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Chapter 241: The Rich Cultivator

Ning Cheng suddenly thought of another way, if he placed the Miniature World in the mouth of a rapidly moving fish, and control the fish dash forward without abandon then wouldn't it be extremely wonderful?

But Ning Cheng soon put the idea aside, let's not talk about the possibility that the fish might bring him back to the part of the Yi Xing Ocean surrounding the Le Continent, just the gastric juices of the fish might just end up corroding the Miniature World.

Thinking until here, Ning Cheng once again circulated his True Essence as if his life depended on it. He had to escape from this formidable suction.

Ning Cheng had just gotten himself away from this formidable suction, when he felt that the surrounding ocean water started spinning and was once again pulling him along it. He was simply not able to resist it and was similar to a broken dam washed away by the water as he shot towards the source. At this time, Ning Cheng was completely exhausted, and had no ability to resist, and in just a moment, he fell into a dark enclosed space.

It seemed as if he was swallowed by another fish, this was Ning Cheng's first thought. The powerful gastric juices almost made Ning Cheng vomit. He did not hesitate to bring out the Profound Break Spear, and using the spear immediately stabbed out creating a huge hole, and then instantly rushing out.

A bloody smell immediately hit him, as Ning Cheng swept out with his Spiritual Consciousness, realising that he really had escaped from the stomach of a huge fish. However, it was followed by a violent after shock. Ning Cheng guessed that it should have been because of the effect of the spear stab on the fish, causing the huge fish to dash away in a crazy manner.

Ning Cheng sighed, he would have preferred to not have to escape with the help of a fish, and eventually be swallowed into their stomachs. However, it seems that he must use these fishes to escape.

These fishes were very large, and their speed was also quite fast, as such, they were really suitable for him to escape. Ning Cheng took off the ring and placed it on his hand, securing it to some fish bone spurs, he then entered on his own into the Miniature World. He only hoped that these fishes did not escape into the inner depths of the ocean. If the fish carrying him really escaped into the inner depths of the ocean then he would have no choice but to go back to the bottom of the Blood River.

Back inside the lush green Miniature World, Ning Cheng's spirits once again lifted, as he finally calmed down. He cleaned up his body thoroughly, and removed the things he used to change his appearance, and only then did he slowly walk towards the edge of the pool containing the True Spirit Nectar Wash and sat down.

Grey Toottoot had already eaten his fill, and with a quite well rounded tummy was happily purring as he peacefully slept in the True Spirit Nectar Wash pool.

Ning Cheng did not go disturb Grey Toottoot's nap; rather he first brought out Gui Yuhai's things. Gui Yuhai was the premier genius of the Gui Yuan City. Gui Yuan City also focused on cultivating using objects, and it seems, as it really did not let him down aah. Once must know that he might have to stay cooped up inside the Miniature World for a long time, if Gui Yuhai's ring really did not have that much, then he really might just cry out in grief.

There was a golden coloured Great Sword, that was giving off a wild yet pure Buddhist Aura, but he was not able to make out its grade. Ning Cheng knew that this Great Sword was definitely a good thing. Although he did not like this sword, but he knew that, it would certainly be useful in the future. There was also a golden chain, with a faint golden Spiritual Nature to it; just a look at it was enough to determine that it was a High Grade Spiritual Artefact.

Ning Cheng then took out a bunch of fist-sized jet black round lumps; these round lumps in his hands felt as if they did not weighted anything, and were quite lithe.

Ning Cheng did not continue to look into the things inside Gui Yuhai's ring. He started refining the Great Sword, even if he did not cultivate the Buddhist Magical Techniques, once he refined it he could then use it at a later point.

A full day later, Ning Cheng was only able to refine just half of the golden great sword, but he did not have any interest in continuing to refine it. He felt that the giant sword's aura and his own Mysterious Yellow Origin had some conflicts; this golden great sword was called the True Brahman Sword, and was a quasi-True Artefact. It was a very powerful Buddhist Magical Weapon.

Ning Cheng stowed away the True Brahma Sword, and continued on to refine the large rope like golden chain along with those pitch-black things. In a few more hours, Ning Cheng completely refined these two things. Although the True Brahma Sword was a different case, Ning Cheng was very satisfied with the two things.

This long golden chain was a high quality High Grade Spiritual Artefact, and was called Extreme Earth Gold Binding Cable. Against an enemy, it can be used to not only tie down the opponent's magical weapon but it would even have some effect on binding their Spiritual Consciousness, it was somewhat similar to his Five Elements Treasure Fall Copper Coin. However, it was that bunch of pitch-black lumps that gave Ning Cheng a surprise; it turned out to be a net type magical weapon. Called the Underworld Lock Soul Net, and was a Best Quality Spiritual Artefact, in battles with others, you can surprise the other with the net in order to capture them, and even capture them alive.

Ning Cheng in his heart was secretly scared, but fortunately, he was in a hurry during his fight; as such, he did not let Gui Yuhai stimulating this Underworld Lock Soul Net, as he thought himself to be lucky in his heart. Otherwise, if this had come out, then victory or defeat would really be quite hard to determine.

This Gui Yuhai really was quite the rich man aah. He had not yet opened his ring, and had already obtained so many good things, as such once he truly opens his ring, he didn't know what surprises would be in store for him.

Ning Cheng had already finished refining these magical weapons according to his own usage. At the same time, he began working on wearing down the restrictions placed on Gui Yuhai's ring.

Ning Cheng's understanding regarding Array Formation and Restrictions had already reached an extremely high point, as such in just the time it took for half an incense stick to burn, he had already completely wore down all the restrictions placed on the ring.

When Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness finally seeped inside the ring, he could help but exclaim out in surprise, this Gui Yuhai really was filthy rich.

Inside the ring, there were few pieces of attack type magical weapons, a large seal type defensive magical weapon, plus not one of these magical weapons were not a whit inferior to the other high quality Spiritual Artefacts.

A pile of Spiritual Stones were placed in the centre of a restriction trap, as Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness glanced past it, he could estimate that the Spirit Stones placed here added up to at least 4 to 5 million.

In addition to these, there were also various dazzling pills, and Artefact Refining materials and even Advanced Level Spiritual Grasses. But what made Ning Cheng puzzled was, that in the corner of the ring, there were a number of agate red jade boxes. Moreover, his Spiritual Consciousness also could not sweep through it.

Ning Cheng grabbed one of the jade boxes, and raising his hand, broke the Restriction placed on the box in one go, before he finally opened the jade box. A light fragrance spread out from the inside, Ning Cheng was afraid that it might be toxic, and quickly held his breath.

However, the next moment Ning Cheng was dumbfounded, the inside of this jade box was filled with a wide variety of women's under garments. Some were as thin as cicada wings, while some were even exuding raw sexuality.

This Gui Yuhai was the premiere genius of the Gui Yuan City, and was also matchlessly handsome, what couldn't he not do? Why would he have such a weird fetish? Ning Cheng shook his head; this kind of a person was not someone who could be measured with common sense. Moreover, he also did not know, or rather did not want to know, if these under garments were already used or were brand new.

Looking at the materials of these clothes, the value of some of these materials used in the clothes could even be compared to the rest of the high quality materials inside Gui Yuhai's ring. Although Ning Cheng did not have such kind of hobby, but that did not mean that he could not go and sell off these clothes. Some of these clothes were even equivalent to a magical weapon and if there were similar clothes in even a few of these boxes then maybe he could exchange them for hundreds of thousands of Spirit Stones.

Ning Cheng then proceeded to completely open the rest of the other jade boxes, and discovered that these jade boxes really were filled to the brim with women's under garments.

When Ning Cheng's vision fell on top of a light blue panties, he could not help but suck in a deep breath. This piece of lingerie had an already blackened bloodstained tear, showing that some kind of thing had passed through this cloth.

Ning Cheng took out this piece of lingerie, and found that at the middle of this piece of lingerie there was a faint palm imprint.

This son of a bitch really was not someone good, although he could not make it out from the other under garments, but he could tell that this piece of lingerie was something that Gui Yuhai took down after he had truly killed his partner.

Seeing the blackened blood, Ning Cheng suddenly became uncomfortable in his heart; he took out a jade box and carefully placed this piece of lingerie in and spoke in a soft voice, "I don't know who you are but that Gui Yuhai has already been killed by me, something that might be equal to helping you get your revenge."

Finished doing that, Ning Cheng placed this jade box separately on the side, as for the rest of the jade boxes filled with women's under garments, he packed them up and placed them back in their original positions. Now that he already had a huge amount of Spirit Stones, he did not need to sell these things for money, perhaps there may come a time later where he would have to use them.

As for the several high grade and medium grade attack type spiritual artefacts, Ning Cheng did not go towards them for now; rather he picked up the giant seal placed on the side and began refining it. After the time it took for an incense stick to burn, Ning Cheng finally learned the name of this giant seal type defensive magical weapon, it was a High Grade Spiritual Artefact called Red Top Golden Seal.

"Quite an abundant harvest aah." After transferring all these things to his own ring, Ning Cheng finally let out a sigh in his heart. He had killed many Profound Core Cultivators in the past, but he had never encountered even a single cultivator that had even one percent of the wealth contained in Gui Yuhai's ring.

Willing his Spiritual Consciousness to sweep out, Ning Cheng could only vaguely see the water flowing crazily outside; it seems that the fish who took the bait was advancing quite rapidly.

Ning Cheng was simply too lazy to control the big fish and could feel that he had not arrived somewhere where he could plant his feet, as such he simply laid down a Spiritual Gathering Array Formation and once again started cultivating.

He knew that it would be difficult for him to advance, but it was still possible for him to increase the thickness of the True Essence in his Core Lake by absorbing the Spiritual Qi.

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Le Continent, the Yan Clan.

Although the Yan Clan could not be compared to an 8 Star Academy, but in the Blue Cloud City, it was second only to the existence of the Blue Cloud 8 Star Academy. Moreover, Clan Head Yan Yueshuang was already at the peak of Soul Sculpting Realm, and with just a single step could advance to the Sea Opening Realm.

At this time the Yan Clan was holding a clan meeting, although Yan Ji was one of the best disciples of the Yan Clan, but just because Yan Ji came back, it cannot be said that the Yan Clan would hold such a huge clan meeting just because of her. Yet the facts proved otherwise.

As to the reason why the Yan Clan placed so much importance of Yan Ji at this time, one of them was that Yan Ji's elder sister Yan Yue had advanced to the early stages of the Soul Sculpting Realm, and once the clan head Yan Yueshuang successfully advanced to the Sea Opening Realm, she would only be

second to the Intermediate Stage Soul Sculpting Elder Yan Youhuan. While the more important reason, was that Yan Ji had undergone tremendous changes.

Yan Ji had been restored to her original appearance, and was now was sitting quietly beside Yan Yue. Ning Cheng had said to follow Yan Yue; as such, she simply became inseparable from Yan Yue.

“This time Yan Ji came out of the Law’s Way, and even allowed her body to be scoured by the True Spirit Nectar Wash, showing that she encountered a huge opportunity inside the Law’s Way.” Sitting directly below the Clan Head Yan Yueshuang, a mountain like man with a sheep like beard and moustache spoke with a deep voice.

He was the person with the second strongest cultivation in the Yan Clan, Yan Youhuan, moreover in the Yan Clan, other than the Clan Head, he was the one who held most of the power among the rest of the elders.

“Can one even scour their body with the True Spirit Nectar Wash, just how much True Spirit Nectar Wash is needed for it aah?” A woman with the cultivation of Soul Essence Realm exclaimed out loudly.

“But the fact is that there is not even a single drop of True Spirit Nectar Wash in Yan Ji’s ring, showing that although Yan Ji was the one who found the True Spirit Nectar Wash, but it was snatched away by that Devil Cultivator named Ning Cheng.” Yan Youhuan spoke in a gloomy tone.

Yan Yue suddenly spoke up, “My younger sister should have met him in the Law’s Way, but with her sanity lost that True Spirit Nectar Wash would not necessarily be found by her.”

“No matter who found it, we can now be sure that that Ning Cheng has in his possession a lot of True Spirit Nectar Wash. I think that we should make a move to grab that Ning Cheng in the shortest possible time. Yan Yue, you let Ning Cheng go in the Dragon and Phoenix City, it really was unwise.” Yan Youhuan glanced at Yan Yue and spoke.

Yan Yueshuang also secretly nodded, if the Yan Clan could get its hands on such a huge quantity of True Spirit Nectar Wash, then it was quite possible that the Yan Clan might just be able to grow be to as powerful as a huge clan like the Gui Clan.

Yan Yue’s eyebrows immediately pricked up, as she spoke in a cold voice, “So what Elder Huan wants to say is that you want to teach me a lesson?”

She had already advanced to the Soul Sculpting Realm and now held the same status as a Yan Clan Elder with real power. She would definitely not let Yan Youhuan to pull this in as he desires.

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Yan Yueshuang seeing Yan Yue standing up with an unhappy expression, hastily pressed down his hand and spoke up, “It is all for the benefit of the Yan Clan, we should not create a petty dispute amongst us on such an issue. Elder Huan’s thoughts are only for the betterment of the Yan Clan, and I believe Yan Yue also thinks of the Yan Clan. As I see it, Yan Ji seems to be caught up in a difficult to explain situation, and for her to naturally sober up will take a long time. Since Yan Ji has had her entire body scoured by the True Spirit Nectar Wash, she will now become the focus of training of the entire Yan Clan.”

“However Elder Huan’s proposal is also good, if we can catch Ning Cheng, with that much True Spirit Nectar Wash on him, it will not provide the Yan Clan with just a tiny bit of help. Besides if we help the Blue Cloud Academy catch Ning Cheng, then with this act we would come to not only be at even better terms with the Blue Cloud Academy, but at the same time use this opportunity to befriend the Gui Yuan City.”

Yan Youhuan and Yan Yue were both elites of the Yan Clan, as such, the Clan Head Yan Yueshuang could only hastily make out a few promises in order to appease both sides and bring the discussion to a conclusion.

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This was already the ninth month since Ning Cheng had escaped into the Yi Xing Ocean, although Gui Yuan City carried out sweeps with monstrous anger in order to catch Ning Cheng, but eventually all they could do was to swallow up their anger and return back to Gui Yuan City. During these nine months, they could not even find the slightest whiff of him. If Ning Cheng was not already eaten by a monstrous beast, then the only possible outcome was that he really had successfully fled into the depths of the Yi Xing Ocean.

Although even if Ning Cheng successfully fled to the depths of the Yi Xing Ocean, in their opinion it would only end up in a dead end. But because Gui Zong could not personally catch Ning Cheng, it caused his heart to be very uncomfortable at all times.

After a long time Ning Cheng finally opened his eyes once again, as he looked at the ashes of more than two million Spirit Stones that he had completely absorbed in one go. Nine months had already passed by, but his cultivation did not increase by even half a point, but the True Essence in his Core Lake was now much thicker than compared to before.

To this, Ning Cheng could only sigh helplessly, especially because as he continuously absorbed the Spiritual Qi for his cultivation practice, his Core Lake was growing increasingly large in direct proportion. This made it extremely difficult for him to advance. Fortunately, as his Core Lake grew larger, it was able to accommodate more and more True Essence. Although he did not advance, but his strength had grown increasingly formidable with it.

