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Chapter 971: Popped Out of a Rock

“Sister, I don’t want to leave. They’re bringing me to a completely unfamiliar place. I didn’t even get to see my grandpa, I don’t want to leave with them.” Ning Maner pulled on Ye Qingzi’s arm and said with a wronged expression on her face.

Ye Qingzi looked at the people that said they were from the other side of Dark Sky Ocean World. They were brought aside by servant girls, but she didn’t know how to deal with this matter temporarily.

Soul palace indeed would protect Chu Mu at all cost, but this didn’t mean that soul palace would be willing to offend many of these people across the sea for Ning Maner, especially when they all seemed extremely powerful.

“Don’t worry, no one will bring you away.” Ye Qingzi said.

Ning Maner nodded.

”At this moment, Elder Chao was very confused and asked, “Are there people on the other side of Dark Sky Ocean World, with cities just like our side?”

Ning Maner shook her head and said, “I think there are.

“Oh?” Elder Chao immediately nodded.

Other elders were very curious because history documents barely have records since not many people crossed the ocean and came back. Even so, they only explained the situation across the ocean in a very simple way but never mentioned specifics. This caused people who researched unknown worlds to be full of curiosity to the other side of the ocean.

“Ahem!” At this moment, the older hermit suddenly coughed acutely, and his face turned paler.

Diagram supreme Ke Yin glanced at old hermit and immediately realized something, quickly saying, “Let’s not ask too much about this.”

After speaking, diagram supreme Ke Yin glanced at the woman in the main seat, “You just came back to soul palace. Go to the supreme palace to rest first, I can deal with these things.”

“The four are very powerful. If they’re here just for the girl.....” The woman said.

“En, I’ll keep an eye out for this.” Ke Yin naturally understood what she meant.

After speaking, Diagram Supreme told everyone to leave their own ways.

Ye Qingzi brought Ning Maner back to her courtyard. At this moment, the second young master Chen Yingxiang quickly walked over.

Soul palace second young master was known to be idle and playful; this was something everyone knew. However, the fellow walked very close with Ning Maner for the sole reason that they were both playful.

Learning that Ning Maner was Chu Fangchen's little sister, second young master Chen Yingxiang was even more respectful of Ning Maner, often calling her Missus, making it sound as if the second young master of soul palace is just a follower of her.

"Missus Ning, whoever brings you away will have to step over my dead body first! Hengheng, these oversea barbarians truly overestimate themselves, daring to come to soul palace to boss people around. We're a civilized bunch and simply decide to be polite with them. Do they truly think soul palace is afraid of them?" Chen Yingxiang said indignantly.

"Sure, you can try to say that to their faces." Ye Qingzi ridiculed second young master.

"Ai, ai, I'm very firm about this!" Chen Yingxiang said slightly embarrassed.

"Yes, why was diagram supreme second seat sat in today? Who was that beautiful woman?" ye Qingzi asked.

The female on the main seat also gave Ye Qingzi a feeling of immeasurable strength, but she didn't know who she was.

"Lady Ye, that's our Dawn Supreme. She came back to soul palace today morning and walked right into the oversea barbarians." Chen Yingxiang said.

"Dawn Supreme?" Ye Qingzi clearly didn't know about the supremes of soul palace. Because diagram supreme Ke Yin was always managing the large matters, Ye Qingzi thought that Diagram Supreme Ke Yin should be the highest authority within Soul Palace.

“Lady Ye, you truly should listen more carefully to information. Our soul palace has four supremes, each placed above all normal elders. This includes even nightmare palace and soul pet palace senior elders.”

“Speaking of Dawn Supreme, you may not know but many others call her “Lady Supreme”, or her other nickname “Cold Beauty”.

Chen Yingxiang said this, and Ye Qingzi finally remembered that Ning Maner did seem to mention the human realm female soul pet trainer ranking. She remembered that there was a cold beauty. Now she knew she was soul palace dawn supreme.

“She’s the sixth best female soul pet trainer, cold beauty Liu Binglan?” Ye Qingzi asked.

“En.” Chen Yingxiang nodded and added. “I heard my father say Dan Supreme is the only person in human realm with a chance of reaching ninth remembrance. However, because of certain events, her soul was severely injured and caused the hope to become slim. I’m not sure if she succeeded this time.”

“She might have.” ye Qingzi muttered. Her remembrance was very high, but when she probed her, she still felt like it was unfathomable. This showed how powerful her soul remembrance was!

“Hehe, hopefully. If she really did, then it would be really using grief as power.” Chen Yingxiang laughed.

Chen Yingxiang saw Ye Qingzi confused and laughed bitterly, “Lady Ye, do you not even know of the events in Tianxia City?”

Ye Qingzi didn't know which event Chen Yingxiang was referring to and shook her head.

"You must know Chu Mu, right?" Chen Yingxiang continued.

"This.....I know." Ye Qingzi's expression changed.

"Then good. Chu Mu became a devil to save Tianxia City and became the king of tianxia realm. Female Supreme is Chu Mu's mother, and she was at the scene....." Chen Yingxiang said.

Ye Qingzi paused.

Chu Mu's mother, meaning her mother in law?

And, this mother truly was so young. If she were put beside Chu Mu, calling Chu Mu, who was always stern and stone faced, the brother would be believable!

"Haha, I knew you would be surprised. In fact, many people who knew that female supreme had a child in the twenties have similar expressions of disbelief. It would be like saying emperor concubine was pregnant. But, the truth is the truth. Female supreme should be the earliest person of human realm to become spirit emperor. Uh, it's said she had a kid while she was pretty young, but authorities have been keeping the news down, not letting anyone know." Chen Yingxiang realized he said a little too much and quickly stopped.

Long ago, Ye Qingzi had wondered. Chu Mu clearly was brought up from a grassroots background, so how did he suddenly get the title of soul palace young master? Now it made sense, as Chu Mu was the son of a soul palace supreme.

About Chu Mu's upbringing, Ye Qingzi didn't ask much. She only knew his father was Chu Tianmang, yet Chu Tianmang was tied to the sealed mouth event, so she couldn't even ask more.

If she didn't ask Chen Yingxiang out of curiosity today, Ye Qingzi would have continued believing Chu Mu simply popped out of a rock, and that Chu Tianmang was just his adopted father.....

"She seems cold and truly is a "Cold beauty". She doesn't seem too easy to deal with." Ye Qingzi muttered.

The female supreme's aura of pushing everyone away was evident. Even sitting a dozen meters away, she could feel her coldness. If she were extremely strict, Ye Qingzi was afraid of getting criticized for countless flaws. Even worse, Ye Qingzi would get a headache if she used her authority as a mother to arrange a better woman for Chu Mu.

But as Ye Qingzi thought, she started getting off track, "Was Chu Mu always cold and stone-faced before because of his mother's genes?...."

"Sister Ye, what are you thinking about?" Ning Maner saw Ye Qingzi lose focus and pulled her shirt.

"Oh, nothing." Ye Qingzi came back to her senses and didn't ask more, bringing Ning Maner back to her room.

If female supreme were Chu Mu's mother, then Ning Maner should have an even more appropriate way of handling the matter. Ye Qingzi only needed to explain Ning Maner's true nature to her, and she wouldn't let Ning Maner go easily.

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After it was night time, Ye Qingzi went towards supreme palace, wanting to tell Liu Binglan the situation with Chu Mu and Ning Maner.

However, when she passed through the corridor, Ye Qingzi saw the young man named Ning Changqing walk over.

Ning Changqing's face held a seemingly polite smile, but his eyes danced rampantly over Ye Qingzi's body. As he got closer, the fervor in his eyes became scorching.

Ye Qingzi had seen such people, but people like Ning Changqing who thought so highly of themselves was much rarer.

Ye Qingzi chose to ignore him and walk right past this guest of soul palace.

"Lady Ye, why are you so hurried? Though the courtyards here aren't as exquisite as the ones we have at home, it has a unique atmosphere. Why don't we have a talk over there?" Ning Changqing called for Ye Qingzi and said with a smile on his face.

"Not interested." ye Qingzi replied lightly.

"I heard from before that your husband is a protector?" Ning Changqing.

“Guardian.” Ye Qingzi corrected.

“Guardian? Heh, we all call ourselves protectors. More importantly, protector isn’t a duty anyone can take. At least from what I see, none of you can be protectors.” Ning Changqing said.

Ye Qingzi furrowed her brows and didn’t want to speak more to the brainless man.

After taking her leave, Ye Qingzi quickly walked away.

Ning Changqing chose to walk up and continue nagging her.

Ye Qingzi directly ignored him. Dealing with such person, the more you gave a response, the more they nagged. The best way was to just act as if he didn’t exist.

Ning Changqing naturally couldn’t continue to court a rebuff. He stopped a few steps in, but his eyes kept staring at Ye Qingzi’s slim legs.

“This place isn’t much, but the beauties are truly fine, all rare beauties.” Ning Changqing smiled.

However, the smile quickly turned dark, as he didn’t like being ignored!

Chapter 972: The Captured Ning Maner

Ye Qingzi walked into the supreme palace, and was quickly received.

Under the lead of the servant girl, she walked into the courtyard, and slowly neared the small lake aside the courtyard garden.

The lake wasn't large. Ahead of Ye Qingzi was a wooden walkway across the lake that was connected to a small wooden pavilion at the center of the lake.

Ye Qingzi didn't know that soul palace had such a refined place. Looking over, she saw the cold beauty standing alone in the pavilion, eyes gazing at the reflection in the rippling water, seemingly lost in thought.

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Liu Binglan looked tired. After she left the Six Star Space, she didn't return to Tianxia City, instead flying straight to wanxiang realm main soul palace.

Originally, breaking through the bottleneck that had troubled her for a decade was a cheerful matter, but when she returned to the familiar Wanxiang City and main soul palace, she felt as if the entire city were hollow and empty.

In the past, she always convinced herself to put down her mortal emotions and focus on training. However, she finally reached the state that all the senior elders hoped she could reach, yet she didn't feel any joy.

Staring at the rippling water, Liu Binglan's mind seemed to see a worn figure. He had long been covered in wounds, but he still had to pick up what seemed impossible, walking onto a frigid path, blinded by hatred and resentment.

Slowly, this worn figure dissipated and was replaced with an unfamiliar and detached face. He was wary, careful, and even slightly scared. He hid somewhere and watched her from afar but never dared to get close.....

Yet, just when she felt that their familial connection was melting away this cold outer layer, he became a devil, leaving behind a string of untraceable footprints as it walked into the unknown.

When Liu Binglan had been looking for the Wordly Immortal Ice, she worried night and day for this moment. She had countlessly blamed herself for throwing her emotions away just to cultivate, yet when the time came, she couldn't even find the simplest heavenly immortal ice. And, when the day really came, the grief of loss hit her like a tidal wave, nearly knocking her off her feet.

Liu Binglan chose to lock herself up for cultivation to avoid the grief she was experiencing. However, after she started, all those emotions were just piled up in a deep corner of her heart. If anything accidentally touched it, it would come welling out like a flood until it consumed her whole mind.

