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Chapter 221: Evoked Brave Jungle

Back when Chu Mu had discovered the Soul Pet Palace's bounty, he had revealed a bit of suspicion, because the bounty didn't obtain the permission of Soul Pet Palace.

Furthermore, the Bloodsucking Wood Demon was a commander rank soul pet and its Bloodsucking Wood was extremely precious. Yet, the normal price of a Bloodsucking Wood Demon should have been about 1 million, while the bounty had offered 5 million gold coins. Even if it was a top quality Blood Sucking Wood Demon, it wouldn't necessarily have such a high value.

As for the young man suddenly coming over to pair up with him while further equipped with a 500,000 commission, an extremely beneficial coincidence had essentially appeared. Thus, it didn't cause Chu Mu to go and confirm if the bounty was a true thing.

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"Haha, Ting Nan, you've caught another fish for us again. Once our Bloodsucking Wood Demon's eat the blood of this fellow's soul pets, they'll probably reach the seventh phase!" a laugh came out from the shrubs, belonging to a thirty year old or so soul pet trainer.

This person's skin was dark, and he had a ferocious appearance with a face that resembled a criminal.

Next to this dark skinned man were three other soul pet trainers. The four soul pet trainers were all about thirty years old and their appearance was coarse and wild. If it was a female looking at them, these men would give them an untrustworthy and insecure feeling.

"Brother Jiang, the people from Soul Pet Palace seem to have already discovered our trap. After we finish this one, let's switch locations." said a soul pet trainer with a rather thick face.

"Let's get rid of this brat first." said the man called Brother Jiang.

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Four soul pet trainers, and they each had one Bloodsucking Wood Demon. This meant that there were a total of four Bloodsucking Wood Demons around Chu Mu!

Chu Mu himself was very surprised, having encountered a group of people without the morals of a soul pet trainer. His expression turned much colder.

“Devil Tree, Root Net!”

When Chu Mu had sensed the arrival of danger, he had summoned the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out a roar, and its tree trunk arms brandished in the air. Abruptly, several roots sprouted up from the ground; these roots possessed independence like they were alive as they twisted together, rapidly forming two root nets. They protected Chu Mu and Zhan Ye inside.

Of the four piercing branches, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s root net only managed to stop two of them. The other two appeared in the front and back, respectively, of the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

“Zhan Ye, Heavenly Splitting Claw!”

“Hou~~~~~”

Zhan Ye locked his eyes on one of the piercing branches, and suddenly pounced towards it. Its claws violently ripped across, ruthlessly tearing the piercing root to pieces!

However, there was still one root that was unable to be defended against. It struck the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s body with extreme accuracy and entered its abdomen!

“Ao~~~~~” the Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out an angry howl.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier was a wood type soul pet, and its fighting strength wouldn’t be largely affected by a piercing branch entering its body. Chu Mu didn’t mind it either, and had the Devil Tree Battle Soldier continue unleashing techniques.

Nonetheless, Chu Mu quickly discovered things weren't right, because this piercing root that was originally withered unexpectedly became more full. Furthermore, he could sense something flowing in the root!

“Ao~~~~” the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body was an azure green color, but as the piercing branch strangely wriggled, its tree bark color gradually turned a slightly azure black.

A wave of astonishment ran through Chu Mu's heart, because he could clearly detect the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's blood being quickly depleted!

Bloodsuck!

This branch was feeding on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's blood!

In a short period of time, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier lost $\frac{1}{3}$ of its blood and its body entered a weak state!

Losing one third of its blood was equivalent to losing one third of its fighting strength. Chu Mu really had been careless, forgetting that it was the terrifying and savage Bloodsucking Wood Demons attacking the Devil Tre Battle Soldier. Their frightening ability was to suck the blood of other soul pets and then transforming the blood into their own life force!

Realizing that the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's fighting strength had been seriously weakened, Chu Mu decisively chanted an incantation.

“Ning, Ice Wall. Cover our retreat.”

“Ling~~~~~”

The Ice Air Fairy's aura was extremely powerful. After it appeared, towering ice crystals began proliferating everywhere. They froze all of the flying knife-like leaves into ice cubes before crushing them to dust in the air.

Chu Mu didn't continue to zealously fight. Once the Ice Air Fairy condensed those crushed ice pieces into a wall, he immediately brought Zhan Ye and the Devil Tree Battle Soldier as he retreated in a direction where there were no Bloodsucking Wood Demons.

“What Ice Air Fairy is that? How is it so unreasonably strong?!” the dark skinned man called Big Brother Jiang opened his eyes wide.

Ice Wall could be regarded to be the most average defense among ice type techniques, Yet, just now, when the four sixth phase high staged Bloodsucking Wood Demons had simultaneously unleashed attacks, the Ice Air Fairy was able to use ice wall to block them. Its ice type controlling ability really was too powerful.

“Ling~~~~~”

Ice Air Dance!

The Ice Air Fairy’s incantation quickly finished and instantly, countless faint snowflakes began to waft through the air. A numerous amount danced in the air, covering this part of the forest and dying it in a snowy white color.

In the white expanse, Chu Mu jumped out of the four Bloodsucking Wood Demons’ encirclement with the Devil Tree Battle Soldier and Zhan Ye.

Aside from Zhan Ye, Chu Mu’s Ice Air Fairy and Devil Tree Battle Soldier had followed Chu Mu in the jungle of Prison Island for a long time. They were extremely familiar with forest fights. When the Ice Air Fairy used Ice Air Dance to confuse the ambushers’ field of vision, Chu Mu charged out of their soul pet encirclement with his three soul pets. Very soon, he disappeared in the Bloodsucking Wood Demon’s forest.

“Damn, we’ve even ambushed multiple soul pets on the outside. How did we let that brat flee?!” the dark skinned Brother Jiang spat out some saliva as he angrily cursed.

“Brother Jiang, don’t worry. This Bloodsucking Forest is a small maze. He won’t be able to leave for a while.” said the thick faced man.

“Hmph, it’s all because of Old Zheng. If he he hadn’t accidentally let that wild Bloodsucking Wood Demon run in, we could have waited for him to fully enter our soul pet encirclement before attacking him. Now look what happened; we could have originally dealt with him quickly, yet now we have to waste a bit of time.” said the coarse man wearing short sleeves.

“Blaming me? Isn’t your soul remembrance stronger than mine? How did you not sense those Cyan Wood Demons and that Bloodsucking Wood Demon? Didn’t I say so before that this place wasn’t suitable for ambush? Yet you guys didn’t listen!” angrily said the man called Old Zheng.

“Enough with the rubbish. We’ll enter the forest. The brat being able to escape means his strength is very powerful; we should try our best not to split up and after we find him, our Bloodsucking Wood Demons will have a feast.” said the dark skinned Brother Jiang.

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“The Bloodsucking technique is indeed terrifying.” Chu Mu looked at the Devil Tree Battle Soldier which bark had turned an azure black color and inwardly spoke to himself.

It was only a mere few seconds of sucking, but the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s fighting strength had depleted by $\frac{1}{3}$. This was also considering its life force was stronger than normal soul pets; if it was another soul pet, after such sucking it, probably wouldn’t even have half its fighting strength left.

It wasn’t that Chu Mu couldn’t defeat those people, but he had clearly been ambushed just now. Chu Mu only had three soul pets in total, and he still had to enter the deeper parts of Northern Forest. If he summoned mighty soul pets like Mo Xie and the White Nightmare and exhausted their fighting strength early on, it would be extremely hard to deal with the even stronger Ancient Devil Tree. Therefore, retreating was exceptionally wise.

“Devil Tree, you’re okay, right?” asked Chu Mu.

“Ao~~~~” the Devil Tree Battle Soldier nodded its head. Nonetheless, those two eyes deeply set in the treebark were evidently slightly dimmer, and it seemed a little dispirited.

“What’s the matter?” Chu Mu could naturally sense its emotions and asked it a question.

“Ao~~~~~” the Devil Tree Battle Soldier shook its head, not articulating its thoughts.

“Don’t worry too much about it. It’s only because I haven’t found any suitable spirit items to strengthen you yet. Right now, this patch of Yuan Forest is pretty much your paradise. It’ll be very

soon before your strength can increase. You won't lose to Ning." Chu Mu patted the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's tree bark hand and used a gentle tone to comfort it.

"Ao~~~~ Oh~~~~" the Devil Tree Battle Soldier was always honest and considerate. Whatever Chu Mu said, it wouldn't retort nor would it express its opinions.

Indeed, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier probably was Chu Mu's weakest fighting strength soul pet right now. Even the fifth phase eighth stage Ghost King which was the newest addition, due to it being a monarch rank, had fighting strength that was slightly stronger than the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

However, Chu Mu wouldn't renounce raising a slow strength increasing soul pet due to this reason. Since Chu Mu decided to have the Devil Tree Battle Soldier become his second soul's third soul pet, he absolutely had to have it become like his other soul pets, and become an undefeatable powerful soul pet in its respective realm.

"Ok, don't be discouraged. This Bloodsucking Wood Demon Forest is a place for you to thoroughly display your skills. As long as you obtain Bloodsucking Wood, your strength will greatly increase." said Chu Mu.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier nodded its head, and it slowly stood up from its sitting position.

"Drink this first and recover your blood." Chu Mu retrieved a seventh level life force medicine he obtained from Ye Qingzi.

This seventh level life force medicine had a value of at least 100,000 gold coins. Yet, Ye Qingzi only needed 10,000 to concoct it. Chu Mu had also grabbed ten of these bottles from her so he was prepared when he needed it.

The seventh level life force medicine could increase the speed a soul pet's life force recovered substantially. However, it could only be used when it wasn't in a fight.

"Continue walking, eh. Let's walk around them first and obtain the Bloodsucking Wood before we get rid of them." a cold sneer rose on Chu Mu's face.

It had been a long time since he had played a game of killing people in a forest, and Chu Mu wanted to know how long these people would be able to play his game for.

Chu Mu also felt that it had been a long time since he had killed someone, and these few people happened to have aroused his bloody nature.

Further, to a Prison Island King, there was no setting better than the wilderness of a forest to commit slaughter!

Chapter 222: Abnormal Lineage, Coronary Bloodwood Demon

Bloodsucking Wood Demon Forest

“Piercing Branch!”

“Nourishment!”

The Piercing Branch’s follow up technique, Nourishment, grew countless small branches. These small branches were like incomparably tenacious ropes that rapidly binded the sixth phase eighth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon’s body. This wild Bloodsucking Wood Demon’s terrifying bloodsucking arms were rigidly bound, not giving them the chance to extend.

“Root Puncture!”

Chu Mu gave an order, and the Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out a howl before its roots quickly flitted thirty meters across the ground. Suddenly, seventy roots transformed into countless extremely sharp points that violently pierced the Bloodsucking Wood Demon’s body. From beginning to end, it was unable to defend against the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s Root Puncture attack, and after it let out a howl that resembled an old man’s, a plethora of holes were pierced in its body...

As the Piercing Branch Nourishment’s small branches slowly disappeared, this Bloodsucking Wood Demon finally fell to the ground, completely losing signs of life.

Once he got rid of this Bloodsucking Wood Demon, Chu Mu quickly walked in front and had Zhan Ye use its claws to rip open its red colored bark to see if there was Bloodsucking Wood inside.

It was very unfortunate that this was already the fifth Bloodsucking Wood Demon Chu Mu had killed today, but he still hadn't obtained the Bloodsucking Wood...

"It seems that I really have to go there." Chu Mu raised his head and stared at the forest about two hundred meters ahead.

The patch of forest Chu Mu was standing in was completely green, and the trees weren't exceptionally tall. Sunlight was able to shine inside, making the entire forest seem slightly tranquil and peaceful; it gave others a feeling of being close to nature.

Yet, the forest two hundred meters in front of Chu Mu was completely different. It was a forest that no sunlight was able to shine into, and it was so dimly lit that it looked like a dusky night.

