyes flashed ominously in the sky. In addition to the dense dark clouds pressing down on them, it felt as if one had fallen into a scorpion nest and they were fully surrounded!

The poisonous stingers of those Evil Scorpions quickly weaved together into a sharp net. The sharp stingers flashed and several hundred poison stingers stabbed in from all directions. It would be difficult to block them all even with the cooperation between Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

In such a situation, Little Hidden Dragon could not perform at all. Every Evil Scorpion had gathered into a group. If Little Hidden Dragon initiated an attack, then it would definitely suffer from a ferocious counterattack.

“I had still underestimated the strength of a Dominator army.....” Sweat accumulated on Chu Mu’s palm.

After an incantation, Chu Mu had recalled Little Hidden Dragon back into its soul pet space.

The enemy’s strength had surpassed Chu Mu’s expectations. If those Evil Scorpions unleashed another full power barrage of poisonous stingers like that, the defense provided by Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier would definitely collapse. The meditating Lin Mengling and Xia Yin would be in danger.

In the past twenty days, Xia Yin did not let Chu Mu feel even a trace of danger. Chu Mu naturally would not allow that to happen either, or it would be too shameful for him.

Chu Mu chanted an incantation again and a black devil fire rose up in front of him. The fire rapidly imitated and turned into a devil shadow, standing solemnly in front of Chu Mu, as if Chu Mu’s shadow had transformed into a fire.

The black devil fire burned quietly. It gradually turned paler as it continued burning and silver was slowly becoming its main color.

With that, it kept interchanging between black and silver.

After devouring Ban San’s soul, White Devil had become Black Devil. However, the silver devil fire was retained, and the amalgamation of the two types of devil fire had become even more powerful.

Chu Mu could not unleash his semi devil power in this place, but he could summon White Devil alone to fight.

After devouring Bai San's soul, White Devil had reached Immortal rank, it should be stronger than even Night.

Chapter 1398: More And More Battle Crazy

After White Devil appeared, the Evil Scorpions were immediately suppressed. Mo Xie's purple flame and White Devil's dual color devil fire, the flames of three different colors enveloped the entire pot valley!

Mo Xie held its ground in one direction, and White Devil swept the other direction. Soon, two hundred Evil Scorpions were killed.

Those Evil Scorpions held a strong faith within them, they would still try to barge into the cultivation formation no matter how many of their companions were killed.

Such a situation usually meant that there was a leader among the Evil Scorpion. Under the orders from that leader, those Evil Scorpions would not back off.

There were still about six hundred Evil Scorpions left. The act of summoning White Devil and recalling Little Hidden Dragon was already a big mistake in itself. Since this was only the second day of his guard shift. He had already deployed two Immortal rank soul pets on only the second day. Only Night could hold its ground in the battles that would come in future. If the enemy number was still so terrifying later, then Chu Mu would definitely not be able to last a few days.

The current situation did require White Devil. As such, Chu Mu could only try to finish off those Evil Scorpions as soon as possible, so that Mo Xie and White Devil could preserve some of their stamina so that they could hold out for a longer time.

Since there was a leader amongst those Evil Scorpions, he would naturally have to finish that leader off. Chu Mu scanned the area with his soul remembrance and sought for the leader amongst the Evil Scorpion army.

Finally, Chu Mu saw an Evil Scorpion with extremely dark color that was different compared to the others in the Southern direction. That Evil Scorpion did not launch an attack and maintained a posture of ordering the surrounding Evil Scorpions.

Around that Evil Scorpion there were a few peak Dominator rank Evil Scorpions, circling around it similar to loyal guards.

“It actually hid so well.....” cursed Chu Mu.

In an army warfare, the leader would usually attack spontaneously along with the other creatures. However, this Evil Scorpion leader had totally put on a monarch attitude and did not participate in the battle at all. It even had a group of powerful Evil Scorpions protecting it.

Although Mo Xie would not be in danger even under the assault of one to two hundred Evil Scorpions, but if there were over twenty peak Dominator rank amongst them, then charging in would be tantamount to suicide.

