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Chapter 511: Soul Skill, Soul Shaker

Ji Feng's voice transmission entered into Flute Fairy's ears, and it caused her to be dumbstruck.

Under the gazes of everyone present, she'd cried and made noises as if she'd gone mad?

All her behavior in the strange desert earlier was seen by everyone present?

Instantly, Flute Fairy's face became deathly pale, and boundless shame arose in her heart.

She wished for nothing more than to dig a hole and hide within it!

Ji Feng had an expression of disdain when he saw Flute Fairy's expression, and he cursed in his heart. "F\*\*k off! Go on, pretend! Do you really think I'm unable to discern that you were putting on an act earlier?"

Presently, there were many people with similar thoughts as Ji Feng.

Because, everything that happened earlier had completely exceeded their scope of understanding.

"You... You're really capable of demonic techniques!" Flute Fairy stretched out her hand to point at Duan Ling Tian in embarrassment, her slender and smooth finger lightly trembled as she was extremely agitated.

Duan Ling Tian glanced at Flute Fairy with waning interest, then shrugged. "If you think it's a demonic technique, then it's a demonic technique... Now, you wanted to experience my demonic technique and I've allowed you to, don't disturb me anymore."

After he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian returned to his own courtyard, then walked into the house in the courtyard and directly closed the door.

Leaving behind Flute Fairy whose beautiful face was angered to the point it flushed red and her eyes were filled with traces of shame.

This Duan Ling Tian actually caused her to make a fool of herself in public.

However, when she thought of how she made Duan Ling Tian utilize his demonic technique, she couldn't help but heave a sigh of relief.

Her hard work was repaid.

At least, she proved the fact that Duan Ling Tian knew demonic techniques.

"Hmph! If it wasn't for relying on being able to use demonic techniques, how could this Duan Ling Tian be a match for my brother that day?!" Flute Fairy's voice raised slightly, and she wanted to use the people present to spread out this truth, and redress the outcome of fight for her brother.

But she quickly noticed that most of the people present looked at her as if they were looking at an idiot, and they obviously didn't believe what she said.

"All of you... I..." Flute Fairy was anxious.

She's wracked her brains to make Duan Ling Tian use his demonic technique, and she'd even acted ludicrously in public, yet what she got in return was actually such an outcome?

She wasn't resigned!

"I'm speaking the truth. Duan Ling Tian really knows how to use demonic techniques... Earlier, I don't know how, but I'd arrived at a desert that didn't have the slightest trace of habitation..." When Flute Fairy spoke up to here, she didn't continue.

Because she noticed that the gazes of everyone present had become even stranger.

"Young Miss Zi Yan, so long as it's a normal person, they would be able to discern that you and Duan Ling Tian had joined together to put on a show earlier... Although I don't know what the two of you seek by doing this, I still want to tell you that unless someone has something wrong in their head, otherwise, no one will believe you." Ji Feng looked at Flute Fairy and sent a voice transmission in 'good will.'

Flute Fairy's delicate figure trembled slightly, and her beautiful face flushed red.

Everything she said was true, yet why did no one believe it?

She wasn't resigned to this fate.

"Duan Ling Tian, come out!" In next to no time, Flute Fairy strode forward to arrive before the courtyard that Duan Ling Tian stayed at, and she shouted out with a chilly voice.

Duan Ling Tian had only just sat cross-legged since entering the room and intended to cultivate when he heard Flute Fairy's cold shout.

He instantly frowned, then opened the door and walked out.

"Woman, are you done yet?" Duan Ling Tian's face seemed to be covered in a layer of ice as he spoke impatiently.

You asked me to let you experience the 'demonic technique' and I've done so.

Now you still try to climb all over me?

"Duan Ling Tian, tell them that I didn't deceive them... You indeed know how to utilize demonic techniques and can send me to a strange place," said Flute Fairy to Duan Ling Tian in an extremely hurried tone.

"So long as I say it, you won't disturb me any longer?" Duan Ling Tian asked cautiously.

He didn't want to be bothered by this woman, otherwise, he would basically be unable to cultivate.

"Yes." Flute Fairy didn't hesitate in the slightest and nodded hurriedly.

As far as she was concerned, so long as Duan Ling Tian was willing to admit it, it ought to be sufficient to make the people present to be convinced and stop saying she was speaking false words.

"I hope you can keep your promise." Duan Ling Tian glanced deeply at Flute Fairy, and his icy cold and fierce gaze caused her to be unable to stop herself from shivering.

"Everyone, Flute Fairy didn't deceive all of you, I indeed know how to utilize demonic techniques... Right, if anyone is interested, I can allow you to try the feeling of being an Emperor, and even being a Martial Emperor isn't a problem." Duan Ling Tian glanced at the Outer Hall and Inner Hall students present as he spoke in all seriousness.

But his serious words instead caused the crowd of Dragon and Phoenix Academy students to break out with laughter.

"Remember your promise." Duan Ling Tian glanced coldly and indifferently at Flute Fairy after he finished speaking, then he returned to his room once again and started cultivating.

Flute Fairy heaved a sigh of relief.

But in next to no time, she was dumbstruck once again.

"All of you..." She noticed that not only did the gazes of the people present not change, it even became stranger.

At this moment, she finally realized that if she didn't make these people personally experience it, it would be impossible for them to believe Duan Ling Tian knew how to use demonic techniques.

In the end, she could only walk over to the courtyard that originally belonged to Ji Feng and now belonged to her with a bitter expression, then return to her room.

"Duan Ling Tian! I'll make everyone believe the fact that you know demonic techniques sooner or later!" After she returned to her room, Flute Fairy had her back to the door and was aggrieved to the point that tears flowed down her beautiful cheeks, and she spoke with an enraged expression.

Since she was born, this was the first time she'd suffered such a great injustice.

That feeling of being misunderstood by everyone caused her to feel extremely unhappy.

Now she finally understood the meaning of the words her brother spoke to her one year ago before leaving the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom.

Yan, brother is going to follow Master and cultivate... I'll surely find a way to defeat Duan Ling Tian's demonic technique and wash away this humiliation! He caused me to lose all face, and caused me to encounter the doubt of everyone from the Seven Star Sword Sect!

Those were the words her brother, the Zither Young Master, Zi Shang, said to her before leaving the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom.

At that time, it was difficult for her to understand the rage and grievance in her brother's heart.

But now, she understood it completely.

Because, she'd lost all face before the crowd of Dragon and Phoenix Academy students, and suffered the doubt of the crowd at the same time...

Duan Ling Tian, I'll surely help my brother find a way to overcome your demonic technique! Zi Yan lightly clenched her white teeth, and her beautiful face was extremely firm.

Duan Ling Tian naturally didn't know about everything that happened outside.

Currently, he was silently cultivation the fifth form of the Nine Dragons War Sovereign Technique, the Lightning Wyrm Form...

Time silently flowed by.

After an unknown amount of time, Duan Ling Tian awoke after he felt the Origin Energy in his body had reached a saturated state once more.

"Squeak squeak~" Right at this moment, a wave of familiar cries sounded out.

Subsequently, he saw a bolt of golden lightning flash before his eyes before his shoulder slightly sunk, and a fluffy little gold thing had appeared there.

It was precisely the infant Jade-eyed Heavenly Mouse.

"Little Gold, you've awoken?" Duan Ling Tian was slightly surprised.

"Hehe... Big Brother Ling Tian, I've finally broken through." The little gold mouse's voice transmission entered into Duan Ling Tian's ears and it was filled with excitement and delight.

Duan Ling Tian's eyes lit up when he heard this, then his Spiritual Force stretched out, and he'd discovered the little gold mouse's current cultivation at the first possible moment.

Seventh level of the Void Prying Stage!

Little Gold had finally broken through to the seventh level of the Void Prying Stage.

"Little Gold, your Spiritual Force..." Duan Ling Tian seemed to have thought of something, and he looked at the little gold mouse with a burning gaze.

But he saw the little gold mouse's shiny jade green eyes had instantly gone dim, then she drooped her little head as she said via voice transmission, "Big Brother Ling Tian, I still haven't awakened my soul brand and was unable to comprehend the elementary soul skills of my Jade-eyed Heavenly Mouse race."

A trace of a sense of loss that was difficult to notice flashed in Duan Ling Tian's eyes when he heard this.

But he still consoled. "It's alright, work hard and cultivate properly. Make your cultivation and Spiritual Force advance by a few levels and you'll surely be able to awaken your soul brand."

Out of the blue, an unexpected event suddenly occurred at this moment.

Duan Ling Tian saw that the little gold mouse suddenly raised her head, and her pair of jade green eyes that were originally dim had abruptly lit up.

Not only that, he saw that within the little gold mouse's pair of jade green eyes, a strand of imperceptible golden flames had emerged in each of them.

What's that? Right when wonder emerged in Duan Ling Tian's heart.

He felt a formidable Spiritual Force that was swift to the extreme sweep over, and before he had the time to react, it had already pierced into his soul.

In the next moment, his soul shook, and the little gold mouse before him and everything within his field of vision had become blurry.

Not only that, he also noticed that at this moment, the Origin Energy that he mobilized from his entire body was gradually on the verge of collapse from the shaking of his soul.

After a short moment, he noticed that the formidable Spiritual Force that attacked him had completely vanished.

Whereas his consciousness gradually became clear...

Everything returned to normal.

"Little Gold, you little fellow! You actually deceived me!" When Duan Ling Tian returned to his senses, he glared angrily at the little gold mouse.

He was naturally able to guess what happened earlier, it was obviously the little gold mouse who'd relied on her soul brand that had awoken to utilize her soul skill to trap him...

"Hehe... Big Brother Ling Tian, I'm formidable, right?" The little gold mouse raised her little head proudly, and asked with slight complacency.

"Yes." When he recalled the scene from before, Duan Ling Tian nodded with a slight lingering fear in his heart, and at the same time, he asked curiously. "Little Gold, what soul skill did you execute earlier?"

Everything that happened earlier in that instant was something he wasn't willing to experience a second time in this lifetime.

At that moment, he even had the feeling that his life had escaped his control.

"Big Brother Ling Tian, that's the first soul brand that I awakened after my Spiritual Force broke through into the Void Initiation Stage... The soul skill that's paired with this soul brand is called Soul Shaker!" The little gold mouse's voice transmission slowly entered into Duan Ling Tian's ears, and it caused his mood to surge.

Soul Shaker!

What an overbearing soul skill!

"This soul skill, Soul Shaker, ought to belong to offensive soul skills, right?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

At that instant earlier, he was able to clearly feel that the little gold mouse's Spiritual Force had instantly pierced into his soul.

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"Yes, it's an offensive soul skill." The little gold mouse replied then continued saying via voice transmission. "But, it's only an elementary soul skill, and isn't able to directly crush another's soul. It's only able to cause other's minds to be unguarded for a short period of time.

Causing one's mind to be unguarded!

When he recalled the scene of the little gold mouse's Spiritual Force piercing into his soul and the torture he'd suffered at that instant, Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but feel a lingering fear in his heart.

At that instant, even a Body Tempering Stage martial artist was probably able to kill him by relying on a weapon.

At that moment, he was undoubtedly at his weakest.

"Abnormal!" Duan Ling Tian's heart shook.

In next to no time, after communicating with the little gold mouse, Duan Ling Tian obtained a certain level of understanding towards the little gold mouse's Soul Shaker.

Soul Shaker's scope of effect was almost similar to his Thousand Illusions.

Besides being useless against existences who possessed Spiritual Forces that were stronger than themselves, it was also useless when facing Inscriptions Masters who possessed a similar level of Spiritual Force and variant demon beasts who had similarly awakened their soul brand.

"In other words, so long as they aren't Inscription Masters or demon beasts that have awakened their soul brand, Little Gold's soul shaker would be able to affect martial artists and demon beasts with the same cultivation as her Spiritual Force!" Duan Ling Tian came to a complete understanding.

"Presently, Little Gold's Spiritual Force is at the first level of the Void Initiation Stage... In other words, even if it's an ordinary first level Void Initiation Stage martial artist, then so long as the martial artist isn't an Inscription Master, Little Gold would be able to use Soul Shaker to cause the martial artist's mind to become unguarded!" When Duan Ling Tian thought up to here, a wisp of an evil smile appeared on the corners of his mouth. "If I make a move and attack the first level Void Initiation Stage martial artist at this time, then the martial artist would die for sure!"

"In other words, as long as I cooperate with Little Gold now... Then so long as we don't encounter a person whose Spiritual Force is at a higher level than Little Gold and an Inscription Master with a Spiritual Force at a similar level as Little Gold, then I can walk unhindered in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial City?" Duan Ling Tian felt a wave of excitement in his heart when he thought up to here.

"Big Brother Ling Tian, I'm tired, I want to rest for a while." Right at this moment, the little gold mouse's voice transmission entered into Duan Ling Tian's ears.

In the next moment, Duan Ling Tian noticed that the little gold mouse had fallen asleep.

The little gold mouse slept for an entire night and day.

"Little Gold, what happened to you yesterday?" Duan Ling Tian asked impatiently after the little gold mouse awoke.

"Big Brother Ling Tian, after I used the Soul Shaker, my Spiritual Force seemed as if it was completely sucked out... Even now, it still hasn't completely recovered." The little gold mouse's voice transmission entered into Duan Ling Tian's ears, and it caused Duan Ling Tian's heart to jerk.

Duan Ling Tian took a deep breath and asked. "Little Gold, then can you utilize that soul skill, Soul Shaker, now?"

The little gold mouse shook her head. "No... The state of my Spiritual Force must attains its peak condition before I'm able to utilize Soul Shaker."

"Then how long do you need to recover after using Soul Shaker once?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian suddenly realized that he had perhaps gotten happy too early.

