

Immortality Cultivation: I Farm in the System

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Several days later...

In the System Space, Lin Jing stared at the system panel, his eyebrows knitted in silence.

System Space (Level 4)

Remaining Time: 62 hours (Accumulable: 400 hours)

Host: Lin Jing

Spirit Field Range: 40 acres

Spiritual Energy Density: 4

Flow of Time Speed: 4

Daily Entry Time: 8 hours

Upgrade Requirement: (5325/10000 Harvest Points)

Special Functions: Alert, Observation, Time Accumulation, Four Seasons, Environmental Terrain, Spirit Plant Repair, Bonus Attachment, Spiritual Plant Acceleration Growth.

There were only 62 hours left to enter the System Space.

This small amount of time made Lin Jing unavoidably nervous.

In the past few days, he had encountered many dangers.

As soon as there was danger, Lin Jing had to enter the System Space to hide.

Only after the danger had passed did he dare to come out.

It couldn't be helped...

The Demonic Beasts here, each was more powerful than the last, with most of them possessing the terrifying strength of a Golden Core or even beyond.

With Lin Jing's cultivation, he was neither able to fight nor escape.

He could only rely on the System Space to avoid them.

Especially the Nascent Soul Demonic Beast he encountered one day ago.

Even though Lin Jing had already hidden in the System Space, the Demonic Beast still stood guard at the original location, refusing to leave.

The beast was too fast, and even if Lin Jing used Fixed Point Teleportation to flee, he still couldn't escape its sensory range.

That Demonic Beast had waited outside for Lin Jing for three whole days and nights.

Seeing that Lin Jing really wasn't coming out, it left disgruntled.

Meanwhile, Lin Jing inside the System Space was already as anxious as an ant on a hot pan.

However, he had no solution.

If he went out, he would die.

This time, Lin Jing had truly experienced what it felt like to be a rat crossing the street.

Although that was not his intention.

It was for this reason that the entering time for Lin Jing's System Space had been so drastically consumed these past few days.

Now, with only 62 hours left, at most he could last a few more days before it ran out.

Thinking of this outcome, Lin Jing shook his head, quickly discarding the negative thought.

As a person who had crossed over and still carried a system with him...

If he were to die here in such a suffocating manner, just like a rat crossing the street, that would indeed be a huge joke.

After pondering for a long while, Lin Jing simply could not think of any strategy to resolve the current situation.

He could only continue with his original plan of moving forward and seeking a way out.

First, Lin Jing opened his Storage Bag to check his remaining talismans.

It had to be said, these Second Rank talismans were quite useful, at the very least, they could confuse the sight of those Demonic Beasts.

Even though these talismans were not powerful, they made the Demonic Beasts extremely wary.

Several times, just as Lin Jing threw out a talisman, those Demonic Beasts, as if encountering their natural enemies, hastily avoided it, and it was also with these talismans that Lin Jing managed to avoid several crises.

Lin Jing took out the talismans from the Storage Bag.

The Golden Body Talisman, Teleportation Talisman, a feather, Five Thunder Talisman...

A feather was brought out of the Storage Bag by Lin Jing.

This feather was exactly what Huang Qingling had sent over just before the Teleportation Array was activated.

Lin Jing had studied it before but hadn't found any use for it.

So, he kept this extraordinarily beautiful feather as a souvenir in his Storage Bag.

Then, Lin Jing continued to put Huang Qingling's feather back into the Storage Bag and continued to inspect the talismans in his hand.

A total of five.

In Lin Jing's hands, there were only five talismans left.

After checking the talismans, Lin Jing threw them back into the Storage Bag.

Then, through Observation Mode, Lin Jing noticed that there were no dangers nearby, so he decided to leave the System Space for now.

“Exit System Space.”

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As Lin Jing's voice faded, the scene before his eyes began to blur. When the view cleared again, he once more appeared outside.

After coming out, Lin Jing headed towards the predetermined direction and walked forward.

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This time, Lin Jing's luck was exceptionally good.

In two days, he only encountered a few Golden Core Demonic Beasts.

Lin Jing had some close calls but managed to evade them safely.

After scaling two not-so-low mountain peaks, the dense forest finally began to change.

Lin Jing stood atop a mountain peak, looking ahead.

He saw that ahead was the edge of the dense forest; beyond that were broken stones, a beach...

Even further was a boundless sea...

“This...”

“Could it be that I've been teleported to the Demonic Monster Sea?”

Lin Jing muttered in his heart.

The deep blue sea stretched to the horizon.

This didn't seem like something that belonged in the Eastern Spirit Realm.

Then, Lin Jing withdrew his gaze and looked towards the stone beach in front of the dense forest, where a gigantic stele stood upon the stones.

This stele, unlike a creation of nature, appeared to be carved by human hands, about one hundred meters tall, with its back towards Lin Jing.

This was the first thing related to humans that Lin Jing had seen since he arrived here.

The stele faced the sea, and there should be something on its front side. With its back to the dense forest, Lin Jing guessed that its front side might very well contain something.

Such as patterns, or perhaps inscriptions...

Without delay, Lin Jing decided to go take a look first.

Perhaps because he was at the edge of the dense forest, his descent from the mountain was, as usual, smooth sailing.

In just over three hours, Lin Jing arrived at the bottom of the mountain and exited the dense forest.

He then sprinted towards the stele in the distance.

Hoping to see if the stele was engraved with any patterns or script.

Upon reaching the stele,

Lin Jing looked up and saw that the stele indeed had inscriptions.

“Immortal Crossing Island”—these three large characters were inscribed upon the stele.

And below them, two lines of smaller text.

“Immortal Crossing Island, the road to becoming an immortal.”

“Once you enter Immortal Crossing, there’s no returning.”

Seeing the inscriptions above, Lin Jing was instantly startled.

“Immortal Crossing Island...” Lin Jing muttered to himself.

The words on the stele were simply too shocking.

Daring to be named Immortal Crossing Island and even claiming to be the road to becoming an immortal...

This Immortal Crossing Island must not be so simple.

Especially that last phrase, “Once you enter Immortal Crossing, there’s no returning,” seemed to suggest...

That once one reached Immortal Crossing Island, there was no way down.

“Could it be that once you come to Immortal Crossing Island, you can’t leave?” Lin Jing frowned and muttered to himself.

However, Lin Jing wasn’t going to be frightened by the inscriptions on the stele.

He still intended to give it a try.

Lin Jing shifted his gaze and then turned around.

Looking towards that endless sea in the distance, he then walked towards the seaside.

Although this place seemed safe at a glance, Lin Jing remained cautious and on guard.

It’s better to be safe than sorry.

Passing the stone beach, Lin Jing arrived at the sandy beach.

Ahead lay the seaside.

Lin Jing then looked down at the ground; the sandy beach occasionally had broken stones, some shells of shellfish, or dry fish bones.

No different from an ordinary beach.

Just as Lin Jing was thinking about proceeding further, a sudden tremor in his heart brought an ominous premonition.

At that moment, the System’s warning also sounded abruptly in Lin Jing’s mind.

“Warning!”

“Within the alert range, malice targeting the host has been detected. Please respond promptly.”

Chapter 302: Chapter 4: Strange Fish [Thanks for the reward, Cola Chicken Wings]

Alarm bells went off in Lin Jing’s mind, and he immediately recited in his heart:

“Enter the System Space.”

Then, Lin Jing saw a gigantic fish tail rise from the sea, lifting a huge surge of waves as if to blot out the sky and sun, and it crashed down towards Lin Jing’s direction.

At this moment, Lin Jing seemed to be bound by something, utterly unable to move.

Just as the fish tail was about to fall, Lin Jing vanished from the spot...

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Inside the System Space, Lin Jing patted his chest, gasping for air.

The scene just now was too dangerous.

Luckily, Lin Jing reacted in time, entering the System Space the instant he felt something was off.

After catching his breath, Lin Jing immediately said:

“Enter Observation Mode.”

He wanted to see what exactly had attacked him just now.

After entering Observation Mode, Lin Jing turned his perspective towards the sea surface.

Finally, he got a clear view of the ‘thing’ that had attacked him.

It was an exceptionally bizarre fish head, with eyes as big as millstones, shining brightly. The gaping mouth was so large that Lin Jing wouldn’t be surprised if it could swallow a palace in one gulp.

Its body was completely submerged underwater, only revealing its wall-like tail in the distance. Lin Jing conservatively estimated that this monstrous fish was at least a thousand zhang in length.

The attack on Lin Jing had come from that tail in the distant sea, which was slapping up waves.

The monstrous fish seemed to possess intelligence.

Lin Jing saw a hint of confusion in those large eyes of the fish.

After surveying the area and finding no trace of Lin Jing, the fish head dove back into the sea, disappearing from sight.