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"Your majesty, Lady Ye had been waiting for a while now." a servant girl's voice from afar interrupted Liu Binglan's wandering thoughts.

Liu Binglan looked at the lady silently waiting for her outside the pavilion. Discreetly wiping away her tears, she told the lady to come forth.

"Her majesty invites you forward." The servant girl didn't go forth with Ye Qingzi. She took a bow at the wooden walkway and told Ye Qingzi to continue without her.

Ye Qingzi slowly walked forward until she was right beside her. Seeing that she didn't seem to speak, Ye Qingzi didn't know how to start.

"What do you come to me for?" After a moment, Liu Binglan asked.

Liu Binglan had just returned to Soul palace. She didn't know Ye Qingzi that well, but heard Diagram Supreme give her a brief description. She seems to be the fiancée of an outstanding young man called Chu Fangchen, and was a very talented soul teacher herself.

As for the situation of the overseas people taking away the little girl, Liu Binglan just wanted to meet the overseas person. The actual situation naturally didn't need her handling.

Ye Qingzi stood aside, but felt very out of place and thought to herself, "Chu Mu's mother truly doesn't seem easy to get along with." Even if she didn't come for Ning Maner, Ye Qingzi should out of courtesy greet her husband's mother, but her cold tone caused Ye Qingzi to feel as if she were an unrelated person.

"Maybe she doesn't know my relationship with Chu Mu?" Ye Qingzi suddenly realized.

So, Ye Qingzi reintroduced herself, "Mom, I'm Chu Mu's fiancée. I came to talk with you about Ning Maner's situation, since it's a pretty special case...."

After Liu Binglan heard this, she furrowed her brows. Looking over Ye Qingzi more closely, she said coldly, "Diagram Supreme told me that you're the fiancée of Chu Fangchen...."

“.....” Ye Qingzi opened and closed her mouth, swallowing back everything else she was about to say.

Did she not know Chu Mu is Chu Fangchen yet??

Why is this? Ye Qingzi knew that Elder Liu knew of Chu Mu’s identity, so there was no reason his mother didn’t know of Chu Mu’s nickname.

“Chu Mu woke up a year after, but she locked herself up for cultivation right after Chu Mu became a devil. Did she miss something?” Ye Qingzi quickly realized the possibility.

After hesitating, Ye Qingzi felt the need to make things even clearer.

“Mom, have you not heard of the news of Chu Mu?” ye Qingzi asked.

Liu Binglan didn’t reply and looked back confused at the lady. After a moment, she asked, “You’re called Ye Qingzi?”

“En.” Ye Qingzi nodded.

Liu Binglan remembered now that back in Great Chu Family, Chu Mu had a girlfriend named Ye Qingzi that was the disciple of Ying Long.

However, since it was her son’s woman, why was she now that Chu Fangchen’s fiancée? Though Chu Mu already became a devil, and nothing would be possible between them, she felt that Ye

Qingzi still shouldn't fall into someone else's embrace so quickly. This caused Liu Binglan to feel very uncomfortable.

Liu Binglan didn't hide the displeasure in her heart, and Ye Qingzi saw that. Realizing that her mother-in-law had probably mistaken something, she quickly explained, "Mom, Chu Fangchen is Chu Mu."

Hearing this, Liu Binglan's expression instantly changed. "What did you just say?"

"Chu Fangchen is Chu Mu's nickname. After he woke up, he realized some people may want to harm him, so he used a new name." Ye Qingzi explained.

"You.....you mean he woke up??" Liu Binglan's body shook slightly.

This was the news that Liu Binglan wanted to hear the most. Even though she wasn't sure if the woman in front of her was speaking the truth, simply hearing it from someone else caused her hope to flare back up like a wildfire!

Seeing Liu Binglan's reaction, Ye Qingzi was now sure that she didn't know of Chu Mu's situation.

It was truly unfortunate that this mother had to withstand a year of grief for nothing.

Liu Binglan had already pulled Ye Qingzi down to take a seat. She wanted to hear everything in detail without anything missing.

Ye Qingzi started with her journey with Chu Mu to a heaven boundary monument.

The initially anxious Liu Binglan naturally felt that there was no connection between Chu Mu getting a monument tear and waking up from being a devil. But, when Ye Qingzi got to the part where Chu Mu reached a monument, and saw his own soul through the purest and most sincere tears he had collected, recreating his deepest memories, Liu Binglan's eyes were tearing up.

"He got eight total tears, and the seventh was his mother's tear." Ye Qingzi looked at Liu Binglan.

"Mine? Liu Binglan stared blankly.

Legend of the monument tear was something Liu Binglan had heard of before. She even knew someone else who had a monument tear. It was also the first time Liu Binglan ever saw that unbelievably strong and hardy man fall into tears, crying like a sobbing child at the feet of the heaven boundary monument.....

It was at that moment that Liu Binglan understood how precious the monument tear was. They were truly tears of the soul, without any insincerity.....

And when Ye Qingzi mentioned that Chu Mu's seventh tear was hers, Liu Binglan didn't remember shedding a tear like that.

Of this, Ye Qingzi naturally knew nothing more. When Chu Mu mentioned the monument tears, he only said that the seventh tear was his mother's and didn't elaborate. Ye Qingzi, of course, knew Chu Mu didn't just pop out of a rock, but she thought Chu Mu had a horrible relationship with his mother, so she didn't dare ask further.

The appearance of monument tears usually comes naturally without noticing. Liu Binglan thought back carefully, and finally remembered that when Chu Mu became devil for the first time in tianxia realm, she shed a tear for him when helping him nurse back to health. It was at that moment that Liu Binglan felt the divide between them truly disappeared, and they were no longer strangers to each other.

Taking in a deep breath, Liu Binglan felt that all the negative emotions in her heart were swept away by the heartening news Ye Qingzi brought. Her feelings after regaining what she lost was indescribable.

Ye Qingzi could tell that this mother really cared about Chu Mu, but things in their earlier years caused the mother and son to fall apart. After a few times of losing him and regaining him, her feelings were definitely sincere.

Thinking about them seeing each other again, Ye Qingzi couldn't help but feel slightly sad. It seemed that she was the one that really popped out of a rock, only having memories of a strict teacher, and a new form of soul arts.

After Ye Qingzi comforted Liu Binglan for a while, she noticed that this young mother no longer had the cold aura she had before, instead actively asking her about Chu Mu's experiences after becoming Chu Fangchen.

Ye Qingzi knew that Liu Binglan would love to hear about it. Speaking about Chu Mu, Ye Qingzi always felt a warmth well up as well, especially the matters in soul city.

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Liu Binglan was entrapped by Ye Qingzi's stories. Though she seemed tired before, she was radiant now, and didn't even let Ye Qingzi pause to rest.

“Your majesty, a white nightmare made its way into our palace, and is flying over quickly.” At this moment, a female elder came over quickly.

“Whose soul pet?” Liu Binglan said somewhat displeased.

Liu Binglan didn’t even want to rest tonight, meaning to hear everything her son had done from Ye Qingzi.

“This, it’s the one that always stays in lady Ye’s courtyard.” The female elder said.

Liu Binglan immediately looked over to Ye Qingzi.

Ye Qingzi only then realized and said, “It’s one of Chu Mu’s white nightmare followers.”

Liu Binglan was just listening to the part where Chu Mu brought a group of nightmares and stirred up trouble within Xiangrong City, so she naturally knew of Chu Mu’s ten loyal white nightmares.

After a moment, the white nightmare went through the supreme palace and flew straight towards Ye Qingzi.

“White two, what’s wrong?” ye Qingzi asked.

“Nie!!!! Nie!!!!!!” White nightmare emperor bared his teeth and angrily shouted.

This time Ye Qingzi understood what it was saying and her expression drastically changed.

“What’s wrong?” Liu Binglan asked.

“Maner got secretly taken away by the four overseas people!” Ye Qingzi became furious!

Chapter 973: Dominator Rank, Star River

The Nightmare Ruler and White Nightmare Emperor were abnormally angry. In their hearts, Ning Maner was like a goddess, and they would do anything to guarantee her safety.

They never expected that these extremely repulsive humans would dispatch demons to steal away their Young Lady when they were resting!

The Nightmare Ruler and White Nightmare Emperor were the first to react. As they chased them down, they had Second White notify Ye Qingzi.

However, they never expected the opponents to be so fast. Not long after the situation occurred, the group of four had already existed Wanxiang City and were fleeing south!

When the Nightmare Ruler and White Nightmare Emperor discovered them, they were already located over 500 meters outside the city in a field forest.

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“Haha, those Soul Palace people are incurably stupid. Did they really think we would take a rest at their place?” loudly laughed the young man, Ning Changqing.

“The barrier in the courtyard just now was a bit special. If it wasn’t for that, they wouldn’t even know about this tomorrow.” Ning Dong cracked a smile.

“The barrier should have been erected by Young Lady Ning’s guardian. He seems to not be weak.” said the leader woman.

“He’s greatly lacking compared to Master Yun. Those people truly don’t know what’s for their own good. If it wasn’t because grandfather instructed us not to engage in conflict randomly, we would have slapped some face into them already!” sneered Ning Changqing.

“Master Yun, there seem to be two White Nightmares chasing us.” at this point, Ning Dong spoke up.

Master Yun turned around and glanced back. She indeed discovered two white figures chasing them from the horizon. Their bodies had fiendish devil flames; clearly, they were targeting them.

“Ignore them and continue onwards.” Master Yun seemed to have confidence in their own speed so she decided to continue forwards.

“Being chased like this isn’t very comfortable. How about I get rid of them first.” said Ning Changqing.

“Let’s leave Wanxiang City’s Kingdom first. If we are delayed here, the woman in the conference hall will catch up to us. If that happens, it will be difficult for us to escape.” said Master Yun.

“Why is Master Yun afraid of that person?” asked Ning Dong, confused.

“Her soul remembrance is above mine. She definitely has a dominator rank soul pet.” said Master Yun.

The other three showed shocked expressions. They never expected someone would have soul remembrance higher than Master Yun. This meant that that person had already broken through the spirit emperor realm and had reached an even higher realm!

“Why would a person of that rank be in this place?” remarked Ning Fengying.

“Don’t worry. From what I can see, it hasn’t been long since she’s broken through, and she should only have one dominator rank soul pet. Let’s meet up with the others as quickly as possible and then immediately leave.” said Master Yun.

Master Yun’s words caused the three of them to not dare look down anymore. Indeed, that was a dominator rank expert and if they were delayed here and that expert caught up, it would be impossible for them to return to the other side of the Dark Sky Ocean World.

However, before they had traveled far, Master Yun creased her brows.

In the darkness, a gorgeous shooting star flew through the air in a beautiful arc, rapidly nearing these people. The speed of the star was much faster than their group!

“That woman is chasing us.” Master Yun’s heart sank.

The only person in Soul Palace who made her afraid was the icy beauty and proud woman who sat in the lead seat of the hall. It was because of her that Master Yun decided to use this method to take away Ning Maner. Otherwise, a simple shake of her head would cause their everything they had achieved to be wasted.