Chu Mu knew that there was no easy way out of this. Since they had to fight, then they should fight to the bitter end. He should think about the future after getting rid of these Evil Scorpions.

White Devil was a true Immortal rank after all. Each attack that it unleashed contained an immense pressure and destructive force. After White Devil had killed about 200 Evil Scorpions all by itself, the Evil Scorpion leader seemed to have started getting impatient. It sent out a group of peak Dominators in order to suppress White Devil.

However, a short moment later, White Devil had killed all those peak Dominators!

Once the higher ranked Evil Scorpions were all cleaned up, the lower ranked Evil Scorpions would only be facing a single-sided massacre by the Immortal rank. The rampaging black devil fire would easily wipe out dozens of Evil Scorpions with each sweep!

Finally, the Evil Scorpion leader could not sit quietly in the back anymore. It charged towards White Devil along with its guards.

“Mo Xie, you take them on. White Devil, you continue wiping out the Evil Scorpion army,” instructed Chu Mu precisely after seeing that the Evil Scorpion leader had finally decided to take action.

White Devil’s dual color devil fire had a larger area of effect and had greater offensive power. It would be over faster if it were to wipe out the Evil Scorpion army.

This battle had already lasted from dawn to night. It had lasted for a long time already, and Chu Mu was unsure if the creatures of the other races would be coming on the third dawn too.

So no matter what, he had to end this battle as soon as possible. He had to be prepared for the worst situation.

Within the night, a hazy moon hung high in the sky. It was rare to see the moon within this Imprint Valley that was shrouded by dark clouds.

With the moonlight present, Mo Xie's fatigue after fighting for a whole day had rapidly disappeared. The toxic wounds on its body also began healing.

Moonlight could help raise all of Mo Xie's stats and improve its strength by one to two levels. Even the Evil Scorpion leader with its full strength would not be able to win against it.

Mo Xie would rarely be riddled with wounds like this after it mutated into Hades Purple Emperor. This feeling made its blood boil instead!

The Evil Scorpion leader had thought that this Fox Noble would not even have one third of its stamina left after it had fought for a whole day. It had arrogantly ordered its guard to take on Mo Xie.

Once the Evil Scorpion guard was easily torn apart by Mo Xie, the Evil Scorpion leader charged in furiously!

Mo Xie also dashed forward and knocked head first into the Evil Scorpion leader. The poisonous stinger and the nine tails were both filled with killing intent.

Chu Mu focused all his concentration on Mo xie. The more wounds it received, the brighter its eyes glowed. He had not seen Mo Xie so full of fighting spirit in a long time.

On Prison Island, there were an endless number of enemies to kill. Mo Xie also had to face a swarm of enemies despite only being at Commander or Monarch rank. At that time, its claws were still unable to shred thousands of enemies with one swing, its technique was also unable to cover dozens of kilometers. It could only pile up the number of enemies one by one under its feet.

The higher the bloodline of Mo Xie, the more powerful it would become. On many occasions, fights with similar rank were boring to it. However, Mo Xie had truly experienced a boiling fighting spirit raging within it in this battle. The pain stimulated its nerves to react faster. The sharp and fatal attacks stimulated its evasive manoeuvres to be more accurate. The thick armor of the enemy stimulated it to concentrate on finding the enemy's weaknesses.....

A mistake in its movement would add a wound to its body. A precise attack on the weakness could instantly finish off the enemy blocking its way. This full concentration battle was providing extreme enjoyment to Mo Xie!

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A glimpse of dawn passed through the dense dark clouds and it shone onto the pot valley.

The thick puddles of blood and the shattered armor pieces sparkled in reflection.....

Corpses were strewn all over the place. Silver, black, and purple flames were still burning on some charred corpses and it slowly swayed.

Broken limbs were scattered across the entire valley. Some were piled up like a hill, some had filled up the dents on the ground, and some were joined up in circles.

At the center of the bloody battlefield, Lin Mengling and Xia Yin remained focusing solely on cultivation, unaware of the things that had happened in their surroundings at all.

Chu Mu sat at one side, with four soul pets that were riddled with wounds next to him.