The trees there were tall and dense. Their roots were twisted and joined, and each tree was very close to the other. It simultaneously gave others a rather depressed feeling. Such a forest would normally harbor a few Bewildering Worlds, or a few dangerous soul pets. Otherwise, the atmosphere wouldn't be so despondent, and neither would a cold wind blow against one's face from time to time.

Chu Mu had just now been only walking around the exterior of the Bloodsucking Wood Demon's territory. The Bloodsucking Wood Demons he had encountered had primarily been of the fifth and sixth phase.

Bloodsucking Wood was relatively rare. Only a few Bloodsucking Wood Demons with special lineage could nurture this unique spirit item that could fuse into other wood type species.

The bodies of fifth and sixth phase Bloodsucking Wood Demons could produce Bloodsucking Wood, but the higher the phase and stage was, the higher the chance of producing it would be.

The interior forest territory of the Bloodsucking Wood Demons was extremely terrifying. Chu Mu originally didn't plan on stepping foot into there, but he hadn't been able to find Bloodsucking Wood. In order to save time, Chu Mu could only head in.

The sunlight in the outer region of the Bloodsucking Wood Demon territory was rather warm. The moment he walked into the dark forest, Chu Mu felt the environment's temperature abruptly drop quite a bit.

Perhaps it was because the plants had changed from a green to a grey and black color, but Chu Mu felt that he had stepped into a different forest.

A few strange sounds rang out in the gloomy forest, and from time to time, certain weird shrubs would begin shaking. Several black colored figures of soul pets rapidly ran in front before vanishing in the developed branches of the tree trunks. Very quickly, they disappeared from their original location.

The light was blocked by the extremely dense grey colored leaves. Sometimes, a small ray of sunlight would break through a crack in between the leaves and spill onto a spacious ground full of dead leaves. Only, this didn't bring the forest much of a sign of life, and it was still full of a spiritless atmosphere.

When Chu Mu brought the Devil Tree Battle Soldier and Zhan Ye a hundred meters inside, he had released his soul remembrance and always maintained vigilance, evidently feeling something wriggling in his surroundings.

Chu Mu's soul remembrance had reached spirit master. Under normal circumstances, when he covered a place with his soul remembrance, he could search for life and soul pets within a range of two hundred meters. Soul Pets that weren't able to hide their aura well would all be detected by Chu Mu.

Yet, in this gloomy forest, Chu Mu's soul remembrance had evidently also been affected. Further adding on the fact that these plant type soul pets had an aura that was intimate to nature, it was very hard for him to find the existence of these soul pets. The reason why he would sense something in the vicinity was completely because he had nurtured a kind of vigilance on Prison Island.

“Sou~~~~~”

Suddenly, the dead leaves ten meters in front of Chu Mu erupted, and a python-like object twistingly flew at Chu Mu!

“Devil Tree!”

Chu Mu knew that he couldn't dodge in time, and he immediately had the Devil Tree Battle Soldier save him.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's reaction was very fast, and its arms rapidly extended. It quickly grabbed Chu Mu's body, and dragged him back while retreating twenty meters.

“Peng~~~~~”

The python-like object's body smashed heavily into the place Chu Mu was just at. Instantly, a deep mark appeared there, causing the withered branches on the tree on either side to all be smashed apart!

“Drag it out!” Chu Mu immediately saw through the soul pet. This python-like body was evidently an enormous and thick vine. The majority of soul pets that used this type of vine were plant world vine species creatures. Furthermore, the main body of the vine type soul pet brandishing the vine would always be located a small distance away.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's arms released Chu Mu before suddenly smacking the ground. Its arm of branches were like underground bugs that rapidly appeared at the location of the vine type soul pet's main body.

“Pu~~~~~”

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's tree bark arms suddenly emerged from underground fifty meters away. They transformed into two incomparably sharp wooden drills that pierced towards the vine type soul pet's main body!

That vine type soul pet's reaction was very fast. It quickly recalled its vines, and it accurately bounded the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's arms, preventing its sharp wooden drills from piercing it.

“So it's a Coronary Blood Vine.” as the Devil Tree Battle Soldier engaged this vine type soul pet, Chu Mu determined what it was.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier possessed a certain beast attribute, and the strength of its arms were much stronger than normal plant world soul pets. The vine type soul pet primarily launched severe vine attacks from afar. If it was dealing with another beast type soul pet, it would be able to directly bind it and drag it backwards. However, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier could dig its roots into the ground, and soul pets with stronger arm strength would even be inferior to it by a fair margin.

Its long arms flung upwards. Despite its wooden drill arms being bounded by the vines, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier was able to drag this Coronary Blood Vine out from the trees.

After dragging it out, the Coronary Blood Vine's main body was exposed. It had a red colored tree trunk that was comparatively large; moreover, there were several python-like vines coiling around its trunk body.

"Eh? It doesn't seem to be a Coronary Blood Vine?" looking at the slightly weird looking soul pet, Chu Mu expressed a quite astonished expression.

The Coronary Blood Vine's body was completely composed of intricate vines, and it didn't have a tree trunk as a body. Yet, this soul pet had the body of a Bloodsucking Wood Demon causing one to feel that it was a combination of a Coronary Blood Vine and a Bloodsucking Wood Demon.

"Old Li, what is this thing?" asked Chu Mu as this was the first time he'd seen this creature.

"This... it's hard to call it something. On the basis of my conjecture, it should be a hybrid of a Coronary Blood Vine and a Bloodsucking Wood Demon. At least from its external appearance that's what it looks like... as for strength, it's probably about the seventh phase... your Devil Tree Battle Soldier may not be able to handle it." said Old Li.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's strength was approximately equivalent to a standard plant world commander. Regardless of whether it was a Coronary Blood Vine or a Bloodsucking Wood Demon, both were commander soul pets. Thus, if this soul pet was seventh phase, it really would be hard for the Devil Tree Battle Soldier to defeat it.

The moment Old Li finished speaking, the combined Coronary Blood Vine and Bloodsucking Wood Demon soul pet let out a sharp cry. Its body waved about as ten python-like vines appeared. They passed through fifty meters of the gloomy forest towards the Devil Tree Battle Soldier!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier hastily retracted its arms, and grabbed onto two of the powerful vines, breaking them in half. However, there were still another seven or eight vines that continued to shoot out at its body.

"Pai!!!! Pai!!!! Pai!!!!!!!!!"

Five of the mighty seventh rank vines hit the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body, which began to evidently sway. Five deep scars further appeared on its tree bark skin.

"Ao!!!" the Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out a painful cry. Its creased tree bark face showed a visibly angered expression!

"Zhan Ye, Heavenly Splitting Claw!"

Zhan Ye had already prepared to fight. As the Coronary Bloodwood Demon had yet to recall its vines, it abruptly used the Dark Assault technique, its body transforming into a sprinting black colored orbit amidst the dark forest, and it slashed its claws at the Coronary Bloodwood Demon's body!

Zhan Ye was a fully equipped soul pet that surpassed a peak commander. Although it was only at the sixth phase, its fighting strength was much stronger than seventh phase commanders. The Heavenly Splitting Claw's might had further reached the eighth rank, and after its claws slashed across, a deep scar surfaced on the Coronary Bloodwood Demon's body.

"The chance that the Bloodsucking Wood appears on this variation or hybrid soul pet is higher. You must capture it; don't let it flee." Old Li warned Chu Mu.

The moment Old Li finished speaking, the Coronary Bloodwood Demon seemed to have sensed Zhan Ye's powerful strength. Its seven to eight vines suddenly gave a swing and, after it knocked Zhan Ye flying, it unexpectedly decided to immediately flee.

Since Old Li had said so, Chu Mu naturally could not let it flee. He immediately had the Devil Tree Battle Soldier and Zhan Ye pursue it...

The Coronary Bloodwood Demon's fleeing speed wasn't very fast. However, what made Chu Mu extremely annoyed was that when he released his soul remembrance, he discovered that there surprisingly were several sixth and seventh phase Bloodsucking Wood Demons around the Coronary Bloodwood Demon protecting it. This made it even harder for him to kill the Coronary Bloodwood Demon.

"Ghost King, come out!" an incantation gradually chanted, and a black colored ghost fog began to curl up on Chu Mu's body. It slowly drifted to the side, transforming into a rock type summoning pattern full of dense ghost aura!

Chapter 223: Devil Tree, Wood Finger Prison

The monarch ranked summoning symbol was different from others. It was no longer a summoning diagram. The symbol that appeared within Chu Mu's summon looked more like the soul imprint of Chu Mu and Ghost King. This symbol was shrouded with a ghostly aura, emitting a dark and deviled feel.

With the finish of Chu Mu's incantation, the symbol slowly shrunk and the ghostly aura, as if alive, revealed a grotesque look. The inner layer full of shattered Dark Sturdy Rock flew about, quickly combining into the Ghost King's iron-hard body!

“Huhuhu~~~~~”

The wind blew over, and the straightened Ghost King's right hand grasped powerfully. The Monarch Ghost Curved Sword quickly assembled, and the ghost runes appeared and finally imprinted themselves onto the sword.

“Deal with the sixth phase eighth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon!” Chu Mu sent a command to the Ghost King.

The fifth phase eighth stage Monarch Rank soul pet was more than enough to deal with any commander rank below seventh phase. Receiving the command, the Ghost King gravely stepped forward and walked towards the sixth phase eighth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon.

“Huahuahu~~~~~”

The leaves were like knives as the Bloodsucking Wood Demon's blades flew over densely, cutting up the nearby trees!

The Hundred Leaf Blade of the Bloodsucking Wood Demon wasn't powerful, but it covered a large area. If many Bloodsucking Wood Demons casted it simultaneously, the damage was very powerful.

“Nong!!!!!!!!!!”

The Ghost King stood at the very front. The ghost aura on its body suddenly burned up, and darts of ghost fire-like aura came out of its body.

As the ghost fire burned, the Ghost King's body started expanding. All its muscles bulked up, and in a short two seconds, the Ghost King had finished its Monarch Ghost Transformation, becoming a doubled strength giant!

“Dingdingdingding~~~~~”

The vision covering leaf blades all pattered onto the Ghost King's body like a storm, yet the Ghost King was like an immovable mountain, standing there silently, letting the leaves hit its body. They only left a shallow mark on its Dark Sturdy Rock body.

Elemental World soul pets' life force weren't too powerful, but normal wounds completely didn't affect their fighting strength. As for the marks left by these leaves, they were synonymous to tickles.

The Ghost King's skin defense was at the seventh rank initial stage. In normal circumstances, the rock type seventh phase initial stage defense was even stronger than other intermediate stage defenses.

Wood type soul pets' attacks were mainly numerous, unpredictable, dense, and quick, but their actual damage wasn't very high. The Ghost King's typing had quite the advantage.

“Nong!!!!!!!!!!”

It took a big step forward. After the Ghost King finished the Ghost Transformation, its speed fell, but its menacing aura became even greater. Its four meter tall body heavily stepped onto the Root Spikes that didn't break its defense, and it lifted its Monarch Ghost Sword high up, heavily slamming it towards the sixth phase eighth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon to its left!!

Hundred Ton Sword![1]

The Ghost King's sword's weight immediately tripled. Its original weight was already near one hundred kilograms. After tripling, how terrifying would the destruction caused by the four meter giant be!?!

“Hong!!!!!!”

The sword fell, and its weight pushed the surrounding ground down further. The Bloodsucking Wood Demon's dodging ability was in itself slow. With this sword, its entire body was bent into the deep crater.

Since it was already underfoot, this sixth phase eighth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon wouldn't be able to compete against the Ghost King. The Ghost King used its huge foot to step on the two branch arms of the Demon, sentencing it to imminent death.

“Devil Tree, Demon Wood Puncture!” Chu Mu put his attention onto the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's battle.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier was only at the sixth phase sixth stage, so it wasn't much stronger than the Bloodsucking Wood Demon. Chu Mu didn't let Zhan Ye or the Ghost King to help it fight, but instead let it face the Bloodsucking Wood Demon alone.