Ning Cheng swept out with his Spiritual Consciousness, and found that although the water on the outside was still in constant movement, but it was not as rapid as before.

Should he continue with his cultivation practice, or should he go out and have a look?

Ning Cheng had just thought of this idea, when he found that the fish had suddenly stopped, even though Ning Cheng was still inside the ring, with his Spiritual Consciousness he could perceive that the fish was actually trembling in fear.

Not much time passed, when Ning Cheng’s Spiritual Consciousness detected a strong flow of water brush past his Spiritual Consciousness. The aura contained within this water flow immediately let Ning Cheng understand that this aura definitely belonged to a terrifying advanced level monstrous beast.

Whether to get out or not, Ning Cheng closed his eyes once again, but this time in distress. He was more than sure that the fish that he was in was not a powerful monstrous beast; it was just that it had a

relatively larger volume compared to other fishes. The advanced level sea beasts living deep underwater might not show any interest in this fish, but it would not mean that it would not eat him.

This fish was just an ordinary fish, as such sea beasts not eating them would be considered normal. But he was a cultivator; a sea beast would definitely be interested in taking a bite off him. Unfortunately, Gui Yuhai's ring did not contain any flying type magical weapons. If there was a flying type magical weapon, he could sit on the flight type magical weapon and give a shot at flying at a high altitude.

For a cultivator like Gui Yuhai, if he did possess such a magical weapon, then it was absolutely impossible for someone like him to possess something similar to a lower level flight type magical artefact.

No, this Gui Yuhai was the premiere genius of the Gui Yuan City. How could he not possess a flight type magical weapon? Did he miss something? Not to mention about Gui Yuhai, if it was him in his place he would have at least a flight type Spiritual Artefact. There has to be one.

Ning Cheng once again took out all the things he obtained from Gui Yuhai and checked them one by one thoroughly. He found several copies of Escape Talismans, and each one of them was not worse than the one given to him by Kong Pengpeng, but even so, he could not find a single flight type magical weapon.

Thinking for a long time, Ning Cheng once again unwillingly picked up the True Brahma Sword, which not only was a Quasi-True Artefact, but also a Buddhist magical weapon. But because he was not compatible with Buddhist Magical Weapons, as such he had only refined it by a half, and did not continue with the refinement.

No matter what, whether or not this sword was a flight type magical weapon, he could only find it out when he completely refined it.

After another full day flew past, Ning Cheng finally finished completely refining the large True Brahma Sword. Only at this moment did he finally understood why had he not found any flight type magical weapons in Gui Yuhai's ring. That was because the True Brahma Sword in his hands was originally a flight type magical weapon.

Even Ning Cheng had not thought that the True Brahma Sword in his hands was not only a flight type magical weapon, but at the same time, it was also an actual low grade True Artefact. Before this, he had assumed that this True Brahma Sword was just a Quasi-True Artefact, and this was because he had not completely refined this sword. Now that he had completely refined this sword, he found that this sword was actually a low grade True Artefact.

Ning Cheng, whether for good or for evil, had not lived in the Yi Xing Mainland for a day or two. He was well aware that owning and controlling a low grade True Artefact in the Yi Xing Mainland was not a simple thing. One had to have an extremely powerful and stable mind, or at the very least be a Soul Essence Cultivator in order to use it. He could not imagine how Gui Yuhai with his few skills, was actually able to wield the low grade True Artefact.

The True Brahma Sword in his hand was a two in one Buddhist Magical Weapon. When used as a flight type magical weapon, it had another name, True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel. But this True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel not just needed one's True Essence and Spiritual Consciousness to drive it, but also needed something called as the 'Power of Hope'.

Ning Cheng had never heard of what was called as the “Power of Hope”, not to mention about any talk regarding using this ‘Power of Hope’ to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel.

The heritages of the great sects and clans was really not something a rogue cultivator like him can be compared to, as such even if this kind of thing was gifted to him, he would not be able to use it because of the lack of knowledge.

Ning Cheng tried to use his True Essence and Spiritual Consciousness to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, and even after trying to stimulate it for half a day, he was only able to produce a few huge flickering shadows, as such wanting to use this True Brahma Sword to fly was something he could not even think about for the time being.

After unsuccessfully trying continuously for a few days, Ning Cheng could only helplessly put away the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel to one side. Although he knew that if he were able to control this flight type magical weapon to fly, then its speed would absolutely be top class, it was a pity that he really did not have this kind of an ability.

Once again going over the things he obtained from Gui Yuhai, and finding nothing else that was good, Ning Cheng ended up being quite disappointed in his heart.

Continue to stay inside the maw of the fish; up to what time would he be able to do that? If he had tens of millions or even several billion Spirit Stones, it would only be equivalent to throwing them down the drain. During this period, even though he had a few million Spirit Stones, it would not be enough for his cultivation to even last a year. What would happen after one year? Or even two years later?

Ning Cheng scratched his head, he was well aware that he would not be able to sit inside here doing nothing. He could use this time to study Alchemy or continue refining Talismans, right? Even so, he might just go insane. The only one accompanying him was Grey Toottoot and was someone who could not speak, so how was it any different to being confined to a place in complete isolation aah?

Even if Ning Cheng was not interested in continuing with Alchemy, but as to continuing with refining Talismans, it was something that he had to do. As two more months passed by, Ning Cheng helplessly put down his hands; he finally was not able to endure it anymore today.

Taking out his Five Elemental Treasure Fall Copper Coin, he used another dozen days to refine it, and was finally able to grind down the restrictions on it to the eighth layer, before finally finding that he could no longer continue with refining it.

He then took out a mirror, it was one of the things left behind by that Han Xian, as Ning Cheng looked at it with concentration and he could not discover anything that made this mirror different from any other ordinary objects. As for the bead inside the mirror, it had disappeared when he had thrown it into the Mysterious Yellow Bead.

Putting down the mirror, Ning Cheng then grabbed the Imperial Jade Seal, if not for being bored, he would have forgotten about the Imperial Jade Seal. The Imperial Seal that seemed to be made out of jade was something he had obtained from the desert.

The Imperial Jade Seal had a touch of light golden color to it, and was not only incomparably exquisite, it was also extremely heavy, and at the same time incomparably hard yet extremely flexible. There was a

bird carved above the Imperial Jade Seal, and even now, Ning Cheng was not able to figure out what monstrous beast was this bird. At the bottom of the Imperial Jade Seal, there were also the words 'Lan Yi Country' engraved. Ning Cheng, when he was still in the True Condensation Realm, had tried to refine this thing a few times, but it ultimately did not have any effect on it.

At this moment, Ning Cheng's cultivation had already reached the 7th Level of the Profound Congealing Realm, plus with nothing else to do, he once again took the time to take out the Imperial Jade Seal and take a look at it once more.

With Ning Cheng using his Spiritual Consciousness to create a connection with the inside of the Imperial Jade Seal, he made an astonishing discovery. He found that this Imperial Jade Seal had loosened up somehow. He immediately used this opportunity to let his Spiritual Sense to seep into it.

A one of a kind and yet matchlessly dignified aura covered him up the moment his consciousness arrived inside, while at the same time he could also sense countless pious people facing a resplendent Imperial Palace giving of bright golden lights as if they were paying their sincere respects to it. Then he caught sight of countless people seated in the middle of Lan Yi Country's temples observing their religious rites, these temples were all built around a statue at its centre which seemed to quite similar.

These statues seemed as if they were actual people and were giving off the same majestic aura, moreover these statues of the seemingly majestic man were holding the Imperial Jade Seal in their hand. Immediately Ning Cheng was once again enamoured, along with the worshipping of countless people, the Imperial Jade Seal in the majestic man's hands gave off increasingly brilliant golden light, while at the same time the aura coming from the man's body also was becoming increasingly strong.

Power of Hope? A few months ago, Ning Cheng did not understand what this Power of Hope was, but at this moment, he finally was able to get a clear picture of what these two characters represented. The Imperial Jade Seal that seemed to contain infinite power was actually filled with the "Power of Hope", it was the combined Power of Hope of the national subjects.

Hoping to come out, the Imperial Jade Seal's interior hid the Power of Hope; didn't this mean that he could use this Power of Hope in the Imperial Jade Seal to drive the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel? Ning Cheng instantly became excited as he rose up, he did not expect that the Imperial Jade Seal that he always on his body that was actually filled with the Power of Hope.

However, Ning Cheng was also sure that this Imperial Jade Seal absolutely did not have just the simple function of storing this Power of Hope; this Imperial Jade Seal definitely would have other uses.

Knowing that the Imperial Jade Seal contained the Power of Hope, something that would help him in controlling the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, Ning Cheng continued to refine it day and night. After a month, Ning Cheng stopped refining the Imperial Jade Seal, as he found that with his strength he would not be able to further continue refining the Imperial Jade Seal.

Ning Cheng had a vague feeling, that no matter how much he tried to refine this Imperial Jade Seal, he would be unable to completely refine this Imperial Jade Seal. Fortunately, he did not care much about it at the moment, as long as he was able to mobilize the Power of Hope stored in it.

Now that he was exposed to the Power of Hope, Ning Cheng immediately recalled the several jade boxes filled with women's undergarments that he had seen. He opened one of the boxes, and picked up

one of the pieces of underwear that was as thin as cicada wings, and swept it with his Spiritual Consciousness. Sure enough, there was a hint of the Power of Hope on it, although it was very faint, but it could not escape Ning Cheng.

“Unfortunately, I simply know too little, and really don’t understand why the undergarments that Gui Yuhai stashed away had a touch of the Power of Hope on it.” Ning Cheng spoke a sentence to himself, as he proceeded to put the undergarment in his hand back into the box. He then opened the jade box in which he had placed the blood stained panties, from this pair of panties he could actually not feel even the tiniest hint of the Power of Hope from it, only a deep resentment. If he had not come into contact with the Power of Hope, Ning Cheng would never have been able to feel this aura, and now he was immediately able to perceive it.

Now that Ning Cheng was convinced that he could use the Imperial Jade Seal to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, he already did not want to remain inside the fish. Finally coming out of the ring, and wearing the ring back on his hand, he directly brought out the Profound Break Spear. With a spear in hand, he ripped open a bloody hole on the abdomen of the fish, before rushing out of the opening.

Not to mention that he could come out after being ‘eaten’ by the fish, even if he himself took the initiative to go ‘down’, in order to escape, Ning Cheng would not hesitate to tear open a hole in the fish.

This huge fish was actually hundreds of meter in length and when Ning Cheng tore open a hole in its abdomen, the pain caused it to roll up forming a bunch of whirlpools, before it instantly rushed out, and in just a twinkling of an eye disappeared from the range of Ning Cheng’s Spiritual Consciousness.

Ning Cheng directly came out of the sea; he was just about to bring out the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, when a berserk aura with a fishy smell swept over him. Ning Cheng’s face immediately changed, he did not think that his luck would be so bad, that just as he came out he would end up meeting a Class 6 monstrous beast.

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Chapter 243: Chaotic Star Space

This kind of aura undoubtedly belonged to a Class 6 monstrous beast, Ning Cheng already knew that it would be too late for him if he wanted to find out what kind of monstrous beast it was at this moment. He immediately stimulated his Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings with all the power he could muster. Even if his strength had risen exponentially during his retreat, but he was well aware that he was definitely not a match for a Class 6 monstrous beast in a head on fight.

Ning Cheng had just managed to dodge out of the way, when a dark red shadow flashed past the spot he was just a moment before.

Using the teleportation like speed of the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings allowed Ning Cheng to escape unharmed, while at the same time he was also able to finally have a glimpse at this monstrous beast, which was covered in a scarlet glow, was incomparably fast, while at the same time also had two heads. Ning Cheng finally was able to recall what kind of monstrous beast was it, it was a Rainbow Blood Dual Headed Alligator commonly seen in the Yi Xing Ocean. This monstrous beast was not only uncommonly fast, but also specialised in sucking blood. Its skin also had a very high value on the market; a Class 6

Rainbow Blood Dual Headed Alligator's skin can actually be refined into a very good quality defensive or even a flight type magical weapon.

But no matter how valuable was it, Ning Cheng was well aware that in the face of this kind of monstrous beast, the only thing that he could do was escape.

This Rainbow Blood Dual Headed Alligator at first did not seem to register Ning Cheng's escape, showing that it was actually a bit slow witted. It looked as if it was having doubts about its speed, otherwise how could this puny cultivator manage to escape.

Ning Cheng did not wait for the Rainbow Blood Dual Headed Alligator to turn and pounce towards him once again, as he once again stimulated his Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings to create as much distance as possible between them. But this Rainbow Blood Dual Headed Alligator unexpectedly was not willing to let go of its prey, instead it turned around to pursue Ning Cheng. Moreover, its speed at this moment was also slightly faster when compared to Ning Cheng wielding the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings.

Ning Cheng was quite badly startled on seeing this, as he quickly brought out the True Brahma Sword metamorphosing it into the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel.

He was marked by a monstrous beast, even if he tried to flee into the ocean he knew that he would not be able to get away, unless he used the Escaping Talisman. But because Ning Cheng was well aware as to how precious an Escaping Talisman was, as such he was not willing to easily use the Escaping Talisman.

The True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel under Ning Cheng's stimulation brought out a flickering shadow. Ning Cheng directly landed on this flickering shadow, as he simultaneously stimulated the Imperial Jade Seal to draw out the Power of Hope, which then flowed into the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel.

"Swish" Because of such a tremendous acceleration, Ning Cheng, who was sitting on it, because of the enormous inertia, was almost blown away from this Buddha Fire Wheel.

But Ning Cheng, at this time, could simply not think about the matter of him almost falling off as he looked at the scenery flashing by at the outskirts of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel. This kind of speed was something completely fear inducing.

This kind of speed was something that Ning Cheng had felt for the first time. His Spiritual Consciousness was simply not able to fully adapt to it. It simply was not even able to sweep outside, after a bit of time, his Spiritual Consciousness barely was able to just adapt to the extreme flight speed of this magical weapon.

At this moment, Ning Cheng could only see what was just outside the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, which was surrounded by four Arhats; these four Arhats each were crazily rotating a huge fire wheel. These four Buddha Fire Wheels were the ones driving the entire magical weapon that was the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, in a meteor-like manner.

Ning Cheng finally stood up and looked back, as he pondered as to where the Rainbow Blood Dual Headed Alligator went?

Such a horrifying flight type magical weapon, this kind of speed was simply too terrifying to even imagine.

His True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel was simply like wind in general, and was surrounded all around by Array Formations and Restrictions. Even if its actual speed was matchlessly terrifying, he could not even hear or even feel the slightest sounds of the wind outside.

The Power of Hope contained in the Imperial Jade Seal was similar to money being injected into the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, which pushed the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel to increasingly fast speeds. Ning Cheng found that with his current ability, there was no way for him to forcibly slow down the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel.

Ning Cheng was quite sure that if he used this kind of speed to escape from the Le Continent, then even those experts at the Crucible Transformation Realm might not necessarily be able to catch up to him.

After the time it took for half an incense stick to burn, Ning Cheng finally calmed down. He began focusing his efforts on trying to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, wanting to bring the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel under his control so as to advance under his direction, rather than flying aimlessly. At this moment, the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel was rushing its way into the sky in a diagonal manner, if he was not able to find a way to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, then even he would not be able to predict as to where this True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel would lead him.