Ghost King, Devil Tree Battle Soldier, Mo Xie and White Devil. Mo Xie had suffered the greatest injury. It had fought against the Evil Scorpion leader and its guards after sustaining the fight against the army during the day.

Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier were mainly in charge of defense and they had to protect the cultivation formation. However, their cooperation had also managed to kill over 200 Evil Scorpions.

Ghost King and Devil Tree Battle Soldier did not gain enough battle experiences in the past. After this battle, they would definitely be able to grow rapidly. Chu Mu had even felt that he could strengthen Ghost King with the Immortal Ghost Stone right now!

“Mo Xie, return and rest first,” said Chu Mu.

Mo Xie simply nodded and went back to its soul pet space.

It had completely exhausted its stamina and it would probably need to rest for a long time to recover.

“Ghost King, you return and rest as well,” Chu Mu chanted the incantation to recall Ghost King back to its soul pet space.

Ghost King had received special care from Ning Maner before and had also experienced such a battle now. Once its injuries and stamina recovered, Chu Mu could finally strengthen Ghost King.

Ghost King's recovery speed should be very fast, it should be healed in about ten days.

If the strengthening process ten days later was successful, then Ghost King would be the main force of defense. Otherwise, Chu Mu really could not guarantee if he could last for twenty days.

Devil Tree Battle Soldier's endurance, stamina and life force were far greater. So, Chu Mu did not recall it immediately.

After letting Devil Tree Battle Soldier take a break, Chu Mu told it to deploy a plant stronghold in this pot valley.

The stronghold must be constructed very thoroughly this time. It would provide Chu Mu with sufficient buffer time if another army were to launch an assault.

He had recalled Little Hidden Dragon earlier to let White Devil fight, but that was a mistake that Chu Mu had made due to lack of preparation and a wrong estimation. The soul remembrance cost for changing a soul pet was not little. Furthermore, Chu Mu also had to keep a large portion of his soul remembrance to strengthen Ghost King.

White Devil flew to the summit of a mountain to scout out the area, in order to prevent another assault from taking place right after the previous one.

Devil Tree Battle Soldier had diligently constructed the plant stronghold. This was also a form of training for it, but unfortunately Chu Mu had not yet obtained a wood type Immortal item.

Xia Yin's Season Immortal Vine was said to have defended against the assault from a thousand Dominators like this in the past. Chu Mu believed that if it was Xia Yin guarding, then it would have been much easier than himself. After all, Season Immortal Vine's defense was really strong.

If Devil Tree Battle Soldier could reach Immortal rank, then this Evil Scorpion army battle would have definitely become much more easier. At least it would not have ended up with him having to change soul pets halfway like this.

Since Chu Mu had summoned White Devil, he did not intend to recall it anytime soon. With it around, the safety of these few days should be guaranteed.

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Fortunately, there were no other Imprint Valley creatures appearing for the next two days. This had allowed Chu Mu to gain some time to recollect himself. Devil Tree Battle Soldier had also finished constructing a complete plant stronghold.

A complete plant stronghold was necessary. In the Evil Scorpion army battle, the outer and the middle layer of defense had only finished off 200 Evil Scorpions, allowing the remaining 800 Evil Scorpions to invade into the last layer of defense. They had even almost broken through the last layer of defense. It was due to this that Chu Mu did not dare to let Little Hidden Dragon slowly devour souls.

With a complete plant stronghold in place, he could at least keep about 400 corpses in the middle layer of defense. On one hand, he could let soul pets that required prolonged battle time such as Little Hidden Dragon and Zhan Ye gain time to raise their strength. On the other hand, the safety of Xia Yin and Lin Mengling could also be guaranteed.

"Good work, go back and rest," Chu Mu recalled Devil Tree Battle Soldier into its soul pet space.

Devil Tree Battle Soldier had done its job. It definitely could not continue fighting after exhausting all of its stamina. The next part would be up to the other soul pets.

“Nie~! Nie~!”

The moment Chu Mu recalled Devil Tree Battle Soldier, White Devil that was scouting flew back excitedly.

