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Chapter 31: The Soul Pet With Exceptional Healing Ability(2)

When nighttime arrived, Chu Mu intentionally didn't silently cultivate. Instead, he released the Mo Ye and fed it a few soul cores. He then used beast tongue to tell it not to attempt to escape.

The black colored Mo Ye guilelessly laid to the side. It wasn't afraid of humans at all and extremely perturbedly ate the soul core that Chu Mu provided. Its gaze would occasionally fall on Mo Xie, and then it would resume its calm appearance.

Chu Mu stared at the wounds on the small Mo Ye's body and discovered that from when he confined it in the Soul Capture Ring to now, the wounds on the small Mo Ye caused by Mo Xie had already miraculously healed. At most, he could only see a few scars that were about to fall off.

Chu Mu was truly shocked. He had never seen a Mo Ye with a healing ability that was so unreasonably strong. Such a heavy wound had unexpectedly been fully recovered within half a day.

"Its self-healing effect is: if it doesn't use any recovery medicine, its wounds will recover at twice the original speed."

"This small Mo Ye's injury recovery rate is much quicker than a normal Mo Yes'. Its recovery rate should be faster than normal soul pets by six times. It's essentially equivalent to perpetually using six healing medicines."

After discovering this, Chu Mu decisively decided to test this small Mo Ye, and made Mo Xie use her claws to lightly rip open the Mo Ye's ink armor.

The small Mo Ye remained completely calm and allowed Mo Xie to open a small wound on its body. However, after the wound was opened, Chu Mu shockingly discovered that the light injury on the ink armor recovered with a speed that he could see!!

"How mysterious?!" the adjacent Qin Menger astonishingly remarked.

"It seems that the reason why it looks weaker than normal Mo Yes is also because of this. The bug type recovery ability in its blood lineage is much more intense, while its beast type lineage is comparatively much weaker," deduced Chu Mu.

“It’s bug type talent is extremely abnormal, while its beast type talent is inferior. That’s rather unfortunate.” said Qin Menger.

Each species of soul pets had its own unique blood lineage. When one element or attribute ability surpassed the normal equilibrium of the soul pet, while its other important attributes didn’t excessively decrease, the soul pet was defined as exceptionally talented with incredible aptitude.

This small Mo Ye had an extreme talent in the bug type, especially when it came to its recovery ability. Surprisingly, its healing speed was faster than a normal soul pet by six times.

However, its body quality, such as strength, speed, and growth were all slightly lower. Soul pets like the Mo Ye still required a powerful beast type lineage to guarantee their fighting strength.

“Small Mo Ye, you can leave. You don’t need to be brave anymore. You aren’t her opponent even if you had reached the sixth phase...” Qin Menger, who took pity on the small fellow, gently spoke to it.

“Hou Hou” the small Mo Ye shook its head. Its gaze fell on Mo Xie, and it used an unknown language in a muffled voice, expressing that it wouldn’t give up on defeating Mo Xie.

“Let it continue following then.” Chu Mu didn’t drive the small Mo Ye away. He instead wanted to examine this small Mo Ye.

Gangluo City’s Yang Family

“Yang Jie and Li Nan were killed by a mysterious young man? Do you know that young man’s identity?” said the Yang Family’s family head’s eldest son, Yang Mancan, with a face full of shock.

Li Nan was still fine, as he wasn’t considered a first tier expert in the Yang Family. However, Yang Mancan understood Yang Jie’s strength extremely well. How could he be killed by a young man?!

“This subordinate does not know. The family servants that escaped said that he controlled a Night Thunder Dream Beast.” said the cyan clothed family servant, half-kneeling on the floor.

“Father, there aren’t many young men in the Luo Region who can defeat Yang Jie. Moreover, they are all extremely well known. Those people shouldn’t have any reason to help the Chu Family. Could it be the Great Chu Family interfering?” said Yang Luobin, who was standing next to Yang Mancan.

Yang Luobin was the family head’s eldest son’s eldest son. He possessed exceptional talent, and he was the strongest young expert in Gangluo City. Within the Luo Region, he had a bit of a reputation.

Yang Mancan creased his eyebrows. If the Great Chu Family in Wogu Region had interfered with the Luo Region’s Chu Family, then their Yang Family would definitely have a hard time defeating the Chu Family. After all, the Great Chu Family’s power was extremely great.

“Send a few people to closely watch the Chu Family. See if the Chu Family has had any unusual actions recently.” said Yang Mancan to the half-kneeling family servant.

“Yes!” The family servant nodded his head and slowly retreated outside.

After the family servant left, Yang Mancan looked at Yang Luobin and said: “Another powerful young man appearing without cause or reason. I don’t know if it was because of the recommendation.”

“It probably isn’t.” said Yang Luobin. After speaking to this point, he suddenly thought of something and said, “Oh, father, I heard Yang Luosen mention that a Nightmare Palace Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince has appeared in our Luo Region. Apparently, he’s carrying out a mission given by Nightmare Palace in the vicinity. Perhaps Yang Jie accidentally offended that Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince...”

“Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince? The most honored young man of Nightmare Palace?” Yang Mancan was stunned, and asked in a slightly flabbergasted voice.

Yang Luobin nodded his head and his expression was solemn as he said: “Most recently, a few regions have been spreading this Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince’s reputation. He is a peak expert of Nightmare Palace and has never appeared before. However, after a few battles, he quickly rose in prominence and finally, one of the opponents he defeated was the rather famous “Blue Nightmare Hunter” Tian Ji.”

Yang Mancan instantly let out a shocked expression. He didn't expect for such an expert to appear here. If this was the case, Yang Jie really could have been killed by that Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince.

"Moreover, that Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince is the Prison Island King. A few of the people we sent could have been killed by him. If I'm not incorrect, our "Violent Blood Pupil" should be in his hands." Yang Luosen continued to say.

Once he heard Violent Blood Pupil, Yang Mancan's expression instantly changed and he said: "He was the Prison Island King! That's perfect. Since it's in his hands, we only have to expend a certain cost to retrieve it!"

"Father, that won't do. This Prison Island King is currently a peak expert in Nightmare Palace. Even the Luo Region Nightmare Prince, Yang Luosen, only dares to teach him a lesson. He absolutely will not kill him. If something were to happen to that person here, we would not be able to endure the consequences."

Yang Mancan's eyebrows creased again. He didn't understand the affairs of other regions very well. He had always confined himself within the vicinity of Gangluo City. He never expected a young man's ability to be so great.

"In a few days, Yang Luosen will come to Gangluo City and invite this Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince. We should properly wait upon Yang Luosen and get him to help us retrieve the Violent Blood Pupil." said Yang Luobin.

"Yes, that works." said Yang Mancan, "Oh, Luobin, has your third soul recovered yet?"

"It's almost fully recovered." responded Yang Luosen.

"I told you before that you shouldn't rashly sign soul pacts with young soul pets. Especially the Chu Family's armored rhinoceros. We don't understand it very well. You undoing your soul pact like this truly wastes a lot of your time." said Yang Mancan.

"I also never expected that Mo Ye to be so weak." a repulsive expression appeared on Yang Luobin's face.

“Thankfully, you undid it sooner rather than later, otherwise it would have delayed you for even longer. After a few days, when you fully recover, I’ll buy you a somewhat young high class commander rank soul pet. You need to quickly raise its strength.” said Yang Mancan.

Mentioning a high class commander rank soul pet, Yang Luobin’s eyes immediately lit up. He hastily said: “Thank you father.”

A young high class commander rank soul pet, even if its aptitude was average, cost at least 200,000 gold coins. If its aptitude was good, its value could even reach 500,000 gold coins. Yang Luobin had already become a spirit teacher, but had never obtained a high class commander rank soul pet. Hearing his father’s words now, how could he not be excited?

Chu Family, the Chu Family head’s courtyard

Two grizzled haired old men sat on stone chairs in the courtyard. Their expressions were clearly somewhat stupefied. After a while, the somewhat skinnier old man said:

"Brother, aren't you too inconsiderate of the bigger picture when you send out the Chu Clan guardians to search for Chu Mu? You used to always teach me to be able to be heartless and to understand when to give up on things....."

Naturally, the person speaking was the second head of the Chu Family, Chu Nan. He was already aware of the Chu Family Guard’s departure.

“The descendents of the Chu Family should receive the protection of our Chu Family. If we don’t protect this generation well, it will be hard for our Chu Family to change our fortunes.” slowly said the family head Chu Ming.

“If you were moving these people for Chu Xing and Chu He, these teachers, I could understand. But it’s for Chu Mu... Your second brother really cannot change his impulsive nature. He really went to Broken Forest... aiyahh, whatever, you sent the Chu Family Guard without telling anyone anything. Me saying anything more is of no use. I hope that Chu Si and the others can gain something.” The second family master Chu Nan sighed. He slowly stood up and left the courtyard.

Deep inside Broken Forest

The party of twenty people were split into two groups. Each group wore matching green and black clothing and dark brown colored clothing, respectively. These soul pet trainers rode their soul pets as they each travelled through the forest.

“Tianlin, this place is relatively close to Mo Ye Forest, right?” The Chu Family Guard leader, Chu Si, looked at the man beside him and spoke.

The Chu Family Guard leader, Chu Si, was approximately thirty five years old. He rode a Light Rhinoceros that had already reached the sixth phase fifth stage.

“We should be. Everyone should be a bit careful. If we are to encounter a powerful Mo Ye, we will be in a lot of trouble.” said Chu Tianlin.

After he spoke, Chu Tianlin intentionally swept his gaze over the other group of people. That group of people was dressed in brown clothing. The leader was a bearded middle aged man.

“Old Qin Jia, you guys should also be a bit careful. Don’t be too reckless.” Chu Tianjian also specially gave them a few words.

“You don’t need to worry. If it wasn’t because our young lady fell into the forest, there wouldn’t be a need to accompany you old geezers,” said the middle aged Qin Family man.

Chu Tianlin ignored Qin Jia’s bad temper. He ostensibly already understood him, and continued to ride his Light Rhinoceros deeper into the forest.

Chapter 32: Mo Ye VS Mo Ye

“Why haven’t we left this place yet? It’s already been a few days.” Qin Menger pouted her small lips. Over these past few days, Qin Menger had grown accustomed to Chu Mu’s calm and unperturbed manner within the forest. Therefore, she wasn’t afraid of encountering any savage soul pets anymore.

“Perhaps we walked in the wrong direction.” Chu Mu looked at the surrounding trees, and he found that he had been circling around in Mo Ye Forest.

“Huh? Then what should we do? I don’t want to stay here forever.” a flustered expression appeared on Qin Menger’s face.

“This Mo Ye Forest has a hallucination effect. It has caused us to perpetually circle around in this forest,” said Chu Mu.

“How do you know?” Qin Menger didn’t understand and asked.

Chu Mu pointed at a tree bark beside him. This piece of bark had been scratched by Mo Xie’s claws, and on top of it was the trace of intersecting claw marks. This had been done when Mo Xie had ripped open the small Mo Ye’s body back then and a bit of her power had overflowed.

“If we can’t get out of here, won’t we end up staying here forever?” When Qin Menger thought of this, her eyes instantly began to water.

“That’s probably right.” Chu Mu glanced at Qin Menger before indifferently speaking.

After hearing Chu Mu’s words, Qin Menger could no longer control her emotions. Her eyes began to water, and she actually began to weep softly.

“I’m joking with you. To me, the hallucination effect in this forest is like walking in my own family’s courtyard. As long as I walk through it once, I’ll quickly be able to find the exit. Don’t worry.” Chu Mu grinned and then laughed.

The depths of Prison Islands had many jungles that were much more complicated than Broken Forest. Chu Mu was still able to unobstructedly exit those forests. Thus, exiting this forest wasn’t that much of a problem.

Having been teased by Chu Mu, Qin Menger’s tears contrarily began to fall even faster. Her small palm slapped Chu Mu, and she cutely scolded “scoundrel.”

Chu Mu thought of the past, when he would often tease Qin Menger so he didn’t scare her without reason. Seeing her cute pitiful appearance, he subconsciously extended his hands, wanting to pinch her tear stained cheeks. However, after extending his hands halfway, Chu Mu suddenly sobered up. His gaze fell onto the beautiful young woman...

Qin Menger was stunned. She blinked her eyes, somewhat suspicious, as she watched Chu Mu’s actions.

Chu Mu shook his head and retracted his hands. He shifted his gaze forwards.

“Hm? It’s another small Mo Ye.”

In the forest, an ink colored figure had attracted Chu Mu’s attention!

It was a small Mo Ye that was only about a meter long. Even though it didn’t have the dark and evil imposing majesty of a fifth or sixth phase Mo Ye, it still emitted a powerful aura.

The conspicuously sharp ink colored armor was like a rocky carving that closely stuck to its sturdy body. Its armor was further like protruding sharp swords that lined its body all the way to its head and it had a rather ostentatious feeling about it. The armor slowly extended to its forehead and nose, and aside from its chin, everything was covered. It gave others an unbreakable, solid feeling.

This Mo Ye’s body had many odd and deep ink colored stripes that were like winding snakes. They extended to its powerful four limbs and were like glorified shooting stars, depicting a beautiful armored pattern on every end of its body!

“This Mo Ye can be considered top quality!” Chu Mu’s eyes lit up. He didn’t expect that after circling the Mo Ye Forest a few times, he would encounter such a fine small Mo Ye!

Mo Yes were armored rhinoceroses and were relatively mainstream soul pets in the middle class commander rank. Many soul pet trainers would choose a soul pet with beast type strength and insect type defense - making it a tenacious soul pet with lots of life force.

Because armored rhinoceros were mainstream soul pets, appraising a Mo Ye was an extremely meticulous matter. Fortunately, Chu Mu had done research in this area before. According to his estimates, a small Mo Ye that had grown abnormally well had a value that wasn’t lower than 700,000 gold coins. If it was sold at an auction, it was extremely like that it would be sold for one million gold coins!

“Devil Tree Battle Soldier, trap it!”

Chu Mu quickly chanted an incantation and summoned the Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

The Devil Tree Battle Soldier had already reached the fifth phase seventh stage. After it had appeared, its herculean fists drove into the earth. Instantly, a root net appeared in front of the small Mo Ye that had run by!

This fine Mo Ye smashed into the root net and immediately, countless pieces of roots twisted around its body!

“Hou Hou!!”

