

Starchild 81

Chapter 81: Instant Kill

After the end of the second round, everyone surprisingly found out that there were nearly thirty female swordsmen entering the third round. In the past, they were like some ornaments in other people's eyes. No one had expected that they could seize nearly 30% of the quota.

"That's just bullshit!"

"Impossible! Impossible! Someone come tell me that this isn't real!"

"When did the female swordsmen of White Lotus Sword Domain have such brilliant sword skills?"

If the result of the first round could be regarded as a coincidence, now, two rounds had finished and about 30% of the victors were female swordsmen. No one believed that it was a realistic result.

According to the past record, most of these female swordsmen shouldn't even pass through the first round of the entrance test. After two rounds, there should only be a few female swordsmen still remaining on the stage. If it wasn't because White Lotus Sword Palace often intentionally recruited a few girls to balance the sex ratio of new disciples, it wouldn't be surprising to discover that none of the female swordsmen had passed through to the second round.

In the mortal rank, males had greater advantages in physical quality over females. Only until the hero rank would this situation would start to change.

"Humph. Don't look down upon us!"

“We’re not weak! Besides, our lucky goddess is blessing us!”

Several vivacious female swordsmen made faces at the male swordsmen camps. However, their youthful faces also looked a little confused. It seemed that this test was really different from the past. They were all hard working female swordsmen. They could easily feel the difference when they brandished their swords. Their physical qualities had not been strengthened. However, when they stood on the exam area, they would naturally enter an excitable state. In this state, their steps would become more nimble and their speed of brandishing their swords would also become faster. The most important thing was their fantastic pre-judgement ability. They felt that they could see through their opponent’s moves before their opponents started moving.

For the first time, battles became so easy for them. They even began to enjoy the process. They felt as if their swords suddenly had souls. These were the only words they could find to describe their changes. Due to that, their mediocre sword skills had a sudden but massive change.

“We’ve really become strong.”

“En. I also feel like that. It’s not your illusion.”

“I felt that I suddenly understood many things.”

“It must be the effect of Mei’s lucky charm. Thank god.”

The girls were immersed in the joy of becoming strong and peeped at Mei from time to time. The more frequently they looked at the mysterious black-haired girl, the more active and vibrant the seeds in their hearts would be. They felt that something was growing in their hearts, waiting for the right time to break through the soil.

“Mei...” Xiao Cao offered Yun Xi the most basic sword skill experience and had the strongest bond with Yun Xi. Her behavior was most obvious. She had brandished her sword over a million times. Even if she faced death, she had the confidence that her hands wouldn’t shake. But now, she crossed her two hands together with a shy look.

“En? Only my Quicksilver Motion hasn’t reached perfection?” Yun Xi didn’t realize that the girls were looking at him enthusiastically and shyly. He was focusing on continuing to improve his sword skill. His Flying Swallow Sword had reached its perfect version. If his Quicksilver Motion also reached perfection, he would be able to practice Hua Huo’s most terrible sword skill: Sky Flying Sword (10% version).

Yun Xi had been looking forward to practicing this god-like sword skill from a long time ago. Even though he could only learn its 10% version, that was still enough for him to be invincible amongst mortal rank people.

Soon afterwards, the sword master’s voice came from the Sword Palace’s platform.

“The third round begins!”

“Number eleven VS Number thirty-six!”

“Number forty-seven VS Number thirty-five!”

The girls came back to earth from the joy of passing through the second round. Now, they stepped onto the stage again. However, their eyes looked more confident. Their steps had become more light. Every girl secretly took a glance at Yun Xi before they stepped on the stage, then their eyes brightened up with confidence.

“I can win!”

“I must win!”

“Because we are blessed!”

After that, they crushed all their opponents. At first, the people still felt surprised and their bodies shivered. Finally, they became callous, with their bodies stiff like wood and their mouths opened wide. They witnessed the girls defeating one male swordsman after another with their own eyes.

Amongst the first rank swordsmen, no one was match for them. Even these second rank male geniuses were also defeated. Their failures were so fast and unexpected, which even made them start to wonder about the meaning of their lives. Childe Yun He was the only one who still remained as the last honor of noble families' camp. His Yun He Sword Skill was so exceptional that he blocked his opponent's every attack and successfully passed through the third round.

At the end of the third round, Yun Xi met another old acquaintance. Childe San Quan, the strongest in personal strength amongst the three Childes. He had three careers, a swordsman, taoist priest, and alchemist at the same time, and had the spirit weapon “Five Animals Fan Sword”.

“I know you're the initiator. You caused this whole change. What did you do?” Childe San Quan waved his fan sword, staring at Yun Xi. Especially Yun Xi's chest and his flawless black hair. After that, he looked down at Yun Xi's feet and his exotic black dress.

“Well. Very well! I haven't seen such a high-quality maid for a long time. Do you want to come and swear loyalty to me?”

Who do you think you are?! Yun Xi looked at him with disdain. Amongst the three Childe, you're the most cunning and frivolous person. In the trial, you always looked down upon other people. If Hua Huo didn't remind him, Yun Xi would think that Childe San Quan was the hidden boss amongst the three Childe. But in battle, he was actually impressive to the eye but of no use.

No matter if it was the mysterious archer in red or Childe Yun He, they were actually stronger than Childe San Quan. Only Childe Si Nian wasn't likely to defeat him very easily, because Childe Si Nian was too honest and didn't know how to deal with tricks. The best way to defeat Childe San Quan was to beat him down before he used any underhand tricks.

"Shuffle!" Yun Xu used Quicksilver Motion to increase his speed. His running was graceful like sheep on the prairie, making him instantly cross dozens of metres.

"Well, it may not be a bad idea. Let me play with you for a while. You will soon understand the true power of our noble families..." Childe San Quan waved his fan sword and started to deploy some stuff on the exam area.

The next second, he saw a flying swallow.

Chapter 82: Air Battle Sword Skill

Mortals had no idea about what an "air battle" was. Humans weren't birds. They didn't have wings. Even if a mortal rank person had strong muscles like Childe Si Nian, after gathering all their strength, that person would only be able to jump a few metres. The hang time was so short that the person could only do a few things within that period of time, for instance, launching a Leap Attack. Therefore, as long as a person was still a mortal, no matter what that person's career was, swordsman, alchemist, taoist priest, mage or knight, that person wasn't likely to know a lot about air battles.

However, amongst all the mortal rank skills, Flying Swallow Sword was one of the few skills that could let its user launch an attack from the air. Of course, one could do that only after they could use their Flying Swallow Sword perfectly and Quicksilver Motion skillfully.

Yun Xi had met both requirements, in which case, he could temporarily get rid of the weight and restrictions, turning into a swallow and flying to the sky. Therefore, when Childe San Quan still secretly dropped his “little tricks” onto the exam area, he suddenly saw Yun Xi jumping up into the air and avoiding all the traps.

His mind went blank. This wasn't what he had expected! In order to defeat this unknown black-haired maid, he had tried his best. After stepping onto the stage, he had began to place traps around the exam area by using some sneaky methods. However, even though he had three careers – taoist priest, alchemist, and swordsman at the same time, he hadn't expected that a mortal rank person could have such amazing bodily movement and nimble flying aptitude.

The world seemed to have slowed down at that moment!

“No!” Childe San Quan could think three times faster than ordinary people. He tried his best to activate all the traps. One transparent thread after another bounced up from the ground. If Yun Xi had rushed into that area, he would have faced inevitable death. These threads extended from the Five Animals Fan Sword. They were pretty sharp such that they could easily slice a green hippo to pieces. However, Yun Xi wasn't rushing to him from the ground, but flying to him from the sky. The only place the traps didn't cover... was where Childe San Quan stood!