The ground covered in yellow leaves suddenly blew up as seventy thin Demon Wood roots darted out from the ground and, like javelins, pierced towards the sixth phase ninth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon's body.

“Pupupupupu~~~~~”

Demon Wood Root Puncture quickly left many holes on the sixth phase ninth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon's body.

Blood flowed through the Bloodsucking Wood Demon, so when the holes were made, red liquid immediately oozed out and slowly flowed down from its gnarled body.

“Good, we wounded it.” Chu Mu smiled and commanded his Devil Tree Battle Soldier to continue fighting.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's demon wood arms suddenly lengthened and became two long and hardened arms. As the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body suddenly twisted, the two arms, extending thirty meters, whipped powerfully towards the Bloodsucking Wood Demon!

“Lielieli~~~~~”

The sixth phase ninth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon let out the laughter of an old man, and its two arms also extended. When the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s two arms whipped across, it suddenly grabbed on.

Bloodsuck!!

The arms of the Bloodsucking Wood Demon suddenly grew sharp spikes. These sharp spikes dug into the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s arms and, while tightly grappling onto the arm, they also started sucking the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s blood frantically!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s blood was sucked into the Bloodsucking Wood Demon. When it was absorbing the blood, the bleeding wounds on its body was closing at rapid speeds. In a few seconds, its body had healed fully!

“Overgrowth!” Chu Mu furrowed his brow as he sent the command.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s arm quickly grew thin branches. Seeming to be affected by the blood loss, these branches grew very slowly and were not numerous.

When the branches finally displayed their binding effect, the Bloodsucking Wood Demon had already sucked enough blood and retreated, so the Devil Tree Battle Soldier couldn’t do much but retract its arms as well.

“Its wounds are healed along with its fighting strength.” Chu Mu said to himself.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier had the more powerful Demon Wood energy crystal. Normally speaking, it shouldn’t have trouble dealing with a commander rank three stages higher, yet this Bloodsuck ability was truly hard to deal with.

After fighting for forever, its strength had recovered again. Chu Mu had finally realized that this Bloodsuck ability truly was powerful. No wonder many soul pet trainers didn’t want to fight Bloodsucking Wood Demons.

After getting sucked, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's fighting strength decreased by about a third. It never had much of an advantage. Now that its fighting strength fell, defeating this Bloodsucking Wood Demon was even tougher.

“Ao!!!!!!!!!!”

Just as Chu Mu was thinking, the anger built up through these days seemed to have exploded within the Devil Tree Battle Soldier. It suddenly squatted down and pressed its wooden palms onto the ground.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's fingers were very long. When he stuck them all into the ground, it was like it was casting a technique.

Chu Mu watched his Devil Tree Battle Soldier with confusion. Before Chu Mu reacted, ten vine-like things suddenly appeared in a five meter radius around the Bloodsucking Wood Demon.

Looking closely, these ten vine like things were the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's infinitely lengthened wooden fingers. These wooden fingers were like vines, quickly darting above the Bloodsucking Wood Demon's head. In a blink of an eye, they tied together five meters above the Bloodsucking Wood Demon.

The ten fingers formed a circle and tied together at the center, creating this Wooden Finger Prison made up of ten fingers!

The sixth phase ninth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon clearly hadn't seen this technique before, but it had vigilance. It stepped away slowly, trying to walk out of the large gaps between fingers and escape the prison.

“Ao!!!!!!”

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out a roar and, like grabbing onto his own arms, it yanked upwards heavily and retracted its fingers at the same time!

These ten fingers all tied together at the same high point. With this retraction, the prison fell downwards onto the Bloodsucking Wood Demon, brutally restricting it to the ground!

The Bloodsucking Wood Demon couldn't dodge in time and was quickly tied up. Its body twisted around crazily, but the finger prison was very tough and restricted the Bloodsucking Wood Demon's movement. It wouldn't be able to escape for some time.

Looking at the Bloodsucking Wood Demon that was restricted, Chu Mu finally realized that the Devil Tree Battle Soldier had learned a new technique!

"Wood Finger Prison, en en, sixth rank wood type technique. Usually only advanced Exquisite Dodging soul pets could dodge it easily....." Old Li's voice immediately came.

Chu Mu also smiled. Clearly, only when the Devil Tree Battle Soldier fought often would its strength increase quickly.

When Chu Mu captured it, its wood type talent was at the top tier warrior rank. If he let it fight and strengthen, its use on the battlefield was definitely not inferior to the Ice Air Fairy. But most importantly, as the amount of soul pets increased, a wood type soul pet's restrictive abilities would become even more important. In team fights in the future, he still had to rely on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

"Finish it!"

"AO!!!!!!!!!!!"

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier had long since reached the Triple Cast state. Though its Finger Prison was still there, its Devil Tree Roots had already approached the Bloodsucking Wood Demon like soul reapers!

"Pupupupupu~~~~~"

Seventy Demon Wood roots darted out and pierced through the Bloodsucking Wood Demon's body!

Getting attacked, the Bloodsucking Wood Demon could no longer get up. These seventy roots continued to pierce for near five seconds, rendering the sixth phase ninth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon a pulpy mess that oozed with blood!

Technically, its 300,000 catties, which is about 198 tons, but whatever, its an exaggeration anyways

Chapter 224: Mutated Bloodsuck

The seventh phase ninth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon was finally killed. The Devil Tree Battle Soldier displayed a rare anger, piercing the Bloodsucking Wood Demon until it was unrecognizable. It didn't even leave its soul core intact, shattering it with a pierce.

“Ao~~~~~”

Just as the Devil Tree Battle Soldier retracted all its techniques, it suddenly let out a roar, as its black-green body slowly regained its green hue.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body still had some demon wood wrapped on it. When the Devil Tree Battle Soldier started glowing green, the demon wood suddenly became thicker, and its color became purer!

Growth!

Chu Mu looked at the small changes to the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body and smiled again.

Sixth phase seventh stage. After the experience of fighting, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier had finally started its steps to rapidly growing!

“Ze ze, its demon wood energy crystal should be at the middle stage. Once it reaches the seventh phase, you can try to spend some ten thousand gold coins to strengthen the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's devil wood crystal to bloody wood crystal. With Bloodsuck and the unbreakable Bloody wood, even if it's placed in a huge group of soul pets, as long as they aren't incredibly powerful, your devil tree battle soldier will be able to fight endlessly.” Old Li said.

Wood type energy crystal: The most normal was wood, then demon wood, then bloody wood. Bloody wood crystal was equivalent to the Ice Air Fairy's Towering Ice crystal.

When they were in Colored Sky City, they found the Ice Snow Fruit that could increase the chance of an ice type soul pet to learn a new energy crystal. Such a fruit was priced at 20 million.

Things like the Ice Snow Fruit weren't always readily available. Chu Mu could only look for it again at Li City. If he found anything similar for the wood type, he would decisively buy it.

That is, if Chu Mu had 20 million gold to spare.

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Though Zhan Ye was already at the sixth phase, he wasn't as proficient in dealing with these wood type soul pets, and was only able to get rid of one sixth phase eighth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon

After the Ghost King did its Monarch Ghost Transformation, the Bloodsucking Wood Demon were all scared, so the Ghost King himself also got rid of two Bloodsucking Wood Demons. It was truly terrifying.

At the fifth phase eighth stage and with such a powerful fighting strength, Chu Mu was more and more confident in his own soul pets.

The Bloodsucking Wood Demon was quickly dealt with by Chu Mu's three soul pets, leaving only the Coronary Bloodwood Demon.

The Coronary Bloodwood Demon was at the seventh phase. When Chu Mu's soul pets were fighting the Bloodsucking Wood Demons, it kept hiding at the back. Seeing the situation had changed, it decisively started escaping.

Chu Mu's remembrance had long since locked onto this Coronary Bloodwood Demon. How fast could a wood type soul pet possibly run? Very soon, Chu Mu caught up to this Coronary Bloodwood Demon.

"Devil Tree, Wood Finger Prison!" Chu Mu commanded

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier knelt down and pressed its hands into the ground, sending ten of its fingers swiftly into the ground.

The range of the Finger Wood Prison could reach a hundred meters. The Coronary Bloodwood Demon was only fifty meters away. At such distances, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's techniques were also much more accurate.

Ten wooden fingers leapt out and quickly knotted above the Coronary Bloodwood Demon's head and just as quickly fell down, firmly holding the Coronary Bloodwood Demon down!

The Coronary Bloodwood Demon clearly had much stronger roots than the Bloodsucking Wood Demon. When the Devil Tree Battle Soldier intentionally retracted its fingers, the Coronary Bloodwood Demon didn't get pushed to the ground, but instead stood straight up, not allowing its body to be pressed down.

"Zhan Ye, Dark Assault!"

"Ink Armor Spike!"

Zhan Ye's speed was the fastest of the three. Receiving the command, it became a black whirlwind and dashed towards the Coronary Bloodwood Demon!

The Coronary Bloodwood Demon's roots constantly darted up from the ground densely to try to stop Zhan Ye from nearing it.

"Ghost King, Rock Pressure!"

The Ghost King knew the majority of sixth rank and below rock type techniques. It almost didn't need an incantation. With a point of its sword, the previously rotten ground suddenly became extremely dense. Under the control of the Ghost King, it became even sturdier than actual rocks!

The Coronary Bloodwood Demon's roots came from the ground. If the ground became harder, it was harder for its roots to pierce through, and the dwindling amount that did get through couldn't possibly stop the extremely fast Zhan Ye!

Extending its Ink Armor Spikes outwards, Zhan Ye's body was like a curled-up maggot. Facing its ink spike towards the Coronary Bloodwood Demon, it heavily pierced into its body!

Dark Corrosion!

After the Coronary Bloodwood Demon was pierced, Zhan Ye's dark type corrosive technique instantly started spreading, causing the entire upper body of the Coronary Bloodwood Demon to become black!

Heavenly Ripping Claw.

Demon Wood Root Puncture.

Hundred Ton Sword!

The three each cast a technique, and the Coronary Bloodwood Demon finally couldn't escape death. Under the last strike of the Ghost King, its body was almost squashed flat. It laid heavily in the crater.

"Zhan Ye, rip open its body." Chu Mu said.

Zhan Ye's Ink Armor Spike had already completely corroded through the Coronary Bloodwood Demon's defense. With its sixth rank full form offensive soul claw and seventh rank claws, it easily ripped into the body.

"Still no bloodsucking wood....." Chu Mu shook his head disappointingly. He handily retrieved the Coronary Bloodwood Demon's soul core to keep it as food for his Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

"Ao? Ao!" The Devil Tree Battle Soldier didn't give up. Using its sluggish arms to push the body aside, it pointed at a small, thumb-sized blood amber and looked at Chu Mu blankly.

Chu Mu's attention quickly fell on the ground. He carefully looked at it and pulled it out from the Coronary Bloodwood Demon's body.

"Old Li, what is this?" Taking the little red amber out, Chu Mu asked.

"I haven't even seen this soul pet before, how would I know what is in it....." Old Li jumped out of Chu Mu's soul capture ring and glanced at the blood amber before saying with disdain.

"Eh, wait a second, let me see it again....." Suddenly, Old Li stole the blood amber away.

Old Li flipped it around for a while, sometimes thinking, sometimes tinkering. He even bit down on it with his teeth, looking like a devious trader figuring out the authenticity of a gold coin.

“Have you figured anything out yet?” Chu Mu said impatiently.

“Young master, this should be the combination of Coronary Blood Fat and Bloodsucking Wood, like the lineage of the organism. Though I can’t say its exact effect, you should try combining it with the Coronary Blood Fat you have; there may be surprising effects.” Old Li said.

“Is there any possibility of side effects?” Chu Mu asked.

