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Chapter 179: The Agonizing Quality 9, Size 1_1

"Quality 9?"

When he saw this number, Qin Fang really felt like he was going insane.

"Quality 6 is 'Ice Waxy,' quality 7 should be 'Ice,' quality 8 should be 'Glass,' quality 9... Imperial Green?"
Qin Fang silently calculated, although it wasn't necessarily accurate, by estimating this way, the jade inside this rough stone was very likely to be Imperial Green.

"And the size is only 1???"

However, when Qin Fang noticed the size, his expression became even more filled with rage.

Among these thousands of rough stones, it was already difficult enough to encounter such a rare treasure, but to his disappointment the size turned out to be only 1. Although Qin Fang had discovered at least twenty or thirty pieces of jade by now, size 2 seemed to be the smallest one could get; never had he imagined that the Imperial Green he finally found would be an even smaller size 1. Qin Fang truly felt an urge to vomit blood.

"No matter, even if it's smaller, it's still Imperial Green..."

Looking at the price, which was only twenty thousand, Qin Fang's wallet wasn't thick enough. He had no choice but to give up a quality 3 piece he had reserved, and so, he managed to buy this quality 9—but size 1—rough stone.

"Sir, would you like to have it cut here?"

The clerk at Bizarre Stone Archway naturally came over to ask as usual.

"No need, just help me put these pieces in my car..."

Qin Fang had no intention of cutting the stone here, as he had already made a big show of it last time and attracted the attention of Brother Niu and his gang; who knew if there were others like Brother Niu lurking around?

Although Cai Pingyuan had cut an 'Ice Waxy' stone himself and took it directly, Cai Pingyuan was a high-level expert above Level 6. In this country, where firearms were strictly controlled, someone like Cai Pingyuan, with his skills, could easily take care of a dozen or even twenty ordinary Level 1 or Level 2 thugs.

But Qin Fang wasn't so certain, especially as he would be traveling the dozens of kilometers from the city center back to the university town. If someone was targeting him, just a minor car accident could be the end of him.

After all, if all these stones were cut open, Qin Fang thought that it would be difficult not to attract attention; he estimated their value to be at least over two million, especially that quality 5, size 4 piece, and the Imperial Green quality 9 size 1 piece that made him want to vomit blood at the end.

Stones of such value were more than enough to cause some people to take desperate risks, especially when Qin Fang was alone.

Rough stones, however, were different. Together, they weren't even worth two hundred thousand, and the likelihood of being targeted was much smaller, especially since they were all uncut, making them much safer.

Bizarre Stone Archway didn't care about this; after Qin Fang paid, they immediately arranged for the stones to be moved to Qin Fang's car.

Although there were five or six pieces and they weren't light, they didn't take up much space; just the trunk was packed full, making the car sink a bit with the weight.

"Looks like if I buy a car in the future, I definitely can't go for one of these light and floaty sports cars. They're flashy indeed, but far too powerless!"

Qin Fang was speaking the truth here; Xiao Nan's BMW was designed to be light, which is why it could achieve higher speeds, but it was certainly not suitable for carrying heavy loads.

Had he chosen a more robust vehicle, this situation wouldn't have arisen.

However, as things already were, Qin Fang could only deal with it quietly.

He got into the car, started it up, and didn't forget to look around, ensuring there were no red lights indicating hostility, before swiftly driving away.

Qin Fang didn't choose the shortest route, but specifically picked a main road with a relatively higher volume of traffic. Although it was a slower and more congested route, in such busy, crowded areas, even someone with malevolent intentions would have to think twice before making a move.

Plus, with the BMW small coupe weighed down, it couldn't reach top speed, which actually suited this kind of thoroughfare.

It was only after he left the city and got on the highway towards the university town that Qin Fang started to tense up again. He drove as fast as he could and, aside from focusing on driving, kept a continuous watch on his surroundings, fearing someone might stop his car along the way.

Fortunately, nothing untoward happened on the way, nor did he notice anyone hostile tailing him; he only relaxed a bit once his car entered the university town.

Once inside, Qin Fang could consider himself safe. Even if the rough stones were stolen, he could have Li Dong arrange for people to intercept the robbers.

When Qin Fang safely arrived at the Sawmill Factory with the rough stones, he was surprised to find the place was bustling. There were many workers moving in and out, and some construction vehicles—things looked quite busy.

"Fangfang, what's going on here...? Why are there so many people?"

Tang Feifei and Xiao Muxue had heard that Qin Fang was coming and immediately came out from the factory, accompanied by Mouse Qiang and Zhu Pangzi.