“Shuffle!” That was the sound of wind, but also the sound of a sword.

“Si!” Faintly, Childe San Quan heard the splashing sound of his blood, then he fainted. All the people around the exam area fell silent.

“Pa! Pa! Pa!” These people suddenly heard applause coming from the Sword Palace's platform.

How long had it been since the Flying Swallow Sword was invented by that peerless sword master? Since that time, only a few mortal people could use it.

Yun Xi became a swallow and flew through the air. When he did, killing his enemy was as easy as picking his own pocket.

Actually, that was just an illusion, as he never was a swallow. Due to his powerful leaping ability, body control, and his slender, nimble physique, others would only perceive him as such.

At the mortal rank, only a few sword skills could let the user fly in the air. Many people had practiced this sword skill, however, none of them had achieved success. Many people thought that this sword skill should not be listed in the mortal rank sword skills list. People should wait till they reached hero rank, then begin to practice air battle sword skills.

However, Yun Xi's "The Swallow Returns" clearly told them that they didn't need to wait till they had achieved the hero rank. They didn't even need to reach the third rank. Reaching the second rank was already enough, because Flying Swallow Sword was a sword skill for mortals. Any person could learn it after they practiced their sword skills to the limit. When the sword master created this sword skill, he hadn't reached the hero rank yet.

Fly Swallow Sword was undoubtedly a mortal rank sword skill. It was a key leading to a higher realm.

"I... I was defeated? What's wrong with that maid? Since she has mastered such a wonderful sword skill, she can directly apply for admission! Why did she come to participate in the entrance test?" Childe San Quan couldn't accept the truth that he had been defeated. Because his throat had been sliced by Yun Xi's sword, he covered his throat with his hands and frantically shouted.

Many people agreed with Childe San Quan's words. Even several Sword Palace sword skill teachers also nodded. They were sword skill teachers. They knew that in order to perform "The Swallow Returns" as a second rank person, the user must have amazing body flexibility and great sword talent.

"He is right."

"The maid can use 'The Swallow Returns'. Her talent is worthy of admission."

"Perhaps her talent is only slightly inferior to that specially enrolled girl, Hua Huo."

On the Sword Palace's platform, Red Lotus smiled, then wrote down the black-haired maid's name on the admission list. This meant that Yun Xi had passed through the entrance test. Red Lotus thought that Yun Xi had showed enough talent, so she didn't need to prove herself by participating in the next knockout round.

After hesitating for a while, Red Lotus added a new name on the admission list – Xiao Cao's name. Her results were the best amongst all the girls who had obtained Yun Xi's seed.

"Strange... That's too fast," Hua Huo of course knew Yun Xi's exact details, but now, Yun Xi's achievements made her feel confused. A week ago, Yun Xi hadn't even mastered the Quicksilver Motion steps and had just learnt how to breathe in the right way. Why was he even able to use the perfect version of "The Swallow Returns"? What was the talent Yun Xi had awakened?

Besides, when Hua Huo looked at the girls around Yun Xi, her heart kept warning her that something was wrong. Her special ability as Yun Xi's childhood sweetheart launched: Jealousy Radar!

Shuffle! Shuffle! Shuffle! Shuffle! Shuffle! Numerous red points appeared in Hua Huo's mind, which really scared her. Was something wrong with her "Jealousy Radar"? Why did she think that every girl around Yun Xi was her love rival? In their eyes, Yun Xi should be a blacked-haired maid named "Mei"! Why was it that when they looked at Yun Xi their sights were so fervent? Their faces blushed, their mouths were moist, and their expressions made them look like some shy little rabbits. Everything just showed that they were a group of girls in love.

Yun Xi, what did you do to them? Or on the contrary, did they do something to you? Who could tell her that what had happened between the girls and Yun Xi when she had gone to meet the twin witches?

"No! I can't lose! I'm the strongest!" After seeing Childe San Quan's defeat, Childe Yun He finally made a decision.

You can fly? No, that can't be real. The maid should be only able to temporarily stop in the air. What she used are still mortal rank skills. However, I have the Crane Wing Twin Swords! They are hero rank weapons that are beyond everyone's imagination.

How could ordinary people know the true power of Crane Wings Twin Swords! I, Childe Yun He, will be the last winner! When my Crane Wings Twin Swords fly to the sky, it will be the time of your death!

Chapter 83: Hua Yue

The penultimate round of Sword Palace's entrance test started. There were over three hundred candidates taking the test. No one had expected that after several rounds of tests, three of the final four people would be female swordsmen.

The male civilian's camp had been completely annihilated. Over twenty female swordsmen entered the list of top thirty-six. In the quarter final, the girls had defeated almost all the male swordsmen, except Childe Yun He (In fact, there was another male...). Unprecedentedly, seven female swordsmen entered the list of the top eight.

As for the noble families' camp, only Childe Yun He was still active in the test. Almost all the noble families turned to support him, placing all their hopes and honor to the only surviving third rank Childe.

After several rounds of internal battles, two female swordsmen stood on the exam area. The first girl was Xiao Cao, a civilian. She had obtained Yun Xi's blessing and had a solid sword skill foundation. The second girl was Hua Yue, an aristocratic miss. She had also obtained Yun Xi's blessing and was good at a gorgeous Western God's Domain's sword skill named "Crossed Sword".

The two girls' sword skill styles were completely different. Xiao Cao was good at basic sword skills, which was even unexceptionable in Yun Xi's eyes. Hua Yue's Crossed Sword was also excellent. She was the strongest female swordsman in this test.

One was a civilian, a poor girl who practiced her sword skill only for standing out amongst others. Another was an aristocratic miss, a gold-rose-like maiden who had received the best education since her childhood.

Xiao Cao's sword was a long steel sword. Its outward appearance was weathered and antiquated. However, it was the best weapon the villagers had purchased from a traveller, and in order to buy it, the villagers had spent all of their money.

Hua Yue's sword was a gorgeous holy crossed sword. Its sword handle was set with a white gold cross, and its sword blade was engraved with beautiful elf-style patterns. It was even more expensive than Childe Si Nian's two-handed heavy blue sword and was a spirit weapon that could be used up till the hero rank.

A civilian and an aristocratic miss. Xiao Cao was as ordinary as a stalk of little grass, Hua Yue was exalted like a rose. They should have been in two different camps. Their appearances had also highlighted their differences. Xiao Cao had light freckles on her face, plus her fallow-coloured ponytail and simple leather armour, everyone could determine her poverty. Although Xiao Cao's face was delicate, but apparently, she didn't pay too much attention in dressing herself up. She was just a normal village girl.

Hua Yue wore elaborate silver armor, and every part of the armor had been crafted. It was as perfect as her figure, far above any luxury goods. The silver lines on her armor highlighted her supple breasts. If comparing just one's figure and appearance, Hua Yue was obviously the winner.

The size of Hua Yue's breasts had shown the desperate gap between them. If there was a way to change breasts into fighting capacity, Hua Yue was no doubt three times stronger than Xiao Cao. However, due to a single person, they were not confronting each other with hostility. They smiled, crossing each other's sword.

"Xiao Cao, if you don't want to lose, try to defeat me with your full strength!" Hua Yue said.

Since Hua Yue's childhood, she had been taught by a famous knight from Western God's Domain. Her Crossed Sword was a very powerful sword skill. Besides, she had the blessing of the fantastic black hair, she was only one step away from reaching the second rank. If no accident happened, she would be one of the few female swordsmen who would enter Sword Palace by their own talents.

She had also obtained the miracle appearing in the other girls' bodies. As a girl who had received the standard sword skill education, she knew the importance of that miracle.

Everything was because of the inexplicable relationship with that mysterious black-haired maid, "Mei".