However, the huge whirlpool that appeared on the surface of the sea proved that the monstrous fish had not left.

Then, colossal waves surged up as the wall-like fish tail rose from the sea and slammed down fiercely, causing a monstrous wave.

The huge waves instantly scattered the entire beach, and even washed away a section of the stony beach not far ahead.

Only, when the giant waves approached the mystical stele, they seemed to be blocked by something, unable to advance even half an inch further.

It seemed that the stele was not so simple either.

It was at this time...

Lin Jing witnessed a truly horrifying sight.

What lay before him was no beach.

Underneath the sand lay a forest of stark white bones.

There were human bones, as well as those of various Demonic Beasts; countless pale white bones covered the entire beach.

This made it clear that Immortal Crossing Island was no place for the faint of heart.

After slapping the water once, the massive fish turned around again, attempting to locate Lin Jing.

However, it ultimately failed to find a trace of Lin Jing.

After a while, it flipped a huge wave and swam towards the open ocean.

Once the monstrous fish left, Lin Jing remained observing in Observation Mode.

This place was too dangerous; he had to be careful and cautious.

Afterward, Lin Jing pondered his strategy.

The sea held immense dangers and was no longer an option.

In the dense forest, there were innumerable Demonic Beasts; although not as terrifying as the sea creatures, it was hardly a walk in the park.

At the moment, it seemed that only the stone beach near the mystical stele was somewhat safer.

After much thought, Lin Jing made his decision.

He would stay next to the stele for some time, observe the situation, and then make a decision.

Half an hour after the monstrous fish left, Lin Jing emerged from the System Space.

Once out, Lin Jing didn't linger.

He made his way to the stone beach next to the stele.

He didn't approach the stele too closely but maintained a safe distance to prevent any unpleasant occurrences.

He needed to stay here for a while, to accumulate some time for entering the System Space, and then try to find another way out.

That was Lin Jing's plan.

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After choosing a good spot, Lin Jing sat down cross-legged, took out the Jade Slip recording the Five Elements Divine Art from his Storage Bag, and began to cultivate...

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Time flew by, and in the blink of an eye, a month and a half had passed.

Lin Jing's guess was indeed correct.

The area near the stele was very safe.

In the time he had been there, not a single Demonic Beast had appeared.

The stretch of sand filled with white bones was once again buried by the yellow sand.

However, since that last time, Lin Jing hadn't been near the beach again.

The strange fish hadn't appeared on the beach either, though Lin Jing had seen it several times in the distant deep sea.

Although it was quite far away, its massive body was easy to recognize.

During the month and a half, in order to recover the entry time into the System Space, Lin Jing seldom entered it.

He had been on this stone beach all along, cultivating the Five Elements Divine Art.

Now, Lin Jing was barely able to use the Five Elements Divine Art, though he was still not very proficient at it.

And its power was not very impressive.

However, after a month and a half, the entry time for the System Space had almost fully recovered.

He had already accumulated over 350 hours; in another week, it would be fully accrued.

But Lin Jing didn't want to wait any longer. He planned to go back into the dense forest to explore again and see if there were other ways out.

Although it was safe here, he couldn't stay forever. Lin Jing had to find a way to leave Immortal Crossing Island.

This time...

Lin Jing planned to follow the edge of the dense forest to see if there were other paths or things like the stele.

To see if there were any other ways out of Immortal Crossing Island and, if not, explore the center of the island.

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After making up his mind, Lin Jing then set out.

He walked straight ahead along the stone beach.

However, he had not gone for even a day.

When Lin Jing found that there was no path ahead and that the dense forest spread out before him again.

Having no choice, Lin Jing had to enter the dense forest once more, planning to make his way through it.

Upon reentering the dense forest, Lin Jing was on high alert, not daring to slack off in the slightest.

It seemed to serve as a warning to him that a Demonic Beast at the level of late-stage Foundation Establishment, a Three-Tailed Blue Wolf, launched an attack on Lin Jing just as he entered.

Being highly vigilant, Lin Jing naturally did not let the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf's sneak attack succeed.

He reacted quickly; the moment the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf attacked, Lin Jing immediately retreated.

At the same time, he activated his Cultivation Technique, and a stream of multicolored light appeared in his hand.

Once the multicolored light had formed, Lin Jing's mind moved, and the stream of light instantly flew out, striking at the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf.

This multicolored light was the very Five Elements Divine Art that Lin Jing had been cultivating for over a month.

Now was the perfect time to test its power on the late-stage Foundation Establishment Green Wolf.

The multicolored light was not as grandiose as other Spells; its aura was faint, and it was also swift.

The Green Wolf that was pouncing towards Lin Jing quickly noticed the multicolored light, and just as it tried to dodge, the stream of light approached and penetrated its body.

However, the Green Wolf, undeterred, continued its attack on Lin Jing, its fierce eyes filled with nothing but intent to kill.

Lin Jing then focused his mind, and the multicolored light exploded within the body of the Green Wolf.

Only then did the Green Wolf realize what had happened and fell to the ground with a "thump," subsequently howling miserably and struggling on the ground.

But the multicolored light had already entered the Green Wolf's body, and regardless of how much it struggled, it was to no avail.

Soon, large amounts of blood spewed from the wolf's mouth and nose, along with fragments of its internal organs.

Clearly, the multicolored light had wreaked havoc on the Green Wolf's insides.

In a moment, the howling of the Green Wolf grew quieter, and even its struggles became weaker and weaker.

Seeing that the Green Wolf no longer had the strength to resist, Lin Jing reached out his hand and called back the multicolored light.

Glancing at the power of the multicolored light, Lin Jing smiled knowingly.

Although the multicolored light still felt somewhat sluggish, its power was not to be underestimated.

Especially since it could directly penetrate the body and damage the enemy's internal organs.

This made it even more difficult to defend against.

Chapter 303: Chapter 5 Green Wolves [Added update for Helmsman Cola–Chicken Wings]

Then, with a single thought, Lin Jing made the Five-Colored Aurora disappear instantly.

Lin Jing then lifted his foot and walked forward, coming to the side of the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf.

The Three-Tailed Blue Wolf was lying on the ground, gasping heavily; it had not yet died completely.

But it looked like it wouldn't be long now.

However, its eyes were still ferocious, staring at Lin Jing viciously.

Facing such a fierce beast that wanted to ambush him, Lin Jing naturally showed no mercy.

After that, Lin Jing took out the Flawless Sword.

He stabbed directly at the wolf's head with a swift thrust of the sword.

Of course, Lin Jing did not want to waste the Demonic Beast Inner Core of the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf.

A "puchi" sound was heard as the Flawless Sword pierced the wolf's brain without any resistance.

And the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf, after struggling for a moment, fell silent forever.

It was at this time.

A blood-red sphere rose from the skull of the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf.

Seeing this, Lin Jing hurriedly dodged to the side and remained on guard.

However, the blood sphere did not attack Lin Jing.

Instead, the sphere rose higher and higher, ascending hundreds of meters in the blink of an eye.

Just as Lin Jing was feeling puzzled, the blood sphere suddenly burst open.

At the same time, a fierce aura emanated from within the sphere.

This aura spread over a large area around, tainting everything with its presence.

Lin Jing was no exception.

Lin Jing immediately realized something was wrong; he understood what was happening.

The blood sphere seemed to be a spell similar to a mark, which meant that if he were tainted with this aura, the tribe of the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf would know that he had killed one of their own.

“It seems this place is no longer safe; I need to leave here as quickly as possible,” he thought.

With that thought, Lin Jing reached out, extracted the Demonic Beast Inner Core from the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf, then casually wiped it off and threw it into the Storage Bag before quickly leaving the area.

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Lin Jing’s guess was indeed correct; the blood sphere was a tracking device used by the tribe of the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf.

Ever since killing that wolf, Lin Jing had hurriedly left.

After a long day of travel, he entered the System Space, burned all the clothes tainted with the scent, and used his Spiritual Power to wash his body several times.

Not until he could no longer detect a hint of the smell did Lin Jing change into a new set of clothes and come out of the System Space.

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This time, within just half a day,

Lin Jing once again encountered a Three-Tailed Blue Wolf.

Upon seeing Lin Jing, the wolf’s eyes were fierce, but it did not launch an attack at him.

Instead, it howled at the sky.

Following this howl, there was a continuous succession of responding howls from within the dense forest...

It seemed they were all responding to this wolf.

After that, Lin Jing faced wave after wave of pursuit.

The Three-Tailed Green Wolves seemed to be throwing their lives away, relentlessly attacking Lin Jing.

And Lin Jing kept controlling the Flawless Sword and using the Five Elements Divine Art to fend off these green wolves.

So it went on for half a month.

Throughout that half month, Lin Jing was extremely troubled.

No matter which direction he went, there were green wolves lying in wait. In this dense forest, they seemed endless.