“What are you getting excited for, have you rested up?” Chu Mu was a little speechless. It seemed that his soul pets were getting more and more battle crazed one after another.

White Devil reined in its excitement, but its eyes were still sparkling.

Chapter 1399: Navy Chief!

“Another large group,” Chu Mu started laughing bitterly as he looked over at the tumbling dust cloud approaching in the distance.

What’s up with these Imprint Valley creatures? Have they never seen Immortal Aura in their lives before? Why are they just charging towards this place so fearlessly one after another? Immortal Aura does allow them to break free from the shackles of Dominator rank and become Immortal rank, but they still need their lives in the end if they want to enjoy it. Couldn’t they see the corpse-strewn pot valley? Why can’t they just use their brain a little to think that the Immortal Aura in this place is already occupied by strong people?

“Young master, not every creature can obtain such a good chance like you did to advance into Immortal rank. You must know, these creatures may have waited for decades or even a century to encounter such a chance. If they keep waiting any longer, then they may reach the end of their lifespans, or may even lose their lives to their enemies. They may even be replaced by their own

companions. If they don't grasp this life changing chance, then their endings will be truly disastrous," explained Old Li.

"Just like young master, even though you have a special existence like Ning Maner with you now, how many people do you think have bled and sacrificed their lives for this Messiah Tree Seed? You may have obtained her now and become her sole guardian. But eventually, there will come a day when you have to face such a cruel competition too."

Old Li began his long storytelling. As Chu Mu grew stronger, the macro concept of life that Old Li said in the past was gradually getting proven to him. Chu Mu had also gradually realized that Old Li was a legendary wiseman.

"Speaking of which, there should have been plenty of resources in this Imprint Valley. There's no need for them to keep targeting this place, is there?" said Chu Mu.

"Yes, there are many such chances. However, do you think they would be more willing to challenge creatures on the level of Martial Cloud Dragon, or humans like you?" asked Old Li.

Chu Mu did not like Old Li's question one bit. It sounded like he was an easy to bully prey in this Imprint Valley.

Fine. Since these creatures think that us humans are easy to bully, then I will make them pay for it with their lives. Their lives will become the fodder for my soul pets, Zhan Ye and Little Hidden Dragon!

Chu Mu summoned Zhan Ye first.

“You were not able to reach your peak form during the last battle. You can completely unleash your powers this time,” Chu Mu told Zhan Ye.

Zhan Ye turned its gaze towards the dust cloud approaching in the distance. Those enemies were much stronger than the Dominators it had faced at the Hovering Mountain Battlefield!

“Little Hidden Dragon!” Chu Mu chanted another incantation and resummoned Little Hidden Dragon.

With a complete plant stronghold this time, they would gain buffering time no matter how fierce the opponent’s assault was. Little Hidden Dragon should gain enough time in order to devour souls.

“Rumble~!”

The earth shook violently once again. The densely compressed ground was even dented in.

Dust was kicked up and it covered the sky. The dark sky was occupied by a pair of strange wings, flesh-colored monsters overflowed the ground.....

Chu Mu did not know what kind of creatures they were this time, nor the races of the invaders. However, based on their aura alone, those things should not be any weaker than the Evil Scorpions.

The total number could not be estimated yet. Chu Mu intently watched the greedy and crazy enemies and then glanced at the corpses of those Evil Scorpions that he had not cleaned up yet.....

Such was the path of cultivation. Those who remained standing amongst thousands of corpses would soar up to the peak.

Chu Mu firmly believed that it would be him and his soul pets that stood at the top at the end, and not those creatures with unknown races, no matter how many there were!

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Xuan Gate Immortal School.

Purple bamboo swayed within the night wind.

A man in strange attire stood beneath a tree chewing on something, making horrible sounds.

“How long has it been since your last visit to Zhengming Continent?” asked the man in strange attire.

“Who knows? I only remember obtaining the first Monument Tear at Dragon Abyss,” replied another voice. That man slowly walked over.

