

Humanity 2001

Chapter 2001: Seizing the Nest

Lu Ye's voice wasn't particularly loud, but under the amplification of Sun Blaze Mana, it layered upon itself, swiftly spreading out until it covered the entire All Phenomena Ocean.

In just a short moment, every cultivator in the entire All Phenomena Ocean heard his proclamation.

At the edge of the All Phenomena Ocean, the six Sun Blaze of the home galaxy who had fled here in panic all suddenly turned their heads.

"How dare he!" Mo Wenli gritted his teeth and muttered in a low voice, this was clearly an attempt to usurp their place.

The All Phenomena Ocean has always belonged to the home galaxy. Although there had been a few crises before, no one had ever been able to overthrow the home galaxy's ruling position, until today...

Originally, three of the five Sun Blaze governors had died, and although four more came to support, none of them could defend against that strange golden light, now fleeing in disgrace.

Even more so, facing the might of the Animitta Palace, they were helpless, yet it was Lu Ye who forced the Animitta Palace to leave all the plundered resources behind.

This stark contrast was evident to many cultivators. The current situation was that Lu Ye was clearly more capable of safeguarding the interests of the All Phenomena Ocean, better able to protect its cultivators against strong foreign invasions.

If Lu Ye really intended to usurp control of the All Phenomena Ocean, there was really nothing the home galaxy could do.

"Recall Jiu Yan!" Yuan Se's Mental Consciousness transmitted, his expression bleak.

Given the current situation, they were powerless and could only recall Jiu Yan to handle matters. It was said that Jiu Yan had always had a good relationship with Three Worlds Island; perhaps if she stepped forward, there might be room for maneuver. Otherwise, if someone really did seize the All Phenomena Ocean, the home galaxy would become a laughing stock in the entire cultivation world.

On All Phenomena Island, Lu Ye's voice sounded again: "The plundered resources by the Animitta Palace will be temporarily kept by this island. Each Spirit Island may organize their losses and come to this island to collect their respective plundered goods in ten days."

Upon hearing this, Mang Dang's eyes turned on a distant reef island, and he immediately shouted: "Island Master Lu, are your words true? Are you really willing to return the plundered goods to each of the major Spirit Islands?"

His face was filled with excitement, as if he had suffered enormous losses during the previous changes, but in reality, he was farsighted and had left with a large number of resources and cultivators before Animitta Palace attacked Five Colors Island. Although there were losses on Five Colors Island, they weren't significant.

His words were undoubtedly in support of Lu Ye's statement, as he vaguely perceived Lu Ye's intentions.

And with him, a First Island Master of a top-class Spirit Island speaking in support, it undoubtedly made it easier for Lu Ye's plan to unfold.

It wasn't just him; countless cultivators in the entire All Phenomena Ocean displayed expressions of pleasant surprise at that moment.

As the incident unfolded, countless people had died, and the major top-class Spirit Islands and even some high-class Spirit Islands had suffered calamities.

Though lives lost couldn't be recovered, they hadn't thought much about the plundered resources, even though Lu Ye had previously forced the Animitta Palace to leave everything behind.

No one expected that Lu Ye would actually be willing to return them, which was undoubtedly a pleasant surprise.

Smart people could see that this was Lu Ye's move to win people's hearts. If he wanted to control the All Phenomena Ocean, he couldn't do without the support of the forces behind the major Spirit Islands. Paying some price to gain the support of many forces would undoubtedly make it easier and more convenient to control the All Phenomena Ocean.

Relative to future gains, these current sacrifices were insignificant, not to mention that these things were originally obtained by him taking from the Animitta Palace.

But knowing this, Lu Ye's action still left people with a great impression, with many silently praising Lu Ye's broad vision. Had it been someone short-sighted in Lu Ye's position, they might have hoarded all the resources for themselves.

"Naturally, it's true!" Lu Ye nodded slightly, his voice spreading all around, and continued: "Furthermore, after this incident, the forces behind the various great and small Spirit Islands might have Sun Blaze coming to investigate. Please advise your Sun Blaze to report and register at Three Worlds Island as soon as they arrive in the All Phenomena Ocean to avoid causing additional problems. The rules of the All Phenomena Ocean remain the same as before; any disruptor will not be tolerated by Three Worlds Island!"

Truth be told, the previous rules of the All Phenomena Ocean were quite effective. Under those various rules, conflicts might arise, but the scale would never be too large, which made governance and control very convenient.

Certainly, some rules were quite rigid, but they had been in place for countless millennia, deeply rooted, and Lu Ye did not intend to change too much. Now that Three Worlds Island was just taking over the All Phenomena Ocean, some matters couldn't be rushed, so using the existing rules was the best approach.

Thousands of storage rings were stored by Lu Ye into the Small Flower World. Under the watchful eyes of many, he called out, and several figures followed closely, heading toward Three Worlds Island.

After he left, more messages were transmitted by various cultivators to all corners.

Today's battle shook up the All Phenomena Ocean, and this treasure land, which had been governed by the home star system for countless years, had completely changed hands. Such a major event was rare

in the whole stellar space, and those forces behind the top-class and high-class Spirit Islands naturally needed to get first-hand information.

Moreover, today's battle was destined to be recorded in history, considering there were seven Suns Blaze who fell in battle alone. After this battle, the home galaxy was hurt severely, the Animitta Palace was left disgraced, while the First Island Master of the newly ascended Sun Blaze at Three Worlds Island reaped abundant rewards.

The fact that Lu Ye controlled the golden light-type treasure with strong imprisonment power over Sun Blaze spread rapidly along with the news. A newly ascended Sun Blaze might not be much, but such an elusive and hard-to-defend affiliated treasure was something no one could afford to ignore.

The critical point was that this affiliated treasure had been activated several times just within the short span of a single day of conflict!

And it was precisely this affiliated treasure that gave a newly ascended Sun Blaze the confidence to proclaim domination over the All Phenomena Ocean.

At Three Worlds Island, Lu Ye and others returned.

Ma Bin first entered the Spirit Jade Vein to recover and heal. The battle this time not only nullified his healing outcomes of the past year, but also exacerbated his injuries significantly. Previously, he suppressed these wounds in front of outsiders, but now returning to Three Worlds Island, he couldn't hold them back anymore.

Lu Ye personally escorted him into the Spirit Jade Vein, observing as he entered into a healing state, he finally relaxed.

Walking out, Luan Xiao'e and Yann Miao awaited outside. Lu Ye glanced at Yann Miao and instructed, "Great Elder, please make a trip back to bring the green sea conch, and also inform the local island cultivators about the changes here."

Previously, when the Three Worlds Island cultivators evacuated, the green sea conch was taken by Second Senior Sister to the Merfolk Territory. For return now, they must bring the green sea conch back and sound it on this island to open the gateway to the underwater.

This task shouldn't be difficult for Yann Miao, who has already advanced to Sun Blaze; it should only take a few days.

"Sure!" Yann Miao immediately nodded in agreement, vanished into the sea, disappearing from sight.

"Junior brother, what do I need to do?" Luan Xiao'e asked.

Lu Ye glanced at her, then at Hua Ci standing not far away, and said, "There's nothing specific to be done for now. Please, Senior Sister, take good care of Hua Ci."

Though today's battle had earned him a reputation, it was not based on his own abilities but mostly relied on the golden light power of the mythical beast Pixiu.