In that half month, Lin Jing had killed at least a thousand green wolves.

Putting aside everything else, continuously casting spells and battling the green wolves for half a month,

Lin Jing's proficiency with the Five Elements Divine Art and the Lingyin Yu Jian Jue had improved quite a bit.

When casting the Five Elements Divine Art, he no longer felt the initial stiffness.

However, in exchange, he was covered in wounds, completely exhausted.

Lin Jing had thought about hiding in the System Space.

But these green wolves seemed fixated on him.

Even when Lin Jing entered the System Space, they would still not leave, squatting and waiting on the exact spot.

And they would take turns keeping vigil.

It was hard to tell if they simply lacked intelligence or what, but even with Lin Jing hiding in the System Space with no scent left,

they still wouldn't retreat.

This move left Lin Jing somewhat speechless.

With no other choice, Lin Jing had to continue the battle with them after taking a rest.

Fortunately, all of these green wolves were at the Foundation Establishment Stage, and none of the demonic beasts at the threatening Golden Core Stage had appeared.

Otherwise, Lin Jing would have long stopped tangling with these green wolves and tried every means to escape.

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At that moment, a green wolf lunged at him, but Lin Jing stepped back twice just in time to dodge the wolf's attack.

Then, silently and without warning, the wolf's head tumbled off.

It wasn't until the green wolf's head fell that the bloodstained Flawless Sword flashed briefly into view.

Afterward, with a thought from Lin Jing, all the blood droplets on the Flawless Sword slid off, and it returned to transparency, blending into the surroundings and disappearing from sight.

From its attack to being slain, the green wolf didn't even last a breath's time.

After killing this green wolf, another was already leaping towards Lin Jing's face.

This time, before the green wolf could pounce, it let out a pitiful howl and tumbled to the ground.

Moments later, a burst of five-colored light shone out from within the wolf's body, and after a painful howl, it lay still.

After the green wolf's death, a streak of Five-Colored Aurora returned to Lin Jing's hand.

Lin Jing quickly looked around and saw dozens of green wolves baring their teeth and staring at him ferociously.

These green wolves showed no sign of backing down.

By Lin Jing's side, there were already more than a dozen green wolves lying on the ground.

But these corpses didn't scare the encroaching wolves at all; it was as if they knew nothing of fear.

This was the most troublesome part for Lin Jing.

And at this very standoffish moment.

"Aooo..."

Suddenly, a mournful and terrifying howl pierced the air, resonating loudly.

Upon hearing this howl, all the wolves surrounding Lin Jing without exception raised their heads and howled.

Lin Jing had a bad feeling and quickly looked towards the direction of the sound.

He saw on the hillside behind him a massive and robust green wolf, coldly staring at Lin Jing.

This green wolf, standing dozens of meters tall and dwarfing the surrounding trees, appeared extremely fierce.

And its tail was not just three.

Lin Jing focused and looked closely.

It seemed to be, five.

Clearly, this was likely a Wolf King.

Its strength, at least by appearance, was in the Golden Core Stage.

Lin Jing had not expected that by killing so many green wolves, he would actually draw out the Wolf King.

Next, with the Golden Core Stage Wolf King present, Lin Jing needed to find a way to escape.

The wolf's howling stopped.

Soon after, Lin Jing felt a chill.

He saw all the wolves around him glaring at him with predatory eyes.

Lin Jing sensed that things were not looking good.

Then, the pack of wolves moved.

In an instant, dozens of wolves threw themselves at Lin Jing with reckless abandon.

The Wolf King also chose that moment to charge down the hillside behind him, running straight at Lin Jing.

With so many green wolves lunging at him, clearly unconcerned about their own lives, they intended to leave Lin Jing no way out.

Of course, Lin Jing could not just sit there and wait for his demise.

He activated his Divine Sense fully, sweeping over the approaching green wolves. With one hand, he formed a gesture to consolidate a Spiritual Shield, while the other reached into his Storage Bag...

With so many green wolves, it was time to use the Five Thunder Talisman, capable of causing widespread damage.

In the urgency of the situation, Lin Jing focused on the wolves, with no time to distinguish which talisman to use.

He simply took out all the remaining talismans at once.

Just as Lin Jing took out the talismans, the green wolves that were lunging at him suddenly halted in their tracks.

Several wolves that had leaped into the air twisted their bodies forcefully before plummeting to the ground.

After the wolves scrambled to their feet, they were trembling on their legs, gazing at Lin Jing with eyes full of terror...

As if Lin Jing were some horrific beast.

"Aow... Aow..."

Then, a piercing howl shattered the calm.

All the green wolves that had been attacking Lin Jing tucked their tails and fled...

Chapter 304: Chapter 6 Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger

Upon seeing this scene, Lin Jing was stunned, unable to comprehend what was happening.

Then, Lin Jing turned his head to look back at the slope behind him.

The Wolf King, which had been so fierce just moments ago, was now fleeing in panic like a frightened mouse, tails tucked between its legs.

The speed of these Green Wolves was not slow.

Before long, only Lin Jing was left here.

Of course, there were also the bodies of those dozen or so Green Wolves that had long since died.

With the crisis averted, Lin Jing finally exhaled a turbid breath and relaxed.

Afterward, he looked at the talisman in his hand.

It was only now that he realized the talisman in his hand felt somewhat off.

Lin Jing then turned over his wrist and saw what was on the back of the talisman.

This was the feather Huang Qingling had given to him.

“This feather...”

Lin Jing then remembered what Huang Qingling had told him about her true identity back at Qinghuang Palace.

“It seems that it must have been this feather that scared off those Green Wolves,” Lin Jing nodded slightly.

He held the feather and examined it closely.

The feather was light and its colors were dazzlingly brilliant, but that was all there was to it.

Yet, it emitted no aura whatsoever.

Lin Jing had originally thought that this feather was just a keepsake Huang Qingling had gifted him.

However, he never imagined that the feather would be so useful; as soon as he took out the feather, those Demonic Beasts fled helter-skelter.

But then again, it made sense.

Huang Qingling had also told Lin Jing that her true form was from the top-tier Phoenix Clan of the Demonic Beasts, and she was the most revered Divine Phoenix.

A feather left behind by such a top-tier Demonic Beast could intimidate these Demonic Beasts – that was an easy explanation.

Thinking of this, Lin Jing recalled the frightening experiences from a few days prior and couldn't help but laugh at himself.

If he had taken out this feather sooner, he wouldn't have had to go through so much trouble.

Knowing the use of the feather, Lin Jing felt much relieved.

First, he took out a cloth bag from his Storage Bag and cut a piece of fabric from it.

Then, he found a string and placed the feather inside the cut cloth, making it look like a sachet.

He hung the finished sachet around his neck.

After all this, Lin Jing took out the Flawless Sword and went over to the Three-Tailed Blue Wolf's corpse to start collecting his spoils of war.

In short order, he had collected the Demonic Beast Inner Cores from these dozen or so Green Wolves.

Having done all this, Lin Jing rested for a while and then got up and continued on his way.

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Time passed quickly, and two more days went by.

During these two days.

Lin Jing finally figured out the Divine Phoenix feather.

This Divine Phoenix feather was indeed the source of the Demonic Beasts' fear.

Lin Jing conducted many experiments for this purpose.

When he walked through the dense forest with the Divine Phoenix feather, the Demonic Beasts would run away before he even got close.

Even those Demonic Beasts that were hibernating in caves were no exception.

However.

When he put away the Divine Phoenix feather and stored it in his Storage Bag, not only were the Demonic Beasts unafraid of him.

They would even take the initiative to launch sneak attacks on him.

And as soon as Lin Jing took out the Divine Phoenix feather, those Demonic Beasts attacking him would instantly flee in terror.

Even those at the Golden Core Stage were no exception.

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However, since Lin Jing had been moving along the edge of the dense forest all this time, he had not encountered any Nascent Soul Demonic Beasts, and therefore could not use them for experimentation.

He just didn't know whether those Nascent Soul Demonic Beasts would also be so fearful of these Divine Phoenix feathers...

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After several more days, Lin Jing was ready to venture deeper into the dense forest.

During this time, by sticking to the edge of the forest, he had not only reduced danger but also gained nothing.

Moreover, he did not know how large Immortal Crossing Island actually was, as he had been traveling for so long but felt like he was always moving in one direction.

When Lin Jing realized that he was on an island, he subconsciously assumed it was a small, circular island.

He believed that by following the perimeter of the island, he would eventually reach the other side.

However, he had been following the island's edge this whole time yet had only been walking in one direction, never turning.

This made him start to doubt.

If this was happening, either the island was exceptionally large,

or the island was not circular but a connected rectangular one.

Thus, Lin Jing decided to enter the dense forest and try to cross through it.