An hour later, Ning Cheng still could not think of any way to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel. Moreover, he also could not stop the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel from absorbing the Power of Hope as it continued to fly.

Although this flight type magical weapon had been completely refined by him, as such he was aware on how to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel. However, he was not able to completely refine the Imperial Jade Seal, because of which although he could draw out the Power of Hope to power the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, in the end he was not able to actually control the output.

The True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel was climbing higher and higher and had already reached the point that he could not even see the shadow of the Yi Xing Ocean from what little could he see from the surroundings.

At this moment, being anxious would not be of any use, Ning Cheng thought as he sat down and tried to use his own Spiritual Consciousness to control the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel.

As another few hours passed by, Ning Cheng finally was able to slightly control the mobility of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel with his Spiritual Consciousness, as he directed the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel to finally move forward, rather than rising upwards at a set level.

As for the Power of Hope pouring out of the Imperial Jade Seal, he still did not have any way of controlling it; as such, Ning Cheng once again poured his efforts in continuing to refine the Imperial Jade Seal, while simultaneously using his Spiritual Consciousness to sweep out. He wanted to have a look, as to what was outside and also where he was, especially after a few hours of crazy ascension.

But this time when Ning Cheng swept out with his Spiritual Consciousness, an extremely berserk aura almost smothered his Spiritual Consciousness, while at the same time, that aura, working its way through his Spiritual Consciousness link, unexpectedly exploded into his Sea of Consciousness. Just like countless haphazard Wind Edges, mixed with innumerable quantities of crushed stones, continuously pounded at his Sea of Consciousness.

Ning Cheng, under this kind of attack, turned completely pale, as violent stabs of pain pulsed through his Sea of Consciousness, making him almost cough out a mouthful of blood.

“Chaotic Star Space?” Ning Cheng was completely shocked as he spoke aloud, he completely did not expect that the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel would actually bring him to such a high place.

About the Chaotic Star Space, Ning Cheng only had the information that he had read over a few random jade strips that he had collected, and knew that it was not filled with normal Star Gas. Rather it was the first layer of space just outside the atmosphere, this layer of space was what acted as a boundary between the atmosphere and the void outside. In this place, there were all kinds of Laws mixed in a disorderly manner, chaotic Astral Winds and meteorites could also be found screaming through this space all year round. He had read that even Crucible Transformation Cultivators would not be able to come to this place. It was because of these reasons that this space was also called as the Chaotic Star Space.

How could the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel bring him to this kind of terrifying place? One had to know that just above this layer of Chaotic Star Space, which was acting as the boundary, was the thing that separated this world from the void. Fortunately, the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel had not brought him outside the world and into the void. But even so, Ning Cheng was aware that even if the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel were stimulated even more, even then it would not be enough to take him into the void outside the world.

Going outside into the void meant to journey into the territories out in the vast void, which also meant that one had to tear through this space in order to achieve such a thing. Some of the pinnacle experts could tear through the atmosphere covering the Yi Xing Mainland, go through the layer of Chaotic Star Space, and then tear through the boundary before finally stepping into the void.

But it would need an extremely huge amount of energy per person, to be able to tear through the space, anytime and anywhere. This kind of thing was simply a legend, and at least in the Yi Xing Mainland was something that was never recorded down. Ning Cheng had listened to Taishu Shi saying that it was something that only his Taishu Clan’s Ancestor had achieved.

Someone who could actually able to pass through the layer of Chaotic Star Space was absolutely a top class expert, and would be far more powerful than Crucible Transformation Cultivators. As for ordinary Crucible Transformation Cultivators, even reaching the layer of Chaotic Star Space was something that could not be achieved, not to mention tearing through the boundaries of the world and stepping into the void.

Although Ning Cheng was seeing these things with his own eyes, but he was also aware that in the Yi Xing Mainland it was something completely unheard of let alone see, after all, a Crucible Transformation Cultivator was already the highest level of existence in the 9 Continents.

After the initial shock, Ning Cheng slowly started being accustomed to the stabs of pain, and after a few more moments, he once again began to slowly allow his Spiritual Consciousness to seep out. This place reminded him of the Angry Axe Lotus Flower Pond from the Angry Axe Valley, he could feel that this place was quite good in cultivating one’s Spiritual Consciousness.

Ning Cheng did not have any kind of cultivation methods that he could use to cultivate his Spiritual Consciousness, but he could ascertain that a place like the Chaotic Star Space could definitely help him in that regard. In this manner, he slowly started to stretch out his Spiritual Consciousness, starting from the time he was unable to extend it to this present moment where he finally was able to extend it outwards in a range of a few feet. As days went past, his Spiritual Consciousness was also growing more and more powerful.

A few months later, Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness could now sweep out in a range of a few hundred meters. Not only that, Ning Cheng could also feel that his Sea of Consciousness was also growing more and more solid and firm, causing the circulation of his Spiritual Consciousness to become even relaxed and mellow.

Sure enough, it was really as he had thought it out to be, this place really was a good place to help your Spiritual Consciousness grow. Unfortunately, the Chaotic Star Space was also quite fearful; otherwise, he could have also used this place to temper his body. Moreover, he truly, just like the cultivation of Spiritual Consciousness, did not know any kind of cultivation method that he could use to temper his fleshy body. If such things truly exist, then he will certainly think of a way to obtain it.

After all, originally, the Everlasting Blue Thunder City and the Chaotic Star Space were a good place to refine and cultivate one's Spiritual Consciousness and fleshy body.

As another few months passed by, Ning Cheng's Sea of Consciousness grew increasingly thick, and his Spiritual Consciousness could now sweep over a range of a thousand meters away from him. Ning Cheng understood that, despite not being able to advance in levels, his strength definitely had an exponential improvement.

At this moment, his Spiritual Consciousness was probably a lot stronger than some of the Profound Core Cultivators. Moreover, his Spiritual Consciousness was not only more powerful, but was also a lot more condensed.

Feeling how powerful his Spiritual Consciousness had grown, Ning Cheng suddenly had a thought to once again give the Everlasting Blue Thunder City residing in his Zifu another shot and see whether he could mobilize it or not.

Ning Cheng was still thinking about how to mobilize the Everlasting Blue Thunder City, when he felt that the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel had suddenly started to slow down.

It seems that the Power of Hope has finally started to dry up, Ning Cheng once again immediately controlled the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel to fly downwards, and sure enough, this time he could change the direction of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel in a much more relaxed manner. Half an hour later, the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel finally emerged from the Chaotic Star Space, and Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness, that was just like a caged eagle back in that place, almost instantaneously relaxed.

This time his Spiritual Consciousness could sweep out over an area that was many dozens of times larger than what it could before, and was also incomparably clear.

After struggling for several months, the level of his Spiritual Consciousness really could not be compared to what it was before.

He was still at a very high altitude, but was not surrounded by the Chaotic Star Space, moreover now that the Power of Hope inside the Imperial Jade Seal was almost used up; he finally was able to gain control of the situation. Ning Cheng quickly took control of the Imperial Jade Seal, as he put away both the Imperial Jade Seal and the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, while simultaneously taking out an ordinary airship type magical weapon.

Ning Cheng was now quite clear on the function of the Power of Hope; as such, he was not willing to completely use up the Power of Hope stored in the Imperial Jade Seal. Once he ran out of it, then even with his current ability, wanting to find another source of Power of Hope was something that was simply impossible.

Although this airship type magical weapon was a medium grade Spiritual Artefact, but it's speed could not even be compared to a fraction of that of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel. Fortunately, Ning Cheng did not care about it, he was certain that in whichever direction that he had moved forward, after such a long flight with the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, the Gui Yuan City was still able to find him, then it really would be quite strange.

Ning Cheng allowed the airship to land, as he tried to use his newly ungraded Spiritual Consciousness to bring out the Everlasting Blue Thunder City. Once this thing could be brought out, then in the face of a terrifying attack, the Everlasting Blue Thunder City could at least block it.

Using his thick and vigorous Spiritual Consciousness to stimulate the Everlasting Blue Thunder City, Ning Cheng almost broke open his Sea of Consciousness, only being able to bring out a faint flickering shadow of the Thunder City. Moreover, this flickering shadow also disappeared in a short while. Ning Cheng drew in a deep breath; he knew that it should be because his True Essence was simply insufficient for this kind of act.

A few days later, Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness had swept over a large swath of ocean water, evidently even when he flew for such a long time with the help of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, he was still in the Yi Xing Ocean.

A huge ship appeared in the range of his Spiritual Consciousness as it navigated the ocean, allowing Ning Cheng understand that he might be near to a place from where cultivators conducted their activities.

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Chapter 244: The Flickering Ship

Ning Cheng carefully controlled his flight type magical weapon as he slowly descended towards this ship that seemed to be cruising the ocean. He did not know the origin of this ship; as such, he was not willing to rush up to it.

But when Ning Cheng was only a thousand meters away from this ship, the ship in front of him suddenly disappeared. Ning Cheng was startled at heart, as he immediately lurched to a stop, while simultaneously used his spiritual consciousness to carefully sweep the location at which the ship had disappeared. He found that place to be empty, and did not have anything at all.

The ocean sailing ship had completely disappeared; moreover, even the surrounding water was also completely tranquil, just how could such a huge ship disappear?

A mirage? Ning Cheng immediately shot down that thought, what he had seen was certainly not a mirage. His spiritual consciousness clearly had detected the ship in its sweep showing that it was definitely made of real materials; moreover, his spiritual consciousness was also unable to seep into the ship.

If it was a mirage, then how could he possibly have such a feeling? As such, it was not a mirage, yet how could it not be illusion when he saw it disappear without so much as a hint. Although the water in this area of the ocean was not clear, but it could not block his spiritual consciousness.

Ning Cheng immediately clutched an Escaping Talisman in his hand, before he started to advance towards that location at which he had first seen the ship, but this time at an even slower pace. After he advanced a few hundred meters, Ning Cheng once again had to stop abruptly. A ship was starting to materialize at that spot, moreover it was not only huge but was also turning from obscure to clear, and at the same time, one could also make out more and more of its finer details.

This time Ning Cheng was able to get a clear look at it, and found that it was actually not something that could be considered as a ship, although the part facing him was similar in appearance to the hull of a ship, but it was actually a ship shaped island. This island looked so much like an ocean faring ship, not only was it similar in appearance, but it even had a Natural Restriction which was similar to the ones placed on ships, because of which his spiritual consciousness could not seep in.

That ship-shaped island was very quiet, without even a single trace of sound. Ning Cheng did not dare to go up to the island immediately. He did not know what the hell was wrong with this island, and was thinking if this island would cease to exist in a moment.

As Ning Cheng observed it for the time it took for an incense stick to burn, he found that apart from this island's apparent ability to automatically conceal itself from the outside, there was nothing else that was suspicious. It even so did not give him any sort of dangerous feeling. He finally decided to go up to this island to have a look, in case there was any danger, he would immediately activate the Escape Talisman to get away.

“Wo Wo....” A sound of a horn that would make people extremely uncomfortable, that was both low and deep, rode up through the ocean breeze, which made Ning Cheng to suddenly turn vigilant. A moment ago, Ning Cheng had focussed his entire attention on the ship-shaped island in front of him, and had forgotten to keep track of his surrounding circumstances. He immediately swept out with his spiritual consciousness. This time a fuzzy image of another ocean faring ship appeared in the range of his spiritual consciousness.

His spiritual consciousness, at this moment, was already very powerful, and was much more solid when compared to the spiritual consciousness of an average Profound Core Cultivator. As such, even though there was a huge distance between them, even so he was still able to see them.

Was this like before?

Ning Cheng soon found a difference, this ship that appeared behind the ship-shaped island that he had seen a while ago, had some differences. The ship that had just emerged was actually sailing the ocean, and not only sailing, with his spiritual consciousness he could also perceive many shadows moving back and forth on it. It can be seen that this ship was really a ship, and there were real people existing over it.

There really were people here, Ning Cheng couldn't help but call out in a soft tone. What he was most fearful was, dying in the depths of the Yi Xing Ocean, in other words, in the middle of nowhere. Since there were people coming here, it would also mean that he would be able to reach land from here.

He planned to first go up to the people on the ship and ask about the current situation first. He turned to look at this ship-shaped island once again, but when Ning Cheng turned his head back, he was startled once again. The ship-shaped island had once again inexplicably disappeared.

This kind of phenomenon was simply too strange. Ning Cheng was no longer the kind of person who had arrived at the Yi Xing Mainland for one or two days. He had seen many strange things since he had arrived here; as such, he did not particularly care about this one. After memorizing the particular location in front of him, Ning Cheng quickly left the area, as he moved towards the ship that had people on-board.

Ning Cheng's speed was not fast. As he got closer to the ship, he continued to keep a close watch on it. After the time it took for an incense stick to burn, the sailors over the ship also were able to discover his presence, and even opened the Restrictions over the deck, causing a few different spiritual consciousness swept over the body of Ning Cheng.

On seeing this, Ning Cheng also picked up his speed before finally landing on the ship's deck.

In order to not cause a misunderstanding with the others, Ning Cheng did not use his spiritual consciousness to forcibly scan the inside of the ship before landing. Before when his spiritual consciousness had just brushed past the ship, he was able to sense that there was definitely someone people inside, and had immediately retracted it. Now that the Restriction over the ship's deck was opened, Ning Cheng was able to clearly see the circumstances inside and was immediately surprised. Just the deck of the ship had at least one to two hundred people. Just what kind of ship was this? If just the deck itself held this amount of people, then wouldn't it mean that there were even more people inside?

Ning Cheng had just landed and had still not yet steadied his feet, when two men immediately landed in front of Ning Cheng. One on his left, and the other on his right, as they scrutinised Ning Cheng. These two people had their cultivation in Profound Core Realm. One of them looked extremely sturdy, and had a head full of dark red hair. While the other person had short hair, and was standing with pursed lips as he stared at Ning Cheng. It seemed as if he would never speak.

In the eyes of the two, in addition to a little bit of surprise, there was not much of a vigilance. After all, Ning Cheng's real cultivation was only in the Profound Congealing Realm, plus with how young Ning Cheng looked, they presumed that it was pretty much impossible for him to have a cultivation more powerful than their own.

Ning Cheng did not wait for the two of them to speak, as he cupped his fists and spoke, "Two friends, our ship because of an encounter with a Class 8 monstrous beast, ended up getting wrecked. I, with the help of an Escaping Talisman, was lucky to be able to escape with my life. I have been drifting for a few months already, so today when I saw a ship again, wanted to take this heaven sent advantage to ask for refuge the ship..."

Ning Cheng had already gone through the details as to what to say, covering all the flaws, that he was on a ship before, but his ship was destroyed by a monstrous beast. It was definitely not much of a strange thing. Moreover, even though there were so many cultivators on the ship, there might not even be a single person here who would recognize him. But even so, at this point, he couldn't help but think as to what he would reply with if other asked about his origin, or about what he had come here for, how should he answer it?

The red haired male cultivator hearing Ning Cheng's words nodded his head as he spoke, "It must have been difficult for you, especially regarding your ship, but since you were able to able to escape, it could be considered as you getting off lightly. Presumably, you must have followed the original navigational direction of your ship to come here, and should also be searching for the Mirage Ship Island. Since you already are aware of the rules on an ocean faring ship, as such I will not be speaking any nonsense. We have a few cabins available on our ship, what grade do you want?"