His own strength wasn't enough to dominate or rule the All Phenomena Ocean.

While it seems unlikely anyone would come to Three Worlds Island looking for trouble now, some precautions must be taken. Hua Ci is the master of Pixiu, so Hua Ci must not be harmed.

Having Luan Xiao'e closely by to protect gives reassurance.

He actually wanted to have a good chat with Hua Ci because from just this contact, something seemed off about Hua Ci; she seemed to have really lost her memory.

But now isn't the time; he still has trouble to solve on his end.

Sitting cross-legged at the entrance of the Spirit Jade Vein, currently, the protective array of Three Worlds Island hasn't been rebuilt, leaving the entire Spirit Island defenseless—making it the easiest time for outsiders to invade. Stationing here allows better protection for Ma Bin who is healing.

Immersing his consciousness, feeling changes within himself.

Since advancing to Sun Blaze, there's been immense growth in not just his Mana and physique, but also Soul Power—a complete transformation brought by the elevation of the big realm.

Moreover, as the realm stabilizes gradually, this growth will continue for some time, though not as intense as initially.

Now in the cultivation of the Three Blossoms, he's already gathered the Body Flower and Qi Flower. Next, he must condense the Divine Flower when Sun Blaze Realm reaches its limit.

This shouldn't be too difficult for him because the seven-color Divine Lotus is constantly nurturing his psyche, with Soul Power strengthening ceaselessly. Plus, he can freely enter invaluable places like the Soul Race ancestral land.

Cultivating Soul Power in such places yields tremendous results.

Looking over the cultivation of the Three Blossoms, only the Qi Flower's gathering needs effort and time to overcome. Once past this hurdle, the path forward is smooth.

Lu Ye anticipates what changes will occur within when the Divine Flower condenses and what the secret of the Three Blossoms entails, but that is for much later.

Right now, he has a pressing issue that needs solving...

Within an immersed state of mind, the black fruit hanging on the Talent Tree can be seen clearly, permeating with a cold, ominous aura.

On closer listening, it seems there's a wailing sound from within it.

In a calmly peaceful state, this black fruit seems to have no impact on him, but Lu Ye knows that if his emotions fluctuate, this fruit will massively distort his temperament...

In multiple encounters today, his heart was full of ferocity; even while subduing those from Animitta Palace of Sun Blaze, a desire to devour them emerged—a greed and addiction for tasting evil.

Luckily, he didn't act on it...

But he managed this time; what about next time, or the time after that?

Lu Ye doesn't want to turn into another Chao Nian, so he must find a way to address the problem of this black fruit.

Chapter 2002: The Ten-Day Deadline

Lu Ye knew that the formation of the black fruit was inseparably linked to his absorption of the cultivators' essence, and whether it was Su Yuqing or Ma Bin, they had both told him that the Dao Tree could burn all things in the world except the seven emotions and six desires.

So he guessed that the black fruit should be the condensation of the seven emotions and six desires of those cultivators he had absorbed, and this was why it turned to affect his own disposition.

How should he solve this thing?

Lu Ye wanted to pick it off, but it was not a real fruit, so he couldn't touch it, and naturally couldn't pick it.

He then turned to urge the power of the Talent Tree, wanting to burn the fruit away, but no matter how he urged it, the fruit remained intact, without the slightest sign of being burned.

In the ensuing days, Lu Ye tried countless times but could do nothing about the black fruit, and the failure of these attempts even made him upset, leading to black mist emanating from the fruit...

With these mists spreading, Lu Ye's entire aura underwent a tremendous change, becoming more somber, and deep within his heart, a bloodthirsty impulse was at play!

Feeling something wrong, he quickly calmed himself, slowly smoothing the sprouting stray thoughts in his heart.

It took a full two hours for Lu Ye to slowly recover.

After a moment of deep contemplation, he lifted his hand and pointed forward, from his fingertip extended a root of the Talent Tree, serving as a foundation, a large amount of aura gathered, and Mana and Psyche Force surged incessantly.

In the blink of an eye, a doppelganger appeared before him, precisely the Talent Tree Avatar.

Lu Ye hadn't constructed a Talent Tree Avatar for a long time, because relatively speaking, the Treasure Blood Avatar was more convenient and faster, and there were more in number.

Moreover, the Talent Tree Avatar needed a root of the Talent Tree as a foundation to construct, and if anything unexpected happened, the split-off Talent Tree root might be lost, unlike the Treasure Blood Avatar, which, even if destroyed, didn't have much effect on him.

This time constructing the Talent Tree Avatar was a reluctant attempt, also a flash of inspiration in his mind.

When the Talent Tree Avatar took shape, Lu Ye couldn't help but raise his brows in joy, as he discovered that on his true self, the black fruit hanging on the Talent Tree branch had visibly become smaller!

Could it really be possible?

Lu Ye was overjoyed, the reason he attempted to construct the Talent Tree Avatar was because in the process of constructing this avatar, it needed to split off a part of his essence, not just the root of the Talent Tree, but also his blood Qi, Mana, and Soul Power...

If that's the case, could the black fruit also be split off?

Precisely because of this thought, he was led to attempt once.

The result proved that the black fruit was indeed split off.

In this way, all he needed to do was destroy the Talent Tree Avatar, which equaled destroying part of the black fruit!

Then he could construct a new Talent Tree Avatar again, continue to destroy, dividing that black fruit again and again, until it was completely eradicated sooner or later.

That's how it seemed, but Lu Ye didn't dare really to act.

A long time ago, he had a feeling that if the Talent Tree Avatar was lost or destroyed, it wouldn't be a good thing for him.

Moreover, to solve the black fruit with this method required more than just one Talent Tree Avatar; it needed many.

He didn't even know if after losing the Talent Tree Avatar, he could still reforge it.

The Talent Tree was crucial to him, and he couldn't afford to be careless.

So even though he found this method, Lu Ye couldn't really let go and do it.

Upon further reflection, did Chao Nian never find this method back in the day? He should have found it, yet he still couldn't resolve his issue...

This indirectly indicated that this method was feasible but not really advisable!

Lu Ye ultimately didn't destroy his Talent Tree Avatar because he didn't dare to gamble, but it was when he was retrieving his Talent Tree Avatar that he suddenly remembered something.

He not only had a Talent Tree Avatar, but he also had a Treasure Blood Avatar; the Talent Tree Avatar couldn't be destroyed casually, but the Treasure Blood Avatar had no such concerns; if one was destroyed, he had another, and even if all were destroyed, he could still reforge treasure blood.

If the Treasure Blood Avatar could split off the black fruit...

Thinking about this, Lu Ye's thoughts suddenly became active, and he immediately urged the Treasure Blood to condense an avatar.

But after the Treasure Blood Avatar appeared, the black fruit of the Talent Tree hadn't changed, which left him somewhat disappointed, yet he didn't give up, instead starting more attempts.

Because he had found a direction to solve his current problem, and he had a premonition that this might be his only correct direction, and it was an advantage he had that Chao Nian didn't!

In the continuous attempts, unaware of the passage of time, until Luan Xiao'e's gentle call came: "Junior Brother!"

Lu Ye opened his eyes, somewhat bewilderedly looking at her.

Luan Xiao'e said: "The cultivators of this island have all returned, and there's only one day left until you set the ten-day period. Tomorrow, various Spirit Islands should come to retrieve their lost resources. What do you think..."