In the past, the reason he did not consider this was because the depths of the dense forest were too dangerous.

But now, with the Phoenix feathers, Lin Jing thought he might be able to make his way through the deeper parts of the forest.

However, even with the Phoenix feathers, he still needed to be careful and cautious.

He couldn't let his guard down and lose his life because of this.

If he were to carelessly lose his life, that would truly be a laughingstock.

After making preparations, Lin Jing checked the feather sachet again.

Then, he set off towards the deeper parts of the dense forest.

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Walking in the dense forest, the deeper he went, the stranger the plants became.

For example, the giant trees Lin Jing saw upon entering, as well as the flowers as large as houses, were not present at the edge of the dense forest.

This time, his entry into the dense forest went smoothly, and it didn't take even a day for Lin Jing to see bizarre plants again.

From the moment he entered, Lin Jing had not encountered a single ambush, not to mention ambushes, even those Demonic Beasts that had attacked him before had completely disappeared.

After bypassing a huge flower as large as a house, a vast field of strange flowers, each with a bud taller than a man, appeared before Lin Jing's eyes.

These flowers were very vibrant, yet also very terrifying.

Their buds resembled huge pouches.

Without getting any closer, Lin Jing could clearly see undigested Demonic Beast carcasses hanging inside the walls of the pouches.

Seeing the large area of 'Man-eating Flowers' ahead, Lin Jing immediately decided to stop advancing and take another path to avoid them.

Although he had Huang Qingling's gift of feathers that could deter Demonic Beasts, these 'Man-eating Flowers' were not Demonic Beasts and had no consciousness, so the feathers would probably be ineffective.

Then, Lin Jing slowly retreated and chose another direction to continue exploring.

After changing directions, Lin Jing walked for a while and came to a steep cliff.

Before he got close to the cliff, a tree tens of meters tall next to a cave on the mountainside suddenly shivered, and thereafter, a vine as thick as an arm dropped from the branches above.

Lin Jing's heart tightened, and he became wary.

"Could it be that right after avoiding the 'Man-eating Flower' area, I've encountered a 'Murderous Tree'?"

Lin Jing then stood still, extended his Divine Sense to probe ahead, and remained on alert, ready for any sudden attacks from the 'Murderous Tree'.

However, when his Divine Sense reached out, a giant tiger with white cloud patterns on its body stepped out from behind the tree.

The whole thing had been the work of this Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger.

This giant tiger had a strong presence, even stronger than the ape-shaped Demonic Beast Lin Jing had encountered when he first arrived on Immortal Crossing Island.

But it was still far less formidable than the Golden Giant Eagle.

Clearly, it was also a Golden Core Stage Demonic Beast.

At this moment, the giant tiger bared its teeth and fixed its gaze on Lin Jing, while crouching low, as if ready to attack at any moment.

Chapter 305: Chapter 7 The Winter Remedy for Hidden Parasite Grass

Lin Jing was momentarily taken aback.

This was the first time he had encountered a Demonic Beast that didn't run away after seeing him.

Seeing the posture of the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger, it seemed that if he took another step forward, the giant tiger would pounce on him.

Upon observing this, Lin Jing was just about to retreat.

But then he suddenly realized something was off.

This Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger didn't seem as majestic as he had imagined.

Although it was baring its teeth at Lin Jing.

Its body was slowly but surely moving backward, and the speed was so slow that one could easily overlook it if not paying attention.

Apart from that, the fur on its body was also trembling slightly.

At first, Lin Jing thought it was the wind blowing, but then he reconsidered.

That's not right...

There wasn't even a slight breeze near the stone wall; how could the fur on the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger flutter without any wind?

Clearly.

The giant tiger was trembling, and it seemed to be bluffing.

It seems that the aura of the Divine Phoenix feather made the giant tiger fearful as well, but for some reason, it did not flee right away.

Instead, it stood guard at the entrance of the cave.

"Could it be that there are cubs inside?" Lin Jing couldn't help but wonder.

Thinking this, Lin Jing decided to test the situation.

If the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger was really bluffing, it would surely react the moment Lin Jing advanced.

If it was indeed planning to attack, then Lin Jing could also be prepared to dodge into the System Space at any moment.

No sooner thought than done.

Afterward, Lin Jing gathered his momentum, stepped forward, and confronted the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger.

However, when Lin Jing moved forward, the giant tiger on the opposite side took a step back with a low growl.

"This is promising..."

Seeing this, Lin Jing's lips curled into a smile, and then he leaped forward, charging towards the giant tiger.

This move made the tightly guarded giant tiger suddenly retreat...

At the same time, its eyes were filled with horror, watching Lin Jing who was rushing over.

Just then, with a "plop," the giant tiger stumbled and fell while retreating.

After that, it quickly got up, its four paws scratching the ground rapidly, and it turned around and fled along the rock wall.

The rocks on the rock wall were dug out by its sharp claws, leaving several deep claw marks.

The Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger, true to its Golden Core Stage, disappeared over the rock wall and into the dense forest ahead in the blink of an eye.

Only after the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger had disappeared did Lin Jing reach the entrance of the cave.

This time, Lin Jing had gambled correctly; the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger was indeed bluffing.

Next, Lin Jing looked into the cave, which seemed very deep.

With only a glimmer of light from outside the cave entrance, the inside was pitch-black.

With the Divine Phoenix feather with him, he didn't have to worry about being ambushed.

So, Lin Jing decided to go inside and take a look.

He wanted to see what made the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger so afraid yet still unwilling to leave.

Though there were no Demonic Beasts, he still needed to be well-prepared to explore this mysterious cave.

Subsequently.

Lin Jing first cast a spell to illuminate the cave ahead, and after ensuring there were no dangers, he proceeded with caution, slowly making his way deeper into the cave.

The cave was very deep; it took Lin Jing the time it takes for an incense stick to burn to almost reach the end.

It was not until he got to the end of the cave that Lin Jing understood why the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger was unwilling to leave.

It turned out that a Fourth Rank Spirit Grass was growing inside the cave, and this Spirit Grass was on the verge of maturing.

All it needed was a little more time, and the Spirit Grass would be ready for the picking, but it was precisely at this moment that Lin Jing arrived...

No wonder the Cloud Patterned Giant Tiger had initially been so unwilling to leave.

Gazing upon this stalk of Spirit Grass, Lin Jing couldn't help but burst with joy, for this Spirit Grass was none other than one of the auxiliary herbs needed to refine the Nirvana Elixir—Ganshiva Grass.

This discovery sent Lin Jing into a frenzy of elation.

After all, if there was one, there surely must be a second and a third stalk of High-Grade Spiritual Plants.

These Spiritual Plants were usually guarded by high-ranking Demonic Beasts, and naturally, Lin Jing wouldn't think of encroaching on their turf.

However, now that he had the feathers of the Divine Phoenix, there was no Demonic Beast daring to obstruct him.

Such an unparalleled advantage was not to be squandered.

Lin Jing quickly made up his mind.

This time, he was going to pillage this dense forest to settle the score for the chase he had faced when he first arrived.

Next, Lin Jing looked at the Ganshiva Grass growing in the dark cave and decided not to wait for it to mature but to start harvesting it right away.

This Fourth Rank Spirit Plant would be safer in his own Spirit Field.

With utmost care, Lin Jing uprooted the Ganshiva Grass. To prevent damaging its roots and stems, Lin Jing also dug out the surrounding soil, mixed with broken rocks, and brought it all out.

“Enter System Space.”

Having uprooted the Ganshiva Grass, Lin Jing immediately summoned the System and entered the System Space.

Once in the System Space, Lin Jing couldn't wait to get to the number one Spirit Field and planted the Ganshiva Grass.

After planting it, Lin Jing noticed that the Ganshiva Grass seemed a bit off...

Lin Jing then realized he had forgotten to check the optimal growing environment for the Ganshiva Grass.

"System, check the current status of the Spirit Plant."

As Lin Jing's words fell, a panel appeared above the Ganshiva Grass.

Lin Jing looked towards the panel.

There, the details of the Ganshiva Grass were recorded on the panel.

Spirit Plant: Ganshiva Grass (Fourth Rank)

Current Environment: Uninhabited Mountains.

Environment Match: Incompatible, slowly growing; 4 years remain until maturity.

Indeed, the environment of the Uninhabited Mountains did not match that required for the growth of the Ganshiva Grass.

"It seems I need to open up a new Spirit Field and plant it there."

Thinking this, Lin Jing dug up the Ganshiva Grass once more and found another Spirit Field to plant it.

At the same time.

Lin Jing used the environmental simulation feature of the System Space to create an environment suitable for the growth of the Ganshiva Grass.

Initially, Lin Jing had thought that the mismatch in the growth environment was due to the cave, but it was not until the environmental simulation was complete that he realized his current location, Immortal Crossing Island, was different from other places.