“Nope, this organism already has the bloodline of a Coronary Blood Vine. The Coronary Blood Fat can be combined with this. Don’t you have the combining medicine given by the beautiful legged girl?” Old Li said.

Coronary Blood Fat and Bloodsucking Wood were both advanced soul items. To combine these two would be impossible for Chu Mu alone. Only a soul teacher could do it.

Ye Qingzi also knew that Chu Mu had been searching for Bloodsucking Wood. To help Chu Mu out, she concocted a flask to combine Coronary Blood Fat and Bloodsucking Wood, saving Chu Mu a million gold. After all, that would be the price any other soul teacher would give.

Chu Mu didn’t think much of it. He took the Coronary Blood Fat out and put the blood amber into it.

“Zizizi~~~~”

When the blood amber fell into the Coronary Blood Fat, it immediately let out blood colored gases and it dissolved into the fat.....

“Pour the combining medicine in.” Old Li said.

Chu Mu followed directions and poured the expensive medicine into the flask.....

After the combining medicine went in, the blood colored gases immediately disappeared, and the splashing Coronary Blood Fat calmed down, slowly becoming a transparent blood-colored medicine.

“It calming down means that its edible, I just don’t know what the effects are. You can let your Devil Tree Battle Soldier try.” Old Li said.

Chu Mu hesitated for a while. If Ye Qingzi said that, Chu Mu would definitely let the Devil Tree Battle Soldier try it without hesitation, but Old Li didn’t know much about medicine at all, so Chu Mu had to decide whether or not there were side effects for eating it.

“Ao~~~~~”

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out a sound, displaying its willingness to try. Presumably, it was eager to raise its own power.

“If anything goes wrong, tell me immediately.” Chu Mu passed the medicine to Devil Tree Battle Soldier and warned.

Devil Tree Battle Soldier nodded and didn’t say much, decisively pouring the medicine into its mouth and finishing it.

Five seconds passed, and the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s expression was still blank, not looking any strengthened.

A minute passed, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier was still standing there, but its deeply sunken eyes slowly started turning red.

Five minutes passed, and the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s eyes were emitting a bloodlust and viciousness.

“What’s up?” Chu Mu asked. Chu Mu could feel evil tendencies within the Devil Tree Battle Soldier. This ball of evil tendencies made the Devil Tree Battle Soldier want to fight!

“Ao!!!!!!!!!!!!”

Suddenly, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out an angry roar, and its two arms shot towards two nearby trees, burying straight into each tree!

The two trees used to be dark green and dead looking, but when the Devil Tree Battle Soldier sent its arms in, these two trees completely shriveled, as if all its life essence were absorbed!!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier still had wounds from the fight just now, yet when the two trees completely shriveled, some wounds on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier had quickly healed a bit!!

Seeing Devil Tree Battle Soldier's actions and its healed wounds, Chu Mu was surprised even further.

"Strange, it isn't Bloodsuck, because bloodsuck isn't capable of sucking these plants....." Old Li rubbed its silver whiskers.

Chapter 225: The Strongest Absorbing, Life Force Absorbing (1)

"Ao~~~~~"

A long shout resounded from the gloomy forest, causing the encompassing tree leaves to visibly shake.

"Did you hear that shout?" said Old Zheng who had previously ambushed Chu Mu.

"Why are you so scared? Isn't it just a soul pet's shout?" said the coarse man wearing short sleeves.

"It seems to be the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's shout from the soul pet trainer before. That voice was like a wild beast with a steady voice, and I'm pretty sure that only the Devil Tree Battle Soldier can make that shout." said the young man Ting Nan.

"Oh? Could it be that he entered the inner part of the Bloodsucking Wood Demon's territory? Then he really is looking for death." laughed Old Zheng.

"No wonder we haven't been able to find him. It turns out he hid in the inner part of the Bloodsucking Wood Demon's territory." said the leader of the criminals, the dark skinned Brother Jiang. His face displayed a rather sinister smile.

“He probably isn’t too far from us. Let’s catch up to him.” said the short sleeved coarse man. After speaking, this fellow took the lead as he rode on his soul pet towards the origin of the shout. The others followed on their soul pets one after the other.

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In the gloomy forest, all of the trees in the twenty meter range around the Devil Tree Battle Soldier were withered. The life force of these trees had all been absorbed by the Devil Tree Battle Soldier, and had become its nutrients.

In the previous fight, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier had lost one third of its fighting strength. After continuous absorbing, its fighting strength returned to its original state, and Chu Mu could further feel its coarse and wild aura that was similar to a wild beast. Such aura caused its strength to be in the process of increasing.

“Evolving? It’s also similar to the excited state of the Violent Blood Pupil strength increase?” Chu Mu looked at the Devil Tree Battle Soldier, and couldn’t come to a real conclusion for it.

Presently, its eyes were scarlet red, and it very clearly was because of the special effect that the mixture of the Coronary Blood Fat and blood colored amber caused. Yet, Chu Mu couldn’t make clear of its sudden increase in strength, specifically whether it was temporary or whether it had obtained a true strengthening because of this unique spirit item.

“It can absorb trees, but the energy from these trees is too little. If it absorbs a hundred trees, it will barely be able to replenish its fighting strength. This will definitely be very effective in a fight.” Old Li rubbed his silver beard, and he continued to consider what this technique was that the Devil Tree Battle Soldier possessed.

“Do you know what this technique is yet?” asked Chu Mu.

“This... in my opinion, this technique is a bit similar to Bloodsuck...” Old Li could ultimately only give this answer.

Chu Mu drew back the corners of his lips. Old Li’s words were equivalent to nothing have being said, and Chu Mu might as well communicate with his Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

However, just as Chu Mu was planning to ask it what was different, Chu Mu's soul remembrance suddenly caught a few soul pets rapidly rushing in this direction.

"Hu hu hu hu~~~~~"

The wind blew unnaturally, the noise of dead leaves being stepped on rang out and the sound of branches being broken was heard...

Chu Mu had already detected several people approach. A evil smile carrying a bit of bloody intent rose on Chu Mu's face. These few fellows very evidently didn't understand fighting in the wild forest. Otherwise, they wouldn't make so much noise. These noises were practically yelling at Chu MU: We're coming to kill you..."

"Perfect, let's see what effect this technique has." Chu Mu jumped onto the tree with evident proficiency. He had his three soul pets hide in the shadows of the trees and silently waited for these criminal soul pet trainers to appear.

The sounds grew closer and closer. These several schmucks ostensibly exposed their tracks and the short sleeved coarse man at the very front further stepped on a number of branches, allowing Chu Mu to instantly lock him down!

"Devil Tree, have your roots lie in wait a hundred meters ahead." Chu Mu used soul remembrance to order the Devil Tree Battle Soldier hidden in between the trees.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier silently stood under the gray colored treetops. In front of it were several rays of sunlight spilling down, but it didn't affect its hiding.

Without requiring any movement, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's roots were like vipers that silently wriggled underground and slowly set up a root trap a hundred meters ahead.

The short sleeved coarse man was riding an eighth phase Hunting Wolf. From its build, this soul pet should have undergone certain strengthening and its fighting strength could be compared to a few warrior rank soul pets...

The Hunting Wolf's face was malevolent, and its pale white hunting teeth were exposed to the air. As it ran, its mouth was open as if could savagely pounce at its prey at any time.

“It should be near. That brat can’t have ran far!” the coarse man stopped and turned around, searching everywhere for Chu Mu’s tracks.

The short sleeved coarse man was a hundred meters away from his four companions. He always enjoyed running at the very front because he had a Hunting Wolf that was much faster than the others. He, who was always arrogant, naturally wanted to display his superiority.

Only, this fellow didn’t know that fifty meters ahead was a grey colored treetop, where a pair of black eyes were staring at him. That cold face gradually cracked a merciless smile.

“Root Bind!”

Finally, Chu Mu gave the order!

If the short sleeved coarse man had continued to run, with his Hunting Wolf’s speed, he had a certain small probability of being able to dodge the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s trap lying there.

However, this fellow had a type of courting death factor in his bones, and unexpectedly had stopped on the trap Chu Mu had set for him as he looked around everywhere. He practically had presented his neck to the blade of the homicidal maniac, Chu Mu. If Chu Mu didn’t kill him, he felt that he would be offending the great location he was in.

“Hua~~~~~”

The leaves covering the ground flew up and danced in the air as over ten extremely tenacious demon wood roots suddenly appeared. They quickly bounded the Hunting Wolf’s four paws and extended up the legs of this four meter long Hunting Wolf, practically binding its entire body!

“Awwuu!!!!”

The hunting wolf let out a panicked shout. As it tried to break its legs free and dodge, it discovered that it had been completely bounded by the ten roots, not letting it budge an inch.

The coarse man's face changed, and he immediately chanted an incantation, wanting to summon another soul pet to help him break free of his plight.

"Zhan Ye, Heavenly Splitting Claw!"

The dark attribute allowed Zhan Ye to easily hide its aura in the dark forest. Zhan Ye, in reality, was hiding not even twenty meters from the Hunting Wolf!

Using Dark Assault, the twenty meter distance was covered in under a second, and Zhan Ye's incomparably sharp claws were already in front of the coarse man.

The sixth level full form offensive soul claw twinkled with starlight making Zhan Ye's claws possess more attacking properties. Heavenly Splitting Claw was used, and even though the short sleeved coarse man had already finished his Bug Pupa technique defense, the seventh rank defense was equivalently empty air to the eighth rank Heavenly Splitting Claw as the defense was easily ripped apart by Zhan Ye!

Ink Armor Spike!

Zhan Ye was already near his body, and the ink armor spikes on its body abruptly shot out. At the exact moment this soul pet trainer finished his incantation, the Ink Armor Spikes that ignored defense directly pierced through his useless fifth level soul armor, entering his chest and stomach, instantly piercing through!

"Hou!!!!!!!!!"

Zhan Ye produced a bloody angry roar. The ink armor spikes on its back pierced and lifted up this fellow's body before ruthlessly throwing him off. Suddenly, a streak of blood spilled through the air and the captivating red droplets splattered all over the dried yellow leaves on the ground.

With the death of its master, how could the eighth phase Hunting Wolf survive? The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's roots full of a bloody intent appeared and punctured a myriad of holes in the eighth phase Hunting Wolf; blood splattered...

The coarse short sleeved man was only separated by a hundred meters from everyone else, but the other four had only moved fifty meters before the soul pet trainer and his soul pet lost their lives. They lay there dripping in blood in front of the other four.

The four people were stunned by the scene in front of them; they never expected their team member to be killed so easily!

“Kill him for me!!” the dark skinned leader was angry, and the veins on his face bulged. He immediately summoned his Bloodsucking Wood Demon!

Old Zheng’s summoning speed was also very quick, and as he rode on his soul pet, he also summoned his Bloodsucking Wood Demon!

Sixth phase ninth stage, sixth phase eighth stage. The two Bloodsucking Wood Demons simultaneously locked down the Devil Tree Battle Soldier standing under two dark trees. They promptly threw off their branches on its body!

“Ao~~~~”

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s dodging abilities were very poor and after seeing the four branches flying at it, it simply couldn’t dodge and allowed them to pierce its abdomen.

Yet, as the minute wooden needles appeared on the four branches, and began to absorb the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s blood, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier threw its arms forth, covering a distance of sixty meters, which respectively stabbed into the two Bloodsucking Wood Demon’s abdomens.

“Hmph, isn’t this courting death?! Bloodsuck, suck out all its blood!” sneered the dark skinned Brother Jiang.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s roots only had the ability to pierce through things, but his Bloodsucking Wood Demon could absorb blood!

The two Bloodsucking Wood Demons simultaneously absorbed and within a short period of time, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier lost half its blood and half its fighting strength!

“Transform it into a dry tree!” yelled Old Zheng as he had his Bloodsucking Wood Demon suck the blood.

“Ao~~~~~”

Suddenly, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out an angry roar, and a slight wriggle appeared on its two branches. As the speed of the wriggles grew faster, the wounds where it had been pierced by the four branches showed signs of healing!