The third phase ninth stage Mo Ye promptly let out an indignant roar. Suddenly, an ink colored radiance twinkled on its ink armor. The sharp edges on its body abruptly became extremely sharp, surprisingly shredding apart the root net.

“Root Bind.”

Chu Mu immediately issued an order to the Devil Tree Battle Soldier, whose roots grew increasingly long. Even though that root net had been ripped apart by the small Mo Ye, even more tenacious roots wrapped around the small Mo Ye’s body, finally rendering it immobile.

“Hou!! Hou!!”

How would the third phase ninth stage Mo Ye be the Devil Tree Battle Tree’s opponent? It let out an extremely indignant roar.

“You want to make it your soul pet?” Qin Menger asked.

“Yes, it happens to precisely fit my standards.” nodded Chu Mu.

Chu Mu didn’t hastily sign a soul pact with this third phase ninth stage Mo Ye because, from its beast language, Chu Mu knew that it was calling for help from its companions.

“Hou Hou!!!”

As expected, a moment later, a wave of stunning howls abruptly came from within the forest. Subsequently, a violent gale rushed out from within the depths of the forest!

“Beng! Beng!!”

The adjacent few trees suddenly collapsed. A tiger and leopard-like soul pet which was almost three meters in size and was covered in ink black armor abruptly lept out. Instantly, its overbearing aura proliferated in all directions. It scared Qin Menger so much that she promptly hid behind Chu Mu.

“Hou Hou!!”

Suddenly, another indignant roar came from another direction. Immediately, two waves of violent wind smashed against each other, causing the forest to shake!!

Very evidently, there was an even more imposing Mo Ye behind them!!

Its black penetrating gaze lit up from within the trees. A formidable Mo Ye, whose build reached about three meters, slowly strode out from the forest. Its savage, sword-like eyes unwaveringly glared at Chu Mu and Chu Mu’s Devil Tree Battle Soldier.

“Fifth phase fourth stage, sixth phase third stage.” Chu Mu calmly and coolly glanced at the sixth phase third stage adult Mo Ye that had appeared behind him.

“These two Mo Ye are very strong.” Qin Menger had spent many days together with Chu Mu and was perhaps accustomed to the sense of security Chu Mu brought her. If it was before, and she encountered a fifth phase and sixth phase commander rank soul pet, she would definitely have been shocked pale. Yet she now only revealed the timidity of a small girl.

Qin Menger didn’t chant an incantation either, as she felt that Chu Mu alone was enough to deal with it.

In reality, over the past few days, Qin Menger had become aware that the young man in front of her definitely belonged to an abnormal grade of people. If it wasn’t because of herself, this fellow definitely could have easily transversed through this exceptionally savage forest. Each time they encountered soul pets, Qin Menger had no opportunity to attack before the situation was quickly resolved by Chu Mu. Ultimately, whatever situation they encountered, Qin Menger simply didn’t bother chanting an incantation anymore, to prevent her soul pets from embarrassingly standing to the side, unable to intervene.

“You aren’t going to summon your Ice Air Fairy?” astonishingly asked Qin Menger when she saw that Chu Mu didn’t intend on switching soul pets.

Chu Mu shook his head and used his soul remembrance to say to his two soul pets: “Devil Tree Battle Soldier, you dispose of the fifth phase fourth stage Mo Ye. Mo Xie, you deal with the sixth phase third stage Mo Ye.”

It had been a long while since the Devil Tree Battle Soldier had taken action, and it promptly produced an excited roar. As a controller of nature’s strength, it could arbitrarily control the surrounding tree roots. The fifth phase fourth stage Mo Ye also began its violent attacks.

Chu Mu’s Devil Tree Battle Soldier had been meticulously trained. Currently, its strength was not inferior to a few low class commander rank soul pets. Along with its wood type superiority over the beast and bug type Mo Ye, it was definitely not a problem to defeat the fifth phase fourth stage Mo Ye.

As for the arrogant Mo Xie, Chu Mu didn’t need to worry at all. He only had to use a simple Adhering Flame on Mo Xie, and the experienced Mo Xie would definitely not lose.

“That small Mo Ye has run away!” Qin Menger immediately brought this to the attention of Chu Mu who was focused on battle.

Chu Mu turned his head to look, and he discovered that the small Mo Ye that had been bound by the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s roots had freed itself. Furthermore, it had scuttled into the adjacent trees.

“You guys finish the fight quickly.” Chu Mu gave a simple order to Mo Xie and the Devil Tree Battle Soldier before using Wind Ride on himself and chasing after the small Mo Ye.

Just as he used Wind Ride, a black figure suddenly appeared in a flash behind Chu Mu. The black figure was even slightly faster than the Wind Riding Chu Mu. Unexpectedly, it managed to catch up to the escaping small Mo Ye!

“Beng!!” Two Mo Ye bodies crashed together, and they tumbled onto the ground before resolutely knocking into a tree!

Chu Mu stopped in his tracks and was somewhat flabbergasted as he looked at the obstinate small Mo Ye whose wounds had just healed. He never expected for this small fellow to help him.

“Hou Hou!!!” The small Mo Ye with exceptional healing ability let out a low growl. Its sharp claws fiercely pierced the first-rate Mo Ye’s armor, and a vestige instantly appeared on its armor!

“Hou Hou!!” The first-rate Mo Ye immediately let out an angry roar, and the ink colored radiance on its body twinkled again. Suddenly, a myriad of barbs appeared on Its glossy hard armor.

“Chi!!” The third phase fifth stage Mo Ye’s body was instantly pierced, and a bloody wound surfaced. However, this small Mo Ye that had frequently suffered injuries completely ignored this small wound. From its mouth, it released a Death Ray, directly hitting the ninth stage Mo Ye’s body, knocking it flying!

“Hou Hou!!” seizing this opportunity, the obstinate small Mo Ye turned its head and roared at Chu Mu.

Chu Mu astonishedly looked at the extremely obstinate small fellow. He understood beast language and never expected this small and weak Mo Ye to have such willpower.

Although it was somewhat cryptic, Chu Mu could understand the Mo Ye’s roars. It was trying to express: “I am not the Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox’s opponent, but defeating this third phase ninth stage Mo Ye isn’t any problem!!”

Chapter 33: Abandoned Soul Pet

Chu Mu did not expect for this obstinate and small Mo Ye to have such a will to fight. From this small fellow’s pitch-black pupils, Chu Mu could see its unreconciled and arrogant pride. Furthermore, Chu Mu could feel an even deeper story behind its arrogance.

“Hou Hou!!”

The obstinate Mo Ye’s build was much smaller than the third phase ninth stage Mo Ye. Very quickly, the ninth stage Mo Ye performed Shattering Claw, and ferociously smashed the obstinately small Mo Ye’s armor!

The Mo Ye tumbled on the ground, and it smashed into a tree before quickly standing up. Regardless of the blood being shed, its two black eyes were still ignited with a flourishing fighting spirit!!

The haughty first-rate Mo Ye used an indignant and contemptuous gaze, as it looked down upon the extremely small Mo Ye. It produced an angry hiss from its mouth!

Mo Yes were a high ranking species of soul pets, and they possessed a certain amount of intelligence. Fighting other members of their species was common, and the stronger Mo Ye would always be more arrogant.

The first-rate Mo Ye had already reached the third phase ninth stage. No matter if it was phase, stage, or innate talent, it was much superior to the third phase fifth stage obstinately small Mo Ye.

“Beng!!”

It was the sixth time the obstinate Mo Ye was knocked flying by the first-rate Mo Ye’s Death Ray.

After the first-rate Mo Ye obtained the advantage, it immediately roared at the obstinately small Mo Ye. In a contemptuous manner, it abruptly pounced onto the obstinate Mo Ye. Its front limbs resolutely trampled on the obstinate Mo Ye’s head. After kicking it a few times, the Mo Ye’s skull was splintered!

Although the obstinately small Mo Ye had reached the third phase fifth stage, its beast type talent was too weak. It wasn’t much different from a second phase Mo Ye. On the other hand, the first-rate Mo Ye’s build was comparable to a normal fourth phase Mo Ye. Under such an evident disparity, how could the obstinate small Mo Ye be that robust fellow’s opponent?!

Fresh blood was already flowing, and the small Mo Ye’s head had been somewhat beaten down. To the side, Qin Menger watched on while nearly biting through her lip. If she didn’t know that this small fellow possessed an extremely tenacious life force, she would have already intervened.

Finally, the first-rate Mo Ye stopped its attacks. It looked at the ostensibly and half-dead small Mo Ye before revealing a contemptuous expression. It began to slowly walk away, planning to leave.

The first-rate Mo Ye's gaze immediately swept over Chu Mu and Qin Menger watching the battle from the side. It seemed to know that these two humans were powerful, and it didn't dare to get near...

"Hou!!"

Suddenly, the obstinately small Mo Ye lying on the ground let out a roar. Its two black eyes glared at the first-rate Mo Ye attempting to leave, and it once again produced a provocation!

The first-rate Mo Ye turned around. It seemed to be surprised that the weak thing still had the strength to roar, as a Death Ray condensed in its throat before shooting out towards the obstinately small Mo Ye!

This obstinately small Mo Ye curled its body up to protect its vitals.

The force of the Death Ray instantly exploded onto its body. Dust flew into the air, and the small Mo Ye was knocked back a few meters again. Its body was full of bloodstains, and there didn't seem to be an intact piece of ink armor anywhere.

The first-rate Mo Ye was aware that the small weak thing would only stop fighting after death. It had already decided to kill the small Mo Ye and quickened its speed, performing Death Assault!!

Shattering Claw!!

This time, the first-rate Mo Ye's shattering claw impressively struck towards the obstinately small Mo Ye's skull. It wanted to give the Mo Ye a fatal strike!

Chu Mu creased his eyebrows, not wanting to see such a unique small fellow die like this. He began chanting an incantation, and planned on giving the obstinate small Mo Ye a Wind Dragon Bind.

However, Chu Mu's incantation came to an abrupt halt halfway!

At this moment, Chu Mu saw a pair of black eyes ignited with incomparably vigorous fighting spirit, as if the fight had just started!

“Hou!!” The obstinately small Mo Ye abruptly let out a roar that caused its skull to fracture again!

This weak small fellow then got up and used its body to withstand the first-rate Mo Ye’s Shattering Claw!!

“Beng!!”

Shattering Claw shattered the remaining ink armor left on the small Mo Ye; however, at this instant, the small Mo Ye’s claws also flickered with a dark light!

Shattering Claw!!

An identical Shattering Claw. The obstinately small Mo Ye had determinedly defended the attack and, despite the opponent’s claw entering its internal organs, it resolutely swept its claws back towards the first-rate Mo Ye’s head!!

“Peng!!”

The ink colored armor shattered, and fresh blood splattered outwards. The first-rate Mo Ye’s head was bent at an awkward angle, as if its neck was broken. Then, it heavily fell sideways onto the ground, causing a wave of turbid mud to splatter, before tumbling under a tree!

The first-rate Mo Ye’s head had suffered from a fatal strike and it struggled a few times, attempting to stand up. However, it continued to fall back down, before finally being unable to stand back up!

“Ta ta ta”

Fresh blood flowed out of the obstinately small Mo Ye’s body. Its ink colored armor was full of fresh blood as it swayed about while standing. It gazed arrogantly down upon the first-rate Mo Ye that had fully lost power to fight.

“Hou Hou!!”

The obstinate and small Mo Ye walked towards its opponent and let out a roar. Then, it hobbled over to Chu Mu and let out another few roars, confirming the few words it had said to Chu Mu a few moments earlier.

Both Chu Mu and Qin Menger were extremely shocked. They stared at the small fellow riddled with wounds and, for a moment, they couldn't say anything!!!

A third phase ninth stage first-rate quality Mo Ye possessed fighting strength that was definitely of the best quality. On the other hand, the obstinately small Mo Ye was only at the third phase fifth stage. Regardless of strength, speed or build, it wasn't on the same level as the first-rate Mo Ye. Nonetheless, the obstinately small Mo Ye managed to turn the tides of battle from a state of devastation and defeat against a clearly superior opponent!!

"This Mo Ye is a soul pet with the most staunch fighting spirit. It can be easily knocked down, but it cannot be easily defeated. As long as its eyes haven't closed, it can still fight!"

Looking at the obstinate small Mo Ye whose eyes would only ignite during a fight, Chu Mu thought of a few words in his head.

These words were told to him by Chu Tiancheng. It was also because of these words that Chu Mu decided to step onto the courageous path of a being soul pet trainer again. Furthermore, he had made it a goal to control a commander rank Mo Ye and persevere step by step through the struggles!

Yet, right now, the Mo Ye lying in front of Chu Mu was really a powerfully small Mo Ye. It was at the third phase ninth stage and regardless of beast type talent or insect type talent - it further possessed a dark attribute - it was much stronger than most other Mo Yes. It belonged to a first-rate level of Mo Ye and after a while of raising and training, it could definitely become a powerful Mo ye!

Nevertheless, the current Chu Mu's attention was not on this defeated first-rate Mo Ye. Instead, he was looking at the third phase fifth stage small Mo Ye who was riddled with scars, but still burning with the most tenacious fighting spirit!

This was the small Mo Ye that truly shocked Chu Mu. Its tenacious fighting spirit was not something that could be measured by normal soul pet terms.

Of the two small Mo Ye's lying in front of Chu Mu, the prior's potential was extremely large. After cultivation and assuming no mishaps, it would become a Mo Ye King.

The latter had an abnormal bug type talent and, after cultivation, an extremely difficult problem would arise. Moreover, because of its inadequate beast type talent, there was a high chance it could lose a Mo Ye's true fighting spirit in the future.

It was a choice. The first-rate Mo Ye could easily allow Chu Mu to control a powerful soul pet, while the obstinately small Mo Ye was a huge risk, and could very possibly become trash.

"A qualified soul pet trainer must consider the potential of a soul pet and its future growth." Chu Mu gradually chanted the soul pact incantation!

"Eighth soul pact, open!" Chu Mu quickly finished the soul pact incantation.

A deep blue colored radiance gloriously curled up his body. Slowly, it transformed into a floating halo containing various different strokes of the soul pact incantation.

"Yes, that's right. Although this small Mo Ye is strong, its aptitude is too poor. The first-rate Mo Ye is easier to train." Qin Menger nodded her head in affirmation. She squatted down and used a soul core to feed the small Mo Ye so that it would no longer follow them and could live by itself in the wild.