This red haired man did not seem to be stranger to the thought of meeting people like Ning Cheng; it was obvious that he encountered many of such situations before. Not only was he not stranger to the things that Ning Cheng had spoken about, he was even too lazy to ask about his name or even his origin.

"I don't have a lot of Spiritual Stones on me, so let's talk about the cheapest single cabin you have." Ning Cheng truly did not know about the several grades of cabins available on an ocean faring ship, as such could only vaguely speak a phrase.

Thinking about what the red haired male cultivator spoke about something called the Mirage Ship Island, he could not help but think back to the ship-shaped island that he had seen earlier. If it was really the same thing, then he did not know as to why there people wanted to find this island.

That male cultivator with short hair and pursed lips swept a glance at Ning Cheng and finally spoke up in quite voice, "There is a single cabin for you to live here, and is also fairly good."

The red haired man also nodded in favour, as he took out a number plate and gave it to Ning Cheng while saying, "You can go to the 3rd Grade Cabin 219. No. 219 has been already been empty for a long time, and the price is 100,000 High Grade Spirit stones for a year."

Ning Cheng hurried received the jade sign, and paid the 100,000 Spirit stones to the opposite party. While at the same time, he thought in his heart that this room was really quite expensive, already the cheapest and yet costs about 100,000 Spirit stones a year, if that was the case then how much would the best cabin cost?

"You can go in, you already know the rules of the ship and I will also not bother to say it." The red haired cultivator seeing Ning Cheng pay up the Spirit stones felt very refreshed, and was also quite satisfied. What he would have hated the most was if this cultivator, who although met such a misfortune, entered the ship and started bargaining.

Ning Cheng on seeing that the opposite party not take him to the 219th cabin, also did not care to ask about it, as he cupped his fists as a thanks, and immediately moved to enter the inside of the ship.

At the same time, his spiritual consciousness swept into the jade card in his hand. The jade card turned out to be a quite an impressive and clear positional map. The top surface was marked with the location of the various cabins; Ning Cheng could not help but sigh out in amazement. Not only this jade card

contained the map layout, there was also a bit of information about the different areas. The various makeshift settlements, auction markets, shops and the likes were also marked quite clearly on it.

This ship was simply extremely huge, Ning Cheng made a careful observation from one side as he walked, after the time it took for half an incense stick to burn, he finally arrived at the door marked with '219'.

Using the jade sign to open the room, it was not contrary to what Ning Cheng expected. This room was definitely not larger than 10 square meters, and other than a wooden bed, there was nothing else in here.

Shutting the door, Ning Cheng's spiritual consciousness carefully read the information on the jade sign. Needless to say, it was forbidden or rather one did not have the option of spying on the rooms of other people at will. Before the fare for the passage has not expired, the tenants would have to also take the initiative to pay the fees by themselves, if it becomes known that you are staying without renewing then you will be fined even more. If you had no spirit stones, then you would simply be thrown into the ocean.

Ning Cheng put away the jade card, and arranged a simple Shielding Restriction inside his room. He did not intend to continue with his cultivation practice on the ship; as such, the restriction that he placed was also a lower level restriction.

After tidying his things up, Ning Cheng left his cabin. He first wanted to inquire as to exactly where this ship had originated from, and also why did it want to go search for the 'Mirage Ship Island'?

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"Fuck off." Ning Cheng had just arrived at the ship's makeshift market, when he saw a shadow of a Taoist being kicked out from the inside of a shop, which was accompanied with an extremely unhappy and foul-mouthed voice.

There were many people in this makeshift market, but when these people saw this situation, none of them stepped forward to say anything.

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Chapter 245: Coming for the Mirage Stone

Ning Cheng discovered that the person who was thrown out just now was a Profound Congealing 9th Level Cultivator. As the cultivator saw Ning Cheng come over, Ning Cheng could see that his eyes were filled with raw hate, before he got up and rapidly moved away from that place.

Ning Cheng did not go to look for the cultivator who just left, he saw that the shop he was thrown out did not sell any kind of magical weapons or pills, it was not even a place for acquiring materials, but rather was a pawn shop, and outside this pawn shop were four characters written in a large font, 'Maritime Pawn Shop'

"Friend, do you want to exchange magical weapons or something?" Ning Cheng had not yet entered the shop and was just looking at the outside when he heard a man giving him a polite greeting with cupped fists as he stood at the door.

Ning Cheng hesitated for a while before finally speaking up, "I want to exchange a magical weapon, but I do not know as to how much a medium grade attack type magical weapon could be exchanged for?"

In Ning Cheng's ring, there were mostly Spiritual Artefacts, although there were not many high grade ones, but as for medium and low grade, there were a lot of them. Although he did not lack Spirit Stones, but he wanted to know about the specific situation in this kind of place. Of course, there was certainly another reason for him doing such a thing, and that was to not let others perceive him a rich cultivator.

On this ship, there were many people, and although the number was limited, people would always come and go as time flew past; as such keeping a low profile is always a good thing. Moreover, for him, not to mention about exchanging a medium grade artefact, even if it were lost, Ning Cheng would not even bat an eye for it.

Hearing that he wanted to exchange a medium grade Spiritual Artefact, the enthusiasm in that person's voice also fell a lot, but even so he still spoke to Ning Cheng about the pawn shop in a polite manner, "The price of exchange for a medium grade Spiritual Artefact is five thousand high grade Spirit Stones, you can take it back anytime within three months with an additional cost of two thousand high grade Spirit Stones. But after three months, you will be unable to take it back."

"So sinister ah." Ning Cheng could not help but shout out in his heart. In the Le Continent, in general, even the worst kind of medium grade Spiritual Artefact could be exchanged for tens of thousands of Spirit Stones, if it was of a better quality then it could even be exchanged for hundreds of thousands of Spirit Stones. His own Profound Break Spear costed him 300,000 Spirit Stones. Moreover, this man had not even seen him take out his things, and still offered him a starting cost of a mere 5000 Spirit Stones immediately. Moreover, after three months, it simply could not be taken back. It was simply shameless to the extreme.

Even if Ning Cheng was richer than now, he did not want to waste things in such a manner, as he shook his head and spoke, "I will think about it."

"I don't mind. In this place, no matter what the situation, anyone is welcome to come here at any time." Although he had completely lost his enthusiasm, but he still kept a smile on his face. Apparently, he was sure that Ning Cheng would come to this place eventually. In this ship, if one did not have Spirit Stones, then you would not be able to go on.

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Ning Cheng had just turned away from the pawn shop, when he could feel that someone was tracking him. His Spiritual Consciousness was almost equivalent to that of a Soul Essence Cultivator at this point, and was incomparably concise. In this place, he had not yet encountered a Soul Essence Cultivator, as such if one wanted to track him inconspicuously, then it was simply impossible.

But still he was not able to figure out who would want to track him, he had definitely not revealed the wealth that he was carrying, and he also did not know any person here since he had only just arrived here.

"This friend, please wait." A low yet deep voice hailed Ning Cheng.

Ning Cheng relaxed, as the person who had called out to him also seemed to be the person who was tracking him. As long as he called out to him, he could explain the matter as to why he was tracking him, and was not a trick.

Ning Cheng turned back and saw a very emaciated middle aged looking male cultivator, with a cultivation at Profound Core 4th Level.

“This friend, I do not seem to know you, so why would you come looking for me?” Ning Cheng intentionally put on a doubt ridden frown as he asked.

The thin cultivator gave a slight smile and spoke up, “My name is Mu Xunlin, if you do not mind having a friend, then I have a few words that we friends could share with each other, there could also be an exchange if you are interested in a business.”

Although Ning Cheng was a bit confused as to what was going on here, but since this person was someone who took the initiative to call on him before arriving, it was only natural that he would not refuse him, as he hastily spoke up, “Well ah, so be it, I’ll pay for it. Let’s go to the Spiritual Tea Shop in front of us to sit down.”

Seeing Ning Cheng pointing to a small Spiritual Tea Shop in front of them, Mu Xunlin nodded his head and spoke. “My friend, you really are quite an open minded person who is definitely worth becoming friends with. Nevertheless since you have invited me, so let’s go to the Spiritual Tea Shop immediately.”

Seeing this person agree to the invite, Ning Cheng also did not refuse. This Mu Xunlin had kept track of him since he had come out of the pawn shop. Perhaps it was because he had what he wanted, a medium grade Spiritual Artefact, at least which was what he had come up with.

Mu Xunlin was not stingy, as he found a small private room, couple with two cups of good Spiritual Tea.

Ning Cheng saw that Mu Xunlin wanted to speak, so he quickly spoke up before he could, “Many thanks to Elder Brother Mu for showing such politeness, but I still do not know where does Elder Brother Mu comes from? How long have you been on the ocean?”

After so many years of extensive travelling, Ning Cheng’s mind had long since grown from that of a youth when he had first arrived in this world. This ship definitely was a place that only recognized Spirit Stones, and because of this, the two Profound Core Cultivators from before did not care about asking him of his name or background or where had he come from.

But since this Mu Xunlin wanted to gain a favour from him, and had even mentioned his own name first, as such it was quite necessary to ask him about where he was going, and what his name was.

Moreover, he himself did not know where at present he was at, as such Ning Cheng really did not want to reveal his real name. In the case of if he had ended up returning back to the periphery of the Le Continent after going through a huge circle in the Chaotic Star Space, it would be completely nonsensical to report his real name, and it would only be him courting death.

“Haha, I have been in the Yi Xing Ocean for over twenty years, and have no idea as to how to get back home, this time if I can earn enough Spirit Stones, then I could use the Transmission Array on the Mirage Gazing Island to return back to the Formless Academy. After all these years, my cultivation had barely progressed, after all there are just too few opportunities here, ai...”

Mu Xunlin gave out a self-deprecating laugh, and after he spoke gave out a long yet deep sigh, it was apparent as to how much of a toll has these years taken on him.

“Formless Academy?” Ning Cheng intentionally repeated the words with a questioning tone, while he thought in his mind, that this Formless Academy should not have any connection with his own cultivation method that was named Mysterious Yellow Formless.

Mu Xunlin once again gave a self-ridiculing laugh as he spoke, “This friend not hearing about the Formless Academy is quite normal. My Academy is only a four Star Academy. On the Tian Continent, a 4 Star Academy is simply a humble existence.”

Ning Cheng slowly let out a breath, as he finally was able to find his bearings. While in his heart, he couldn't help but be shocked, as he had never thought that he would be able to arrive near to the Tian Continent with the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel. If it were before, he would have never thought such a thing could even be possible.

Travelling from the nine continents of the mainland to the Tian Continent, even if one was a Crucible Transformation Cultivator it would be almost next to impossible, and yet here he was but merely using around 2 years to arrive. If this was spoken to someone else, it could be easily guessed that there would simply be no one who would believe it.

Now that he was aware that he was near to the Tian Continent, he now felt completely relieved as he spoke, “So originally Elder Brother Mu was a disciple from the Formless Academy, at least it is much better when compared with me. I am called Ning Cheng, and am only a rogue cultivator, and have also been living in the ocean for over many years.”

Hearing Ning Cheng say that he was a rogue cultivator, Mu Xunlin did not feel surprised, and continued, “It seems Elder Brother Ning misunderstood something, I am not a disciple of the Formless Academy rather I am the Academy Head of the Formless Academy. It was roughly about 20 years ago that I advanced to the Profound Core Realm, and coincidentally was able to advance to the Profound Core 2nd Level again in just three years. After another year, I was able to advance to the Profound Core 3rd Level. The Formless Academy because of finding a secret stash of resources was able to undergo a huge expansion, which resulted in me being bursting with confidence, which ended up with me making a decision that I bitterly regret now, and that was to go to the Mirage Gazing City to seek out the Mirage Ship Island.”

This was the second person from who Ning Cheng had heard about the name ‘Mirage Ship Island’, and so he once again asked in a puzzled manner, “A lot of people seem to be looking for the Mirage Ship Island aah; I am also here because I wanted to look for the Mirage Ship Island. So what's wrong in it?”

Mu Xunlin gave a bitter smile, “I know why you came here for, in fact all the cultivators here are for the same reason, other than a few who truly came here in order to hunt sea beasts, who would come here to collect herbs and other materials from the ocean? Almost 90 percent of the people here have come for the Mirage Ship Island. For more than 20 years, I have used up all of the resources at my disposal, and yet my cultivation had only advanced to the Profound Core 4th level at present. But even then, I could not even get a glimpse of the Mirage Ship Island, let alone the Mirage Stone. ”

So originally, he wanted to go look for the Mirage Ship Island to search for Mirage Stones, it seems that this Mirage Stone is not just any material; rather it is something extremely precious, which is the reason why there were these many people who want to find it. Ning Cheng finally understood a little bit of context, he felt that a huge weight had been lifted from his heart. At least now, if someone asked him as to what reason he was here for, he would be able to answer it.

“Elder Brother Mu, to be frank, I am not a person looking for the Mirage Ship Island. Moreover, I am also not from this ship, rather I was on another ship. But our ship suffered an attack from a sea beast, and I ended up escaping here using an Escaping Talisman. But listening to what Elder Brother Mu spoke a few moments ago, about you using up your savings, didn’t it mean that this is a black ship?” Ning Cheng asked.

Towards Ning Cheng’s words, Mu Xunlin did not feel surprised, he simply waved his hands and spoke, “Elder Brother Ning seems to have misunderstood something. This ship is actually quite a famous ship of the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate of the Mirage Gazing Island. It is absolutely not a black ship, moreover, the shops on the ship are also well mannered, and will absolutely not do business through force. For example, take the pawn shop you just went to, although they offer very low prices, if you do not agree, they will also not force you. However, if in the end you are not able to pay the passage fare, then you will eventually wind up at that place.”

Speaking until here, Mu Xunlin showed a faint smile, “I think that Elder Brother Ning, by now, you should have realized why I had decided to approach you. Although the pawn shop does not use compulsion to exchange goods, but the exchange price is simply too low. You have also seen it yourself, for your medium grade Spiritual Artefact, they will only exchange it for five thousand high grade Spirit Stones. I suggest that you do not go there, I have also ended up going there to exchange my magical weapon, and now, at present, I do not own even a single magical weapon to strike back.”

“Did you look at the cultivator that was kicked out of the shop? He was also such a person, who had ended up putting his magical weapon in the hands of the pawn shop. Even if you do not have magical weapon, you can come to the pawn shop for help. But the pawn shops only recognizes Spirit Stones and not people, as a result you would only end up being kicked out. Elder Brother Ning, if you have a magical weapon, you will finally end up falling to the same level as us. Moreover do not think that you would be able to redeem the magical weapon, it is something that is extremely difficult.”

“So for Elder Brother Mu to look for me, does it mean that you want to buy the medium grade Spiritual Artefact from my hands?” Ning Cheng asked.

Mu Xunlin spoke with an embarrassed voice, “I really do want to buy the medium grade Spiritual Artefact from Elder Brother Ning’s hands, but unfortunately I do not have any Spirit Stones. But since Elder Brother Ning has brought out a Spiritual Artefact for exchange, then presumably, you should be having more than one Spiritual Artefact with you. As such, I would like to request Elder Brother Ning to lend me this Spiritual Artefact for my use, as in order to survive on this ship; I had ended up selling all my magical weapons. Without any magical weapons, I cannot go into the ocean, and if I cannot go into the ocean, then I would not be able to gather materials. Without gathering materials, I would not be able to exchange them for Spirit Stones. It is just an endless loop, sigh.....”