Xiao Cao had yet to understand the changes, however, she could instinctively master the power of that miracle. Amongst the thirty-seven female swordsmen, she was the only girl who was match for Hua Yue! Hua Yue wasn't wrong. Amongst the thirty-seven female swordsmen, Xiao Cao's and her talent were the best. Due to this, they had high affinity with Yun Xi's seeds and absorbed most of the seeds' power.

Xiao Cao had learned Hua Huo's basic breathing method. She steadily walked on the road leading to the strongest sword skill. Hua Yue had absorbed the most gorgeous and powerful part of Flying Swallow Sword, which meant that she had learned "The Swallow Returns".

"They... are going to reach the second rank..." Due to the threads, Yun Xi could see Xiao Cao and Hua Yue's growth through his naked eyes. Maybe Hua Yue had more adequate nutrition. In Yun Xi's eyes, her growing speed was slightly faster than Xiao Cao. Perhaps she would be the first girl reaching the second rank.

"I will never admit defeat!" Xiao Cao looked at Hua Yue's chest with envy, then looked at her own flat chest. For the first time in her life, she showed a depressed look on her face. If only sword skill was involved, she could catch up with Hua Yue through hard work. However, chests... the gap between them was hopelessly too wide!

How much milk had Hua Yue drank that her breasts were so big?!

"Hehe, don't mind, you're still at the puberty age. After we enter Sword Palace, I will recommend you some cookbooks that can help you 'become big'!" Hua Yue knew that Xiao Cao would no doubt enter Sword Palace, so she played up to Xiao Cao and showed vague gloating in her eyes.

The Western God's Domain's speciality, highland milk, was incredibly expensive. Fortunately, she had inherited her mother's bloodline so that she could absorb the highland milk to get herself into so proud a shape. As an aristocratic miss, she had always tried her best to keep her knowledge, sword skill and appearance perfect.

"I don't have money," Xiao Cao said and shook her head, then grasped her sword. She was poor. Even if she had money, she would use it to strengthen her equipment and not to enhance her breasts.

"Don't worry. After you join Sord Palace, the door to a new world will open for you," Hua Yue said.

She wasn't lying. The Sword Palace only recruited talented swordsmen. Once Xiao Cao reached the hero rank, she would have a chance to enhance her breasts. At least, as far as Hua Yue knew, hundreds of God's Domains had posted an inconceivable reward for catching a multi-headed demon dragon. The multi-headed demon dragon's blood was a priceless treasure that could save the poor girls whose breasts were incurably flat. It was said that countless forces had joined up trying to catch that multi-headed demon dragon, but none of them had achieved success. The multi-headed demon dragon was still on the run...

Chapter 84: White Gold Rose

In the sights of the crowd, the battle between Xiao Cao and Hua Yue started. Out of many people's expectation, Hua Yue wasn't the person who made the proactive attack. Xiao Cao seemed to have a premonition. For the first time in her life, she gave up her stable attack style but launched an indomitable, straight attack towards Hua Yue.

Her sword was unpretentious and her thrusting was simple. However, when Xiao Cao brandished her sword, her moves were so pleasing to the eye. Stable. Xiao Cao's moves were extremely stable and her sword skill was as basic as the content in the textbook. This was Xiao Cao's sword. A mortal's sword.

No one had taught Xiao Cao anything. She had mastered the basic sword skill through brandishing her sword millions of times. In that case, she could stand out from the candidates and stand on the stage of the final four.

"Ding!" Hua Yue stepped forward, parrying Xiao Cao's thrusting attack by using her white gold crossed sword. Hua Yue's sword skill was straight and gave the crowd a sacred feeling, because her sword skill was an authentic knight legacy from Western God's Domain. She had the bloodline of White Gold Rose Flag in her body. Her teacher was a White Gold knight who was admitted by Knight God's Domain.

"Ding! Ding! Ding!" Xiao Cao performed continuous thrusts. Without any fancy tricks, her continuous thrusting was just strengthening the most standard thrusting attack again, again, and again, gathering all her strength together to launch a general attack towards Hua Yue.

“My sword skill was invented by Shinra, the legendary White Gold Rose Knight. It is called ‘Holy Crossed Sword,’” Hua Yue said. She held her white gold crossed sword with both her hands and looked pretty devout. She showed strong self-confidence and inviolability in her eyes. She was different from other noble children because she was a girl who had the true knight bloodline. Her ancient bloodline gave her a tough character and dignified will, and helped her practice to her limit.

Xiao Cao’s sword skill had nearly reached perfection. Hua Yue’s sword skill wasn’t inferior to hers, but more balanced and biased towards the knight’s creed. If Xiao Cao’s sword skill was as wild as a strand of grass, then Hua Yue’s sword skill was as steady as an upright cross. Unlike Flying Swallow Sword, Hua Yue’s sword skill was very different from the traditional eastern sword skill style. It was a sword skill from Western Knight God’s Domain.

“My teacher used to say that if I wanted to practice Crossed Sword, then I had to understand the meanings of humility, integrity, compassion, bravery, justice, sacrifice, honor, and soul!”

Hua Yue’s will and spirit were rising. She threw out her chest with pride, as if something was growing in her body.

“Eh?” Yun Xi felt it.

Although it was pretty weak, but there was a small seed rapidly growing in the girl’s body.

“I will be kind to the weak! I will be brave against the strong! I will fight all who do wrong! I will fight for those who cannot fight! I will help those who call me for help! I will harm no woman! I will help my brother! I will be true to my friends! I will be faithful in love!”

That was the knight's creed, and their virtue. Every knight would swear the words before they chose their own path.

"In the name of White Gold Rose Bloodline, I choose the Holy Sword!" Hua Yue raised her white gold crossed sword, telling the world her choice.

Red Lotus looked at Hua Yue in surprise. Hua Yue was covered in white lights. Obviously, she was awakening her own bloodline ability. "Isn't it the bloodline oath of Knight God's Domain? How... Is she..."

"En. She is my older female cousin," Hua Huo nodded.

Although Hua Yue's bloodline was slightly inferior to Hua Huo's bloodline, but the White Gold Rose bloodline was also a top-level bloodline in Western God's Domain. Many legendary knights were proud of having this bloodline.

Her name "Hua Huo" also had some relationship with Hua Yue's family. After all, their families were allies, and for thousands of years the two families had had strong connections through marriages.

Instantly, Hua Yue broke the barrier blocking the way leading to the second rank. After she confirmed her own will and swore to be a knight, her power started rising. She immediately broke through the primary stage of the second rank, the middle stage of the second rank, and the final stage of the second rank. Hua Yue's power kept growing till she had almost reached the third rank, then the boiling power of her bloodline finally began to fade away.

Due to her awakened bloodline, her black hair turned gold and her pupils mixed with light blue. That was the proof of her resurgent old bloodline.

“I’m too late...” Xiao Cao sighed. She took the active attack because she had noticed that Hua Yue was going to level up. If she couldn’t defeat Hua Yue before that, she would lose. Unfortunately, she was too late. Now, the gap between their powers would no longer be reduced through skills.

Hua Yue wasn’t Lin Feng. Her sword skill was flawless. Besides, she also had the blessing of the black hair.

“Is this... bloodline awakening?” Hua Yue was satisfied with the appearance she saw from the reflection in her sword blade.

White Gold Rose Bloodline deserved its reputation. As a top-level bloodline from Knight God’s Domain, it would let the owner return to their bloodline origin. Once her hair totally turned gold and her eyes totally turned blue, her bloodline awakening would finally complete.

“Holy Crossed Sword... Flying Swallow Sword!” After awakening her bloodline, Hua Yue immediately performed the sword skill she had learnt from Yun Xi’s seed.