Chu Mu was somewhat shocked as he looked at the Devil Tree Battle Soldier. It had just lost practically half of its blood, but after the branches began to wriggle, its blood not only stopped decreasing, but instead began to quickly gain back!

Being able to heal its wounds despite having its blood sucked by two Bloodsucking Wood Demons simultaneously meant that the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's bloodsucking ability was over two times as fast as the two Bloodsucking Wood Demon's absorbing speed!

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“What happened?!” the dark skinned leader opened his eyes, and he looked at the wounds on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body slowly healing. Ultimately, those four roots directly fell off the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body.

Very quickly, this criminal leader abruptly discovered that indications of withering had appeared on his Bloodsucking Wood Demon's body as its life force was rapidly depleting!

In an identical circumstance with leader Brother Jiang, Old Zheng's sixth phase eighth stage Bloodsucking Wood Demon began to shrink, and its body looked like it was composed of shrivelled bones and dying wood after having its life force absorbed...

“Quick, break its branches!” the dark skinned man named Jiang responded by immediately giving an order to the Horn Beast he was riding on.

The Horn Beast's form was like a cow, and there were two horns on either side of its head. After the dark skinned leader gave an order, the Horn Beast made a loud noise and charged towards the two branches!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier had pretty much finished absorbing, and once it saw the Horn Beast launch its attack, it decisively recalled its two branches. The Horn Beast charged through empty air, and its horns smashed into a tree, crushing it.

“My Bloodsucking Wood Demon...” Old Zheng stupefyingly watched his own Bloodsucking Wood Demon.

His Bloodsucking Wood Demon had life force that was comparatively weaker among plant world soul pets. After the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s absorbing, it had lost nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of its life force. The remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ life force probably could not support this plant type soul pet if it continued to fight.

“His Devil Tree Battle Soldier has the Bloodsucking technique!!” said the young man Ting Nan at this moment.

From the situation just now, he was immediately able to discern that the Devil Tree Battle Soldier not only possessed a bloodsucking ability, but its bloodsucking speed was even faster than the speed of the two Bloodsucking Wood Demons combined!

“Enough with your rubbish. I’ll summon an elemental world soul pet, and you guys have your beast type soul pets deal with that Zhan Ye!” angrily roared the dark skinned leader. He recalled the Bloodsucking Wood Demon that had lost most of its fighting strength back into the soul pet space and summoned a Raging Flame Fairy.

Old Zheng quickly switched his soul pets too, and he changed the Bloodsucking Wood Demon for a seventh phase ninth stage Dark Fairy.

The other member previously didn’t summon his Bloodsucking Wood Demon, and his two soul pets were already rushing at Zhan Ye as they were engaged in a close-ranged fight in the dim forest.

“Hmph, let’s see how powerful your Warbeast Mo Ye is!” the young man Ting Nan quickly locked onto Chu Mu’s Zhan Ye and gave his Mo Ye an order!

Ting Nan’s Mo Ye intentionally roared as if it was giving a challenge. Subsequently, it used the Dark Assault technique and rapidly flew in front of Zhan Ye, using its thick armor to ruthlessly smash into Chu Mu’s Zhan Ye!

Zhan Ye was facing two violent beasts, and didn’t notice Ting Nan’s Mo Ye. It wasn’t able to dodge in time and was knocked flying. Its body flew nearly 20 meters and smashed an old rotten tree!

Seeing that Zhan Ye had been injured by the charge, the other two violent beasts followed up and threw themselves at the fallen Zhan Ye. Their wild nature of attacks were quickly used!

A smile appeared on the young man, Ting Nan's, face. With his understanding towards his soul pets, this charge with thick ink armor would definitely cause huge damage to that Mo Ye!

As for Chu Mu, who was silently standing under the tree, he glanced over at Zhan Ye, but quickly withdrew his gaze.

Zhan Ye was a soul pet that Chu Mu had spent 4 million gold coins to strengthen. Moreover, it was his only full form soul armor soul pet. Even if Ting Nan's Mo Ye with an outstanding dark attribute reached the seventh phase, it wouldn't necessarily be able to deal that much damage to Zhan Ye which life force exceeded normal soul pets by six times.

"Hou!!!!!!!!!"

The warlike Zhan Ye was angry. His six-fold self healing ability was slowly healing the wounds from being knocked back by that Zhan Ye. Its fighting strength wasn't weakened in the slightest, and it courageously charged at Ting Nan's Zhan Ye!

The sixth level full form offensive soul claw's effects were attached to Zhan Ye's claws, and its ruthless strike ripped apart the weak ink armor of Ting Nan's Mo Ye!

Zhan Ye's fighting method had always been very barbarous. Moreover, when it was fighting against multiple enemies, it would often directly bear the attack of other soul pets before rigidly locking his eyes on one of them and went after them until it died!

Presently, Zhan Ye was using this fighting method!

Just now, when Zhan Ye had smashed the armor of Ting Nan's Mo Ye, it had suffered the ripping claws of those two violent beasts before launching at Ting Nan's Mo Ye!

Leaping up, tiger body flying through the air!

Fragmenting Steps!!!

The effect of the sixth level full form offensive soul armor was also attached to Zhan Ye's front paws. Suddenly, the surrounding five meters of ground was smashed by a stamp while Ting Nan's Mo Ye was knocked flying. The wound from earlier was ripped open wider!

Death Ray!!

An angry roar, a dark light began fermenting in Zhan Ye's throat. As Ting Nan's Mo Ye was still in the air, Zhan Ye promptly spat the Death Ray out, and its force exploded in between the tree tops!!

"Hong~~~~" Ting Nan's Mo Ye was knocked flying once again. Its body was battered all over as it fell from high above, smashing countless branches before crashing to the ground. It didn't even have the strength to stand up.

Ting Nan was stunned. He looked stupefyingly at his Mo Ye, which had been battered so badly and for a moment he couldn't say anything!

"Full form offensive soul claw... this brat is too rich..." Old Zheng also noticed the savagery of this Warbeast Mo Ye. His sharp eyes further took note of the star-like radiance that condensed on Zhan Ye's claws each time it attacked.

It was the radiance effect of a full form offensive soul claw!

Soul equipments were always luxury goods, especially sixth level and above soul equipment. Chu Mu's full form offensive soul equipment costed 10 million, and these people would only barely be able to afford it if they sold all their assets!

There was a big difference between having soul equipment versus not having soul equipment. Zhan Ye's inherent fighting strength was powerful enough to allow it to fight against normal seventh phase commanders. By adding on the full form soul equipment, it definitely wasn't a problem to face three seventh phase commander ranks alone.

"Enough with the nonsense, kill him fast! What are your soul pets doing? Are they just watching from the sidelines?!" angrily roared the dark skinned Brother Jian as he displayed the mannerism of a leader.

The three of them each summoned an elemental soul pet that respectively were a seventh phase fifth stage Raging Flame Fairy, a seventh phase ninth stage Dark Fairy, and an eighth phase third stage Wind Fairy.

“Wait, why do we have to use elemental soul pets to deal with his Devil Tree Battle Soldier? Can’t my Fire Cat Demon counter it?” softly asked the soul pet trainer without a Bloodsucking Wood Demon.

“Even if your Fire Cat Demon was stronger, it wouldn’t be any use. With the bloodsucking, it would be able to heal even if it was being burned. Elemental soul pets don’t have blood and the blood won’t be absorbed. Why don’t you listen when I tell you to study more and gain knowledge?!” said Old Zheng

This soul pet trainer finally understood. He specially chanted an incantation, adding Dragon Wind’s effects onto his Wind Fairy, allowing it to control the wind type better.

The other two people also chanted incantations, adding double damage to their soul pets respectively.

Chanting an incantation, the Wind Fairy used the fastest speed and a muddy stream of air gradually appeared in the dark and indiscernible forest.

Very soon, this stream of air rose up, transforming into a hurricane that collected countless leaves and branches as it swept towards the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

Facing the hurricane’s onslaught, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier decisively buried its two arms into the ground, rendering its body firmly stuck into the ground!

The hurricane swept past and the powerful destruction force ravaged the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s body. Stream after stream of air were like cutting knife blades with exceptional power; Several tiny scars appeared on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s body ...

Destruction Ray!

The moment the hurricane swept past, the Dark Fairy’s Destruction Ray appeared and imposingly flew towards the Devil Tree Battle Soldier!

Its body was already locked there so it couldn't dodge. The Destruction Ray that was stronger than the Death Ray exploded on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body causing it to ulcerate!

“Ao!!!!!!”

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier was in a blood frenzy state. No matter how severe the attacks were, it wouldn't make it feel pain. When the Raging Flame Fairy's Burn arrived, its demon wood roots and branches simultaneously shot out!

“Continue attacking and we'll see who dies first!” sneered the dark skinned leader as he also ignored the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's demon wood branch attack.

The three elemental soul pets were extremely terrifying, and they didn't have any blood that could be absorbed. The dark skinned leader understood this bit of common sense and if he got rid of one of Chu Mu's soul pets, it would be even easier to kill him!

“Ao!!!!!!!!!!”

Raging flames burning its body, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out an extremely frenzied cry. Its treebark skin was already showing visible signs of charring, but it still used the technique. The branches on its right and left arms respectively pierced through the Dark Fairy and Wind Fairy's bodies and its roots ruthlessly pierced the Raging Flame Fairy.

“It'll die soon, let me send it on its way!” seeing that the Devil Tree Battle Soldier was being bombarded by different attributed techniques so that its body was growing deformed, Old Zheng gave a smile. He ordered his Dark Fairy to continue releasing Destruction Rays, giving the Devil Tree Battle Soldier its last attack.

The Destruction Ray took form and fiercely struck the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body!

Its body ulcerated once more, and it practically transformed into a burnt wood stack without any use.

“Ao!!!!!!!!!!!!!!”

Another angry roar came out, but after the Destruction Ray, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier hadn't died. Unexpectedly, its ulcerated body showed small signs of healing!

An engulfing storm left it with a ravaged body and the torrential flames made its skin burn!

Only, just as the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's life force was about to be completely dried up, wriggling appeared on its demon wood branches and roots. Moreover, with each wriggle, it brought the Devil Tree Battle Soldier a large amount of life force!

This life force energy poured into its body as it suffered from attacks!

Ravagement and recovery were happening at the same time!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier was on the brink of death and after suffering from four or five fierce attacks, it was still deadlocked with the three soul pets for nearly twenty seconds!

Chapter 227: Multikill, Bloody Devil Tree Battle Soldier

“Ao~~~~~”

With an angry roar from the Devil Tree Battle Soldier, its demon wood roots simultaneously sucked at the three elemental soul pets' lives. The three elemental soul pets' life force quickly weakened!

The weaker the life force, the lower the fighting strength. The three elemental soul pets started chanting slower and slower, and their techniques also grew weaker.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier was still sucking, but with the weakening of the three elemental soul pets, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body slowly recovered!

“How is this possible!!” The dark skinned Brother Jiang opened his eyes wide as he could, as he looked at the dying Devil Tree Battle Soldier's wounds slowly heal.

The other two were also dumbstruck, completely not expecting the Devil Tree Battle Soldier to be able to suck their Elemental World soul pets' lives.

“You.....didn’t you say elemental world soul pets had no blood to be sucked?.....” The soul pet trainer without a Bloodsucking Wood Demon said.

Old Zheng was also profusely confused. The Bloodsucking Wood Demon’s Bloodsuck could suck plant world and beast world soul pets because they were the only two kingdoms with blood vessels, having the life sustaining blood.

Elemental world soul pets were completely born from elemental matter, devoid of organs, blood vessels, and even a fleshly body. Under such circumstances, it was impossible for it to be sucked of blood.

Yet, what was hard to explain was, this Devil Tree Battle Soldier could even suck their elemental world soul pets and transform it into its life force, recovering at clearly visible rates!