Lu Ye slowly returned to his senses, only then noticing the group of people standing behind Luan Xiao'e.

The Moon Jade cultivators of this island were all present, along with some familiar elders from the Nine Provinces.

No one expected the dramatic changes in the All Phenomena Ocean over these few short days. Previously, following Lu Ye's instructions, they had fled to the merfolk territory under the sea for refuge through the portal.

But in just a few days, Yann Miao suddenly returned, informing everyone that the All Phenomena Ocean was now ruled by the Three Worlds Island. Lu Ye had advanced to Sun Blaze, cutting down many Sun Blazes as easily as slicing fruits, not only preventing an invasion by a powerful force named Animitta Palace but also driving away the Sun Blaze cultivators of the native Star System.

When they heard Yann Miao's report, no one dared to believe it, as it sounded too fantastical.

But everyone knew Yann Miao wouldn't joke about such a matter.

Through the portal opened by the green sea conch, Three Worlds Island cultivators returned, and confirmed that the situation here was indeed as Yann Miao described, making them feel extremely complicated.

Just ten days ago, facing the arrival of a crisis, they had to flee for refuge, but now upon return, they inexplicably became masters of the All Phenomena Ocean...

This sky-shaking reversal left people at a loss.

But regardless of whether they were mentally prepared, being able to govern the All Phenomena Ocean was a great blessing for all cultivators of the Jade Conch World. It's a treasure land that had fostered the current strength of the All Phenomena Galaxy. If Jade Conch could control this place, it wouldn't take many years to become as powerful as the All Phenomena.

Luan Xiao'e didn't want to disturb Lu Ye; she naturally could see that Lu Ye was meditating on something recently, but now with the ten-day deadline approaching, she could only interrupt Lu Ye's meditation.

Lu Ye understood, glanced at the crowd, nodded slightly, and then took out those storage rings from the Small Flower World: "Please trouble everyone to inventory the resources inside, prepare for tomorrow's exchange with the various Spirit Islands."

Tang Jun looked at him with interest: "Are you really willing to return so many good things to those Spirit Islands? As far as I know, the resources inside include at least the wealth of ten top-class Spirit Islands and eighteen high-class Spirit Islands. This number is quite sizable! These things, if used by our Three Worlds Island, could sustain its consumption for hundreds of years."

Lu Ye said: "The words have been spoken, now it's too late to regret. Or do you have any wise suggestions, old sir?"

Tang Jun smiled: "What suggestions could I have? Indeed, by doing this, our Three Worlds Island can win more hearts. Using these resources to exchange for better governance in the future is not a bad trade."

He undoubtedly saw through Lu Ye's intentions.

Though the resources are vast, winning hearts is harder. If Three Worlds Island indeed had absolute power to suppress the All Phenomena Ocean, there wouldn't be a need to win hearts; anyone defying could be strongly suppressed. The key is that Three Worlds Island currently lacks such power.

The only thing Three Worlds Island can exhibit now is the golden light of the mythical beast Pixiu.

Perhaps once Ma Bin recovers, he can become a mainstay of Three Worlds Island, but that's not now.

Resources can be earned anytime later; let alone anything else, even Three Worlds Island alone can daily amass riches.

Originally, after advancing to Sun Blaze, Lu Ye had to leave the All Phenomena Ocean, and the fate of Three Worlds Island was unpredictable. But now, there's no such concern. As long as Lu Ye can control the All Phenomena Ocean, Three Worlds Island will always be that Three Worlds Island.

Additionally, there's one point Tang Jun didn't mention but everyone understood.

The largest portion of these plundered resources is from the All Phenomena Merchants Guild, occupying almost half of the share.

Other forces will likely send people tomorrow to exchange the plundered resources, but who dares to come from the All Phenomena Merchants Guild? Even if some truly reckless ones come, would Three Worlds Island pay attention?

This portion is destined to be consumed by Three Worlds Island.

Besides, there's Zixuan Island's!

The All Phenomena Merchants Guild surely won't send anyone to exchange resources, nor will Zixuan Island. In fact, by today, there is not a single person left on Zixuan Island; all the Zixuan demon cultivators have run away, clearly out of fear of Lu Ye's post-action settlement. After all, the ones who initiated trouble against Three Worlds Island this time were led by Yuan Du and Black Cloud.

Both of them are already dead, and from now on, even the Zixuan Demon Planet can no longer have a foothold in the All Phenomena Ocean.

So even if resources are returned, it's only a small portion, using it to win hearts is undeniably a profitable trade. Just this move can directly demonstrate Three Worlds Island's benevolence and tolerance, reducing much of the rejection and backlash against the change of ownership in the All Phenomena Ocean.

Moreover, there's a matter concerning the ownership of the two top-class Spirit Islands, All Phenomena Island and Zixuan Island!

The Zixuan demon cultivators have fled without a trace, and the All Phenomena Sun Blazes have also withdrawn from the All Phenomena Ocean, so these two top-class Spirit Islands are destined to fall into the hands of Three Worlds Island. A single force controlling three top-class Spirit Islands has never occurred in the history of the All Phenomena Ocean.

One could say that after the previous battle, Three Worlds Island achieved substantial gains both in reputation and actual benefit.

Three Worlds Island eats the meat, and other Spirit Islands sip some broth, which inherently belongs to them. You're good, I'm good, everyone's good — only in this way can the All Phenomena Ocean have a better future.

Chapter 2003: The Truth About Animitta Palace

In a unique place like the All Phenomena Ocean, having one power dominate is actually not a good thing. For countless years, it is precisely because the All Phenomena Ocean has this characteristic of accommodating all waters that it has flourished and prospered.

The major top powers saw this point and tacitly allowed the control of the All Phenomena Ocean by the local star system because every force needs such a place for the exchange of materials and the flow of information with other forces.

Now that the All Phenomena Ocean has changed hands, as long as the Three Worlds Island does not touch the interests of other forces, maintaining the previous situation will not face too much resistance.

Taking stock of the materials does not take much effort. This is presided over by Tang Jun, who brought down those thousands of storage rings.

Lu Ye then looked at Luan Xiao'e and asked, "Have any Sun Blaze arrived recently?"

Counting the time, the Sun Blaze of the major forces should have already arrived at the All Phenomena Ocean. Given there is communication through the Insect Path, the message exchange should not be so closed. According to the instructions he left earlier, any Sun Blaze coming should first report and register at the Three Worlds Island.

But in fact, he did not sense the arrival of any Sun Blaze aura at the Three Worlds Island.

Luan Xiao'e said, "Recently, I have indeed sensed quite a few Sun Blaze auras, but none of them entered the All Phenomena Ocean; they all stayed on the outskirts of the ocean."

Lu Ye's eyes flashed, sensing something.

It seems that completely controlling the All Phenomena Ocean isn't such an easy task. This can be seen merely from the attitude of these Sun Blaze.

They received messages sent back by their own forces, and now, having arrived at the All Phenomena Star System, they stay on the outskirts of the ocean, clearly adopting a wait-and-see attitude.

They want to see if the Three Worlds Island really has the ability to control this vast All Phenomena Ocean.

Not entering is because they do not want to offend the Three Worlds Island. Because once they enter the All Phenomena Ocean, they only have one choice, which is under the premise of recognizing the rule of the Three Worlds Island, to report and register at the Three Worlds Island. Otherwise, they would be breaking the rules Lu Ye set previously.