Suddenly, a deep blue halo appeared in front of Qin Menger, making her shocked. She suddenly discovered that Chu Mu's soul pact incantation was actually being used on the rather poor talented Mo Ye!!

Qin Menger opened her eyes wide and was exceptionally startled as she glanced at Chu Mu. She completely did not expect Chu Mu to forsake the first-rate Mo Ye whose value very well could have reached 1 million gold coins, and to choose the obstinately small Mo Ye. This Mo Ye could very well become a useless soul pet in the future!!

Truly, Chu Mu had chosen this eminently obstinate small Mo Ye. He also knew that although this Mo Ye displayed very tenacious fighting strength, while training it in the future, it could gradually become a soul pet of no value.

However, Chu Mu believed that as long as the soul pet had incomparable resolution, he could definitely transform it into a true expert. This idea of an expert soul pet was not limited to the realms of a Mo Ye. It reached even higher realms that could challenge even stronger soul pets!

The soul pact halo gradually rose up the obstinate small Mo Ye's body. The light and dark of the soul pact were indeterminate.

"Ping."

Suddenly, the soul pact halo shattered!

It didn't succeed! Chu Mu could feel a sliver of remaining soul remembrance inside the obstinately small Mo Ye's body!

Chu Mu was stunned. He hadn't expected the obstinate small Mo Ye to have already signed a soul pact with a human.

'What happened? Don't tell me that it wasn't willing to become your soul pet?' Qin Menger was somewhat shocked as she looked at Chu Mu who failed the soul pact signing.

Chu Mu shook his head and looked at the imperious obstinate small Mo Ye before slowly saying: "It isn't a wild Mo Ye. Rather, it's an abandoned soul pet whose soul pact was removed by someone..."

Chapter 34: Family Group Encountering Misfortune

An abandoned soul pet - a soul pet which had previously signed a soul pact with a human, but undid the soul pact later.

An abandoned soul pet could be said to be common among soul pets, yet it could also be said to be an uncommon occurrence.

Those who said it was common said so because as a human's strength increased, the soul pets captured at an earlier stage wouldn't be able to keep up with their master's steps. This was caused by the soul pet's aptitude, as well as various other factors. After losing much use in fights, the master would then abandon the soul pet. Abandoning typically meant releasing the soul pet after undoing the soul pact.

Those who said it was uncommon said so because, no matter if one released their soul pet or their soul pet died, the soul required a year in order to recover. In this year, the soul pet space that belonged to the abandoned soul pet wouldn't be able to hold a new soul pet. A new soul pact could only be signed a year later.

For instance, this obstinately small Mo Ye's was Chu Mu's eighth soul pact (third soul, second soul pet). If Chu Mu were to remove a soul pact with it, his soul would be wounded for a year, and his soul power would not be able to reach its full state. Furthermore, the eighth soul pact needed a year before he could sign a soul pact.

Such a cost could be regarded as relatively large. Soul pet trainers normally would rather spend a bit of money to use soul crystals, medicine, attribute stones, equipment etcetera, in order to make up for their soul pet's inferiority. They wouldn't easily remove a soul pact with a soul pet.

"This is the reason why you long for the acknowledgment of humans?" Chu Mu didn't immediately perform a second soul pact incantation. Rather, he extended his hand and softly caressed the Mo Ye's fractured skull.

Any soul pet had its own spirit and dignity. Evidently, this abandoned small Mo Ye's dignity had been fiercely damaged by his master one year ago. Thus, now, when it encountered an opponent, no matter how strong, it had a tenacious resolution to continue fighting- even if it meant death. This was all just to prove that it wasn't a weak small thing in other people's eyes!

"Hou Hou~~" the small Mo Ye let out a low roar and stubbornly shook off Chu Mu's hand. It didn't seem to like humans touching it.

"There are differences between individual people. No matter what enormous flaws there are, the soul pets that I, Chu Mu, choose will not be forsaken, as long as I sign a soul pact with them. I will definitely make them strong," Chu Mu said earnestly.

6"Hou Hou~~" the small Mo Ye also let out a stubborn roar.

Obviously, the small Mo Ye didn't agree with Chu Mu's words. It turned around and walked away. Carrying a body full of wounds, it slowly walked deeper into the forest. Under the darkness of the trees, its ink colored body dyed in bloody red gave Chu Mu a solitary yet haughty image...

"You're letting him walk away like this?" asked Qin Menger.

Looking at the small Mo Ye full with dignity leave, Qin Menger didn't understand why Chu Mu didn't forcibly sign a soul pact with it. Under those circumstances, even if the obstinately small Mo Ye had the intention to resist, he would still probably succeed.

"It has a shadow in its heart towards humans. Even if I forcibly sign a soul pact with it, that shadow will still continue to remain. If it cannot reconcile that, then it will not be able coordinate with me. Although a soul pet's strength is admittedly important, if it cannot link its heart and soul with a soul pet trainer, it will pose a large obstruction..." responded Chu Mu.

"Moreover, soul pets all have lives and souls. They aren't human slaves; no matter how weak or strong they are, their dignity and choice are extremely worth respecting." Chu Mu slowly spoke.

Qin Menger was stunned. She didn't think that Chu Mu would say such words. Her beautiful eyes watched the earnest Chu Mu. Suddenly, she felt that the manner this young man had when he spoke gave her a familiar and venerating feeling. Subconsciously, she felt a wave of sadness and thought of things from the past...

Chu Mu unhurriedly walked to the passed out first-rate Mo Ye, but didn't chant the soul pact incarnation to sign a soul pact. Instead, he opened his soul capture ring and put away the valuable young fellow.

With the obstinately small Mo Ye's departure, Chu Mu could only choose the first-rate Mo Ye. However, Chu Mu didn't plan on making the first-rate Mo Ye his soul pet, because he had a premonition that the obstinate small Mo Ye would still eventually appear in front of him.

After putting away the high priced first-rate Mo Ye, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier and Mo Xie respectively came back to Chu Mu's side, each with a soul core in their mouth.

Chu Mu recalled the Devil Tree Battle Soldier back to its soul pet space and made Mo Xie return to her pitiful appearance. He then planned on walking towards Gangluo City when he suddenly discovered that Qin Menger was charmingly standing there as if she had just secretly wiped away tears...

"What's the matter? You're crying again?" Chu Mu walked to her side and asked inquisitively.

“Just now... just now the words you spoke made me think of my big brother Chu Mu... he... although he didn’t have a soul pet, he was extremely respectful of every soul pet. If... if he were still alive, he would definitely be an extremely formidable soul pet trainer.” the more Qin Menger spoke, the more she grieved. The tears would no longer stop.

Chu Mu was stunned. He looked at the heartrending girl grieving over him, and extended his hand to help her wipe away her tears. He said: “Then why don’t you just think of me as him.”

“Don’t. You’re a scoundrel from Nightmare Palace who uses other people’s lives to feed your own soul pet. You aren’t the same as him.” Qin Menger instantly shook her head and obstinately wiped away her own tears.

Chu Mu was startled before finally realizing something. Presumably, when he was using his soul power to feed his White Nightmare, Qin Menger had seen the white colored devil flame on his body.

A tinge of bitterness surfaced in Chu Mu. Originally, he had planned on telling Qin Menger that he was Chu Mu, but after thinking about it, he didn’t have to.

Mo Ye Forest really couldn’t be considered that confusing. After Chu Mu walked through it once, he already knew where to walk.

Once he determined the direction, Chu Mu brought Qin Menger towards the exit of the forest. According to Chu Mu’s estimate, after exiting Mo Ye Forest and continuing to walk eastward, they would probably be extremely close to Gangluo City.

“Hui~”

A sudden clamor resounded in the forest.

Chu Mu immediately stopped walking, and his gaze looked through the dense trees. He gazed attentively at the chaotic interweaving of various attributed energies not far ahead.

“What’s the matter?” Qin Menger’s perception was inferior to Chu Mu’s, and once she saw that Chu Mu had stopped, she inquisitively asked a question.

“There are multiple people. They are probably caught in a soul pet encirclement.” Chu Mu didn’t summon a soul pet. He used Wind Ride on himself and jumped onto a treetop and looked down at the forest in front of him.

In the front was a group of cyan black and deep brown color clothed people. Each person had a commander rank soul pet, while also controlling two other medium strength soul pets.

However, these people evidently didn’t understand how to survive in a forest. The moment they encountered danger, they summoned all their soul pets. However, by summoning more soul pets, the horde of beasts would then call for their comrades, causing the surrounding forest to be filled with beasts.

“Chu Family Guard?” Chu Mu quickly recognized the cyan black clothed group of soul pet trainers.

Cyan black garments were the unique symbol of the Chu Family Guard. This was the imperial bodyguard of the Chu Family, and it was composed of purely spirit teachers. Each member underwent harsh training and meticulous selection, and they all held an absolute devotion to the Chu Family.

“Second Uncle, Uncle Chu Si?” Chu Mu’s vision was superior to most people. He instantly discovered two familiar people, Chu Tianlin and Chu Si, in the midst of the chaotic fight.

In these four years, those two people hadn’t changed much. Their face was a bit more wrinkled, but Chu Mu could still recognize them.

Chu Mu naturally could guess that the dark brown clothed people should be the Qin Family people. The Qin Family had always maintained good relations with the Chu Family. They most likely came this time with the Chu Family Guard to Broken Forest to find Qin Menger.

With the Chu Family Guard and Qin Family people currently stuck in a tough situation, Chu Mu naturally had to think of a method to save them...

“What’s happening up ahead?” when Qin Menger saw Chu Mu jump off the tree top, she immediately asked a question.

“It’s the Chu Family and your Qin Family people. They should be here looking for us. However, they are being surrounded by a Hunting Wolf pack.” said Chu Mu.

“Huh? Hunting Wolf pack!” Qin Menger immediately panicked.

Although Hunting Wolves were servant rank creatures, they were often in packs. If hundreds or thousands of them appeared, it would be terrifying. Even powerful soul pets would be eaten to a point where their bones wouldn’t even be left.

“Walk about two hundred meters in that direction before stopping, and then summon your Flame Bird. When you see demon fire evil flame fly into the air, immediately make your Flame Bird use Fire Rain to burn the forest. If you still have other fire type soul pets, you can also summon them. With your speed, you need to create a raging fire.” said Chu Mu.

Qin Menger didn’t hesitate and promptly nodded her head. She then ran in the direction Chu Mu pointed towards.

Seeing Qin Menger leave, Chu Mu jumped onto the top of a tree again. He agilely moved between treetops, slowly growing closer to that group of people.

“Mo Xie, it’s up to you.” Chu Mu patted Mo Xie as he spoke.

“Wuwuwu~~” Mo Xie understood Chu Mu’s intention, and jumped off of his shoulder. She quickly jumped into the pack of wolves, and her small body rapidly moved about in the group of Hunting Wolves.

After Mo Xie had left, Chu Mu summoned the Devil Tree Battle Soldier again. In this forest fight, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier’s use could be exhibited to the max.

Once he ordered the Devil Tree Battle Soldier to stay in place, Chu Mu used Wind Ride to jump near the Chu Family Guard’s position. He hid his aura, not wanting to attract any Hunting Wolf’s attention.

“I am the Great Chu Family’s Chu Chen. Listen to my plan, and I can help you free yourselves from this predicament.” Chu Mu’s voice, through soul remembrance, transmitted into the ears of the surrounding Chu Family and Qin Family guards.

Chu Tianlin was the first to receive the message, and his eyes immediately lit up. His gaze scoured through the forest filled with Hunting Wolves in an attempt to search for his savior.

However, when he discovered Chu Mu's figure on a tree top, he let out an astonished expression.

Under the tree this young man was on, there was a large group of Hunting Wolves moving about. However, these Hunting Wolves unexpectedly had not discovered his existence. It was as if this young man had completely melded into the surrounding environment!

Chapter 35: Raging Flame to the Rescue

“Ao Wu!!”

Suddenly, a miserable cry rang out from the pack of wolves. This wolf howl was extremely coarse, and it possessed even more force than other Hunting Wolf voices. However, one could clearly feel that this miserable cry was an exceptionally painful cry!

“This...” the Chu Family Guard's leader, Chu Si was somewhat shocked as he spoke.

From this powerful shout, he could tell that it belonged to a seventh phase Hunting Wolf. Further, once a Hunting Wolf reached the seventh phase, it was very possible that it would become the Hunting Wolf pack's leader!!

“Senior, it seems that someone has killed the wolf clan's leader.” A Chu Family Guard, who was relatively experienced with fighting in the wild, spoke.

Chu Si was stunned, and shockingly stared at the young man who was able to be within the group of wolves without being detected.

“Could it be that his soul pet that killed the Hunting Wolf's leader?” Chu Si slowly said.

The young man didn't look more than twenty years of age. Not only was he able to evade the wolf clan pack's detection, he also surprisingly possessed a powerful soul pet that could dive deep into the wolf pack and kill a commander rank soul pet.

“Hu Hu Hu!!”

While Chu Si and the others were shocked, a sudden pillar of demon fire evil flame shot into the air, magnificently blossoming above the treetops.

The moment the demon fire evil flame rose into the air, waves of mysterious heat rushed in from another area in the forest. An instant later, everyone could clearly feel a fire being started on the eastern end of the forest.

The flames rapidly proliferated, and they were extremely fierce. Quickly, it dyed a large part of the forest in red, transforming the trees into blazing trees on fire.

“Immediately recall the rest of your soul pets and use your fastest soul pets to run towards the fire. The faster the better!” Chu Mu instantly transmitted his voice into everyone’s ears!

Chu Tianlin and Chu Si glanced at the youth, but found that he was still in the same spot. They then looked at the torrential wave of flames in the forest and, for a while, they didn’t know what decision to make.

“If we recall our soul pets and the Hunting Wolves chase us, won’t we be completely finished? Additionally, there is just fire over there. If we rush into it, wouldn’t that just be suicide?!” the Qin Family’s Qin Jia immediately cursed.

“Tianlin, what do you think?” Chu Si looked at the flames growing in the forest and was somewhat hesitant.

The Hunting Wolves numbered in the hundreds or thousands. If they were to recall their soul pets, summoning them out again would be a bit challenging, so they had to carefully consider this.

“Listen to him, recall your soul pets. Everyone retreat to the flames!” Chu Tianlin also knew that this was a dangerous time and, if he were to hesitate any further, it could lead them to being trapped in in the wolf pack.