On the tree, Chu Mu stood and watched as his Devil Tree Battle Soldier quickly transformed the life force of the three elemental world soul pets into his. He forcefully stopped the incantation that he was ready to cast, and looked surprised at the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

“Ah, I remember!” Young master, I remember, I know what technique it is!!” Suddenly, Old Li’s voice echoed through Chu Mu’s brain.

“What technique?” Chu Mu himself was also confused, because the Bloodsuck he knew indeed could only suck beast and plant world soul pets. And before, when the Devil Tree Battle Soldier pushed its roots into normal trees, it could take their life force as well.

“Life Force Absorb! It’s one of the most powerful sucking abilities. As long as its a life form, even if it isn’t a soul pet, one could suck the life away and transform it into one’s own.” Old Li said.

“Life Force Absorb?” It was also Chu Mu’s first time hearing such a technique name. When his eyes fell on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s body, he was surprised to see that it had already recovered half of its fighting strength, and the three elemental soul pets were on the verge of death. The one with the least life force was already sucked to the point where it no longer had a body!

“Young master, Life Force Absorb is much faster than Bloodsuck, usually determined by the sucking organism’s life force. Your Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s life force is about twice a normal soul pets, meaning in one second, it could suck 10% of this doubled life force. This doubled 10% is equivalent to a normal soul pet’s 20%. If your Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s life force was like your

cockroach Mo Ye, six times a normal soul pet, then in one second it would be able to suck 60% of a normal soul pet's life force!" Old Li said.

Old Li said a bunch of things, yet Chu Mu was still slightly confused, not understanding the concept of the speed of the Life Force Absorb.

Old Li rolled his eyes, "Anyways, the sucking speed is 10% of the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's life force limit every second. This means, the higher the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's life force, the more damage his Absorb does!"

"Your Devil Tree Battle Soldier is continuously sucking three elemental soul pets' lives. This means every second it is recovering 30% of its life, yet their elemental world soul pets were losing 10% of their lives every second. In such a situation, how could they possibly kill your old tree?" Old Li smiled.

With this messy jumble of explanations from Old Li, Chu Mu finally understood the power of Life Force Absorb. As long as the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's life force was stronger, it meant that the Life Force Absorb's speed would be faster. Even if its one second 10%, when its life force was massive, this 10% could mean half a normal soul pet's life!

Finally, when the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's fighting strength recovered around $\frac{2}{3}$, the three elemental world soul pets were all near their ends. The Devil Tree Battle Soldier let out another angered roar, and used its roots to throw the Storm Fairy and Dark Fairy away.

The Storm Fairy and Dark Fairy were already nearly lifeless. With this throw, they were clearly dead!

Very quickly, the feedback of the soul pact breaking hit the two soul pet trainers' souls and wounded them, causing their faces to quickly pale!

The dark skinned leader reacted faster than the other two, but the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's roots had already disregarded the flames and wrapped around the Raging Flame Fairy's body as continuous demon wood root pierces caused the weakened fairy to be unable to cope.

"Quickly come back!" The dark skinned Brother Jiang finally finished the retracting soul incantation, but he was still a step too slow. The Raging Flame Fairy was heavily yanked by the bloodthirsty Devil Tree Battle Soldier and didn't get enveloped in the retraction incantation.

Following that, nearly seventy demon wood roots pierced it through, causing the Raging Flame Spirit's life force to go down by 15% every second.

The flames on its body slowly disappeared, and the Raging Flame Fairy ultimately couldn't escape this terrifying Life Force Absorb technique, becoming a small fire that dissipated with a chilly wind from the depths of the forest.

“Ao~~~~~”

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's fighting strength still wasn't completely recovered, so its roots quickly attacked the dark skin leader's Horn Beast!

The Horn Beast had already run in front of the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's face. Those two long horns heavily slammed into the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's body, creating two large holes in the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's torso area!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier had its roots deadly locked into the ground, not allowing its body to move. Just as the Horn Beast attacked, the demon wood on its body suddenly grew out and became a flexible vine wood that locked the Horn Beast!

Brother Jiang saw that his Horn Beast was trapped but didn't show much fear. The Horn Beast's outer defense was very high. Even his Bloodsucking Wood Demon couldn't easily break through. As long as its defense was good, not allowing the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's roots to pierce to its blood vessels, it wouldn't be able to be sucked of life!

But, this soul pet trainer was too naïve.

His Bloodsucking Wood Demon had an initial stage blood Demon Wood energy crystal. Its attack was limited, so naturally it didn't break through the Horn Beast's defense.

Yet, Chu Mu's Devil Tree Battle Soldier already had intermediate Demon Wood. Though it couldn't easily rip apart the Horn Beast's defense, piercing through wasn't anything difficult!

“Huo~~~~~”

Suddenly, the Horn Beast let out a pained cry. This sound made Brother Jiang's face go white, as he watched his Horn Beast get pierced by the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's demon wood!

The Horn Beast's life force was relatively high, but it was still quickly absorbed by the Devil Tree Battle Soldier. Its life was quickly being transformed into the life of the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

The Horn Beast was tightly bound by the Devil Tree Battle Soldier, only able to kick its short four hooves around. Yet, as it was losing its life, its body quickly shriveled up.....

The dark skinned leader naturally couldn't just watch as his soul pet was sucked clean. He quickly started an incantation to summon his third soul pet to save the Horn Beast.

“Ghost King, Death Blade!”

Chu Mu smiled coldly. Taking the opportunity that the person was frantically casting an incantation, he commanded the Ghost King that was in ambush to attack!

The Ghost King had the ghost type. In heavily shady areas, it could hide itself. Brother Jiang didn't even notice the existence of Ghost King!

Death Blade!! Sixth rank ghost type soul technique!!

The Ghost King had long since finished its Monarch Ghost Transformation. After its power doubled, it was more terrifying than seventh phase beast type soul pets. With the sweep of the Death Blade, even the light beams that fell down between the leaves were cut in half!

“Shua!!!!!”

The Ghost King's technique was very dominant, not giving Brother Jiang a chance to finish his incantation. The Death Blade flew through his neck!!!

A head fell down. A ball of death surrounded the area it was severed at. After a second, fresh blood splattered out of the wound!

The Death Blade's ghost blade aura didn't just disappear because of the guy's death. It passed further through Old Zheng's arm. Without any preparation, Old Zheng's arm was immediately corroded by the black aura, showing heavy signs of rot!

Brother Jiang didn't even have time to let out a scream. His head fell, body fell, and blood splattered everywhere.

Old Zheng let out a miserable scream, as he held his rotting arm and rolled around on the ground as the beast type soul pet he just summoned jumped straight towards Ghost King!

The Ghost King was only at the fifth phase eighth stage, but any commander under seventh phase wouldn't even think of competing against this powerful monarch rank soul pet. Barely needing an incantation, the Ghost King stared hard and a large sprout of stalagmite-like rocks appeared, heavily sending the soul pet away!

Its Monarch Ghost Curved Sword fell down, and a sharp ghost aura cut right through its abdomen before it even fell to the ground. This soul pet didn't even have time to let out an anguished howl before its body was cut open. After its body decomposed into black gas quickly, only its white bones fell down to the ground.

"Houhouhou!!!!!!" Reaching sixth phase third stage, Zhan Ye let out an intimidating roar and used Heavenly Ripping Claw to rip the last beast to pieces.

Though full of wounds, this time Zhan Ye solely relied on his powerful self healing and six times life force, getting rid of three beasts without even using Broken Limb Rebirth a single time!

Chapter 228: End of the Dark Forest

"That's..... that's....." That soul pet trainer without Bloodsucking Wood Demon backed off frighteningly, watching shocked the Ghost King. His face was already completely pale with fear!

Ghost King, monarch rank soul pet. How powerful was its imposing manner? Especially with the dense ghost aura, those with weak mental support were easily pushed down by such a powerful ghost type aura!

"Ghost King, this is a Ghost King, god, a monarch rank soul pet!!!!"

The Young man Ting Nan was already completely stunned. How could he have known that Chu Mu would summon a monarch rank soul pet. One must know that those who had monarch rank soul pets were all experts that they didn't dare to even talk to. These experts were either all famous already, or had a high position at some faction!

“Ao~~~~~”

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier suddenly pushed both its arms into the ground, sending ten fingers into the ground!

Wood Finger Prison!

Ten fingers pierced through the ground and suddenly poked up from around the soul pet trainer's surroundings, quickly tying up at the top of the person's head and trapped him in the prison!

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier's arm pulled upwards, and its wood fingers started to retract. Very quickly, the soul pet trainer was restricted to the ground!!

The soul pet trainer's body was already weak. With the Wood Finger Prison wrapped down tightly, it even cut straight through its skin, causing ten bloody marks to appear!

“Ten Ton Sword!!!”

Chu Mu let out a command and, with the Ghost King's two hands around its sword, its pure power slash went straight for this soul pet trainer's body. This soul pet trainer had already cast an incantation to protect himself, but it was simply too weak to stop the Ghost King's sharp blade!

With the blade falling down, this soul pet trainer's body was shattered to chunks, causing blood and flesh to splatter outwards from the sunken crater.

Looking at this soul pet trainer die horribly, the teen Ting Nan was already numb with fear. He would never have thought that the soul pet trainer he tricked was actually a soul master with a monarch rank soul pet.

With his three powerful soul pets, he continuously killed four people. Such strength was already considered an expert in the entire Thousand Wood City, and for some reason, Ting Nan felt that the man who, sitting apathetically on the tree top, watched the bloody scene unfold didn't even use his full power, possibly having even stronger soul pets!

The others were all dead, so how did Ting Nan dare still stay there. Trembling with fear and trepidation, he summoned a wing type soul pet and wanted to escape into the skies, away from Chu Mu's three bloody soul pets.

Yet, Ting Nan's soul pet had just taken off when the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's roots darted out from underground, wrapping around its lower limbs and forcefully yanked it back to the ground, not giving Ting Nan a chance to escape.

The Ghost King stepped its four meter tall body forward and enveloped Ting Nan and his soul pets in its shadow. Its two ghost pupils burned into the teen's eyes. The moment the Ghost King's Curved Sword fell, it would definitely end the teen's life.

"Let me..... let me go, I beg of you..... I was forced by them to do this, I actually didn't want to hurt you....." Ting Nan was already pale with fear, begging Chu Mu to let him go.

Chu Mu looked apathetically and said dimly, "How long have you been in Thousand Wood City?"

"Me..... one year..... around one year....." Ting Nan didn't dare to lie anymore, giving Chu Mu the complete truth.

"Have you heard any news about the Ancient Azure Devil Tree?" Chu Mu continued.

"Ancient Azure Devil Tree?" Ting Nan's eyes spun and, after a moment of hesitation, he replied, "I know, I know, I can lead you there as long as you don't kill me....."

Chu Mu shook his head as he said apathetically, "Your death is certain. Saying it or not simply changes the way you die."

When he spoke, Chu Mu slowly lifted his right arm up. In his right palm was a calm, burning ball of White Demonic Devil Flame. This Devil Flame let out piercing cold air, causing this black-hearted young man to start shaking all over!

With a light wave, the white demonic devil flames flew straight into Ting Nan. Before he even reacted, the flames went straight into him and started to burn his soul!

“Ah!!!!!!!!!!”

A hair-raising scream resonated through the dark forest. Ting Nan’s five senses were pinched together in pain, rolling around painfully on the ground.

“Kill me.....kill me please.....please end my life.....”

The burning of a soul was unbearably painful. In the beginning, when Chu Mu had just signed a contract with the White Nightmare, he had wanted to end his own life countless times.

Now, Ting Nan was withstanding the white demonic devil flame, which was even more powerful than the white devil flames alone. This pain definitely wasn’t something a normal person could withstand!

Chu Mu’s palm slowly closed, and the flames burning Ting Nan died out.