“You guys take the young lady and continue south. I’ll delay her.” said Master Yun.

“Yes.” the three others nodded their head.

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Passing through the night fog, as the biting wind slapped against her face, Ye Qingzi felt slightly chilly.

Ye Qingzi looked at the serious faced Liu Binglan. As they were chasing, Ye Qingzi had explained Ning Maner’s situation to Liu Binglan. Yet, Ye Qingzi hadn’t expected that Liu Binglan would be riding on a dominator rank starlight soul pet!

The number of dominator rank experts could be counted with her fingers. Now that another one had appeared, the ranking of strength would probably change!

Most importantly, she was the only person to have broken through humanity’s soul remembrance limit. It would be much easier for her to breed other dominator rank soul pets than people who

hadn't broken into this realm. If she were able to obtain other fortuitous encounters, her strength would soon be able to suppress the Four Heroes.

"She's flying towards us." Liu Binglan swept her eyes over the rather quiet woman.

"She seems to be the strongest of the four." said Ye Qingzi.

"You continue chasing." Liu Binglan could see that person was definitely targeting her.

Liu Binglan had no idea what was hidden on the other side of the Dark Sky Ocean World. However, the female soul pet trainer in front of her clearly knew she had a dominator rank soul pet yet still dared come alone. This couldn't help but make Liu Binglan wonder whether the other side of the Dark Sky Ocean World was an even stronger region than Wanxiang City. Otherwise, why did only one of the four people dare try and fight against her?

Ye Qingzi didn't say anything. She summoned her Purple Robe Dream Beast and quickly passed through the area where Master Yun and Liu Binglan would fight, as she chased after the two White Nightmares.

Ye Qingzi alone was certainly not the opponent of those three. She had to combine forces with the Nightmare Ruler and White Nightmare Emperor.

Moreover, the other three were not slow. By the time Ye Qingzi caught up to the Nightmare Ruler and White Nightmare Emperor, they had pursued for over a thousand kilometers but still hadn't shortened the gap. They could only ensure that they wouldn't be shaken off their tail.

Ye Qingzi naturally wouldn't give up. From late at night until dawn, they continuously tried to near them.

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"Young Lady Ye, could you have taken a fancy to me so you are continuously chasing after me?" suddenly, a frivolous voice rang out from afar, entering Ye Qingzi's mind.

Ye Qingzi was in a state of anger and coldly responded with a mental voice: "Leave Ning Maner then scram!"

"What's the need for that? Since you can't part with her, why not just follow me to the other side of the Dark Sky Ocean World? I can guarantee you that once you come to our place, you won't want to return. Hahaha." Ning Changqing's voice drifted over.

Ye Qingzi suppressed her anger and coldly glanced at the Nightmare Ruler which was berserk with anger.

"Continue to chase!" Ye Qingyi was not willing to give up. They were not as fast as the enemy, but Ye Qingzi could not lose them. They just had to wait for Liu Binglan to get rid of that woman and they would be able to take back Ning Maner.

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They chased for an entire three days before Ning Dong and the others finally realized that the other party wasn't actually intending to catch them. Instead, they just didn't want to lose track of them.

In this situation, how could they let Ye Qingzi continue to do this.

“The two of us will deal with them.” Ning Dong glanced at the adjacent Ning Changqing.

Ning Changqing laughed: “I was thinking the same.”

At this point, the bounded Ning Maner transformed into a small wild cat who bared her fangs and said: “You aren’t allowed to harm them; otherwise when I go back to yours, I’ll have grandfather execute you!”

“Young lady, don’t worry; we only want them to give up on chasing us.” hastily smiled Ning Dong.

As he spoke, Ning Dong and Ning Changqing shot out on their soul pets!

“Nie!!!!!!”

The Nightmare Ruler’s heart was already filled with anger. Seeing the two bastards coming towards them, it charged forwards, resentment devil flames instantly blazing the surrounding space, forming a gaudy sea of fire!!

Amidst the torrential flames, the Spiked Armor Hidden Panther quickly flew through. It wasn’t targeting the Nightmare Ruler but rather Ye Qingzi’s Purple Robed Dream Beast.

“Don’t worry, you deal with the other one.” Ye Qingzi said to the Nightmare Ruler. She then quickly retreated and had the White Nightmare Emperor deal with Ning Changqing.

The White Nightmare Emperor cared about Ning Maner the most. If it wasn’t for her spirit aura, it would probably still be dithering at the high emperor rank.

Now that the enemy that had captured the young lady had appeared, it berserkly met it head on. It launched a series of imposing and disordered claws towards the Spiked Armor Hidden Panther.

Seeing the White Nightmare Emperor attack, Ning Changqing looked contemptuous. He quickly chanted an incantation, summoning a dragon creature covered in ice scales!

Glacier Dragon!

This was a peak emperor rank Glacier Dragon. No matter how powerful the White Nightmare Emperor’s devil flame aura was, in the face of an attribute counter, its aura was visibly suppressed. This made it even more angry!

The Spiked Armor Hidden Panther and Glacier Dragon launched attacks simultaneously. The White Nightmare Emperor was unable to stop a few of their attacks and it was injured.

However, in the short time the White Nightmare Emperor fought these two soul pets, Ye Qingzi had summoned the Dark Fire Heavenly Devil and Bell Noise Concubine in front of her.

“Dark Fire Heart!”

Ye Qingzi gave her Dark Fire Heavenly Devil an order.

The Dark Fire Heavenly Devil waved its hand and a ball of flaming shadowy energy appeared next to the White Nightmare Emperor. It wrapped around the White Nightmare Emperor, seeming as if a dark fire cloak had been draped on the White Nightmare Emperor!

Ye Qingzi's Dark Fire Heavenly Devil was also a support soul pet; since its attribute was the same as the White Nightmare, the techniques it used on the White Nightmare could multiply in effect. Thus, this technique amplified the White Nightmare's fire and darkness attributes.

Indeed, the addition of a simple technique caused the White Nightmare Emperor's aura, suppressed by the Glacier Dragon, to instantly soar. The imposing Glacier Dragon was also forced back, much more so the weaker Spiked Armor Hidden Panther!!

As for the White Nightmare Emperor's wounds, the Bell Noise concubine chanted an incantation, instantly healing it. It also added a life force resistance effect, stimulating its hidden potential.

"She's unexpectedly a support soul pet trainer." Ning Changqing creased his brows.

He knew that the moment a pure support type soul pet trainer was able to add buffs onto a soul pet, that soul pet trainer would be able to create a creature with extremely terrifying fighting capabilities!

Chapter 974: Territory Unification, Spectral Slaughter Bird

After adding the effects to the White Nightmare Emperor, Ye Qingzi immediately had the Dark Fire Heavenly Devil add the dark fire attribute to the Nightmare Ruler.

The Nightmare Ruler was innately a paragon emperor, and had been stuck at this barrier for numerous years. Within the emperor rank, it was ostensibly impossible to find an opponent!

With the addition of the supportive effects now, it was the equivalent to putting a fish back into the water. The Nightmare Ruler would be able to deal with three to four normal peak emperors without any pressure.

Ning Dong's expression was unsightly. He had already summoned three peak emperors which were surrounding the White Nightmare, but unable to take it down. Once the Dark Fire Heavenly Devil's effects were added, the White Nightmare became more imposing and his three soul pets were not able to keep up.

"These things aren't easy to deal with. It seems like I need to take out a bit of strength!" harrumphed Ning Dong as he chanted an incantation.

The incantation quickly finished, and a Stepping Cloud Beast appeared next to him!

Once the Stepping Cloud Beast appeared, white clouds began to unendingly congealing under its feet. Gradually, it formed a piece of ice-like land in midair!

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

The Stepping Cloud Beast was moving through the air as if it was on land. With each step, cloud gas would form a cloud circle that hovered in the air before spreading outwards!

Once the paragon emperor rank Stepping Cloud Beast entered the siege, the Nightmare Ruler's fight became exceptionally strenuous. Each time it just finished creating a ball of fire, it would be knocked away by cloud circles; the devil flames lost all damage capacity.

“Nie~~~~~”

Just as the Nightmare Ruler reached the end of its defense against the four soul pet siege, an extremely angry devil cry rang out from afar.

Hearing the sound of support, the Nightmare Ruler immediately cracked a smile.

In a four against one, the Nightmare Ruler was obviously being sullenly beaten back. Indeed, it would be hard for him to defeat four while alone. Nonetheless, since the opponent wanted to engage in a group fight, the Nightmare Ruler would accompany them to the end!

“Nie!!!!!!”

The Nightmare Ruler's voice became more imposing. After letting out its devil cry, countless other devil cries rang out from the distance!

Ning Dong had believed that this White Nightmare was going to retreat in the face of difficulty. But when he looked at the horizon, he immediately trembled and his face went pale!

A large group of White Nightmares had appeared on the horizon!

White devil flames were burning in the distance, forming a line of enormous flaming clouds. A cold aura struck their faces and while breathing in, the air carried the smell of fire!

“Changqing, quickly retreat!’ Ning Dong loudly yelled at Ning Changqing.

Ning Changqing was still wearing an arrogant smile as he methodically controlled his three soul pets to siege the White Nightmare Emperor. When he heard Ning Dong’s shout, he thought it was nothing and said: “Don’t worry, I’m just playing. I haven’t taken out my full strength yet.”

“Even if you take out your full strength, can you deal with an entire White Nightmare army?!” Ning Dong angrily spoke as he silently cursed why Ning Changqing didn’t know how to behave reasonably. He was still being carefree at this time, believing that his strength was just that powerful!

“What White Nightmare army...” Ning Changqing raised his head with confusion and saw the army of enraged flames burning in the horizon. He exclaimed: “Heavens, what is that?!”

A moment later, Ning Changqing realized that an entire White Nightmare army was charging at them!

There were so many White Nightmares, and each technique used would be able to burn them until not even their bones remained!

Ning Changqing didn’t dare continue fighting. He recalled his soul pets with an unsightly expression and hastily retreated.

But the White Nightmare Emperor and Nightmare Ruler naturally wouldn't let them escape after they were in their reaches. Ye Qingzi and the two White Nightmares combined strengths to block their routes of escape.

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Ning Fengying continued forward. When he turned around and saw the fire cloud burning in the distance, his face immediately changed.

"Young lady, what is the need for this? We are only complying with orders." Ning Fengying realized that it wasn't wise for them to have provoked that group of people. Promptly, he began to speak in a discussive tone.

"I don't want to go there." said Ning Maner.

"Ever since the accident happened to the Messiah Tree, grandfather has continuously dispatched people to find your whereabouts. It wasn't easy to find you here..." Ning Fengying spoke as he looked a bit apprehensively at Ning Dong and Ning Changqing.

The two of them seemed to have been stopped by the White Nightmare army. It wouldn't be long before he was caught. He also didn't know where Master Yun was; nor did he know what to do.