Chu Tianlin took the initiative to recall his soul pets first, only leaving out the sixth phase Light Rhinoceros. He made the water type soul pet of a Chu Family Guard member forge a path in front that allowed the rest to charge into the fire.

Since the fire was coming from the east, all the Hunting Wolves in the east had already dispersed. After the Chu Family Guard entered the burning forest, they didn't encounter any obstruction from Hunting Wolves!

"Go! Quickly go!! Don't hesitate!" Chu Tianlin yelled at them! As he spoke, Chu Tianlin's Light Rhinoceros abruptly used the Trample technique on the ten Hunting Wolves ahead, knocking them flying!

Chu Si nodded his head, and he immediately brought the last three Chu Family members out. They rode their soul pets into the burning forest.

"Qin Jia, what are you just standing there for? Get your men to recall their soul pets!" Chu Tianlin loudly yelled at the Qin Family people.

Qin Jia glanced at the Chu Family Guard charging into the flaming forest and grit his teeth. He gave an order for everyone to recall their soul pets and, in one breath, everyone rushed into the extremely hot flaming forest.

"Old Lin, you should quickly retreat too!" Qin Jia looked at Chu Tianlin who was the last to leave and yelled towards him.

Yet, the moment Qin Jia left, two sixth phase Hunting Wolves suddenly appeared in front of Chu Tianlin. They immediately pounced towards Chu Tianlin's Light Rhinoceros and managed to haul him off of his formidable Light Rhinoceros!

Chu Tianlin had already used a defensive shield on himself. After falling to the ground, he instantly chanted an incantation. A hurricane formed in front of him, and it swept towards the Hunting Wolves in front!

"Huhuhu~"

Chu Tianlin's soul remembrance was rather strong. Hurricane had reached at least the might of level seven, and it surprisingly managed to sweep ten or so Hunting Wolves up, tossing them high into the air. Soon, a gap appeared in front of him.

Chu Tianlin's Light Rhinoceros was exceptionally valiant. Its body, brimming with power, charged forth and at least a few Hunting Wolves were knocked flying.

Nonetheless, as the other soul pets were recalled, the only person remaining here was Chu Tianlin. Every Hunting Wolf was ostensibly staring at the one person, Chu Tianlin. Moreover, there were at least twenty Hunting Wolves obstructing the path that led to the raging flames in the east.

Chu Tianlin's expression was grave. He quickly leapt onto his Light Rhinoceros' back and attempted to make a path for himself through slaughter. However, a bloody claw flew past, and a wound instantly appeared on Chu Tianlin's and the Light Rhinoceros' body.

"Head straight towards that part of the forest. I'll cut off the back for you." Just at this moment of crisis, that young man's voice rang out again.

Chu Tianlin felt a burst of surprise, and he felt that this young man was way too reticent. He wasn't able to sense when this young man had appeared in front of him!

"But this way won't you fall into the wolf pack?" said Chu Tianlin.

"Quickly leave, second uncle, I have a method to escape." said Chu Mu.

"Second uncle?" Chu Tianlin was stunned. He didn't understand why this young man with immeasurable strength was addressing him like that.

"Leave!"

Chu Tianlin knew that this wasn't the time to ask questions, and he immediately urged his Light Rhinoceros. He brazenly charged through the obstructing Hunting Wolves and slaughtered his way into the forest of torrential flames.

As the fire grew larger and larger, by the time Chu Tianlin had made his way into the forest, many trees had already fallen to the ground. Raging flames had spread onto the path, and he was greeted with a heatwave.

"That's odd. Why does this forest seem to have something like a path?"

After entering the forest filled with flames, Chu Tianlin instantly discovered that the forest was extremely strange. On the two sides of him were flames and, in the middle, there coincidentally happened to be a pathway, as if it had been purposely arranged this way.

Chu Tianlin didn't mull this over for too long. After all, escaping was the most important thing.

The Light Rhinoceros' speed wasn't slow. Quickly, it charged out of the scorching hot forest, and Chu Tianlin found that in front of him, a part of the forest that had been separated. This patch of forest didn't have the slightest bit of fire on it, and the Qin Family and Chu Family Guard were all here.

"Senior, are you okay?" Chu Si immediately helped Chu Tianlin off his Light Rhinoceros.

"I'm fine, I'm fine. It's only my skin that is a bit burnt." said Chu Tianlin.

"Uncle Chu, let my Water Moon heal you." said Qin Menger.

Qin Menger was very careful. She knew that these people would have definitely suffered burn wounds while escaping, so she intentionally summoned her demon type soul pet, the Water Moon Fairy, to heal Chu Tianlin's burn wounds.

Water Moon Fairy: Demon Kingdom - demon type (water type) - fairy species - Water Moon Fairy subspecies - high class warrior rank

Water Moon Fairies had very delicate and petite appearances. From far away, they looked like young girls with white colored hydrophyte hair. Their bodies were very thin, like a jellyfish, and was almost transparent.

Water Moon Fairies could be considered to be mainstream soul pets. Often, one could see a plethora of female soul pet trainers with one. The biggest characteristic of a Water Moon Fairy was its healing technique that could heal wounds caused by any type except water, ice or dark types.

"Isn't this the Meng girl?" Chu Tianlin was stunned, and felt that it was rather mysterious as to how the Qin Menger that the Qin Family was looking for would suddenly appear here.

“Yes. Did uncle Chu see Chu Chen?” Qin Menger made the Water Moon Fairy heal Chu Tianlin’s burn wounds first before looking at the raging fire in the forest and speaking.

“Who is Chu Chen?” the others showed confused expressions.

“It’s that young man who saved you from the wolf pack. Don’t tell me he’s trapped inside there?” Qin Menger immediately adopted an anxious expression.

Chu Tianlin was flabbergasted. Finally, he realized that the young man would probably have a very hard time escaping. After all, when he himself rushed out of the encirclement, a large group of Hunting Wolves pounced at him!

“Wu wu wu wu~~”

Just at this moment, an extremely demonic shout rode along with the wind, as it abruptly resounded from within the flaming forest. Subsequently, a silver furred body burning in demon fire evil flame slowly emerged from the flaming forest. Its measured steps seemed to tread in the fire and, as it ran, its glorious six tails would freely wave about in the fierce red fire. It moved as fast as lightning...

Everyone stared blankly, and looked up at the mysterious young man and the Evil Flame Six Tailed Demon Fox he was riding. He exuded a breathtaking feeling.

Chu Tianlin looked at the young man who helped everyone escape from the Hunting Wolf pack and was extremely shocked in his heart. He had no idea how he managed to escape unscathed from such a large group of wolves.

“This younger brother, I am from Gangluo City’s Chu Family. This time it’s thanks to your help, otherwise we really could have been besieged by that pack of wolves to death. You have immense kindness and immense virtue. Please receive my respect!” Chu Tianlin was an outspoken man and, if there was a favor, he gave his thanks. He immediately gave the proper thanks.

Chu Mu couldn’t receive his own elder’s kowtow and hastily jumped off of Mo Xie back to help up Chu Tianlin.

“Second uncle, please don’t ever be like this. Look carefully at who I am first...” when Chu Mu looked at Chu Tianlin, he was endlessly moved.

In the Chu Family, this second uncle Chu was like Chu Ning. He had always taken very good care of Chu Mu, and Chu Mu could be sure that of those who came to Broken Forest this time, second uncle Chu would make his way without permission. It was all to find him, and it ought to have been Chu Mu who kowtowed to his family, second uncle Chu.

Chu Tianlin lifted his head and stared at the powerful young man riding the formidable Evil Flame Six Tailed Demon Fox...

Chu Tianlin remembered Chu Ning saying that Chu Mu had fallen into Broken Forest with Qin Menger. He intentionally looked at Qin Menger who was surrounded by Qin Family people before looking back at Chu Mu. Suddenly, he found a bit of familiarity within Chu Mu's valiant and acute face!

"You.. you... you are Chu Mu!"

A while later, Chu Tianlin finally uttered those few words. His face was full of disbelief!

Chu Mu's words instantly rendered the entire Chu Family Guard stunned!

The adjacent Qin Menger, after hearing Chu Tianlin's shocking words, trembled, as her beautiful eyes stared at the cold young man from Nightmare Palace who had been together with her for many days!

Chapter 36: New Soul Pet - Mo Ye

Chu Tianlin's gaze was completely blank. He had not expected for this mysterious young man who was riding the eminently powerful Evil Flame Six Tailed Demon Fox in front of him to be Chu Mu.

Chu Mu was his nephew, and Chu Tianlin had watched him grow up for 15 years. Chu Tianlin knew that Chu Mu possessed an outstanding talent like his father. However, it was a pity that he had a very serious wound that rendered him unable to summon a soul pet until he was 15 years old.

Nonetheless, in a short four years, Chu Mu had completely transformed- regardless of his appearance or temperament. The young man who stood in front of Chu Tianlin emitted a mysterious

and imposing aura from head to toe. When Chu Tianlin saw him enter the pack of wolves without being detected, he knew that this was a very remarkable soul pet trainer.

Afterwards, Chu Tianlin then discovered that their rescue had been meticulously planned by this young man. First, he had used a powerful soul pet to murder the wolf pack's leader, causing the wolf pack to lose their organization. Immediately after, he used a forest fire to remove the hunting wolf pack's intention of chasing. Further, within the raging fire, he had used a wood type soul pet to open up an escape path in the burning forest, allowing everyone to escape safe and sound.

Throughout the rescue, he had been meticulously logical, and his strength was unordinary. If he hadn't seen before that he was only a young man, Chu Tianlin would have thought that he encountered some capable expert. Otherwise, how would he have expected the person who saved them from the terrifying wolf pack crisis to be his own nephew, Chu Mu?!

"It really is Chu Mu. It's so hard to believe, it's so hard to believe!!" Chu Tianlin clutched Chu Mu's shoulders. His face full of emotion could no longer hold back, and hot tears began to stream down.

Chu Ning had said before that Chu Mu was very different. Chu Tianlin didn't quite believe that he had defeated Yang Jie, this Yang Family expert. However, right now, why would he call this into question? Chu Mu truly wasn't that weak young boy from back then. He had become an expert who made him feel stunned!!

"Young master Chu." Chu Si naturally realized that the young man with an out of the ordinary grandeur in front of him was the Chu Mu that they were looking for. Immediately, he gave a half-kneel in respect.

Each Chu Family Guard member, including Chu Si, had completely red faces. They had come to the Broken Forest to search for Chu Mu and to rescue him from this dangerous forest. Yet, who would have guessed that they wouldn't be able to find him and were instead besieged by a wolf pack. Moreover, it was extremely shameful that it ultimately was due to young master Chu's help that they managed to escape. This time, when they returned, Chu Si truly didn't have the face to say he managed to complete the family head's important task...

"Second uncle, the wolf pack is still behind us. Let's leave this place first and then slowly talk. Uncle Chu Si, have your men get up and leave here first." said Chu Mu to everyone.

After speaking, Chu Mu recalled the Devil Tree Battle Soldier back into its soul pet space, and promptly summoned the Night Thunder Dream Beast.

Once the eminently demonic Night Thunder Dream Beast appeared, it instantly caused a gasp from everyone. No one had expected this young Chu Mu to have so many powerful soul pets. He even possessed such a rare Night Thunder Dream Beast.

“Who on earth is this Chu Mu?” Qin Jia’s memory wasn’t good, and he asked the adjacent Qin Menger, whose gaze was still clearly stunned.

Even now, Qin Menger hadn’t returned to her usual state. The only thing in her mind was blank space. As she looked at him ride his Night Thunder Dream Beast towards her, she suddenly thought of the words she spoke before, where she called him a scoundrel from Nightmare Palace. Immediately, she felt ashamed, and she didn’t know what to say to Chu Mu.

“Chu Mu, this is still within the range of Mo Ye Forest. There seems to be a hallucination effect. We’ve been trapped here for very long, and we haven’t been able to leave the entire time. We should take our time.” Chu Tianlin rode his Light Rhinoceros alongside Chu Mu as they travelled. His eyes would perhaps intentionally shift to Chu Mu’s Night Thunder Dream Beast now and again.

Chu Tianlin was a knowledgeable man. A Night Thunder Dream Beast of normal quality could reach a value of 500,000 gold coins on the market.

Yet, Chu Mu’s Night Thunder Dream Beast was obviously of top quality. Moreover, it had clearly undergone training and attribute strengthening. From an aura perspective, he could easily sense that it was an extremely first-rate Dream Beast. No matter how he looked at it, it was worth a few million gold. Previously, he had heard Chu Ning estimate that Chu Mu’s Night Thunder Dream Beast was at least worth one million gold, but Chu Ning evidently had underestimated this soul pet.

“Second uncle, follow behind me. I’ll take you guys out of the psychedelic forest.” said Chu Mu.

Chu Mu had already grasped the Mo Ye Forest’s psychedelic effect clearly. It wouldn’t be difficult to get out.

“You know how to leave?” immediately asked Qin Jia. As he spoke, his gaze intentionally shifted to the Qin Family servant who proclaimed to have lived in the wilderness for a long time.

This experienced Qin Family servant promptly said: “This Mo Ye Forest’s psychedelic effect isn’t some casual hallucination. Without many days to grasp it clearly, we simply won’t be able to leave.”

“Just follow me and it’ll be fine.” Chu Mu looked at the Qin Family person and indifferently responded.

“Follow him. He’ll be able to take us out.” Qin Menger trust Chu Mu a lot.

As the sun set, what emerged in front of the Qin and Chu Family was a forest slowly growing more and more familiar. This forest happened to be Gangluo City’s Western Forest.

Gangluo City’s Western Forest was exceptionally lush. All sorts of soul pets lived here, but it was definitely not as dangerous as the Broken Forest. As long as there were people who had lived in the wilderness before, it would be easy to figure out the direction and then leave safely.

Therefore, when it only took the entire group a mere half a day to exit Mo Ye Forest and enter Gangluo City’s Western Forest, everyone let out a flabbergasted expression!

“How is it this fast! When we entered Broken Forest then...” that Qin Family servant was dumbstruck.

Back then, they had spent three days entering the Broken Forest and were then trapped in Mo Ye forest for a few more days. Their entire journey had been them bumping into various different things. Each step had been frightening, and it was eminently dangerous.

Yet, on this return trip, they had barely met any soul pets, and even only used half a day to reach what took them a few days. Moreover, they had safely returned to Gangluo City’s Western Forest.