Little Gold's soul skill, Soul Shaker, seemed to have some restrictions.

"Almost around half a month..." Replied the little gold mouse via voice transmission.

Half a month?

Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly.

Looks like he'd indeed gotten happy too early.

"In this way, Little Gold's Soul Shake can only be used once every half a month." Duan Ling Tian sighed to himself and was slightly disappointed.

With a quick thought he came to a sudden understanding. "As expected, the hearts of people are never content! Even if it's half a month once, it's still sufficient to be shocking... After all, Little Gold is only a seventh level Void Prying Stage demon beast now, and being able to use soul skills to affect ordinary first level Void Prying Stage martial artists and demon beasts is already extremely abnormal."

"Little Gold, tell me when your Spiritual Force has recovered to its peak... At that time, I intend to use the chance to go out this month," said Duan Ling Tian to the little gold mouse.

The little gold mouse's pair of jade green eyes lit up when she heard this, and they were like two dazzling and resplendent gemstones. "Big Brother Ling Tian, you want to go look for materials that can advance the grade of spirit swords?"

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded. "Not only do I want to find materials to advance the grade of spirit swords, I still want to buy some materials to refine medicinal pills that assist Void Prying Stage martial artists in their cultivation."

When she heard Duan Ling Tian, the little gold mouse was exceedingly excited.

Half a month passed extremely swiftly.

It had already been 20 days since Duan Ling Tian arrived at the Dragon and Phoenix Academy.

Although Outer Hall students would occasionally enter the Inner Hall to issue a challenge, it wasn't as bustling as half a month ago.

Now, the ten students in the Inner Hall was basically fixed.

"Big Brother Ling Tian, my Spiritual Force has recovered to its peak... Let's go out." Early in the morning, the little gold mouse excitedly sent a voice transmission to Duan Ling Tian.

"Alright." Duan Ling Tian nodded, then brought the little gold mouse along as he left the courtyard.

The Inner Hall was completely silent, as the 10 Inner Hall students were either in their rooms cultivating or not in the Inner Hall.

Besides having a path that led to the Outer Hall, the Inner Hall also had another shortcut that could directly lead to the gate of the Dragon and Phoenix Academy.

Duan Ling Tian chose the shortcut.

After a short moment, he'd arrived the academy gate.

At that place, two old men were standing like guardians at the sides of the gate, and they didn't move like a mountain, seeming to be two statues.

Whereas before the stone table at the side of the academy gate sat an old man.

This old man was precisely the person that was in charge of registering the entrance and departure of academy students.

"Senior." Duan Ling Tian noticed that the old man behind the stone table was the exact same old man that registered him 20 days ago.

"Duan Ling Tian?" The old man frowned when he saw Duan Ling Tian. "Didn't I tell you that it's best that you not casually leave that academy?"

"Senior, I have something to do and must go out." Duan Ling Tian knew the old man meant well, and his heart felt warm.

The old man persuaded Duan Ling Tian for a moment longer, and when he saw Duan Ling Tian remained unmoved, he could only compromise and help Duan Ling Tian register himself.

Before Duan Ling Tian left, the old man reminded. "Duan Ling Tian, I'm afraid the matter of you arriving at our Dragon and Phoenix Academy has already spread to the Azure Forest Tri-Sect long ago... If you go out, return as soon as possible so as to avoid any troubles from occurring!"

"Yes, Senior." Duan Ling Tian replied before leaving the academy.

Duan Ling Tian hadn't left for long before he noticed two concealed gazes locked onto him by relying on his acute Spiritual Force and counter tracking ability.

"They aren't together?" What caused Duan Ling Tian to be surprised was that these two people were actually not together.

One of them was a first level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

The other one was a ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

"I can deal with this ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist if I rely on Little Gold's Soul Shaker... But, Soul Shaker can only be used once a month, and I can't waste it like this." In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian had come to a decision in his heart.

Avoid the ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

As for the first level Void Prying Stage martial artist...

Duan Ling Tian's figure flashed out, seeming to have transformed into a gust of wind as he instantly vanished at the end of the street.

Whereas in the shadows, two figure appeared and chased after him.

In next to no time, they noticed that they'd lost the tracks of their target.

"Where is he?" The two of them were at different places, yet both had dazed expressions.

"Hmm, I'll first report to the two Guardian Elders about the news of Duan Ling Tian leaving the Dragon and Phoenix Academy... I presume that with the ability of the two Guardian Elders, it isn't difficult for them to stop Duan Ling Tian from returning to the Dragon and Phoenix Academy." One of them was a middle aged man, and he muttered before intending to leave the remote alley he was in now.

But when he walked forward, he instead noticed that a figure had appeared ahead.

This figure was familiar to him.

"Duan Ling Tian!" The middle aged man recognized the person before him, and his heart shook as his face went pale.

He was able to discern that Duan Ling Tian seemed to have noticed him since long ago, and had intentionally lured him here.

Flee!

Without any hesitation, he directly stepped on the air to soar up.

What a joke!

Although he was a first level Void Prying Stage martial artist like Duan Ling Tian, he knew his limitations.

He was absolutely not a match for Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian was an existence that had comprehended Half-step Advanced Lightning Force.

"Squeak squeak~" The middle aged man has just soared into the sky when he heard a wave of ear piercing howls of the wind.

Subsequently, he saw a fluffy and chubby little gold mouse had appeared not far ahead.

The little gold mouse stood in the air, looking harmless and extremely cute.

However, at this moment, his body unconsciously stopped as his pupils constricted and he had an expression of extreme astonishment.

Because, above the little gold mouse that had appeared before him was an enormous silhouettes that curled downwards as it condensed into form, and it was looked ferocious.

It was an ancient horned dragon silhouette...

"Seventh... Seventh level Void Prying Stage!" The middle aged man's voice was filled with trembling.

Whoosh!

Right at this moment, Duan Ling Tian had arrived behind the middle aged man as well.

"You're a member of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect?" Duan Ling Tian looked at the middle aged man and asked indifferently.

"No... No... I'm not a member of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect, you're mistaken." The middle aged man hurriedly shook his head.

### What a joke!

How would he dare admit he was a member of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect at this moment?

As an elder of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect that had taken part in the process of annihilating the Seven Star Sword Sect, he was extremely clear of the enmity between the Azure Forest Tri-Sect and Duan Ling Tian.

If he allowed Duan Ling Tian to know that he was an elder of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect, then he would die for sure!

"Mistaken?" Duan Ling Tian laughed as he said indifferently, "If I'm not wrong, you were present when our Seven Star Sword Sect was annihilated by your Azure Forest Tri-Sect. Let me think... At that time, you should have been in the Demonic Lotusblade Sect's group."

"Since when did an Azure Forest Tri-Sect elder not dare admit his own identity?" As he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian had a ridiculing smile on his face.

Although he wasn't able to remember the faces of all the Azure Forest Tri-Sect members that invaded the Seven Star Sword Sect that day, he still clearly remembered the faces of the group of Azure Forest Tri-Sect elders, and it was engraved into his heart and bones.

This middle aged man was one of them!

The middle aged man's expression became ghastly pale when he saw Duan Ling Tian had recognized him, and his gaze became complicated... Then his gaze occasionally swept to the left, then occasionally to the right.

"She will tear you to pieces if you dare flee!" Duan Ling Tian's voice was filled with extreme coldness, and it caused the middle aged man's figure to shiver and not dare make any rash movements.

Chapter 513: Weapons Craftsmen Guild's Main Guild

"How many of people from your Azure Forest Tri-Sect have come for the sake of getting rid of me?" Duan Ling Tian's voice slowly sounded out, and it was exceedingly empty without the slightest emotion.

Coldness appeared at the corners of Duan Ling Tian's mouth when he saw the middle aged man keeping his mouth shut, and he threatened. "If you don't cooperate, then I'll kill you right now..."

"You won't kill me if I cooperate?" The middle aged man imperceptibly shook as he took a deep breath and asked in a low voice.

"I won't kill you if you cooperate." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

The middle aged man heaved a sigh of relief when he obtained Duan Ling Tian's agreement. "I came with two Guardian Elders... Normally, the two Guardian Elders would wait for news at the inn and I would come out to look out for your whereabouts."

"The two Guardian Elders have given orders to notify them at the first possible moment once I notice you leaving the Dragon and Phoenix Academy." The middle aged man continued.

"So in other words, the Guardian Elders of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect don't dare to forcefully trespass into the Dragon and Phoenix Academy?" The corners of Duan Ling Tian's mouth curled into a cold smile.

The middle aged man went silent.

The Dragon and Phoenix Academy was an academy established by the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial Family, and was protected by the Imperial Family.

Although their Azure Forest Tri-Sect was extremely influential in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom, it wasn't to the extent of being able to go against the Imperial Family, so they naturally didn't dare offend the Imperial Family.

"Who are the two Guardian Elders that have come from your sect?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

Actually, Duan Ling Tian already had a guess in his heart, and he just wanted to confirm it a step further.

"It's Elder Huo and Elder Ming," The middle aged man hurriedly said.

"Speak their names!" Duan Ling Tian's gaze went cold, and at this instant, the temperature of the surrounding air seemed to go down slightly.

The middle aged man's figure shook as he added. "It's Elder Tang Huo and Elder Zhao Ming."

Tang Huo?

Zhao Ming?

"It really is them!" The corners of Duan Ling Tian's mouth curled into a smile of ridicule, then he glanced at the middle aged man indifferently. "After the Azure Forest Tri-Sect obtained the news of my appearance this time, it ought to be Tang Huo and Zhao Ming who took the initiative to request for the assignment to kill me, right?"

"Yes." The middle aged man nodded.

Although he was curious why Duan Ling Tian would know this, he didn't dare ask.

"Zhong Lin didn't come?" Duan Ling Tian asked again.

Tang Huo and Zhao Ming's appearance was within his expectations, as the two of them were presumably unable to forget the 10,000 Year Stalactite Milk.

But, Zhong Lin not coming had exceeded his expectations.

He still remember that when he mentioned the 10,000 Year Stalactite Milk that day, that Azure Forest Tri-Sect elder, Zhong Ling, was present as well.

Logically speaking, Zhong Lin probably wouldn't miss a good opportunity to capture him.

"Elder Zhong Lin died one year ago," said the middle aged man.

"Dead?" Duan Ling Tian was stunned.

"How did he die?" Duan Ling Tian was slightly curious.

That Zhong Lin was a sixth level Void Initiation Stage expert, after all, and people who could kill him in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom could be counted on one's fingers.

"I heard he was killed in the Crimson Sky Kingdom... Even I'm not too clear about the specifics." The middle aged man continued.

#### Crimson Sky Kingdom?

Duan Ling Tian's brows raised, and he thought of the mysterious expert from that day at the first possible moment.

That mysterious expert hadn't shown himself, yet deterred the three Guardian Elders of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect to flee merely by relying on his matchlessly formidable imposing manner...

"Could it be that Senior did it?" Duan Ling Tian guessed in his heart.

"Which inn are that Tang Huo and Zhao Ming staying in?" Duan Ling Tian looked at the little gold mouse after he obtained the last piece of information he wanted to know from the middle aged man.

"Little Gold, I'll leave it to you!" Duan Ling Tian's voice abruptly went cold.

"Squeak squeak~" The little gold mouse cried out excitedly, and her jade green eyes locked tightly onto the middle aged man.

"You... You deceived me! You said you wouldn't kill me!" Coldness emerged from the middle aged man's heart when he was locked on by the little gold mouse, his body shivered as he pointed at Duan Ling Tian in panic.

"I only said that I wouldn't kill you... I didn't say I wouldn't let her kill you." Duan Ling Tian's tone was calm and didn't carry any emotion within it.

The middle aged man revealed an expression of despair, and his figure flashed out, intending to flee.

But he didn't even have the time to move before a tiny sword light that was swift as a bolt of lightning had already slashed past the sky to swipe past his throat.

Dead!

"Squeak squeak~" When she saw the middle aged man die and his corpse crashing to the ground, the little gold mouse swung her pocket-size spirit sword about and was extremely happy.

Hiss!

With a raise of his hand, a strand of blue flames leaped up on Duan Ling Tian's palm.

Subsequently, the flames descended onto the middle aged man's corpse.

The middle aged man's corpse didn't even land on the ground when it had already transformed into ash that covered the sky and dispersed with the wind.

Grade four Weapon Flame was exceedingly overbearing.

"Little Gold, let's go... We're going to the Weapons Craftsmen Guild." He called out to the little gold mouse.

After he asked for directions from someone, Duan Ling Tian quickly found the Weapons Craftsmen Guild.

This Weapons Craftsmen Guild was also the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Weapons Craftsmen Guild's Main Guild.

As the main guild of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Weapons Craftsmen Guild, it was extremely bustling, with streams of people moving in and out endlessly.

Duan Ling Tian noticed many weapons craftsmen.

Based on the crest that they wore on their chests, they were mostly grade eight and grade nine weapons craftsmen, and he could occasionally see one or two grade seven weapons craftsmen.

As for a grade six weapons craftsmen, Duan Ling Tian instead didn't see a single one.

"A grade six weapons craftsman is considered to be an extremely rare existence in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom... After all, because there are no grade five weapons craftsmen in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom, grade six weapons craftsmen can reign supreme." Duan Ling Tian quickly came to an understanding.

The Weapons Craftsmen Guild's hall was extremely spacious.

When Duan Ling Tian entered, he noticed that the various counters in the hall were almost filled with people.

A portion of these people were weapons craftsmen that had come to accept assignments or buy materials, and another portion were ordinary martial artists that had come to put up assignments.

The clamorous atmosphere in the hall caused Duan Ling Tian to be slightly unaccustomed to it.