This was one deep sigh.

Ning Cheng already was able to somewhat understand the predicament this person was in, and also was able to very much sympathise with this Mu Xunlin. But just because of hearing a few words, he would not allow a stranger to borrow a magical weapon from him.

“Elder Brother Mu.....”

Ning Cheng had just spoke two words, when he was interrupted by Mu Xunlin, “I am not just simply borrowing your magical weapon I also have something to give you as a mortgage. The reason why the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate’s ship had come here was mainly that some people had seen the Mirage Ship Island nearby. As long as the Mirage Ship Island is found, then even if I could get my hands on just a single Mirage Stone, it would be more than enough..”

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Chapter 246: Rushing Towards the Mirage Ship Island

Ning Cheng wanted to know as to what was the usefulness of the Mirage Stone in the end. Having heard until here, he intentionally gave a long sigh before speaking, “So many people wanting to seek out Mirage Stones, yet there are already a few people have already found it before, this really seems to be unworthy of its name aah.....”

Mu Xunlin spoke up, “Elder Brother Ning should really not think like this, although there were a few people in the past who had found Mirage Stones, but the Mirage Stone is actually not a thing unworthy of its name, rather is a real treasure. Otherwise, there would not be so many giant academies on the Tian Continent still searching for Mirage Stones. Even for a rogue cultivator, just obtaining a Mirage Stone, it would be equivalent of a carp leaping over the dragon’s gate. Even if one’s qualifications is poor, it can still help you join the big academies, and also help you obtain the status of an inner disciple of the academy.”

Ning Cheng had already come in contact with many disciples of the 8 Star and 9 Star Academies, as such when he heard Mu Xunlin speak about becoming a disciple of a big academy, he did not care about it. What he wanted to know was the uses of this Mirage Stone, but he also knew that it would not be good if he directly asked about it.

As Ning Cheng hesitated as to what to speak up, Mu Xunlin once again spoke up, “Elder Brother Ning, this is my Academy Head Token, although my Formless Academy is merely a 4 Star Academy. But as long as Elder Brother Ning can help me out this time, then once we are back in the Tian Continent, I will certainly repay Elder Brother Ning a hundred fold. Moreover, this time I would also be able to take advantage of Elder Brother Ning’s magical weapon, and go out at the next island to help us both to some monstrous beast materials and Spiritual Grasses. With those I would also be able to give back Elder Brother Ning’s magical weapon soon.”

“Elder Brother Mu, may I ask as to what’s so special about this Mirage Ship Island? I am just a rogue cultivator, although I did come to seek out Mirage Stones like everybody else, but the fact is, there are a lot of things that I do not understand.”

Ning Cheng did not take Mu Xunlin’s Academy Head Token he believed that Mu Xunlin did not lie to him as such he already planned to let Mu Xunlin borrow his magical weapon. He had just come aboard this ship, as such for him to be able to make a friend to talk to was something good. Moreover, since he was

now waiting to arrive at the Tian Continent, having such a friend would certainly be better so as to have a better understanding of people from that place.

Mu Xunlin did not care about taking into consideration the differing words that Ning Cheng had just spoken. He had merely spoken a few words. If the opposite party really could let him borrow a magical weapon with just this, then even he would feel it somewhat inconceivable.

“Mirage Ship Island is actually a mobile island, and this island appears and disappears from time to time. Once some people discovered the appearance of Mirage Ship Island, then it would give them the opportunity to enter the island to seek out the Mirage Stones. The island will appear for a maximum of the time it would take for an incense stick to burn, after the time it takes for an incense stick to burn passes, the island will immediately start to disappear, and would once again appear only after a certain period of time and also in a completely random place. If you cannot come out of the Mirage Ship Island before the island disappears completely, then you would never be able to come out of the Mirage Ship Island.”

Mu Xunlin explained Ning Cheng’s question in unusual detail. However, fearing that Ning Cheng would still not understand, he supplemented with another sentence, “The Mirage Ship Island will only appear in a place once, as long as someone goes in, then the next time it would never appear in the same spot, and will only appear in a place very far from the previous one.”

Ning Cheng asked with surprise, “Doesn’t this mean that this island has a Spiritual Nature? If you enter the Mirage Island and are too late to come out from it, then can you not come out safe and sound when the Mirage Ship Island once again appears the next time?”

TL Note – Spiritual Nature in this novel pertains to inanimate objects manifesting their intelligence. These objects do not have life but do possess a bit of intelligence.

Mu Xunlin shook his head, “It is absolutely impossible. Although you can easily enter the Mirage Ship Island, but if you could not come out before the Mirage Ship Island fully disappears, you will disappear forever.”

Such a strange island, and yet people still go to such a place. What a really strange thing to accept aah. It seems that to be able to enter the Mirage Ship Island, one has to be at the forefront of others. Otherwise, once someone else goes in, the Mirage Ship Island would almost immediately start to disappear, and he would not have to opportunity again.

Just as Mu Xunlin wanted to continue remind Ning Cheng of the magical weapon once again, a blast from a broadcast from the outside suddenly interrupted their thoughts. Even if the Spiritual Tea Room was surrounded by an isolation restriction, the broadcast could still be heard faintly.

Ning Cheng could vaguely hear that the broadcast from the outside had something to do with the Mirage Ship Island. Not waiting for him to say anything, Mu Xunlin suddenly stood up, with an incomparably excited expression on his face, “The Mirage Ship Island appeared, it really appeared. I waited for twenty years, and finally after 20 years I was able to find the Mirage Ship Island.....”

Mu Xunlin simply forgot about borrowing a magical weapon from Ning Cheng, and immediately rushed forward outside the door. But just as he was about to go out, he seemed to have finally remembered that he did not have a magical weapon, as he quickly ran back towards Ning Cheng as he cupped his fists

and asked in an eager fashion, “Elder Brother Ning, there are monstrous beasts on the Mirage Ship Island, and there would also be cultivators who would try and snatch things from each other. I really do not have a magical weapon, and beseech Elder Brother Ning to lend me one. I will definitely help Elder Brother Ning on the Mirage Ship Island, after all one is definitely better than two.”

Ning Cheng’s mind was also intrigued by the Mirage Ship Island, as such, he did not hesitate to take out a knife shaped medium grade Spiritual Artefact as he passed it on to Mu Xunlin and said, “Elder Brother Mu can take it, I wish Elder Brother Mu good luck. As for that Academy Head Token, I do not have any use for it, but once we arrive at the Tian Continent, Elder Brother Mu has to remember that you have promised to drink a cup of good tea with me again.”

“Yes, yes, many thanks Elder Brother Ning, I will definitely not disappoint Elder Brother Ning...” Mu Xunlin finished speaking in a few words and immediately rushed out. He obviously wanted to seize the time and hurry up finish refining the magical weapon in his hands.

Ning Cheng also left the Spiritual Tea Shop, and discovered that tens of thousands of cultivators were rushing towards the deck.

Ning Cheng also followed the numerous cultivators onto the deck, and found that the deck was already filled to the brim with cultivators, Sweeping lightly with his Spiritual Consciousness he found that there were at least 10-20 thousand people.

Even though the deck was extremely large, at this time the cultivators were packed so tightly that there was not much space between them. At this time, even if one swept out with their Spiritual Consciousness at random, absolutely no one would say anything.

The restriction place on the deck was also opened, which allowed the heavy ocean wind to breeze by. Ning Cheng could, with his Spiritual Consciousness, clearly see that in the direction directly in front of the ship, the place from where he had come, was the location of the Mirage Ship Island.

It seems that the Mirage Ship Island really was the one he had found. Ning Cheng settled down his heart as he thought that what had been found already would end up being found once again. What he was waiting for was to enter the Mirage Ship Island and look for the Mirage Stones. In this place, he could see that a majority had the cultivation of Profound Core Realm and Profound Congealing Realm, and were mixed in with a large amount of Essence Building Cultivators. As for Soul Essence Cultivators, Ning Cheng only was able to see a handful of them.

As Ning Cheng’s Spiritual Consciousness swept past, the Mirage Ship Island in front of him started to disappear, before completely vanishing without any trace.

At this point, an intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator suddenly flew out and stopped over the airspace over the front of the deck and spoke in a loud voice, “People aboard the Mirage Exploring Conglomerate’s ship, this time our Mirage Exploring Conglomerate’s ship has really lived up to your expectations, and has found the real Mirage Ship Island. I believe that all the people here are as heavily excited as I am. For us to be able to lead you all to the real Mirage Ship Island, to seek out the Mirage Stones, is an honour for our Mirage Exploring Conglomerate’s ship.”

“Everybody should show a tiny bit more patience, after I issue the order, we can break into the Mirage Ship Island together. Any person trying to leave the ship otherwise would simply be killed without

amnesty. The next time the Mirage Ship Island appears, we will not go in, but rather continue to observe, and during our wait till the next time it appears, we would use it for preparation to go in.....”

“The Mirage Exploring Conglomerate really has a well deserved reputation, the next time I will definitely take the ship of the Mirage Exploring Conglomerate, thanks to the Mirage Exploring Conglomerate.....” A variety of supporting voices could be heard coming from various directions.

The intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator simply waved his hands and then continued, “Everybody here is seeking Mirage Stones, but we will only have at most the time it takes for an incense stick to burn to enter the Mirage Ship Island. Once the time limit passes, you will end up perishing inside the Mirage Ship Island. In fact, going through the records since the discovery of the Mirage Ship Island, only less than 3% of the people entering the island would be able to come out. Therefore I hope that you do not fight amongst each other after entering the Mirage Island, and rather use this opportunity wisely.....”

With this, the warnings and introduction given by the intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator finished, and everyone started with their small talks. However, the order amongst them was well maintained, and everyone’s eyes and Spiritual Consciousness was concentrated at one particular location, that is, the location where the Mirage Ship Island had appeared previously.

Although the discussions were being done quietly, but Ning Cheng was still able to hear some of the talks pertaining the Mirage Ship Island. This made Ning Cheng’s understanding regarding the Mirage Ship Island to deepen, and even found out that the Mirage Stone had some sort of relationship with the Heaven’s Way and was also somewhat related to refining pills.

This made Ning Cheng a bit distracted, as to what was the actual usage of the Mirage Stone. It was clearly stated that it was stone, yet a stone could also be refined into a pill?

“I heard that top grade Mirage Trees had 9 Mirage Stones on it, while ordinary Mirage Trees would only have 1-2 Mirage Stones on them.” This voice finally allowed Ning Cheng to understand as to why Mirage Stones could be refined into pills. He had always thought that the Mirage Stone was a material found on the Mirage Ship Island, and had never thought that this stone would actually have a relationship with trees.

“It appeared. The Mirage Island appeared.” With a scream, everyone’s eyes once again focused on the ship-shaped island that was turning from fuzzy to clear.

The Mirage Exploring Conglomerate’s ship also stopped, after some people saw the island, the sounds of people gasping for breath could be heard with even more intensity. If not for the warning issued by the Soul Essence Cultivator at the front, then maybe someone amongst them would not be able to control the impulse and the temptation to rush towards the island.

“Everybody please observe the Mirage Ship Island, so that the next time it appears, we would immediately go in. You will only get such an opportunity once in a lifetime, although a Mirage Stone is a good thing, but one must keep their life in order for it to be useful. If you cannot keep your poor life, then even if you were given more Mirage Stones it would simply be useless.” The Soul Essence Cultivator’s voice once again boomed out.

Many cultivators hearing these words finally started to think rationally. Aaah, although Mirage Stones are good, but one's life is even more important. Every time the Mirage Ship Island appeared, a large amount of cultivators end up dead, why would one want to be counted amongst the cultivators killed?

After a period of time, the Mirage Island once again started to disappear, allowing the cultivators to gain some understandings from it, it was much better than talking about it with each other.

As time passed by unknowingly, the disappeared Mirage Ship Island once again appeared as an outline of a vague shadow. The Soul Essence Cultivator suddenly spoke up, "Immediately, everybody move together. Many words need not be exchanged, and each one is for themselves..."

Speaking until here, he was the first to rush out, the next moment the cultivators on the front quarter of the deck immediately rushed out with innumerable lights as they made their way towards the Mirage Ship Island.

Ning Cheng also mixed himself amongst the many cultivators, as he also rushed forward.

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Chapter 247: The Colourful Mirage Tree

Just as Ning Cheng arrived at the edge of this Mirage Ship Island, he could feel a bit of resistance that was intent on preventing him from entering. But this resistance was not too powerful, and just by circulating a bit of his True Essence, he was able to bypass it and break into the island.

An extremely formidable Spiritual Qi filled Ning Cheng's surroundings, which made Ning Cheng feel that this Mirage Ship Island was a heavenly place to practice cultivation. The Spiritual Qi on this island was so strong, that even if a good quality Spiritual Grass appeared in this place, he would not feel strange about it.

A type of dreamy like yet imaginary feeling also started to well up in his heart, Ning Cheng felt that the place he was standing on was not the island, but rather a fairy tale world, as it felt somewhat unreal. Even when he used his Spiritual Consciousness to sweep out he could only observe just a few meters around him, even with his eyes, he was not able to see that far away. However, if one just used their eyes, one could at least be able to observe a 10 meter area around them. Anything that was farther than that, it would only be seen as something illusory.

This kind of illusionary world seemed to be almost similar to the place that he was just thinking about, one that was the Hua Continent's Mo Ze Grand Plaza, where he and Luofei stood together, as they prepared for the challenge fights. Suddenly the world around him changed to him and Tian Muwan standing together, chatting in a soft voice.

However, at the same time, Ning Cheng's mind suddenly turned clear, he could not afford to lose his mind in this kind of illusion. Ning Cheng immediately came to understand, that this was a result of his Spiritual Consciousness and vision being suppressed.

How could this place suppress his Spiritual Consciousness? Ning Cheng forcefully operated his Spiritual Consciousness and swept out once again. This time his Spiritual Consciousness was able to overcome the suppression from a moment ago as if it was something ordinary, and directly spread out to cover over a range of just over a kilometre. Although his Spiritual Consciousness stretched to this point, he still

wanted to stretch it to an even farther range, but unfortunately, there was no way to do that for the moment.

At this moment, almost all the cultivators had rushed onto the Mirage Ship Island, as Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness' sweep uncovered a three coloured tree. That's right; it really was a three coloured tree. Ning Cheng once again reaffirmed it, as it was the first time that he saw such a three coloured tree.

On this coloured tree, there were three milky white fruits; was this the Mirage Tree that he had heard about? Was this milky white fruit the Mirage Stone?

Ning Cheng was just about to rush to pick up these milky white fruits, when in his Spiritual Consciousness detected several cultivators' approach that three coloured Mirage Tree. Ning Cheng in desperation, wanted to change places to continue to find more trees. Since these many people came onto the Mirage Ship Island, then it was absolutely impossible for it to have just a single Mirage Tree to be on the Mirage Ship Island.

