

Brand New 1241

Chapter 1241 The Little Ones Left Behind

As I fought against the Mother Bear, I realized she was pretty tough!

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

I was pushed back slightly, the Mother Bear was strong, and her ferocious, fiery charge was mighty. To make things worse, the armor over her body made her a tough nut to crack.

I had to quickly do something against that fiery armor, or I would take way too long dealing with these beasts.

And as I thought, an image flashed through my mind, of an Ice Fairy that had recently learned to control Water, derived from her Ice Element.

"Hmm... Okay, Nieve, let me borrow your technique!"

I quickly thought of an idea, as I Fused and Infused the Water Spirits into Irene, imagining what I wanted by thinking of Nieve's techniques and her amazing power.

"Irene, transform!"

"Uwaaah! A-Again? Isn't my normal form enough?!"

"Nope."

Irene complained a little bit, but a shovel is a shovel at the end of the day, I wanted something themed after water after all.

FLAAASH!

As I imbued the spirits into her body, Irene's entire body transformed, becoming a long, azure-colored metallic trident, overflowing with an Aura of Water swirling around her body.

[You have Fused and Infused Water Spirits into your Weapon [Irene], temporarily creating the High Spirit Weapon: {Azure Trident of Raging Seas: Poseidon}!]

I heard the short Voice of the World echoing inside of my mind, as Irene's new form clashed against the Fire Bear Mother, a single strike quickly shattering a part of her fiery armor.

Crack, crack...!

CRASH!

"Nice, I got her!"

I could have used my sword techniques and deal with her even faster, but the flames constantly annoying me wouldn't easily let me do this.

This helped me put my mind in the right place, getting the power I've gained into my head wouldn't be wise. I can't just grow arrogant because I've become stronger.

There will always be enemies with special abilities or magic that could completely negate what I rely on.

Therefore, I must adapt, my greatest skill had always been adaptation!

As I struggle, I will adapt, and aim to defeat my opponent.

However, for that, I must never, never underestimate them.

"GRAAAHHH!"

The Mother Bear roared, opening her jaws and unleashing a deadly blazing breath, I quickly stepped back as I swung Irene, a barrier of water encompassed me.

BOOOM!

The water quickly boiled and evaporated, but it helped me survive that attack, right before I charged forward, summoning more Water Spirits.

By using these Spirits as "fuel" for Irene's new form, I activated her Abilities, which had changed upon her temporary transformation.

"{Wrathful Sea Spirit Explosion}!"

The trident moved forward as a giant wave of water was unleashed, splashing over the Mother Bear and destroying her armor with several blows at the same time.

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

The oceanic waves protected me and helped me move around, evading her deadly breath and her fireballs, while negating her domain.

"You're strong, almost as strong as that Ant Queen!"

I quickly leaped into the air, gathering all the water I summoned around the trident again.

"And that's why I have to take you down quickly!"

"GRAAAH!"

She furiously swung her claws against me, trying to stop me, only for my trident to pierce through her claws and arms, and reach her head, shattering her armor in the process.

Crack, crack...!

CRASH!

As her armor shattered, I put all my strength into my muscles, pushing the trident all the way down. The Mother Bear gave one last laugh though, releasing all her flames at once and burning my entire body!

"GRAAAAH!"

BOOOM!

Once the trident pierced her skull and she died, I dropped over the floor, I felt a lot of pain all over my body, gasping for air, I felt exhausted.

"Uugh..."

Fire is still my weakness, even more with my real body...

"Irene!"

"Yeah!"

She quickly used her last amount of water magic to splash my entire body, turning off the flames. I tried to heal myself, but I realized I had run out of Mana.

As I tried to take my Mana Potions, I saw Mark rushing to my side, accompanied by Gabriel.

"Elayne! Let me heal you!"

"Big sis!"

The two ended healing me the best they could, I felt refreshed, feeling a bit more relieved. However, this fight made me realize I need ways to counter fire much better.

Perhaps engraving more water element spells into my magic circle and so on... I have to take into consideration I don't have the super powerful, endless regeneration of Planta.

My real body is much weaker, so I must be careful.

However, this challenge did spark some ideas into my mind of what I could do to counter these things.

"Are you alright? You were burning all over! I was so scared..." Mark sighed.

"Yeah, yeah, she got me at the end, but that's fair," I nodded. "I deserved that much after killing a mother just trying to protect her family..."

I stood up, feeling much better, my burned clothes slowly began growing back, although a few of my skin was exposed, it wasn't anything too revealing.

"Why didn't you use the shield?" wondered Mark.

"That shield? It made primarily of wood, so it would have most likely burned..." I sighed. "For now, I think this is enough, don't worry! Even if my entire body had been burned a lot, I would have been able to recover with enough Mana. But this was really a bad match against me, haha!"

"Hahh... seriously," Mark sighed.

"Mom! Are you ok?" Elena walked to my side.

"Yep! All good!" I nodded. "I'll simply work around my weaknesses!"

As I nodded, everyone quickly felt a bit more relieved. With this Monster Nest done, we had to quickly move on to the second if we wanted to get back home on time.

However, before that, I quickly mined the fire spirit stones, stored the monster bodies inside my inventory, and then went to investigate the deeper parts of the cave, where more stones were growing.

And then...

"G-Graaahh..."

"Grrroohh..."

"Guuhh..."

We found three little Fire Bear cubs cowering at the end of the caves, afraid of our presences.

Chapter 1242 Taming The Little Fire Bear Cubs

We had to get going, but before that, I quickly mined the fire spirit stones, stored the monster bodies inside my inventory, and then went to investigate the deeper parts of the cave, where more stones were growing.

As I moved forward, I suddenly felt some presences in the back, making me feel slightly alarmed. I had gone to the end of the cave because there were the most fire spirit stones in there.

However, when we got there, what we saw was...

"G-Graaahh..."

"Grroohh..."

"Guuhh..."

We found three little Fire Bear cubs cowering at the end of the caves, afraid of our presences. They were "small" but well, as small as bear cubs can be, they were definitely bigger than adult dogs.

However, their faces were much smaller and cuter, and their red fur was adorable, covered on orange stripes, they had a tiny flame over their head.

"T-These are..."

I felt slightly devastated right now, seeing the cubs of the Bear Mother, I can understand why she wasn't moving even as the other bears fought, she was trying to protect the youngest ones.

Ugh... I feel so horrible now. I know they're dangerous monsters but... I'm a mom too.

"Fire Bear Cubs..." said Olivia through the golem. "Hmm, I think you should eliminate them quickly, before they grow up and reproduce. They could cause quite the problem if they end up multiplying again."

"I-I don't know if I could do that..." I sighed.

"Hm? Really? I could do it for you then," Olivia said nonchalantly.

Damn, she's quite cold...

I guess in this type of job, you have to be very cool-headed.

If you get distracted or sad over little monster cubs, then you're certainly not fit for it.