Immortal Crossing Island turned out to be a special Secret Realm.

Lin Jing had, somehow, been transferred from the Demon Race Secret Realm to another Secret Realm.

This discovery left Lin Jing incredibly frustrated.

However, now that he had arrived,

he could only stay put for the time being and then figure out how to find an exit to this Secret Realm.

After planting the Ganshiva Grass, Lin Jing exited the System Space.

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Once outside, Lin Jing felt extremely refreshed.

In the cave, Lin Jing surveyed the area once more and, seeing no other Spiritual Plants, he walked out of the cave.

Next.

Lin Jing prepared to embark on his journey of pillaging Spiritual Plants...

Chapter 306: Chapter 8: Harvest

In Immortal Crossing Island, how many high-grade spiritual plants could be collected within a month?

Many people probably couldn't answer that question.

But Lin Jing was an exception; he answered this question with his actions...

During this month, Lin Jing kept venturing deeper into the dense forest, which seemed like it had no end. Lin Jing walked for a month, yet there was still no change.

Of course, Lin Jing wasn't continuously on the move; he traveled intermittently, exploring many places and collecting high-grade spiritual plants.

Throughout this month.

Lin Jing constantly paid attention to the lairs of Demonic Beasts and areas where peculiar trees grew.

Those places usually had some spirit plants growing around them, although they were not of a high rank.

That day, Lin Jing found a Biling Flower near a pond.

The Demonic Beast that had been guarding this place had run off without a trace before Lin Jing's arrival.

Within this month, Lin Jing had harvested over a dozen Third Rank spirit plants and also found one Fourth Rank.

Now Lin Jing had gathered all the spiritual plants needed to concoct the Third Rank Elixir Medicine, Zengyuan Elixir.

Zengyuan Elixir was a Supreme Elixir that could enhance one's Cultivation at the Golden Core Stage.

With the Zengyuan Elixir, Lin Jing could rapidly increase his cultivation while at the Golden Core Stage.

Besides the Zengyuan Elixir, the other type meant for quick recovery of spiritual power during battle, the Yellow Dragon Elixir, lacked only the main ingredient, Yellow Dragon Spirit Grass, to complete the collection.

Having obtained so many rare spiritual plants, naturally, Lin Jing couldn't contain his joy.

To obtain more high-grade spiritual plants, and also to explore a potential way out, Lin Jing continued to venture deeper into the dense forest.

Just how vast this forest was remained unknown; so far, Lin Jing felt as if he was still at the peripheral areas of the dense forest.

Then.

Two more days passed, and after climbing over a mountain,

Lin Jing finally noticed some changes up ahead.

A transparent Curtain of light, reaching the sky, enveloped the area in front.

Its presence seemed to divide the entire dense forest into two parts.

Lin Jing stood atop the mountain, looking down.

He saw that the dense forest behind the transparent Curtain appeared incredibly quiet, to the extent that even the traces of small Demonic Beasts were gone.

And within the range that Lin Jing could see, several rare Second Rank spirit plants were growing nonchalantly.

The fact that no Demonic Beast had collected them was indeed strange.

Spirit plants were not only beneficial to Human Cultivators, but also to Demonic Beasts; within the dense forest, many beasts specifically searched for spirit grass to consume and thereby increase their strength.

And those more powerful Demonic Beasts, already possessing a nascent intelligence, would even find some high-grade spiritual plants that were about to mature and guard them, becoming the guardians of that spirit plant.

They knew that only by consuming these high-grade spiritual plants after they had matured, could they reap the greatest benefits.

If even the Second Rank spirit plants here were already visible everywhere,

Then wouldn't there be numerous Third Rank, or even Fourth Rank high-grade spiritual plants?

Thinking of this, Lin Jing decided to venture into the Curtain of light to investigate further.

Next, Lin Jing descended the mountain.

Having arrived at the base of the mountain, Lin Jing approached the Curtain. He channeled his spiritual power, covering his hand, and reached out to test the Curtain.

However, to Lin Jing's surprise...

His hand passed right through the Curtain without any sense of resistance, as if the Curtain didn't exist at all.

Lin Jing immediately felt puzzled.

He then picked up a pebble and threw it in.

It turned out to be true; the pebble, not infused with any spiritual power, also passed right through as if the Curtain were non-existent.

When the pebble landed on the ground, nothing out of the ordinary happened.

After probing the situation, Lin Jing decided to attempt an entry himself.

He first used spiritual power to form a spiritual shield, protecting himself before stepping in.

As soon as he entered, Lin Jing noticed that the spiritual energy inside the light screen was much denser than outside, and the air was filled with an ancient, decayed smell.

It was as if this forest had existed for many years and had begun to decay.

Moreover, there was a kind of indescribable element within this spiritual power, and when Lin Jing tried to sense it carefully, he couldn't feel anything at all.

However, there didn't seem to be any danger here.

After confirming the absence of danger, Lin Jing retracted his spiritual shield and cautiously continued deeper.

He first arrived by the mature Second Rank spirit plants, harvested their fruits, and then proceeded forward.

There seemed to be even fewer Demonic Beasts here.

Lin Jing walked a great distance without encountering any traces of Demonic Beasts' movements.

However, he didn't come across any Third Rank or higher spirit plants either.

There were quite a few Second Rank spirit plants, some of which had ripened and fallen to the ground to rot, untouched by any Demonic Beasts.

This made Lin Jing begin to wonder.

"Could it be that there are no Demonic Beasts here?"

After his moment of doubt, Lin Jing continued to explore further, and the deeper he went, the more desolate it seemed.

Moreover, the spiritual energy was becoming denser.

Unconsciously, Lin Jing had been walking for several hours, and night had fallen, darkening the skies.

However.

Just then, a strong aura suddenly came from the sky along with a shadow that flashed across.

Lin Jing looked up, but could only see a blur as, in the dark of night, the shadow was extremely difficult to spot.

However, the terrifying presence it emitted was not to be underestimated.

This presence was almost akin to that of the Golden Giant Eagle he had encountered before.

Clearly, it was at least a Nascent Soul Level Demonic Beast.

The shadow disappeared in the blink of an eye, seemingly without noticing Lin Jing's presence.

After pondering for a moment, Lin Jing decided to rest here for a while. Although he had the protective feather of the Divine Phoenix, facing a Demonic Beast that vanished without a trace into the night, Lin Jing was for the moment unsure.

"Enter the System Space."

Following that, Lin Jing entered the System Space.

Once inside the System Space, it was suddenly bright, and Lin Jing took a moment for his eyes to adjust back to normal.

In the Spirit Field at the very front, the high-grade spirit plants that Lin Jing had planted were growing vigorously.

Several of these high-grade spirit plants in the Spirit Field had been snatched from the Demonic Beasts over the past month.

For safety, Lin Jing decided to spend the night in the System Space.

And during this time, it was a good opportunity for him to cultivate.

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The next day, Lin Jing timed his exit from the System Space just as dawn was breaking, and he continued on his journey.

He traveled for another half a day.

Half a day later, while Lin Jing was walking through the dense forest, he heard a faint sound of eagles and owls.

At the same time, a chaotic and violent aura surged through the forest. Although it was a distance away, Lin Jing could still feel it.

Lin Jing touched the Divine Phoenix feather sachet hanging in front of his chest and then decided to continue deeper into the forest.

To see what the situation ahead was.

Chapter 307: Chapter 9: Eternal Life Vine

Continuing deeper into the dense forest, Lin Jing had been walking for nearly four hours,

finally arriving at the place where that aura originated.

At this moment, Lin Jing stood beside a giant tree hundreds of meters tall, looking ahead...

In the sky in front of him, two Demonic Beasts were engaged in battle.

One of them was the Golden Giant Eagle he had seen before, while the other was a Black Hawk roughly the same size as the eagle, with a body of pitch black.

The two Demonic Beasts were fighting fiercely in the air.

The shrill cries of the eagle and the mournful hoots of the hawk kept sounding...

Every time the giant eagle spread its wings and flapped, visible black hurricanes howled into existence, uprooting the massive trees hundreds of meters tall.

After dodging the hurricane, the Black Hawk released countless black feathers, like numerous sharp swords, which shot towards the Golden Giant Eagle.

In a short time, they pierced the eagle, leaving it with numerous wounds.

However, the eagle, far from being disheartened by its injuries, seemed to become even more enraged, creating more of those terrifying hurricanes as if its life depended on it.

In an instant, several hurricanes surrounded and trapped the Black Hawk.

Seeing the danger, the hawk quickly ascended, trying to evade the enclosing hurricanes.

Very quickly.

The hawk took flight, soaring up towards the clouds.

However, the Golden Giant Eagle followed closely behind, determined not to let it escape, and thus, the two Demonic Beasts disappeared into the clouds.