Even if it was for catching a rabbit, the lion would make an all-out effort. Hua Yue knew Xiao Cao’s potential better than anyone. She knew that if she didn’t overcome Xiao Cao as quickly as possible, it wouldn’t be surprising to see Xiao Cao also reaching the second rank at any time.

Even though Xiao Cao was in an absolutely inferior position, she didn’t give up hope and tried her best to struggle to win.

“Ding!”

“Ding!”

“Ding!”

With a series of crashes, Xiao Cao’s steel sword issued a cry-like sound. In the face of Hua Yue’s white gold crossed sword, the steel sword had been unable to hold on any longer. Finally, Hua Yue won the test after she shattered Xiao Cao’s steel sword.

“Ha ha ha, I said before that a village girl can’t be that strong! Just as I thought, the victory belongs to our noble families!” Childe Yun He let out a sigh of relief and laughed after seeing Hua Yue’s victory.

Chapter 85: Their Seeds

No, you’re wrong. In fact, Xiao Cao’s talent was much better than Hua Yue’s. Yun Xi shook his head as Childe Yun He laughed. At this moment, the two girls’ seeds had appeared in his body. At the moment Xiao Cao’s sword was shattered, a seed had appeared in her body. If Xiao Cao’s sword had been tougher, the battle wouldn’t have ended so fast. In that case, the final result would still be uncertain.

Now, Yun Xi absorbed the two newborn seeds into his body through the invisible threads between the two girls and himself. Yun Xi himself also didn’t expect that he would obtain the two girls’ seeds in such a short period of time. He couldn’t see any traces of any new seeds being born in the other thirty-five girls’ bodies.

Xiao Cao and Hua Yue both were just at the second rank, therefore the rank of their seeds wasn’t high. As a person who had higher power, their seeds didn’t have any secrets in Yun Xi’s eyes.

Hua Yue’s seed:

Holy Crossed Sword (proficient): This is a knight's sword skill from Western White Gold Rose Family. It was beloved amongst knights and the people with evil intentions were unable to learn it. It was a pre-skill of a high-level sword skill: Holy Spirit Crossed Sword.

White Gold Rose Bloodline (partly awakened): a high-level bloodline from Western White Gold Rose Family. It can help the owner become a natural knight and offers a noticeable increase in the owner's strength and holy power.

As a second rank seed, it was pretty excellent. It was even better than the third rank monster green hippo's seed. Besides, it was the first low-level seed Yun Xi had seen that contained the bloodline from another god domain.

However, although Xiao Cao was defeated due to a bad quality sword, her seed had more amazing properties.

Xiao Cao's seed:

Mortal's Sword (perfect): The person who held this sword had practiced the mortal's sword skill to the limit. In that case, the person was able to learn any high-level sword skills two times faster than ordinary people.

Mind's Eye (incomplete): A kind of insight learning from practice and exercise. It could help the owner analyse the environment and catch the tiniest opportunity to reverse the situation.

Combat Intuition (partly awakened): This ability could help the owner analyse the battle trend and respond to it in advance. At any time, the owner of this ability could use 100% strength.

Persevering Heart: The grass-like girl had a persevering heart. It could help her open the door to a higher rank.

This was too powerful. After seeing the properties of Xiao Cao's seed, Yun Xi exclaimed in his heart. She was like a grass seed, sleeping under the ground to get through the chilly winter. As long as spring came, she would break through the endless dark and bloom in splendor.

Xiao Cao's seed was just at the first rank, however, Yun Xi had seen endless possibilities from it. Amongst all the girls Yun Xi had seen, Xiao Cao's talent was only slightly inferior to Hua Huo. Undoubtedly, as long as she could keep growing, she would have the chance to reach the hero rank or an even higher rank.

Although it was just a first rank seed, but after obtaining it, Yun Xi felt that the barrier which stopped him reaching the third rank was breaking. This was Xiao Cao's talent, a mortal's super power. Now, she was still an ordinary first rank female swordsman, but Yun Xi believed that someday, she would become a legend. Of course, Hua Yue wasn't inferior to Xiao Cao. She was also excellent. However, compared to Xiao Cao's amazing talent, she still needed to improve herself.

Maybe their competition would continue for a pretty long time. Hua Yue's bloodline and sword skill were better than Xiao Cao's. Xiao Cao had a higher learning ability, comprehension, and willpower. They were "Grass" and "White Gold Rose". The two nicknames were really suited to them.

"I lost..." Xiao Cao's eyes were inflamed. She collected the fragments of her broken sword sadly. For the first time in her life, she was defeated on such a momentous occasion and tasted the bitter taste of failure. If her weapon had been tougher... If she could see through Hua Yue's moves earlier....

However, there wasn't any "if" existing in the world. She had been defeated. That was the truth. Moreover, her opponent hadn't used any tricks but defeated her through a fair battle. She shouldn't make her weapon as the excuse. "Fairness" wasn't a word existing on the real battlefield.

“Don’t get discouraged. I know you haven’t dug out your true power,” As the winner, Hua Yue gracefully stretched out her hand to Xiao Cao.

“Next time, you should use a better weapon.”

“En,” Xiao Cao nodded. She carefully collected the fragments of her broken steel sword and walked off the stage together with Hua Yue.

“Great! You did well!”

“Xiao Cao, how did you do that? Hua Yue’s attack... even if it was I facing that attack, I didn’t think that I could dodge it, but you parried it!”

“What a pity! If you had a better weapon, you wouldn’t lose so fast!”

“I would have lent you my sword if I had foreseen this result!”

The female swordsmen laughed and greeted their return. Everyone sighed for Xiao Cao’s failure. Compared to the battle between Mei and Childe Si Nian, and the battle between Mei and Childe San Quan, they could clearly understand and learn from the battle between Xiao Cao and Hua Yue. Everyone had learnt a lot from their battle. Some of them had almost seen the road leading to the second rank.

“Sorry, I lost. I couldn’t beat her,” Xiao Cao said with a sad look as she nervously walked to Yun Xi. She had also been defeated in the past, but this time, she felt extremely unwilling.

“Xiao Cao, only the person who had tasted the pain of failure could understand the value of victory.” Maybe no person in the world had experienced more deaths and failures than Yun Xi. Due to the stars’ yandere love, he was slaughtered by the green hippo in the newbie trial, and in the formal trial, the stone soldier army had killed him again and again. At that time, he had almost started to doubt the meaning of his life. Therefore, he understood Xiao Cao’s feeling. “Failure is the mother of success. It’s not a terrible thing to be defeated. As long as you’re still alive, you will have the chance to win.”

“En,” Xiao Cao lowered her head. After a while, she grasped the fragments of her sword in her hand, flashing a bright smile at Yun Xi.

Of course, she wouldn’t be unable to get up after this failure. She was Xiao Cao, a strand of little grass, and grass could grow in any terrible environment. Hua Yue was strong. For now, I couldn’t find a way to defeat her. In that case, I should train myself harder. This is the reason why I participated in the Sword Palace’s entrance test. Isn’t it?

Xiao Cao made a decision in her heart.

Looking at Xiao Cao’s smiling face, Yun Xi suddenly blushed. The thread between them was quietly dyed with a different color.

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“Arrrghhhh!” Hua Huo stared at Xiao Cao and Yun Xi. A terrible feeling was accumulating in her heart.

Is it my imagination? It must be my imagination! Yun Xi, why are you exchanging love glances with that girl named Xiao Cao? You’re my great sword maid!

Chapter 86: Blood-stained Skill!

"I'm the winner! Mei, you can't be biased towards her!" Hua Yue's hair had become a beautiful white gold. She smiled, teasing Xiao Cao and Yun Xi.