Ning Maner resolutely shook her head. Although she knew that the grandfather he was talking about was her own grandfather, Ning Maner hadn't seen this grandfather more than a few times. The only grandfather in her heart was the Messiah Tree. Yet, she had watched with open eyes as the Messiah Tree was destroyed by a few deranged people. Even the kings that guarded the Messiah Tree were slaughtered one by one...

When that had happened, her blood-related grandfather hadn't appeared. The only ones that had ever helped her were kindhearted people that she couldn't say the names of, and those wild soul pets...

Ning Maner had no sentiments towards her actual grandfather. She had a true place to stay in now and enjoyed living there. She didn't want to leave to a strange place.

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"She is the person we are looking for?"

Suddenly, a ghostly voice rang out in Ning Maner and Ning Fengying's ears.

Ning Maner and Ning Fengying jumped in fright.

Ning Fengying turned around, and saw a man coldly standing behind him on a pure black spectral bird in the shadow of the night!

Ning Fengying immediately showed respect and flusteredly bowed.

"Senior Border Commander, this woman is the person we are looking for. However, the guardian of Young Lady Jiang here isn't too willing to let us take back Young Lady Jiang. Ning Dong and Ning Changqing are currently being surrounded by a few White Nightmares." as if he had seen his saviour, Ning Fengying hastily explained the situation.

However, from his eyes, it could be seen that he ostensibly both respected and feared this Senior Border Commander.

“Also, Young Lady Jiang doesn’t want to return.” added Ning Fengying.

The man called Border Commander glanced at Ning Maner. His gaze was like stagnant water, giving those who looked at them a blood running cold feeling.

“Those people are your friends? Including the White Nightmare army?” calmly asked Border Commander.

“Yes.” nodded Ning maner.

“Senior Border Commander, they’ve come.” said Ning Fengying.

Border Commander ignored Ning Fengying and said to Ning Maner: “I want you to stay stop. Say stop when you’re willing to come with us.”

“I won’t go with you!” stubbornly said Ning Maner.

Border Commander cracked a smile and said in a strange tone: “You will.”

After speaking, Border Commander disappeared from Ning Maner on his Spectral Slaughter Bird. Ning Maner, even with her soul remembrance, could only see a faint shadow silently approach the White Nightmare army!

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Ye Qingzi didn't have the White Nightmares kill Ning Dong and Ning Changqing. The two of them were probably related to Ning Maner. Ye Qingzi didn't want the situation to enter a deadlock. Therefore, she had them restrict Ning Dong and Ning Changqing before immediately pursuing Ning Fengying.

After the White Nightmare Emperor informed Ye Qingzi that Ning Maner had been kidnapped, it had immediately grabbed a White Nightmare army stationed in Nightmare Palace. It didn't care about the consequences of a group of White Nightmares flying over the sky of Wanxiang City. The most important thing was to take back their Young Lady.

There were about 1000 White Nightmares pursuing, and they could be considered elites in the Nightmare Empire.

Right now, the White Nightmare Emperor that had picked up Ning Maner was the leader of this army as he surged aggressively at Ning Yingfeng!

All of the White Nightmares followed closely behind the White Nightmare Emperor, emitting angry cries. Those people from the other side of the Dark Sky Ocean World had caused all of their anger!

“Shua!!!!!!”

Suddenly, as the army of flaming clouds swept up, a distinct spectral wing blade peculiarly appeared in the night sky!!

The group of white devil flames distinctly illuminated the silhouette, the sharpness and the length of the spectral wind blade as it swept across like the death god's scythe!!

The White Nightmare Emperor flying at the very front didn't sense the attack coming. However, Ye Qingzi that was using simple healing on the Nightmare Ruler raised her head and abruptly witnessed a shocking scene.

The spectral blade was terrifying and powerful. The White Nightmare Emperor at the front was sliced at its stomach!

Upon being sliced, the upper half of its body was chopped off!

Even more terrifying, the spectral blade passed through the Nightmare army. The other White Nightmares weren't able to react. All of them were struck by the spectral blades before splitting in half!!

The devil flames seemed to instantaneously extinguish. The tens of White Nightmares at the very front, including the White Nightmare Emperor were split into two by the spectral blade!

“Hu!!”

It was unknown how many White Nightmare bodies the spectral blade passed through before the energy reached Ye Qingzi, passing by her and leaving a light bloody scar on her face.

Ye Qingzi couldn't feel the pain. She was staring in horror at the 50 something White Nightmare instantly killed and the 100 injured White Nightmares. A cold feeling of having a brush with death arose within her!

"Nie!!!!!"

The Nightmare Ruler reacted extremely quickly. It let out a cry, ordering all White Nightmares to protect Ye Qingzi in the very center. They all entered a defensive formation!

However, the Nightmare Ruler itself used two Displacement Specters as all of the White Nightmares were stunned and grabbed the White Nightmare Emperor's two corpse pieces, bringing them back to Ye Qingzi.

Ye Qingzi saw the White Nightmare Emperor which devil flames were completely extinguished. Her heart trembled before she returned to her senses. She hastily chanted an incantation, attempting to save the White Nightmare Emperor's life!

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In the distance, Ning Maner saw the White Nightmare Emperor get chopped into two and over 50 White Nightmares instantly losing their lives. She was completely stunned!!

A bitter feeling rose in her heart, stopping at her throat, leaving her incapable of shouting out. Only the tears could flow out of her eyes...

Chapter 975: He Will Come Find You

Ning Maner didn't even get to cry out, before she suddenly saw another ghost scythe appear in the night sky!

Ning Maner's heart shook and she yelled out, "Stop!!!!!"

The ghost scythe disappeared just as quickly as it appeared. At this moment, the man riding the ghost bird in the night finally appeared.

He stood before the thousand white nightmares, yet the entire army seemed like just a slightly brighter burning flame, not terrifying or imposing at all.

He didn't even take an extra glance at the white nightmare. He simply turned around and smiled darkly, "Now you're willing to come back with me?"

Ning Maner was nearly breaking her teeth from biting. The anger in her heart made her want to instantly kill the person in front of her, but she could only swallow these emotions and nod her head with tears.

"Good, then things are much simpler. The distance is rather far, so if Lady Ning doesn't cooperate, it'll be a lot of trouble for us." Border Commander said.

After speaking, Border Commander glanced at the group of white nightmares and said with disdain, "Tell the protector that, if he wants to take revenge for his useless white nightmares, come to the other end of the dark sky ocean world and find me- I'm called Zhen Wu!"

Ye Qingzi gazed coldly at the man named Zhen Wu, the anger in her heart already burning through her pupils.

Not only was this man vicious and merciless, he was also utterly arrogant. How dare he use such a way to force Ning Maner, it was truly unforgivable!

However, Ye Qingzi knew very clearly that this person was incredibly powerful. If they continued fighting, the thousand white nightmare army would probably all die.

As for the two hostages in their hands from Zhen Wu's gaze, Ye Qingzi could tell that he didn't care at all about these two people's lives.

"Zhen Wu. I will remember this name!" Ye Qingzi said coldly.

Zhen Wu only glanced nonchalantly at Ye Qingzi, as if he didn't care if people had a grudge against him. He slowly flew back to Ning Maner's side.

"Let them go." Ye Qingzi knew that leaving Ning Dong and Ning Changqing around was meaningless and told White Nightmare to let the two leave.

"Lady Ye, it's best if you don't have any resentment towards Senior Border Commander. You may not know what the name Zhen Wu means yet, but once you get to the other side, you will realize how stupid of an idea it is to hold a grudge." Ning Changqing said in a friendly manner as persuasion.

Ye Qingzi glanced at the young man and spit out coldly, "Get out!"

Ning Changqing immediately went red. He didn't expect his well-intended warning to be taken so poorly by this woman.

However, seeing all the white nightmares around him, Ning Changqing didn't dare to show his anger as he instead quickly ran away from the white nightmare army.

Seeing Ning Changqing and Ning Dong run away safely, white nightmare emperor let out an angry call. Fifty white nightmare lives were lost and white nightmare commander was nearly dead too. How could he bear such a crime? If he couldn't beat the ghost birdman, he could at least kill Ning Changqing and Ning Dong!

"Letting them leave is just giving them a few more years to live." Ye Qingzi said to the white nightmare emperor.

Ning Changqing and Ning Dong's lives were utterly worthless. However, one day Chu Mu will get to the other side of dark sky ocean world and step over these people's corpses to take Ning Maner back. Then, their arrogant and disdained faces will realize just how foolish today's actions were!

"Sister Ye....." Ning Maner's face was full of tears from anger with Zhen Wu, from guilt for the dead white nightmares, for Ye Qingzi, for Chu Mu.....she didn't know what to say in the moment, simply choking back tears.

Ye Qingzi knew there was no way around it anymore. Seeing this little girl always full of attachment, she felt a pang go through her heart and said, "Take care of yourself well."

"En, en, en." Ning Maner nodded heavily.

The border commander Zhen Wu did nothing about this and said, "Let's leave, I don't want to waste too much time here."

Ning Maner turned around and looked at Ye Qingzi. She didn't say much more and only gazed at her with her eyes full of tears.

Seeing the poor Ning Maner get taken away, Ye Qingzi didn't feel good either. She used her remembrance to say to Ning Maner, "Don't worry, no matter how powerful the person is on the other side of dark sky ocean world, no matter how many obstacles he has to overcome, he will come find you!"

Ning Maner nodded heavily and tried to wipe off all the tears on her face to no avail. It seemed as if she made a determined decision in her mind and finally, she said back to Ye Qingzi, "Then.....I'm leaving now. Tell brother that I..... I will learn..... I will!"

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Watching the elegant figure slowly leave, Ye Qingzi felt an aching in her heart. She glanced at the white nightmare emperor that wanted to chase back Ning Maner despite nearly being dead, as well as the other nine white nightmares.

They were just a group of wild soul pets that walked out of south forbidden realm, but their loyalty and emotions weren't any less than a human soul pact.....

Even the white nightmares were sad. One can only wonder how Chu Mu would react after he found out that the wild little girl was taken away when he comes back.

"Let's leave." Ye Qingzi sighed and said to white nightmare.

Nightmare commander knew that it was extremely weak and couldn't protect the lady's safety. He could only bring the dead bodies of the white nightmares and go back to Wanxiang City with Ye Qingzi.

On the way back, Ye Qingzi met Liu Binglan. After Liu Binglan wounded Master Yun, she immediately came over but only got to see the sad Ye Qingzi as well as the grieving white nightmares. Without even asking, Liu Binglan knew what had happened.

Hearing Ye Qingzi's description, Liu Binglan furrowed her brows.

For a little girl, they sent Master Yun who wasn't weaker than end hero Mo Ling, but also sent an unfathomably powerful dominator rank expert. Just what did Ning Maner mean to the other side of dark sky ocean world?

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Near the north end of the forbidden realm, Chu Mu was already nearing the demon realm.

The demon realm is a special space. If Mu Qingyi's ancestors didn't leave some documentations, she never would be able to find it!

The reason this space is called the demon realm was mainly because of its protector, a supreme demon - Forgiven Fox Thunder Monarch!

In reality, it isn't a demon world. The true place for demons is the western part of eternal ocean, where the demon home resided.