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian arrived before the counter that had just become empty, and he went straight to the point. "I want to see your Guild Master!"

The worker behind the counter was a beautiful woman in pretty attire, and she was stunned when she heard Duan Ling Tian, then she said, "Little Brother, our Guild Master is extremely busy, and he isn't someone you can meet on a whim. Normally, even I..."

The beautiful woman hadn't finished speaking when she stopped abruptly.

Her pair of watery eyes sprang wide open at this moment.

Her proud and delicate body lightly trembled and was filled with charm, and it caused one to have the desire of pouncing over before pressing her onto the floor and ravaging her.

All of this came from Duan Ling Tian's actions.

With a raise of his hand and with an angle that only the beautiful woman was able to see, a strand of raging and explosively rising flames burn on Duan Ling Tian's palm...

#### Weapon Flame!

If it was an ordinary Weapon Flame, the beautiful woman would naturally not react like this.

The problem was the Weapon Flame on Duan Ling Tian's hand was blue in color.

"Four... Grade four Weapon Flame?" The beautiful woman fiercely gulped down a mouthful of saliva and her light voice trembled intensely.

As a worker of the Weapons Craftsmen Guild, she was extremely clear of what a grade four Weapon Flame meant.

Even she had only heard of a grade four Weapon Flame, but had never seen one.

The beautiful woman only recovered from her shock after Duan Ling Tian put out the grade four Weapon Flame on his hand, and when she looked at Duan Ling Tian once more, her gaze was completely different.

She didn't dare look down on Duan Ling Tian because of his age anymore.

She knew that this was a respected grade four Weapons Craftsman!

"Do I have the qualifications to see your Guild Master now?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

"Respected Lord grade four... Guest, please follow me." The beautiful woman intended to address Duan Ling Tian as Lord grade four Weapons Craftsman, but when she saw the fierce gaze that Duan Ling Tian shot at her, she instantly changed it.

She was able to discern that this grade four Weapons Craftsman didn't want others to know his identity.

The Weapons Craftsmen Guilds hall was extremely large, and the departure of Duan Ling Tian and the beautiful woman didn't attract the attention of others.

Duan Ling Tian followed behind the beautiful woman to walk into the inner hall behind the hall.

There was a staircase that led upstairs within the inner hall.

The beautiful woman led the way at the front, and Duan Ling Tian followed behind.

All along the way, the shock in the beautiful woman's eyes was difficult to be restrained...

A grade four Weapons Craftsman was sufficient to make her shocked.

But now, what truly made her shocked was the age of the young man that followed behind her.

The young man looked to be not over 25.

Even if he took good care of his appearance, he wouldn't be more than 30 years old.

Such a young grade four Weapons Craftsman had completely overturned her past knowledge.

"Not to mention the Dao of weapons refinement is more difficult as it advances... Condensing a grade four Weapon Flame requires a cultivation at least at the first level of the Void Prying Stage! Since this young man is able to condense a grade four Weapon Flame, I presume his cultivation has already stepped into the Void Prying Stage."

The beautiful woman was able to feel that her heartbeat was speeding up.

"Young geniuses in our Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom that are below 30 years old and have stepped into the Void Prying Stage can be counted on one's fingers... Let alone a person who also has such attainments in the Dao of weapons refinement!" The beautiful woman took a deep breath and guessed the identity of the young man behind her in her heart. "Could it be that he's from the Darkhan Dynasty? Or perhaps... He's from the Foreign Lands?"

While the beautiful woman made a variety of guesses, they'd finally arrived at their destination.

Duan Ling Tian followed behind the beautiful woman and had arrived at the third floor.

"Guild Master." The beautiful woman stood at the stairway on the third floor and respectfully bowed.

There was a door there that was covered by a curtain.

"Come in." An aged voice sounded out from behind the curtain.

"Guest, please." The beautiful woman took a stride forward and pulled open the curtain, then she gestured Duan Ling Tian in.

The instant that Duan Ling Tian strode in, he noticed a formidable Spiritual Force instantly sweep out to lock onto him.

At this instant, he even had the feeling of being stripped naked.

This Spiritual Force seemed as if it could see through everything.

"What a formidable Spiritual Force... It isn't much inferior to Elder Kong." Duan Ling Tian's heart shook.

Elder Kong was precisely that old man that Duan Ling Tian had become acquainted with in the City Governor's Estate of the Darkstone Empire's Phoenix Nest City, and he was an Inscription Master!

An Inscription Master whose art of inscriptions could be said to be at the top in the entire Darkhan Dynasty.

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Duan Ling Tian raised his head and looked at the owner of this formidable Spiritual Force.

This was an old man in green robes, his figure and face were both gaunt, yet his eyes were brimming with spirit and flickered with a frightful bright light.

Presently, the old man's gaze had descended onto Duan Ling Tian and his brows were tightly knit.

"Guild Master." Meanwhile, the beautiful woman entered behind Duan Ling Tian and said respectfully, "This guest said he wants to see you."

"See me?" The green robed old man's white brows frowned, and he had an unhappy expression as he said with a deep voice, "Could it be that it's your first day in the Weapons Craftsmen Guild? Did I say since long ago to not bring any random person here?"

The beautiful woman smiled bitterly, and she wasn't surprised by the old man's reaction.

"Guild Master. This guest is special." The beautiful woman added.

"Special?" A trace of bewilderment appeared on the old man's face.

"Guild Master, this guest..." The beautiful woman had only just started speaking when she shut her mouth, because she saw the young man beside her flip his palm and a strand of blue colored flames leaping about on the his palm.

She knew that at this moment, there was no need for her to introduce him any longer.

Whereas the old man's pupils abruptly constricted at this moment.

His gaunt face slightly twitched.

"Four... Grade four Weapon Flame! You... You're a grade four Weapons Craftsman?" The old man's voice trembled slightly, and amongst the trembling, his voice was filled with shock.

"Didn't you already see it, Guild Master?" Duan Ling Tian had a calm expression when faced with the old man's question, and with a flip of his palm, he put out the grade four Weapon Flame on his hand.

The old man finally recovered from his shock when he saw the grade four Weapon Flame vanish from his sight, then he took a deep breath before looking at the beautiful woman. "You can leave now... You're not allowed to mention this Master to anyone!" As he finished speaking, the old man added emphasis to his words.

"Yes, Guild Master." The beautiful woman didn't dare hesitate, and she hurriedly replied before turning and leaving.

For a time, only Duan Ling Tian and the old man remained at the scene.

"The Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Weapons Craftsmen Guild's Leader, Luo Rong, greets this Master." The old man slightly bowed to Duan Ling Tian.

In the Dao of weapons refinement, the one that has attained the higher grade was the senior.

Although in terms of age, the young man was even able to be his grandson.

But in the Dao of weapons refinement, he was the junior.

"Guild Master Luo, don't bother." Duan Ling Tian smiled light as he was able to understand Luo Rong's feelings.

Even if it was a grade five Weapons Craftsmen, a grade six Weapons Craftsmen still had to address the person as Master.

Not to mention Duan Ling Tian who was one grade higher, a grade four Weapons Craftsman!

Luo Rong stood up and his gaze was extremely complicated.

"May I know your name?" Luo Rong asked respectfully.

"Guild Master Luo, just call me Duan Ling Tian." Duan Ling Tian spoke slowly.

Duan Ling Tian?!

Luo Rong's face froze as his figure shook, and even his voice slightly trembled. "You... You... You're that genius disciple of the Seven Star Sword Sect, Duan Ling Tian?"

"Seven Star Sword Sect?" Duan Ling Tian shook his head and laughed in self-ridicule. "The Seven Star Sword Sect doesn't exist any longer. At most, I'm currently a disciple of a perished sect."

"You're really that Duan Ling Tian?" Luo Rong was completely dumbstruck when he obtained Duan Ling Tian's confirmation.

He never imagined that this grade four Weapons Craftsman was actually the Seven Star Sword Sect genius disciple whose name was spread and gave rise to much discussion in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom.

The existence that was publically acknowledged to transcend the five great young masters.

"Looks like the rumors weren't false... Five great young masters? They're utterly incapable of comparing with him!" Luo Rong gasped in his heart.

As far as he was concerned, the five great young masters were entirely not on the same level as Duan Ling Tian.

Moreover, not to mention Duan Ling Tian's monstrous natural talent in the Martial Dao, even Duan Ling Tian's natural talent in the Dao of weapons refinement caused him to feel deeply ashamed.

During his life, he'd studied the Dao of weapons refinement for a few tens of years, but until today, he was still only a grade six Weapons Craftsman.

He suddenly felt that he'd wasted living all these years!

"Could it be that the identity of Duan Ling Tian is worth to be faked?" Duan Ling Tian was speechless when he saw the old man's dumbstruck expression.

Luo Rong was slightly embarrassed, then he said, "Don't be angry Master, I was just slightly surprised."

"Alright, Guild Master Luo... Don't call me Master in the future, calling me Duan Ling Tian is enough." Duan Ling Tian waved his hand and said.

"Luo Rong doesn't deserve it." Luo Rong had a fearful expression when he heard Duan Ling Tian.

As the Guild Master of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Weapons Craftsmen Guild's Leader, Luo Rong's infatuation to the Dao of weapons refinement was something that was difficult for an ordinary person to imagine.

In his eyes, the Dao of weapons refinement was extremely sacred!

A grade four Weapons Craftsmen was worthy of him extending the highest respect.

Duan Ling Tian didn't say anything further when he saw Luo Rong insisting on sticking to it.

"Master, did you need something from me?" Luo Rong asked.

He believed that it was quite unlikely that a grade four Weapons Craftsman would come look for him if there the person didn't need something.

"Guild Master Luo, I'll get straight to the point... I came here today mainly because I wanted to get some materials from Guild Master Luo." Duan Ling Tian declared his intentions.

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian declared a few materials, and they were all core materials used for refining grade four spirit weapons.

These materials were sufficient to advance the grade five spirit swords in his and the little gold mouse's possession into grade four spirit swords... At that time, the strength of himself and the little gold mouse would acquire a great improvement.

"These materials... Master, you intend to refine a grade four spirit weapon?" Luo Rong's gaze lit up and even his breathing became hurried.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

"Master..." Luo Rong's face flushed red as he looked at Duan Ling Tian yet hesitated to speak.

Duan Ling Tian said, "So long as you find these materials that I require, I can allow you to personally observe when I refine the grade four spirit weapon... Not only that, I can even guide you, and allow you to become a grade five Weapons Craftsman within a year!"

Earlier, when Luo Rong's formidable Spiritual Force flashed over, Duan Ling Tian had sensed a trace of faint aura within Luo Rong's Spiritual Force.

That trace of aura was precisely related to a Weapons Craftsman.

He clearly sensed from that trace of aura that Luo Rong had already found his way to the door towards the grade five Weapons Craftsman, but he was unable to break through for so long because he didn't have anyone to guide him.

"Master... Is what you said true?!" Luo Rong's breathing became hurried, his chest rising and falling like a bellows, and it couldn't calm down for a long time.

"I'll be back after a month... I hope that you've already prepared it by then." Duan Ling Tian glanced indifferently at the excited Luo Rong, then turned and left, and only leaving behind the view of his back to Luo Rong.

Luo Rong's feelings gradually calmed down after Duan Ling Tian's figure vanished before his eyes, and after a short moment, he left hastily to go prepare.

He only had a month of time, and he knew that this was his opportunity that he couldn't let slip.

If it was any other person that said they were able to allow him to become a grade five Weapons Craftsman within a year, he wouldn't believe the person, even if he was beaten to death.

But Duan Ling Tian was different.

Not to mention Duan Ling Tian was a grade four Weapons Craftsman himself, just Duan Ling Tian being able to possess such high attainments in the Dao of weapons refinement at such a young age was sufficient to make him deeply believe Duan Ling Tian's words.

So during this month, even if he had to exert his utmost strength, he would still gather all those materials for Duan Ling Tian.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian had already left the Weapons Craftsmen Guild.

He naturally didn't know of Luo Rong's loss of composure after he left.

"Squeak squeak~" The little gold mouse stood on Duan Ling Tian's shoulder and cried out twice. "Big Brother Ling Tian, will that geezer be able to gather the materials you want within a month?"

"Don't worry." Duan Ling Tian smiled lightly when he heard the little gold mouse's voice transmission. "As long as he wants to break through to become a grade five Weapons Craftsman, then he will prepare all those materials on time... This is his chance, and he won't let it slip by!"

The little gold mouse nodded, seeming to not fully understand.

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian and the little gold mouse walked into the biggest trade market at the center of the Imperial City.

As the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial City's biggest trade market, how bustling it was, was beyond Duan Ling Tian's imagination.

At the trade market, carriages formed dragons that flowed without end.

Duan Ling Tian went to a few medicinal stores and finally bought most of the medicinal materials, and he only lacked a core material.

"Although that Jadewave Grass can't be considered to be extremely rare, it's extremely difficult to come by... Perhaps I have to go to a large medicinal store to buy it." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart then he continued to go up and down the trade market.

After half an hour, he found a large medicinal store that he was looking for.

No matter if it was the space it occupied of the level of floors it possessed, the scale of this large medicinal store was a few times larger than a small medicinal store.

"Customer, may I know what you need?" Duan Ling Tian had only just walked into the medicinal store's door when an attendant came over to greet him.

"Do you have Jadewave Grass here?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

The attendant's gaze lit up when he heard Duan Ling Tian, and he confirmed a step further. "Sir, you want a Jadewave Grass?"

Jadewave grass was the main medicinal material needed to refine a Void Condensing Pill.

One Jadewave Grass was sufficient to refine one hundred Void Condensing Pills.

Whereas a Void Condensing Pill was something a Void Prying Stage martial artist required to cultivate, and this also caused the price of Jadewave Grass to be on the high side.