“Haha, that’s just the memory of a dragon. Some insignificant things. But at least we know that there’s something called Monument Tear in this world due to that,” Gu Xisha laughed.

The Monument Tear recorded the memory when the tear was shed, then he found out about the existence of Monument Tear Individuals from specific strong individuals.

Gu Xisha had long forgotten what sincerity was. Let alone getting chosen by the Heaven Boundary Monument, he might not be able to accumulate one or half a droplet of Monument Tear even if he was chosen.

Hence, he obtained Monument Tears by robbing them from others.

Each Monument Tear contained a memory within it. Gu Xisha had gradually entertained himself by robbing these Monument Tears of others to watch the laughable memories stored in them.

The thing known as feelings would eventually be betrayed by the cruel reality. Nobody could last the test of survival of the fittest, not a single person.....

“Why have you come to Zhengming City this time, my great Wupan leader?” asked Gu Xisha.

“For a woman,” replied the man with green hair.

“Oh? Our Navy Chief came all the way here for a woman? Aren’t you worried about those ferocious female Ocean Lords wrecking havoc?” Gu Xisha laughed.

“Some women aren’t there just for entertainment. You should know about the matter regarding Silent Forest, right?” questioned the green-haired man.

“I know, how can I not know about such a major event? Lord Chief should have obtained quite some benefits from it, right?” grinned Gu Xisha wickedly.

“Benefits? A little,” the green-haired man shook his head and continued, “All of us wanted the Messiah Tree Seed, but nobody could find it.”

“Then how is it related to you finding a woman here?” asked Gu Xisha.

“Because only she knows the true location of the Messiah Tree. Now, the entire Wupan Continent knows that the Messiah Tree Seed is in the hands of a woman,” replied the green-haired man.

“Who is that woman?” Gu Xisha became interested.

“It’s a woman from the Ning Family Dynasty. However, those fools from the Ning Family Dynasty were not aware of such a thing and they let that woman escape. They are also looking frantically for her all over the world..... Brother Gu, Monument Tear is just a legend in the end. Have you ever seen anyone advancing into that domain using Monument Tear?” asked the green-haired man.

“I believe there is. There definitely is!” replied Gu Xisha in a serious tone.

“Fine, but you cannot just give up on another chance like this. There’s no need for me to explain the value of the Messiah Tree Seed to you, do I?” said the green-haired man.

“You want me to help you find that woman? Since she went missing in the Wupan Continent, then why do you have to run to the Zhengming Continent to look for her?” asked Gu Xisha.

“I suspect that she’s in Zhengming Continent,” replied the green-haired man.

“There are so many women in this world, how do you expect me to find her? Monument Tear can at least notify me of nearby Monument Tear Individuals.....” said Gu Xisha helplessly.

After mentioning this matter, Gu Xisha recalled the sensation he felt at the Hovering Mountain Battlefield. He was already certain that Chu Mu was a Monument Tear Individual, but the following contact had proven that he was wrong.

“I have a Messiah Tree leaf soul here with me. The leaf soul is usually in a withered state, but when I was passing by your Zhengming Main City, it suddenly became like this,” saying so, the green-haired man opened up his palm.

In his palm there was a green leaf. The leaf was as big as his palm, and it shone with an emerald hue.....

“I believe that the woman possessing the Messiah Tree Seed must have stayed in Zhengming Main City before,” said the green-haired man.

“That’s too little information to work with,” Gu Xisha rubbed his temple.

“I will be staying in Zhengming Continent for a while. If you can find her, then you will naturally be rewarded,” stated the green-haired man as he handed that leaf to Gu Xisha.

Gu Xisha received the Messiah Tree leaf soul and laughed shrewdly, "I got into some trouble recently."

"What kind?" asked the green-haired man.

"The crazy killer from that Northern Bloody Murder incident has his eyes on me," replied Gu Xisha.

"What's that? You can't handle such a matter?" asked the green-haired man.

"It's a little difficult, that guy is fairly strong..... However, if Chief takes him on, then he will definitely die. That guy has quite a number of tear crystals with him. You should know that these tear crystals are more valuable than Immortal items. You don't collect them, but I want them," confessed Gu Xisha.