So, what are they waiting for? Waiting for tomorrow's material delivery?

Lu Ye thinks not. Although the total volume of materials looted from various Spirit Islands this time is indeed huge, when apportioned to a particular Spirit Island, it is not a lot, especially for the Sun Blaze. The loss of those materials is of little significance.

They don't need to wait for these materials.

Lu Ye didn't think any further, for the Three Worlds Island controlling the All Phenomena Ocean is already a set fact, and any who attempt to disrupt it are enemies. As the saying goes, soldiers will come to block, water will come to cover.

He waved his hand, letting Luan Xiao'e busy herself, as he arose and walked into the Spirit Jade Vein.

Soon, he arrived deep inside.

A figure was sitting here in meditation, quietly healing—it was Ma Bin.

Compared to ten days ago, his condition did not seem to have improved much, except the aura around him was slightly more stable.

When Lu Ye arrived, Ma Bin slowly opened his eyes, "What's the matter?"

At such a critical moment, if there were nothing, Lu Ye would not have come to disturb him. Looking at this Nine Provinces junior, Ma Bin's expression was complex...

Previously, his Dao foundation was damaged, and he had resigned himself to fate, for it was impossible given his reputation to find a Spirit Jade Vein to heal with.

But Lu Ye gave him hope, so he came.

Unexpectedly, he encountered such an event. Amid the chaos, he pursued and killed Black Cloud across thousands of miles, forcibly slaying Black Cloud before an entrance to the Insect Path. But precisely because of this, he missed the subsequent transformations.

When he returned, Lu Ye had somehow already ascended to Sun Blaze and was intimidating Animitta Palace. Afterward, Animitta Palace was forced to retreat, and the six Sun Blaze of the All Phenomena Ocean fled in disgrace.

It's hard to imagine that a newly ascended Sun Blaze could do such a thing. Even Chao Nian from millennia ago pales in comparison to today's Lu Ye.

At least, when Chao Nian first ascended to Sun Blaze, he lacked such boldness and skill.

"Senior, what is the origin of Animitta Palace?" Lu Ye sat down opposite Ma Bin and asked.

This time, he came mainly to ask about Animitta Palace. This force he had never heard of before, but just one encounter let him sense the other's strong foundation.

On the level of Sun Blaze experts, eleven were dispatched at once, which did not even include the two who initially pursued Yaya.

This confrontation has resulted in enmity, with enemies hidden and himself manifestly exposed. Lu Ye naturally needs to gather as much information on the opponent as possible.

"Animitta Palace..." Ma Bin murmured, "It is indeed a force not known to ordinary people."

In the time that followed, under Ma Bin's narration, Lu Ye gradually learned about Animitta Palace.

In the stellar space, there is a vast region, empty and desolate, full of magnificent marvels, extremely dangerous, where even Sun Blaze going deep within cannot ensure their own safety.

This vast region, when calculated, is about as large as a hundred All Phenomena Galaxies, making it the most barren part of stellar space. There are no living beings, nor any decent domain, even more barren than the remote Jade Conch Galaxy.

Although Jade Conch Galaxy is remote, it still boasts three large domains along with other smaller ones.

But the area where Animitta Palace is located is truly barren, where even spirit jade is rarely nurtured in that part of stellar space.

Yet in the very center of such a place, the only top-level domain emerged — Animitta Planet.

If everything goes as expected, people wouldn't discover Animitta Planet, because there are too many marvels and dangers in that stellar area.

Until one day, a powerful warrior emerged from Animitta Planet. With a vicious heart and ruthless means, he came from such a place, acting unscrupulously, naturally drawing many enemies.

However, his strength was formidable, so even with many foes, he always emerged victorious from combat, accumulating more grievances and gaining notoriety.

Gradually, he gathered around him a group of lawless figures, committing misdeeds everywhere.

"The predecessor of Animitta Palace was actually a group of galactic pirates, just a very powerful lot," Ma Bin slowly explained, "As their havoc grew, it finally caught the attention of top forces, making a siege inevitable."

That battle cost Animitta Palace heavily, and rumors said that even the powerful warrior from Animitta Planet was killed.

After that, this figure vanished for a time.

However, only a few decades later, he reappeared, stronger than before, causing more harm, and Animitta Palace's reputation gradually spread.

Then it continuously attracted some villainous figures or those with nowhere else to go to enlist.

Over the years of development, Animitta Palace now gathers an unknown number of powerful warriors from diverse races. They hide within Animitta Planet, rarely accessible to outsiders. Even if major forces want to ally for a siege, finding Animitta Planet's exact location in that vast barren region proves challenging.

Once, Yellow Dragon World spearheaded a siege, but suffered heavy losses due to the eruption of an unstable stellar marvel midway, forcing them to retreat. Since then, Animitta Palace became even more arrogant.

Listening to Ma Bin's account, Lu Ye pondered and realized Animitta Palace's Sun Blaze members indeed had diverse backgrounds. Among them, he noticed the human race, Shadow Race, Bone Race, Demon Race, and Demon Race...

It was practically a den of nefarious beings.

"With nurturing spirit jade being extremely difficult in that stellar region, Animitta Palace frequently goes out for looting. This time, though, who knows why they targeted All Phenomena Ocean."

Lu Ye understood why they'd target All Phenomena Ocean, just a coincidence, really.

"Senior, how do they achieve such long-distance teleportation from Animitta Palace? As you said, aren't they directly teleporting from Animitta Planet to All Phenomena Ocean? Is such long distances feasible?"

This was the point Lu Ye found most puzzling.

Just the stellar space where Animitta Planet is located alone is as large as a hundred All Phenomena Galaxies. How far Animitta Planet is from All Phenomena Ocean remains unknown. What kind of method can directly connect such distant locations?

"I'm not sure how they do it exactly. All I know is, Animitta Palace has an affiliated treasure, and they use this treasure's powers for teleportation during each looting."

"Affiliated treasure..." Lu Ye's expression slightly changed.

He suddenly recalled encountering the Filth Race before.

Filth Race controls a supreme treasure called the Celestial Frost Mirror. That treasure can emit Celestial Frost Freezing Air anywhere in stellar space, freezing and breaking space, forming an accessible Insect Path.

Animitta Palace's teleportation method resembles Filth Race's creation of Insect Paths, but the ways of transit differ.

One creates an Insect Path, the other teleports, so Animitta Palace's treasure shouldn't be the Celestial Frost Mirror's affiliated treasure.

He thought of another question: "Senior, do all supreme treasures have their affiliated treasures?"

So far, he had encountered few supreme treasures, but whether it was the Creation Vine in Taichu Realm, Constellation Palace, or Asura Field, they all possessed their affiliated treasures.

Moreover, the power of affiliated treasures greatly extends the supreme treasure's own powers.

Even his Dice of Fate is an affiliated treasure.

This undoubtedly seems odd — why does a supreme treasure have its affiliated treasure?

Rumors say supreme treasures were born alongside stellar space, some evolving from stellar marvels; how do affiliated treasures come about?

Since supreme treasures aren't living beings, they can't reproduce.

"Basically, supreme treasures all have their affiliated treasures, though there are exceptions," Ma Bin nodded, "You had limited interactions with them due to your previous strength, but now you're Sun Blaze. You might encounter various affiliated treasures. Remember, the power of affiliated treasures varies, but the destructive affiliated treasure powers generally can't be repelled by Sun Blaze. Only an affiliated treasure can negate a treasure's might. You could think that the full activation of most affiliated treasures represents an extreme Sun Blaze warrior taking action!"