Since Chu Mu heard of the forgiven fox thunder monarch from Mu Qingyi, Chu Mu really wanted to see it because, as the owner of another seven sin fox, Chu Mu wanted to know just how powerful this forgiven fox could become!

However, after considering it carefully, Chu Mu felt that he could only find an opportunity in the future to meet this forgiven fox Thunder monarch.

The demon realm had two entrances. The first one was the spatial tunnel itself, similar to a sacred realm gate. Normally, one should enter from there.

The second entrance was, in reality, a gap in the space. This gap connected to an inner valley within demon realm.

“This valley should be sealing or hiding something. To not let powerful organisms break this valley, anything beyond dominator rank appearing in the valley will trigger the restrictions and awaken the beasts from their slumber. The documents estimated that there were around 30,000 organisms in slumber in there, all of them very high level. The moment they wake up, none of us will be able to escape.” Mu Qingyi reminded everyone.

30,000 sleeping organisms, though unsure of their ranking, is definitely not an easy obstacle to overcome, especially considering that they could live in such a space without a problem. Once they wake up, even dominator rank organisms could easily get dismembered by them.

“So as long as we don’t summon dominator rank organisms, we can pass through safely?” Shen Mo asked.

Mu Qingyi shook her head, “There are a bunch of organisms roaming around within the valley too that are hard to deal with.”

“Then where is the phoenix species lost grounds within this demon realm?” Chu Mu asked.

“After the valley, we just have to climb another volcano.” Mu Qingyi replied.

“That simple?” Chu Mu was slightly surprised.

Mu Qingyi gave Chu Mu a white eye and said, “Once you’re there, you’ll know.”

The spatial gap had a certain resistance, and at the part where this gap connected to the valley, there was a sealing barrier. If this barrier wasn’t broken, they couldn’t enter the actual valley.

“I’m good at sealing barriers. Let me see what kind of seal it is. “This moment, Teng Lang walked ahead and planned on finding the weakness within the barrier and directly break it.”

Teng Lang rubbed his chin and started thinking.

“En, it’s purplish red, so it should be a thunder type barrier. This barrier’s rune lines are in a mesh-like pattern, so it should be a rhombus type seal. However, every rhombus pattern had an arced rune of dark blue, meaning it’s a water type incantation too..... It might be slightly troublesome to break through this barrier, give me some time to think.....Ai, what are you doing?”

“Enter.” Shen Mo glanced despicably at Teng Lang as he bowed down to enter the barrier from a crack in it.

“Where did this crack come from?” Teng Lang was shocked.

That’s not right, he didn’t see the gap just before. How did a gap appear before he could even finish analyzing?

“Mo Xie, rip the barrier open a little wider.”

Teng Lang was just staring blankly when he heard Chu Mu say this. Looking down at Mo Xie, his eyes went wide!!

The cute little fox casually waved its small claw and ripped open the damned barrier even more!

This was a sealed barrier, how did this little thing rip it open as if it were just rags!

Chapter 976: Lightning Desolation Ground, Diagram Valley

“Brother Chu, couldn’t you tell me that your little fox could break seals earlier?” Teng Lang laughed helplessly. Why did he even bother go and analyze it so in depth, when a little swipe of the fox’s claws could solve any issue.

Little Mo Xie’s seal break could break through all types of seals. As long as the rank wasn’t too high, seals were just like paper to Mo Xie.

After entering the diagram valley, Chu Mu finally knew why Mu Qingyi described the route as not simple.

Because this diagram valley was in fact the name they gave for the entire valley covered in diagrams. This meant that this diagram valley was a mountain range that connected countless mountains, valleys, peaks, cliffs, rifts, abysses, and countless troughs without end.

When they were gathered in a massive piece of land, the rolling landscape invoked sighs from many of them!

Mu Qingyi explained that every mountain, cliff, valley, and abyss had a sealing diagram that sealed an unknown organism. The guardians of these sealed organisms were the sleeping organisms. If they wanted to unleash an unknown organism in a seal, they had to first wake up the organism, and kill them all to break the seal.

This seal format reminded Chu Mu of the blood beast sacrificial plaza a long while ago.

At that time, the stone guards were sleeping but once they neared, they would wake up. And if they killed them all, the blood beast altar's blood beast emperor would be unleashed from the seal.

These seals were clearly higher level than the blood beast altar plaza. Just the sleeping organisms' ranks alone signified that even a dominator rank could lose its life in this diagram valley.

Maybe it was because this diagram valley was too old, many of the organisms that guarded the seals had already awakened. Since these organisms couldn't wake up, they became patrols that roamed the diagram valley.

The diagram valley was massive, and had countless seals constructed within it. Steep cliffs, abysses, and all the rocks were all affected by the energy of the sealing diagram and form natural crystals. The organisms that woke up from their slumber didn't have to worry about food because the crystals were already the purest form of food.

“Honghonghong~~~~~”

Purple red lightning struck through the grey sky, crackling onto the mountain ahead!

The lightning energy blew up, and caused the cliff to become powder and countless rocks to fly over.

Walking at the front, Shen Mo glanced at the dusted cliff and took a few steps back involuntarily. He said with a palpitating heart, “This is a lightning desolation ground!”

“In reality, the entire demon realms’ lightning element is very active.” Mu Qingyi said.

Just as he finished, the between the rolling mountains suddenly flashed a dazzling purple light. Purple snakes of lightning crackled terrifyingly through the sky, flying through the mountains into each other like a dozen dragons, leaving blackened rocks in their wake!!

The ten lightning bolts appearing at the same time caused everyone to suck a breath in. The lightning energy probably wasn’t easy to deal with. If they stood in that valley, they probably would have turned into powder like the mountain rocks!

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On the way, if they met roaming organisms, they always chose to circle around. Their main purpose here was to reach the phoenix species lost grounds. If they wasted their time on meaningless battles, they would add danger to their journey without reason.

After passing through a long valley, Mu Qingyi took out a yellowing document, and furrowed her brows as she tried to figure out the next step.

The entire valley was like a massive maze. Without the document, they could easily get lost in the valleys.

After finding the right direction, Mu Qingyi brought everyone towards the region where lightning was rampant before.

Mu Qingyi, Shen Mo, and Pang Yue all had lightning type soul pets, respectively top tier emperor rank Thunder sword winged lion, top tier emperor rank chaotic thunder sprite, and high class emperor rank Delayed Lightning.

Thunder Sword Winged Tiger, and Chaotic Thunder Sprite were common soul pets. Pang Yue's Delayed Lightning was a purely support elemental world soul pet and wasn't a fairy species.

The valley ahead often had lightning flying around. No matter if man or soul pet gets hit by it, they would be heavily injured. At this time, having Thunder Sword Winged Tiger and Chaotic Thunder Sprite and Delayed Thunder had to be lightning rods for everyone. Or else, after all of them passed through, they probably would get fried by the patternless lightning.

"Mo Xie, go back to sleep." Chu Mu knew Mo Xie couldn't do much in this region, so he put her back into his soul pet space.

After retracting Mo Xie, Chu Mu summoned ghost monarch king.

Ghost monarch king's defense was rather thick, so even getting hit by thunder a few times probably wouldn't faze it.

"Brother Chu, have your souls still not healed?" Seeing Chu Mu still only using one soul pet, Teng Lang asked.

"I was wounded rather heavily, I probably have to heal for a while longer." Chu Mu replied.

Mu Qingyi aside glanced at Chu Mu, and remembered that this fellow seemed to constantly be using only one soul pet. She had never seen him summon two soul pets at once.

Mu Qingyi wasn't stupid. She had never heard of a soul wound that took longer than a year to recover. And, three palace still had a decent amount of Soul Healing Stamen in their reserves. There was no reason they couldn't give him some to heal his soul.

However, this man was always very mysterious, so even if she asked him, she probably won't get the truth.

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Before, when the lightning dashed around from afar, they already were surprised. Now that they were in the region themselves, hearing the massive roars of thunder as well as some flying mere meters away from them, they felt the danger of the thunder and caused them to be jittery at the terror.

If it were anyone else, if they were in a region ravaged by thunder equivalent to a high class or top tier emperor rank's attack, they may not even have the courage to move forward.

"This place is so scary, it feels like emperor rank is the lowest level organism here." Pang Yue said in a low voice.

Just now, Pang Yue still saw an emperor rank get hit by a bolt of thunder when running and getting shocked into a mush of flesh.

Human soul pet trainers started as spirit disciples controlling servant rank soul pets. They constantly increased their strength until they reached emperor rank, where they were finally viewed as true experts of humanity.

However, when they walked out of the realm of humans and reached an unknown forbidden realm, they would realize that experts of human realm were just like servant rank soul pets in this world, easily able to lose their lives.

If it were before, seeing an emperor rank organism getting disintegrated by a bolt of lightning would cause Chu Mu to be shocked as well. Now, it only made him slightly skeptical.

His perspective had long since grown from before. Every time one moved out of one's strength realm, they must root their beliefs in a different way.

When one reached a certain level, reaching higher ranks and becoming stronger was always a process where one would only meet organisms of the same or higher rank.

When one originally thought that the tip of the organism pyramid were emperor rank soul pets, it was because he was still the bottom of emperor rank. The large mountain of emperor rank was enough to blot out anything else.

Now that he was above emperor rank, he saw yet another wide world. The path he had once walked, the enemies that he defeated, the experts he surpassed, they were no longer unreachable targets and instead became proof of his new strength and eventually even footprints that slowly went further away.....

Chu Mu never felt lost or sad because of discovering a new world. To him, the highlights in life were never to reach a certain height. Instead, it was to constantly find new soul pets and challenge stronger organisms.

He knew that maybe one day he would get stuck in a certain realm and stop moving forward.

However, the blood in his bones hadn't cooled down yet. And as long as the deeply rooted belief in his mind hadn't faded, as long as his insatiable desire to grow stronger remained, he will continue climbing!

Unless his blood cooled and his belief faded, or if he became satisfied by being sure he truly reached the peak of all organisms, he would never stop going forth!

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“Can you see that stroke of red?” Within the lightning, Mu Qingyi rode her thunder sword winged lion and pointed ahead at the grey sky.

Chu Mu glanced through two tall mountains and looked into the further grey sky. Within the sky, there was a weak red that could easily be missed unless watching carefully.

However, being able to see it didn't mean it was close. A good example would be the moon in the sky.

Chu Mu could feel that the red was very far away from where he was right now. There was no telling how many days and nights he would need to reach it.

However, remembering that reaching there meant he would soon have a new soul pet, dead dream, Chu Mu would get excited and his blood would start boiling!

Maybe it was this blood boiling that caused Chu Mu to completely forget the bitterness and pain of cultivating, allowing him to feel his own liveliness.

Anyone may get easily lost in the sea of lives, losing themselves in the tides of time. Some want to leave their eternal legacy or laugh at the tip of the pyramid and set them as goals, but many of them just walk forth down the path in their heart.

In reality, if one used human realm to measure Chu Mu, he was already at the tip of the pyramid and had left his eternal legacy. However, he only wanted to continue walking down the path in his heart!