"Hua Yue..." Xiao Cao crossed her fingers with Yun Xi's fingers, looking at Hua Yue with a slightly hostile glance. Under Hua Yue's white silver armor, her breasts seemed to have become a little bigger.

That was too unfair! Did bloodline awakening have such a benefit? That was too enviable.

For a moment, the atmosphere between them turned strange. They both felt that they were each other's destined rival.

"Hua Yue, congratulations!" Yun Xi immediately said to resolve the strange atmosphere between Hua Yue and Xiao Cao. From their seeds, Yun Xi had learned that they both were geniuses and had a bright future. Hua Yue had the White Gold Rose Bloodline and Xiao Cao had her mortal's sword. They had just condensed their seeds, but that had shown their powerful talent.

"Thanks. I really didn't expect that the legend was real," Hua Yue threw out her chest. Yun Xi blushed to see his black hair lucky charm swaying between her two plump breasts.

At the same time, Yun Xi found that the thread between Hua Yue and himself was rapidly getting solid. In Hua Yue's body, Yun Xi's seed was growing up healthy and strong. In Yun Xi's body, Hua Yue's seed was sprouting merrily. The invisible thread was closing their distance.

"Gee... This feeling..." At first, Hua Yue just planned to say something to Xiao Cao, but her face suddenly turned red.

Why? What is this feeling? She felt her chest choking. Was it because the white gold armor pressed her breasts because they suddenly became bigger? Her heart was beating extremely fast. She had never felt such an anxious feeling. Calm down! Clam down! I'm Hua Yue, the inheritor of White Gold Rose Bloodline and the practitioner of Holy Crossed Sword! Keep the eight virtues of knights firmly in your mind! Don't panic!

"Ah..." Yun Xi vaguely felt that some changes had happened to the thread between Xiao Cao and himself and the thread between Hua Yue and himself. In his mind, the threads were just used to exchange their battle experiences and understanding about sword skills. But now, they were developing towards an unknown path.

As Yun Xi felt confused, he suddenly heard a provocative sound from the stage.

"That maid, come here!"

Childe Yun He finally couldn't retain his composure!

"..."

Hua Yue coldly took a glance at Childe Yun He as if she was looking at a dying frog.

"..."

Xiao Cao also looked at Childe Yun He with freezing eyes after she left go of Yun Xi's hand.

At this time, they were so similar. Not only them. All the female swordsmen looked at Childe Yun Xi as if they were looking at a dead man.

“Are you poking fun at me?!” Childe Yun He got angry. As the most famous Childe of this region and the genius who had inherited Crane Wings Twin Swords, he had never been despised by anyone before.

“Humph!” The girls had no fear of his threat.

Several civilian female swordsmen even showed him their middle fingers. “So what?” They said.

“Well! Well! Very well!” Childe Yun He went mad. “Let me show you the true power of our noble families!”

He decided to use his Crane Wings Twin Swords! Right now! Immediately! Even though he knew that the twin swords couldn't be counted as his own power and he would be teased by others due to it, he had decided to show them as his strongest trump card to teach the maid named Mei a lesson!

The maid was a second rank female swordsman and was talented in sword skills, and she had defeated Childe Si Nian and Childe San Quan, and if compared to them, Childe Yun He knew that his strength was inferior to Childe Si Nian and his power was inferior to Childe San Quan. In that case, he wasn't likely to defeat the maid with great ease.

However, he had the twin swords. They were a pair of spirit swords that were handed down from age to age within his family. Now, their own sword souls had been born and they were only one step away from becoming a pair of artifacts. If he used his blood to control the twin swords, he would be invincible amongst all third rank swordsmen!

I know you can use air battle sword skill! In that case, I will crush your self-confidence in the field you're good at!

No one can beat my Crane Wings Twin Swords!

"Let's start!" Yun Xi took a deep breath to adjust his physical condition to the best, then stepped onto the stage with confidence.

"I won't give you the chance to use your Flying Swallow Sword!" At the moment Yun Xi stepped onto the stage, Childe Yun He immediately drew out his Crane Wings Twin Swords from his back and used them to cut his wrist.

He was using his blood to activate the twin swords! He was still at the mortal rank. Since he wanted to activate the twin swords' flying ability, then he must pay something.

After seeing how Childe San Quan was instantly defeated by Yun Xi's "The Swallow Returns", Childe Yun He had decided to activate the twin swords as soon as the battle between them started.

"Fly to the sky, Crane Wings Twin Swords!"

One sword was male and the other one was female. After being stained with Childe Yun He's blood, they rapidly flew into the sky and shot themselves at Yun Xi.

As Yun Xi had known, the twin swords were really fast and strong! Yun Xi raised his iron sword and stepped back with a straight face.

“Go to hell!” Childe Yun He feverishly sprinkled his blood in Yun Xi’s direction.

One, two... Yun Xi remembered and adjusted his steps. He had only one chance. If he failed, he wouldn’t have another chance. Come on, Crane Wings Twin Swords! Come to me!

“Chi!” As Childe Yun He rejoiced with wild excitement, the twin swords smoothly stabbed into Yun Xi’s body.

“That is...” Red Lotus had prepared to teleport Yun Xi out of the stage and announced his failure, however, the next moment, a gust of special energy burst out from Yun Xi’s body. After seeing this, Red Lotus stopped.

“That’s strange. I didn’t teach Little Xi this skill. It’s too dangerous for him,” Hua Huo was dumbfounded after she saw Yun Xi’s behavior.

Blood covered Yun Xi’s eyes. He felt pain and the similar feeling of linked bloodlines. This time, he caught Crane Wings Twin Swords in the real world but not the trial in his dream!

“Kill her, Crane Wings Twin Sword!” Childe Yun He showed a cruel smile. He didn’t know why the twin witches hadn’t stopped the battle and announced his victory, but he didn’t care. In this case, he would catch this opportunity to kill the mysterious black-haired maid, Mei!

Tear apart her four limbs and crush her heart! No one had made him feel such panic! He must kill her!

At this moment, Yun Xi opened his mouth, “My blood will dye the ground, flow into the sea and cover the sky! Blood-stained Secret Skill!”

Chapter 87: Obtaining The Twin Swords

We meet again, Crane Wings Twin Swords. For an instant, the twin swords had drained nearly one tenth of Yun Xi’s blood. However, he showed no signs of being in pain but looked at the Crane Wings Twin Swords with a smile – although his heart had almost been cut through by them.

“????... Who are you?” Two indistinct voices came from the twin swords. They were the sword spirits of the twin swords. One of the twin swords was male and the other female. After thousands of years, two incomplete souls had been born within the twin swords. This meant that the twin swords were only one step away from becoming a pair of artifacts.

It was said that the twin swords were forged by the legendary craftsman, Ou Zhi Zi’s successor. After they had appeared in the world, they were doomed to be embryonic forms of a pair of artifacts. Unfortunately, no one from the Yun He family were as talented in sword skills like Yun Xi. They weren’t even able to contact the sword spirits of the twin swords.

Up to that moment, Yun X touched the twin souls in the twin swords by performing the forbidden skill.

“We once fought side by side. Maybe you have forgotten it, but it was a really pleasant memory,” Yun Xi said with a yearning tone. He reached out both his hands, grabbing the sword handles in his two hands he drew the twin swords out of his body bit by bit.

“Impossible! That’s impossible! What is happening? Kill her, kill her! Crane Wings Twin Swords! Crane Wings!” Childe Yun He was really flabbergasted as he saw Yun Xi drawing the twin swords out of his body.

They were his family's spirit swords! They were the family's most valuable treasures! Suddenly, Childe Yun He remembered an old tale told in his family. Long, long ago, when the successor of Ou Ye Zi presented the Crane Wings Twin Swords to his family, he had also left a message. At that time, Ou Ye Zi's successor and the Yun He family master were very good friends. Crane Wings Twin Swords were made from the materials they collected together and were the tokens of their friendship.