Merely a single Jadewave Grass was worth 10 million gold!

"Yes, do you have one in your store?" Duan Ling Tian asked again.

"Customer, your luck is good... There just happens to be one Jadewave Grass remaining in our store!" The attendant revealed a brilliant smile as he brought Duan Ling Tian upstairs.

He was able to obtain quite a large amount of commission from selling a Jadewave Grass.

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian followed behind the attendant to arrive at the counter on the east side of the medicinal store's second floor.

"Manager Wang, this customer needs a Jadewave Grass," said the attendant to the old man behind the counter.

The old man raised his eyes to glance at Duan Ling Tian when he heard this. "Customer, a Jadewave Grass is 10 million gold. Will you pay on the spot, or do you need us to follow you to withdraw it?"

The old man said this because he saw that Duan Ling Tian was young and felt that Duan Ling Tian ought to not have brought so much money with him.

After all, a young man carrying so much money was extremely dangerous.

"There's no need, I'll pay right now." Duan Ling Tian shook his head, and he raised his hand, intending to withdraw some gold bills.

But right at this moment.

"I want this Jadewave Grass!" A sonorous voice sounded out, and it was filled with overbearingness.

Subsequently, a robust figure appeared before Duan Ling Tian's eyes the instant Duan Ling Tian frowned and turned around.

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This was a robust middle aged man who wore embroidered clothed and was obviously of extraordinary birth.

"Fifth Master Yin." Whereas the attendant by Duan Ling Tian's side went pale and respectfully bowed to the middle aged man.

### Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian withdrew his gaze and a large stack of gold bills appeared on his hand before he counted 10 million from it.

#### Slap!

The thick stack of 10 million gold was pressed onto the counter by Duan Ling Tian. "Manager Wang, this is 10 million gold... Please count it."

Manager Wang nodded and stretched out his hand to pick up the stack of gold on the counter.

Right at this moment.

"Kid, are you dead? I've already said that I want that Jadewave Grass!" The middle aged man's face was extremely gloomy as he shouted in a stern voice.

Duan Ling Tian seemed as if he didn't hear the middle aged man's words, and he silently looked at the old man behind the counter that was counting his gold bills.

Whereas the middle aged man seemed to not dare flare up at the old man, and he only targeted Duan Ling Tian, and his eyes flickered with cold lights as he said, "Kid, do you know who I am?"

Duan Ling Tian still remained indifferent.

"10 million gold, it's correct." Meanwhile, the old man behind the counter nodded, and after he put away the gold, he withdrew a spirit grass that flowed with jade lights with a raise of his hand before passing it to Duan Ling Tian.

### It was precisely the Jadewave Grass!

Duan Ling Tian extended his hand to receive it, then put it away into his Spatial Ring under the middle aged man's gaze that was filled with killing intent.

"Thank you, Manager Wang." After he put away the Jadewave Grass, Duan Ling Tian lightly smiled as he thanked the old man.

The old man knew why Duan Ling Tian thanked him. "Everything depends on order of arrival... Since you've produced 10 million gold, this Jadewave Grass is naturally yours."

Duan Ling Tian nodded and bid his farewell to the old man.

"Little Brother, this person is the Yin Clan's Fifth Master, Yin Zhong. Try your best to walk through places that are crowded after you leave here... Otherwise, I'm afraid you'll lose both your wealth and life."

Duan Ling Tian had just walked a few steps when he received a wave of voice transmission.

He was able to discern that it was Manager Wang who was warning him.

"Thank you." Duan Ling Tian maintained his expression as he expressed his gratitude, and then he left the medicinal store.

Of course, Duan Ling Tian noticed someone was following him when he left.

It was precisely the robust middle aged man.

Yin Clan's Fifth Master?

"Could it be the fifth uncle of that Yin Zhe that I crippled 20 days ago at the gate of Dragon and Phoenix Academy?" Duan Ling Tian's gaze was slightly strange.

"Hmph! Dare to seize my Jadewave Grass? It's fine as well, I'll save that 10 million gold as well! Not only that, I ought to be able to earn a sum of money." Yin Zhong silently followed behind Duan Ling Tian and a cold smile appeared on the corners of his mouth.

Earlier, this person actually dared to disregard him.

He would kill this person, seize the Jadewave Grass, and seize everything this person possessed.

"Squeak squeak~" The little gold mouse's cry sounded out by Duan Ling Tian's ear. "Big Brother Ling Tian, that fellow has followed us over."

"Little Gold, you only noticed now?" Duan Ling Tian shook his head when he heard the little gold mouse's voice transmission.

It seemed that although Little Gold had awakened her soul brand and comprehended a soul skill, yet her ability of utilizing Spiritual Force was far inferior to Duan Ling Tian who was an Inscription master.

"Unfortunately, although I can inscribe inscriptions that are sufficient to annihilate all Void Prying Stage martial artists, the materials required by those inscriptions are truly too difficult to obtain to the point that they can only be chanced upon by luck and not sought after." Duan Ling Tian sighed, then thought to himself. "Otherwise, I can kill this Yin Clan's Fifth Elder solely by relying on inscriptions!"

After he merged with the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor, Duan Ling Tian's attainments in the Dao of inscriptions was extremely advanced.

So long as his Spiritual Force fulfilled the conditions, he would be able to easily inscribe any inscription.

But, the higher the grade and might of the inscriptions, the more valuable the material required were...

Duan Ling Tian was currently capable of inscribing many formidable offensive inscriptions, but he was unable to inscribe them because he didn't have the materials.

"But, although the material required by high grade offensive inscriptions are rare, the materials required by many high grade auxiliary inscriptions were rare, yet not impossible to obtain." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart. "Perhaps I should find the time to obtain some materials, then inscribe some auxiliary inscriptions."

Not long after, Duan Ling Tian had left the trade market, and then he made a turn and went into a remote area.

He's only just entered the remote area.

# Whoosh!

An ear piercing howl of the wind sounded out, it flashed from behind him like a bloodthirsty fierce beast that opened up its blood mouth to bite Duan Ling Tian.

Whereas at the instant the howl of the wind sounded out, Duan Ling Tian seemed as if he possessed foresight, and he moved.

# Whirlwind!

Moving aside in time to cause the person who launched a sneak attack from behind to hit nothing.

"First level Void Prying Stage?" The person that launched the sneak attack was precisely the Yin Clan's Fifth Master, Yin Zhong, and he was slightly surprised when he looked at the 2,000 ancient mammoth silhouettes in the sky above the violet clothed young man that dodged his attack.

Subsequently, his gaze descended onto the little gold mouse on the violet clothed youth's shoulder.

A bright light flashed in his mind.

"You... You're Duan Ling Tian?" Bright lights shot out from Yin Zhong's eyes and his tone was filled with excitement.

"Truly an honor... The Yin Clan's Fifth Master actually knows me." Duan Ling Tian had a calm expression as he looked at Yin Zhong.

"You know me?" Yin Zhong frowned, then he grunted. "It's surely that old goat Wang Pin that told you... That old goat really doesn't know how to mind his own business! Does he really think I don't dare do anything to him?"

The Wang Ping that Yin Zhong mentioned was precisely the Manager Wang at the second floor of the medicinal store.

"But, how could that old goat Wang Ping have known that you wouldn't listen to his advice, hahahaha..." As he finished speaking, Yin Zhong started laughing loudly.

Duan Ling Tian had a calm expression when faced with Yin Zhong who laughed arrogantly. "Are you done laughing?"

"Duan Ling Tian!" Finally, Yin Zhong restrained his laughter, and a cold light appeared in his eyes as he stared fixedly at Duan Ling Tian. "I truly never imagined that I would encounter you under such circumstances... Looks like the heavens want to allow me to take revenge for my pitiable nephew!"

"You crippled my nephew's arm and destroyed his life... Today, I'll take your life!" Yin Zhong's ruthless words had just finished sounding out when he'd already shot out.

Everywhere he passed, dust and dirt suffused up into the air.

In the sky, 8,000 ancient mammoth silhouettes condensed into form...

This Yin Zhong was obviously a sixth level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

Bang!

Yin Zhong seemed to have transformed into a gust of wind that instantly arrived before Duan Ling Tian, then his fist shot straight out as if it had transformed into a cannonball that fiercely smashed towards Duan Ling Tian's head.

He seemed as if he wanted to blast open Duan Ling Tian's head with a single punch!

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian felt a wave of fierce and swift strong winds sweep over, and it brushed past him to the point his cheeks hurt.

But he maintained his composure from the beginning until the end when faced with Yin Zhong's strike, and he even didn't blink his eyes.

Coldness appeared on the corners of Yin Zhong's mouth, and he thought that Duan Ling Tian had given up on resistance.

When Yin Zhong's fist was about to collide with Duan Ling Tian's head...

"Squeak!!" An ear piercing cry tore open the sky.

Subsequently, Yin Zhong saw a gold light flash out from Duan Ling Tian's shoulder, and it fiercely collided with his fist that shot out.

He hadn't even has the time to react when his fist was already struck by the gold light.

Kacha!

Instantly, a wave of piercing sounds of bones breaking sounded out.

Subsequently, he felt a wave of intense pain come from his fist, causing him to feel a heart rending pain and he couldn't refrain from emitting a sad and shrill cry.

At the same time, a terrifying force lifted him up and sent him flying.

In his dazed state, he clearly saw the gold light that was swift like a bolt of lightning transform into a cute and fluffy little gold mouse.

Whereas in the sky above the little gold mouse, a lifelike ancient horned dragon silhouettes bared its fangs and brandished its claws as it moved in circles.

"Seventh level of the Void Prying Stage!" The instant his body fell to the ground in a sorry state, Yin Zhong recovered from his shock and his face went ghastly pale.

"You... You schemed against me since long ago? You intentionally lured me here?" After Yin Zhong consumed a healing medicinal pill, he struggled to stand up, and he gnashed his teeth as he stared at Duan Ling Tian.

"What do you think?" Duan Ling Tian's expression still remained calm as he asked rhetorically.

"I never expected that I, Yin Zhong, swept past unhindered in my entire life, yet was annihilated in the hands of a little devil like you in the end... But you won't be able to be complacent for long! The Azure Forest Tri-Sect will spare no expense in killing you..." Yin Zhong seemed to have realized that he was in imminent danger, and simply let go.

But he wasn't able to finish his words in the end.

Because a tiny sword light had completely ended him.

"Squeak squeak~" After the little gold mouse pierced Yin Zhong's throat with a single strike, her fluffy body flashed out, using her butt to knock Yin Zhong's face and putting him to the ground.

Subsequently, the little gold mouse plunged down and removed Yin Zhong's Spatial Ring in a practiced manner before sending it to Duan Ling Tian and taking credit. "Big Brother Ling Tian, I want a huge meal! I want a huge meal!"

In the past, during the time she followed Duan Ling Tian to gain experience and tempering, she'd help Duan Ling Tian gather the 'spoils of the battle' on countless occasions.

"Alright! You can eat whatever you want," said Duan Ling Tian generously.

After he established ownership over Yin Zhong's Spatial Ring, Duan Ling Tian noticed that there was actually 30 million gold within it.

As for other things, like low purity medicinal pills, low grade spirit weapons, etc... They were all useless things to him.

"30 million gold... The gains aren't bad." With a raise of his hand, a strand of grade four Weapon Flame blazed on Duan Ling Tian's palm, then he went to a nearby restaurant to have a meal after burning Yin Zhong's corpse into nothingness.

Duan Ling Tian started pondering deeply as he gazed at the little gold mouse gobbling down her food.

"According to what that Azure Forest Tri-Sect Elder said, besides him, only Tang Huo and Zhao Ming have come from the Azure Forest Tri-Sect to the Imperial City this time..." Duan Ling Tian frowned. "Who is that ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist?" Duan Ling Tian still remembered that when he'd just left the Dragon and Phoenix Academy today, besides noticing the Azure Forest Tri-Sect Elder, he also noticed another person.

That person was a ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

Duan Ling Tian thought for a long time, yet couldn't wrap his head around it.

He simply didn't continue thinking and brought the little gold mouse to return to the academy after they ate their fill.

Duan Ling Tian had only just entered the Inner Hall when Duan Ling Tian saw a handsome young man in red clothes standing there silently with his eyes closed as he rested his mind.

Suddenly, the red clothed young man raised his head, and his fierce gaze looked towards Duan Ling Tian.

"You're Duan Ling Tian?" The red clothed young man's voice was filled with hostility.

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"Right, I'm Duan Ling Tian. Do you need anything?" Duan Ling Tian nodded.

At the same time, his Spiritual Force stretched out.

At the first possible moment, Duan Ling Tian noticed that this red clothed young man was actually a second level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

"This person looks to a little over 30... In terms of natural talent, he's even able to compare with the figures that are on the level as the five great young masters!" Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart. "I've seen four of the five great young masters... Could it be that he's the Flame Young Master that's ranked second?"

Flame Young Master, Zhang Yan.

The Third Prince of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial Family, and the most outstanding genius in the Martial Dao of the Imperial Family's younger generation.

Duan Ling Tian had once heard of him when he was wandering about.

"I heard you bullied Zi Yan?" When the red clothed young man mentioned Zi Yan, there seemed to be slight tender affection mixed within the depths of his sharp eyes.

"Flute Fairy?" Duan Ling Tian was stunned, then frowned. "When did I bully her?"

"Hmph! You still dare give excuses?" The red clothed young man's face sank, and a fierce light flickered in his eyes. "Bullying Zi Yan is equal to going against me, Zhang Yan! I heard that not only have you broken through to the first level of the Void Prying Stage, you've even comprehended Half-step Advanced Lightning Force..."