“You still dare speak?!” Qin Jia immediately glared at the servant who bragged about being familiar with the forest environment.

This family servant shivered from head to foot and whispered: “That younger brother must often roam about here.”

“This younger brother, do you often roam about Broken Forest? Otherwise, how would you know this area so well?” asked Qin Jia.

Chu Mu shook his head and said: "It's my first time coming. I only circled once around Mo Ye Forest."

The Qin Family's family servant felt an urge to spit blood after hearing that! When he lead the way, they had made at least 10 circles around Mo Ye Forest!

Chu Tianlin looked at Chu Mu. His shock at Chu Mu's change still hadn't stopped. After being in contact with him for a short period of time, Chu Tianlin was already sure that the outstanding things Chu Ning told him about Chu Mu were not false. Furthermore, he could see that this was only the tip of Chu Mu's iceberg, because Chu Ning didn't mention that Chu Mu still had an Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox.

"Chu Mu, tell second uncle about your experience over the past few years. You've truly changed too much. Even second uncle somewhat doesn't believe that you're my nephew." said Chu Tianlin.

"I only wandered about by myself, and I suffered from a few restrictions that prevented me from returning. Fortunately, I managed to train myself out there... second uncle, is my father still well? Third brother should have already spread my news back to the family right?" Chu Mu didn't talk about his experience in detail. Instead, he skillfully changed the subject.

His life in the past four years was something Chu Mu found very hard to put to words. Furthermore, Chu Mu didn't like complainers or making others worried. As long as he could return, then everything was fine.

"When Chu Ning told me, my first reaction was to send word to Wugu Region's Great Chu Family and inform your father. Once he receives the news, he will definitely return as soon as possible." said Chu Tianlin.

"Wogu Region's Great Chu Family? Didn't father swear not to step even half a foot in there anymore? How..." Chu Mu was stunned.

Chu Mu couldn't be considered to have very good understanding of his father's matters. Nonetheless, he had more or less heard a few things.

He wasn't the family head Chu Ming's blood-grandson, and his father wasn't Chu Ming's blood-son either. Rather, he was an adopted son. From a young age, Chu Mu's father had grown up in Gangluo City and then returned to Wogu Region's Great Chu Family afterwards. For some unknown reason, a conflict had arisen with Wogu City's city lord and since then, his father swore never to lay even

half a step inside his own true family. Even if he were to carry a crime and return, he would still return to Gangluo City's Chu Family, and not Wogu City's Great Chu Family.

"Sigh, it's due to our incompetence. Ultimately, we still have to rely on Tiancheng to undertake the heavy responsibility of our family. This time, him breaking his pledge and returning to the Great Chu Family is truly too tough on him..." Chu Tianlin heavily sighed and let out a somewhat sad expression.

Seeing Chu Tianlin's heavy tone, Chu Mo went silent. Regarding his father's matters, Chu Mu only knew a vague bit. As for the deeper things, he had no idea. This time, returning to the family, he ought to learn about his father's matters.

"It's better not to say. These things, it's better for you to ask your father yourself... however, Chu Mu, you really are worthy of being Tiancheng's son. In a short four years, your strength is something I dare not even somewhat assess. Very good, very good. Haha, if those short sighted fellows are to know, their expression will definitely be very nice. Especially the Yang Family!" Chu Tianlin dropped the unhappy subjects and then began to loudly laugh.

Chu Tianlin knew that many people in the family felt that Chu Mu was a dispensable third generation child. They looked down on Chu Mu, but right now, Chu Mu had completely changed. When Chu Mu was to exhibit his full strength in front of them, those people's jaws wouldn't be able to close. As for the Yang Family, their eyes would definitely jump out.

"Hu hu hu"

As Chu Tianlin was laughing, suddenly, a faint noise sounded out in the thicket next to him.

Chu Mu was the first to hear the noise. Aware that the others might raise hostility, he immediately pacified everyone and said: "Don't worry, it's a small Mo Ye."

Everyone was shocked. Shortly after hearing the noise, they discovered a small black figure walk out of the thicket. Its black eyes stared unperturbedly at Chu Mu and the small Mo Xie on his shoulder.

"Hou Hou" the small Mo Ye roared at Chu Mu.

Seeing the obstinately small Mo Ye, a smile rose upon Chu Mu's face. Even without using beast language, he could understand what the small Mo ye was saying. Without any hesitation, he slowly chanted the soul pact incantation and opened his eighth soul...

Chapter 37: Causing the Entire Gangluo City to Shake in My Presence

The Chu Family's Courtyard

The Chu Family Guard, Chu Si and the others, half kneeled on the ground. Their heads were lowered as they waited for Chu Ming to speak.

"He helped free you from the group besiegement, and he then brought you out of Broken Forest?" after a while, Chu Ming finally inquired.

"Yes... young master Chu is no longer the young master Chu from back then. He's undergone a huge change." Chu Si's face was red.

As the Chu Family Guard, they were ordered to protect Chu Mu and then safely bring him back to the family.

In the end, the opposite happened. The experienced Chu Mu brought them out of the group besiegement and then safely led them home.

Chu Si had stayed in the Chu Family for many years and was already considered an experienced soul pet trainer. Yet, this matter that had caused him to lose face had happened, making him feel extremely embarrassed...

"Family head, are you not going to see the young master?" Chu Si looked at Chu Ming as he inquired.

"Returning safely is good. Seeing or not seeing him is secondary. Chu Si, withdraw first." said Chu Ming.

Chu Si nodded his head and gave a bow before retreating.

“Father, Chu Mu seems to really have changed. Just now I briefly glanced over him and was able to feel his reserved temperament. It was rather mysterious, and I wasn’t able to fully see through it.” said the eldest, Chu Tianheng.

“Then do you feel that he can become a recommended with his current strength?” Chu Ming looked at Chu Tianheng.

Chu Tianheng was Chu Ming’s eldest son, so Chu Ming understood his nature very well. Chu Tianheng normally didn’t speak very much. He was silent and calm, but he was very precise with his judgement of others. Therefore, when Chu Tianheng was unable to see through Chu Mu, Chu Ming was a bit surprised.

“For the time being, I haven’t understood Chu Mu’s true strength. Him being able to kill Yang Jie shouldn’t be false, but both Chu Xing and Chu He’s strength are above Yang Jie’s. There would be a relatively large amount of danger if we were to recommend him. Chu Mu is still a bit young, and it would be easy for him to be at a disadvantage, so we should still let Chu Xing and Chu He deal with it. After all, they have prepared a long time for this, and they will have better plans at dealing with it.” said Chu Tianheng.

“Mhm, then we should proceed as originally planned.” Chu Ming nodded his head.

Chu Mu’s courtyard was on the eastern end of the Chu Family estate. When he opened his windows in the morning, he could see the sun rising out in the horizon, where the birds would fly. Afterwards, a ray of pure sunlight would shed in front of Chu Mu’s window...

It had been very long since Chu Mu had had this feeling. The moment he woke up, Chu Mu felt that he had returned to four years ago, and that the experiences over these past four years had been but an intense nightmare.

“Wu wu wu”

Mo Xie, who still wanted to sleep, shifted her body, not letting the sunlight affect her sleep. Chu Mu stroked the small fellow’s fur and lightly put her to the side. Then, he had his maid enter and attend to his change of clothes.

The maid had already been changed, and it wasn’t his original maid, so Chu Mu wasn’t too used to this. After washing his face and rinsing his mouth, he changed into a clean set of clothes. The lazy

Mo Xie had finally woken up, and she ran over to the basin to wash her own adorable face before shaking her head to cast off the water droplets.

“The weather isn’t bad.” After returning home, Chu Mu’s mood had improved a lot. His only dissatisfaction was that his father wasn’t here.

When he had returned yesterday, Chu Mu had seen the majority of the Chu Family people. Being able to see the faces of his familiar family caused a wave of emotion and gratitude to surface within Chu Mu’s heart.

Of course, Chu Mu wasn’t a such a naive young man. He knew which people treated him well in the family, and which people had neglected him. To these people who neglected him, Chu Mu simply treated them as if they didn’t exist.

“Young master, the family head wishes for you to go the great hall after morning tea.” said the maid to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu nodded his head and sent the maid off. He fed his soul pets their breakfast before eating his fill himself.

At the great hall, Chu Mu could clearly feel that the Chu Family members present today were relatively many. It seemed that there was going to be a large family meeting.

“Chu Mu, come over to grandfather.” Chu Ming called Chu Mu to his side in front of everybody, and had him sit beside his head seat.

Yesterday night, Chu Ming had already seen Chu Mu, and it was the first time Chu Mu had seen this old man’s tearful appearance.

His grandfather, Chu Ming, had always been extremely loving towards Chu Mu. Even though Chu Mu was unable to summon a soul pet, he still harbored no prejudice towards Chu Mu. Moreover, he had protected him, so Chu Mu’s feelings for his grandfather were naturally rather profound.

Yesterday night, after seeing Chu Ming’s haggard face that seemed to have aged ten years since four years ago, Chu Mu silently decided that he would definitely make the Chu Family rise up within Gangluo City on this trip back.

“Originally, grandfather wanted to have a large feast for you in order to celebrate and welcome you back after such a long time. However, the Chu Family is in troubled times, and is at the time of recommendation. Once the recommendation is over, grandfather will hold a grand adulthood ceremony for you.” said Chu Ming.

Chu Mu nodded his head and didn’t say anything else. His eyes swept over the Chu Family members present today.

The Chu Family was split into two branches. The first was the family head Chu Ming’s, while the other was the second family head Chu Nan’s.

Chu Ming had six sons in total. His eldest son, Chu Tian Heng, and second son, Chu Tianlin, had already been seen by Chu Mu. Chu Tianlin was a quick impulsive and hot blooded uncle. He was also the one who took care of Chu Mu the best.

His son, Chu Ning, had the exact same personality as him. He was full of hot blood and was justice-seeking, unable to tolerate the acts of crafty individuals.

Chu Mu’s big uncle, Chu Tianlin, was a reserved man whose personality was introverted and calm. Any small or large matter in the family had to go through him. Chu Tianheng had one son and one daughter who, respectively, were Chu Xing and Chu Qian.

Chu Xing was the eldest brother among the Chu Family’s third generation, and he was the strongest amongst the Chu Family’s younger generation. Chu Qian was the eldest sister in the Chu Family, but had been fancied by the Great Chu Family. Currently, she was a female disciple in the Great Chu Family’s inner family. Apparently, she was rather famous.

Chu Ming’s third son was Chu Tianqi, who had passed away a few years ago in the wilderness.

His son, Yang He, was the Chu Family young generation’s second expert, and had received the Chu Family’s attention.

Chu Ming’s fourth son was Chu Tiancheng, also Chu Mu’s father. Chu Tiancheng had come from the Great Chu Family, and it was rumored in the family that because of the Great Chu Family’s successor dispute, Chu Tiancheng, with his meager one person strength, had been cast aside and sent to the remote Gangluo City’s Chu Family clan...

Chu Ming's fifth son was Chu Tianren, who was in charge of foreign family business. He only had one girl, Chu Yishui, in the family who was the small sister of the family.

Chu Ming's sixth son, Chu Tianjue, was in charge of the Chu Family's servants. His power was only second to Chu Tianheng's. His daughter, Chu Ying, had strength that was second to Chu He. She was a relatively overbearing young lady within the family.

In the Chu Family side branch, there was another young expert called Chu Lang. His strength was ranked in the top five among the Chu Family young experts and he had been valued as extremely important by the Chu Family.

The other line of descendents was the second family head Chu Nan's. The heirs of Chu Nan were not many. Chu Nan only had one son, Chu Tianjing, whose son was Chu Yi.

Chu Yi was the most arrogant young master of the Chu Family, and his strength could barely be considered fifth among the Chu Family young experts.

Chu Yi's natural disposition was impudent, and it brought the Chu Family a lot of trouble. Towards others, he was unkind and rude. Back when Chu Mu was unable to summon a soul pet and didn't have the qualifications to become a soul pet trainer of his generation, he often suffered from this fellow's mockery and ridicule.

Yesterday, when Chu Mu returned with the Chu Family Guard, Chu Yi had intentionally used a phrase to mock Chu Mu: "There's another vermin in the family again."

Chu Yi was the only grandson of Chu Nan and could be said be very doted upon. Often, there wasn't anyone who provoked this evil Chu Family tyrant.

Of course, Chu Mu had a means of controlling this fellow, through his eldest brother, Chu Xing. Chu Xing's strength was the strongest, and if Chu Yi did anything excessive, Chu Xing would ignore his granduncle Chu Nan's doting on this child and fiercely beat him as always.

When Chu Mu returned yesterday, Chu Xing didn't want to ruin their brotherly atmosphere of reunion, and couldn't be bothered to argue with that fellow and his character.

As for this morning's meeting in the Chu Family great hall, Chu Mu could see Chu Yi's arrogant gaze. If it was before, Chu Mu could have been annoyed, but right now, he acted as if this despicable fellow didn't exist.

This morning's meeting was clearly to discuss the recommendation in three months.

The recommendation was the most important competition in Gangluo City. Each large family would nominate five young experts to enter the entire Gangluo City's public competition.

The original intention of the recommendation wasn't to have a competition between the large families. Rather, it was for each family to nominate exceptionally outstanding people, and to recommend them to the Luo Region City to participate and see who was the best.

However, as the conflicts between each large family in Gangluo City grew more fierce, the recommendation of young experts in Gangluo City became a secondary matter. Firstly, it would truly be very hard for the young experts from the families in Gangluo City to compete with the gathering of experts from numerous other cities. Secondly, the recommended people would often be preselected by the city's hegemon, the Yang Family. After all, the entire Luo Region was essentially the Greater Yang Family's region.

Therefore, the recommendation gradually evolved into a competition between the various large families' younger generation with territory on the line!

One important factor of the prosperity of a family was its capital, and its deep-seated connections. Yet, even more importantly was the territory each family possessed.

The most important thing a family could not lack was powerful soul pet trainers. As for the origins of soul pet trainer's soul pets, they would often be through their families, whether by means of purchasing them or obtaining them in territories.

The territory of a family often had visible trademarks, and it was prohibited for outsiders of the family to capture and kill soul pets there.

These territories would often have extremely rich sources of soul pets that could fit the needs of various different soul pet trainers. If there was a surplus of supply, they could be sold to other factions, and immense profits could be obtained.