Chapter 2004: Testing the Waters

When the power of an affiliated treasure is unleashed, it can almost match the strength of a Peak Sun Blaze expert!

And the power of an affiliated treasure can only be offset by another affiliated treasure.

Ma Bin's words inadvertently made him recall the contest between Yuan Se and Shang Chengyue, where the former had summoned the fire gourd and the latter the Sword Qi of Tianxuan Sword. Such a level of confrontation was indeed not comparable to ordinary scenes.

"Are there a lot of affiliated treasures?" Lu Ye asked. From his perspective alone, he had come across several affiliated treasures, which indicated how many must exist in the stellar space.

Ma Bin thought for a moment and said, "The number of affiliated treasures is indeed not small, but most are used as stabilizing artifacts for domains and are not easily deployed. After all, these artifacts are generally tied to the stability of a domain or an entire Star System, and when not utilized externally, they possess the greatest deterrent power."

Lu Ye understood.

If it weren't for the excessive actions of Animitta Palace's people, Yuan Se probably wouldn't have brought the fire gourd there. Initially, he thought that the fire gourd's power could easily resolve the crisis, but Shang Chengyue had been prepared long before and had summoned the Sword Qi of Tianxuan Sword for protection.

Speaking of the Sword Qi of Tianxuan Sword, when Lu Ye saw it, he felt a sense of familiarity as if he had seen it somewhere before.

It was only now that he suddenly remembered something...

Back when he had just ascended to Constellation level and left the Nine Provinces for the first time to explore the stellar space, he encountered a strong opponent named Fong Rumo who was being chased by a sword light, fleeing in terror.

That person had asked Lu Ye for some food and drink, and later, under his guidance, Lu Ye encountered the Ghost Ship and met Hai Tang there.

The feeling Lu Ye had from the Sword Qi of Tianxuan Sword unleashed by Shang Chengyue was quite similar to that of the sword light pursuing Fong Rumo.

At that time, his strength was not sufficient to gauge the depth of Fong Rumo's cultivation. Looking back now, Fong Rumo must have been on par with Ma Bin in terms of cultivation, yet such a strong opponent was being hunted by a sword light. Could that be the supreme treasure Tianxuan Sword?

But upon further reflection, it didn't seem right; if it truly were a supreme treasure, Fong Rumo wouldn't be able to withstand it.

Yet if that golden light were the Sword Qi of Tianxuan Sword, it seemed too powerful.

Lu Ye couldn't figure it out, but he was sure that the Sword Qi pursuing Fong Rumu was related to the Tianxuan Sword.

The strong man he had briefly met back then, he wondered how he was now.

Lu Ye then inquired about the Saintess of Animitta Palace, but unfortunately, although Ma Bin knew about Animitta Palace, he didn't know much, and hence didn't have specific information on the Saintess.

Now that Yaya was on the run, Lu Ye didn't know where to find her. But since she chose to unlock her power and memories, she should have a way to cope.

One day later, Three Worlds Island was bustling as the Island Masters of various Spirit Islands gathered on Three Worlds Island, and under Tang Jun's lead, the exchange of materials officially began.

Each Spirit Island reported their losses, detailing precisely what was lost; this was all self-reported, and inevitably some would exaggerate or take advantage for profit. But Three Worlds Island had no means of verification, and Tang Jun was well aware of this and didn't mind as long as it wasn't too excessive, because this time's gains were so substantial that the entire All Phenomena Merchants Guild and Zixuan Island's resources were all taken by Three Worlds Island, effectively becoming fat overnight.

In a thankful and appreciative atmosphere, the handover proceeded smoothly, with the Island Masters of each Spirit Island generously offering words of praise, and Tang Jun responded with a smile.

Although grateful for Three Worlds Island's return of the previously plundered resources, no Spirit Island expressed acknowledgement of Three Worlds Island's governance over All Phenomena Ocean.

At this time, in Lu Ye's pavilion, he was seated opposite Mang Dang.

Just a Shichen ago, Mang Dang had come uninvited. Despite Lu Ye's recent ascension to Sun Blaze, their relationship was amicable without any estrangement, and Mang Dang's visit at such a time was obviously not merely to pay a visit.

"The old man said that various powers are willing to allow the governance of All Phenomena Ocean by All Phenomena Galaxy mainly because All Phenomena Ocean is located within this Star System, and the native galaxy has a natural advantage, plus their overall strength is not bad, so for many years everyone has been willing to adhere to the rules here," Mang Dang said.

Such a treasure land as All Phenomena Ocean, if those top-tier powers truly wished to take over, could the native Star System stand up to them? The probability suggests not.

But if everyone wished to seize it, it would ultimately lead to chaos where no one gains any advantage. This mutual restriction ensures no one rises above the rest.

The native galaxy occupies a geographical advantage, and their overall strength is quite good, making their governance naturally reasonable.

The old man he referred to was an old Peak Sun Blaze from Five Colors Territory. After the incident at All Phenomena Ocean, he was one of the first to arrive.

However, like the Sun Blaze experts from other Star Systems, this strong figure from Five Colors Territory didn't enter All Phenomena Ocean but stayed on the outskirts.

"Now, if Three Worlds Island wants to take All Phenomena Ocean, they must show strength sufficient to make others abandon their coveting!" Mang Dang said. This statement was clearly not his own but relayed from the Five Colors Territory Sun Blaze expert's perspective.

It's undoubtedly a form of guidance, given the relationship between Three Worlds Island and Five Colors Island.

"Wasn't the previous battle enough?" Lu Ye asked, having first driven back Animitta Palace and then defeated the Sun Blaze of the All Phenomena Galaxy. In that battle, no less than seven Sun Blaze perished. With such deterrent power, it still wasn't enough?

Mang Dang replied helplessly, "That battle didn't happen right under their noses. To them, everything is just hearsay. To be honest, the current foundation of Three Worlds Island is indeed somewhat thin."

The number of Sun Blaze that Three Worlds Island currently shows to the outside world is only four, and whether it's Lu Ye, Luan Xiao'e, or Yann Miao, they all had just advanced to Sun Blaze not long ago.

Ma Bin, on the other hand, has been renowned for a long time, but his severe injury is no secret, and at this stage, it's difficult to have enough deterrent power.

Indeed, the fame of the golden light-type treasure has already spread. Everyone knows that Three Worlds Island has a strange golden light-type treasure capable of imprisoning Sun Blaze, but to those top domains, who doesn't have an affiliated treasure?

And without an affiliated treasure, Three Worlds Island is nothing in the eyes of the top powers. A heavily injured Ma Bin cannot support the beam.

Lu Ye understood: "So they want to see the foundation of my Three Worlds Island with their own eyes?"

Mang Dang nodded: "That's roughly what it means."

If Three Worlds Island can show a strong enough foundation, then controlling the All Phenomena Ocean will naturally not be difficult. But if not... then changes will inevitably happen.

"How do they want to see it?" Lu Ye asked.

"I don't know either." Mang Dang shrugged, "But the old man said it should become clear soon."

As the two were speaking, Lu Ye suddenly turned his head to look in a direction, showing a clear expression: "So that's how it is!"