But I just can't.

"No, there's no need..." I said. "Thank you though, Olivia."

"Eh? Then what are you doing with them?" she wondered. "Elayne, maybe you have a soft spot for small animals, but these are monsters! If you ever found a normal bear cub you would bring them to an animal shelter, and then perhaps a zoo would take care of them... However, this is different, these aren't animals. They're dangerous beings that have a very strong preference for human flesh."

"But what if I tame them?" I asked. "What if I tame them and teach them to be good boys and girls? Would they be dangerous?"

"T-Tame them?" she wondered. "There are only a couple of Monster Taming Families out there but... Hm, maybe its possible, they're quite big but they're still clearly cubs..."

"I'll also help take care of them then," said Mark. "I can handle them with ease because their fire won't affect me."

"Mark!" I said, happy he supported me. "Yeah, let's take care of them... Or I simply wouldn't be able to really feel better."

"I guessed as much, I know you quite well, haha," Mark giggled. "Come on, let's bring them with us."

"It would be quite dangerous to do that, they might be cubs, but they'll still try to bite you and attack you if you handle them," said Olivia. "There's no spell that will suddenly make a monster less aggressive."

"Maybe they're just afraid..." said Mark. "Elayne, come with us, let's feed them together."

"Oh! Okay..." I nodded.

I ran to Mark's side as we approached the cubs, they groaned at us, rising their bodies to look larger, but they were still smaller than us.

"Here, buddy, do you like these?"

Mark offered them some "snacks" which were fire spirit stones we just mined, the fire bear cubs only watched them from afar, but after sniffing them, they approached to eat.

Crunchy sounds of their teeth breaking through the crystals and then swallowing echoed through the caves, as they ate every fire spirit stone at the end.

"Weird, they're surrounded by them, but they ate the ones you gave to them?" wondered Olivia.

"Maybe it's because they can cut or break the larger ones," I said. "Maybe their mom did it for them..."

We did the same for the next minutes, and they continued eating, until they seemed more relaxed and fuller. Now's the tricky part, how do we drag them to my house?

Maybe we could make a contract with them?

Wait, I do have that one Skill, yeah.

But I'll end up losing three slots if I tame all three of them.

Could I use it to make them tamable, but transfer that taming effect to Mark instead?

I asked the Great Spirit.

"It's worth giving it a shot, the Skill's power is simply an ability, an effect, an energy or essence," she explained. "By targeting this magical energy, they'll become tamable... But we have to try though."

"Okay..." I nodded. "Mark, I'll help you see if you can tame them using my Skill."

"Oh! You can use it like that?" he wondered.

"I'll try!" I said.

"A-Alright, do your best then," Mark nodded.

The Fire Bear Cubs were still slightly wary of us, glaring at us, but two of them had already sat down and were resting over the floor, confused, their animalistic, beastly and monstrous instincts had yet to take over their innocent minds.

However, as I activated [Sacred Spirit Queen Of Divine Beasts], an aura of gold light emerged from my hands, I tried targeting it to the cubs, but I had to make physical contact with them.

I approached slowly with Mark feeding them little bits of meat mixed with fire spirit stones, the meat was beef I had in my inventory.

As they ate and relaxed, lowering their guard, I touched them slightly, one after another.

"Grrhh?"

They looked back at me confused, but I had already touched them, the power of [Sacred Spirit Queen Of Divine Beasts] quickly activated, as golden light encompassed them.

It felt as if they began seeing me less warily, it didn't really brainwash them or something, but maybe to them, I looked much more... I don't know, approachable?

"Graaah?"

"Graah!"

"Goohh!"

They ran to my side, suddenly sniffing and licking my hands and face.

They were so cute!

"Hahaha! W-Wait a second! Hey, don't lick my face!"

As I giggled, I could hear Olivia's shock.

"T-This is incredible! Did you already tame them?!"

Chapter 1243 Eel (Monster) Fishing

By feeding them meat and fire spirit stones, the Fire Bear Cubs lowered their guard enough that I was able to touch them a little.

"Grrrh?"

They looked back at me confused, but I had already touched them, the power of [Sacred Spirit Queen Of Divine Beasts] quickly activated, as golden light encompassed them.

The power of this Soul-Bound Skill was absolute, any beast would calm down when I touched them as long as they didn't harbor murderous intent and weren't stronger than me.

Honestly, even their eyes sparkled as they glanced at me, it felt as if they began seeing me less warily, it didn't really brainwash them or something, but maybe to them, I looked much more... I don't know, approachable?

"Graaah?"

"Graah!"

"Goohh!"

They ran to my side, suddenly sniffing and licking my hands and face. They were so cute I think I could die, although they were a bit stinky, like a combination of wet dog and charcoal smell.

"Hahaha! W-Wait a second! Hey, don't lick my face!"

As I giggled, I could hear Olivia's shock.

"T-This is incredible! Did you already tame them?!"

"I wouldn't say I already tamed them, but they have certainly calmed down a bit more!" I said. "Mark, I think I can do this now, come over here."

"O-Okay!" Mark ran to my side. "What do I do?"

"Touch them too," I said. "While you hold my hand."

He nodded, as I held his hand tightly, this golden aura that connected me with the Cubs was now connected with Mark as well.

I forcefully spread it through his body using a lot of Mana, almost emptying it, then, I transfer edit through his hand and fingers.

As he caressed the much more relaxed and nicer bear cubs, this golden aura connected to their souls, and then I activated the Skill's taming ability through Mark as a conduit.

FLASH!

Then, once it was done, I cut the connection before I was to be the one taming them, the golden light with nowhere else to go, remained within mark and then, connected to his soul to finish the job.

"T-This is...?!"

Mark felt slightly shaken, and so were the Fire Bear Cubs, who growled a bit as they felt their connection with Mark grow greatly.

"Grrhh?"

"Graah!"

"Mwraah!"

The Bear Cubs ran to his side and started licking him, one of them stood up and hugged him with their sharp claws.

"Ouch, hahaha! Hey don't get too rough with me!"

As Mark laughed, I felt relieved, it worked properly!

"It looks like it worked as intended, nice!" I said, clapping. "With this you now have... three familiars more, Mark!"

"S-So many?!" Mark wondered. "Ugh, my head feels dizzy out of nowhere... Ah..."

Suddenly, Mark felt strangely exhausted and dizzy, almost falling to the ground.

"Mark?!"

I managed to grab him in time, I checked his body, and he seemed fine, but it was his soul that seemed tired.

"Looks like his soul is exhausted after making that contract..." said the Great Spirit.

I had once healed his soul by giving him a piece of mine, and now that it was much larger, maybe I could do that without suffering.

"Is he in danger?" I asked her.

"No, not really, he just needs to rest," she said. "The weight of three powerful monster cubs contracted into his soul would obviously get him all tired!"

"Ahh, I feel bad..." I sighed. "Mark, are you ok?"