Perhaps because Lin Jing was too far away, the two Demonic Beasts did not notice him, nor did they detect the Divine Phoenix Aura emanating from him.

After the two Demonic Beasts had left, Lin Jing looked forward again, to see that the battlefield they had left behind was totally devastated.

Not one of the trees and rocks remained intact.

Lin Jing's gaze continued into the distance, where he saw a lake, and at the center of the lake, an island.

What caught Lin Jing's attention was the colorful light shield enveloping the island at the center of the lake.

The island quickly piqued Lin Jing's interest, for there might be something valuable on it.

Lin Jing then decided to move closer and observe.

If there was no danger, he would find a way to make a trip to the island.

Afterward, Lin Jing set off and walked forward.

However, he had not gone far.

"Plop!"

A drop of liquid fell from the sky, landing on Lin Jing's shoulder.

Then a strong smell of blood reached him, invading his nostrils. Touching his shoulder, Lin Jing felt something sticky.

Bringing his hand to his face to look, he realized that the drop on his shoulder was actually fresh blood.

Lin Jing then looked up towards the sky.

But the clouds obscured his vision, and he couldn't see anything.

Just then, it seemed that an object was falling from the sky.

Lin Jing watched as the object descended and furrowed his brow slightly.

As the object drew closer to Lin Jing, he realized that it seemed to be a branch-like object falling towards his location.

Seeing where the branch was falling, Lin Jing moved a couple of steps and reached out his hand to steadily catch the falling branch.

Then.

Lin Jing brought the branch up to his face to take a closer look.

The branch-like object was entirely grey but didn't entirely resemble a branch; it had a few tendrils here and there, more like a vine.

It was just a small segment of the whole.

Lin Jing flipped it over to observe the vine, noticing that the cut at the end of the vine was uneven, as if bitten by something. He guessed it must be the work of one of those two Demonic Beasts.

And from the mid-section break of the vine, a green liquid was oozing out. Lin Jing reached out to touch it and found the liquid to be slightly sticky...

Lin Jing then brought his hand close to his nose to smell, the liquid had a faint fragrance.

After careful observation, he felt the branch seemed familiar, as if he had seen it somewhere before, but he couldn't quite recall where at the moment.

Just then, the sound of eagles screeching pierced the air once again, and that wild aura came from the sky above.

It was at that moment.

Suddenly, a piece of information from a book popped into Lin Jing's mind.

Lin Jing looked down at the vine in his hands in disbelief, his face showing surprise.

Because.

He finally knew what he was holding...

The Eternal Life Vine.

The main ingredient for refining Lifespan Extension Pills, the Eternal Life Vine.

This was something he had come across in one of Elder Yu's books.

The characteristics of the Eternal Life Vine described in the book were identical to the branch in front of him, overall gray, with roots...

Most importantly, the ink-green liquid and its fragrant smell made Lin Jing certain that this was the Eternal Life Vine.

However, before Lin Jing could store away the Eternal Life Vine,

two dots had already appeared in the sky.

Along with them, the sound of eagles screeching once more...

The two Demonic Beasts, radiating a terrifying aura, dived down directly from above, rushing toward where Lin Jing was.

It was clear that these two Demonic Beasts were coming to snatch the Eternal Life Vine.

Their battle was likely due to the same reason.

Lin Jing saw the ferocity of the two Demonic Beasts and knew they meant no good, it seemed that the aura emitted by the Divine Phoenix feather had no effect on them.

Just as Lin Jing was about to enter the System Space to avoid the two Demonic Beasts, a sudden change occurred.

The two Demonic Beasts, in the midst of their dive, suddenly halted, then frantically flapped their wings to stabilize their posture.

By now, they were not too far from Lin Jing.

Concentrating Spiritual Power in his eyes, Lin Jing could clearly see the panic and disbelief in their eyes, as well as the unmistakable color of fear they couldn't conceal.

It seemed that the might of the Divine Phoenix carried by the feather did have an effect on the beasts, after all; they just hadn't felt it from a distance before.

Now that they were closer to Lin Jing, they had finally sensed it.

Seeing this, Lin Jing discarded the idea of retreating into the System Space.

Having obtained the Eternal Life Vine, these two Demonic Beasts certainly wouldn't let him off easily.

If he entered the System Space, they would surely lie in wait for him here.

Lin Jing would rather use the Divine Phoenix feather to scare them away.

After halting their dive, the two Demonic Beasts quickly flew to one side, each landing on a tree, maintaining a certain distance from Lin Jing and vigilantly watching him.

Lin Jing responded with equal vigilance towards the two Demonic Beasts.

If the Demonic Beasts made any unusual moves, Lin Jing would enter the System Space immediately.

Although the two Demonic Beasts were somewhat restless, they all greedily gazed at the Eternal Life Vine in Lin Jing's hands.

Then, when looking at Lin Jing again, their small eyes were filled with suspicion.

Clearly, these two Demonic Beasts had gained a certain level of intelligence. Although they were daunted by the aura emanating from Lin Jing and dared not make any rash moves, they were also well aware of Lin Jing's level of Cultivation.

These two Demonic Beasts were not as easily deceived as other Demonic Beasts.

Chapter 308: Chapter 10 The Terrifying Old Ape

Lin Jing stood in standoff with the two Demonic Beasts before him.

He could clearly see that the two Demonic Beasts were not as composed as they seemed, their eyes filled with vigilance as they stared intently at the sachet on Lin Jing's chest.

The aura emanating from within caused them to feel a fear that seemed to originate deep within their bones.

It was a suppression of their bloodline, something they could not avoid, even after gaining a modicum of wisdom.

And in this man's hands was the very object they had both been vying for.

The two beasts understood that the vine was of great use to them, yet now it was in that person's possession.

For the moment, Lin Jing also found himself unsure of what to do next.

He took in the fear in the eyes of the Demonic Beasts and their greed for the Eternal Life Vine one by one.

At this point, even if he wanted to back down, it was no longer possible.

Lin Jing said nothing further and, in front of the two beasts, directly removed the homemade sachet from his chest.

After the sachet was removed, the two beasts shrank back a bit more, and Lin Jing clearly saw that they seemed even more afraid.

Seeing this, Lin Jing decided to go all in and directly opened the sachet, taking out the Divine Phoenix feather from inside.

However.

When they saw the feather, the fear in the eyes of the beasts finally overcame their greed, and they beat a hasty retreat backwards, frenzied.

Eventually, after two shrill cries of alarm, the two beasts flew off into the sky simultaneously.

After the two beasts had left, only Lin Jing, who had just breathed a sigh of relief, remained at the scene.

With the departure of the beasts, Lin Jing came to understand the limits of the Divine Phoenix feather.

If he were to encounter higher-level, more formidable Demonic Beasts, the Divine Phoenix feather probably wouldn't work.

Because, the higher the tier of the Demonic Beast, the greater its wisdom.

Lin Jing was currently just bluffing with the Divine Phoenix feather; if the Demonic Beasts didn't fall for it, he would truly be in mortal danger.

Higher-tier Demonic Beasts with wisdom would naturally distinguish Lin Jing's true level of Cultivation and see through his bluff.

The two beasts he'd encountered were simply overawed by the bloodline suppression of the Divine Phoenix feather and thus didn't dare to act recklessly.

Having realized this, Lin Jing immediately decided not to venture further into the area.

It was better to leave this place as quickly as possible.

As for the small island in the lake ahead, Lin Jing no longer had any interest in exploring it.

Having finished his deliberation, Lin Jing repacked the sachet and then turned around, leaving the place to head outside.

However, just as Lin Jing had started to leave, he hadn't walked more than a few steps...

Suddenly.

Without sound or warning, a Demonic Beast appeared in mid-air.

A Demonic Beast that was not large in size.

This beast, similar in size to a human, resembled an old monkey. It appeared immensely aged, hunched over like an elderly human, leaning on a walking stick, its feet hovering above the ground without any Magical Treasure, simply standing in the vacuum of space.

Not a hint of aura emanated from its body.

As if it had never existed at all.

Upon seeing this old monkey, Lin Jing instantly broke out in a cold sweat.

When had this old monkey appeared? He hadn't noticed it at all.

Although there wasn't a trace of aura from the other party, Lin Jing didn't dare to let his guard down in the slightest.

It was precisely the absence of aura that made Lin Jing feel the true terror of this old monkey.

Then, the old monkey made its move.

It reached out its hand, and Lin Jing's sachet flew up, aiming to float towards the old monkey.

But just at that moment, something unexpected happened.

The sachet suddenly exploded, revealing the Divine Phoenix feather within.

At that moment, the Divine Phoenix feather was ablaze with burgeoning flames. Within those flames, the feather slowly grew larger.