He sensed the aura of a Sun Blaze intruding into the All Phenomena Ocean. But judging from the other party's itinerary, they weren't heading to Three Worlds Island, but to another place!

This was blatant provocation.

At the same time, Mang Dang also obviously received a message, quickly checking the audio talisman, then looked up at Lu Ye and said, "Shern Yun of Winged Heaven Planet, with Peak Sun Blaze cultivation, carries the Heavenly Net Umbrella, impervious to a myriad of techniques! The old man said that he once swore brotherhood with Guk Xi of the Celestial Flames World in their youth. He comes with bad intentions!"

Lu Ye immediately became interested: "Heavenly Net Umbrella?"

Winged Heaven Planet is also a top domain. Shern Yun comes from Winged Heaven Planet and has Peak Sun Blaze cultivation. With an affiliated treasure like the Heavenly Net Umbrella, it's safe to say that with this treasure, there is no place in the vast stellar space where he cannot go.

Moreover, the name Heavenly Net Umbrella sounds like it's meant for defense, no wonder he's bold enough to intrude into the All Phenomena Ocean. Clearly, he has something to rely on.

He once swore brotherhood with the deceased Guk Xi in their youth... Guk Xi's death at Lu Ye's hands is not a secret. Although no one saw the process, with Lu Ye being able to kill two Sun Blaze of Animitta Palace, what does it matter if he killed Guk Xi?

It wasn't just Guk Xi; the deaths of Yuan Du and Chen Xuanba were also related to him. Many Sun Blaze are well aware of this matter.

"I'm going out for a bit." Lu Ye stood up.

"Be careful!" Mang Dang couldn't help but be a bit worried. Although Lu Ye's performance in the previous battle was remarkable, it relied more on the power of the affiliated treasure. Now that Shern Yun is well-prepared, if Lu Ye's affiliated treasure doesn't play a role, he surely wouldn't stand a chance against Shern Yun with his newly advanced Sun Blaze cultivation.

And once Lu Ye is defeated, the notion of Three Worlds Island controlling the All Phenomena Ocean would be a joke.

Lu Ye nodded, left the pavilion, and soared into the sky, not hiding his Sun Blaze aura at all.

At that moment, around the periphery of the All Phenomena Ocean, pairs of eyes focused in, and strands of Mental Consciousness darted back and forth. It was apparent to all that the moment to decide the future ownership of the All Phenomena Ocean had arrived.

Shern Yun was an old man with a sinister expression. Being at Peak Sun Blaze, yet looking so aged, it was clearly due to his old age. He gained fame many years ago, and early on, a stroke of fortune granted him the Heavenly Net Umbrella. Since then, there was no one in the world who could threaten him.

Upon hearing the news about the changes in the All Phenomena Ocean, he immediately realized that this was an excellent opportunity for Winged Heaven Planet to control the All Phenomena Ocean. As for that Three Worlds Island, he didn't really consider them at all.

There are indeed differences in the quality of affiliated treasures. He has encountered the powers of other affiliated treasures, but in this world, he has yet to encounter one capable of breaking the defense of the Heavenly Net Umbrella.

He could feel a number of Sun Blaze lingering around the periphery of the All Phenomena Ocean, observing, but this didn't affect him.

The current ownerless state of the All Phenomena Ocean meant the first mover would emerge strong. Those people prided themselves on being cautious and wise, but in reality, they were missing an excellent opportunity, truly laughable.

As he swept towards the direction of Winged Heaven Island, he suddenly sensed an eerie Mental Consciousness falling upon him remotely.

"Hmph!" Shern Yun snorted coldly, turning his head towards the source of the Mental Consciousness, vaguely seeing a figure swiftly approaching his direction, which he found very displeasing, as such blatant probing with Mental Consciousness was a provocation to him.

Three Worlds Island's Lu Ye? Shern Yun almost instantly deduced the identity of the other party, since at this moment, only someone from Three Worlds Island would come to find him.

Chapter 2005: Anyone Have an Objection?

Carefully perceiving, Shern Yun discovered that indeed, as the intelligence he held indicated, this Three Worlds Island's Lu Ye had just been promoted to Sun Blaze, with an aura clearly still unstable.

In the eyes of ordinary cultivators, Sun Blaze stands high and mighty, but before a peak Sun Blaze expert like Shern Yun, a newly ascended Sun Blaze is nothing significant.

All Phenomena Ocean is a treasure land, and whoever can occupy it will greatly aid the development of their own power.

Previously, it wasn't that no one had thoughts about it, there just wasn't a suitable opportunity.

But this time, the invasion by Animitta Palace, coupled with the chaos within All Phenomena Ocean, created this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Shern Yun looked at Lu Ye rapidly approaching, and a cold smile appeared on his face. Did they really think those Sun Blazes lingering outside were deterred by the Three Worlds Island's affiliated treasure and thus did not enter? If that's their belief, then they're too naive.

From what he knew, he wasn't the only one who brought an affiliated treasure to All Phenomena Ocean this time; there were at least four!

Moreover, he knew that some Sun Blazes had already reached a secret agreement to carve up All Phenomena Ocean.

When the balance maintained for tens of thousands of years or more is broken, naturally many will have their own small thoughts.

Just because no one wants to be the one to stick their neck out, everyone is lingering on the periphery.

Only he, Shern Yun, has no fear, or rather, has enough confidence in himself. Carving up All Phenomena Ocean is fine by him, but since he's the one sticking his neck out, he wants the largest territory, the most benefits!

He knew that at this moment, those outsider Sun Blazes were all watching the movements here, so given the circumstances...

A hint of ferocity flashed in Shern Yun's eyes, and a murderous intent surfaced on his face.

Affiliated treasures are precious and rare, most are world-stabilizing treasures of various big worlds, with only a few individually possessed by certain cultivators. Three Worlds Island has such a gold light-type treasure capable of imprisoning Sun Blaze cultivation—this has never appeared before, even if its quality doesn't match the Heavenly Net Umbrella, it's still an affiliated treasure.

Who wouldn't covet it?

From the perspective of these Sun Blazes, the importance of the affiliated treasure even surpasses All Phenomena Ocean.

Shern Yun possesses the Heavenly Net Umbrella, but he wouldn't mind having another affiliated treasure. Then, with one for attack and one for defense, looking across stellar space, who could rival him?

He believed he wasn't the only one who desired to seize the Three Worlds Island's affiliated treasure.

He must strike fast and decisively!

With a sudden flicker, he rushed straight towards Lu Ye's direction, loudly calling: "Is that Three Worlds Island's Fellow Daoist Lu Ye coming?"

Upon hearing his shout, Lu Ye did not respond, instead furrowing his brow and watching Shern Yun rapidly closing in on him.

From Mang Dang, he had received some intelligence, initially thinking Shern Yun came to test his depth, to see if Three Worlds Island had the qualifications to control All Phenomena Ocean.

If so, he just needed to defeat Shern Yun.

No matter whether he and Guk Xi were sworn brothers or not, Shern Yun ultimately hails from a top-tier domain like Winged Heaven Planet. Unless necessary, Lu Ye didn't wish to form a deadly feud with him.

So originally, his plan was to greet Shern Yun, then let them have a bout, allowing the Sun Blazes outside to witness the power of the treasure coin's golden light firsthand.

But now...

Shern Yun called out warmly but Lu Ye sharply sensed a hint of murderous intent.