At this moment, his heart was pointed right at this smear of red, pointing towards where he would get his new soul pet Dead Dream!

Chapter 977: Thunder Giant

Thunder flashed and lightning roared, making the air smelled burnt. Occasionally, one would have to guard against sudden lightning striking down because one small mistake and one would shatter horribly like a piece of rock!

The further they went, the more lightning there was and the more powerful it became.

Normally, they would only need three lightning type creatures to be able to avoid the lightning. However, this lightning wasteland clearly wasn't that easy to traverse.

As the lightning elements scattered, a huge amount of lightning type crystals appeared. These crystals would fetch a price that was worth a city. Indeed, human territory didn't have this type of lightning danger ground.

The more lightning type crystals that appeared, the more creatures would be roaming around. This was a serious obstacle to the party of six.

Most of the creatures roaming this area were lightning type. Among them, the majority were from the fairy species, followed by the giant species.

Presently in front of the group, on top of a mountain, was a giant species creature covered in lightning chains. In the human realm, its species rank would be considered high and the species itself was rare - it being a Thunder Giant!

The Ghost King, Thunder Giant, and Tai Mountain Giant all belonged to the Giant species. The Tai Mountain Giant was an emperor rank Giant species and was a higher species rank than the Ghost King. The Thunder Giant was the same rank as the Tai Mountain Giant and from the imposing aura it emitted as it controlled lightning, this Thunder Giant's strength was at the peak of the emperor rank!

In an elemental danger ground like this, there would be both danger and ample resources. The creatures that lived here thus were much higher ranked than those outside the area. Especially adding on the terrain and elemental domain, their strength was far stronger than other same ranking creatures!

“Chu Fangchen, you Ghost King is related to it. Can it say hi, and ask it if it will let us pass?” Teng Lang spoke this senseless sentence.

Chu Mu ignored Teng Lang’s stupid question. Shen Mo and Pang Yue also just treated Teng Lang as if he hadn’t said anything.

”However, Chao Lengchuan looked with astonishment at Teng Lang and asked: “Will that work?”

“...” when the adjacent Pang Yue heard this, she rolled her eyes. This prince was too naive; he even believed those words. If they could rely on species to amicably resolve this problem, why wouldn’t they just get Chu Mu’s Seven Sins Fox to talk with the Thunder Monarch; indeed, why would they need to so cautiously traverse this lightning and thunder ground then?

The paragon emperor rank Thunder Giant stood in the path ahead of the group. If they were going to fight, the Thunder Sword Winged Lion, Chaotic Thunder Sprite and the other thunder type soul pet would not necessarily be able to beat the Thunder Giant together. Therefore, Mu Qingyi had looked for another path. Unfortunately, this mountain was already the easiest path; the alternative was to enter an area with even more lightning and to face groups of thunder type creatures!

“Let’s fight!” Chu Mu saw that there was no other path, and spoke to everyone.

“My Sword Winged Lion hasn’t reached the paragon emperor rank yet. It’ll have difficulty fighting.” said Mu Qingyi.

There was still a very long path ahead. Therefore, they had to choose the most energy-conserving method to deal with things. Energy-conserving fights was a concept that every training soul pet trainer had to understand.

“Let my Ghost King go.” said Chu Mu.

While tidying up the Nightmare Danger Ground, Chu Mu had focused on the Ghost King. Most of the materials collected there had been given to Ye Qingzi, and he then took a few rare ghost type spirit items from Nightmare Palace.

Ye Qingzi didn’t spend her time only concocting spirit items for the Dark Fire Heavenly Devil, but also for the Ghost King in the five months before they left for the demon realm. All of the spirit items collected by Chu Mu had been used to strengthen the Ghost King, finally allowing it to reach the peak emperor rank.

“Your Ghost King should only be a normal peak emperor, right? It won’t last a few strikes from the Thunder Giant before losing.” said Pang Yue.

“Don’t worry, it can deal with it.” Chu Mu was extremely confident in the Ghost King.

After speaking, the Ghost King strode forward towards the not too tall mountain peak!

The Ghost King was extremely domineering. It took the first strike, grabbing its curved monarch sword. Immediately provoking the Thunder Giant, it swung the curved sword in its hand!!

The curved sword was wrapped in a dense ghost aura. One swing of the sword drew out the shocking outline of an extremely heavy sword that smashed towards the base of the mountain peak!!!

"Keng Keng!!!!!"

The curved sword whistled through the wind as it lobbed off the base of the mountain peak. Without the base support of the mountain peak, the mountain peak began to tilt and came to a loud smashing crash as lightning and thunder roared!!

The Thunder Giant was still standing at the top of the peak. Just as the peak was about to smash to the ground, its body, covered in lightning, abruptly leaped and landed in front of the Ghost King which had destroyed its nest. Its hands were gripping a lightning spear that reached nearly 1000 meters as it stabbed towards the Ghost King!!

The 1000 meter lightning spear was tremendous. The strength contained could easily pierce through a several ten thousand meter mountain. If it landed on a peak emperor's body, it would either be seriously injured or die!

Chu Mu knew that the Thunder Giant was powerful. He didn't hold back and immediately had the Ghost King use a technique!

"Monarch Ghost Transformation, defense!"

As the 1000 meter lightning spear arrived, the Ghost King's armor ignited with a dense ghostly flame that caused its aura to greatly increase.

In the torrential ghost flames, the Ghost King's body abruptly grew taller, instantly transforming into a miniature mountain, reaching a hundred meters high. The monarch ghost sword in its hands transformed into an agile ghost rock sword amidst the ghost flames, and was firmly held in the Ghost King's hands!

“Zi zi zi~~~~~”

The lightning spear struck the ghost rock shield. Instantly, lightning shot out like a group of snakes, leaving the surrounding area a mess!

The ghost rock shield in the Ghost King's hands was shattered, and its body was knocked back a long way by the Lightning Fury Spear.

However, after undergoing the Monarch Ghost Transformation, it wouldn't be easily injured. Aside from a bit of scorched armor, it didn't receive any other wound.

At this moment, a lightning battle armor finally arrived on the Ghost King's body.

In truth, a support type soul pet trainer should have already added lightning type defense onto the Ghost King by the time it started its assault. However, Pang Yue and her soul pets were half a step slow.

“Your turn!” Chu Mu didn't say anything to Pang Yue. Instead, he spoke to the two people behind him.

The Ghost King had already blocked the attack. The rest would be left to Mu Qingyi and the Chaotic Thunder Sprite. Indeed, the Ghost King's attacks were negligible to the Thunder Giant.

The Thunder Sword Winged Lion and Chaotic Thunder Sprite had already finished fermenting their techniques!

Mu Qingyi and the Thunder Sword Winged Lion were clearly walking on a path of assault. After the Thunder Sword Winged Lion charged, its lightning claws of destruction left an enormous wound on the Thunder giant's abdomen.

The Chaotic Thunder Sprite's destructive force was slightly inferior. Aside from managing to knock back the Thunder Giant a bit, it wasn't of much use.

By the time the Chaotic Thunder Sprite and Thunder Sword Winged Lion's attacks ended, the Thunder Giant had finished fermenting its second technique. Without hesitation, it charged at the Thunder Sword Winged Lion that had injured it!

There was ultimately a two level difference in strength between peak and paragon emperors. Mu Qingyi's Thunder Sword Winged Lion was also mainly of the attacking type. If it was struck by the attack, there was a chance it could instantly die.

Therefore, Mu Qingyi didn't hesitate to have it retreat before the Thunder giant finished fermenting its technique.

“Nong!!!!!!”

The Thunder Giant was extremely angry. It had been many years since a creature had provoked its authority in its territory. It had to kill these foolish creatures then hang their corpses here to show all of the creatures in the lightning wasteland that it wasn't easily provoked!

Lifting its fists high up, after giving a roar, two enormous bolts of purple lightning struck down, landing in between the Thunder Giant's palms!

Holding the enormous lightning, crackling sounds of thunder ringing out, the Thunder Giant locked onto the Thunder Sword Winged Lion. It threw the two balls of enormous lightning essence at it!!

Seeing the enormous lightning balls fly over, Mu Qingyi maintained her calm, because she saw Chu Mu's Ghost King rush forwards!

As an absolute defense type soul pet, the Ghost King had to block almost all of the enemy's techniques that had extremely high destructive force.

Chu Mu's Ghost King appeared very timely. Just as the enormous lightning balls were about to strike the Thunder Sword Winged Lion, it managed to use its body and block in front of the Thunder Sword Winged Lion!

“Hong!!!!!!!!!! Hong!!!!!!!!!!”

The two balls of lightning exploded in the Ghost King's chest, instantly shattering most of the armor on its chest!

The Ghost King's large foot stamped on the ground, enduring the two lightning attacks!

“Attack.” Chu Mu then glanced at Mu Qingyi and spoke to her.

As he spoke, Chu Mu gave an order to the Ghost King.

The wobbling Ghost King used its hand to grab the Thunder Sword Winged Lion and threw this purple lion towards the Thunder Giant!!!

The Thunder Sword Winged Lion retracted its wings. The Ghost King's throw made it unnecessary to speed up. Thus its body transformed into a purple ball of energy that smashed towards the Thunder Giant's chest!!

How could the Thunder Giant imagine the enemy would launch a counter attack so quickly? It was unable to react in time as its chest was struck by the Thunder Sword Winged Lion transformed energy ball, and it was knocked back several thousands of meters!

Chapter 978: Strange Valley of Spells

The momentary breakthrough in defense appeared, it wouldn't be so strenuous to kill this Thunder King. Right now, the Chaotic Thunder Sprite's thunder type techniques only had to strike the Thunder Giant's damaged armor to deal extremely large damage to it.

Holding a large lightning blade, the Thunder Giant, after being successively heavily injured, roared and an electric arc came out. It stepped forward and targeted Chu Mu's Ghost King!

Ghost King's thick defenses had repelled its techniques multiple times. If it wasn't for the existence of this obstacle, those soul pets would have already been smashed to pieces by its enormous strength!

Therefore, it gave up on the others and concentrated solely on the Ghost King. If it died, the other thunder type soul pets wouldn't be able to survive.

Very soon, the fight turned into one between the two Giant species. The Thunder Giant unceasingly attracted lightning from the sky didn't stop attacking.

However, the Monarch Ghost Transformation gave the Ghost King absolute defense. After the ghost rock shield in its hands had shattered, it was reconstructed. If it could not be reconstructed, its arms shielded its vitals. Like a towering mountain, it bravely stood unmoving as it received the Thunder Giant's attacks!!

The Thunder Giant ultimately had underestimated the Ghost King's defensive power. Despite consecutive attacks and heavily injuring the Ghost King, the Thunder Sword Winged Lion and Chaotic Thunder Sprite gave even heavier injuries to the Thunder King. Yet, this just angered the Thunder Giant into focusing the Ghost King even harder. It wanted to see who wouldn't be able to last first.