However, Ning Cheng quickly stopped in his footsteps, as he perceived that the several cultivators had actually rushed past that Mirage Tree with more than 10 meters to spare, and had not picked up the Mirage Stones as he had thought.

Was this tree not the Mirage Tree? Didn't they not see the Mirage Stones? If yes, then why did the others not pick it? Ning Cheng couldn't help but pull at his hair; he discovered that he really did not know how the Mirage Stone looked like in the end.

Just as Ning Cheng was going to find a person to ask about what it looked like, he once again saw two cultivators close in on the three coloured tree that he had just observed. Just as these two cultivators reached a distance of about 5-6 meters from the tree, they seemed to have been pleasantly surprised, and immediately rushed towards it, and with the fastest speed collected the three milky white fruits.

Ning Cheng suddenly came to understand, he had definitely not guessed wrong, this coloured tree was definitely the Mirage Tree and that milky white stones were none other than the Mirage Stones that he was looking for. Because his Spiritual Consciousness was tempered within the Chaotic Star Space, he Spiritual Consciousness was able to break through this dreamy like space and extend to almost a kilometre in range. But that did not mean that the others could also be able to do what he could.

Not to mention that there were mostly Profound Core Cultivators in this place, even if it was the Spiritual Consciousness of Soul Essence Cultivators, it did not mean that their Spiritual Consciousness would have been tempered like that of his, while at the same time extend to such a formidable distance on the Mirage Ship Island.

With large waves going off in his heart, Ning Cheng once again swept out with his Spiritual Consciousness. In his sweep this time, he found another three coloured Mirage Tree. However, this Mirage Tree was already besieged by several people, who had even brought out their magical weapons and were fighting tooth and nail amongst each other with all their might. This made Ning Cheng just give on this particular tree. It was not because he feared that he would not be able to beat the others in a fight, but simply because there were a lot more than a single Mirage Tree in this place. Since he did not have to time to think about robbing others, as such he might as well go find other trees.

Since there were already too many people here, he choose to go to a deeper place. Although this Mirage Ship Island was not small, but there were simply too many cultivators that had rushed up. Moreover, the time was also quite limited. They only had the time it took for an incense stick to burn. As such, he had to take full advantage of this time, and get his hands on more Mirage Stones.

Just as how a person using a honed knife cannot be compared to a worker skilled in chopping firewood, as such although there were certainly many cultivators on the outskirts of the Mirage Island, but they did not the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings as he did, as such they could only try their luck at the periphery. Now that he had the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings, why would he not dare to enter the depths of the Mirage Ship Island to search for Mirage Stones? Thinking of this, Ning Cheng immediately stimulated his Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings and covered a huge amount of distance in almost an instant.

The Mirage Ship Island would only materialize for just the time it took for an incense stick to burn, as such Ning Cheng did not dare to use up too much of this time, fortunately his Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings were fast enough for this kind of place. Wielding the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings with all his strength, merely after a few breaths of time, Ning Cheng ended up rushing into the depths of the Mirage Ship Island.

Determining that the cultivators would not be able to enter this deep in just a short period of time, Ning Cheng fully powered up his Spiritual Consciousness. In his sweep, his Spiritual Consciousness was able to immediately uncover a five coloured Mirage Tree; moreover, this five coloured Mirage Tree had five Mirage Stones on it. Although the Mirage Stones on this tree were also white, but it was actually a lot purer than the ones on the three coloured Mirage Tree.

Ning Cheng instantly was able to make a conjecture, that the Mirage Trees on the Mirage Ship Island were classified according to their color. The more color it had, the more Mirage Stones would it contain. Moreover, the Mirage Stones would also have a purer white color to them.

Ning Cheng, with his fastest speed, rushed towards this Mirage Tree, and grabbed one of the Mirage Stones. The most profound of profound feelings, along with an even more intense illusory feeling welled up in his heart. Which made Ning Cheng feel that if he cultivated with this Mirage Stone in his hand, then he would be able to immediately advance.

However, he was also able to immediately determine that this was absolutely an illusion. Ning Cheng immediately was able to clear up his Sea of Consciousness, and with a wave of his hand, this Mirage Stone ended up in his hand. This Mirage Stone was extremely hard, and he could see that it was really different from what a fruit would look and feel like. As such, it was no wonder as to why it would be called as 'Mirage Stone'.

Packing the Mirage Stone into a jade box, Ning Cheng quickly picked up the other four Mirage Stones and quickly put them away. Now that he was exposed to Mirage Stones, although Ning Cheng still did not know as to what uses did the Mirage Stones have, but he now understood that it really was a good thing.

Collecting the five Mirage Stones, Ning Cheng once again changed places, before once again sweeping out with his Spiritual Consciousness. He soon was able to find another Mirage Tree, but this one was a nine coloured Mirage Tree. This kind of Mirage Tree had nine Mirage Stones on it. Ning Cheng arrived next to this Mirage Tree, which was giving off a kind of smell that would let people feel as if they were

floating in the clouds once they ended up smelling it. The nine fruits on this tree were almost completely transparent with a hint of white in them, and were not much different from the purest of quartz in appearance, no, rather it could be said that it was far more transparent than the purest of quartz. Although it couldn't be considered white, but it had a transparent color to it.

There was even a Spiritual Charm flowing around it, it seemed as if this transparent Mirage Stone contained a certain type of thing that made other people long for it, it simply was something that could not be explained or spoken about.

Ning Cheng knew that time was limited, so without hesitating for even half a moment, he rapidly picked up the Mirage Stones, and put them into the jade box.

After picking up all the nine Mirage Stones, Ning Cheng was just about to change places once again to search for more Mirage Trees, when suddenly he thought, what if he could plant this Mirage Tree in his miniature world? As he thought about it, Ning Cheng instantly started circulating his True Essence, with the intention of pulling out this Mirage Tree.

But even though Ning Cheng's True Essence was extremely powerful, it was not able to shake even half a leaf of this Mirage Tree.

This tree really grew up to be quite hard, yet Ning Cheng did not believe in such evil doctrines, as he brought out his True Cosmic Devil Axe.

"Bang..." The True Cosmic Devil Axe blasted out with an incomparably cruel Axe Intent at the soil under the Mirage Tree, but the soil merely showed just the slightest trace of a cut. Not to say about him digging out the Mirage Tree, even if he wanted to dig out just a piece of the earth, it seemed that it would not be easy.

"Quite hard." Ning Cheng gave out a dark sigh, no wonder there was nobody willing to cut down the Mirage Tree. With this kind of hardness, who would be able to dig out the Mirage Tree? Moreover, with just the time it took for an incense stick to burn at hand, let alone trying to dig the Mirage Tree, the time would just pass by in just trying to dig up just a part of the soil beneath it.

"Even if that is the case, I will still try it." Ning Cheng resolutely thought as he brought out his True Brahma Sword.

This time he had already completely refined the True Brahma Sword, but he did not plan to stimulate it completely. He did not cultivate any sort of Buddhist Cultivation Method; as such, he was simply unable to stimulate the True Brahma Swords to its most formidable condition. But still he could use the Power of Hope to stimulate it.

Injecting the True Brahma Swords with the Power of Hope, four indistinct Arhats vaguely appeared on the True Brahma Sword. These four Arhats took full control of the great sword as it forcefully stabbed into the soil beneath the Mirage Tree.

This time it was much simpler than before, and the Mirage Tree was quickly scooped up by Ning Cheng and under the circulation of Ning Cheng's True Essence, this nine coloured Mirage Tree was directly brought into the Miniature World by him.

This Power of Hope was really quite a good thing aah, but unfortunately, the amount of the Power of Hope inside the Imperial Jade Seal was limited. If he ended up using it all up, then not to mention about using the True Brahma Sword, even if it was in the form of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, he would not be able to wield it.

Ning Cheng sighed, as his Spiritual Consciousness fell into his miniature world. He was feeling very proud of himself, after all, the others were simply unable to dig up the Mirage Tree, and yet here he was, having already obtained one. Although it took a bit of time, but it was still a Mirage Tree aah.

However just as Ning Cheng's vision fell onto the Mirage Tree in his miniature world, his face immediately turned ugly to look at. He had just sent the nine coloured Mirage Tree into his miniature world, but it had immediately begun to wither. Moreover, the withering was happening at such a speed that it could be easily seen with naked eyes, as it turned into a dead tree.

"Fuck." Ning Cheng helplessly slapped his head as he suddenly thought, if the Mirage Tree could be transplanted with such ease; the others would have already started doing this the moment they arrived, why would they wait like him? He ended up wasting so much time, and even wasted a bit of the Power of Hope to dig up the Mirage Tree, if he wasn't a fool, then what? He had to hurry up and find more Mirage Stones.

Ning Cheng knew that time was running out, as such he no longer paid any attention to the Mirage Tree in his ring, and with a flicker, moved out once more, as he crazily blitzed around looking for Mirage Stones.

Knowing that time was of the essence here, Ning Cheng moved about with his fastest speed as he picked up 39 Mirage Stones. The surroundings were already turning fuzzing, it obviously was the sign that the Mirage Ship Island was about to vanish soon.

Although Ning Cheng was acting in quite a greedy manner, but seeing what was happening around him, he no longer allowed greed to take over him. Since he already was able to obtain so many Mirage Stones, he was very satisfied. Waving the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings, he immediately moved outwards.

Ning Cheng had not yet completely left the Mirage Ship Island, when his Spiritual Consciousness turned up Mu Xunlin in its sweep. Mu Xunlin had fallen to the ground, and his entire body was covered in blood twitching nonstop.

Whether good or evil, Mu Xunlin was a person that he had befriended; as such, Ning Cheng quickly rushed towards him, and was ready to take away Mu Xunlin.

Mu Xunlin opened his already fading eyes, and was able to make out Ning Cheng's silhouette. At this moment in his soulless eyes, there was actually a trace of surprise. Struggling with intense pain, he quickly brought out a token and immediately threw it towards Ning Cheng, while simultaneously speaking in an extremely shaky voice, "Elder Brother Ning, thank you, but I know that I would not be able to go on. Please help me out one last time in bringing this to my son Mu Nan. You must hurry; the Mirage Ship Island will soon disappear....."

Mu Xunlin, after saying those words immediately fell down, and no longer made even the slightest of sound.

Ning Cheng knew that Mu Xunlin had fallen, and was just about to take Mu Xunlin's body away when he saw Mu Xunlin's body almost instantaneously vanish, as if what he had seen was nothing but an illusion.

Ning Cheng touched the Academy Head Token in his hands, and knew that what he had seen was definitely not an illusion, but the real scene, but this scene was simply too terrifying.

As a feeling of everything around him turning to nothingness transmitted towards him, Ning Cheng also did not dare to delay any longer, as he went all out to wield the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings to rush out.

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Chapter 248: Crazy For Mirage Stones

Ning Cheng was just able to catch sight of the endless Yi Xing Ocean, when an empty feeling started to manifest behind him. This empty feeling was actually something similar to an indescribable intuition rather than a feeling, he felt that if he ended up getting stuck here, then he would never be able to come out alive.

Ning Cheng quickly sped up to his limits, while at the same time put away his Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings. At this time, most of the people who had entered the Mirage Ship Island were making their way out, causing this area of the ocean to turn chaotic. As he made his way towards the ship Ning Cheng turned silent, he could feel that the feeling of emptiness growing stronger behind him. With the help of his Spiritual Consciousness he saw that the cultivators behind him who had just managed to get to the edge of the island starting to get blurry. And then all of a sudden these cultivators, along with the island, completely disappeared into nothingness, it was as if the disappearance of the Mirage Ship Island was completely ordinary.

It was obvious that these disappeared cultivators would no longer be able to come out, and would only end up perishing on the Mirage Ship Island. He could affirm that if he did not have the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings, then he might have also become one of the people who ended up perishing on the Mirage Ship Island. Perhaps these disappeared cultivators might be able to come out at some point of time in the future, and would not be devoured by the Mirage Ship Island, but how many people would truly give a thought to such a thing happening?

Ning Cheng had already returned to the ship at this moment, and could see that there were not many cultivators aboard the deck. Although there were many cultivators who had flown out of the ship, but the number of people who managed to return after the time it took for an incense stick to burn passed were really quite few.

Even though the deck was quite spacious, when Ning Cheng swept out with his Spiritual Consciousness slightly, out of the originally more than 20 thousand people that stood on the deck, at this moment there were only 6 to 7 thousand people standing, while the rest of them could not manage to get off the Mirage Ship Island in time.

Of the cultivators who returned to the ship, although most of them had an expressionless face, a few handful cultivators among them could be seen with a smile on their face. Ning Cheng was also standing unemotionally at one of the corners of the deck, he was aware that of the the cultivators who managed to come back, at least a few hundred people amongst them managed to get their hands on a Mirage Stone, perhaps there might even be more than this.

That intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator at this moment was already standing at the deck. Seeing that there were no one else coming back, so he once again flew up in the air and spoke up, "My dear fellow friends, this time we were able to successfully find the Mirage Ship Island, many people were even able to obtain the Mirage Stone, but there seem to be even more people who were not able to obtain any Mirage Stones. A lot of our friends also ended up perishing in the Mirage Ship Island, and yet even more of our friends ended up being devoured by the Mirage Beasts, while a few of us were not able to come out due to other reasons....."

"That's true, I also met with a Mirage Beast, and was almost on the verge of not being able to make it back....." some of the people below echoed out in a whisper.

As Ning Cheng listened to this, he couldn't help be startled in his heart. He had actually dug out a Mirage Tree, and had even picked up 39 Mirage Stones, so why didn't he see a Mirage Beast? Let alone being attacked by the Mirage Beasts. Was his luck really that much better than others?

"Everybody, since the Mirage Ship Island has been found, thus we, the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate, can deem this trip as being successful, and we are now ready to return back to the Mirage Gazing Island. Many of our friends here are visibly impatient to get back, that is return to the Mirage Gazing Island and take the Transmission Array to return to the Tian Continent. But to use the Long Distance Transfer Array to return to the Tian Continent, it would not just require only a few Spirit Stones....."

This Soul Essence Cultivator after speaking till this point, deliberately stopped himself. Then looking in all four directions, he once again continued to speak, "Now what I wanted to tell you is that our ship is also purchasing Mirage Stones, if a friend wants to sell their Mirage Stones then they can come directly to the Mirage Gazing Merchant Shop at the top of the ship, and sell the Mirage Stone in your hand. Even if it was a Mirage Stone from a three colored Mirage Tree, we will still give a high price for it. Of course, if you do not want to sell your Mirage Stones, then it is your choice, and we will definitely not interfere with it. At the same time, if there is anyone of this ship who would try to steal Mirage Stones, then my Mirage Gazing Conglomerate would kill them without any mercy."

As Ning Cheng heard this, he finally was able to settle down his heart for a bit. Although he did not dare to say that he had obtained the largest harvest of Mirage Stones, but there would only be very few people who would have a harvest larger than his own. If the people on the ship really wanted to make a grab on other's Mirage Stones, then he could only think of escaping from this place. Since the ship was able to come to this place, then it was also possible that he would be able to locate the Mirage Gazing Island by himself if it was necessary.

Ning Cheng, in a very low key manner returned back to his own cabin, and once again laid down two low levelled Shielding Array Formation, before adjusting his breathing.