"I'm fine, don't worry," he smiled. "I don't think I'll be able to accompany you on the rest of the Monster Nests, sorry."

"Ah, it's fine, don't worry!" I said. "Let's go back to the car then!"

I carried him back to the car and left him there, as he fell asleep instantly, the bear cubs slept with him as if he was one of their siblings or even their father.

The girls that were resting inside the car were naturally shocked suddenly three bears entered the car but... they'll be fine.

"That was well, surprising," said Olivia. "Um, so we're going for the next?"

"Ah, yes, yes!" I nodded. "Let's go then!"

After everything that happened, our next destination was a lake full of fish monsters. We decided to "cheese" this one as I used my [Heavenly Yggdragon Queen Of The Three Colored Crown Transformation] crown's ability {Yellow Crown of Thunder}.

As a yellow made of crystal emerged above my head, using its powers, I quickly unleashed a thunderbolt into the lake, followed by several more consecutively. Several monsters immediately emerged from the water, floating above, but the giant eels seemed immune to it.

SPLASH!

"SHYAAAAHH!"

They appeared out of the lake, there were at least six of them, they were huge and as long as ten meters, they rushed towards us, releasing small thunderbolts.

"Everyone! Let's quickly take care of them!"

Leading my family towards battle once more, I saw everyone cut down the giant eels and hunt them down with great efficacy, especially my daughter.

"{Fire Stance}: {Flame Dragon Dance}!"

Using her fire stance, she danced in the middle of the air, cutting through her foes one after another, eliminating them rapidly. Anna also used her summons coupled with her magic related to them to shoot elemental beams, Monica used giant phantasmal cursed claws to catch them and stop the eels from scurrying around, and Gabriel and Jenny helped me finish them off.

I shifted between {Green Crown Of Nature} and {Blue Crown of Frost} to attack these eels, quickly eliminating them with Divine Yggdrasil Spears, Divine Stone Fists, Divine Leaf Blades, Winter Dragon's Storm, Skadi's Frost Hammer, and Frozen Claws of Niflheim, all Spells related to each crown.

As I used these powers, I realized just how easy it was... There wasn't a big monster like the Fire Bear Mother, who was immune to ice and resisted thunder and nature elements, making it a bad match for me as I couldn't even use my crown abilities.

"And done...!" I nodded. "Let's quickly gather everything and... let's go for the last one!"

The last Monster Nest was a small forest full of Carnivorous Plants!

And I think it was finally time to use Familiar Summon and bring someone that could lead these plants to turn on a new leaf.

Chapter 1244 Bringing The Boss Of Plant Monsters

"This should be our last stop," Olivia showed us a small meadow that led to what resembled a very dark and gloomy forest.

It was full of vines and sharp looking spikes, and the trees seemed old and dry, covered on these vines everywhere I saw.

"This place is the forest I talked about before," she said. "This would definitely be the last Monster Nest, so if you can complete this one then you've procured the safety of the city for the time being!"

"I can't believe we've done so much in the last hour, it's insane how fast we progress," Rita commented.

"You don't say, she's so fast! I mean, we're fast, we're like an invincible team or something," said Jenny. "Before we were pretty damn weak, but we've grown so much stronger it's unreal. It's nice."

"I wouldn't say we were damn weak before..." I sighed. "But the Nature Souls everyone got must have helped a lot at enhancing and strengthening everyone's elemental power."

"Nature Souls?" wondered Olivia. "Isn't that something only Druids get? H-How did you...?"

"We were helped by other Druids, friends of us, to do it," said Rita. "It was pretty damn easy I would say! And- Mgh?!"

I covered Rita's mouth before she was to continue talking her nonsense. It wasn't good to just reveal all our secrets like this, and we had no obligation of answering everything either!

"Rita, we promised to keep that a secret!" I said, reprimanding her. "I'm so sorry Olivia, but we can't say more than that."

"Oh no, it's fine, I was indeed maybe a tad bit too curious," she giggled. "But I see, so you're indeed friends with them. I had received some information, from the reports that Rose did to the association, about some Druids that were your followers or friends, or something like that."

"Is that so?" I wondered. "Well, they did fight at our side in the mall incident, and helped us a lot... And Rose was there so she saw them. And now recently they also helped us a lot and... Ah, well, we're still mourning two of them, it's complicated, I would prefer to not talk about them."

"O-Oh, yes, I did hear those news as well, I'm very sorry," said Olivia. "And you're right, let us not talk about such things for now. Although I'm still wondering how were you all able to get Nature Souls... I suppose it would be too rude to pursue this conversation any longer, my apologies."

"It's fine," Elena said, looking into the meadows. "So, what type of plant monsters are there, Olivia?"

"Hmm, from what I remember, Poisonous Vine Monsters, Carnivorous Palms, Missile Banana Trees, and Blood-Drinking Rose Vines," she said. "They're all well known and documented Monsters. They're also of the original monsters from our world, mixed with some that came from the other. They seem to be working together and created this large symbiotic forest."

"That sounds interesting... If not a bit ridiculous," said Anna. "Banana trees that shoot missiles?!"

"Not real missiles, but they shot their own banana fruits as missiles! They're actually very dangerous," said Olivia. "So I would recommend dealing with them from afar. These tree monsters were first documented over the Philippines, with many of the people that had Banana farms dying inexplicably, found... torn to shreds and burned by a small point-blank explosion."

"Wow that sounds pretty hardcore, what the hell..." Jenny said. "I kind of want to see those things now! However I bet you won't let me..."

"I wouldn't let you anyways," I laughed a bit. "Anyways, these things must be dealt professionally, unless we want to get blown away by missile bananas... The other plants don't sound nice at all either. Rose Vines that drink blood sound pretty horrifying!"

"You don't say..." nodded Rita. "Anyways, what do we do? Can't you manipulate them, Elayne?"

"I could try," I said. "But Plant Monsters are of a different realm than just plants or magic plants themselves, even spiritual plants aren't as hard either. But monsters are... well, monsters more than plants. While magic and spirit plants are first plants and then magical and spiritual, monster plants are first monsters and then plants.

It's like they're a monster in the shape of plants than vice-versa. Nonetheless, they're still intrinsically connected with Nature and can be manipulated if you have a monster plant at your side."

"Wait, a monster plant? But we got none here," said Rita. "Unless...? You can summon one?"

"Yeah!" I nodded. "Actually, I have an idea of what we could do instead... I'll summon a friend here, so I hope everyone can keep their calm and don't panic once he's here..."

"Wait, you're summoning a familiar?" Olivia wondered.

"Yes, it's a special spell..." I said.

I quickly conjured the spell as a magic circle emerged in front of me.

{Otherworldly Familiar Summon}!

Once I had obtained that spell at the beginning, it didn't work as I wished and it seemed to have some problems, I needed a deeper connection.