The Ghost King's defense, added on the fact it had the physical composition of an elemental world creature, made it so that unless its inner crystal was shattered, the difficulty of killing it was not any lower than killing a paragon emperor. Obviously the area of the inner crystal was the most guarded area. Moreover, Pang Yue was continuously healing the Ghost King and using defensive techniques. The Thunder Giant's stubbornness would only bring it closer to death.

“Hong!!!!!!!”

A chaotic thunderbolt descended from the sky and smashed onto the Thunder King's head.

The Thunder Giant's body violently trembled as its head fell back, followed by its body!

The Thunder Sword Winged Lion grasped this opportunity. Its claws flickering with lightning flew across and accurately struck the chest of the Thunder Giant where the armor was already completely destroyed.

This strike left no hope of survival for the Thunder Giant. Like an enormous collapsing mountain, when it fell, there were no signs of life. The only thing beating on its body was the lightning shackles around its body.

Seeing the Thunder Giant fall, Chu Mu glanced at Pang Yue and said: "Help me heal my Ghost King."

Pang Yue nodded. She considered that because the Ghost King had the ghost attribute, she could only use water type and flower type healing methods.

During the fight, Pang Yue's healing abilities were only cover. After the fight, she would be able to have her soul pets thoroughly examine the injured. At the very least she would be able to immediately suppress wounds that were about to worsen...

"Don't tell me that those small monsters we'll encounter on this path will be of this level." Teng Lang looked at the dead Thunder Giant and spoke with fear.

If this Thunder Giant was released on the outside, it would definitely be a hegemon. It would either control a large territory that humans didn't dare enter or it would command an army of ten thousand!

"It's not easy to say. The thunder type resources here are nearly 100 times more than the outer world. The starting point of growth these creatures experience is a level the space we live in cannot compete with. High ranking creatures are probably very common here." said Chu Mu.

“Then if we are to come here and train, our strength will definitely soar.” said Teng Lang.

“Indeed; however, you must be able to survive first.” nodded Chu Mu.

The amount of resources here was nearly a hundred times the outer world. Simultaneously, this meant that the danger here was exponentially higher. Chu Mu felt that if a creature hadn’t reached the dominator rank, whether it would survive here or not depended only 50% on luck. The remaining percent would be determined by luck and fate.

The inner crystals of paragon emperors were obviously precious. Although the main fighting force this time had been Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi, both of them had reached the dominator rank. These two items were either needed or unneeded by them; it wasn’t a problem of price or value for them. If they needed it, they would just take it. If they didn’t, they would give it to the other for.

Pang Yue’s Delayed Lightning was still in the high emperor rank. Thus, the Paragon Emperor’s inner crystal went to her.

After obtaining this pure energy crystal, her face blossomed in a smile. This was a huge help for her Delayed Lightning advancing to the peak emperor rank. Normally, for her, the hard part about this wasn’t even killing a paragon emperor rank to obtain an inner crystal, but actually finding one.

It could be said that purely the thunder type paragon emperor’s inner crystal’s was worth the five month journey for Pang Yue.

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Crossing the mountain, passing through the valley, flying over the precipice. The group of six continued towards the captivating red horizon.

Often, they would feel that no matter how far they walked, the splotch of captivating red in the horizon didn't grow closer at all.

En route, the rank of creatures they encountered was indeed very high. Chu Mu's analysis had been spot on in this regard.

Fortunately, the four others besides Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi were exceptionally excited by the high ranking inner crystals they obtained. It was like they had entered a cornucopia.

With so many resources, they were certain that once the training ended, their strength would erupt!

These types of training opportunities could only be discovered, but not sought. Presumably, if it wasn't because Mu Qingyi wanted to repay the three great palaces for helping her matter, she wouldn't have easily told them about this secret ground that she had learned from her ancestors.

"You don't need to leave a few thunder type crystals for yourself?" Mu Qingyi saw that Chu Mu had only taken a few of the crystals, and asked in curiosity.

Mu Qingyi herself had a dominator rank creature and to obtain these resources, she normally only needed information of their whereabouts. It was understandable why she was being generous. However, she discovered that there were times when Chu Mu was even more generous than she was; he practically did not take any of the items obtained.

“I just need to take a few for Qingzi’s Purple Robed Dream Beast. There’s no use in obtaining more.” said Chu Mu.

The Purple Robed Dream Beast was a demon and its secondary attribute was thunder. Thus Chu Mu took a few of the crystals for Ye Qingzi to amalgamate.

“You don’t have a thunder type soul pet, but if you do obtain one in the future, it’ll be better if you prepare these thunder type crystals first. It’ll be a lot easier than having to purchase and collect them when the time comes.” said Mu Qingyi.

Chu Mu ostensibly hadn’t considered preparing for the future mainly because he felt that the probability of him obtaining a thunder type soul pet wasn’t high.

The Dead Dream would occupy Chu Mu’s 15th soul pact, which meant that he would only have the 13th pact open.

15 soul pacts was the limit of humans; ostensibly no one could cross this level. Even if Chu Mu was confident in his ability to surpass this limit, he understood that breaking through the spirit emperor rank and obtaining his 16th soul pact wasn’t something that could be accomplished in a short period of time.

Therefore, there was a chance that his 16th pact would be his last soul pact.

If Chu Mu could choose, he would choose a water type soul pet and not a thunder type.

Chu Mu was currently grounded non-swimmer. Chu Mu had never genuinely come into contact with the Eternal Ocean or the Dark Sky Ocean World. In the future, he would definitely enter those and would absolutely have to have a water type.

Chu Mu was walking down the offensive power type mold. Of his water type choices, he obviously couldn't choose a support type like the Water Moon. Instead, he needed a majestic and domineering ocean beast!

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After passing through the thunder wasteland, the careful Chao Lengchuan discovered a problem.

“Although the valleys, precipices, and mountains we have walked through are different, I feel that they're pretty similar. Especially the layout of the abyss. It seems that every abyss we pass through is three kilometers south of the precipices and the distance between mountain peaks is completely the same...” said Chao Lengchuan.

The others hadn't noticed this. Thus, Mu Qingyi checked it over, and discovered that the terrain in the valley of spells was indeed the same everywhere.

However, although Chao Lengchuan had mentioned this problem, he couldn't explain why. Everyone could only just continue onwards.

Nonetheless, with this suspicion in mind, everyone discovered with shock that everywhere they walked, they had a feeling of familiarity. Especially when standing from a certain angle, if it wasn't because there were no marks of fighting left on the ground, they would have believed that they were stuck in a never ending valley of spells labyrinth.

“Our route isn’t wrong. The Phoenix species inheritance land is growing closer to us.” said Mu Qingyi.

“But why do I feel like we’re just continually walking in circles?” asked Chao Lengchuan.

“It could just be your mind playing tricks.” Chu Mu didn’t pay much heed. As long as their direction wasn’t incorrect, the similarity in terrain probably wasn’t of much concern.

“Prince Chao, just keep these ideas in your stomach next time. Your words just now gave me a very strange feeling.” said Pang Yue, a bit unsatisfied.

Indeed, before Chao Lengchuan had mentioned this, nobody had thought of it. After it was brought to their attention by the prince, their attention focused on the strange terrain. They walked and walked to verify this strange theory, making them feel frightened in their hearts.

“Let’s go.”

Without an explanation, they could only continue progressing forwards.

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After traveling a month, the valley of spells was gradually left behind the group. In front of them were a series of continuous enormous mountains that extended to the horizon.

While in the valley of spells, they were still able to see the splotch of red. However, their field of view was being blocked by the overlaying mountain peaks.

After exiting the valley of spells, the suspicion in everyone's hearts vanished. The reason they felt strange was indeed only their minds playing tricks on them.

Seeing the enormous mountains sprawled in front of him, Chu Mu could feel his heartbeat speed up. He was even closer to the Phoenix species inheritance ground!

Chapter 979: Phoenix Species Huge Mountain

The Huge Mountain was similarly barren and full of completely hard and jagged rocks, sometimes precipitous, sometimes broad, sometimes falling steeply or rising suddenly. The strange geography caused quite an obstruction to people.

The geography's influence on everyone could be overcome, but what caused the most trouble was, between the mountains, the habitating organisms often appeared in groups. It was often the case where they would get across a mountain ridge, and find a group of organisms staring at the six intruders angrily and charge forth!

In the diagram valley, the six people mostly went around patrolling organisms and battling wasn't very frequent.

However, stepping into phoenix species lost ground giant mountain, they almost never stopped fighting, paving a bloody path through all these organisms.

"Heavens, I don't even want to go forth anymore." Teng Lang rode his iceberg lion from the skies down to where everyone else was resting, complaining grumpily.

They rested on a cliff. Between the cliff and the next mountain body was a fault that extended deep into the ground. In the crack, one could see countless blinking crystals.

These crystals blossomed with an alluring glow. If all of it were collected, the energy was definitely enough to make countless emperor ranks.

However, the six people at the cliff had no intention of going to get any of it because within that long crack, there were many glowing things that weren't energy filled crystals - pairs of menacing eyes!

The amount of eyes was far greater than the amount of crystals, spread rapidly through the large crack valley, sometimes letting out frightening calls!

Having seen the scariness of groups of organisms, the six of them had no energy to go get the resources. Reaching the top of the volcano was the only thought on their tired minds now.

The crack naturally could be crossed. They wanted to go upwards, so there was no point for them to fight with those organisms down the crack.

However, Teng Lang who went forth to investigate came back with a soured expression. Presumably the situation ahead wasn't any better than the crack below them.

"What's up?" Shen Mo asked.

"I can't really describe it. Let's rest some more, and then everyone can see for themselves. Just be mentally prepared." Teng Lang laughed bitterly.

Hearing Teng Lang say this, everyone knew that there probably was a large group of organisms ahead.

This continuous battling caused their minds to be tired. Other than Chu Mu, who was always using one soul pet, who still had raging fighting intent, the others were all very helpless.

After resting, the six of them continued forward.

Flying through the valley full of poisonous snakes and treasures, following the rising altitude, the six people climbed to the top of the mountain.

After reaching the peak, the geography started sliding back down, creating a basin-like region at the top of the mountain.

However, standing at the edge of the basin, the five people glanced ahead. Their faces all instantly blackened when they saw the massive and bustling group of organisms ahead.

“There’s at least fifty thousand?” Chao Lengchuan sucked in a breath, and looked at the countless black dots.

This mountain basin was massive. If they didn’t consider latitude, they could even see it as a dried out ocean. If that were the case, the organisms within the basin were the sea water!

This scene that caused everyone to hesitate also gave Chu Mu a headache.

Chu Mu could only use one soul pet, so his use in group battles was very limited. And, his most powerful white nightmare had to be kept until the end. He couldn't afford to waste its energy now, since it won't be able to recover in a mere four or five days.

Clearly, this basin group was a rather high level tribe. If they had to walk around it, there was no telling how long it would take, and even then they couldn't guarantee they could circumvent them entirely.

Helpless, they could only choose to go ahead stealthily.

If they killed their way across, they would definitely waste a large amount of their soul pets' fighting strength. The best way was to head forwards with demon or dark type organisms. If they couldn't move stealthily the entire way, they could only fight their way through.