Since he was able to see the Mirage Stones with his own eyes, he was instantly able to understand that it was absolutely a good thing. But because he was currently on someone else's ship, as such even though he wanted to bring out a Mirage Stone and examine it closely, he ultimately held himself back. Who knew if there was or was not a Monitoring Array Formation that he had not discovered previously? Moreover whether it was going back to the Mirage Gazing Island or to the Tian Continent, he wanted to take a look at both of them if possible.

During the time inside the Mirage Ship Island, Ning Cheng fully was able to realize the precise advantage of having a formidable Spiritual Consciousness. If his Spiritual Consciousness was not tempered in the Chaotic Star Space, then how would he be able to obtain these many Mirage Stones? Even if possessed the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings, it would already be a miracle if he could obtain even 10.

Although Ning Cheng was inside his cabin, but he was not cultivating, rather he was actually focussing on tempering his Spiritual Consciousness even further. With this kind of environment, although the growth in his Spiritual Consciousness would not be as absurd as what it was in the Chaotic Star Space, but he could still use such a method to temper and grow his Spiritual Consciousness bit by bit.

Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness did not leave the room, rather he repeatedly cast it out in a small space.

Suddenly his Spiritual Consciousness felt a slight fluctuation, which caused Ning Cheng to become surprised. This was his cabin and he even re-arranged several of the original Array Formations. Even if what he had laid out were merely simple Rank 3 Array Formations, it would be more than enough to prevent others from sniffing. But unexpectedly there was a fluctuation inside his cabin, this obviously was from an extremely well hidden Array Formation.

Ning Cheng stopped with the tempering of his Spiritual Consciousness, and used his Spiritual Consciousness to carefully probe at the spot from where he had sensed the fluctuations, and sure enough he ended up finding something. It turned out to be a very well hidden Monitoring Array Formation, moreover this Monitoring Array Formation was so well hidden that he was almost not able to find it.

This kind of Array Formation, other than the people from the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate, who else would be able to arrange it? He had originally thought from the descriptions that he heard from the others that this ship conducted things in a very upright manner, and had never thought that it would still secretly monitor things. If not for his attainments in Array Formations reaching Tier 6, along with his Spiritual Consciousness strong enough to be comparable to that of Soul Essence Cultivators, he really would not have been able to find it.

Fortunately, he was used to being cautious and low key, since there was an Array Formation here, it was fortunate that he had the foresight to set up a few low leveled Array Formations, while at the same time not bringing out the things that he wanted to keep a secret. As the saying goes, in any place, having a bit of caution really would not be a bad thing.

Knowing that he was being monitored through an Array Formation, Ning Cheng now was in no mood to pass the time in his cabin. However, since at this moment he was a person who had come back from the Mirage Ship Island, so it would be much better to be low key.

Ning Cheng did nothing to the Monitoring Array Formation, and three days later, Ning Cheng finally came out of the room. He intended to visit the makeshift market atop the ship and have a look at it.

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“You know what? Tan Xu was killed yesterday.....”

“Ai. it really is too terrible, fortunately we were not able to get our hands on the Mirage Stones. During these three days, there were a lot of people who ended up dying. It can only be guessed that the people who ended up dying were the ones in possession of Mirage Stones.”

“This time although I was not able to find any Mirage Stones, however I would not come out to search for it from now. This kind of thing, whether it would be a blessing or a disaster, who can predict it.....”

“Now I am just looking forward to getting back to the Mirage Gazing Island, and although I was not able to obtain a Mirage Stone, but it is simply too dangerous to be onboard this ship at the present moment.”

“Returning to the Mirage Gazing Island, it would at least take about three months.....”

Ning Cheng had just entered the makeshift market, when his Spiritual COncsciousness caught a variety of discussions going around. Only now did he understand that during these three days, there have been quite a few people who had ended up dying. These cultivators did not die on the Mirage Ship Island, but rather just because they were able to obtain Mirage Stones, they ended up dying on the ship.

Just what was the use of these Mirage Stones? Just why were so many cultivators crazy for it? Before, didn't that intermediate Soul Essence Cultivator state that, if someone was found robbing Mirage Stones on board the ship, then they would be killed without mercy. Now that there were quite a few people already dead, why hadn't he come out like he said to kill the culprit without mercy? Then again thinking back to the hidden Monitoring Array Formation in his own cabin, Ning Cheng gave out a dark sigh, the words he wanted to speak out, he was well aware that none of them would ever believe it.

Fortunately, he finally was able to confirm that in three months, he would finally reach the Mirage Gazing Island. From the Mirage Gazing Island he would then be able to take the Transmission Array to the Tian Continent.

Although he had come to the makeshift market a few days ago, but at this moment the atmosphere here was a lot colder than it was from back then. Ning Cheng entered shop selling jade strips related to cultivation methods. There was a huge jade strip in front of the shop that caught Ning Cheng's attention. There were four characters written on top of it 'Ten uses of Mirage Stones'.

This Mirage Stone unexpectedly had so many uses? Ning Cheng's first reaction was to quickly purchase one of the jade strips that had information on Mirage Stones.

“This friend, do you want to buy the jade strip that gives the introduction to the Mirage Stones? This piece of jade strip is the best you will find here. Moreover the introduction of the Mirage Stones is also recorded in it in a very fine detail.....” Ning Cheng had not yet opened his mouth when a man took the initiative to greet him.

Ning Cheng, although was moved in his heart, but he still gave an immediate wave with his hand and spoke, “Ai, if it was a few days ago, then I would have definitely bought it, but now, sigh, forget it. Do you have jade strips pertaining to the Spiritual Grasses found at the edge of the Mirage Gazing Island, since I basically have nothing else to do at the moment, I might as well take the time to have a look at it.”

“Yes, yes.....” This man soon took out a jade piece and handed it to Ning Cheng. “This jade strip introduces all the Spiritual Grasses that appear at the periphery of the Mirage Gazing Island, along with their corresponding value. There are even a few valuable materials from monstrous beasts that are described in it in detail. But it will cost you a hundred high grade Spirit Stones.....”

Ning Cheng paid the Spirit Stones and left. A middle aged man turned and looked at Ning Cheng’s retreating back as he shook his head and spoke to himself, “It seems this guy wasn’t able to obtain anything. Looking at this guy’s appearance, he should be intending on living on the Mirage Gazing Island.”

After putting a significant distance, Ning Cheng secretly rejoiced. He had almost lost himself to his impulse earlier, otherwise, at this moment he would have purchased the jade strip that contained the ‘10 Uses of Mirage Stones.’

Generally such type of purchases should have been conducted before the appearance of the Mirage Ship Island, now that the Mirage Ship Island had already appeared, moreover they were even on the path of return. If he went ahead and purchased that jade strip, then wouldn’t it not be equivalent to announcing to others that he had Mirage Stones on him? At the very least it would be equivalent to telling others that he might be having Mirage Stones on him.

A sound of staggering footsteps could he heard rushing towards Ning Cheng, causing Ning Cheng to quickly dodge to the side. He saw a youth covered in blood fall down at his side.

Ning Cheng’s Spiritual Consciousness fell on this youth’s body and could instantly determine that this youth’s meridians were damaged. Although the damage was not too serious, but one had to take a pill in time to recover from it, otherwise it would leave behind heavy repercussions. If a cultivator’s meridians were not healed properly, they how would they be able to practice cultivation to higher level?

As long as one’s meridians were not completely destroyed, there was still a chance to make a recovery. With this kind of slight damage, a pill from Ning Cheng would be more than enough for such an injury. Moreover this youth was only had the cultivation of Profound Congealing 8th Level, as such the recovery process would be quite simple.

Ning Cheng raised his hand and took out a top grade True Internal Organs Pill and threw it into the mouth of the youth with a slight flick. Since he was in a position to be able to help this youth, then Ning Cheng would not mind in extending a helping hand out casually. Moreover, for him, something like a Rank 3 True Internal Organs Pill, was not really something precious.

What he did not understand was how this youth got injured, but at least he was aware that one could not openly fight onboard the ship.

Ning Cheng’s pills were top grade pills, moreover they were something that did not need any kind of Pill Art to refine, as such it’s effects were many times better than any ordinary pill.

As the pill entered the youth’s mouth, it immediately turned into gurgling liquid pouring down his throat, as it rapidly started to heal the injuries of this youth. In just a few breaths of time, the injuries of this youth turned a lot better, as the youth started struggling to crawl up from the ground.

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Chapter 249: Catching an adulterous couple in the act

“Many thanks big brother....” This youth tremblingly cupped his fists towards Ning Cheng and spoke out his heartfelt thanks. Not waiting for Ning Cheng to speak up, he quickly walked into a shop not much farther than them.

Ning Cheng on seeing the name of the shop immediately realized as to what kind of trouble that youth had gotten himself into. This shop was none other than the Mirage Gazing Merchant Shop that Soul Essence Cultivator had initially spoken about. This youth’s injury had obviously not fully healed and yet he still hurried over to this shop, it was apparent from this that he wanted to get rid of the Mirage Stones in his possession.

Looking at the wounds on the youth’s back, he could deduce that he was sneak attacked because of his Mirage Stones. This youth obviously realized that someone like him would not be able to preserve his Mirage Stones; as such, he had no choice but to hasten out and sell off the Mirage Stones.

But at the same time looking at the wounds on the youth’s back, he realized that since the attacker was not able to successfully kill him with the sneak attack, as such their cultivation would also not be much higher than the youth. Moreover, since the opposite party was able to sneak attack this youth, it also showed that it was definitely done by an acquaintance of the youth. In case that youth ended up meeting with a situation that was similar to an accident, then of course it would end up being a benefit to his acquaintance, but now that he ended up getting involved in it, he regretfully realized that trouble would most likely fall on him.

Ning Cheng shook his head, and put the so called trouble at the back of his mind. He had already realized from the words spoken by that Soul Essence Cultivator that although he did not allow anyone to fight amongst each other, but that did not mean that it included assassinations. As long as the number of people dying did not reach a high number, the ship would still be able to suppress it.

However, since the cultivation of the attacking cultivator was almost similar to that of the youth, then even if they wanted to find trouble with him, it would still not be enough.

Although it had been a few years since he had come to this world, and had seen people change a lot over the years that he had lived, but there were certain moralities and habits that one still would not be able to change. Seeing that someone was in need of help, it was a completely habitual thing to always stretch out a hand especially if it was such a trivial thing.

“You seem to have realized that you got yourself into trouble, it would be better if you quickly go find a place to hole up and not come out.” A crisp sound transmission entered Ning Cheng’s ears. Although Ning Cheng had his senses spread out in all four directions, he was not even able to find the shadow of the person who sent him the sound transmission.

Ning Cheng had originally thought that the cultivation of the one who sneak attacked the youth would be around the same as that of the youth’s cultivation. But now it felt that his thought seemed to be wrong. He immediately sped up and returned back to his cabin as soon as possible. Deciding to endure it inside for the next three months.

Ning Cheng had only returned back to his cabin for just half a day, when the Restrictions that he placed on the room were activated. Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness quietly emerged from behind the Restrictions only to find an extremely dignified and elegant looking woman standing in the front.

"What kind of a matter is it that you are looking for me?" Ning Cheng knew that on this ship, the opposite party would absolutely not dare to barge into other's room. What's more, the cultivation of the beauty standing in front of his room was merely at the Profound Congealing 9th Level and as such, he basically did not care much about it.

This beautiful looking woman seemed as if she was not accustomed to meeting a male cultivator alone, as such with her face slight flushed, could only speak up with a polite yet not very loud voice, "Because of my younger cousin Yong Yi, who ended up getting injured today. I have come to convey my thanks to the person who extended a helping hand towards him, and especially wanted to give my profound and heartfelt thanks to him."

"Oh, it was just a small matter; you don't have to be so polite about it." Ning Cheng simply waved his hand, and spoke in a very carefree manner.

The beautiful woman seeing that Ning Cheng had still not invited her into the cabin, gave a slight pause, and then took the initiative to speak up, "Because you were able to take a look at Yong Yi's injuries, plus with Yong Yi being able to completely heal with your help, I actually wanted to inquire as to what kind of injury did he have at that time. I am afraid of such a thing happening again. So, is it possible for me to come in and have a seat?"

Ning Cheng had a slight smile on his face as he spoke, "Please enter."

After waiting for this beautiful woman to come in, Ning Cheng offhandedly activated the Restriction once again.

Seeing Ning Cheng once again activate the Restriction, this beautiful woman just gave a slight smile. Not to mention that she did not feel surprised, but rather she even took off her outer robe.

This beautiful woman had originally wrapped herself up in a loose outer robe; as such, no one would be able to visualize her. But now that her outer robe fell off, it revealed a pure white neck, which was immediately followed by an exquisite body. The peaks and crevices exposed on her exquisite body could only be defined as being incomparably graceful.

"I heard that you had get on the ship midway, which ship were you on board before aah?" The beautiful woman after looking in all four directions in a curious manner finally spoke up.

As she looked around, Ning Cheng stood up, lifted his hand and quickly performed several hand gestures in secret, then once again sat down, before starting an incessant chat.

The beautiful woman seemed to have been attracted to the nonsense being spouted from Ning Cheng's mouth, and ended up unexpectedly forgetting about the goal she had originally come for. It was not until the time it took for an incense stick to burn was almost finished, that she finally realised as to what she had come here to do.

“What do you think of me...” The beautiful woman finally interrupted Ning Cheng’s nonsense, and spoke those words to Ning Cheng with a soft feminine chuckle, even her expression had long lost the dignity from before.

Ning Cheng nodded and spoke, “Beautiful, simply beautiful.”

“En, even I think that you are very heroic, I really do want to thank you, can you come over....” The beautiful woman’s tone turned into a slight whisper, as she stood up, while her eyes seemed to flash with a hint of lust.

“Why don’t you tell me your name?” Ning Cheng also stood up.

“Chang Siqui....”

“Oh” Ning Cheng simply gave an offhanded reply, and unexpectedly took off his own outer robe, as he moved towards the beautiful woman. The beautiful woman also seemed to be somewhat surprised; she had not thought that this matter would be so simple. This cultivator’s cultivation was simply too poor, she had not even started, yet he had already taken up the bait?

It was not until Ning Cheng had gently parted her hair with his hand, completely exposing her beautiful face and elegant neck, did she finally wake up, and immediately began screaming. She was already at the Profound Congealing 9th Level, which meant that technically her cultivation was higher than Ning Cheng’s but unexpectedly she did not even use her hands to fight back, but instead only screamed.

But at this moment, Ning Cheng just calmly sat down once again, and let the beautiful woman continue with her screaming for a few more moments, before speaking up, “Your screaming is simply useless, and your voice will also not pass out of this cabin. I am the only person on this ship that can hear you scream at this moment.”

Saying that, Ning Cheng picked up the outer robe of the beautiful woman from the side, and suddenly spoke up with an abrupt change in his tone, “Qiqi, if there comes a time when you have no more Spirit Stones once again, you can always come find me here. You should go back first, otherwise, some people will start suspecting.....”

“Bang” A sound rang out, as the Restriction on Ning Cheng’s cabin was suddenly broken with a huge force. A tall and extremely strong looking male cultivator was standing at the entrance with a face full of anger.