Normally, one piece of regular sixth rank territory had four fairly good commander rank soul pets that could be obtained from within every year. There were also many warrior rank and servant rank soul pets and, through careful selection, could have an aptitude not inferior to commander ranks. In this way alone, a family could virtually be able to cultivate many experts with commander rank soul pets!

Therefore, territory was the most valuable asset of a family, and it maintained the lifeline of a family's development!

The meeting this time clearly was to decide the five members of the recommendation competition. Truthfully, everyone present knew what was going on.

"This time, Chu Xing will lead the team and the team members will consist of Chu He, Chu Yi, Chu Ying and Chu Lang."

"I hope that you will be able to fight back a few pieces of territory for the family!"

Chu Ming's gaze swept through the five people sitting under him as he seriously spoke.

"Yes!!!"

The five people earnestly nodded their heads and received the Chu Family's important task.

Hearing that Chu Mu's name wasn't in the five people, Chu Ning and Chu Tianlin immediately revealed questioning expressions. They had already told Chu Ming about Chu Mu's strength, so Chu Ming should have considered putting Chu Mu into the team.

"Grandfather, why aren't you letting Chu Mu compete?" suddenly spoke Chu Ning.

Chu Ning had witnessed Chu Mu fight Yang Jie and, although Chu Mu could only summon two soul pets, his strength was comparable to those soul masters. If he were to let Chu Mu participate, their hope of winning this recommendation was extremely large.

"That's right father. Chu Mu's current strength is very powerful. His Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox seems to have already reached the fifth phase. His Night Thunder Dream Beast is also at the

fifth phase fifth stage. Even with this, could it be that it's still not enough to be in this generation's top five?" Chu Tianlin was very surprised by Chu Ming's announcement.

"An Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox!! A Night Thunder Dream Beast!"

When Chu Tianlin spoke of Chu Mu's soul pets, it instantly caused a huge gasp!

Night Thunder Dream Beasts and Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Foxes were rare soul pets. If they were fostered, their strength truly was enough to contend against the Chu Family's top five!

"Chu Mu has just returned to the family and is probably very tired. There's no need for him to participate in such a dangerous competition." said Chu Ming.

"But..." Chu Tianlin and Chu Ning still wanted to persuade him.

Chu Ming creased his eyebrows, indicating that these two shouldn't speak any further.

"Grandfather, since Chu Mu can summon soul pets now, then he should help our family. Fortunately, a few days ago, younger sister troubled me to bring her to our family territory to help her capture a soul pet. How about this, why doesn't Chu Mu accompany younger sister to our territory. It just so happens that I should be using my time to train my soul pets." Chu Yi tactlessly said.

"Yes, that works too. Chu Mu, why don't you rest for the next few days. If you have time, bring younger sister to our territory. There shouldn't be a problem, right?" The second family master Chu Nan nodded his head without waiting for Chu Ming, and he removed Chu Mu from the discussion.

Chu Mu looked at Chu Nan, but indifferently nodded his head: "There's no problem."

Chu Mu had just obtained a new soul pet, the Mo Ye. The small Mo Ye was at the third phase fifth stage, and happened to need fights with a few low phase and low stage soul pets to accumulate fighting experience and quickly grow and evolve.

Chu Ming specially glanced at Chu Mu and saw that there was no trace of dissatisfaction. He then nodded his eyes and swept his gaze over everyone.

“Then we’ll end today’s meeting here. Everyone can leave.” Chu Ming said to everyone.

Everyone nodded their heads and paid their respects before leaving. As they left, they ostensibly were all discussing Chu Mu’s Night Thunder Dream Beast and Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox.

Very soon, the only people remaining in the hall were Chu Mu, Chu Ming, Chu Tianheng, and Chu Tianlin, who felt very aggrieved by the situation just now.

“Father, what are you doing? Chu Mu is no longer the Chu Mu from back then. He’s capable of undertaking our family’s important task. Why are you excluding him?!” Chu Tianlin was impulsive and in one breath, he spat out what was making him aggrieved.

Chu Ming ignored Chu Tianlin and instead looked at Chu Mu. He slowly said: “Chu Mu, you should understand why grandfather doesn’t want you to participate, right?”

Chu Mu nodded his head and said: “Grandfather doesn’t want something to happen to me; moreover, grandfather wants me to train a few years and participate in the next recommendation, right?”

Chu Ming and Chu Tianheng both nodded their heads in praise.

The two of them truly had guessed that Chu Mu’s current strength was very formidable, capable of reversing the situation.

However, Chu Mu currently could only summon two soul pets, and his age was a bit younger than the five others. Thus, the probability of danger was higher.

Instead, it would be better to let the very promising Chu Mu develop for a few years and have him participate in five years. At that time, he would definitely be able to sweep through all of Gangluo City’s experts!

“Grandfather is very grateful that you have such a heart. Just now, I was afraid that you thought grandfather was giving you the cold shoulder. Right now, you can be said to be our family’s winning treasure. I’m sure that in five years, you will definitely cause the entire Gangluo City to shake in your presence!” Chu Ming patted Chu Mu on the shoulder and said earnestly.

Chu Mu merely nodded his head, but what he was thinking in his heart was completely different from what Chu Ming was thinking!

“Then I’ll have to trouble you to accompany Yishui to our family territory. You can temper yourself there, and if you have anything you need, don’t hesitate to tell grandfather. Grandfather will try his best to give anything to you.” said Chu Ming.

“Thanks, grandfather.” said Chu Mu.

“Ok, you can go first then. I need to discuss a few things with your big uncle and second uncle.” Chu Ming said to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu gave a simple bow before slowly walking away in large strides out of the large hall.

Seeing Chu Mu leaved so unperturbed, Chu Tianheng’s eyes slightly changed. He said: “Chu Mu has truly grown up. Just now he didn’t even say anything even under those circumstances. Moreover, his gaze didn’t change at all. Such shrewdness and calmness isn’t something your average person possesses.”

Chu Ming nodded his head in agreement and said: “I hope that he will bring our Chu Family hope.”

Once he left the hall, Chu Mu quietly stood in place facing the expansive residence. He looked exactly like an immobile statue.

A while later, a smile slowly surfaced on Chu Mu’s face as he thought:

“Five years?”

He simply didn’t need such a long time. In three months, he would cause the entire Gangluo City to shake in his presence!!

Nightmare Palace’s immense power wasn’t something a Luo Region could compare with. Moreover, Chu Mu, who had an eminently high position in Nightmare Palace, already belonged to the ranks of peak experts. In the entire Luo Region, perhaps only the Luo Region Nightmare Prince

who was famous both in Nightmare Palace and outside, could compete with Chu Mu. Chu Mu simply didn't need to put the other figures in his eyes.

Right now, Chu Mu was already enough to sweep through Gangluo City. As for five years later, Chu Mu felt that he would be able to sweep through the Luo Region, irrespective of age.

Chu Ming didn't understand Chu Mu's true strength. Yet, Chu Mu didn't mind. In these three months, Chu Mu would keep a slightly low profile until the day of the competition, where he would cause his family, the Yang Family, and even the entire Gangluo City to tremble in his presence!

Chapter 38: Territory Crisis(1)

Over these three months, Chu Mu's most important goal was to raise the Night Thunder Dream Beast, the Devil Tree Battle Soldier, and the Mo Ye's strength. In this way, Chu Mu would be more than sufficiently equipped. Even if he were to face a few experts who weren't young people, he still wouldn't need to be too worried.

Of course, one of the best methods to quickly increase his strength was to spend a large sum of money and purchase soul crystals for his soul pets to train with.

Chu Mu still had the Devil Tree Battle Soldier's soul crystal, and he planned on using it for the Devil Tree Battle Soldier to train with when it reached the fifth phase eighth stage.

The Night Thunder Dream Beast had already used its crystal during training already. For a short while, it would be very difficult to absorb soul crystal energy, but Chu Mu possessed a heavenly demon orchid. As long as he spent fifty thousand gold coins to purchase demon spirit's tears, and another fifty thousand coins for a medicinal master to concoct the heavenly demon tears, it probably wouldn't be an issue for the Night Thunder Dream Beast to rise to the sixth phase.

As for the small Mo Ye, Chu Mu felt that he really had to spend a very large sum to purchase first-rate soul cores, soul crystals, and soul items to strengthen the small Mo Ye's beast attribute, thereby increasing its fighting strength.

The first thing he had to buy was naturally a sixth level beast and bug dual type soul crystal, with an emphasis on the beast type. Then, he could supplement the small fellow's beast bloodline deficiency.

Chu Mu still had another first-rate lineage Mo Ye in his storage ring. This Mo Ye's value was nearly one million gold coins. Since Chu Mu was currently lacking in funds, he planned on anonymously putting the small Mo Ye up for sale in the Soul Pet Palace, and selling it to the person who made the highest offer, exchanging it for sufficient coins.

Chu Mu was extremely familiar with Gangluo City, and he easily found the Soul Pet Palace. What made Chu Mu surprised was that when he arrived, he happened to see Ting Yu taking out a Storm Devil Colt, as if she was about to go somewhere.

"Young master Chu..." When Ting Yu saw Chu Mu, a smile blossomed on her face.

It was just recently that Ting Yu had heard from a subordinate that Chu Mu had returned to his Chu Family. She planned on leaving but didn't expect Chu Mu to appear so soon.

"Nightmare Prince!" two black garbed men behind Ting Yu immediately half-knelt, paying their respects to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu nodded his head and said to Ting Yu, "You being here is perfect timing. I've obtained a first-rate Mo Ye, so can you help me sell it at an auction? Then, use the money from the auction to buy me a sixth level beast and insect type soul crystal. After that, buy me a demon spirit's tears, and have a medicinal master concoct heavenly demon tears. Afterwards, look for any soul items that can be used to supplement a beast type deficiency..."

“Young master...” Ting Yu’s expression was secretly bitter. After just seeing him again, Chu Mu had ordered her to complete a large pile of trivial tasks. Ting Yu didn’t even have time to fret over Chu Mu falling into Broken Forest.

“Aren’t you lacking a soul pet? By chance, I happen to be hunting for soul pets, so if I see a fitting one, I’ll capture it for you,” said Chu Mu.

With a reward, Ting Yu was obviously happy, and a smile rose on her face as she said: “Young master, I just heard from Gangluo City’s market that there happens to be a devil tree heart. This item can be used on your Devil Tree Battle Soldier.”

“Oh?” Chu Mu raised his eyebrows.

Chu Mu’s Devil Tree Battle Soldier was a highly talented soul pet, and it could barely match a low class commander rank.

However, this was far from being enough for Chu Mu. Fortunately, the devil tree heart was a soul item that could greatly increase a wood type soul pet’s wood attribute. If he could use it on the Devil Tree Battle Soldier, its wood type control would become even stronger. Even if it encountered a commander rank of identical phase and stage, it had a chance of not losing!

“The price is hefty, right?” asked Chu Mu.

“Yes, the base price is already at 500,000 gold coins.” said Ting Yu.

Chu Mu bitterly laughed, and shook his head. It seemed that his funds would never be enough. Originally, he wanted to use the extra money to purchase some extravagant soul equipment for his soul pets. Yet, that option didn't seem very likely anymore.

Currently, Chu Mu had to feed five soul pets. During his last time in Nightmare City, he had spent 150,000 gold coins on soul cores that had all been eaten by his large appetite soul pets. Right now, he had to spend at least 200,000 gold coins to buy a month's worth of food for his soul pets.

Completing the heavenly demon tears required around 100,000 gold coins, and the auction price of the demon tree's heart was presently 500,000 gold coins. Without 1 million gold coins, it would be very difficult to actually purchase it. After all, it was a soul item that could greatly increase wood type abilities.

There was still the small Mo Ye's sixth level soul crystal that needed at least 200,000 gold coins.

In other words, even if the first-rate Mo Ye were sold for 1 million gold coins, Chu Mu would still be lacking 500,000 gold coins...

"The two of you follow her and make sure of her safety." Chu Mu said to the Devil Attendants who had a fifth ranking title in Nightmare Palace.

These two Devil Attendant's strengths weren't below Yang Jie's, and Chu Mu himself didn't need their protection. As for Ting Yu, who was about to become his public representative in Gangluo City, she naturally needed protection. After all, when she went to sell the first-rate Mo Ye on his behalf, it would be very easy to encounter other people's greed.

"Yes!" The two Devil Attendants promptly saluted and continued to follow beside Ting Yu.

Once he left soul pet palace, Chu Mu returned to his family clan where he intentionally borrowed a large enough soul capture ring from Chu Ming. He planned on fixing his serious lack of funds on his trip into the wild this time.

Chu Mu remembered that the Chu Family's territory should be in the Luoye Mountain Range, and if one were to continue walking eastward, he or she would reach Broken Forest. The dangers of Broken Forest were very threatening, but the soul pets there were extremely plentiful.

Chu Mu planned on using the opportunity of helping his cousin find a suitable soul pet to wander about in Broken Forest again. Firstly, he would be able to train his small Mo Ye while secondly, he would be able to solve his problem of funds!!

"Brother, brother Chu Mu..."

When his cousin Chu Yishui saw the handsome and pleasant Chu Mu, an adorable smile burst forth on her face as she amiably greeted Chu Mu.

"Yishui, it's been many years since we've seen each other. You've already grown into a beautiful young lady." Chu Mu laughed and stroked this younger sister's cheek.

In the past, when Chu Mu could not summon soul pets, he was pretty much the most unoccupied person in the family. Moreover, Chu Yishui's father and mother were not in the clan, so this small girl would play with the only person who would accompany her, Chu Mu, when she had nothing to do. The relationship between the two of them was rather good.

"Mhm, Yishui wanted to speak with brother yesterday, but a number of people were surrounding you and I wasn't able to speak... that said, brother is turning more and more handsome. Yishui

nearly didn't recognize you." Chu Yishui was still young and didn't think very much. Quickly, she was talking very intimately with Chu Mu.

Although Chu Mu was the one bringing Chu Yishui into their territory, for Chu Mu's safety sake, Chu Ming still specially deployed the Chu Family Guard head, Chu Si, to accompany the two. He wanted to prevent the tragedy from four years ago from happening again.

Chu Si's soul pet that he rode on was a Light Rhinoceros that had reached the sixth phase third stage. Its fighting strength was probably rather formidable. As for Chu Mu, he naturally rode the Night Thunder Dream Beast. Chu Si would blush with shame when his sixth phase Light Rhinoceros was simply unable to keep up with Chu Mu's Night Thunder Dream Beast when they ran at full speed.