Seeing Zhu Pangzi, Qin Fang's face stiffened, as if he was still angry about the incident that day, which left Zhu Pangzi looking rather embarrassed.

"Feifei, what are you guys up to? Why are there so many people here?"

Qin Fang knew what he was asking; he'd long suspected Zhu Pangzi would act this way, though he hadn't expected the man to move so quickly. Still, he had to put on an act.

"Renovating our little house... Where have you been?"

Tang Feifei said with a grin, then noticing that Qin Fang had driven there, she immediately voiced her confusion.

"I went to get some rough jade materials. I was planning to store them here, but with all this work you're doing, where am I supposed to put them now?"

Qin Fang hadn't intended to mention it, but seeing Zhu Pangzi, he immediately remembered and started complaining to Tang Feifei.

"Oh, really! Then I'll ask them to leave for now, and we can continue some other day..." Tang Feifei didn't suspect anything and hesitated, actually planning to do just that.

"No need, no need... Young Master Qin, actually, my company has a warehouse specifically for storing materials, guarded 24 hours a day, totally safe! If you trust me, you can keep your rough jade there temporarily..."

Zhu Pangzi perked up upon hearing this, seeing it as a way to curry favor with Qin Fang.

"Can I trust you?"

Qin Fang's response was very cold, leaving Zhu Pangzi's face flushed with embarrassment.

"Young Master Qin, actually, what happened that day can't entirely be blamed on Boss Zhu. He was deceived by someone too..." Mouse Qiang immediately stepped in to defend Old Zhu, currying favor with him while also supporting Qin Fang.

"Is your company taking care of the renovation here?"

Qin Fang neither affirmed nor denied but asked this instead.

"Yes, yes! Please rest assured, Young Master Qin, all the designs are executed according to the ladies' specifications. All materials used are of the highest quality; there will absolutely be no issues with quality..."

Zhu Pangzi immediately pledged to Qin Fang, thumping his chest in assurance.

"Then you must have a ready construction crew at hand... You're building a house for me, all steel structure, with fire-resistant material on the surface. I intend to use it as a warehouse... You should know what safety standards to construct it to, right?"

Looking at the lively Sawmill Factory, Qin Fang was somewhat dissatisfied with the peace being disturbed here, but he felt the materials would still be safer in his hands.

"Understood, understood, I'll arrange for someone to start right away! However, Young Master Qin, constructing such a building will take some time, and you can't keep your rough materials in the car forever. Why not just put them in my warehouse for now, guaranteed safety!"

Zhu Pangzi insisted on completing the task while still trying to please Qin Fang, aiming to resolve any misunderstandings as quickly as possible.

"First, let me see it..."

Qin Fang hesitated for a moment, and Zhu Pangzi grew nervous, but fortunately, Qin Fang relented.

When Tang Feifei and Xiao Muxue saw Qin Fang return with the rough materials, their interest was immediately piqued; women have an innate impulse towards jewelry, hard to imagine. They both had regretted not witnessing the jade that Qin Fang gambled to be worth a million last time, and had been annoyed for days.

Now Qin Fang had brought back a few pieces of rough material, and even though they might not all produce jade, the mere chance of winning even one piece made them very happy.

"Fangfang, how much did these materials cost?"

Naturally, it was Tang Feifei, the official girlfriend, sitting in Qin Fang's car, who couldn't help but ask.

"It's basically all of my savings..."

Qin Fang said with a smile.

"Ah, you spent all your money on these stones? Isn't that too risky?"

Tang Feifei immediately frowned, clearly not too pleased with Qin Fang's impulsiveness, "Fangfang, gambling is not a good thing, it's better to gamble less in the future..."

Nevertheless, she still took care of Qin Fang's feelings and didn't criticize him directly, instead giving advice from a different angle.

"Don't worry, it's just once or twice at most. After all, jade is generally a losing bet, and although I can't promise there won't be a next time, I'll definitely try to minimize it..."

If it wasn't for limited funds on hand, Qin Fang would not bet on stones. He didn't like gambling, despite having a nearly 100% hit rate at gambling stones thanks to his Scouting Skill, especially now that it had reached the Intermediate level, making him even more formidable.

"That's a relief... Hehe, I really hope one of these rough materials turns out to be worth a million!"

Tang Feifei nodded in satisfaction and then looked forward to Qin Fang's stones appreciating significantly.

Upon hearing Tang Feifei's words, Qin Fang truly wanted to say, "Among these materials, the million-valued ones are not just one piece, but two..."