"The twin swords are my most satisfying work, but my friend, remember, powerful weapons always choose their own masters. When the twin swords become a pair of artifacts, they will have their own souls. If your descendants can't master them at that time, I'm afraid that they will leave your family."

"It doesn't matter. If Crane Wings Twin Swords think that my descendants are unworthy of using them, they can just leave and choose their new master by themselves!"

"Could it be that... Would it be that..." Childe Yun He shivered as he thought of that possibility.

"No, no, it won't happen! She is just an unknown maid! Crane Wings Twin Swords will never accept her!"

Crane Wings Twin Swords were very proud. No one – even if they were hero rank swordsmen – could control them in the past hundreds of years! After all, they were doomed to be a pair of artifacts!

"Start verifying..." Crane Wings Twin Swords didn't immediately accept Yun Xi like what they did in the trial, but began a series of complicated verifications.

"Gender verifying... Pass through..."

Bloodline talent verifying... Pass through..."

Adaptability with the twin swords... Pass through...

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All the verifications have passed through...

Acceptable!

Acceptable!"

Yun Xi heard two similar voices coming from the twin swords. After that, he saw the two sword spirits. The male sword spirit was a boy wearing a taoist priest's robe. His hair had almost grown to his feet. The female sword spirit was a cute girl with two hair buns. She was also wearing a taoist priest's robe. They were twins just like the twin witches. However, they had just been born into the world and hadn't built their gender conception.

This was the first time Yun Xi had seen the twin sword spirits, but he vaguely felt that something was wrong.

"Completed verification. We have waited for you for a long time. We're the Crane Wings Twin Swords. We share the same destiny and will never be parted. Transmit the data: Yun Hai's Memory!"

The twin swords resonated. One old rune word after another flowed into Yun Xi's mind. Time seemed to turn back at that moment. Yun Xi saw the distant past. He saw the birth of the twin swords. A tall man carrying a big package on his back was hammering the unfinished twin swords.

“Ding! Ding!” A heavy hammer carried sparks and electric lights, knocking on the twin swords.

The place was at the top of the mountains.

“What now? Are you satisfied with the materials I collected?” A man stepped on the clouds, leisurely walking to the tall man. The tall man was several times larger than the man who just came from the clouds. Obviously, the tall man wasn’t a human.

“Very good. I think I can make the embryonic forms of a pair of artifacts. Perhaps they will be the most satisfying works of my life. However, I have to tell you that they need time to gestate their souls. I’m afraid that they currently will be of no use to you, Yun Hai.”

“I don’t mind. In that case, I will leave them to my descendants. Just in time, I was planning to leave my family a heirloom.” The man named Yun Hai looked at the unfinished twin swords with a satisfied smile.

“I’m afraid that your descendants will be unable to control the twin swords after the twin swords have souls,” The giant man said and shrugged his shoulders.

“Ha ha. If my descendants are so useless at that time, then the twin swords deserve to be free. Very few families can survive in the world for over thousands of years. I will let the twin swords protect them for one thousand years. After that, their fate will depend on themselves. Oh right, we haven’t given the twin swords a name. Any idea?” Yun Hai asked his friend, the giant man, who had come from Western God’s Domain in order to collect materials.

“Tulane Twin Swords. How about that?”

“The twin swords will become my family’s heirloom! How can they have a western-style name!”

“Well, then... Yin Yang Twin Swords?”

“Your taste is really bad. Sigh, leave it to me... I will name my family ‘Yun He’. It means ‘leisurely like clouds and elegant like cranes’. In that case, I will name the twin swords ‘Crane Wings Twin Swords’!”

“I will seal all my experience and sword skills into the twin swords. After the twin swords have souls and find their new master, I will let the new owner inherit my legacy. I don’t know when and where you will see this information. I don’t know if you are my descendant, but that doesn’t matter. I will show you my strongest sword skill: Yun Hai’s Quadrant Sword!”

Chapter 88: Yun Hai’s Legacy

“Since you have been chosen by Crane Wings Twin Swords, I allow you to inherit my legacy. Remember, the sea of clouds is shapeless. The secret of my sword skill isn’t in the sword but in your heart.” (Yun Hai was the man’s name, but also meant “the sea of clouds”)

Yun Hai stepped on the sea of clouds and started to perform his strongest sword skill.

“This is...” Yun Xi found out that he didn’t understand this sword skill at all because he couldn’t see any signs that the man named Yun Hai was performing his sword skill. In his eyes, Yun Hai was just casually walking on the clouds without any purpose.

“No matter how many times I have seen your sword skill, it’s still so scary,” The giant man constricted his pupils as he looked at his best friend, Yun Hai.

Scary? He wasn't even performing his sword skill. Why did the giant man say "scary"?

As Yun Xi looked at them in confusion, Yun Hai had stopped and looked around with a relaxed look. The next moment, the mountains and the sea of clouds were suddenly torn to rags as if the space itself had become a shredded picture scroll.

Yun Xi finally realized that why the giant man had said "scary". Because Yun Hai's sword skill killed nothing but the "world" itself.

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"Cough!" After Yun Xi returned his mind to the real world, he saw a mad man.

"Give them back! They're my family's heirloom!" Childe Yun He was as hysterical as a lunatic at this moment.

Fail the Sword Palace's entrance test? If he compared it to losing the family's twin spirit swords, that was just a trivial thing! Childe Yun He refused to believe that Crane Wings Twin Swords that had protected his family for a thousand years, had now accepted a stranger as their new master. Even though he knew the tale told in his family, he still couldn't accept that!

He inherited the name as the current "Childe Yun He". If he lost the twin swords, he would no longer be the "Childe Yun He", but the sinner of his family!

"I can't lose the Crane Wings Twin Swords! They are mine, my precious! You're just a menial maid! How can it be possible that you have better talent than me and are accepted by my Crane Wings Twin Swords? This isn't true! It's just like the nightmare I had last night... Yes, this is another nightmare! Yes, this is a dream, a dream!"

Maybe it was because Childe Yun He was stimulated too much, he remembered a part of his experience in last night's dream. In the dream, he had also lost the Crane Wings Twin Swords, but after he woke up, the twin swords were still on his back. In the dream, a monster had killed him dozens of times, but after he woke up, he was still unscathed.

Ha ha ha, so it is. This is a dream! I'm still dreaming! I won't die in my own dream. I will get my twin swords back! By fair means or foul!

"Give them back!" Childe Yun He fiercely stared at Yun Xi. He opened his hands, making a posture as if he was playing the game "hawk-and-chicken".

Anyway, this is just a dream. I can revive any time after my death. In this situation, I have nothing to fear! And you! You are just an unknown maid! You should be afraid of me! I will pull you down on the ground and punish you!

"Sigh..." Yun Xi shook his head. He remembered the man named Yun Hai. As Yun Hai's descendant, Childe Yun He's behavior was really scandalous.

After finishing the verification procedures, Crane Wings Twin Swords made melodious sounds and flew to Yun Xi's hand. Although Yun Xi had seen Yun Hai's Quadrant Sword, but naturally, he couldn't perform it, because it was a god-like sword skill just like Hua Huo's Sky Flying Sword. They were not sword skills for mortals.

Yun Xi didn't know why Hua Huo could perform Sky Flying Sword as a third rank female swordsman. That had broken the rules of the mortal rank. However, Yun Xi's opponent was Childe Yun He, and Childe Yun He didn't deserve to have him use any god-like sword skills.

Flying Swallow Sixfold Attack!