And then, it actually transformed into the illusion of a nine-colored, resplendent phoenix, no...

It was the illusion of a Divine Phoenix...

The Divine Phoenix silhouette circled above Lin Jing's head, then transformed into a streak of light, rushing into Lin Jing's brow.

Subsequently, a tiny Divine Phoenix Mark formed at Lin Jing's brow.

A moment later, even the Divine Phoenix Mark vanished without a trace, as if it had never appeared.

The old ape opposite retracted its hand, stared intently at Lin Jing, and asked,

“The legendary Divine Phoenix hasn’t appeared for millions of years. How come you have a Divine Phoenix Feather bestowed by it?”

Lin Jing felt a force locking onto him, aware that any slight movement of his own would be detected by it.

Lin Jing understood that if he didn’t answer this question well, it was very likely that the old ape would slay him on the spot.

Therefore, Lin Jing didn’t hide anything and directly answered,

“I lived with her for a while, and this Divine Phoenix Feather was given to me when she was about to leave.”

As Lin Jing spoke, the old ape kept its eyes fixed on Lin Jing; only after Lin Jing finished speaking did the old ape nod slightly.

The old ape nodded at Lin Jing and said,

“Hmm...”

“I can tell that you are not lying.”

After speaking, it immediately followed up with a sigh,

“Perhaps Immortal Crossing Island has been isolated from the world for too long, to the point that even the rebirth of the Divine Phoenix has gone unnoticed by us.”

Then, it sized up Lin Jing with a slightly disdainful expression,

“Your Cultivation...”

“Is really too low.”

Facing the disdain of the fearsomely powerful old ape, Lin Jing had no solution but to say,

“Um...”

“I was just lucky enough to encounter a Divine Phoenix who was concealing her identity and undergoing trials.”

The old ape nodded again and continued,

“Indeed.”

“The fact that you were able to spend time with the legendary Divine Phoenix is truly an incredible stroke of luck.”

“However...”

At this point, the old ape’s tone shifted before continuing,

“You’ve received the protection of the Divine Phoenix, and ordinarily, I could have spared your life, but you not only intruded upon Immortal Crossing Island but also stole the treasures that belong to us.”

“Tell me...”

“What should we do about this?”

As the old ape said this, Lin Jing felt a mysterious and horrifying aura strike toward him unexpectedly.

However, though the aura was frightening, when it came upon him, it didn’t exert too much pressure, and the old ape opposite showed no sign of any action.

Lin Jing knew that this surely meant the old ape had held back.

It seemed the situation was negotiable after all; the old ape was probably just showcasing its strength to intimidate him.

Otherwise, it would have attacked already.

Confronted by the old ape whose level of cultivation was unknown, Lin Jing hurriedly lowered his stance, bowed to the old ape ahead, and said,

“I would appreciate the elder’s guidance...”

As he spoke, Lin Jing even took out the freshly acquired Eternal Life Vine from his hand and passed it over.

Although it was somewhat painful to give it up, faced with this predicament,

When it’s time to bow, one must bow.

Lin Jing certainly didn’t want to provoke this terrifying old ape over the Eternal Life Vine and risk his own life.

After all, his own life was of the utmost importance.

The old ape looked at Lin Jing, nodded slightly, but did not take the Eternal Life Vine. Instead, it said to Lin Jing,

“You do a task for me, and I will not only spare your life but also gift you this Eternal Life Vine.”

Chapter 309: Chapter 11 Little Gold and Little Black

“Senior, what would you have me do for you?” Lin Jing bowed with his hands clasped and asked the old ape.

“Do you see that small island over there?” the old ape pointed at the small island in the middle of the lake and inquired.

Lin Jing looked towards the small island ahead and nodded.

Following that, the old ape spoke:

“I would like you to help me ripen a Spirit Plant on that island.”

“Ripen a Spirit Plant?”

Lin Jing was quite puzzled; he did not understand how one could ripen a Spirit Plant artificially.

“Don’t worry, ripening this Spirit Plant will not harm you. On the contrary, it will be beneficial for you, it will just take some of your time,” the old ape reassured.

“Are you willing?”

The old ape looked at Lin Jing as he asked this.

“Senior, I am willing,” Lin Jing replied.

After all, faced with the old ape, Lin Jing didn’t even have the capital to resist; if he refused, who knows what might happen.

The old ape nodded, then descended from mid-air and landed in front of Lin Jing, saying:

“Good.”

“Then, put away the Eternal Life Vine and follow me. When I say I will give it to you, I mean it, and I will not go back on my word.”

“Also, from now on you can just call me Senior Ape.”

“Alright, Senior Ape,” Lin Jing responded.

Afterward, Lin Jing put away the vine and followed the old ape, moving forward.

The primary reason why Lin Jing had continued to trust Senior Ape was in fact the most crucial detail.

That is, Senior Ape had never revealed any intent to kill him, not from the beginning to the end.

The system’s warning also remained silent.

Even at the very start, when he had been threatening him, there was likewise no lethal intent.

Thus, Lin Jing came to realize:

Perhaps in consideration of the Divine Phoenix, or maybe because the task of ripening the Spirit Plant that he had mentioned was too important, Senior Ape did not presently wish to harm Lin Jing.

And Lin Jing should be safe for now as well.

Following the old ape, Lin Jing walked straight ahead until he arrived at the edge of the lake.

Only when he got closer did Lin Jing notice the extremely magnificent Spirit Tree on the small island in the middle of the lake.

This tree consisted of five differently colored root systems, intertwining and rising to the very top of the tree.

At the top grew branches and leaves of five different colors.

In the very center of that treetop was a small tree crown made up of the five-colored branches and leaves, and at its apex grew a fruit, possessing all five colors.

The fruit was round and extraordinarily plump, with a seemingly dripping luster. Its five colors intertwined and circled around it, making it breathtakingly beautiful to behold.

Senior Ape pointed at the exceedingly beautiful Spirit Tree on the island ahead and said:

“That is the Five Elements Spirit Tree, the one I plan for you to ripen. You just need to ripen the Five Elements Spirit Fruits on it, and that will be all.”

Having said this, a surge of power erupted from the old ape, who then soared into the sky, carrying Lin Jing with him, enveloped in his Spiritual Power, and flew towards the small island in the lake.

At the same time, he did not forget to explain to Lin Jing:

“This lake may appear tranquil, but in reality, it is protected by a special prohibition, and one cannot normally fly over it. Furthermore, there is great danger lurking in its depths.”

“With your level of cultivation, if you were to fall into these waters, you would likely become bones in an instant.”

Lin Jing, looking down at the waters below, couldn’t help sweating profusely.

He had previously thought about flying over the lake to take a look at the island.

If he really had done so, he probably would have been reduced to a skeleton by now.

Lin Jing quickly said to the old ape, “Thank you for the warning, Senior Ape.”

The old ape did not pay heed to Lin Jing and continued to explain:

“Once you are on the island, do not wander off. Even if you wish to leave, let Little Gold and Little Black carry you out.”

“The two of them, you’ve already met before...”

Upon saying this, Lin Jing instantly understood that the eagle and the owl must be Little Gold and Little Black.

“Yes, I understand now.”

As they spoke, the Elder Ape had already led Lin Jing to the front of the light screen on the island.

With a wave of his hand, the Elder Ape tore open a hole in the light screen and immediately flew through it with Lin Jing.

After they entered, the hole in the light screen behind them slowly healed itself.

“Little Gold, Little Black...”

Upon reaching the island, the Elder Ape began calling out.

After calling out, the Elder Ape landed with Lin Jing next to the Five Elements Spirit Tree.

Soon, two exceedingly well-behaved and enormous raptors descended from the sky: it was the Golden Giant Eagle and the black owl from the previous altercation.

Upon seeing Lin Jing, the two raptors' eyes opened wide, and then, as if frightened, they quickly hid behind the Elder Ape.

However, given their considerable size, even when curled up, they stood several meters tall, barely finding refuge behind the Elder Ape, who was only as tall as an average person.

In doing so, they inadvertently added a touch of comedy to the scene.

The Elder Ape was quite speechless at the behavior of the two beasts.

Turning around, he slammed his staff into the ground and scolded:

"You two, can't you be a bit more ambitious?"

"Quarreling in the nest, you're quite fierce. But now, merely at the sight of the Divine Phoenix Aura, you're scared to this extent..."

The two beasts hung their heads, listening to the Elder Ape's reprimand.

Then, the Elder Ape turned back to Lin Jing and asked:

"I still don't know, what is your name?"

Lin Jing hurriedly clasped his hands in salute and replied:

"Senior, my name is Lin Jing."

The Elder Ape nodded, then turned to the two beasts and said:

"This is Lin Jing. When I'm not here, you must protect him and not bully him."

"If I come back and find out you've bullied him, watch out. I will discipline you thoroughly when I return."