"Young master Chu Mu, in my opinion, you fundamentally don't need my protection, right?" Chu Si's ability to judge others was exceptional, and he knew that Chu Mu's strength definitely wasn't as simple as what was portrayed on the outside.

Back in Broken Forest, Chu Si remembered the wolf pack leader's mysterious and ineffable death that caused the wolf pack to lack a leader. Naturally, it was Chu Mu's soul pet that killed the wolf pack leader, so Chu Si was sure that Chu Mu still had even stronger soul pets than the Night Thunder Dream Beast.

"That's true. Uncle Chu Si can attend his own affairs. There isn't a need to follow us." laughed Chu Mu as he spoke.

"The family head is very sensitive towards young master's safety. It's probably best if I still follow. Once I deliver young master and young lady to the territory, I will go back. Afterwards, the territory's Chu Family Guard will bring you back," Chu Si said earnestly.

Luoye Mountain Range couldn't be considered to be too far away. After leaving in the morning, they arrived at approximately noontime. There were also a few Chu Family members defending the Luoye Mountain Range. These people were defending against foreigners who tried to enter the Chu Family territory in order to poach soul pets.

Under Luoye Mountain Range was a simple Chu Family residence, where the Chu Family members who protected the territory or were temporarily here to capture soul pets stayed. Once Chu Mu and Chu Yishui entered the residence under Luoye Mountain Range, Chu Si's accompaniment was complete, and he returned to the family clan.

The extremely excited Chu Yishui ate her lunch before impatiently making Chu Mu let her ride his free and unrestrained Night Thunder Dream Beast into the Luoye Mountain Range to kill. Ultimately, the family servant soul pets weren't able to keep up with the Night Thunder Dream Beast's speed and before long, they were left behind.

Thus, the entire mountain reverberated with anxious shouts of: "Young master~young lady, where are you~~."

"I wasn't able to see that you had already become a fourth remembrance soul soldier. You can have five soul pets, right?" Chu Mu felt somewhat surprised once he learned of Yishui's strength.

"That's only natural." Chu Yishui revealed a slightly proud expression.

"Then what soul pet do you want? The soul pet quality on this territory is barely okay. I'll try my best to pick a top quality one for you." Chu Mu looked all around, and he found that the soul pets here were rather many. Nonetheless, he felt that their quality was only average... perhaps Chu Mu's standards was too high.

"Brother, I want an Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox..." excitedly said Chu Yishui.

“...” Chu Mu was speechless.

It was obviously impossible to help Chu Yishui find an Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox. Even disregarding an Evil Flamed Six Tailed Demon Fox, it could already be considered extremely lucky to see a Six Tailed Demon Fox.

“It’s a Demon Spirit Butterfly. I want it...” Chu Yishui seemed to have spotted a cute soul pet that she wanted. However, this was already the twentieth time this afternoon Chu Yishui had said these words.

“Demon Spirit Butterfly, high class warrior rank, wind type, agility type soul pet, fourth phase third stage. It’s maturation condition isn’t bad.” in one glance, Chu Mu was able to discern the Demon Spirit Butterfly that had settled on a tree leaf.

Demon Spirit Butterflies probably were rather favored by females. Such a soul pet had an elegantly beautiful exterior, while also having an imposing and powerful wind type controlling ability. It’s dodging ability and agility level often incessantly annoyed many soul pets, who were ultimately whittled down by the omnipresent wind type techniques and were defeated.

To deal with this soul pet, Chu Mu naturally wouldn’t let his first four powerful soul pets deal with it.

Chu Mu made Mo Xie return to her soul pet space for a nap before chanting an incantation and opening the Mo Ye’s soul pact.

A black pattern gradually appeared under the Night Thunder Dream Beast, and the obstinately small Mo Ye covered in ink black armor slowly appeared. It calmly stood in the black halo of light, and its eyes apathetically stared in front.

“Mo Ye? A second phase Mo Ye?” Chu Yishui immediately blinked her eyes, and she looked at the extremely weak small fellow. She seemed to want to extend her hand to stroke the small Mo Ye’s glossy armor.

If a soul pet trainer didn’t have enough experience, he or she could easily mistake a soul pet’s phase and stage. Of course, the obstinately small Mo Ye’s figure was a bit smaller than normal, so it wasn’t strange that the inexperienced Chu Yishui would regard it as the second phase.

“Zhan Ye, the Demon Spirit Butterfly is an agility type soul pet, be careful dealing with it.” Chu Mu said to the small Mo Ye.

Zhan Ye was the nickname Chu Mu gave the Mo Ye. Chu Mu felt that there was nothing that better described the obstinately small Mo Ye’s character than the word “Zhan.”

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“Hou hou~~” Zhan Ye slowly strode forwards, and its two black eyes immediately focused on the resting Demon Spirit Butterfly.

“Brother, aren’t you bullying your small Mo Ye? That is Demon Spirit Butterfly is fourth phase second stage.” Chu Yishui felt that Chu Mu could have summoned the wrong soul pet, and she warned Chu Mu.

“Don’t worry; it will be able to defeat such an opponent.” A smile rose on Chu Mu’s face. He was 100% confident in the small Mo ye.

Chu Yishui was half believing and half skeptical. Her big beautiful eyes watched Chu Mu command the eminently weak and small Mo Ye forward to fight the Demon Spirit Butterfly, which had already exhibited a bit of its demonic aura. No matter how she looked at it, she felt that the small Mo Ye would be knocked flying by a gust of wind.

Indeed...

When the small Mo Ye infuriated the Demon Spirit Butterfly, the Demon Spirit Butterfly used Tornado, and it tossed the Mo Ye aside. The small Mo Ye then heavily fell from the sky onto the ground, causing a Chu Yishui to feel a wave of heartache.

Normally, a third phase fifth stage Mo Ye’s build was around 1.5 meters, and the Demon Spirit Butterfly’s tornado should not have been able to easily lift up the commander rank Mo Ye’s body. However, Chu Mu’s Zhan Ye possessed a body that was clearly too weak and small...

Towards Zhan Ye’s injury from the fall, Chu Mu didn’t pay it any heed. After all, Zhan Ye had the self-healing rate of six times that of other soul pets, and there was a chance that the injury from the Tornado’s fall would already be healed before the end of the fight.

“Brother, you can still change soul pets. That small fellow is so pitiful.” the more Chu Yishui watched, the more her heart ached.

“Even if I wanted to recall it, it may not want to recall.” said Chu Mu.

Indeed, Chu Mu's small Mo Ye had a very obstinate temper. As long as it believed it could defeat its opponent, it absolutely would not give up.

"But..." Chu Yishui was about to persuade him more when she suddenly discovered that Chu Mu's Mo Ye abruptly stepped into a stride. Its speed grew quicker, and its tiny and agile body used the tree to promptly jump over ten meters high!!

Chu Yishui was stunned!

The Mo Ye had just been miserably thrown back by the Demon Spirit Butterfly. How was it that nothing was wrong? It seemed like it had just been summoned to fight!

Zhan Ye wouldn't rashly launch an attack. The moment it launched attack, it would definitely be a fatal one!

Shattering Claw!!

Its thick, ink armored claws fiercely swatted the Demon Spirit Butterfly's body. One strike to shatter. It seemed to have completely shattered the Demon Spirit Butterfly's wing!!!

"Hou!!" After Zhan Ye finished its attack, its tiger and panther- like body firmly stamped down, and it kicked the Demon Spirit Butterfly out of the air, into the ground.

"Boom!!" Dust instantly flew everywhere! The Demon Spirit Butterfly had been buried deep into the rocky mud, and found it hard to spread its wings and fly again!

Chu Yishui opened her eyes wide as she stared at this scene. For a moment, she couldn't say anything. She did not at all expect this small Mo Ye, under consecutive wounds, to have been able to still burst forth with such strength. In one strike it had defeated the fourth phase second stage Demon Spirit Butterfly.

"This Demon Spirit Butterfly is very average." Chu Mu called Zhan Ye back, but didn't kill the Demon Spirit Butterfly. However, he didn't let Chu Yishui pick this soul pet.

"Oh, oh..." Chu Yishui still hadn't recovered from her shock and foolishly nodded her head.

Chapter 39: Territory Crisis(2)

After the fight, Chu Yishui's small mouth stayed agape, because Chu Mu's small Mo Ye was simply a freak! The fellow seemed to have unlimited fighting strength; throughout the entire afternoon, this small Mo Ye didn't stop fighting. No matter if it was a fifth phase servant rank, fourth phase warrior rank, or even stronger soul pets, the small soul pet would still defeat its opponent in battle while staggering around, ready to fall. Yet, not long after defeating its opponent, the small Mo Ye's fighting strength would recover, and it would continue on to fight its next opponent!

Chu Yishui was a Chu Family member, and she wasn't unfamiliar towards Mo Yes. Although she knew Mo Yes possessed extremely formidable self-healing ability, there was none that could compare to a Mo Ye that could continuously fight a whole afternoon and whose wounds would heal so quickly!

"Brother, your Mo Ye is very abnormal. Although it doesn't have much fighting strength, its vitality is too powerful. Without sufficient strength, there's no way to actually injure it." Chu Yishui said to Chu Mu.

A smile rose on Chu Mu's face. If Zhan Ye wasn't strong, why would Chu Mu sign a soul pact with it? Chu Mu believed that with Zhan Ye's hard work and the training that he gave it, Zhan Ye would definitely become powerful soul pet that surpassed its own species limitation!

Choosing Chu Yishui's soul pet couldn't be done very carelessly and over the course of the afternoon, while Chu Yishui felt that there were many fairly good soul pets, Chu Mu felt that these soul pets didn't have adequate potential, and wouldn't let Chu Yishui sign a soul pact.

During the day, Chu Mu needed to train the Mo Ye's fighting ability, so he would slowly accompany Chu Yishui as she chose her soul pet. Chu Yishui was also a future hope for the Chu Family, so secretly helping Chu Yishui was also a consideration for the Chu Family's development in the future.

At night, Chu Mu let Chu Yishui fall asleep first, before he quietly left the residence.

Once he left the Chu Family residence, Chu Mu immediately hopped onto the Night Thunder Dream Beast. They sped towards the depths of the exceptionally dangerous Broken Forest...

On the second day, when dawn began to break through the sky, Chu Mu returned from the Broken Forest on his elegant Night Thunder Dream Beast. This time, his gains could be considered fairly good. Chu Mu estimated that the two soul pets he captured could be sold for at least 100,000 gold coins.

“Chi”

Just as Chu Mu was approaching the Chu Family residence, a sudden ball of blue flame peculiarly ascended into the dusky sky. It then blossomed open.

“The Nightmare Palace’s devil fire signal?” Chu Mu was somewhat confused, as he looked towards the place where the ball of flame had shot into the air. He then turned around and immediately rushed towards that place.

The Night Thunder Dream Beast’s top speed was extremely quick. A short while later, Chu Mu had found the location of the Nightmare Palace message and he promptly discovered three Devil Attendants with fifth ranking titles standing on the dusky grass, like spectres.

The three Devil Attendants saw Chu Mu rush over, and they immediately half-knelt on the ground to greet Chu Mu upon his arrival.

“What’s the matter?” Chu Mu looked at the three Devil Attendants and indifferently spoke.

“Nightmare Prince, your maid had this subordinate deliver you this letter.” the leader of the Devil Attendants respectfully handed over a letter to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu opened the letter, and he read the information Ting Yu was informing him. His eyebrows creased.

In the letter, Ting Yu detailed that while she was going to the auction, the Zhou Family people had proposed a price of 1.2 million gold coins to purchase the first-rate Mo Ye. Ting Yu didn’t hesitate to sell it to them. At the same time, she heard that they seemed to be colluding with the Yang Family, planning to lure a Demon Ant Emperor to Luoye Mountain Range, and then letting it take over the Chu Family’s territory.

Ant Kings were the leader of an ant clan, and could ceaselessly spawn offspring. This kind of Ant King was an extremely dangerous soul pet. Once it became stationed in a certain territory and began to ceaselessly spawn offspring, it would badly ruin the surrounding ecology, causing all soul pets to evacuate. This would then turn the entire territory into a dangerous ant colony!

“These fellows have an undying will to destroy my Chu Family!” sneered Chu Mu.

Since the Yang and Zhou Family’s various methods were becoming increasingly many, Chu Mu naturally would not sit and wait. He would also cause them a bit of trouble, and let them taste the flavor of revenge!

“You three, do you know the precise location?” asked Chu Mu.

“This subordinate has already found out through investigation.” said the head Devil Attendant.

Chu Mu nodded his head in satisfaction. It seemed like bringing Ting Yu back with him was a smart idea. Ting Yu was extremely smart, and such matters would be completed with extreme thoroughness. She even thought of Chu Mu wanting to launch a counteroffensive against the Zhou and Yang Families, and she had intentionally left the three Devil Attendants to help Chu Mu.

“I remember that the Yang Family has a piece of territory nearby. Let’s destroy one of their economic lifelines first,” a smile surfaced on Chu Mu’s face. He rode on his Night Thunder Dream Beast, leading the three Devil Attendants directly towards the Yang Family territory.

The three Devil Attendants immediately summoned their soul pets. Like three devoted dark horsemen, they followed closely behind Chu Mu, and rushed headlong through the dusky forest...

After noontime, the sunlight should have been bright and beautiful, but for some unknown reason, a sudden sinister cloud had floated into Luoye Mountain Range. The sinister cloud caused a strange, fiendish gale to blow through the entire mountain range.

“What’s the matter? Just now it was fine, but suddenly there’s a strong wind?!” Chu Yishui used a hand to shield her face, and she looked at the sinister black cloud floating above the mountain and fields in the distance.

“Perhaps it’s the workings of some powerful soul pet.” Chu Mu glanced at the sinister cloud’s position, and a smile surfaced on his face.

The black cloud happened to be over the Yang Family’s territory. It was also a sixth rank territory, but Chu Mu was confident that before long, it would transform into a terrifying ant colony. The environment would suffer from severe destruction, and demonic aura would unceasingly proliferate!

“Eh? Then should we go back?” Chu Yishui timidly asked, as her courage was rather small.

“Don’t worry, we’ll continue looking for a suitable soul pet for you.” Chu Mu was very relaxed as he spoke, and he summoned his small Mo Ye to continue training its fighting.