This old fellow intends to kill me! Realizing this, Lu Ye's face turned cold, and boundless killing intent burgeoned in his heart.

If he wants to kill me, then I'll kill him first!

"Indeed it is!" Lu Ye shouted, speeding forward without slowing.

The two shadows tacitly approached each other, with their Mana surging concealed.

The next instant, Shern Yun's angry roar echoed: "How dare you, the impudent youth, to kill my sworn brother Guk Xi! Today, I shall take your life, showing you that there's always a heaven beyond the heaven, always someone stronger!"

As soon as the words fell, he raised his hand in a motion, and a small black umbrella was summoned. The umbrella spun atop his head and vanished, leaving layers of rays that shielded his body.

Before coming here, he had clearly investigated the intelligence on the golden light-type treasure, knowing once triggered, it would be hard to guard against; hence, he unhesitatingly summoned his Heavenly Net Umbrella to protect himself, ensuring he stood on undefeated ground.

Only an affiliated treasure can contend with another affiliated treasure. Even though he is the peak of Sun Blaze, he wouldn't gamble with his life, especially after revealing his malice.

Almost simultaneously, with his summoning of the Heavenly Net Umbrella, he saw golden light appearing on Lu Ye's side.

Focusing his gaze, he immediately discovered the source of the golden light emanated from an exotic beast perched like a toad on Lu Ye's shoulder.

From within, he understood that what his intelligence indicated was true—the golden light-type treasure was indeed a living creature. Although somewhat strange, the existence forms of affiliated treasures vary greatly. There's nothing unusual about a live creature.

The golden light blossomed into a beam directed at Shern Yun.

Shern Yun was well-prepared, continually moving to evade, but despite his attempts, the golden light struck him squarely.

Is it a trait that cannot be avoided once locked onto? Shern Yun couldn't help but raise an eyebrow; he had never encountered such an affiliated treasure before.

However, if this affiliated treasure has such a trait, then its value is undoubtedly much higher.

When the golden light enveloped him, Shern Yun still had a composed look on his face. He did not believe that any affiliated treasure in this world had the might to break through the protection of his Heavenly Net Umbrella. In the past, he had faced many strong opponents with affiliated treasures, but under the protection of the Heavenly Net Umbrella, he had always been safe and sound.

But the next moment, his expression changed.

Originally, under the protection of the Heavenly Net Umbrella's power, there were layers of colorful light flowing and rotating on the surface of his body. But now, this flowing glow rapidly solidified, and the color of the glow swiftly transformed into golden light.

In just a blink of an eye, his body was enveloped in golden light. As the golden light flowed, the imprint of an ancient coin flickered in and out of sight.

Crack...

The sound of something shattering rang out, and Shern Yun's expression changed drastically because it was the protection of the Heavenly Net Umbrella that was breaking.

This had never happened before.

In horror, he instinctively wanted to flee, but something even more terrifying occurred—his Peak Sun Blaze Mana and blood Qi all solidified!

He finally realized what had happened to the Sun Blazes that were slain by Three Worlds Island's Lu Ye.

His heart trembled uncontrollably, and a chilling thought arose in his mind.

That golden light... wasn't the power of an affiliated treasure!

It was a supreme treasure, a genuine stellar space supreme treasure!

Because only the power of a supreme treasure could so easily break through the protection of his Heavenly Net Umbrella; no affiliated treasure could have such a capability.

How could it be a supreme treasure? Shern Yun's eyes were wide with disbelief. He couldn't comprehend that in this era, there could still be someone wielding the power of a supreme treasure and even having one.

Rumors mislead! Every piece of information he had indicated that Lu Ye of Three Worlds Island controlled an affiliated treasure. That's why he confidently came, thinking it was a good opportunity to seize All Phenomena Ocean and grab an affiliated treasure. Who would have thought the situation would turn out like this?

His figure plummeted downward, and the deep seawater entered his vision. Shern Yun's heart was full of terror. He knew well the terrifying corrosiveness of All Phenomena Ocean's sea water. Now that the protection of the Heavenly Net Umbrella was broken, falling into the sea would surely be certain death.

Suddenly, his scalp tightened, and his falling figure halted in the air. He steadied his mind and realized that someone had grabbed his hair and lifted him, and that person was undeniably Lu Ye.

At such close proximity, their eyes met, and Shern Yun clearly saw the unabashed and fiercely violent murderous intent in Lu Ye's eyes. At this moment, Lu Ye seemed less a person and more a ferocious beast ready to devour him.

Driven by the instinct to survive, his Psyche Force surged forth, and he activated a secret technique.

Lu Ye's body swayed slightly, and he shook his head vigorously. His psyche was somewhat unsettled but not seriously harmed.

Shern Yun was dumbfounded.

His Peak Sun Blaze Soul Power was immensely powerful, even more so in a crisis. Even cultivators of the same level couldn't underestimate it, yet a newly ascended Sun Blaze withstood it?

"One after another..." Lu Ye spoke, his eyelids drooping slightly, a shadowy expression on his face as he slowly drew the Boulder Mountain Saber with his other hand.

"Why do they all come..."

Under Shern Yun's terrified gaze, the Boulder Mountain Saber pierced towards his chest. He wanted to plead for mercy, but couldn't even open his mouth.

"...to force me!"

The long saber pierced through his body. With the flow of blood Qi sealed, Shern Yun couldn't withstand the sharpness of the Boulder Mountain Saber with just his physical body.

The prick of pain came, and blood gushed from Shern Yun's nose and mouth. Yet, even more terrifying was Lu Ye before him, whose body trembled slightly, seemingly suppressing something, and beneath that hideous face was the eruption of extreme malice.

"Die!" Lu Ye roared, and with a surge of Mana, Shern Yun's body, pierced through by the long saber, exploded into fragments.

He dared not delay further; he feared he wouldn't be able to resist devouring Shern Yun.

Flesh scattered, and the powerful Sun Blaze expert's body was no more. Only a few storage rings he carried scattered, along with a small black umbrella the size of a palm.

Lu Ye snapped back to attention, snatched up the storage rings and the small black umbrella.

There was no time for a thorough examination. He just cast a cold glance around and, with his Mana, projected his voice: "Three Worlds Island wants to control All Phenomena Ocean; does anyone have objections? Speak now!"

There was no response.

After waiting for ten breaths, Lu Ye's voice rang out again: "Since no one objects, then from now on, abide by the rules. Anyone daring to cause chaos in All Phenomena Ocean will be killed without mercy by Three Worlds Island!"

With a cold snort, he turned back towards Three Worlds Island, gradually calming the murderous urge in his heart.

When he left Three Worlds Island, he hadn't intended to kill Shern Yun. He thought this was just a test by various forces, and they would merely go through the motions. But though he didn't intend to kill, he couldn't stop them from wanting to kill him. Thus, he could only kill to settle the matter.

He believed that after this battle, there would be no more disturbances in All Phenomena Ocean.

Chapter 2006: Sun Blaze Gathers

The sudden outbreak of a conflict among the Peak Sun Blazes ended quickly, at the cost of the silent demise of one such powerful figure.

At the All Phenomena Ocean's outskirts, figures stood tall with varying expressions; some with furrowed brows, others showing surprise, some gloating, and others marveling in shock...