"Then I will kill him along the way," said the green-haired man plainly.

"You don't want to know about his strength?" Gu Xisha laughed.

The green-haired man took a glance at Gu Xisha and simply stated, "I know how many people I cannot kill in this world."

"Hehe, you're right. There's only one Navy Chief in this world after all."

“I’m going to visit your Xuan Gate’s old man,” said the green-haired man.

After that, he started walking towards Xuan Gate.

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Due to the geography of the pot valley, blood would gather in one direction.

If not for the many bottomless abyss cracks opening up during the battle, Lin Mengling and Xia Yin would definitely be sitting in a pool of blood while meditating by now.

Blood had almost completely filled up some trenches, cracks and abyss. Corpses were soaked inside and they released a thick bloody smell.

The battle against the Evil Scorpions had lasted a day and a night. Meanwhile, this battle had lasted for a full three days!

After the battle was over, only Zhan Ye remained standing.

It had used up all of its six Broken Limb Rebirths, and it was also gravely injured right now. Its black armor was dyed red.....

In the past, Chu Mu usually took a year or half a year to raise his soul pet's experience to a sufficient height. However, after this continuous three days three nights battle, Zhan Ye had gained at least fifty percent experience!

It had been a long time since they had fought till their last ounce of strength. The endless battle against the powerful creatures had made Chu Mu feel his mind tensing up to an extent that he had never experienced before!

The battle on the first day was completely dominated by White Devil. On the second day, Little Hidden Dragon had devoured enough souls and had wiped the floor after its explosive growth.

Meanwhile, on the third day, it was Zhan Ye's turn to enjoy a solo slaughter. The number of enemies that it killed had already surpassed the strongest White Devil!

The duration of this battle kept dragging on, Zhan Ye's strength had reached the greatest height it could reach. Even two pseudo Immortal rank creatures might not be its match now!

Chu Mu believed that this was the occasion where Zhan Ye's fighting strength was finally boosted to the highest point after so many years!

Chapter 1400: Immortal, Ghost King (1)

Counting the time, Chu Mu had been guarding for a total of seven days.

Mo Xie was still in the process recovering, White Devil was also exhausted and it would take a long time to rest before it was able to join the battle again. Zhan Ye could no longer continue fighting. Although Little Hidden Dragon had ranked up after devouring a lot of souls, its stamina was mostly exhausted too.

Chu Mu only had Night, Dead Dream, Ning and Qin left who were still able to fight.

The battle that had lasted for a whole three days was definitely the most horrifying. White Devil, Zhan Ye and Little Hidden Dragon could be considered to have reached the Immortal rank. It had ended up like this despite their fighting strength. If the next wave was also at such a scale, then Chu Mu would definitely not be able to defend against it.

“I better strengthen Ghost King first,” Chu Mu still felt a little insecure.

The creatures in this Imprint Valley did not treasure their lives at all. They were already at Dominator rank or were almost reaching Immortal rank, yet they were stubbornly charging towards their own deaths.

Chu Mu could not be certain if there were any other race eyeing them. Only by raising Ghost King to the Immortal rank could he ensure the strength of the defense in the following battles.

Chu Mu’s soul remembrance was still quite abundant as he did not change his soul pet in this battle.

Ghost King had not completely recovered yet. Chu Mu had to wait for it to return to its peak state before strengthening it, or he would have been wasting an Immortal item if he were to fail.

Dead Dream scouted from the mountain summit. After seeing Dead Dream, Chu Mu remembered that Yu Suo had mentioned there was a Phoenix race ruin in this place.

Now, he could only do those other things after the cultivation ended.

Old Li strolled around the messy battlefield with its short legs. Any valuable item could not escape its eyes.

“Anything good?” asked Chu Mu when he saw Old Li returning with a smiling face.

“There are many soul crystals. Seven at tenth level, fifteen at ninth level, over a hundred ranging from the eighth to the third rank,” reported Old Li.