The Yang Family’s Mansion

“Garbage, you are all pieces of garbage. Such a small matter couldn’t even be done properly. It was screwed up so bad that the Demon Ant Emperor set up its colony on our territory. How is that not going to destroy our territory?!!” the Yang Family head, Yang Kuo, spoke in an extremely indignant manner.

Yang Mancan and Yang Lantian both dropped their heads. Even the Zhou Family’s Zhou Zhi was involved in the scolding.

In reality, the Demon Ant Emperor had been inadvertently discovered in the Broken Forest by the Zhou Family's people. That Demon Ant Emperor happened to be searching for a new habitat, and the Zhou Family people thought of a brilliant scheme to lure the Demon Ant Emperor without a nest to the Chu Family's sole sixth rank territory. There, this powerful soul pet would lay waste to that piece of land.

However, who would have expected that the experts who were luring the Demon Ant Emperor towards the Chu Family were mysteriously murdered by the Demon Ant Emperor halfway there. The Ant Demon King then discovered the Yang Family's fertile territory, and it had unrestrainedly made it its nest. It immediately began to spawn en masse, and in a short two days, at least three hundred Demon Ants had been spawned. If it hadn't been contained in time, even more Demon Ants would have emerged, and it would have been even harder for them to dispose of it.

"What are you still standing there for?! Immediately go and send people to get rid of the Demon Ant Emperor problem. If it destroys that piece of land, I might skin you alive!!" loudly berated the Yang Family head, Yang Kuo. His entire face had turned red with anger.

"Yes yes yes!"

Yang Mancan and Yang Mantian both nodded their heads. The Zhou Family's Zhou Zhi was also extremely sullen. Such a good plan was ultimately ruined, and he ended up being berated by the Yang Family's head.

"Have Yang Lu bring five inner family servants to clean up those things." said Yang Mancan.

"Yes, this matter wasn't even messed up by us, yet father still scolds us..." Yang Mantian felt a bit aggrieved as he spoke.

The Yang Family's Yang Lu had strength that ranked in the top ten of the Yang Family. His strength was on par with Yang Lengcan, who had gone to Prison Island. His personality was both vicious and cruel, and he was a weapon of the Yang Family. There were many times in the past when it was inconvenient for the Yang Family to personally appear, and Yang Lu had secretly finished the job for them.

The two people quickly called over Yang Lu and the other five Yang Family inner clan servants. Servants that were able to enter the Yang Family's inner clan meant that they were top tier experts among the Yang Family. It probably wouldn't pose much of a problem for these six people to dispose of the Demon Ant Emperor.

Luoye Mountain Range's Chu Family Residence.

A Light Rhinoceros was wildly rushing through the mountain ranges, and it quickly entered the Chu Family residence. The person riding the Light Rhinoceros happened to be Chu Si.

"Young master, young lady, nothing's happened to you two, right?" Chu Si jumped off the Light Rhinoceros and nervously looked at Chu Mu and Chu Yishui.

"What happened Uncle Blackbeard?" adorably asked Chu Yishui as she blinked her eyes and looked at the heavily bearded Chu Si.

"We've obtained information that a Demon Ant Emperor has invaded in the vicinity. It seemed to have been rushing towards our Luoye Mountain Range. The family head wanted me to come here as fast as possible and bring you two away." said Chu Si with an anxious face. As he spoke, he intentionally looked in the distance to see if the Demon Ant Emperor's Demon Aura had appeared near the Luoye Mountain Range.

“Oh, in the morning I saw a bit of demon aura condensed into a cloud. However, it should have been in the Yang Family territory. It seems to have taken root there.” Chu Mu nonchalantly said .

“It’s in the Yang Family’s territory?” astonishedly asked Chu Si.

Chu Mu nodded his head and said: “The ant clan’s emperor will discharge sinister clouds and evil air once it has found a habitat.”

Chu Si opened his mouth, and he stared at the extremely calm Chu Mu. Yet, he felt that this matter seemed to be too strange.

“Nothing’s happened to us. Uncle Chu Si can go back first. Once I help Yishui find a soul pet, we will naturally return.” said Chu Mu.

Chu Si still wanted to say something, but Chu Mu very firmly had Chu Si return. Chu Si couldn’t be sure of anything either, and had the Luoye Mountain Range’s family servants properly look over the young lady and young master before hastily departing.

Seeing Chu Si leave, a smile rose on Chu Mu’s face. Since he had already decided on taking revenge against the Yang Family, how could Chu Mu let anything happen to their territory? Moreover, Chu Mu still wanted the Yang Family’s territory to not have the ability to rise back up in value again!!

Watching the sinister clouds on the horizon, Chu Mu silently said:

“The Yang Family has definitely dispatched people to dispose of the Demon Ant Emperor. Hmph, it’s been awhile since I’ve engaged in slaughter!”

Chapter 40: Dark Night High Winds, Killing Night

Dark night and high winds. It was a night for killing.

Guessing that the Yang Clan would dispatch experts into their territory to clean out the Demon Ant Emperor, Chu Mu used his power as a Nightmare Prince and dispatched ten spirit teacher level killers from Gangluo City Nightmare Palace to sneakily set up an ambush in the Yang Clan's territory, waiting for their prey to come.

In the Yang Clan's territory, a house sat in the shallow valley. On two sides of the valley were very steep cliffs. When night came, a black clothed Chu Mu rode his Night Thunder Dream Beast over the cliffsides, and stealthily approached this house of the Yang Clan.

Behind Chu Mu, ten similarly dark dressed Nightmare Palace killers each rode different soul pets over the steep cliffs, also not making a single sound.

"You, go to the front and check if the people that the Yang Clan sent have arrived yet. Everyone else, go in and kill with me. Remember, don't leave a single one alive!" Chu Mu said coldly.

"Yes!!" The ten Nightmare Palace killers immediately nodded and started to move.

How could Chu Mu's massacre simply stop at killing the people that the Yang Clan sent? He decisively killed everyone the Yang Clan had within the territory house, leaving not a single person alive!

Splatters of shocking red blossomed in the dark night. The sounds of people agonizing and soul pets grieving merged together, unceasingly echoing throughout this once silent valley. Blood flowed down the little creeks in the valley, slowly reaching places far away.....

Nightmare Palace killers were all vicious and merciless people. They were put through strict training by Nightmare Palace and were then sent to every corner of the world to act as hired assassins for all sorts of people.

The leader of the ten Nightmare Palace killers was a sixth level title murderer named He Lang. His strength was considered to be at the top ten within Gangluo Palace. This killer was often known for his cold blooded murdering and his sheer amount of people killed. The reason he obeyed the Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince's command was due to Xia Guanghan's orders to have him fully support this Nightmare Prince's attempt to take revenge on Yang Clan.

The Eternal Ocean Nightmare Prince's fame was one He Lang had heard of for a long time now. Before, he didn't regard a not even twenty teen as important, and was simply following orders.

But, once he saw the calmness and apathy this teen showed when killing people, He Lang couldn't help but feel astonished. This was especially so after he realized that Chu Mu had killed even more people than he did. He Lang couldn't help but be alarmed. This youth's killing prowess was even higher than his own, a professional assassin. The Prison Island King sure deserved to be called the Prison Island King- the only man who lived among three thousand prisoners!

"Nightmare Prince, they're here." The Nightmare Palace killer who was left outside the valley rode his Storm Eagle into the valley and in front of Chu Mu.

After he landed, this Nightmare Palace killer also specially glanced into the corpse covered house and looked amazed. He didn't think that the thirty members of Yang Clan would get massacred in such a short period of time. The corpses of their soul pets almost stacked beyond the walls of the house!

“En, walk forward, we can’t let them smell the blood and become alarmed.” Chu Mu nodded, jumping onto his Night Thunder Dream Beast and telling the blood drenched Mo Xie to follow along beside him.

The ten killers also had no hesitation, immediately jumping onto their soul pets’ bodies and tightly following Chu Mu. Those with wing type soul pets scouted in front, as they approached the Yang Clan experts who wanted to clean out the Demon Ant Emperor with their blood craze!

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In the afternoon, the lazy sunlight fell onto Luoye Mountain Range. Green rolling hills, vibrant vegetation, and organisms carried on their activities everywhere, creating a sense of calmness and peace.

“Brother, look, the Demon Clouds seem to be getting bigger, will it extend to us?” Chu Yishui looked worryingly at the Yang Clan’s territory far away and said in a small voice.

“It won’t. It’s a high class commander rank Demon Ant Emperor, reaching seventh phase and is very strong, but the extent of its control is but two kilometers. At most, it’ll destroy the Yang Clan’s territory, but it couldn’t possibly reach us here.” Chu Mu said.

“Brother, you know so much!” Chu Yishui immediately smiled, looking on with adoration.

Chu Mu smiled as well.

By day, Chu Mu was the big brother that patiently helped his little female cousin find a new soul pet. By night, Chu Mu would transform into the life-disregarding devil, his hands stained with blood!

Chu Mu was very patient. For almost an entire month, he accompanied his cousin in finding a soul pet, being very picky.

In reality, over the span of the month, Chu Mu would catch some talented warrior rank soul pets almost every night, but Chu Mu wouldn't give them straight to Chu Yishui.

It wasn't that Chu Mu cared about the money, but Chu Mu knew that a real, powerful soul pet trainer couldn't always rely on the talented soul pets that others gave them. They had to find a soul pet that suited themselves.

If one compared soul pets to fighting weapons, Chu Yishui definitely wasn't suited for heavy long axes or broadswords. She was better suited for light and nimble short swords, which could bring the most out of Chu Yishui's potential.

Over this month, Chu Yishui also learned many things from Chu Mu, like how to judge many soul pets, how to handle battles, how to control one's own soul pet, in addition to the usage of many abilities. This caused Chu Yishui's strength to rise a considerable amount.

Finally, under Chu Mu's approval, Chu Yishui signed a soul pact with a fourth phase fourth stage Demon Spirit Butterfly.

Chu Mu, from the beginning, thought that a smart girl like Chu Yishui would be well suited to handle an agile, swift, and wind controlling soul pet like the Demon Spirit Butterfly. After a month of picking, Chu Mu also picked a Demon Spirit Butterfly of the highest quality.

The Demon Spirit Butterfly that Chu Mu chose was very strong in all aspects, especially the most important one, wind type talent. It had talent akin to Chu Mu's Ice Air Fairy's ice type talent.

"Fifth rank demon type, wind type soul crystal?" On the way back to the clan, Chu Yishui looked at Chu Mu's little gift with surprise, covering her mouth before redirecting her eyes to Chu Mu in disbelief.

"Your Demon Spirit Butterfly has a small weakness; its life force isn't as strong. You need to slightly strengthen its Demon type, while obviously focus on reinforcing its wind type as well. This soul crystal can somewhat cover this weakness, as well as strengthen its wind type," Chu Mu said.

Chu Yishui stared blankly at the fifth rank soul crystal in her hands, unable to recover in a short time. Chu Yishui wasn't stupid. This Demon Spirit Butterfly she caught with Chu Mu's help was already worth nearly 50,000 gold coins. A warrior rank soul pet reaching 50,000 gold coins was incredible. After all, a normal low class commander rank was only worth 100,000!

Yet now, he gifted another fifth rank duo type soul crystal worth at least 50,000 gold coins. Once the Demon Spirit Butterfly was strengthened, it would be worth 100,000 gold coins, the same as a commander rank!

Maybe, after strengthening it, this Demon Spirit Butterfly still wasn't a match for a low class commander rank, but don't forget, it was a warrior rank soul pet, able to be summoned at the Spirit Soldier level. In a similar age group, she had a huge advantage!

"Brother, are you really giving this to me?" Chu Yishui blinked.

"En, keep it a secret, don't tell anyone else." Chu Mu said.

“Wa, brother you are so good to Yishui.” Chu Yishui was almost in tears with excitement, passionately hugging Chu Mu’s neck, putting her soft little chest on Chu Mu while planting a big sloppy kiss on Chu Mu’s face.

Chu Mu didn’t expect his little cousin to suddenly attack with a kiss, so he coughed embarrassedly. Though Chu Mu always looked at this girl like a little sister, Chu Yishui was, in reality, fifteen. Under her dress, her fine body gave off an inexperienced allure.

Chu Mu knew that he had no blood relationship with this member of the Chu Clan. When Chu Yishui hugged him with such little restraint, Chu Mu’s thoughts would still run wild.

In one month, Chu Mu of course didn’t purely help Chu Yishui select her soul pet. In this time period, Zhan Ye swiftly rose from the third phase fifth stage to the eighth stage. Chu Mu planned to train it using a sixth rank soul crystal once he returned to Gangluo City.

A third phase soul pet trained using a sixth rank soul crystal was very dangerous. After all, a sixth rank soul crystal had a massive amount of energy. First, the soul pet may not be able to absorb it all completely. Second, it could very easily cause harm to the soul pet. Usually, third phase soul pets were trained with at most a fourth rank soul crystal.

But, Zhan Ye also had the bug type blood. The bug type’s greatest strength was its powerful life force. A third phase could usually bear a fifth rank soul crystal with some difficulty.

Yet with Zhan Ye, its bug type talent could be said as absolutely overpowered. It’s recovery power was six times that of other soul pets, meaning that its life force was also six times that of any similar bug type soul pet. Chu Mu thought using a sixth rank soul crystal wasn’t too big of an issue.

Using a sixth rank soul crystal to train Zhan Ye would definitely waste a lot of energy, but to fix Zhan Ye's weakness, Chu Mu still had to steel his heart and use this money.

"Fourth brother, you've probably heard about Luoye Mountain range right? Hahaha, it's simply so satisfying. Those Yang Clan people just had to provoke the Demon Ant Emperor, and now it's rooted in their territory, claiming the entire area, while killing everyone living there. After almost twenty days of cleaning, they wasted so many soul pets and finally cleaned out the Demon Ant Emperor. Even so, their entire territory was destroyed, becoming at most a second level territory." Chu Ning saw that Chu Mu came back and immediately laughed.

"Indeed satisfying." Chu Mu laughed along.

That night, after Chu Mu killed everyone in the Yang Clan, he led the Demon Ant Emperor into the Yang Clan's house and let it devour all the corpses, destroying all traces of evidence. Though the Yang Clan thought that the entire event was bizarre, in the end, they could only blame the events on the attack of the Demon Ant Emperor.....

Of course, to Chu Mu, it was just a harmless punishment. This was because the real revenge had only just started!!