But once I obtained the Fusion Divine Skill about Beasts and Summons, it immediately improved upon this Spell and granted me the ability to actually summon Familiars!

FLUOSH!

The magic circle spun with many runes as it overflowed with Mana, the Mana quickly took the shape of a huge mass of vines, plants, and a huge rafflesia flower, all quickly merging together into the beautiful shape of a girl made of plants, with green skin and leaves and flowers as hair and clothes.

Her lower half wasn't legs but endless tentacles of vines, branches, flowers, grass, and more, there was even dirt over her body, but she was indeed my summon.

"Shishishishi!"

And her cute laughter echoed, making me happy she was here...

"Loki! I was able to summon you!"

"Shiiii!"

Loki extended her vine arms and hugged me tightly, rubbing her cute face on my own.

"T-That's... An Alraune?!"

Olivia panicked, stepping back in utter disbelief.

"I can't believe it! T-This is the first time I see someone with an Alraune as a Familiar!"

I was going to ask my little Loki to deal with these plants.

They either join me and become part of my Domain or...

Well, they get eaten by her.

Chapter 1245 Loki Is Here

Olivia was once more left almost speechless after seeing something we did, this time after I summoned Loki, she almost lost it because of how impressive it was, apparently.

Well, taming monsters is not the hardest thing to do in BNLO, and Loki wasn't even tamed, he was a summoned monster! So it's even more different than that.

But I guess the power that the System gives to Players in Arcadia is much more amazing and potent than what someone with just Mana and a lot of time can do in Earth.

So it really feels like I'm cheating, I'm sorry...

"A-Ah, yes, she's Loki! I had no idea she was an Alraune though, I just thought she was some sort of Nature Spirit..." I said.

"N-Nature Spirit?!" asked Olivia. "Alraune aren't exactly Nature Spirits but... well, maybe they aren't complete monsters, they're something in between a Monster and a Nature Spirit, but they're usually not good beings, they're evil and will not doubt to eat you if they find you. I'm impressed not only you've tamed one, but you've created such a strong bond you can summon it."

"Hahah... Yep! That's my Loki," I patted her leafy head after she finally let go of me.

And indeed, she was an Alraune, I was just pretending I didn't know for now.

Seeing my phone for her info through the BNLO app, this was Loki after evolving into a Divine Beast thanks to the power of the [Sacred Spirit Queen Of Divine Beasts] Skill.

[Summon Name]: [Loki]

[Summon Title]: [Divine Trickster Alraune]

[Summon Race]: [Divine Beast: Chaotic Trickster Alraune Ivy]

[Summon Level]: [100/200]

[Satiation]: [200/200]

[HP]: [8.000/8.000]

[MP]: [10.000/10.000]

[STR]: [4.000]

[VIT]: [5.000]

[DEX]: [5.000]

[AGI]: [3.000]

[INT]: [6.000]

[WIS]: [3.000]

[LUC]: [5.000]

[Race Skills: 13/13]

[Divine Plant Beast: Chaos Alraune Ivy Lv6] [Gluttony: Lv8 (Evolved)] [Deep Rooting: Lv7 (Evolved)]
[Intoxicating Spray: Lv6 (Evolved)] [Sharp and Venomous Vine Attack: Lv6 (Evolved)] [Black Vines of
Steel: Lv6 (Evolved)] [Mind-Bending Enchanting Pheromones: Lv3 (Evolved)] [Energy Vampirism: Lv3
(Evolved)] [Accursed Intimidating Aura: Lv9] [Plant Mutation: Lv7] [Plant Fusion: Lv4] [Overgrowth: Lv4]
[Divinity Spark: Chaotic Trickster Alraune: Lv1]

[Equipment]

[Fairy's Magic Ring of Protection]

However she has grown much stronger since then, as she has leveled up and is almost about to reach Level 200, while most of her Skills leveled up as well.

As a Divine Beast though, she can rapidly boost her stats by using her Divinity Spark. And the Spark itself also grants the passive effect of increasing stats per level.

But none of that really matters that much right now as Loki was summoned to do something not that hard, I believe she'll be able to do this without problems.

"So this is your plan! You want Loki to deal with the plants?" wondered Rita. "I guess that would make it easier, yeah."

"Yeah, that's my plan," I nodded.

"But how so? Can she communicate with them?" asked Elena.

"Is that even possible? Hmm, not even with my Awakened Ability I can do it," said Lily. "So I don't know how she'll be able to..."

"Well, she's an Alraune, a half monster plant and half nature spirit being, and also a divine beast," I explained. "So I'm sure she got this. Right Loki? Your mission now is pretty simple, you have to deal with the plant monsters in here. Can you try to talk with them, so they calm down? I wouldn't mind if they could join me."

"Shiishishishiii," Loki said, giving her usual giggle while nodding.

I don't know if she meant "yes boss" or "hehehe, you wish!" because she's so cryptic sometimes... But she quickly walked towards the meadow, and we accompanied her, walking right behind her.

As we made our way inside, the monsters instantly appeared, vines of all kinds gathered together into giant jaws, and there were also huge monster trees, Treants perhaps.

"Now Loki!"

"Shiii!"

She ran towards them and then stood there, her Divinity Sparkle surged like a bright emerald and golden light from her body, the plants, which unlike other monsters are connected deeply with one another, seemed to suddenly calm down, glaring at her.

I knew this might have worked because unlike all other monsters, plants are intrinsically connected with nature and the earth, and therefore with one another as well!

However, I doubt this would have worked the same if I put Belle in the middle of a bunch of other mammals, unless they're goats like her, they'll probably won't care and attack.

However, no matter how different they might be, plants don't discriminate and always see one another as plants.

So when one of them appears, with a powerful divinity and an incredibly strong aura, they immediately fall silent in reverence.

"D-Did it work?" Olivia wondered. "I can't believe it... but I suppose it makes some sense? I've never fought an Alraune myself, they're so incredibly rare. But I've heard and read about them. A famous Beast Hunter I know from Eastern Europe once told me that Alraune can control all other monster plants, usually acting as "Queens" of a larger colony of plants within a forest."

"So that's how it is?" wondered Anna. "That's really amazing..."

"So, mom, is it okay?" wondered my daughter.

"Hmm..." I muttered. "I think so... Loki?"

"Shiiii..." she glared at me and then back at the plants. "Shishishishishi!"

The other plants looked at one another and then...

RUMBLE!

Dozens after dozens of plant monsters emerged from every nook and cranny, even from the underground and even from the very plants we were stepping on.

Wait, they were everywhere so much that we were already in the middle of their trap!

Then they appeared, gathering around Loki as if she were their queen, they seemed to love her, she extended her roots and fed them her sap.

As they ate it, they calmed down even more.

"Shishishi!"

Then, Loki used her whip vine tentacles and grabbed me, dragging me there!

"W-Wait! Loki?!"

Before I could do anything, I ended standing in the middle of almost fifty monster plants.