“From what I’ve heard, pass.....pass through..... the Bloodsucking Wood Demon’s territory, walk north, it will get darker and darker..... at the end of this dark forest, there will be an Ancient Azure Devil Tree.....” Ting Nan finally opened his mouth, clearly unable to withstand Chu Mu’s torture method any longer.

“Zhan Ye.” Receiving the information, Chu Mu didn’t hesitate any longer, calmly telling Zhan Ye.

Zhan Ye understood Chu Mu’s meaning. Slowly walking up behind Ting Nan, as if not moving at all, its arm simply lifted up slightly and fell down.

Yet after this nearly invisible movement, a sharp line of blood came out of Ting Nan’s neck. This blood slowly started oozing blood, more and more, until finally spraying it out..... Ting Nan’s body spasmed a few times before falling down, eyes dull, and the life leaving his body quickly.

“Old Li, see if he has anything valuable.” Chu Mu said to Old Li.

Old Li jumped out of Chu Mu's Soul Capture Ring and very diligently swept through the corpses, quickly swiping the spatial rings of the corpses into his hands.

"All of its just some garbage. A bunch of soul cores, a few soul crystals, and the rest is medicine bottles. The only valuable stuff are things you can't use as well, so everything added together is only about 5 million gold." Old Li said.

"Pick out the valuable things and throw away the useless one." Chu Mu's spatial ring was limited. Especially since he was already holding this many soul cores, Chu Mu was too lazy to carry anything not too valuable.

After collecting the corpses' wealth, Chu Mu didn't stay for much longer. After all, the smell of blood could easily attract cruel soul pets to appear. Chu Mu didn't want to get accidentally surrounded by some soul pet species group.

Walking north for a distance, Chu Mu found a relatively safe place to sit down and rest.

Of course, Chu Mu himself didn't need much rest. The ones who needed rest were the Devil Tree, Zhan Ye, and the Ghost King, who all had just experienced a battle.

"Life Force Absorb, with this technique, beating Yu He's Hundred Tree Female Demon would be much easier." Chu Mu said.

"Ao~~~~ Ao~~~~~" After becoming stronger, Devil Tree Battle Soldier was also elated, letting out a few calls.

"Rest well, though life force can be absorbed through your technique, you still expended a lot of stamina." Chu Mu patted Devil Tree on the shoulder.

Soul pets' fighting strength were naturally affected by life force and stamina. Now, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier had basically limitless life force, but if its stamina couldn't hold on, its fighting strength would decrease still..... "Speaking of which, did you grow a stage again?" Chu Mu suddenly noticed when patting the Devil Tree's shoulder that it grew again.

Just not long ago, Devil Tree Battle Soldier had gone from sixth phase sixth stage to the seventh stage. With the combination of the Coronary Blood Fat and the blood colored amber creating a real strengthening effect, it made the Devil Tree Battle Soldier raise another stage right after. This gave Chu Mu a pretty big surprise. This meant that the Devil Tree Battle Soldier was sixth phase eighth stage already.

If they found some high level soul item able to strengthen Devil Tree Battle Soldier on this journey to the Ancient Azure Devil Tree, raising the Devil Tree Battle Soldier to seventh phase shouldn't be an issue. After all, other than using a demon wood heart in Gangluo City, the Devil Tree had not underwent any high level soul item strengthen. Through some even stronger soul item's strengthening, breaking the bottleneck of sixth phase was very hopeful.

"Old Li, do you think the kid's words are reliable? That there's an Ancient Azure Devil Tree at the end of this dark forest?" Chu Mu looked into the pitch black and gloomy north.

"It should be true. The Ancient Azure Devil Tree was also known as the Ground Quality Devil Tree. It usually laid at the intersection of two different forests. This dark forest should extend hundreds of miles. After a hundred miles there will still be the Yuan Forest's green forests or rolling mountain ranges. Presumably, it is possible that an Ancient Azure Devil Tree grows at the end of this dark forest." Old Li said.

"Looks like there's still a very long way to go....." Looking at the endless dark forest, Chu Mu laughed bitterly.

Such atmosphere forests Chu Mu rarely walked. The depressing aura always made one feel strange, as if there was always a pair of eyes in the dark woods, watching coldly.

Once in a while, a chilling wind blew by as well. Of Chu Mu's three soul pets, Zhan Ye had dark type, Devil Tree Battle Soldiers loved forests, and Ghost King was ghost type, so they all liked this dark forest. However, Chu Mu was still a normal person, naturally wanting to walk in lighter, verdant, and vital environments.

Chapter 229: Marsh Corpse Hand

After resting for an entire day, Chu Mu continued to advance.

He followed the dark forest's path where it was dusky like a black night. Chu Mu even wondered if some departed spirit world soul pets would appear in this corrosive aura of the dim forest.

Departed spirit world soul pets normally were enveloped by the aura of death, and slowly absorbed this aura from the abandoned corpses in the wild, manifesting into a creature.

Chu Mu had very few contact with departed spirit world soul pets, and he had very little understanding of them. It was said that there was a large piece of land that was habitat to countless departed spirits on. That place was filled with departed spirit world soul pets...

After passing through a muddy patch of earth that was like a swamp, Chu Mu could clearly feel the density of the death aura. This dense death aura made breathing much harder.

“Gezhi Gezhi~~~~~”

Suddenly, a noise that would make one’s blood run cold came from the dead tree marshy area. It sounded like some savage creature was chewing bones!

Chu Mu raised his vigilance, and he released his soul remembrance, searching for the source of the sound.

Suffering from the effects of death aura, Chu Mu’s soul remembrance had a limited range it could search. Moreover, that soul pet clearly was extremely adept at hiding as its soul remembrance, as it wasn’t able to locate it.

“Gezhi Gezhi~~~~~”

Another sound, this time closer. He could feel that it was moving towards him.

An indescribable panic arose in Chu Mu’s heart.

“Nong!!!!!!!!!!”

The Ghost King standing behind Chu Mu suddenly lifted its monarch ghost blade and let out an angry roar in a certain direction!

The Ghost King's majesty was extremely powerful and when it roared, a dense ghost aura swept up and like a black tornado, swept forwards!

After the black ghost aura appeared, the silhouette of a floating creature faintly appeared on the indiscernible path ahead. This extremely strange creature's body was practically transparent and if it wasn't enveloped by ghost aura, he never would have seen its body.

"What is that?!" Chu Mu looked with astonishment at the creature hidden in the cold fog ahead.

Its silhouette outlined a human's figure. It seemed to have hair, it was covered in rags, its two arms hung down and its head drooped down. Its entire person seemed to be like a person that was hanged in midair...

"Young master, don't panic. That's a specter type soul pet, and its clearly the soul of a soul pet trainer which has borne the aura of death for countless years before being refined into being." said Old Li.

"Specter type?" Chu Mu had only heard of this type of soul pets. However, he who had lived in a narrow-minded region that had never actually seen a specter type soul pet, especially a human form specter type soul pet.

"A majority of soul pets cultivate souls, and their souls are relatively strong. After their body dies, their souls are attached to an unmoving corpse and they will bear the long term permeation of death aura giving a definite chance of transforming into a specter. This is similar to those elemental kingdom soul pets where they are born from some spirit good and receive the nurturing of their element for a long time..."

Feeling the intimidation of the Ghost King's powerful ghost type aura, that specter soul pet that seemed to be hanging itself didn't dare approach Chu Mu and merely floated in the distance...

"That is the most low, specter rank, specter type soul pet. It practically has no offensive capabilities and can only use a few interference and restrictive techniques. Young master doesn't have to be worried." said Old Li.

Chu Mu nodded his head. Seeing that the Ghost King could subdue this creature, he bravely walked forward.

However, the moment he stepped a few steps forward, that specter type soul pet retreated in fear as if it had seen some terrifying object.

A cold gale blew over from some unknown place, hitting Chu Mu's face. The dense aura of death made it so that Chu Mu had trouble breathing.

“E wu~~~”

“E wu~~~~~”

Strange sounds resounded from under the marsh, and these noises were like something was stuck in a throat and something abnormally hard was happening. It sounded a bit terrifying.

Chu Mu immediately creased his eyebrows. Right now his soul remembrance seemed to be limited by something for some mysterious reason, and he was unable to search around.

This situation normally would only occur when one's soul was locked up, or there was some powerful mental suppression. Only, Chu Mu couldn't feel the mental power of some creature pressing on his body. It was merely the surrounding strange atmosphere that fully inhibited his soul remembrance.

“Eh, young master... I suggest that you summon that black deer horse... then recall your current three soul pets...” Old Li's voice became rather odd.

Although Chu Mu didn't understand, he still recalled Zhan Ye, Devil Tree and Ghost King before gradually summoning the Night Thunder Dream Beast in front of him.

Chu Mu jumped on the Night Thunder Dream Beast's body and to remain safe, he immediately had the Night Thunder Dream Beast enter its Night Dance state.

Within the shadows, the Night Thunder Dream Beast could walk on air. As the Night Thunder Dream Beast proceeded forward, it stepped higher up, gradually walking into midair....

“Run with your fastest speed, and once you leave this marsh we'll talk.” Old Li's voice came, only, this time his voice didn't come from Chu Mu's soul capture ring into his mind, instead it was right in front of Chu Mu.

Chu Mu was shocked and watched Old Li disappear in front of him instantly.

“Ewu!!!!!!”

“Ewu!!!!!!”

A terrifying shout abruptly came from under the marsh and Chu Mu abruptly realized something.

“Night, Extreme Speed, run forward and don’t stop!” hastily said Chu Mu.

The Night Thunder Dream Beast also became aware of danger and tilted its head as it didn’t step on the marsh and ran over the dead tree marsh!!

“Ewuwu!!!”

“Ewuwuwu!!!!!!!!!!”

A completely ulcered arm extremely frighteningly shot out from under the marsh. Its palm was like a ghost claw and coated on top was a terrifying corpse poison!

This hand happened to snatch at the Night Thunder Dream Beast’s four limbs ostensibly, wanting to ruthlessly drag it under the marsh!

The Night Thunder Dream Beast’s dodging abilities were not inferior to Mo Xie’s. As it stepped in the air, its body suddenly swayed left and right, nimbly dodging this terrifying arm that shot out quickly.

“Gulu Gulu Gulu~~~~~”

The mud in the marsh began to boil as countless black bubbles erupted in the bud. Each time they exploded, they would splash black-colored fluid and within each fluid were arms, hands and bony palms. They wanted to directly drag Chu Mu and the Night Thunder Dream Beast in!

“Chasing Wind Pursuing Moon!”

The Night Thunder Dream Beast’s running speed increased as a special stream of air further began to coil around its body. Its run amidst the dead tree marsh with numerous claws was like it was stepping on these terrifying claws as it ran!

Its speed grew increasingly quick. The Night Thunder Dream Beast reached a speed three times its original full strength run. Such a speed was already extremely close to the speed MO Xie used Instant Assault and moreover it was a continuous run!

The Night Thunder Dream Beast’s endurance was enough to allow it to run an entire night maintaining this speed. It passed through this large swamp full of claws, corpse hands and bony palms before it was possible to see that short old leopard cat...

Chu Mu turned around and looked. A few beast type soul pets that had originally come out to find prey and hadn’t evaded the danger were dragged alive under the marsh by those ruthless corpse hands. As he looked, Chu Mu felt a wave of alarm, as he never expected the marsh to gather such a group of terrifying objects.

“Young master, you also saw just now. If there are a ceaseless number of creatures dragged into the marsh, the death aura in the marsh will grow heavier and the corpses will grow more. After nearly 100 years of such a vicious cycle, these terrifying Marsh Corpse Hands will appear...” Old Li who had run to a safe place let out a long sigh of relief.

Chu Mu was already used to Old Li fleeing from danger and asked: “Then aren’t there thousands upon ten thousands of departed spirit world soul pets in the marsh?”

Old Li extended his leopard cat claw before swaying left and right: “No, no. The Marsh Corpse Hands aren’t thousands upon ten thousands of departed world soul pets; instead, it’s only one departed world soul pet.”