"I'll properly experience your great moves today! I only hope that you don't disappoint me." Zhang Yan took a step forward, and the Origin Energy on his body leaped up as his sharp eyes stared fixedly at Duan Ling Tian.

"It's really him!" Duan Ling Tian completely confirmed it when he heard Zhang Yan announce his name.

He was able to discern that Zhang Yan had feelings towards Flute Fairy, and he was standing up for Flute Fairy now.

"I've already said that I didn't bully her... As for the incident the other day, it was she who brought it onto herself!" Duan Ling Tian was able to discern that although Zhang Yan was hostile towards him, it was only limited to teaching him a lesson and didn't have any malice towards him.

So he explained with extreme patience.

As for if Zhang Yan listened or not, that wasn't something that he could interfere.

If Zhang Yan really wanted to battle, he wasn't afraid as well!

"This Zhang Yan is a second level Void Prying Stage martial artist, and merely his Origin Energy is able to exert a strength of 3,000 ancient mammoths... Even if the Force he comprehended is only an Elementary Force, his strength would still surpass mine slightly." At this instant, Duan Ling Tian's thoughts revolved.

"But, it isn't so easy if he wants to defeat me!" When face with an opponent that matched his strength, Duan Ling Tian felt the blood in his body had signs of boiling.

# Battle?

I, Duan Ling Tian, am not afraid!

If you want to fight, then we'll fight!

"No matter what, you caused her to lose face in public... Today, I'll surely make you know not to make a mistake like this again!" Sharp lights flickered within Zhang Yan's eyes as he shouted in a low voice. "Considering that you're only a first level Void Prying Stage martial artist, I won't use Force when I fight you today!"

### Won't use Force?

Zhang Yan's words caused Duan Ling Tian to be stunned, then he couldn't help but smile.

This Zhang Yan was interesting.

Perhaps, as far as Zhang Yan was concerned, he would be able to completely crush Duan Ling Tian even if he didn't use Force.

Although the commotion between Duan Ling Tian and Zhang Yan wasn't loud and didn't alarm the Outer Hall, the other nine students from the Inner Hall heard the sounds and came out.

Crazy Young Master, Sword Young Master, Ji Feng, Sima Yang, and the others were shockingly present.

"It's Flame Young Master!"

"Flame Young Master has come?"

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Some Inner Hall students couldn't refrain from exclaiming in shock.

A few Inner Hall disciples whose cultivations were at the bottom had their brows frowned tightly together, and they had an expression of perturbed and worried expression.

The arrival of Flame Master also meant that one more person would be eliminated from the Inner Hall.

Although Flame Young Master and Duan Ling Tian were ready to cross swords at this moment, they didn't think that the one eliminated would be Duan Ling Tian.

Even if Duan Ling Tian lost at the hands of Flame Young Master, and his place in the Inner Hall was seized.

He could challenge an Inner Hall student again and occupy a place in the Inner Hall once again.

"Zhang Yan?" A violet colored fairy-like figure walked out from one of the courtyards, and it was a beautiful young woman.

The young woman had a graceful figure, and as she stood there, her extreme charm attracted the gazes of everyone.

It was precisely the Flute Fairy, Zi Yan.

Along with Flute Fairy walking out, Zhang Yan turned around, and the cold and indifferent expression vanished to be replaced by a warm smile. "Zi Yan, look as I teach Duan Ling Tian a lesson for you!"

"Zhang Yan, I don't need you to interfere in my business." Flute Fairy instead didn't appreciate the kindness and spoke indifferently.

This scene caused Duan Ling Tian to be astonished.

After all this, it turned out that Flame Young Master was thinking wishfully.

"Zi Yan, you're my fiancée... If I don't interfere in your business, then who will?" Zhang Yan didn't get angry because of Flute Fairy treating him coldly. A smile hung on his face since the beginning until the end, and his eyes were filled with extremely gentleness and tenderness.

It was as if he was spellbound as he looked at the young woman with infatuation.

"Who's your fiancé?" Flute Fairy's voice went slightly cold. "I told you long ago, don't hope that I'll agree to the marriage contract! I won't marry you even if I die."

"Zi Yan, I'll make you fall in love with me." Flame Young Master spoke with extreme patience.

"You two slowly chat." Duan Ling Tian yawned when he saw Flame Young Master and Flute Fairy chatting in full swing, and he intended to return to his room and rest.

"Don't move!" But Duan Ling Tian had only just taken a few steps when a figure that had transformed into wind blocked his path.

At this moment, Zhang Yan didn't have the humbleness when facing Flute Fairy, and his expression was cold as if he was a different person.

"Duan Ling Tian, I'll surely help Zi Yan properly vent her anger!" Zhang Yan shouted in a light voice, then he pounced at Duan Ling Tian, and his swaying body was exceedingly nimble.

At this instant, Duan Ling Tian had a misconception, it was as if Flame Young Master had transformed into a nimble loach that caused it to be difficult for others to touch him in the slightest.

# Whoosh!

When Flame Young Master flashed towards Duan Ling Tian, 3,000 ancient mammoth silhouettes condensed into form in the sky, and they dashed out in tow with imposing manners that shot into the sky like rainbows.

Instantly, Flame Young Master raised his hand and pointed out, and the point tore open the sky as it stabbed towards Duan Ling Tian.

# Swish!

A material point force condensed from Origin Energy shot at Duan Ling Tian, and it gave rise to a wave of ear piercing howls.

"Finger martial skill?" Duan Ling Tian was slightly surprised as he never expected that the martial skill Flame Young Master executed was a finger skill as well.

# Whirlwind!

Early on before Flame Young Master had attacked, Duan Ling Tian had already been ready, and now his entire body shot out accompanied by the surging of wind and thunder, dodging past Flame Young Master's attack that approached in full fury.

### Swish!

The Origin Energy finger's momentum didn't slow down as it shot into the ground, and it easily pierced a bottomless little hole.

But, no one noticed this at this moment.

The gazes of everyone seemed to have pre-discussed it and had descended onto the sky above Duan Ling Tian in unison.

3,000 ancient mammoth silhouettes floated there.

"Duan Ling Tian had broken through to the second level of the Void Prying Stage?" An Inner Hall student couldn't help but be greatly surprised.

"No... It's Force! Duan Ling Tian used Force earlier... He's still a first level Void Prying Stage martial artist." An Inner Hall disciple that had a much more discerning eye spoke out.

"Force? What Force is able to bestow Duan Ling Tian with the strength of 1,000 ancient mammoth silhouettes?" Many people were deeply puzzled.

Force was divided into three stages.

Ordinarily speaking.

Elementary Force was able to bestow a martial artist with the strength of 200 ancient mammoths.

Half-step Advanced Force was able to bestow a martial artist with the strength of 500 ancient mammoths.

Advanced Force was able to bestow a martial artist with the strength of 2,000 ancient mammoths.

There was no Force that bestowed the strength of 1,000 ancient mammoths to a martial artist...

The questions of the people present was Zhang Yan's question at the same time.

"Duan Ling Tian, I never expected that you're actually able to execute the strength of 3,000 ancient mammoths... I've really underestimated you! But, I've said I won't use Force, so I won't! I'll use the same strength to defeat you." As soon as Zhang Yan finished speaking, his figure swayed one more, seeming to have transformed into a slippery loach that flashed towards Duan Ling Tian.

Whirlwind!

Duan Ling Tian moved as well, and in terms of speed, he wasn't inferior to Flame Young Master.

Whereas unlike Flame Young Master who only had pure Origin Energy beneath his feet.

At the same time that Duan Ling Tian flashed out, there was also Force besides Origin Energy...

This time, Duan Ling Tian's Force was clearly displayed before the eyes of the group of Inner Hall students.

"It's not only one type of Force!" The Crazy Young Master, Luo Zhan, who was spectating was the first to react, and his gaze completely focused onto Duan Ling Tian's legs. "Besides Half-step Advanced Lightning Force, there's still another type of Half-step Advanced Force... Wind! It's Wind Force! Half-step Advanced Wind Force!"

After he discerned the ability that Duan Ling Tian executed, Luo Zhan's heart shook and a wisp of bitterness unconsciously appeared on the corners of his mouth.

A first level Void Prying Stage martial artist comprehending a single type of Half-step Advanced Force was already sufficiently shocking.

Duan Ling Tian had instead comprehended two types of Half-step Advanced Force!

"My natural talent and comprehension can be considered to be at the top in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom... But until now, I haven't even comprehended Half-step Advanced Fire Force." A wisp of imperceptible bitterness flashed deep within Luo Zhan's eyes.

At this moment, all the Inner Hall students were dumbstruck as they looked at the two swift figures that flashed before their eyes.

Duan Ling Tian actually wasn't disadvantaged in the slightest when facing a second level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

"Half-step Advanced Wind Force?" The old man outside the exquisite house stared blankly at the scene in the Inner Hall, and he was slightly absent-minded.

The two types of Half-step Advanced Force that appeared at the same time while that violet colored figure flashed caused him to be greatly shocked in his heart!

"Duan Ling Tian, take this!" Zhang Yan lightly shouted as he pointed out his finger with a raise of his hand.

Swish!

The point force condensed from Origin Energy tore open the sky and emitted piercing howls that were deafening as it shot towards Duan Ling Tian>

Duan Ling Tian abruptly turned around, copying Zhang Yan's movement and pointed out with his finger.

Tempest Point!

Instantly, a material finger condensed from Origin Energy shot out from the tip of Duan Ling Tian's finger.

Not only that, a strand of light violet energy and a strand of light azure energy accompanied this finger to shoot out...

Half-step Advanced Lightning Force!

Half-step Advanced Wind Force!

Swish!

The two point forces condensed from Origin Energy collided with each other.

Bang!

An enormous bang sounded out as the two formidable Origin Energies collided with each other, then they were dispersed together in the end, transforming into nothingness.

Right when the bodies of Duan Ling Tian and Zhang Yan shook at the same time, and they retreated a few steps.

Whoosh!

At the place where the two Origin Energies collided, the airflow blasted out, causing a wave of strong winds that swept out towards the surroundings, and it struck the clothes of the group of Inner Hall students to the point they fluttered with the wind and emitted flapping sounds.

But no one cared about this now.

The gazes of everyone had descended onto Duan Ling Tian in unison.

Chapter 517: Luo Rong's Shock

Perhaps, when Duan Ling Tian executed his movement technique earlier, most Inner Hall students didn't notice his Wind Force.

However, when Duan Ling Tian pointed out that finger earlier, the Wind Force that twined around it was noticed by them.

"Besides Half-step Advanced Lightning Force, there was actually Half-step Advanced Wind Force within the finger martial skill that Duan Ling Tian executed earlier!" An Inner Hall student couldn't help but exclaim in surprise.

It was like a stone that gave rise to a thousand ripples!

His words caused all the Inner Hall students present to recover from their shock.

"Duan Ling Tian..." Sword Young Master had a complicated gaze.

Only now did he realize that Duan Ling Tian's strength had surpassed him by so much.

"Abnormal as expected!" Ji Feng and Sima Yang gasped.

"Hmph!" Chai Jin's expression was gloomy, and his eyes revealed a vicious expression.

"He has actually comprehended two Half-step Advanced Forces..." Flute Fairy stood there, her beautiful face was slightly moved, and her watery eyes contained disbelief mixed within.

Even if it was the person concerned, Zhang Yan, the Flame Young Master who was one of the five great young masters of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom, he was now flabbergasted.

Duan Ling Tian's ability had exceeded his expectations!

He was originally a proud person and had always refused to admit anyone was superior to him.

Even if it was Crazy Young Master who was the top ranked amongst the five great young masters, he similarly didn't feel that he was weaker than Crazy Young Master.

But now, when he was before this violet clothed young man, he couldn't help but feel a wave of powerlessness.

"Let's stop here." Duan Ling Tian glanced indifferently at Zhang Yan, then walked into the courtyard with large strides and returned to his room.

This time, Zhang Yan didn't stop Duan Ling Tian.

After this battle, the group of Inner Hall students of Dragon and Phoenix Academy could be considered to have completely understood Duan Ling Tian's strength.

The level of monstrousness of the Seven Star Sword Sect's genius disciple had exceeded their imagination.

After a short moment, Zhang challenged an Inner Hall student, and that person directly admitted defeat.

The remaining Inner Hall students gradually dispersed.

The Inner Hall returned to calmness.

Time flowed by, and dusk quickly arrived.

Within an inn in the Imperial City, two old men were gathered together.

"What's going on? He Li has actually not returned ... "

"Could it be that something happened?"

If Duan Ling Tian was here, he would surely be able to recognize that these two old men were exactly the two Guardian Elders of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect.

Tang Huo and Zhao Ming.

"Can it be that Duan Ling Tian noticed him?" Tang Huo's face sank.

Zhao Ming's eyes flickered with cold lights as he said in a low voice. "Tang Huo, we have to think of a way to capture that Duan Ling Tian as soon as possible... Otherwise, I'm afraid I'll be unable to refrain from killing him!"

Although Zhao Ming urgently wanted to obtain the 10,000 Year Stalactite Milk, when he thought of how Duan Ling Tian had destroyed his son and grandson, a wave of evil flames couldn't help but emerged within his heart.

"Don't worry, Elder Ming... We'll find a chance." Tang Huo's eyes flickered with cold lights as he spoke slowly. "It won't be long before the Dragon and Phoenix Academy will probably give the group of students a mission to gain experience and tempering... At that time, with our Azure Forest Tri-Sect disciples delivering us information, are you still afraid we'll be unable to find an opportunity to capture Duan Ling Tian?"

Zhao Ming's expression eased up slightly when he heard this, yet his eyes still flickered with frightful cold lights.

For a month, Duan Ling Tian stayed and cultivated within the academy's Inner Hall, and he didn't leave his courtyard.