"Shishiiii!"

Loki pointed with her fingers at her own sap, then at the monster plants.

"Oh! You want me to feed them my own sap?"

I think I know where this is going...

Chapter 1246 Plant Monster Queen Crown

I ended up being dragged into the middle of dozens of plant monsters! Although it wouldn't be completely impossible to defeat them with a lot of Fire, Ice, and Lightning, we've gathered more than enough monster corpses and cores, so I wanted to try something different and recruit them!

However, contracting them with me wouldn't be a good thing either, as it was shown with Mark, a soul wears down once enough contracts are made. I want something similar to the loyalty spirits have towards me and perhaps other beasts would within my Domain.

And I think Loki has found the cheat code for that, as she showed me that by feeding them her sap, they became more loyal, it is as if by getting them to like the sap they also like me and depend on me.

It is full of nutrients, so maybe it could help them survive, and that's the primary goal of most species. Seeing how they all gathered together in here, it means they have created a symbiotic bond to be able to survive together in this world.

"Shishishi!"

Loki pointed at her roots once more and then at the plants, and then at me.

"I know what you mean Loki, calm down. I'll do that then."

I quickly turned my hand into complete wood, to the surprise of Olivia.

"S-So you can turn your entire flesh into wood as well? How amazing, that's a high level of polymorphing!" she said. "You also know such magics?"

"Yes, yes Olivia..." I was growing a bit tired of her getting surprised about everything. I don't think I am that amazing, right? I mean she's pretty incredible herself, she should be less humble and not be surprised all the time.

Anyways, after turning my arm into wood, I grew it into several branches through my Physique Abilities and my Spells that helped me create, combine, or turn into wood.

The wood of my hand wasn't brown though, it was of a pale gray, if not slightly whiteish color, like ash itself.

I quickly spread it into many branches and used a small knife to carve through the branches, it hurt a little bit, but not that much.

Crack, crack...!

Once small holes were made, sweet golden-colored sap started pouring from the over ten different branches I made.

The plant monsters instantly gathered around me, flocking to taste the sap.

"Ooohh!"

"Graahh?"

"Giiiihh!"

They were all making very funny noises, but I believe they were enjoying it! They drank to their heart's contents as I turned my own blood into sap.

It was slightly tiring, but after I've grown so strong, it wasn't hard to restore my own blood, I'll probably eat a lot later to get all the energy again.

"Okay, that's enough!"

I quickly recovered back my arm, and the plant monsters seemed to want more and more, their bodies had grown larger after drinking so much sap full of magic and nutrients.

"Shiiiiii!"

However, Loki quickly hissed at them, calming them down. Their Auras quickly responded by growing smaller, and then, they all gathered together towards her.

A thread of green and gold was connected to her, which then she placed over my head, forming a small crown made of wood merged into my flesh and skin.

What is even going on anymore?

"Huh?"

FLAAASH!

And before I knew it, Loki was gone, her summoning already having ended. However, the plant monsters didn't try to attack us, they remained in silence in front of me.

"Oh! I think it worked somehow... I just have no idea what she did." I said.

"Maybe the crown signifies you're their queen or something?" Rita asked.

"Ooh! I think that's it!" Lily nodded, clapping. "Well done Elayne!"

"Yeah, that was amazing, though I don't even know what even happened," nodded Elena.

"I wish I could know more, but yeah it was strange," I said.

"Hmm, do you feel any different?" asked Jenny.

"Yeah, do you?" asked Anna.

"Nah I'm fine, don't worry girls," I said with a smile. "Olivia, I think we're done."

"Y-You are? But what about the monster plants?" Olivia asked.

"I think I can do this now... I somehow feel it, this crown that Loki left within me is special," I said.

It's as if...

Oh wait a second.

[Your Otherworldly Familiar [Divine Beast Chaotic Trickster Alraune Ivy: Loki] has granted you Dominion over this pack of Plant Monsters she has governed as a {Plant Monster Queen}]

[To leave this power imprinted upon you, she has left behind a {Plant Monster Queen Crown} within your body, which has now fully merged with your Physique.]

[Plant Monsters that willingly submit to you are now loyal to you as their Queen and will serve you.]

[The {Plant Monster Queen Crown} is a special Magic and Spiritual Artifact, which will develop more abilities as you become stronger.]

[You have learned the Engraved Physique Ability: [Plant Monster Storage], giving you the power to "store" Plant Monsters that are loyal to you as your subjects inside of your Physique.]

[The {Plant Monster Queen Crown} has also been modified and transformed into an Engraved Physique Ability.]

Oooh! So that's a thing now? I can somehow "store" these monsters inside of me? It does sound a bit freaky in a way, but also quite interesting.

But aside from the weird part, this'll make it easy for transportation!

Also the crown became a Physique Ability somehow? That's interesting! I never thought I could get them in such strange and derived ways.

Maybe I should try doing more experimentations of these things later then.

"Anyways, I think I can bring them along like this!" I said to Olivia, transforming my internal body into wood and plants while my appearance outside remained normal.

"{Plant Monster Storage}!"

FLUOSH!

All Monsters suddenly were literally absorbed into my own body, as if space itself was distorted and they were sucked inside of me.

It was as if their bodies had become tiny seeds that were deposited within my wooden skin, I could hardly feel them at all.

"Y-You...?! You stored them inside your own body..." Olivia muttered. "Oh my, Elayne, you sure have an assortment of incredible abilities. You're the first of your kind I've seen!"

"My kind?" I wondered.

"Yes, you're a Sage!" she said. "Aren't you?"

"Sage...?"

What is she even talking about?!

Chapter 1247 A Mysterious Auction

"A Sage? I'm sorry Olivia but I have no idea what you're talking about... I am not a Sage," I said.

"Well, it is a Title among Magicians," she explained. "For example, my great grandfather is the Sage of Runes. They're people that have reached such a high level of magic by specializing towards a single element that they become almost unparalleled... But you, hmm, I suppose you're not quite a Sage. I was overreacting I suppose."

"Nah, it's fine, really," I smiled. "I kind of want to know more about this Title and what it entails? Does it have some relation with the Clock Tower?"

"Why yes," she said. "In the Clock Tower, there's Twelve Sages, each one also governs over a special area of the organization and had been doing so for many years."

"H-How many years?" I wondered.

"Oh my, perhaps... Like, well!" she muttered. "Hmm... hundreds?"

"Hundreds?! People can live for so long?" asked Rita.

"With magic, it is possible to slow down your aging ability, or even stagnate your body within time at a certain age," said Olivia. "Some even chose to transform their bodies into half-supernatural beings such as Vampires, or Werewolves, or something else to live longer. I think there's a sage that has become worms."

"W-Worms?" I wondered. "Uhh, I see... That's a bit freaky."