One soul crystal has a great probability of nurturing a soul pet into a Dominator. New Moon Land had plenty of resources. However, who would dislike the thought of getting more resources? If they could build up a Dominator army ranging a few thousand, this force could truly be of great use during a crisis.

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Three days had passed by without anything happening, Chu Mu was able to take a breather.

Ghost King had also recovered to its peak state after it rested. Chu Mu decided to act while the iron was still hot and began strengthening Ghost King.

Immortal Ghost Stone, this Immortal Item was refined by Ye Qingzi for a long time. It was an extremely meaningful item for him. If he failed, then he really could not explain himself to Ye Qingzi.

Sitting within the formation node, Chu Mu maintained his senses.

The Immortal Aura within the cultivation formation was of great assistance to him. Chu Mu naturally had to make use of it.

Closing his eyes, he began inserting his soul remembrance into the Immortal Ghost Stone to get familiar with the energy within it.

Rock type energy was as solid as rock, giving off a hard to approach feeling to it. Meanwhile, ghost type carried traces of a chilling sensation. Chu Mu suspected that if his soul remembrance was not sufficient enough, he might suffer a backlash from this energy.

“Alright, let's begin!” Chu Mu concentrated on the Immortal Ghost Stone and began slowly guiding its energy out using his soul remembrance.

Immortal Aura lingered around and solidified Chu Mu's soul remembrance. With such an assistance, Chu Mu became more confident.

The transfer of energy must not be hasty. Chu Mu maintained his stable pace and slowly injected the energy in the Immortal Ghost Stone into Ghost King's body.

Ghost King began absorbing the energy slowly. Ghost King also similarly had to be fully focused in the absorbing process and must not waste too much of the energy.

The first half of the process of the energy absorption was completed smoothly. With the foundation done well, he just had to follow the flow now and he would naturally complete the strengthening.

Honestly speaking, each time Chu Mu conducted the strengthening process, he would tense up. After all, it would be difficult for him to find another Immortal item suitable for his soul pets if he failed. Although Ning Maner's Immortal Aura could allow soul pets to evolve by themselves, Chu Mu still had many soul pets. Ning Maner's current strength made it unable for her to nurture so many soul pets at the same time.

“Yi~!”

Suddenly, Dead Dream flew down from the mountain summit and chirped a warning.

More Imprint Valley creatures were coming here!

Chu Mu did not like profanities. However, those creatures just had to come assaulting when he was in the middle of strengthening Ghost King. The timing was just too precise!

Strengthening took time, especially for a circulating method like this. Chu Mu could not complete Ghost King's strengthening in a short time.

If he gave up halfway, then it was needless to say that he would definitely fail and the Immortal Ghost Stone would be really wasted.

“Dead Dream, Qin and Ning, all of you go and hold them back for a while,” Chu Mu told his soul pets using mental voice.

Chu Mu did not summon Night to fight this time. Night had to be kept as the final trump card to handle unexpected situations. After all, if he did not keep an Immortal rank soul pet in reserve in such a dangerous place, then he would really be helpless if he were to encounter a sudden danger.

Dead Dream, Qin and Ning entered into their combat stance's. There were not many enemies attacking this time, unlike the previous two waves.

However, amongst the three soul pets this time, only Dead Dream was fairly strong. Qin and Ning were only at the peak Dominator rank.

“Yi~!” Dead Dream landed next to Chu Mu and told him that there was only one enemy. It seemed to be one which had coincidentally strolled to this place and had followed after the scent of Immortal Aura.

“What’s its rank?” asked Chu Mu.

“Yi~!”

“Near Immortal?”

Dead Dream was around two levels weaker than a near Immortal rank creature. Qin and Ning would also have a hard time complementing the difference.

However, Chu Mu really did not want to be interrupted by a random near Immortal rank creature which had accidentally entered this place. After all, Ghost King was going to advance into the near Immortal rank!

“Yi~!”

Dead Dream told Chu Mu that it was willing to fight the opponent.

“Alright, be careful. Try to stall for time as much as possible, and don’t clash head on,” Chu Mu knew that it was time to test Dead Dream, Qin and Ning. Since they insisted on it, Chu Mu felt that they stood a chance.