Crane Wings Twin Swords drew two graceful arcs in the air, cutting through Childe Yun He's body three times. Childe Yun He toppled down to the ground. This claimed the failure of the last member of the noble families' camp.

"This is a dream, a dream! This must be a dream! As long as I use my Crane Wings Twin Swords, no one is match for me! I can kill them all! Ha ha ha ha, I, Childe Yun He, am invincible!"

Childe Yun He sat on the ground and laughed crazily. He couldn't believe that he had lost Crane Wings Twin Swords but regard the real world as a dream.

"Humph. His psychological quality is really bad."

"He is really inferior to Xiao Cao, because Xiao Cao could kept fighting even after her sword was shattered! He doesn't deserve to be called 'genius'!"

"Tut-tut. He looks like a man whose wife had been robbed! What a shame!"

The female swordsmen looked at Childe Yun He with disdain. It became the last straw that broke Childe Yun He's self-respect, making him lose his mind completely.

Red Lotus quietly looked at Childe Yun He. After a while, she shook her head and crossed his name out of the admission list.

“His psychological quality is too weak. No admission.”

At first, Childe Yun He’s name had already been written on the admission list. However, his insane behavior made him lose the opportunity.

Finally, the Final started.

“Mei, I will do my best to challenge you,” Hua Yue didn’t know the reason why, but when she looked at Mei, she felt her heart suddenly beating faster.

No, I shouldn’t have these feelings! We are both girls! Hua Yue warned herself and repeated the eight virtues of knights in her heart.

Humility, integrity, compassion, bravery, justice, sacrifice, honor, soul, I love you! No, no! I didn’t say the last words! There must be something wrong!

Hua Yue blushed.

Humility, integrity, compassion, love, bravery, justice, sacrifice, honor, soul, I love you very much...

Arrghhh! That’s not right! What’s wrong with me?!

Hua Yue had never felt so nervous. She couldn't even hold her White Gold Crossed Sword steadily in her hand.

"Again... It started growing again..." Yun Xi couldn't stop his sweat from streaming down his face.

The invisible thread between Hua Yue and him was growing and making their relationship closer. Their seeds were rapidly exchanging their experiences about ten times faster than usual. He had seen this scene before, when he and Hua Huo were in the volcano district of the formal trial.

"Shuffle!" Hua Yue drew out her sword. Her thoroughly tempered sword skill was still powerful. The white light on her sword was even brighter than what it showed in the battle between Xiao Cao and herself.

"Big boobs... My enemy..." Xiao Cao whispered. Now, she could only watch Yun Xi and Hua Yue's battle with depression.

"Big boobs... are guilty!" Hua Huo clenched her teeth, staring at Yun Xi and Hua Yue. In her eyes, they were not fighting each other but sending silent messages with their eyes! "Even though you're my elder female cousin... You can't do that! Little Xi is mine, my precious!"

The volcano named jealousy was going to erupt!

Chapter 89: The Hidden Sword

That's strange. Is she deliberately trying not to harm me?

Yun Xi's Crane Wings Twin Swords and Hua Yue's White Gold Crossed Sword continuously crisscrossed in the air. They had seen through each other's sword skills and moves. Although their battle seemed to be very violent, but actually, it was posed very little danger.

Compared to the battle between Childe Yun He and himself, Yun Xi felt that he was actually playing a game now. If he had to describe the difference, that would be the strange atmosphere between them as they attacked each other.

She will perform continuous attacks from the front!

She is going to launch a charge attack!

Oh, this is Xiao Cao's continuous thrusting! Has she had learned that?

Yun Xi discovered that he had been wrong. Hua Yue's talent wasn't inferior to Xiao Cao's. As her White Gold Rose Bloodline awakened, her crossed sword skill was becoming perfect. Compared to Flying Swallow Sword which was nimble and unpredictable, Crossed Sword unified both attack and defense.

Hua Yue's sword skill was biased towards defense. She preferred to counterattack after making sure of her own safety. In some way, her battle style restrained Flying Swallow Sword.

Xiao Cao's sword was a mortal's sword that had reached the limit. Hua Yue's sword was a gorgeous and useable Holy Crossed Sword.

"Ding!" Crane Wings Twin Swords and Holy Crossed Sword collided with each other in the air and made euphonious tremulous sounds. They were both hero rank weapons such that mortals couldn't release

their true powers. No matter whether it was Yun Xi or Hua Yue, they both could only use a small part of their sword's powers.

As the old proverb said, "Diamond cuts diamond". This was the best picture to describe their current situation. Yun Xi planned to learn from Hua Yue and practice during the exam, so he didn't use the twin swords' flying ability, but only used his Flying Swallow Sword to fight with Hua Yue.

In order to repay Hua Yue for her seed, he deliberately became the whetstone for Hua Yue's awakened bloodline, to help her sharpen her Holy Crossed Sword. At the same time, this would also help him improve his sword skill. After obtaining Xiao Cao's incredible talent, mortal's sword, his last weakness had been offset. This was the best time for him to practice his sword skill.

He met the right person at the right time. This was the meaning of this battle. They had already forgotten that they were having the Sword Palace's entrance test. They had only one goal: to temper their sword skills in this battle.

"Arrghhh! I can't stand it! This is not a battle!" Hua Huo was on tenterhooks. Her jealousy radar was warning her that her big breasted elder female cousin was becoming more and more threatening.

"It's rare to see such a high-level competition. Why should we stop them?" Red Lotus was satisfied with the current situation. She didn't think that she would ever see such a high-level sword skill competition again. Moreover, both sides were beautiful girls.

Look! Even White Lotus was watching their competition with relish. White Lotus's smile was already worth it for her to come to this remote small town to hold the test.

"Prince, you're still so handsome. Star and Moon's Ring, tell me, who is the most handsome and gorgeous prince in the world? There is only one answer: Yun Xi!" White Lotus whispered to her Star and Moon's Ring, then decided the answer with satisfaction.

After Hua Yue brandished her sword for a hundred and thirty times, her full breasts suddenly shook. Her beautiful white gold long hair fluttered with the wind as her holy crossed sword emitted pure white lights in her hand.

The seed in Hua Yue's body had updated itself just now. Yun Xi immediately realized the seed's growth. At first, the property introduction of Hua Yue's Holy Crossed Sword was "proficient", now, the description had become "perfect". Her sword skill had reached the limit of mortals just like Yun Xi's Flying Swallow Sword.

They were both at the second rank and had mastered perfect sword skills. Now, Hua Yue finally had equal power to be Yun Xi's opponent.

"Mei, the following attack will be my strongest attack," Hua Yue tightly held her crossed sword in her hand. She raised her sword in front of her chest and gazed at Yun Xi with a serious look.

"Defeat me with all your strength! I only accept to be defeated by you! Don't say no! I know you're the strongest person amongst all the candidates!"

"I will!" Yun Xi agreed. He knew that Hua Yue was serious. Her sword was straight and proud. There was no room for intrigue in her heart.

"Crossed Sword!"

Hua Yue held her sword with her both hands. The sword blade formed a perfect parallel line with her body, taking the center of her chest as the separatrix. She announced the start of her strongest attack.

“Quicksilver Motion!”

Yun Xi ran on the stage. His feet made ear-piercing screech with the ground.

“Holy Seal!” That was a cross-like light that was beyond the imagination of mortals.

A white halo suddenly appeared in the air and covered Hua Yue’s body. Yun Xi had only seen this scene once on another mortal rank swordsman before: his childhood sweetheart, Hua Huo.

Was it a hero rank bloodline ability just like Hua Huo’s Sky Flying Sword? In that case... The Swallow Returns!

Yun Xi’s sword cut on the cross-shaped holy seal but did no harm. Hua Yue seized this opportunity, brandishing a gust of white sword wind towards Yun Xi. That wasn’t a sword wind that any mortals could make! That was the white gold crossed sword’s special ability!