"It might be quite scary, but I assure you that he is a respected master of magic on his own right!" giggled Olivia. Nonetheless, I suppose I overreacted because of your variety of incredible abilities. But it isn't as if I couldn't do most of the things you do, but on my own way, and there's magicians even better than me that could do even more surprising things I believe."

"Oh, really?" I wondered.

I didn't feel offended by her words at all, I was well aware Olivia was a very powerful magician. I don't even believe I could win against her if we fought one against one, honestly.

Yes, maybe I'm looking down at myself, but she's hiding a lot of Magic Power, and even the Great Spirit told me when I met her that she might be dangerous due to her tremendous Magic Ability.

A Master of Runes shouldn't be messed with... or so she said.

Runic Magic might seem normal at first, but if she truly can conjure Runes, transform them and fuse them at will with extreme ease and without any restrictions, then she's definitely very powerful!

"Yes, anyways, I think we've talked enough about things that don't really matter to you, right? Shall we go back to report what has been done?"

I was thankful that Olivia, despite her intimidating first appearance, was actually quite a nice lady that sometimes overreacts. She has a Swedish accent every now and then, which makes her more endearing I believe.

We quickly went inside the car and by using magic, I was able to use it without many problems, even though I had only driven a car a couple of times at most before, I did fine, as long as it is magically controlled!

Once we reached the small building where the SWORD agents were gathered with some hunters and military men, we reported what we did with Olivia witness and also by showing the monsters bodies.

I also attested that I've tamed three fire bear cubs and also the plant monsters, showing the bear cubs inside the car and also the monsters within my wooden body.

They said that it wasn't illegal for agents to own tamed monsters or familiars, but that I had to, at the very least, keep them hidden from normal view and try to find ways to transport them without being seen.

If I end up having my monsters reported for doing something bad, or attacking people, they apparently have the right to kill them or even revoke my agent license... damn.

Okay, I guess we have to make sure that doesn't happen!

Blackie and Falco have the ability to camouflage as normal animals, the plant monsters can also act as normal plants, and the bear cubs... I think those will be a bit harder.

I think they'll have to just stay inside my Domain anyways, they've been completely tamed so they'll do whatever Mark says as long as we keep them well-fed.

After that was done, it was time for payment and such, we ended selling like around sixty percent of the ant corpses, and that combined with everything else easily earned us almost two billion USD!

Indeed, we just earned that much by killing easy monsters! I couldn't believe it, and I didn't even know what to do with this money!

However, we had to divide it between every person here, for such large amounts of money the government creates separate bank accounts tied to SWORD where we can easily deposit and take out all the money we want without restrictions.

This way, we can keep looking like normal civilians to our actual banks, while our real wealth remains in a different bank that works in any place of the world with special International Visa Cards.

Really convenient!

"And done!" said Olivia. "It seems you've earned yourselves a large amount of money, it makes me wonder what will you spend it on?"

"Uuh, I think we'll save it for now, I don't even know what to spend it on for the moment..." I sighed.
"Maybe one day I'll buy a bigger house? I don't know."

Wait, maybe I could try to buy the surrounding houses and streets to more easily expand my Domain? That's a possibility.

I think I had other ideas, maybe like traveling the world, or buying expensive magic items that can only be obtained on Earth.

Perhaps joining the Magician's Association or the Clock Tower, I remember that it cost a lot of money or something.

"Hahah! You're really good with jokes!" she giggled. "There's a Special Auction happening in a couple of days over at the Clock Tower. I could help you participate there, maybe online?"

"Oh, that sounds interesting..." I said. "But I don't know, what will they have?"

"Not everything has been revealed yet, so the auction doesn't get attacked by people," she explained. "But my dad told me that a Fragment of the Crown of Gilgamesh will be auctioned."

"G-Gilgamesh?! Wait, he was real?"

Chapter 1248 : Back Home

From what I barely know about Gilgamesh from popular media is that he was a Hero of Mesopotamia, their first King? Maybe? And he also created civilization? I think? I should probably look it up on google. But he was a very arrogant hero that unified the ancient tribes of people together to create the great kingdom or something.

Also he was the protagonist of the Epic of Gilgamesh, perhaps one of the first heroic epic stories in history, maybe. And where most of fictional literature regarding heroes comes from, slowly changing over the years, but that's always follows these certain tropes.

It is a millenary tale and story, and I think he might have been a historical king of Uru... Uruk? But he was somehow deified, kind of like what sometimes happens with Pharaohs where they die and turn into new Egyptian Gods added into the pantheon later.

And I think that's all I know, I used to study a lot of Mythological History when I was younger, I really loved that sort of thing, mostly because I was influenced by the books I liked reading and the TV series.

But what could a fragment of his crown even do? Wait, does this means he was actually real too?

"Was Gilgamesh real?" wondered Mark, who had just woken up. "Really?"

"Ah, yes, he was," nodded Olivia.

"But why... why would anybody want just a piece of his crown?" asked Rita. "I don't know this guy, I only know him from... uuhh, some anime my son watched. He was like an arrogant blondie or something."

"Hahaha! King Gilgamesh is a very popular man among all of mythology or maybe even Ancient History, I suppose? The first Hero King," smiled Olivia. "It's only natural they would adapt him to all kinds of media, both fictional and so on... I don't know much either, he is a very ancient figure. And about the fragment? Itself, it could be said to a Fragment of Mythology.

It contains a Piece of his Strength, and if used correctly or refined into an Artifact, it is said you could gain a part of the Ancient King's power, alongside the key to his Treasury."

"Woah..." I muttered. "Now that sounds interesting... But I don't know why I would ever want it anyways. It's an incredible object though."

And perhaps one of the Earth-only items that I would be interested on, I had not thought about it, but historical and mythological objects of Earth's history simply cannot be found in Arcadia, so by themselves they would be the most unique and also worth spending my money for.

"Fufu, I suppose most people would say that, but when it comes to the great magus families, it's something everyone will fight for," smiled Olivia. "It could also be possibly used as a Mythology Catalyzer to, in the event that a Holy War happens, and certain conditions are given, grant the possibility of the owner to summon a Heroic Spirit of Gilgamesh."

"H-Heroic Spirits?!"

All of us were left speechless. That thing... that concept actually exists in real life?

"And that is as much as I'll talk for now!" she giggled. "If you want to talk some more, feel free to call me, Elayne. Here's my card."

Suddenly, Olivia gave me her card with her number, a picture of her, and also other descriptions of her services.

Apparently she worked as a "Magic Protection Settler", "Magic Territory Creator", "Magic Teacher", "Runic Arts Specialist" and more. There was even one saying she was a "Accomplished-Rank Alchemist".

"Okay then, thanks a lot Olivia! I hope to see you again too," I said. "Maybe I could invite you to have some tea one day."

"I would gladly have some tea with you, Elayne!" she said. "Though, they have just called me for backup on a Gate, so I'll have to get going, can't just laze around all day, haha!"