Whereas during this month of time, the news of him fighting to a tie with Flame Young Master, Zhang Yan, was like a gale that swept through the entire academy, and it caused most of the academy students to be filled with adoration towards him.

One month later, Duan Ling Tian walked out of his room and enjoyed the bath of the sun.

"I hope that Luo Rong has already prepared all the materials I require..." Duan Ling Tian's eyes were filled with anticipation.

Grade four spirit sword!

Just thinking about it caused him to be unable to refrain from feeling a wave of excitement in his heart.

Once he successfully refined a grade four spirit sword, he would have the confidence to make the grade four spirit sword possess the ability to amplify his strength by 60%.

What sort of a notion was 60% of strength?

Take Little Gold for example. Little Gold was a seventh level Void Prying Stage demon beast, and she was able to exert the strength of one ancient horned dragon by merely relying on her Origin Energy.

One ancient horned dragon was equivalent to the strength of 10,000 ancient mammoth silhouettes.

If this strength was amplified by the grade four spirit sword he refined, it would be able to provide an increase of an entire 6,000 ancient mammoths worth of strength...

In other words, once Little Gold relied on the grade four spirit sword in her possession, she would be able to exert the strength of one ancient horned dragon plus 6,000 ancient mammoths!

If Little Gold utilized her Advanced Lightning Force on top of this, her strength would be even more terrifying!

At that time, she would only be the strength of 2,000 ancient mammoths away from the strength of 2 ancient horned dragons.

"Little Gold, let's go!" Duan Ling Tian called the little gold mouse before leaving the Inner Hall with her.

When Duan Ling Tian registered himself at the gate of the academy, Duan Ling Tian specially observed for a while, and in the end, he noticed that only a ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist was watching him from the shadows.

"Looks like it's still that person from before." Duan Ling Tian heaved a sigh of relief.

He was really worried that the two old goats of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect would personally come to monitor the movement at the gate of the academy.

The facts proved that those two old goats didn't do this.

Otherwise, he would really not dare leave the academy like this.

After he finished registering, Duan Ling Tian increased his speed, and in next to no time, he shook off that ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist.

"Hmph! I'll properly deal with you after I refine a grade four spirit sword for Little Gold." Duan Ling Tian floated high above in the sky as he looked down at the azure clothed middle aged man that was looking around and seemed to be looking for something, and his face sank slightly.

The azure clothed middle aged man searched in the vicinity before going to look at another place.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian descended from the sky and returned the place he shook off the azure clothed middle aged man earlier.

Subsequently, he directly went to the Weapons Craftsmen Guild.

The Weapons Craftsmen Guild's Main Guild was as bustling as the last time.

After Duan Ling Tian entered, he went towards the counter that the beautiful woman was at.

The beautiful woman was registering an assignment for a weapons craftsman, and when she noticed a gaze focus onto herself, she looked over unconsciously.

With just a glance, it caused her delicate figure to tremble.

"Finish your work first." When he saw the beautiful woman wanting to stop the registration of the weapons craftsman's assignment, Duan Ling Tian sent a voice transmission to stop her.

The beautiful woman nodded, and she looked at Duan Ling Tian after she finished, then said via voice transmission, "Respected Lord Grade Four Weapons Craftsman, the Guild Master has instructed that if you come, I should directly invite you over to see him."

"Mmm." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

Under the lead of the beautiful woman, Duan Ling Tian once again arrived at the third floor of the Weapons Craftsmen Guild's Main Guild.

"Lord Guild Master, the Lord Grade Four Weapons Craftsman has arrived." The beautiful woman stood before the staircase and spoke respectfully towards inside the room.

Unlike the last time, a voice didn't sound out from within this time.

Whoosh!

A figure that was like the wind arrived before the door and pulled open the curtain.

"Master, please come in." The old man that pulled open the curtain was precisely the Guild Master of the Weapons Craftsmen Guild, Luo Rong.

Presently, Luo Rong was looking respectfully and reverently at Duan Ling Tian.

The beautiful woman's delicate figure trembled when she saw this scene.

Even though she was mentally prepared since long ago, she had never expected that their Lord Guild Master would actually be so humble before this Lord Grade Four Weapons Craftsman.

After all, even if he met the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Emperor, their Guild Master would only nod lightly.

Duan Ling Tian nodded and walked in.

"You can leave." Luo Rong instructed the beautiful woman before turning around and following Duan Ling Tian.

"Guild Master Luo, did you find the things I asked you to find?" Duan Ling Tian stopped his steps and turned around to look at Luo Rong.

"I was fortunate enough to not fail." Luo Rong nodded, and excitement that was difficult to restrain appeared on his face.

During this month, he'd practically used the entire network of relationships he possessed.

In the end, he finally completely gathered all the materials three days ago.

He still remembered how fast his heart beat at that moment.

That was excitement.

Because, by gathering all these materials, he would be able to witness the birth of a grade four spirit weapon with his own two eyes.

This was a dream to him.

Duan Ling Tian nodded then received the materials from Luo Rong before withdrawing his own Violet Myrtle Flexible Sword.

"Little Gold, your sword." Duan Ling Tian looked at the little gold mouse on his shoulder.

"Hmm?" Duan Ling Tian suddenly speaking caused Luo Rong to be unable to help himself from being stunned, and his gaze descended onto the little gold mouse along with this.

When Duan Ling Tian had come the last time, his Spiritual Force had noticed that this little gold mouse wasn't simple, and he knew that it was a demon beast.

As for the little gold mouse's specific cultivation, he didn't know it.

After all, he couldn't compare to Duan Ling Tian.

Besides being able to use his Spiritual Force to detect another's cultivation, Duan Ling Tian was also able to rely on the lifetime worth of experience of the Rebirth Martial Emperor to infer the person's cultivation.

Luo Rong was completely dumbstruck when he saw a pocket-sized spirit sword appear with a raise of the little gold mouse's claw.

Suck a small spirit sword was something that he knew was impossible for himself to refine.

"Squeak squeak~" The little gold mouse excitedly passed the spirit sword over to Duan Ling Tian, and her pair of jade green eyes were filled with anticipation.

"Ma... Master, you refined this spirit sword?" Luo Rong fiercely gulped down a mouthful of saliva, and asked Duan Ling Tian with slight hesitation.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded, then he casually put the little gold mouse's pocket-sized spirit sword with his own Violet Myrtle Flexible Sword.

"Master, what grade is this spirit sword?" As far as Luo Rong was concerned, even if it was only a grade nine spirit sword, such a small spirit sword was already shocking.

After all, there were very few weapons craftsmen that were able to refine such a small spirit sword.

At least, even if he tried, it would be impossible for him to refine such a small grade nine spirit sword.

"Grade five spirit sword." After Duan Ling Tian answered Luo Rong, his expression turned serious. "I'm going to start refining... Watch carefully."

As soon as he finished speaking, a strand of blue flames blazed in Duan Ling Tian's hand.

Grade four Weapon Flame!

The grade four Weapon Flame was raging and restless, and in the blink of an eye, it melted the Violet Myrtle Flexible Sword and the pocket-sized spirit sword into liquid that combined together.

Luo Rong took a deep breath and watched with utmost concentration.

At this moment, his feeling surged extremely.

Grade five spirit sword?

That small spirit sword was actually a grade five spirit sword!

"According to the Dao of weapons refinement that I understand, even a grade one Weapons Craftsman might not be able to refine such a small grade five spirit sword... Where exactly did this Master learn his weapons refinement technique?" Luo Rong's heartbeat grew quicker and quicker.

Fortunately, his cultivation was profound.

Otherwise, if it was an ordinary old man, the old man would have probably been shocked to the point his heart stopped since long ago.

Chapter 518: Top Grade Amongst The Top Grade

After the pile of materials Duan Ling Tian withdrew combined with the few types of materials that Luo Rong had prepared.

Hiss!

The grade four Weapon Flame rose explosively to melt all the materials into liquid and fused them together.

Not only that, under Duan Ling Tian's urging, the liquid formed from the melted materials fused with the material formed from the two melted spirit swords, and they slowly combined together, attempting to fuse.

But the fusing of these two pools of liquids was obviously slightly difficult.

"How could these possible fuse together...?" Luo Rong frowned when he saw Duan Ling Tian's actions.

The scene before him was completely going against all the knowledge he had of the Dao of weapons refinement.

According to his knowledge, the Dao of weapons refinement's biggest taboo was being greedy for success and rushing like this to combine the liquids formed from materials and liquids from existing spirit weapons.

If it was him, and he wanted to advance a grade seven spirit weapon to a grade six spirit weapon.

The first step he would need to do was to melt the grade seven spirit weapon into liquid, then try his best to remove the impurities within it.

Otherwise, it would be almost impossible for the liquids formed from the spirit weapon to fuse with the liquid formed from the materials.

Because the impurities were too many and it would affect the fusing.

However, after a short moment, Luo Rong was dumbstruck.

Because he clearly saw that Duan Ling Tian had really fused the two types of liquids together, and Duan Ling Tian didn't remove the impurities within the grade five spirit sword beforehand.

"How could this be possible?!" Luo Rong revealed a shocked expression.

The scene before him had completely overturned his knowledge towards the Dao of weapons refinement!

If he didn't see it with his own eyes, he wouldn't dare believe that someone was able to do this.

Along with the passage of time, the shock on Luo Rong's face eased up.

However, Luo Rong's shock hadn't even had the time to fade away when his expression flushed red...

Because Duan Ling Tian had already started refining now.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

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Perhaps it was for the sake of taking care of Luo Rong, Duan Ling Tian intentionally slowed down his peed of refinement.

Extremely profound weapons refinement techniques came easily in Duan Ling Tian's hands.

But even if Duan Ling Tian intentionally slowed down, Luo Rong still saw things in a blur.

"Miraculous! Miraculous! Too miraculous!" At this moment, Luo Rong was almost able to hear the sounds of his heartbeat.

Such a profound weapons refinement technique was something that he'd never seen or heard of...

He suddenly felt when compared to the weapons refinement technique that this young man possessed, the weapons refinement technique he mastered was simply inferior to trash.

"Looks like the inheritance of the Dao of weapons refinement that this Master has obtained isn't simple." Luo Rong thought to himself.

As far as he was concerned, this young man was able to possess such ability in weapons refinement at such a young age was surely because he had a great teacher behind him.

Whereas that great teacher was at least an existence that was a grade three Weapons Craftsman or above!

"Perhaps, the teacher of this Master in the Dao of weapons refinement is from the Foreign Lands." When he thought up to here, Luo Rong's heart shook.

The reverence in the depths of his gaze grew...

Time silently flowed by.

Because of having to take care of Luo Rong, Duan Ling Tian intentionally slowed down.

An entire three hours passed before Duan Ling Tian split the liquid that had completely fused perfectly into one and was leaping about on his Weapon Flame into two pools.

One of these pools was extremely small.

"Master wants to refine two grade four spirit swords?" Luo Rong felt himself go slightly numb, it was as if anything that happened in the hands of the young man before him wasn't worth being surprised about.

Refining two grade four spirit weapons at the same time...

He didn't know how to describe the young man before him.

Luo Rong's guess was correct.

Duan Ling Tian was precisely intending to refine two grade four spirit swords at the same time.

One for him and one for the little gold mouse.

With a raise of his hand, the two pools of liquids gradually compressed into form...

His profound weapons crafting technique appeared once more.

One hour later, two sword embryos had shown their preliminary form, and they emitted strands of fierce aura.

That was the sword's sharp aura!

"The spirit swords haven't even been completed, yet they're already extending out such an aura... Looks like the amplification ability of the spirit swords that Master is about to refine is extremely extraordinary." As a grade six Weapons Craftsman and the Guild Master of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Weapons Craftsmen Guild, Luo Rong naturally know the reason such phenomenon appeared. "I'm afraid these two grade four spirit swords that Master is refining will be able to amplify strength by at least 59%!"

A grade four spirit sword that could provide an amplification of 59% could be considered to be top grade.

Of course, this top grade was towards grade four spirit swords.

Ordinary grade four spirit swords were at most able to amplify strength by 57% or 58%.

Whereas grade four spirit swords that were at the top grade were instead able to amplify strength by 59%.

Profound weapons refinement techniques came easily in Duan Ling Tian's hands and continued without end.

His speed grew swifter and swifter!

This caused Luo Rong to be unable to refrain from smiling bitterly.

Now, he was already completely unable to catch a trace of Duan Ling Tian's weapons refinement technique.

Of course, he knew that Duan Ling Tian had to speed up now.

Otherwise, it would be difficult for the sword embryo to truly take form.

Another hour passed.

The two sword embryos had finally taken form, and the fierce aura that was emitted from them was even more pure.

After the sword embryos were formed, the follow-up refinement became easy.

After an hour, Duan Ling Tian successfully refined two grade four spirit swords.

One was a dark violet colored conventional spirit sword, the other was a dark violet pocket-size spirit sword.

"Little Gold!" With a raise of his hand, Duan Ling Tian tossed the pocket-size spirit sword to Little Gold and smiled. "Try it."

"Squeak squeak~" When Duan Ling Tian was refining, the little gold mouse didn't dare make a noise and disturb him, and she was extremely bored since long ago.

Now, when she received the pocket-sized spirit sword, she jumped for joy.

"Squeak!!" The little gold mouse emitted a sharp cry, and a lifelike ancient horned dragon appeared above her and slowly coiled downwards.

"The strength of one ancient horned dragon?" Luo Rong's pupils constricted.

Never had he imagined that this little gold mouse was actually a seventh level Void Prying Stage demon beast.

It was entirely impossible to discern from only outward appearance.

In the next moment, his pupils that had constricted tightly hadn't even had the time to ease up when his face was covered in shock.