Upon hearing this, the two beasts shivered and swiftly shook their heads.

"Also, you two stop fighting. The Eternal Life Vine, I'm giving it to Lin Jing. I'm going inside this time to find some other Spirit Fruits suitable for you to consume,"

“Each of you will have some, so there’ll be no need to fight over them anymore.”

As the Elder Ape finished speaking, the two beasts couldn’t help looking at him, their eyes shining with eagerness.

However, the Elder Ape paid them no mind.

He then turned to Lin Jing and said:

“Soon, I’ll be going into the heart of Immortal Crossing Island to find a cultivation technique for you, which will be required to ripen the Spirit Plants.”

“This trip will take a few days, so you should cultivate here during this time. Little Gold and Little Black, I’ve already told them, and they will not harm you.”

“Alright, Senior Ape,” Lin Jing responded.

After the Elder Ape had finished instructing Lin Jing and gave one last command to Little Gold and Little Black, he soared into the air and left the island.

Once the Elder Ape had gone, the two beasts cocked their heads and looked at Lin Jing.

Perhaps the Elder Ape’s words had taken effect, for the two beasts no longer seemed as scared when looking at Lin Jing.

And Lin Jing, facing two huge creatures,

and considering that they were Nascent Soul Stage titans, still felt somewhat afraid inside.

After all, he was just a Junior Cultivator at the Foundation Establishment Stage; in a real fight, he wouldn’t be enough to fill the gap between their teeth.

However, the current docile demeanor of the two beasts considerably lessened Lin Jing’s fear for them.

In the coming days,

Lin Jing planned to communicate well with the two beasts...

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After spending five days on the small island, Lin Jing had gotten quite familiar with the two beasts.

He had finally figured out their personalities.

Little Jin and Little Hei, the two beasts, couldn't really be treated as Nascent Soul Demonic Beasts; although their strength was extraordinary, their intelligence was only about the same as Little Sparrow's.

Sometimes they were even less clever than Little Sparrow.

And furthermore.

They couldn't speak, and often acted like small children, especially after Lin Jing had once used Divine Phoenix feathers to scare them.

During the time they spent with Lin Jing, after gradually getting used to him and realizing he posed no threat, they often played pranks on him.

This left Lin Jing quite speechless.

He wanted to fight, but he couldn't beat them...

He could only outsmart the two beasts with his intelligence, keeping himself from being at a disadvantage.

Fortunately, the two beasts followed the old ape's orders and did not harm him.

It was not until the fifth day that the old ape returned.

However, the Cultivation Technique the old ape handed to Lin Jing left him stunned.

Because the technique he brought back was the Immortal Five Elements Technique.

The old ape held the technique and handed it to Lin Jing.

Seeing Lin Jing just standing there in a daze, it reminded him,

"Take it, if you want to cultivate the Five Elements Spirit Tree, you must practice this Immortal Five Elements Technique."

Lin Jing couldn't help feeling a bit embarrassed, and then he spoke to the old ape,

"Senior Ape..."

"I don't mean to hide it from senior, but the technique I am practicing is exactly this Immortal Five Elements Technique."

As the words left Lin Jing's mouth, the old ape was also stunned, while behind him, Little Jin and Little Hei were squatting quietly on the ground, watching the two of them.

"....." The old ape was momentarily at a loss for words.

It never expected Lin Jing was practicing the Immortal Five Elements Technique, so it had gone to the trouble of finding this very technique.

If it had known earlier, it wouldn't have had to go through so much effort.

Moreover, to exchange for this technique, it had to offer up many valuable heavenly materials and earthly treasures.

Originally, it only wanted the first few volumes.

But that old friend it had known for many years insisted on trading the whole set.

For the sake of the Five Elements Spirit Fruits, the old ape had no choice but to grit its teeth and agree.

For this, it paid much more than it wanted to in spirit plants and spirit fruits, which pained it greatly.

After a long while.

The old ape spoke again to Lin Jing,

"Let me see your technique then"

Lin Jing then took the Immortal Five Elements Technique out of his Storage Bag and handed it to the old ape.

After receiving the Immortal Five Elements Technique, the old ape started to flip through it...

Quite some time passed.

The old ape finished reviewing and handed Lin Jing's Immortal Five Elements Technique back to him.

Then it reached out its hand and grabbed Lin Jing's wrist, saying to him,

"Run the technique so I can see it."

Lin Jing nodded, calmed himself down, and began running the Immortal Five Elements Technique right away.

“All right, stop.”

After a short while, the old ape let go of Lin Jing’s wrist and then spoke,

“I didn’t expect you to be a Five Elements Mixed Spirit Root.”

“Yes, senior...” Lin Jing said.

The old ape nodded, then continued,

“A Five Elements Mixed Spirit Root is a perfect match for practicing this Immortal Five Elements Technique, and if you were to hasten the ripening of the Five Elements Spirit Fruits, it would be even faster.”

“Originally, I thought it would take you at least a few years,” he said contently as he looked at Lin Jing, and then he added, “Now it seems, in less than a year, you could fully mature the Five Elements Spirit Fruits.”

After speaking, he looked at Lin Jing with satisfaction and said:

“Come, let me teach you how to do it.”

“Okay...” Lin Jing nodded.

Then, the old ape led Lin Jing to the side of the Five Elements Spirit Tree.

Next, the old ape waved his hand, and a Formation appeared out of thin air beside the Five Elements Spirit Tree.

After that, he spoke to Lin Jing:

“You don’t have to do much, just cultivate within this Formation, and at the same time, infuse the Spiritual Power you cultivate into this Formation.”

“This Formation is connected to the Five Elements Spirit Tree. I need you to use the Spiritual Power cultivated by the Immortal Five Elements Technique to be absorbed by the tree, and then form a cycle...”

“This way, it could foster the growth of the Five Elements Spirit Tree.”

“Senior Ape, why must it be the Immortal Five Elements Technique? Won’t other cultivation techniques work?” Lin Jing looked at the Five Elements Spirit Tree and voiced his doubt.

“Of course...” said the old ape.

“The Spiritual Power cultivated through the Immortal Five Elements Technique is the most balanced. The Spiritual Power needed by the Five Elements Spirit Tree also requires a balance of five attributes, which perfectly matches the nature of the Immortal Five Elements Technique.”

“If other cultivation techniques were used, the absorption of the five attributes would not be balanced, which could potentially hinder the growth of the Five Elements Spirit Tree.”

“Even worse, it could lead to an imbalance of the five elements in the tree, resulting in its direct death.”

With the old ape’s explanation, Lin Jing understood as well.

Afterward.

Following the old ape’s signal, Lin Jing stepped into the Formation.

At that moment, the old ape continued:

“Oh, I forgot to tell you...”

“When you cultivate here for a certain period, the Spiritual Power of the Formation will reach an overflow state. If it reaches that state, you can come out and take a break.”

“Of course, you can also use the Spiritual Power here to nourish your body.”

“You have a Five Elements Mixed Spirit Root. Using the Spiritual Power surrounding the Five Elements Spirit Tree to nourish your body will greatly benefit you in the future.”

Lin Jing nodded, then sat down cross-legged beside the Five Elements Spirit Tree and began to cultivate.

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Two months swiftly passed...

Lin Jing also did not stop cultivating during these two months.

Of course, he occasionally took breaks or played with Little Gold and Little Black.

Or listened to the tales of Immortal Crossing Island narrated by Senior Ape.

In front of Senior Ape, Little Gold and Little Black were exceedingly well-behaved.

However, when Senior Ape went out and they faced Lin Jing alone, they were still very mischievous, always trying to tease Lin Jing, like little children.

Later, according to what Senior Ape said...

If one were to really consider it, they were indeed like little children because on Immortal Crossing Island, everyone had their own territory, and the two beasts, besides hunting in the outer areas of Immortal Crossing Island, rarely went elsewhere.

Here, they all obeyed Senior Ape's words, as he had taken care of them from a young age.

As for their parents, they were the losers of the territorial competition on Immortal Crossing Island...

After all, Immortal Crossing Island was not as peaceful as it appeared to Lin Jing.

The competition on the island was also incredibly fierce.

It was from Senior Ape that Lin Jing learned about some of the conditions on Immortal Crossing Island.

Immortal Crossing Island was extremely unique.

Its location was elusive, always drifting in the Demonic Monster Sea region.

Only once every ten thousand years would Immortal Crossing Island appear in the central region of the Demonic Monster Sea, staying there for a period of time.

Only then could people ascend the island and seek opportunities on it.

Moreover, according to the rumors, there were secrets to becoming an immortal in the very center of Immortal Crossing Island.

Therefore, each time Immortal Crossing Island appeared, countless Human Cultivators and Demon Cultivators would come to the island, vainly trying to obtain the secret to immortality.