This strong looking cultivator already had the cultivation of Profound Core 7th Level, and when he saw Ning Cheng gently drape the robes over the beautiful woman’s exposed shoulders, he raise his trembling hands as he pointed at the beautiful woman and spoke, “You, you actually truly fooled

“You are courting death; you dare to lay your hands on my Dao Companion.....” The strong looking male cultivator did not wait for the beautiful woman to speak, as he pointed his fingers at Ning Cheng, while he overflowed with murderous anger.

At this point, there were already many cultivators crowding around the now-broken entrance to his cabin, and were staring at the scene with heavy interest.

Ning Cheng unhurriedly wore his own clothes, and spoke up loudly, "This place is the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate's ship and you actually dare to barge into my cabin? Besides, Qiqi and I were both willing; moreover, I also paid her a lot of Spirit Stones. You blind or what, can't you see the bag filled with Spirit Stone that I gave her?"

Even if Ning Cheng had not said it, there were already many people who noticed the storage bag hanging from the beautiful woman's waist. This beautiful woman already had a storage ring, and now a storage bag could be seen hung on her waist, it obviously was not her own.

"Senior Apprentice Brother, I, I..." Being stared at by these many people, the beautiful woman could not help but shiver in fright to the point that her hands were even visibly shaking. At present, her hair and clothes were already in complete disarray, even a fool would know as to what had happened.

"I did not even hear a thing from the beginning to the end, you slut....." That male cultivator was really extremely angry in his heart and mind, and the tone in which he spoke was also quite out of tune. Realizing that he had almost spoken out half of the plan, knowing that he could not speak out the rest of it, he quickly shut himself up.

But the crowd seemed to have already come to the conclusion as to what had happened, they knew that this male cultivator wanted to use his own woman to seduce the cultivator in the cabin, but unexpectedly it ended up in having an opposite effect.

But Ning Cheng furrowed his brows, he could feel that something was wrong but he could not put his finger on it. Going by common sense, with what he had 'done', it was certain that the opposite party was disgusted with each other, and yet why did he feel that something was wrong? That beautiful woman also seemed to have been coordinating with them previously to this point.

"Deacon Rong, since this is the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate's ship, there is the matter of this cultivator seducing my Dao Companion, how should this matter be dealt with?" The male cultivator suddenly acted as if he was not angry at all and seemed to have returned to being calm. Instead, he turned towards a white faced late stage Profound Core Cultivator and cupped his fists to offer his greetings.

This white faced late stage Profound Core cultivator gave an 'En' sound and spoke up in a moderate pace, "The Mirage Gazing Conglomerate does not interfere with personal matters, but the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate has always been fair and equitable, and now that such a scandal had happened, we definitely cannot sit by idly."

"No. 219. You had already paid for the passage for a year, but your actions really bring harm to my Mirage Gazing Conglomerate's honour. This is half of what you had already paid for, please take this and proceed to disembark from the ship." The white faced Deacon took out a storage bag and threw it toward Ning Cheng, while speaking without any expression.

Ning Cheng also did not refuse, sending the spirit stones from the storage bag back into his ring; he turned around and left the cabin. Since a Deacon of this ship and the opposite party were colluding with each other, as such he wanting to stay on this ship was already impossible. Moreover, he had already confirmed that the Mirage Gazing Island was not far from here, so might as well head over there by himself.

Moreover, Ning Cheng was also sure that once he stepped off the ship, the strong looking cultivator behind him would definitely come to kill him. Nevertheless, it was not something that he was worried about.

“Splendid, I appreciate your type of men that causes other men’s women to voluntarily come to your room. I’ll gift you a bit of spirit stones for it as an appreciation, hope that you do not end up as a snack for the monstrous beasts.” A storage bag fell into his hands, while at this time Ning Cheng finally was able to track down the cultivator. It was a black robed female cultivator, with an exceedingly common appearance.

“Thank you.” Ning Cheng cupped his fists and thanked her once. He realized that she was also the owner of the voice who had warned him back in the makeshift market.

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Chapter 250: What was the reason for the help

Although Ning Cheng was driven out into the ocean, but he did not immediately leave the area. He knew that the Profound Core Cultivator would definitely come and find trouble with him; as such, he did not mind in first killing the Profound Core Cultivator and then walking away. Moreover he could also take this opportunity to ask that Profound Core Cultivator about the route to the Mirage Gazing Island.

Taking out the storage bag that was conveniently given to him by that black robed female cultivator, Ning Cheng could not understand as to why would that black robed female cultivator come forward to help him. He was more than sure that he had never seen this female cultivator before.

Ning Cheng’s Spiritual Consciousness swept into the storage bag and found that there were a thousand high grade spirit stones in the storage bag along with two jade strips. Ning Cheng picked up one of the jade strips, which only had three words above it, ‘run away immediately’.

What was the meaning of this? Ning Cheng, despite looking at those words, had already decided on what he wanted to do regardless of what meaning the opposite party had, he decided to walk away temporarily. He casually threw out a few Concealment Array Flags, while simultaneously leaving behind a Monitoring Array Disc, after which he stimulated his Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings and vanished from his original position.

After retreating to about two thousand miles from his original place, Ning Cheng finally stopped. If he went any further, then he would lose control over his Monitoring Array Formation. Even if in the end he had to escape, he wanted to know as to who were the people who were ready to leave the ship to get their hands on him.

Ning Cheng did not need to wait for too long, when a vague shadow appeared above the Crystal Array Disc in his hands; Ning Cheng knew that this was because he was too far away from the Monitoring Array Disc. However for just a single person to come out to deal with him, didn’t it show that they really looked down on him too much.

Ning Cheng was just thinking on whether or not to go back there, when that shadow suddenly turned its head and looked straight at him. Simultaneously lifting his hand, that shadow threw a punch aiming at the spot where Ning Cheng had left the Monitoring Array Disc concealed. The Crystal Array Disc in his hand immediately shattered, and the image hovering above it also disappeared without a trace.

However at this moment Ning Cheng was no longer in the mood to go back, rather he went all out in stimulating the Twin Heavenly Cloud Wings, and instantaneously shot away, without even stopping for a single moment to look back.

In the moment when his Monitoring Array Disc was destroyed, Ning Cheng had already recognized the cultivator who chased him out of the ship. It was none other than the intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator.

But in his mind, he really was not able to understand, as to why would that intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator wanted to chase him down, as he had never exposed the things he possessed. Moreover, why would an intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator use such an excuse to expel a Profound Congealing Cultivator from his ship just to kill him? He could just casually enter his cabin, and exterminate him without anyone being wiser of such an act.

After several hours, Ning Cheng finally stopped. He believed that even it was the intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator; he would not be able to catch up to him at this moment.

Ning Cheng found a small reef island, and descended directly on top of it. This place was also quite good; at least on the way here he had not encountered any advanced level monstrous beasts.

On the island, Ning Cheng immediately took out the other jade strip. He did not understand as why that black robed female cultivator knew that the Soul Essence Cultivator wanted to chase him?

Ning Cheng's Spiritual Consciousness swept into the jade strip. He discovered that this jade strip was a simple Directional Pointing Array Disc, above which was clearly marked with the location of the Mirage Gazing Island.

Seeing the jade strip, Ning Cheng's heart finally felt slightly relieved. Regardless of whatever the goal did this female cultivator had in helping him, at least this jade strip was very useful to him.

Immediately Ning Cheng was also able to read the message left behind by the female cultivator in this Directional Pointing Jade Strip, "If you want to know as to why I helped you, then come to the Tian Continent's Luo Ling City's Precious River Rest Stop and wait for me, Since you were able to help Shen Yongyi, it shows that you did not disappoint me. What you are looking at is the location of the Teleportation Array in the Mirage Gazing City. But in order to leave, you will have to at least change your appearance. Of course, if you do not want to believe me, then you also have the choice of not waiting for me at the Tian Continent, and treat it as if I never existed."

Ning Cheng ended up with even more doubts as he finally put away the jade strip. He definitely did not believe that the female cultivator had helped him merely because he displayed a bit of his goodwill. For the black robed female cultivator to help him, she certainly has some goal in her mind. But no matter what, Ning Cheng knew that at least a few of the words spoken by her were definitely not wrong, that is, if he wanted to go to the Mirage Gazing City then he would definitely have to change his appearance.

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In a luxurious room at the top of the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate's ship, a man with an expressionless face sat with his head resting on his hands. This man was none other than the intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator that Ning Cheng had seen on the Monitoring Array Formation not too long ago.

Although he was showing a calm face, but the blue veins pulsing dangerously on his arms betrayed his burning rage.

There were two other people in the room, one of them was the strong looking middle aged cultivator who had broken open the restriction on Ning Cheng's room before entering. The one with the cultivation of Profound Core 7th Level. While the other person was the Deacon of the ship that had expelled Ning Cheng from the ship.

"Lang Mao, didn't you say that this idea was something that you came up with?" The intermediate stage Soul Essence Cultivator stared at the strong looking male cultivator as he spoke.

"Yes, yes, I knew that Shen Yongyi had obtained a Mirage Stone, so I wanted to get my hands on that Mirage Stone. Although this kind of approach was something that I had thought up on the spot, but I never thought that that foreign cultivator from 219th cabin would interfere, as such because he was so nosy....." That male cultivator called Lang Mao quickly replied while bowing.

"That Chang Siqi is Shen Yongyi's older cousin, so why would she help you in plotting against her cousin?" The Soul Essence Cultivator continued.

"Siqi and I are lovers, she had asked her cousin to surrender the Mirage Stone to her before, but her cousin did not want to listen to her. As such she herself wanted to plot against Shen Yongyi, so that after she obtained the Mirage Stone from him she would then give it to me....." As Lang Mao spoke until here, his tone also became slightly agitated.

Suddenly he knelt to the ground, and spoke with sincerity, "I request senior to show me the Monitoring Images of Siqi from the 219th cabin, I really want to, really want to....."

The Soul Essence Cultivator sneered, as he lifted his hand bringing out a crystal, which immediately started playing an image, "Look at it yourself."

In the image crystal, after Chang Siqi took off her clothes, Ning Cheng stood up and walked towards Chang Siqi, then immediately made several hand signs, causing the image to blur. Nothing to be made out behind it, and could only hear many orgasmic sounds.

Lang Mao clenched his fists, and had already forgotten that he was in the presence of a Soul Essence Cultivator, as he immediately started cursing loudly in rage, "That slut, no wonder she was the one who proposed such a thing, originally she had already set her sights on wanting to go down on this man....."

"Oh, so this proposition was actually raised by Chang Siqi herself?" The Soul Essence Cultivator unexpectedly asked.

Lang Mao finally came to his senses; he once again reminded himself that he was in the presence of a Soul Essence Cultivator, if he dared to say anything presumptuous then he immediately would be blasted into nothing more than flying ash.

"Yes, it really was she who had proposed doing such a thing. Chang Siqi and I met each other on the ship, but because my Cultivation Method was not complete, as such I did not have enough time to connect with her. But, but....." Although he had said two buts, but Lang Mao himself did not know as to how to explain this situation. In his impression, Chang Siqi was definitely not a casual person, no not only was she not casual in this regard, but also was very dignified. But then why did it turn out like this?

“Well, you can go down.” The Soul Essence Cultivator impatiently waved.

“Yes.” Lan Mao, in front of this Soul Essence Cultivator, did not dare to speak back even half an extra word, and quickly backed out.

“You are a Deacon of the Mirage Gazing Conglomerate. I do not mind you trying to make some extra income, but without my permission, you drove away an important person, so you will have to be punished for it.” After Lan Mao exited this Soul Essence Cultivator coldly stared at the Deacon as to see what he had to say.

The Deacon was already frightened and was shivering all over, so when he heard the Soul Essence Cultivator speak to him, he immediately bowed even lower as he backed away.

“Just a small Profound Congealing Cultivator, and yet not only was he able to find the Monitoring Array Formation in the room, but he even went so far as to put a momentary shield over it, making me really underestimate this person.” An unexpected voice sounded out from behind the Soul Essence Cultivator, which was immediately followed by a woman wearing a black robe.

The Soul Essence Cultivator did not move from where he was sitting, and spoke after a short while with a sinking voice, “This person was able to escape from the range of my Spiritual Consciousness in such a short time, from this it can be seen that he definitely possess an extremely powerful flight type magical weapon. There are still a few cultivators on board that we did not investigate. As for whether or not the Mirage Tree poached from the Mirage Island is on him or not, I cannot affirm it at this moment. After all with his cultivation at present, even if had a special type of magical weapon, he would not be able to control it.”

The black robed woman snorted and spoke, “In any case, send out a letter to the Mirage Gazing Island immediately. If this person got to the Mirage Gazing Island before us, then he has to be taken away. If he really is in possession of a Mirage Tree, then we certainly cannot let this person off.”

A fiery light shone in the eyes of the Soul Essence Cultivator as he spoke, “If this person really has a Mirage Tree on him, then the number of Mirage Stones on him definitely would be huge.”

The black robed woman raised her hand and spoke, “No matter whether he has possession of a Mirage Tree or not, but the number of Mirage Stones on his body will definitely not be less, of that I am sure about. Originally I wanted to investigate this matter slowly, but a few ants ended up destroying my plans.”

The Soul Essence Cultivator suddenly once again raise his hand to wield a piece of crystal with an Array Formation Screen, this Array Formation Screen showed the two people Chang Siqi and Lang Mao clearly.

“Chang Siqi, in the end just what made you do it with that kid?” Lang Mao asked with a hideous face.

Chang Siqi sneered and spoke, “Why don’t you clearly say as to what did I do? Lang Mao, who are you to me?”

“You, you.....” Lang Mao’s hands were trembling.

Chang Siqi’s tone and expression was ice-cold, “I have known you for several years, and Spirit Stones are needed for every single thing on this ship. How many Spirit Stones have you even given me? So I just

went to bed with that other person for ten thousand Spirit Stones, and even earned a low grade Spiritual Artefact. I really was blind, to take a fancy to a miser like you.”

“The Spirit Stones needed for my cultivation are already insufficient; didn’t you already know that I need a lot of Spirit Stones? Furthermore, that suggestion was something that you yourself came up with.”

“Although I was the one who mentioned it, I really could not believe that you would end up agreeing to it. Luckily, I am not anything like you, if I was then wouldn’t there be a need for me to go out to sell myself just to be able to feed you in the future? Lang Mao, from now on we are not connected to each other.”

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The Soul Essence Cultivator finally put away the piece of crystal with the Array Formation Screen, and spoke with a cold voice, “This little Profound Congealing Cultivator is somewhat skilled, it didn’t even take him the time it took for an incense stick to burn to seduce Chang Siqi.”

The black robed woman frowned, but did not speak.

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Ning Cheng, at this time, had once again brought out his True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel. Although he could not figure out why the black robed female cultivator had helped him, but he knew that he had to leave the Mirage Gazing Island as early as possible.

The speed of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel was not something an ordinary flight type magical weapon could even be compared to, even if some monstrous beasts were able to sense him, but they were not able to catch up to him. Many times even before the monstrous beast were able to react; Ning Cheng’s True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel would have long since disappeared.

Even if Ning Cheng repeatedly controlled the speed of the True Brahma Buddha Fire Wheel, in just less than half a day’s time, many ships appeared in the range of his Spiritual Consciousness. Ning Cheng knew from this that he should be near to the periphery of the Mirage Gazing Island.