"I see, good luck Olivia!" I said, as I saw her summon a flying broom and flying off into the skies.

"See? They still use flying brooms!" I said, laughing a bit.

"I can't believe it..." said Rita. "And I thought it was some outdated stereotype and totally not real..."

"Hah! Sometimes reality is stranger than fiction," I giggled. "Now, let's go back home."

We took the car back home, now that he was awake Mark happily drove it to our residence too. Using these minutes I took some time to check on the bear cubs.

The trio was fluffy and big, and they smelled like ashes and charcoal, like eternal barbeques. It wasn't the best smell, but at least it wasn't worse.

They seemed to be fine, sleeping adorably over the seats, though as I caressed them, they slowly woke up.

"Groohh... Grooaarr..."

They started making small little sounds as they woke up, calling for their mama, perhaps. It made me feel even worse though.

"I'm sorry..." I said. "I had to take her down because she and her family was dangerous for us... I know I don't deserve your forgiveness, but I hope you can behave, and survive alongside us."

"Groohh..."

One of them started licking my hand happily, the others also did the same... I decided to play as their mother, feeding them my sweet saw from my fingers as they suckled them.

At the end, they drank a lot, and I felt a bit dizzy, but it was the very least I could do for these little cubs I felt so bad about, they looked more energetic and healthier after drinking the sap, so I was happy.

I drank some Potions from BNLO in my inventory to feel a bit better, Stamina and Health Potions in specific seemed to help recover lost blood very quickly.

"And we're back! Home sweet home, right?"

Mark quickly opened the door as we made our way inside the house while making sure nobody saw the bear cubs, Mark carried two of them while I carried another. We didn't want them to walk around the neighborhood or something.

Once we were back to the Domain, we placed the cubs there, as they glanced around the area in curiosity. Also, I released all the plant monsters.

"Phew... Finally back home! Okay, let's have lunch! I'm starving."

Chapter 1249 : Let's Get This Done

Once back home, because I wanted to take care of things in the Domain, I decided to summon Cooking Spirits to get the job done for me, as I didn't want to take my eyes away from the monsters I brought here until they felt comfortable with the place.

I remembered that Specialization can also be used as they're Soul-Bound, so I used my [Main Specialization]: {Path of the Divine Gourmet Dragon Queen: Rank 2} and summoned my Soul-Bound Gourmet Spirit [Golden Three-Headed Dragon Chef Spirit: Gordon].

"Gordon, I summon you!"

FLASH!

Within a split second, I felt some Spiritual Energy and Mana being spent as Gordon materialized in front of me, ready to do anything I asked him.

"Yes master! Gordon is here!"

"Yes, yes!"

"Time to cook?"

Gordon was a majestic High Divine Spirit that was also a Dragon and a Gourmet Spirit, so he was both talented and strong. His entire body was covered on golden scales, his eyes were sharp and golden colored, and he had three heads. Each of his heads looked different, the first one was that of a wyvern, the middle one of a drake, and the third one of a small dragon.

The golden horns decorating his head were also all different, but each head had a small white colored chef hat.

The rest of their body was also quite unique compared to other dragon spirits, two pairs of long wings, six arms, each one long and muscular, with dexterous fingers, and carrying a cooking utensil, its tail was long like that of a serpent, using it as support instead, as it seemed to lack "back legs".

It looked majestic, its golden aura creating a rainbow halo behind its form.

"Can you guys cook us something nice for lunch?" I asked them. "What do you guys want?"

I asked my family what they wanted to eat.

"I want fried rice!" Anna said. "And... chicken."

"I would want a burger..." Elena said. "Hmm, ice cream too."

"Anything honestly," said Mark. "I'm really starving. But I'm down for some fried rice as well."

"Make me some barbeque!" said Rita.

"I don't know what to ask... Hmm, just rice and some meat?" wondered Lily.

"I-I... whatever Elisa ask for," said Monica.

"Eh? Well... I would want some filet of sorts, perhaps nicely cooked, with some mashed taters," Elisa said. "With gravy of course, and also some bean salad, maybe."

"Hahaha! Good, I like to cook a lot anyways!"

"Hmm, alright, but do we get enough ingredients for everything?"

"What is this place, master? We've never been here."

Gordon talked with all three of his heads at the same time, and they had their own personalities too, he used to be three separate Gourmet Spirits summoned by my Specialization's Ability.

I checked my phone.

Whenever you're cooking, {Divine Cooking Dragon Spirits Assistants} will be automatically be summoned, which will vary between {Flavor Specializing Cooking Wyvern Spirit}, {Nutrient Boosting Cooking Drake Spirit} and {Appearance Enhancing Cooking Dragon Spirit}, which will assist you into creating Divine Dishes and enhancing their Effects by up to +300% and can also fight and defend you when you cook.

This one, I had managed to summon all three of those spirits while I was cooking and then I decided to combine them with Spirit Synthesis and add more materials, quickly turning them into my soul-bound gourmet spirit.

Naturally, because of their unique origin, Gordon is incredibly strong and also amazingly competent, I'm always asking him to cook for me, so he had leveled up quite a bit too, he's now Level 48

Which gave me an additional 4800 SOUL Stat, which as he grew stronger by cooking, my Soul would naturally grow bigger and stronger! There's literally nothing more amazing than that, right?

"This place's my home in the other world where I go to when I log out," I explained to him. "As you can see, I also look quite different."

"Oh right... your hair is brown..."

"And your body is much smaller?"

"Weaker too? You're a human and not a Dragon or Dryad anymore!"

My Physique was definitely changing that, but right now, I was definitely primarily a human, like at least I was pretty sure I was 90% human, most of my other forms depend on energy, so they're more like temporary magic transformations. My "base form" is a plain ol' human.

"Yeah, I'm definitely weaker than Planta," I nodded. "My true name is Elayne; you can call me however you want anyways."

"I see..."

"Very well!"

"Interesting! This place is big!"

"It indeed is! Alright let me show you the place, geez."

I ended doing a bit for him because he was quite lost, I showed him the house, let him see the neighborhood, and then the Domain in more detail before moving to the inside of the house, where he saw the kitchen.

"Incredible, the technology of this world is very strange and advanced, yet there's little magic in everything?"

"Still, these ingredients, there's a wide variety of them in this freezer artifact, ingredients can be kept in good state for longer!"

"Amazing! The humans of this world are quite incredible!"

He seemed really happy.

"Okay, I'll start cooking now, leave it to me master!"

Immediately, he summoned all sorts of golden utensils with his six hands, spoons, knives, forks, pans, and everything else.

I gave him other ingredients such as the meat of the monster fishes and eels we hunted down, I felt a bit bad about the bears, so I decided not to eat them.

I also gave him some dinosaur meat from what we've hunted in the Realm of the Past, the Fragment of Cloudia, which was really delicious.

As he cooked, I moved back to the Domain's exterior, where I decided to quickly bury the monster corpses the quest asked for, it wasn't going to be hard.