Heaven!

What had he seen!

In the sky, the ancient mammoth silhouettes that appeared around the ancient horned dragon silhouette grew more and more numerous....

1,000.

2,000.

3,000.

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When it arrived at 5,000, it still increased endlessly.

In the end, the number of ancient mammoth silhouettes was fixed at 6,000!

With the strength of one ancient horned dragon as the foundation, an amplification of the strength of 6,000 ancient mammoths?

"6... 60% amplification..." Luo Rong had a dumbstruck expression as he muttered.

He naturally knew clearly what a grade four spirit sword that provided an amplification of 50% meant.

If it was said that a grade four spirit sword that provided an amplification of 59% was top grade amongst grade four spirit swords...

Then a grade four spirit sword that provided an amplification of 60% was top grade amongst top grade!

"Squeak squeak~" After the little gold mouse experienced the might of the grade four spirit sword, her pair of jade green eyes flickered with a sheen of excitement that was difficult to fade after a long time.

"Mmm, not too bad." Duan Ling Tian nodded and wasn't too pleasantly surprised.

Refining a grade four spirit sword that could provide a 60% amplification wasn't surprising to him.

After all, he completely followed according to the Rebirth Martial Emperor's weapons refinement technique when refining the grade four spirit sword earlier, and it was not much different to Rebirth Martial Emperor himself refining it.

If one were to speak about a difference, then it would be that Duan Ling Tian's current Weapon Flame was far inferior to the Rebirth Martial Emperor possessed at his peak.

Rebirth Martial Emperor's Weapon Flame at the peak was a Royal Grade Weapon Flame!

Royal Grade Weapon Flame that was able to refine Royal Grade Spirit Weapons.

"Royal Grade Spirit Weapon... I wonder how much time I must spend before being able to refine it?" Duan Ling Tian sighed to himself.

According to the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor, if one wanted to condense a Quasi-Royal Grade Weapon Flame and refine a Quasi-Royal Grade Spirit Weapon, then one's cultivation must attain the Martial Monarch Stage...

The Martial Monarch Stage was a stage that transcended the Void Transformation Stage.

Whereas if one wanted to condense a Royal Grade Weapon Flame and refine a Royal Grade Spirit Weapon, then one's cultivation must have attained the Martial Emperor Stage!

"In other words, only after I become a Martial Emperor would I be able to condense a Royal Grade Weapon Flame and refine a Royal Grade Spirit Weapon." Duan Ling Tian shook his head as he thought in his heart.

By the time he became a Martial Emperor, he didn't know what year it would be.

"But..." Suddenly, seeming to have recalled something, Duan Ling Tian's gaze lit up. "When the Rebirth Martial Emperor's second lifetime underwent rebirth, the great treasure-trove that he originally intended to leave for his third lifetime contains quite a few Royal Grade Spirit Weapons!"

"Once I arrive at the Foreign Lands and follow along the Rebirth Martial Emperor's memories to take out that great treasure-trove, I'll be able to obtain a Royal Grade Spirit Weapon!" When he thought up to here, Duan Ling Tian felt a wave of excitement.

Royal Grade Spirit Weapon...

The strength amplified by a Royal Grade Spirit Weapon was more than double of the user's strength!

After all, a grade one spirit weapon was already able to amplify strength by around 90%.

Whereas a Quasi-Royal Grade Spirit Weapon was able to amplify one's strength by 100%.

"Guild Master Luo, how much did you see clearly earlier?" After Duan Ling Tian put away the other grade four spirit sword, he looked at Luo Rong and asked.

But he quickly noticed that Luo Rong was in a daze.

"Mmm, not bad?" Luo Rong was stunned on the spot, and the corners of his mouth twitched intensely as he recalled what Duan Ling Tian said causally earlier in his mind.

Refining a grade four spirit sword that provided a 60% amplification and could be called top grade amongst the top grade.

It was only not bad?

He even wondered if this young man said this to intentionally anger others.

"Guild Master Luo." Luo Rong only recovered from his shock after Duan Ling Tian called out a second time, and he said fearfully, "Master, is there something you need?"

Luo Rong was even more respectful when facing Duan Ling Tian after witnessing Duan Ling Tian's weapons refinement ability with his own two eyes.

"It's nothing... I just wanted to ask you, how much did you see clearly of my weapons refinement technique from before?" Duan Ling Tian repeated his question.

Luo Rong smiled bitterly when he heard this. "Master, forgive Luo Rong for being slow-witted and was unable to follow your actions."

Duan Ling Tian nodded.

Luo Rong's reply was within his expectations.

"How about this... I'll come here once a month in the future and pass down some weapons refinement techniques to you," Duan Ling Tian said to Luo Rong.

Since Luo Rong had helped him gather the materials, he would naturally keep his promise and help Luo Rong become a grade five weapons craftsman.

"Thank you, Master!" Luo Rong's eyes lit up.

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian spent an afternoon's worth of time guiding Luo Rong...

When dusk arrived and when he saw Luo Rong was still pondering deeply, Duan Ling Tian silently left the Weapons Craftsmen Main Guild.

"Little Gold, get ready... Someone has sent himself over to offer sacrifice to your sword." After Duan Ling Tian passed through a few streets, the corners of his mouth curled into a cold smile.

He'd noticed that the ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist was following him again.

Chapter 519: Experience Mission

The azure clothed middle aged man looked left and right in the remote alley for a while before stepping up into the sky.

"Where is he?" The azure clothed middle aged man frowned. "This is the third time already.... Could it be that he's noticed me?"

Right at this moment, an awe-inspiring howl of the wind sounded out from behind him, it caused the azure clothed middle aged man's face to go grim, and his mind became strained.

At the same time, he heard an indifferent voice sound out from behind him.

"Are you looking for me?" Duan Ling Tian stood in the air as he looked with a calm expression at the middle aged man that turned around slowly, and he asked indifferently.

This azure clothed middle aged man was precisely the ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist that was following him earlier.

"Duan Ling Tian, you really did notice me." The azure clothed middle aged man gasped when he saw Duan Ling Tian.

"Who exactly are you?" Duan Ling Tian wasn't surprised that the azure clothed middle aged man knew him, and his gaze abruptly became fierce.

"Little Gold, be ready to annihilate him at any moment." Duan Ling Tian's voice transmission entered into the little gold mouse's ears in a timely manner.

"Squeak squeak~" The little gold nodded, then raised her claws and a spirit sword that emitted a sharp aura appeared.

It was precisely the grade four spirit sword that Duan Ling Tian had refined for her!

The azure clothed middle aged man seemed to have noticed Duan Ling Tian's hostility and he said with a bitter smile, "Don't misunderstand... I'm a member of the Dragon and Phoenix Academy! It's the Vice Dean that instructed me to protect you from the shadows."

"A member of the Dragon and Phoenix Academy?" Duan Ling Tian frowned. "Do you have proof?"

With a raise of his hand, a command token had appeared. "You ought to recognize this command token, right?"

Duan Ling Tian looked at the command token.

Duan Ling Tian had a slight impression of this command token.

"The command token of Dragon and Phoenix Academy workers is similar to this command token..." Duan Ling Tian confirmed the azure clothed middle aged man's identity.

He was a friend and not an enemy!

"Okay." After Duan Ling Tian confirmed the azure clothed middle aged man's identity, he nodded before slowly descending from the sky.

When he saw Duan Ling Tian leaving, the azure clothed middle aged man followed him down.

But he hadn't even followed him through a few streets before being shaken off by Duan Ling Tian.

"What assignment did the Vice Dean give me? This Duan Ling Tian has shaken me off repeatedly, is there any meaning in following him?" The middle aged man laughed with bitter helplessness.

The night slowly arrived, and Duan Ling Tian returned to the academy on time.

The academy's rule was that a student had a chance to go out once a month, yet they weren't allowed to spend the night.

After he returned to the Inner Hall and walked into his room, Duan Ling Tian sat down cross-legged.

He consumed a Void Condensing Pill and started cultivating...

Nine Dragons War Sovereign Technique, Lightning Wyrm Form!

The Void Condensing Pill that Duan Ling Tian refined had a purity above 90% and it was far from something an ordinary Void Condensing Pill could compare to.

Under the assistance of the Void Condensing Pill and relying on Duan Ling Tian's natural talent that was at the limit, the speed the Origin Energy in his body advanced had practically arrived at an astonishing degree!

The boundless Origin Energy ceaselessly flashed about within Duan Ling Tian's body.

"According to this speed, it won't be long before I should be able to break through to the second level of the Void Prying Stage." Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

Three days later.

Dawn, Duan Ling Tian was roused from his sleep by the clamorous noise outside.

"Duan Ling Tian!" Duan Ling Tian heard someone calling out to him.

He opened the door and walked into the courtyard, and he noticed that the person who was calling out to him was Ji Feng.

"Is there something you need?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

"Duan Ling Tian, the academy has issued missions for us to gain experience and tempering... Look, everybody has headed to the square at the center," said Ji Feng.

Only now did Duan Ling Tian notice that none of the group of Inner Hall students remained, and he was only in time to see numerous figures that moved into the distance.

"Let's go!" Duan Ling Tian nodded, then brought along the little gold mouse as he followed up to the other Inner Hall students with Ji Feng.

Within Dragon and Lake Academy, besides the Inner Hall and Outer Hall occupying a vast area, the square at the center occupied an extremely vast area.

Presently, many people had gathered at the square at the center.

Eight Inner Hall students stood at the foremost of these people, and the others were all Outer Hall students.

Unlike the Inner Hall students that were brimming with energy and vitality, all the Outer Hall students had bleak and dim expressions, and they seemed as if they were malnourished.

Obviously, this was related to the food and drink they normally received.

Inner Hall students received fine wine and delicacies for every meal, and it could be considered to be godly enjoyment.

Whereas Outer Hall students only had rice soup and a mantou for every meal, and it was simply the difference between heaven and earth when compared with the treatment of the Inner Hall students.

"It's Duan Ling Tian!" Someone exclaimed in surprise, causing the gazes of the group of Outer Hall students to shoot at Duan Ling Tian, and their gazes were filled with burning admiration.

Duan Ling Tian was a legendary figure of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's younger generation.

When before Duan Ling Tian, it was difficult for them to have the heart to compare themselves with him, and there was only reverence in their hearts.

Of course, a small amount of Outer Hall students had gloomy expressions.

These people were precisely the comparatively outstanding disciples of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect that were recommended to the Dragon and Phoenix Academy.

"Liu Yue?" Duan Ling Tian's gaze was quickly attracted by a figure.

The young woman before him wasn't unfamiliar to him.

A long time ago, before the Seven Star Sword Sect was annihilated, and before the Azure Forest Tri-Sect existed, he'd seen this woman at the Martial Competition of the five great sects that was held by the Demonic Lotusblade Sect.

The former Snow Moon Sect's Leader's personal disciple, Liu Yue!

When Duan Ling Tian looked at Liu Yue, Liu Yue was looking at Duan Ling Tian as well.

Liu Yue had a complicated gaze.

That day during the Martial Competition of the five great sects, Duan Ling Tian had defeated Saber Young Master, Long Yun, and it caused her to feel a wave of helplessness.

At that time, she'd secretly resolved that she would surely surpass Duan Ling Tian one day!

However, when she arrived at the academy and heard of Duan Ling Tian's strength, that heart of hers that compared herself with Duan Ling Tian shattered into bits.

She knew that it would be difficult for her to surpass Duan Ling Tian in her entire lifetime!

"Liu Yue, when my Seven Star Sword Sect was annihilated that day... If I'm not wrong, you and the few people beside you were there at the time and had even killed many people of my Seven Star Sword Sect." Ghastly coldness appeared on the corners of Duan Ling Tian's mouth, and his voice transmission pierced into Liu Yue's eardrums.

He might have no impression of the other Azure Forest Tri-Sect disciples, but Liu Yue and the few disciples by her side were all elite disciples of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect. When they joined the fray that day, countless Seven Star Sword Sect disciples had died at their hands.

A debt of blood must be repaid in blood.

So long as he found an opportunity, he would absolutely not let Liu Yue and the others off.

Whereas Liu Yu's face went pale when she heard Duan Ling Tian's voice transmission, as she was able to discern the killing intent contained within Duan Ling Tian's voice.

A trace of coldness emerged in her heart for no reason.

Ji Feng who saw Duan Ling Tian stopping to stare at Liu Yue and had recognized Liu Yue's identity as a Azure Forest Tri-Sect disciple was able to sense the smell of gunpowder between the two...

Suddenly, a figure appeared within Ji Feng's field of vision.

"Duan Ling Tian, Vice Dean Chi has arrived." Ji Feng reminded Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian returned to his senses and nodded before heading towards the other Inner Hall students.

He utterly didn't take Liu Yue seriously.

As far as he was concerned, an Azure Forest Tri-Sect disciple that had only stepped into the Half-step Void Stage yet was unable to occupy a spot in the Dragon and Phoenix Academy's Inner Hall, was unable to be of any threat to him.

When Duan Ling Tian walked into the ranks of the Inner Hall students, he was able to notice two sharp gazes looking at him at the same time.

The owners of the two gazes were respectively the Flute Fairy, Zi Yan, and Flame Young Master, Zhang Yan.

"Duan Ling Tian, I hope you don't disappoint me in the competition between geniuses ten months from now... At that time, not only will I use Force, I'll even use a spirit weapon. I'll use my entire strength to battle you!" Zhang Yan's voice transmission entered into Duan Ling Tian's ears, and it was filled with traces of fierce hostility.

"I'll take you on to the end!" Duan Ling Tian shrugged and was indifferent.

Meanwhile, the group of Outer Hall students saw Vice Dean Chi Ming as well, and they discussed animatedly.