Crane Wings! Flying! Yun Xi let the twin swords fly to the sky. At the same time, he drew out the third sword from his waist.

“Ah!” Hua Yue suddenly realized that Yun Xi had a hidden sword.

In fact, Yun Xi didn’t hide the third sword on purpose. However, Crane Wings Twin Sword had drawn everyone’s attention. They had almost forgotten that Yun Xi was still holding his original sword.

Yun Xi performed his Flying Swallow Sixfold Attack, breaking Hua Yue's seemingly indestructible Holy Seal and put his sword on her neck.

"I was too careless. I forgot that you had the third sword," Hua Yue said with a smile. Although she was defeated, she didn't look very upset. Well, her Holy Seal seemed to be weaker than Hua Huo's Sky Flying Sword. It seemed to be a strong defence skill that would drain all the user's strength.

Yun Xi calculated the defence of Hua Yue's Holy Seal in his heart and had quite forgotten that he was still putting his sword on Hua Yue's neck. He subconsciously lost control of his sword and unconsciously saw the sword sliding down and pointing to Hua Yue's chest.

"Ah!" Hua Yue blushed. She didn't know why Yun Xi suddenly took liberties with her.

Wh-What is she doing?

Is this some special ritual of this area?

"Bang!" Before Yun Xi returned to earth and realized what a mistake he had made, from the location of the twin witches, a person rushed to him in a burst of anger.

"Let go of my elder female cousin!"

"Hua Huo?!" Yun Xi asked with an innocent look. He still hadn't realized why his childhood sweetheart was so angry.

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On the hill three kilometers away, the archer in red suddenly brightened up his eyes and drew his black bow to its limit.

“Target in sight.”

Chapter 90: Elf’s Attack

“Hua Huo...” Yun Xi looked at Hua Huo, whose expression was really bad at this moment. His back was covered with cold sweat.

“Mei, you’re my maid!” Hua Huo stared at Hua Yue’s full breasts and snow-white skin, then looked back at her own chest, having a very sad feeling in her heart. White Gold Rose Bloodline had quite the superiority in regards to appearance. Once a girl awakened her White Gold Rose Bloodline, she would become a natural blonde girl.

Her skin was so soft and seduced people to bite it. She gave Yun Xi a feeling that her skin would taste like sweet juice. After all, she was a blonde beauty! That was a pretty rare genre in the whole Sky Sword God’s Domain. Yun Xi couldn’t stop himself from indulging in fantasy.

“Gee? Mei, you’re Hua Huo’s maid? I see...” Looking at Yun Xi’s black maid’s uniform, Hua Yue saw the light suddenly. In the whole White Lotus Sword Domain, only Hua Huo’s family had the ability to train such a perfect maid.

After all, Hua Huo was...

“Yes. I’m Hua Huo’s greatsword maid,” Yun Xi said with shyness. Although he wanted to take off the cursed maid’s uniform immediately, but the threat of the unknown but definitely terrible apostle forced him to accept this identity.

“Greatsword maid!” Hua Yue was really shocked after hearing this. After all, greatsword maid’s legacy wasn’t something inferior to her White Gold Rose Bloodline! Greatsword maid never served specific people, because they were the god’s maids!

In Western God’s Domain, to be a greatsword maid was every maid’s dream. How could it be possible that a greatsword maid suddenly came to White Lotus Sword Domain?! This was the territory of Eastern God’s Domain!

“Humph. Not a bad maid, isn’t she? I chose her to be my greatsword maid, inheriting the legacy of the third maid, Killing Princess,” Hua Huo proudly stood beside Yun Xi. She felt that it was one of her smartest decisions to let Yun Xi to be a greatsword maid.

“She inherited the legacy of the third maid, Killing Princess!” Hua Yue didn’t expect that she would see a living legend standing in front of her today. That explained the strange feeling when she saw the black maid’s uniform. This wasn’t a common maid’s uniform! It could be regarded as a hard armour that was made of soft cloth.

She knew the rarity of a greatsword maid and she knew of the value of the legacy Yun Xi had inherited. Every greatsword maid who had a single-digit number had been recognized by the history itself. For thousands of years, none of them were mediocre.

Killing Princess was the one who had the most powerful anti-person power amongst the top ten greatsword maids. She also had an alternate name which was less known but more bloody: “Slaughtering Princess”.

However, in Hua Yue's eyes, she didn't see any signs that Mei was similar to the Killing Princess. Mei's eyes were so gentle and warm. She did not look like the bloody ruthless princess at all.

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At the same time, on top of a hill which was three kilometres away from the exam area, the archer in red finally took off her disguise. Under her feet, countless flame particles were lifted off the ground. They dispelled the magic she used to disguise herself and revealed her true appearance.

Unlike what Yun Xi had seen in the stars trial, after taking off her disguise, her figure was more petite than her disguise. She wasn't even taller than Hua Huo. Her pale white hair came down to her back, and her pointed ears revealed her true identity. She wasn't human.

At the center of her forehead, there was a black gem that was inlaid. Her red cloak was covered with dust and scratches as if she had just picked it up from a corpse on the battlefield. Her beautiful amber pupils reflected translucent pale gold. Her black leather armour bound her slightly bulging chest, but exposed her snow-white belly without any cover.

At first, she wore a pair of leather boots, but now, they had been burned to ashes by the suddenly raised temperature under her feet.

"Duo... La... Ru... En..." She whispered. A series of unintelligible runes flashed across the black gem on her forehead. That was the order. That was a switch. It removed her disguise and restored her true appearance as a dark elf.

"Target acquired. Trace... on! Extract bloodline power!"

Under her feet, the dark red ground started to heat up. After a while, the rocks melted and the ground became a pool of magma. Her naked feet steadily stood in the pool of magma. Her amber pupils coldly locked onto her target, Hua Huo, who was complaining about her childhood sweetheart's disloyalty.

"Name: Hua Huo."

"Current strength: the third rank."

"Bloodline: Sky Flying Bloodline!"

As the dark elf whispered, her killing intent became more fierce. The flames under her feet had also become hotter.

"Ten leaves Alliance, Black Obsidian, starts sniping!"

Along her body, one snake flame after another wriggled up to the bowstring of her black long bow. She didn't nock an arrow on the bow, for the flames were her bullets and her weapons. This was her super power, which had transcended the power of flesh and blood. Similar to Hua Huo, the elf girl was controlling the hero rank power through her bloodline.

"Shuffle!"

The next moment, a scorching spiral arrow shot high into the sky. Soon afterwards, the second arrow rose to the sky, then the third arrow, the fourth arrow... They locked Hua Huo from all angles and directions.

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“What are those?”

The twin witches were the first two people who recognized the danger. Red Lotus drew out her Red Lotus Holy Sword and White Lotus started to make mudras.

“What?”

“They’re coming!”

Hua Huo and Yun Xi were the third and the fourth people who saw the arrows. Hua Huo immediately drew out her long sword.

“Crane Wings! Flying!” Yun Xi ordered the twin swords. He held Hua Yue in his arms and rolled down the stage.

The next second, over ten flame arrows dropped from the clouds. They punctured the twin witches’ arcane barrier and still aimed at Hua Huo from all directions.

“How dare you!” Red Lotus reached out her hand. Her Red Lotus Holy Sword released a great amount of scorching aureoles, blocking half of the flame arrows.

“Seal!” White Lotus also reached out her hands. She blocked three flame arrows.

Yun Xi’s Crane Wings Twin Swords shot down one of the last two arrows. The last flame arrow was shattered by Hua Huo, who was in a really bad mood now. However, this wasn’t the end. They were about to face even more terrible attacks.