Chu Mu didn't have demon type soul pets, so naturally they could only follow Mu Qingyi.

Pang Yue's strength was rather weak and needed an expert to protect her. This task was given to Chao Lengchuan, who was the second most powerful.

Chao Lengchuan could control five soul pets, and having received the supreme title inheritance, his Thousand Wave Beast wasn't much weaker than Chu Mu's white nightmare. Though it wasn't currently summoned, guaranteeing Pang Yue's safety wasn't an issue.

Shen Mo and Teng Lang naturally paired together. When Teng Lang climbed onto Shen Mo's demon's back, he glanced at the other two pairs of boy and girl and said to Shen Mo, "This scene is familiar.....why are we paired together again!"

“Sure, you go protect Pang Yue and tell scholar Chao to come with me.” Shen Mo said.

“Uh, never mind.” Teng Lang didn’t say much more.

Chu Mu could only control one soul pet, and this fellow always liked sending his soul pet deep into the enemy lines while running around in the fight himself too. At times, he may need even more protection than Pang Yue.

The mission of protecting Chu Mu naturally fell on Mu Qingyi. There was no point for anyone else to take it instead. After Teng Lang’s constant gossiping, the other three knew clearly that there had to be something between Chu Mu and Mu Qingyi.

Furthermore, Pang Yue was usually by Chao Lengchuan’s side. Though his humble scholar appearance caused one to be speechless, his strength was highly admirable!

The fellow’s main soul pets were all top tier emperor rank. In fact, even some of his secondary soul pets stepped into that rank. Not considering dominator rank soul pets, Chao Lengchuan’s average strength was much stronger than Chu Mu.

Thus, most of the time, Teng Lang followed Shen Mo.

Shen Mo wanted to hide his strength a little and not let others see through him, but right after entering the mountain, most of his strength was revealed. He had to help Pang Yue, who was just a top tier emperor rank deadweight.

Coming out and running into so many situations, Chu Mu was having a headache over only being able to use one soul pet. It was times like these that he started missing Night, Zhan Ye, and little hidden dragon more.

“The enemy ahead is too dense, we’ll likely be discovered.” Mu Qingyi glanced at the completely black armored abyss beasts and turned to speak to Chu Mu.

“Kill our way across, it's better than if we approached slowly and cautiously.” Chu Mu said.

“You say it like its easily done.” Mu Qingyi said.

“I can get rid of their commander and attract their attention, you guys can continue in stealth.” Chu Mu said.

“You’re going to summon your white nightmare?” Mu Qingyi felt it wasn’t necessary to use their trump card yet.

“No need.” Chu Mu said.

Mu Qingyi gazed doubtfully at Chu Mu. Without white nightmare, a single soul pet was almost unable to do anything against such a large tribe. At least Mu Qingyi felt that Chu Mu couldn't do it. After all, the danger and difficulty was too high.

Seeing Mu Qingyi look at him like this, Chu Mu instead laughed. “You don’t believe me?”

“En, I don’t believe it.” Mu Qingyi nodded very truthfully.

Chapter 980: Traversing the Army

Getting doubted by the war goddess wasn’t a great feeling. Chu Mu immediately replied, “What if I do end up doing it?”

“If you do it - then do it, why do you want something for it?” Mu Qingyi noticed Chu Mu’s expression was slightly wanting, and lifted an eyebrow.

“Uh.....” Chu Mu saw that his intentions were seen through and laughed awkwardly, “I heard from others that the Mu Clan has a way to quickly grow soul pets.....”

“Stop beating around the bush.” Mu Qingyi smiled charmingly and said, “if you help me, I’ll naturally tell you small things like that. But, since you said you wanted to get rid of this tribe commander, then I’ll tell you it after you attract away the stronger black armored pool beasts and successfully pass through.”

“.....” Chu Mu laughed bitterly. He hurt himself with his seemingly smart move.

The immortal spring water in soul palace was very limited, and was usually only effective on pseudo emperor rank organisms and below. Once dead dream finished its rebirth, it probably would be perfect emperor rank. Immortal spring water may not be very useful for an organism with such a high species level, so Chu Mu naturally started plotting for Mu Qingyi’s tricks.

“Alright, you guys be careful.” Chu Mu said he would do it, so naturally he could only follow through.

‘You’re the one that should be careful.’ Mu Qingyi was slightly speechless. This man only had one soul pet, and would easily subject himself to attacks in the chaos of battle. However, looking at him, it was as if they were fighting a group of tame sheep instead of fierce black armor pool beasts.

Chu Mu laughed and didn’t bother explaining. Turning around to Chao Lengchuan and the other three, he said, “You guys stay with Mu Qingyi, I’ll get rid of this tribe’s commander.

The four all stared back blankly. Thinking Chu Mu going alone with one soul pet was too dangerous, Chao Lengchuan offered to go with him.

“No need, you protect Pang Yue well.” Chu Mu didn’t continue. He jumped off Mu Qingyi’s demon and quickly disappeared into the rocky stalagmites.

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Killing a commander amongst an army couldn’t be done without demon or dark type organisms. Sadly, Chu Mu indeed didn’t have any soul pet that could assassinate like that. The only one that could really do it was the explosive and fast Mo Xie.

That was why this mission must be completed by Mo Xie.

As a dominator rank, it was easy for Chu Mu to hide and approach. Chu Mu walked through the night, and easily neared the center of the entire basin tribe.

At this time, Chu Mu couldn’t go forth anymore, instead telling Mo Xie to infiltrate into the cave of the black armor pool beast herself.

If Chu Mu entered the cave himself, he might as well kill the leader himself too. It was better for the bored Mo Xie to get more chances to train herself, and become a true forgiven fox.

Little Mo Xie had her way of entering without being noticed. However, it wasn't exactly stealthy, because the little fellow simply waved its nine soft tails around as she walked in in front of all the beasts!

“Wuwuwu~~~~~”

Little Mo Xie constantly jumped around, even leaping onto some larger black armor pool beasts. The black armor pool beasts originally just glanced very angrily at the little being, but after noticing that it was just an auraless little fox that seemed cute, they gave it a stare and ignored it.

Pitiful appearance was always little Mo Xie's secret trump card. It was a demon type mental technique that confused the enemies using its weak and young exterior. It caused organisms to feel as if they were seeing the young of their own species. The stronger the organisms, the more times they easily fell for it.

So, even though a full row of black armored pool beasts were standing imposingly in front of Mo Xie, she only had to wave her tail around and let out a few cute calls to allow the guards to turn a blind eye towards her, and treat her like a wild little animal, allowing her to run around.

“We're halfway to success.” Seeing little Mo Xie get into the enemy cave by herself, Chu Mu smiled.

This strategy worked in prison island for Chu Mu many times. Now that they were higher rank, he used it much less. The scene in front of him reminded himself of being alone with little Mo Xie on prison island again.

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“Will Chu Fangchen be fine alone?” Pang Yue said slightly worriedly.

Hearing nothing for so long and remembering that he only had one soul pet, he could be in life-threatening danger easily.

“He should be fine, his white nightmare is so powerful it could probably sweep this entire tribe clean.” Teng Lang said.

“En. The tribe’s strongest member is probably top tier emperor rank, there can’t be dominator ranks. With white nightmare’s strength, getting rid of commander rank isn’t hard for it.” Shen Mo said.

Mu Qingyi glanced at everyone and said, “He didn’t plan on summoning white nightmare.”

“No white nightmare?” The four stared blankly.

“Without white nightmare, just a top tier emperor is akin to suicide!” Teng Lang said very straightforwardly.

“Yes, it’s too dangerous. He might get surrounded by a huge army before he even nears the cave, let alone actually kill the commander.....” Pang Yue said.

Mu Qingyi and the others had similar thoughts. Going Into that tribe's cave with just a top tier emperor rank, taking the commander's head, then leaving safely was almost impossible.

“Hou!!!!!!!!!!”

“Houhouh!!!!!!!!!!”

Suddenly, an uproar sounded from the pool beasts afar exploding like a thousand claps of thunder!

Angry roars constantly spread through the army. From afar, one could see countless black armor pool beasts run through this basin while recruiting more allies!

The calm basin instantly thrown to chaos signified that something major had happened!

After a little longer, Mu Qingyi noticed that many of the patrolling black armor pool beasts also quickly headed towards a certain direction.

Not long after, ahead of them was an open and empty field. The five of them stood still, and watched where all the beasts surged towards.

“He succeeded, let's go.” Mu Qingyi was the first to realize and said to everyone.

The others jumped onto their soul pets and headed straight across the tribe territory.

Their path had no obstructions. Occasionally, they met a few groups that didn't head to the commotion but with their powerful strength, they easily powered through.

Though the running process eventually started getting obstructed by armies surrounding them, compared to the previous amount, the current army didn't pose a threat anymore. The five people very safely got through this basin and reached the foot of the next mountain.

Behind them in the huge basin, there still came many loud roars. The five of them stood up on the higher ground, which allowed them to see everything within the basin.

Very soon, they noticed a running red shadow in the night. Its nine soft flaming tails dragged out a brilliant trail in the dark.

The flaming body was swiftly approaching them, but one could see a black swarm following it. The wild aura was something the five people could already feel from so far away. If one fell deep into that, who knows how long it would take to escape.

The red flame figure was extremely fast. The chasing black beast swarm was slowly losing distance on it, while the beasts ahead similarly couldn't obstruct its speed in the slightest, slowly becoming one with the chasing crowd.

"Such an imposing chase." Teng Lang said.

"This man, he actually killed the commander with just a seven sin fox, and even dares to run through their entire territory!" Shen Mo's mouth twitched. No one normal would do such a thing.

“Brother Chu truly is an outstanding man, I truly admire him.” Chao Lengchuan said very humbly.

“Prince Chao, we would need a basket full of books to fit the names of everyone you admire.” Pang Yue said.

Chao Lengchuan often noted his admiration to everyone. When Mu Qingyi summoned a soul pet with a special technique, he would show his admiration. Since Shen Mo’s white nightmare was royal species, he admired it too. Even Teng Lang’s iceberg lion got his admiration.

However, thinking back, when Chu Mu took the commander’s skull and escaped through the heavy chasing troops with such ease and command of their escape path, it garnered everyone’s respect. If he didn’t get chased often, there was no way he would be so good at it.

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Everyone waited for a while. A little while after Chu Mu completely lost the black armor pool beast, he appeared in front of everyone.

“Did you have fun?” Pang Yue smiled and teased Chu Mu.

“Not bad.” Chu Mu didn’t really care, but little Mo Xie hadn’t felt that adrenaline in a while and was excitedly wagging her tail around.

“Chu Mu, you really didn’t summon the white nightmare?” Teng Lang asked.

“No.” Chu Mu said.

“The cave definitely had many high rank emperors. How did you do this?” Shen Mo asked.

Mu Qingyi also looked at Chu Mu with her pretty eyes, and was curious as to how Chu Mu took down the commander.

Chu Mu smiled mysteriously. It was better if he didn’t explain, since he used his half devil abilities to cheat a little when approaching.