“One?” Chu Mu was slightly astonished as he looked at the innumerable corpse arms extending from the marsh. It really was hard to believe that it was only one soul pet...

“Departed spirit world soul pets are quite special. A number of them have the ability to devour each other and those corpses that are dragged into the marsh will become a part of that soul pet’s body. In truth, underneath those arms that you saw is definitely a master corpse, and that master corpse is this main soul pet’s body.

In my opinion, this Marsh Corpse Hand is roughly a commander nearing a monarch and about the seventh phase. If it was even a bit stronger, it would be rather hard to escape.

Of course, if young master is interested, you can go and capture it and play around. With the Nine Tailed Inferno Fox's existence and further with the White Nightmare's other type, there's a possibility to defeat it." said Old Li.

"Even if I capture this soul pet, how will it fight?" Chu Mu's expression was outlandish as he spoke.

"Of course it can fight. In truth, the marsh is its field and after you capture it, it will be able to take the lead to use the field. In other words it'll become a portable marsh. Moreover, in this marsh, it will be able to use attacks at will. The Marsh Corpse Hand you currently see isn't very strong, and this marsh was naturally formed. The marsh field it currently possesses is only approximately 20 meters in perimeter. The reason it'll feel like untold numbers, or in other words seems like those corpse hands cover the entire marsh, is because it used Illusion. Don't tell me you didn't feel that you couldn't release your soul remembrance?" said Old Li.

"Illusion? Is it similar to the Dream technique?" Chu Mu heard another new technique.

"That's about right, but there's also a difference. This soul pet's way of fighting is extremely particular, and many people who don't understand it will fall into its trap. If young master feels that you have space with your soul pacts, then you really can afford to think about it." said Old Li.

"Forget about it. This thing is strange. Perhaps it doesn't eat soul crystals and wants to eat flesh to grow...." Chu Mu shook his head and didn't plan on contracting this soul pet.

Chapter 230: Bell Noise Concubine

"Young master doesn't have to worry about this. Soul crystals and soul cores are energy, and even humans can use them as food to allay hunger. Such a soul pet will definitely be able to use soul crystals and soul cores to train and eat. Of course, if you occasionally give it flesh to eat, it will definitely be even happier. Moreover, the more corpses are inside its marsh field, the stronger it will be." said Old Li.

Chu Mu bitterly laughed. Although this soul pet was unique, it still gave Chu Mu the creeps and wasn't one of his ideal soul pets, so he didn't have any intentions of capturing it.

After leaving this extremely fatal marsh, Chu Mu gradually discovered that the sunlight was able to shine into the forest and that the dense gloomy air was slowly dispersing, giving one a feeling of seeing the sun and sky again.

As he continued to walk forward, it was like there were two different worlds- green versus black, sunlight versus darkness, nature versus corrosion...

Old Li indicated that there were two locations where the plant forest changed that a Ancient Azure Devil Tree could appear. Chu Mu began to search, but didn't find an Ancient Azure Devil Tree, merely discovering a forest of flowers instead!

In Chu Mu's memories he had seen a flower sea. It flowed and blew in the wind; the multitude of colors fluctuated giving others a beautiful sight to behold.

The reason why the world of flowers in front of him wasn't called a flower sea was because these flowers were all blooming special plants. Just like countless trees blossoming from flowers, they blew in the wind, fluttering about like floating snow...

"There surprisingly is such a beautiful scenery after the dark forest..." a light smile rose on Chu Mu's face as he stared at this gorgeous flower forest and his taut emotions gradually relaxed.

A fragrant wind blew over; it was like the fragrance of a woman, and a faint inhale would make one relax, and a large inhale would bewitch someone.

Contrary to the safety of the dark forest, the aura of life here was extremely dense. Whilst walking here, one unconsciously would forget about his or her worries and enjoy the sight and smell...

"Young master, don't relax your guard so easily. The Great Thousand Kingdoms are full of extraordinary things. Flowers may look variations of docile, beautiful and gentle, but in truth, among plant world soul pets flower types are the ones that scare people at the mere mentions of them. There once was a person who evaluated the statistics of soul pet trainers training in the wild, and over thirty percent of them died to flower type soul pets. There aren't many flower type soul pets among plant world soul pets, but whenever they appear, it will always be rather fatal." Old Li's voice resounded in Chu Mu's ear.

Chu Mu was shocked and he returned from being unconsciously intoxicated in his soul.

Intensity, bloodbaths, slaughter and death. These were all things that made Chu Mu raise his vigilance. He was always able to be surrounded by perils, but maintaining this mindset in a beautiful and fragrant environment were not something Chu Mu felt he had yet to do. Just now, he had nearly completely relaxed.

Just as Old Li had said, the Great Thousand Kingdoms were full of extraordinary things. Flower type soul pets possessed the most spirituality while also being the most dangerous creatures. Their appearances seemed alluring and moving, pure and unblemished, and aroused one's emotions. However, underneath their gorgeous appearances, they were full of venomous stings, and the stamen of a flower's stalk circulated blood that was full of a plethora of filth and mercilessness...

When he saw this large group of flowers, Chu Mu couldn't help but think of that young woman who was born from spirit flowers. That perfect complexion and noble and pure body; yet, her heart was a shadowy forest full of unknown darkness.

Thinking about this, Chu Mu's heart slowly sank. His eyes swept over this flower forest, and he released his soul remembrance...

“Ding~~~Ding Dang~~~~~Ding Dang~~~~~”

The wind passed and the sound of bells rang; when Chu Mu focused his mind, he heard this pleasant sound. It was like the sound of wind bells faintly swaying, giving one a tranquil and beautiful feeling.

“This sound. Could it be a Bell Noise Concubine?” a rather shocked expression appeared on Chu Mu's face.

The Bell Noise Concubine was an extremely unusual flower type soul pet that Chu Mu had seen in books. This soul pet would often produce a moving wind bell-like noise. This noise possessed mental effects that could pacify the grievances and evil tendencies inside a soul pet's heart.

Similar to Violent Blood Pupil, Bloodsuck and Resentment Gathering which were techniques that increased one's strength through ruthlessness and blood. When this mental bell sound was used, the

effects of Bloodsuck, Violent Blood Pupil and Resentment Gathering would quickly disappear. It was a soul pet with extremely strong assistance abilities.

“Young master, quickly go and find it. This Bell Noise Concubine is something great!” when Old Li heard the noise, he gave Chu Mu a reminder.

“You don’t need to say it.” Chu Mu naturally understood the value of the Bell Noise Concubine.

Flower type soul pets originally were relatively rare in the soul pet world, and they were normally split into two types. One type slowly bewildered one in a pleasant trap before painlessly killing him or her. The other type was a pure support type soul pet. They possessed healing and supporting abilities that were even stronger than water types. They were definitely the top choice of soul pets for support type soul pet trainers.

Chu Mu’s soul remembrance had already locked down the location of the clear wind bells, and in order not to scare away this soul pet, Chu Mu intentionally summoned the blank-faced Mo Xie and had her find a route in her pitiful state.

“Wu wu wu~~~~~”

Mo Xie wrang her nine adorable fluffy small tails, and nobly and elegantly took small steps. She lithely walked towards the Bell Noise Concubine resting behind the flower tree.

Chu Mu stood far away and stared at the beautiful young woman-like soul pets and a smile slowly rose on his face.

Bell Noise Concubine: Plant world - flower type - Bell Noise Concubine species - commander rank

The Bell Noise Concubine had an elegant and curvy appearance of a young lady. Under its slender waist blossomed seven colored flower petals that were like the skirt of a young lady. It could be regarded as one of the most beautiful looking soul pets in the soul pet world.

The Bell Noise Concubine, aside from its pleasing appearance, had several support abilities. The flower type self-healing effects were innately stronger than water types. When one traversed in the wild, if he or she had a flower type soul pet, the amount of medicinal healing, antidote medicines and resistance medicines one brought could be heavily reduced. Moreover, a few powerful flower type soul pets possessed the formidable ability to revive from the dead.

On the market, a commander rank flower type soul pet could fetch a price of over a million. The flower type Bell Noise Concubine was a soul pet that received a huge amount of fondness from female soul pet trainers, and it was normally sold for 5 million gold coins; moreover, there often was no supply of it.

5 million gold coins wasn't a small sum to Chu Mu, and Chu Mu happened to be lacking money. Otherwise, how could he afford to purchase a spirit item worth tens of millions for the Devil Tree Battle Soldier to increase its strength?

"Young master, it's also a child Bell Noise Concubine, about the third phase. It can be sold for even more." said Old Li softly to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu didn't dare make loud noises right now either, and merely watched the small Mo Xie slowly approach the third phase Bell Noise Concubine.

Mo Xie was completely a silver-white color, and her furry fur blew in the wind. To others she looked like an adorable thing that was incapable of harm.

The Bell Noise concubine seemed to notice the silver colored nine tailed small fox approach. Like a young woman, she lightly blinked her eyes, and like a young princess, she lifted her multi-colored flower petal dress as she slightly retreated.

Mo Xie's silver eyes were very beautiful and looked glossy like the beauty of a running-water gem. However, at the same time, Mo Xie quietly used Sinister Glare Demonic Pupil, causing this small Bell Noise Concubine to gradually loosen its guard.

"Wu wu wu~~~~~"

Having finally gotten near, the small Mo Xie intentionally gave a signal to Chu Mu, indicating that he could come and attempt to chant an incantation. Using an luring technique, he could attempt to capture the small Bell Noise Concubine into the soul capture ring.

If Chu Mu was still at the spirit teacher level, he wouldn't have hesitated to make a soul pact with this Bell Noise Concubine and make it his support soul pet. However, right now, Chu Mu no longer had an empty soul pet space. Moreover, while the Bell Noise Concubine's support ability was strong, Chu Mu wasn't very adept at using it.

“Tingchang~~~~~ Tingchang~~~~~”

Just as Chu Mu was approaching, the small Bell Noise Concubine which had been bewildered by Mo Xie suddenly let out a panicked noise; unexpectedly, it sprayed a pink colored pollen cloud as it turned and fled!

“Mo Xie, chase after it!’ Chu Mu couldn’t let 5 million gold coins run away.

“Wu wu wu~~~~~”

Mo Xie swept her tail, dispersing this hypnosis pollen cloud. She astonishingly transformed into a silver light and caught up to the Bell Noise Concubine in under three seconds as it attempted to flee.

Extending her tail, Mo Xie quickly swept up the Bell Noise Concubine with her tail. When she considered that this small flower type soul pet was very fragile, Mo Xie didn’t use too much force as she swept it up.

“Tingdang~~~~~Tingdang~~~~~”

The Bell Noise Concubine let out a flustered shout as if it was calling for help.

“Young master, be a bit careful. The Bell Noise Concubine can be regarded as the most virtuous flower type soul pet. They always enjoy helping heal soul pets that have been wounded in battle and thus obtain the protection of these soul pets. The moment they call for help, there’s a chance that many soul pets will appear.” said Old Li.

Chu Mu nodded his head and very decisively summoned the Devil Tree Battle Soldier and Zhan Ye.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier guarded next to Chu Mu while Zhan Ye’s black eyes vigilantly watched the surroundings. It was prepared at any time to take on the enemies that came.

“Ao~~~~~”

Suddenly, a powerful roar came from the flower forest in the distance. The roar was somewhat similar to the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's voice, but was even more firm than its roar!!

“Wengweng Wengweng~~~~”

The ground began to lightly shake, and Chu Mu could clearly feel some enormous creature moving towards him...

The flower forest began to sway and suddenly the tree tops were parted by two large hands. From within the twenty meter tall trees abruptly appeared an old withered tree-bark face. Its two eyes were incomparably angry as it stared at Chu Mu and his group of soul pets.

“Young master, it's an Ancient Azure Devil Tree!! This is an eighth phase Ancient Azure Devil Tree!” Old Li suddenly gave a sharp cry!