While Chu Mu was distracted in the conversation with Dead Dream, Qin and Ning, plenty of energy in the Immortal Ghost Stone was lost.

Since he chose to let Dead Dream, Qin and Ning fight, Chu Mu decided to fully trust them and retracted his sensation to focus solely on strengthening Ghost King.....

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The stench of blood would always attract those with a sharp sense of smell.

Bloodsucking Devil Bug was a creature that was especially sensitive to the smell blood. A high rank Bloodsucking Devil Bug could easily smell the stench of blood from thousands of miles away.

This ability was crucial to them as it depended on sucking blood to strengthen itself. Hence, they would always arrive one step behind to any battlefield and suck in all the red fluid present.

A Bloodsucking Devil Bug living in the north was roaming around as usual. The dense stench of blood in the pot valley attracted it's attention.

This Bloodsucking Devil Bug became extremely excited after it got near, because it could smell a huge blood pool in this place. The blood that had accumulated in there came from thousands of Dominator rank creatures. If it could absorb all the blood, then it could definitely advance into pseudo Immortal rank after digesting it all.

Near Immortal rank was only one step away from the pseudo Immortal rank. However, if it could not cross that one step, then it would still be bullied by the Immortal rank creatures.

The thick stench of blood had made this Bloodsucking Devil Bug neglect the probability of any enemies lurking around. What it wanted to do the most right now was to jump into this abyss filled with blood and suck it to its heart content.

It wriggled with its fat and red body which looked like a clump of smooth and fat meat, blood sucking tentacles were stretched out from every part of its body. As it slowly crawled, its enormous body projected a huge shadow on the ground.

Once the Bloodsucking Devil Bug appeared, Dead Dream, Qin and Ning were already waiting for it at the entrance of the pot valley.

The Bloodsucking Devil Bug had no eyes, so they relied on their sense of smell. It could clearly smell the aura of the three soul pets, and it could also smell the dense Immortal Aura within that cultivation formation.

The Bloodsucking Devil Bug was extremely excited. There was a thick stench of blood and plenty of Immortal Aura in front of it. It was an absolute heaven for it.

It did not treat the three soul pets as threat to itself and simply pressed down its enormous body on top of them.

Qin's Hurricane swept past, but the Bloodsucking Devil Bug did not slow down its pace. Once the Hurricane hit its body, the hurricane was easily dispersed.

Ning's ice type technique followed right after it. However, the hill-like Bloodsucking Devil Bug did not seem to show any reaction to it and simply continued crawling forward. Even if those techniques had left wounds on its body, they did not really have any real effect.

Bloodsucking Devil Bug was the most famous for its defense amongst the insect type creatures. Their thick layer of fat could block almost any attack inflicted upon it from creatures of the same rank.

The attack from a peak Dominator rank could not really injure the Bloodsucking Devil Bug. It did not even bat an eye to the attacks of Qin and Ning. It just slowly crawled towards the bloody abyss while ignoring their techniques.

"Gulp gulp gulp~!"

The Bloodsucking Devil Bug began madly drinking the blood. The blood that had accumulated into a mini lake in the abyss was rapidly shrinking down in size.

The Bloodsucking Devil Bug's body kept bulging. With its sucking speed, it would be able to finish drinking all the blood within a matter of a few minutes!

Dead Dream knew that it could not let the Bloodsucking Devil Bug continue drinking the blood like that. Once it advances into pseudo Immortal rank, the three of them would definitely be no match for it!

“Yi~!”

Dead Dream cried and the dark clouds in the sky flashed!

The purplish black lightning in the sky slammed down like a lightning dragon, fiercely blasting onto the Bloodsucking Devil Bug’s body!

Blood splashed around and the Bloodsucking Devil Bug was knocked away by the sudden lightning strike. The blood that it had sucked into its tentacles was also spilled out.

As the Bloodsucking Devil Bug was rolling, it pointed its tentacles towards Dead Dream and appeared to be furious.

Dead Dream was not scared of it and it maintained a low height glide, with purplish black lightning crackling all over its body.....