With my mere will, I controlled the Domain's ground, which quickly opened up into a huge hole.

"Alright, let's begin..."

Opening my Inventory, I quickly started dropping the bodies of the giant ants inside one after another.

Also using the Inventory's Dismantle ability, I dismantled the bears usable materials such as their horns, claws, fangs, and their fur, and then also added their bodies there.

The cubs were distracted playing with Mark, so I buried their family as quickly as possible.

"Let's get this done with."

FLUOSH!

Chapter 1250 : Domain Quests Complete, Opening The Domain Shop!

As I placed all the corpses inside of the hole, the Domain moved on its own as if it were alive, rapidly closing the hole, the corpses were instantly assimilated in the same way even the Druid bodies were, absorbed instantly. Flowers sprouted where they had been buried. It made me feel a bit sad, once more.

Thinking about Grandpa Jose and Emilio made me shed a small tear again, it has only been a day since then, so I guess it's only natural I would feel this way. Time goes so slowly when I'm doing so many things one after another. I wish I could take it easy... Probably once I'm finally done with the Luminous Kingdom and the Demon King of Death, I'll finally have some respite.

RUMBLE!

"Oh?"

I saw the ground tremble, as the wooden wall where all the quest papers were beginning to glow, one of these papers flew towards me, their words changing.

It seemed that Quest was finally done!

[Congratulations, you have completed the Tier 4 Domain Quest]: [Tier 4 Domain Quest: Feed the Domain 100 Monster Corpses (100/100)]

[After feeding over a hundred corpses to your Domain, it has gained a lot of growth, and it feels more satisfied. Absorbing Monster corpses is necessary for your Domain to feed itself and also develop new powers or strengthen existing abilities.]

[However, that doesn't mean you must excessively feed it! Be careful how much food you give to them, as it might eventually create a backlash if you do.]

[Quest Rewards]: [Domain Growth +10%] [Spirit Crystal Coins] x300 [Mystery Seed] x1 [Nature Soul Elixir] x1 [Spell Evolution Crystal] x1]

"Oh, similar rewards too..."

I admired the little information I got, it felt like the Domain itself was talking to me.

But that wasn't the case, right?

"Hahh... finally done."

I sat down over the grassland as I looked at the Domain, only to hear the World's Voice.

[Your Domain has successfully absorbed all 201 Monster Corpses.]

[Your Domain Growth has increased by an additional 10%.]

[Your Domain Growth has reached 90/100%, due to its rapid growth, the Domain might become unstable.]

[Your Domain may enter a "cooling period" where it cannot gain more growth until its internal energies and its expansion has been fully settled.]

"So that's a thing... Okay, I understand."

As I was about to use the items, suddenly, more voices.

[The Wills, Magic Power, and Souls of the absorbed Monsters has been assimilated by your Domain fully.]

[The Domain Themes {Nature Soul Shrine} {Jungle of Wild Beasts} {Spirit Garden} and {Fragment of Heaven} react to the lingering Wills of the remnant Souls within these absorbed corpses.]

[After sensing the three lives of their child, these Wills become stronger, manifesting.]

[The Domain Guardians: [Fire Bear Soul Spirit Clan (In Development)] have been added to the Domain.]

[Once enough time passes and the Wills and their Souls have fully settled into the Domain, they might fully manifest.]

"No way, the Fire Bears?!"

I thought it was the Ant Queen and her angry Ants, but no, it was actually the Bears!

I don't even know what to think anymore.

Could Domains always do this?

I thought it happened with the Druids because they were very strong but this, they're trying really hard to prove me wrong, I suppose.

"Oh well, this is really nice... I hope the Fire Bear Cubs will be happy once they manifest!"

After that, I checked the wooden table with all the Domain information.

Domain: {Domain Core: Heart of the Forest}: Tier 4: Magical Domain. 90%/100% (Cooling Down)

Domain Themes: {Forest of Secrets} {Forest of Fantasia} {Nature Soul Shrine} {Jungle of Wild Beasts}
{Spirit Garden} {Heaven Fragment}

Domain Abilities: [Expanded Senses] [Domain Manipulation] [Nature's Gift] [Fountain of Life] [Domain Quest Table] [Domain Shop] [Dream Gate] [Nature Soul Summon] [Wild Beast Protection] [Spirit Growth] [Heaven's Bridge] [Fae Feeding Grounds]

Domain Guardians: [Wandering Nature Soul: Squirrel of Youth] [Protective Nature Soul: Turtle of Wisdom] [White Fae of Healing] [Black Fae of Curses] [Forest Fairy: Katherine (Temporary)] [Lesser Heavenly Spirits (In Development)] [Fire Bear Soul Spirit Clan (In Development)] (New!)

Miscellaneous: [New Domain Quests Available (3)]

Domain Inventory: [Spirit Crystal Coins] x1050 [Mystery Seed] x3 [Nature Soul Elixir] x3 [Spell Evolution Crystal] x2 [Physique Ability Evolution Crystal] x1 (New!)

[Available Domain Quests (3)]

[Tier 4 Domain Quest: Hunt 200 Hollows (0/200)]

[Tier 4 Domain Quest: Feed the Domain 100 Monster Corpses (100/100)] COMPLETE

[Tier 4 Domain Quest: Plant 100 Trees Inside the Domain (100/100)] COMPLETE

[Tier 4 Domain Quest: Hunt 1 Demon And Feed it to the Domain (0/1)]

[Tier 4 Domain Quest: Grow 300 Spirit Plants (300/300)] COMPLETE

[Tier 4 Domain Quest: Summon 10 Lesser Heavenly Spirits (0/10)]

"Only three Quests left... Also I got over a thousand of those crystals," I nodded. "If I recall correctly, I can use those to buy stuff in the Domain Shop, right? Can I summon?"

I quickly thought about it, and with a mere command, the Domain quickly responded, a small little wooden house emerged from the ground, opening its door.

"Ooh! Hello there."

And then a tiny little Fae, the Domain Shop Fae, as I call it, stepped out.

No bigger than the palm of my hand, this little guy's entire body was made of green vines and leaves, and its face was a big leaf mask.

The mask lacked any expression, only having three little holes representing two eyes and a mouth.

[You have Summoned the Domain Shop and its Fae.]

[You can exchange Spirit Crystal Coins for Special Items in the Domain Shop.]

The wooden sign next to the shop quickly showed new letters.

"I see, so you're finally back, eh? How do you feel? The Domain's bigger now, right?"

"Kyh..."

The little Fae sat down, extending its tiny hand.

It was only interested in money and didn't care about idle talk.

I guess there's no helping it.

"Fine, I got a lot of your favorites here, so show me the goods, little guy."

"Kyuuuh!"

Suddenly, the little guy took out several items from the small house, placing them on a small table I had to kneel to see well.

[The Domain Shop Fae shows you his wares.]