"I wonder what sort of experience mission the academy would issue to us."

"No matter what it is, I'll do my best... Supposedly, if we're able to obtain sufficient mission points, we're even able to exchange grade six spirit weapons, Earth Rank martial skills, and even high grade medicinal pills and spirit fruits."

"Hehe... I never considered the competition between geniuses when I came to the Dragon and Phoenix Academy in the first place. My objective is to obtain mission points and exchange it for the things I want."

"Yeah, there are supposedly only five spots for the competition between geniuses, and it isn't something we can interfere in."

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The group of Outer Hall students whispered in discussion, and it was all heard by Duan Ling Tian.

"Mission points? Exchange grade six spirit weapons, Earth Rank martial skills, and even high grade medicinal pills and spirit fruits?" Duan Ling Tian came to a sudden understanding.

No wonder the various powers of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom recommended so many people to the Dragon and Phoenix Academy.

So it turns out that most of the powers weren't interested in the martial competition, but this!

They didn't have any thoughts towards the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties, what they really cared about was that the mission points of the Dragon and Phoenix Academy was able to be exchanged for various prizes.

Whereas the mission points were obtained from experience missions.

"There're even spirit fruits? I wonder what spirit fruits...? It would be great if it's a spirit fruit that can improve Spiritual Force, or perhaps a spirit fruit that is able to advance the cultivation of a Void Prying Stage martial artist." Duan Ling Tian was dreaming in his heart.

"Silence!" Meanwhile, the academy's Vice Dean Chi Ming had arrived before the group of students, and he shouted out in a loud voice.

After the group of students went quiet, Chi Ming said, "In the next half a month, all of you will leave the academy and go complete an experience mission!"

Experience mission!

Everyone including Duan Ling Tian had held their breaths.

They were all curious what sort of experience mission it would be.

Chi Ming continued and said, "Recently, a band of formidable bandits of unknown origin have appeared in the Blackwind Ridge that's east of our Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial City."

"Many small towns and villages surrounding Blackwind Ridge have been tormented and have been tragically plunged into misery and suffering. Your mission is to be responsible for wiping out these bandits and allow the small towns around Blackwind Ridge that survived to avoid suffering the same fate!" Chi Ming finished speaking with a single breath.

"Bandits?" Duan Ling Tian's face sank slightly.

When he was gaining experience and tempering himself before, what he loathed the most were bandits.

Those bandits were utterly devoid of a conscience, and would frequently annihilate an entire town or village.

So every time he encountered them, he would teach them a lesson.

"So it's bandits." Chi Ming's words caused many people to heave a sigh of relief.

As far as they were concerned, how strong could mere bandits be?

There was no lack of existences at the Void Prying Stage amongst them.

Wasn't killing a few bandits extremely easy?

"Hmph!" Chi Ming seemed to have discerned the thoughts of this group of students, and he grunted coldly. "Don't look down on these bandits... According to my knowledge, there are no less than 10 existences at the Void Prying Stage amongst these bandits!"

Chapter 520: Void Refining Fruit

No less than 10 bandits at the Void Prying Stage?

As soon as Chi Ming finished speaking, no matter if it was Outer Hall students, or Inner Hall students, all the academy students became serious in expression.

Duan Ling Tian's expression became serious as well.

"Vice Dean Chi, since those bandits are so formidable, then why didn't out Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom directly send out the army to exterminate them?" Crazy Young master, Luo Zhan, asked in a deep voice.

"Army?" Chi Ming shook his head. "According to my knowledge, the weakest amongst that band of bandits are existences at the Nascent Soul Stage... Moreover, they're extremely skilled in concealment and have completely taken Blackwind Ridge to be their home."

"So, the army is completely unable to deal with them! Originally, his Majesty was prepared to send out experts to exterminate them, but in the end, his Majesty thought of all of you, then intended to hand over this mission to all of you." As he finished speaking, Chi Ming's gaze abruptly lit up. "During this mission, besides being able to exchange for various rare and valuable items after your mission points have arrived at a certain level... Due to the difficult of the mission this time, his Majesty has prepared an additional reward for the person whose mission points are ranked number one during this mission!"

"Additional reward?" Chi Ming's words caused the eyes of all the Void Prying Stage Inner Hall disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, to light up.

Because, they had the best chance of obtaining the highest amount of points in the mission this time.

After all, their strengths were the strongest.

"That additional reward is a Void Refining Fruit."

Void Refining Fruit!

Chi Ming's voice had only just sounded out when the expressions of everyone was filled with shock.

A Void Refining Fruit was a spirit fruit that was extremely difficult to come by, and it was able to greatly increase the cultivation of a Void Prying Stage martial artist.

Supposedly, once a ninth level Void Prying Stage martial artist that had comprehend Concept consumed a Void Refining Fruit, the martial artist would be able to break through to the Void Initiation Stage within a short period of time!

If an ordinary Void Prying Stage martial artist consumed it, the martial artist would at least break through a level within a short period of time, and those with good natural talent were even able to break through two levels within a short period of time.

The eyes all the Outer Hall students went red with desire, but they knew that no matter how good the Void Refining Fruit was, it wasn't something that they could have a hand in.

"Void Refining Fruit!" Duan Ling Tian's breathing became hurried.

He never expected that the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Emperor would be so generous and give out a Void Refining Fruit as the additional reward for the person with the highest points during the experiences mission this time.

"Number one!" The eyes of Crazy Young Master, Luo Zhan, and Sword Young Master, Chen Shao Shuai, were filled with yearning.

Number one, there were determined to obtain it!

"The first is surely mine." Flame Young Master, Zhang Yan's, eyes narrowed as he clenched his fists tightly.

As the third son of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Emperor, Zhang Yan naturally knew that the Imperial Family had obtained a Void Refining Fruit not too long ago...

If it was any ordinary time, that Void Refining Fruit would surely be his, but, it just so happened that he'd run into the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties.

Although the young geniuses of their Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom might not be able to kill their way into the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties.

But, even if they were able to smoothly advance in the Darkstone Empire, their Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom would surely obtain awards from the Darkstone Empire...

It was precisely because of this that they took out the Void Refining Fruit to become the additional reward for the first experience mission of the Dragon and Phoenix Academy!

This was something that he'd known of since long ago, and he didn't blame his Imperial Father for it.

Because he knew that his Imperial Father had done this all for the sake of the bigger picture.

What he needed to do now was to rely on his own strength and seize first in the mission this time.

In this way, he would be able to obtain the Void Refining Fruit in a perfectly justifiable manner.

Once he obtained the Void Refining Fruit, he would be able to directly break through to the third level of the Void Prying Stage and even be able to charge towards the fourth level of the Void Prying Stage in a short amount of time...

At that time, he would perhaps be able to become eminent in Darkstone Empire, and ascend the stage of the Darkhan Dynasty.

Just thinking about it caused him to feel a wave of excitement.

"Number one... I must obtain number one in the mission this time!" Chai Jin took a deep breath, and his eyes flickered with a grim light.

His gaze imperceptibly descended onto Duan Ling Tian, and it flickered with slight ruthlessness. "Once I obtain that Void Refining Fruit, my cultivation will break through in a short amount of time! At that time, I'll fully return all the humiliation that this Duan Ling Tian gave me."

"This first is mine!" Duan Ling Tian didn't notice Chai Jin's gaze.

At this moment, his eyes were similarly filled with yearning.

So long as he obtained the Void Refining Fruit, his cultivation would be able to swiftly advance in a short amount of time, and this had always been something he eagerly wished for.

"My goal now is to break through to the Void Initiation Stage as soon as possible! At that time, I'll be able to use that jade sword, the key to the Sword Monarch's Treasure to contact the other eight people and open the Sword Monarch's Treasure together." Duan Ling Tian had made a plan for his future.

He had the feeling that the Sword Monarch's Treasure would be a turning point for him.

"Presently, the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties is only four years away... If I don't have a great fortuitous encounter during these four years, it would be extremely difficult for me to go against the most outstanding geniuses in the younger generation of the various Dynasties!" This was something that Duan Ling Tian already knew.

There was no need to go so far, just that Big Brother Zhang of his, Zhang Shou Yong, had already broken through to the fourth level of the Void Initiation Stage one year ago and had even comprehended fifth level Earth Concept.

If he cultivated according to routine, then not to mention four years, even if he was give five or six years, he might not be able to catch up to Zhang Shou Yong.

So he needed a turning point now; he needed a fortuitous encounter.

A fortuitous encounter could be a spirit fruit, and it could be other things.

"Vice Dean Chi, how are the points during the mission this time counted?" Duan Ling Tian looked at Chi Ming and asked curiously.

"During the mission this time, all of you will obtain different points based on the targets you kill... Bandits below the seventh level of the Nascent Soul Stage are worth 1 point. Bandits at the seventh level of the Nascent Soul Stage are worth 2 points. Bandits at the eighth level of the Nascent Soul Stage are worth 3 points. Bandits at the ninth level of the Nascent Soul Stage are worth 5 points."

"Bandits at the Half-step Void Stage are worth 8 points. Bandits at the first level of the Void Prying Stage are worth 15 points. Bandits at the second level of the Void Prying Stage are worth 30 points. Bandits at the third level of the Void Prying Stage are worth 50 points." As he spoke up to here, Chi Ming stopped for a moment before continuing. "Killing a bandit at the fourth level of the Void Prying Stage or above is worth 200 points!"

Chi Ming's words caused all the students present to go silent, and this included the few Void Prying Stage Inner Hall students including Duan Ling Tian.

The group of Outer Hall students drooped their heads and were low in spirits.

They knew that the highest points in the mission this time were bound to be unrelated to them.

"Even if it's a bandit at the Half-step Void Stage, it's only worth 8 points." Many people shook their heads and sighed.

"Vice Dean Chi, what you mean is... Amongst the ten plus Void Prying Stage bandits, there's an existence at the fourth level of the Void Prying Stage or above?" Crazy Young Master, Luo Zhan, frowned as he asked.

Chi Ming nodded. "According to the intelligence we received... The leader of that group of bandits is a fourth level Void Prying Stage martial artist! His strength is also the strongest amongst all the bandits."

"Fourth level Void Prying Stage?" Chi Ming's words caused all the Inner Hall students including Duan Ling Tian that were at the Void Prying Stage to be unable to refrain from laughing bitterly.

Fourth level Void Prying Stage?

How would they kill the bandit?

Seeming to have discerned the helpless of Duan Ling Tian and the others, Chi Ming continued. "If you really encounter bandits that all of you are unable to defeat on your own, all of you can choose to work together! But, once you work together, it would also mean that you will share the points equally."

Share the points equally?

Chi Ming's words caused the few Void Prying Stage Inner Hall students to be unable to refrain from frowning.

Once the points were shared equally, it would also mean that the person who joined forces with them would be on the same starting line as them.

They would not have any advantage.

"If it isn't necessary, then I'll absolutely not join forces!" All the Void Prying Stage Inner Hall students including Duan Ling Tian said to themselves.

"During the mission this time, you can choose to hunt bandits by yourself, or you can choose to form a small team with others... But, once you form a small team, the points obtained from hunting bandits will be considered as team points, and it's to be freely distributed by the members of the team." Chi Ming continued.

Besides Duan Ling Tian and the other Void Prying Stage Inner Hall students remaining indifferent when they heard Chi Ming's words, the gazes of most people lit up.

"Sima, let's join forces. How about it?" Ji Feng looked at Sima Yang and suggested.

"Split the points equally," said Sima Yang.

"Deal!" Ji Feng didn't hesitate to agree.

He and Sima Yang were both at the Half-step Void Stage and had equal strengths, no one was taking advantage of the other.

Meanwhile, many Outer Hall students started to form small teams.

"Besides that... During the mission this time, there will be someone counting your score from the shadows throughout the duration of the mission, so don't think about cheating! Also, besides spirit weapons, you're not allowed to rely on the assistance of any other external source of strength." Chi Ming added.

Most people had no objections towards this.

External sources of strength?

Duan Ling Tian's brows raised as he thought to himself. "In this way, Little Gold would at most be able to execute her soul skill, Soul Shaker, to help me. After all, if she attacks directly, it would be equivalent to relying on the assistance of an external source of strength besides a spirit weapon."

As for the soul skill, Soul Shake, unless it was an Inscription Master, otherwise, it was almost impossible for someone to sense that Little Gold had utilized her Spiritual Force to attack.

"Alright... All of you go prepare and leave after lunch at noon!" After he finished speaking, Chi Ming left.

Whereas Duan Ling Tian, Crazy Young master, and Sword Young Master left after him and returned to the Inner Hall.

As for Flame Young Master, Zhang Yan, he took large strides towards the beautiful young woman, Flute Fairy. "Zi Yan, I'm determined to obtain that Void Refining Fruit... Forgive me for being unable to form a small team with you." Zhang Yan's words contained a slight apologetic tone mixed within.

"Hmph!" Flute Fairy grunted lightly, and said with slight detest, "Even if you wanted to form a small team with me, I would be unwilling."

After she finished speaking, she paid no further attention to Zhang Yan before turning around and leaving.

Even if Flute Fairy's expression towards him wasn't good, Zhang Yan's face still hand a smile on it, and his eyes were filled with infatuation as he looked at Flute Fairy's beautiful figure vanishing into the distance.

"Zi Yan, one day, I'll make you fall in love with me," Zhang Yan said in his heart.

"You make a trip to the inn and notify the two Guardian Elders about the experience mission this time." In a corner, Liu Yue ordered.

An Azure Forest Tri-Sect disciple agreed before leaving, then headed towards the direction of the academy gate.

Liu Yue's eyes gradually narrowed as a cold light flashed within. "Duan Ling Tian, you're bound to die in Blackwind Ridge this time!"