Sun Blazes from different star systems and domains had gathered here, avoiding the All Phenomena Ocean to prevent any conflict with the Three Worlds Island while they waited. Surely in such a situation, someone couldn't resist probing.

These veteran Sun Blazes, renowned for years, had the patience and tact.

Three Worlds Island had declared its intent to control All Phenomena Ocean, but such a major affair couldn't be dictated by one alone. Anyone wishing to seize control of this treasure trove must first obtain their consent.

If Three Worlds Island were an elite big world, that might be different, but it wasn't, nor did it have profound foundations.

In this scenario, even if Three Worlds Island, bolstered by its previous triumph, aimed to encroach upon All Phenomena Ocean's rule, they would inevitably need to make substantial compromises and sacrifices, and whether they could ultimately control All Phenomena Ocean remained uncertain.

Just as predicted, someone couldn't resist entering All Phenomena Ocean, none other than Shern Yun from Winged Heaven Planet!

Shern Yun, notorious for his reckless ways, had long held a fearsome reputation across stellar space, particularly because he possessed the Heavenly Net Umbrella-affiliated treasure, making him one of the most formidable Sun Blazes. Anyone engaging him in combat, unable to breach his defenses, would find him undefeatable.

This mighty figure came to All Phenomena Ocean but didn't report to Three Worlds Island, and now everyone awaited the unfolding events with anticipation.

They sensed Lu Ye's movement and as expected, felt the conflict erupt between Shern Yun and Lu Ye, yet the result was shocking!

In a mere instant, Shern Yun's presence vanished, followed by Lu Ye's voice echoing across All Phenomena Ocean.

Due to the distance, no one saw the specifics of the confrontation between Lu Ye and Shern Yun, but they all knew one thing—Shern Yun was dead! Killed by the newfound Sun Blaze from Three Worlds Island, Lu Ye.

After a brief silence, mental consciousnesses suddenly erupted.

"Could it be that Shern Yun failed to unleash the Heavenly Net Umbrella in time?" someone asked in shock and suspicion since only this possibility explained Shern Yun's swift demise.

"Impossible. Shern Yun, that old fox, is always cautious and faced another with affiliated treasure; he couldn't have failed to summon the Heavenly Net Umbrella."

"True, and in the recent confrontation, Shern Yun initiated the attack. Knowing him, he would have surely immediately deployed the Heavenly Net Umbrella for protection."

"Yet with the Umbrella protecting him, why did he still perish? Could the golden light-affiliated treasure be so powerful? What supreme treasure's affiliated treasure is this?"

"Regardless of the supreme treasure's affiliated treasure, its power has reached immeasurable levels. From today onwards, Three Worlds Island's Lu Ye will surely become renowned across stellar space, and none will dare underestimate him."

"But this youngster was too rash, killing Shern Yun just like that. Didn't he consider offending Winged Heaven Planet?"

"Haha, hasn't he offended many elite forces? Zixuan harbors deep hatred against him, and he previously killed several Sun Blazes from Animitta Palace... Besides, his decision to shelter Green Demon King Ma Bin shows he's not one to shy away from conflict."

"Indeed... Ma Bin's fearsome reputation lies in his elusive nature. Now severely injured, he's appeared on Three Worlds Island, inviting trouble from many, not least from All Phenomena Galaxy itself. Fellow Daoist Charng Feng, since the bout at Asura Field, has been tracking his whereabouts and might soon return."

The Sun Blaze's mental consciousness exchanged thoughts.

Suddenly, one person asked, "Everyone, have you considered another possibility?"

Others looked towards the voice, someone confused, "What possibility?"

"To easily breach the Heavenly Net Umbrella's affiliated treasure's protection, could Three Worlds Island's golden light truly be an affiliated treasure?"

"If it's not an affiliated treasure, what else could it be?"

The speaker's expression was serene, eyes deep.

The Sun Blazes immediately reacted, inhaling sharply.

Indeed, everyone had simply assumed the golden light was a powerful affiliated treasure's might. But if it really was an affiliated treasure, it wouldn't easily break the Heavenly Net Umbrella. If it was indeed a supreme treasure... that would be truly terrifying.

After a long silence, someone finally spoke, "The conflict for All Phenomena Ocean ends here; it's time we visit Three Worlds Island's master. As for the golden light's nature, whether affiliated treasure or... we might inquire directly!"

Despite such a move being somewhat inappropriate, without clarity everyone here, the Sun Blazes couldn't rest easy.

On Three Worlds Island, Lu Ye returned, calming the turbulent emotions in his heart after some meditation.

The black spirit fruit on the Talent Tree needed urgent addressing, lest it affect future combat, like this confrontation with Shern Yun...

Fortunately, he had some clues.

As he prepared to investigate further, he suddenly looked up in a direction, mind stirred, and sent audio transmission, standing up as well.

For a moment, Lu Ye stood hovering outside Three Worlds Island, flanked by Luan Xiao'e and Yann Miao, both peak Sun Blaze.

In the distance, a flurry of Liu Guang swiftly approached, with the imposing might of Sun Blaze spreading far and wide.

Luan Xiao'e and Yann Miao both looked somewhat tense because the number of Sun Blaze arriving this time was quite excessive, no less than several dozen, clearly backed by various powerful factions behind Spirit Islands, with many possessing exceptionally deep and profound auras, evidently extraordinary.

Quietly observing Lu Ye, they found his expression as calm as usual, adopting the demeanor of a host, with a composed and serene look.

The two women, infected by this calm, exchanged a glance and gradually calmed their nerves.

"Sui Lin from Five Colors Territory comes to pay respect, and should my visit cause any disturbance, I ask Fellow Daoist Lu to forgive me!"

Even before arriving, a cheerful voice echoed from afar, belonging to that old gentleman mentioned by Mang Dang.

This gentleman was not old, filled with vigor, and his strong aura indicated he was far from being mediocre among Sun Blaze.

As the sole faction behind Five Colors Island with good relations with Three Worlds Island, Sui Lin's opening words undoubtedly set a positive tone for this Sun Blaze meeting.

And following his words, one after another voices resounded.

"Su Lan of Ten Thousand Demons comes to pay respect..."

"Kui Huo of Northern Underworld comes to pay respect..."

"Gu Tai of Yellow Dragon World..."

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One Sun Blaze after another declared themselves, each bearing prominent names in the stellar space, especially the initial few from top-tier domains, who were notably significant. Besides the initial Sun Blaze from top-tier factions, those announcing themselves thereafter were also not to be overlooked, as behind each one stood a powerful faction.

Under normal circumstances, these formidable figures would rarely be seen by ordinary cultivators, but today, here they appeared as if at no cost, gathering en masse.

Lu Ye courteously saluted each one, and carefully noted their appearances and names.

Having reached the Sun Blaze level, from now on, these people will be whom he interacts with primarily.

Numerous Sun Blaze discretely observed and, seeing his appropriate responses, quietly nodded in approval.

"Having traveled from afar, you grace Three Worlds Island, please come in, I have ordered a banquet prepared to welcome and refresh all Fellow Daoists!"

"Very well, very well."

Shortly afterwards, within a palace in the local island cultivator guard area on Three Worlds Island, Lu Ye sat at the head seat, with Sun Blaze from various factions seated on both sides, with various spirit fruit and fine wine served in succession, as all conversed with laughter and harmony, exhibiting a cordial atmosphere.

Both Lu Ye and the visiting Sun Blaze clearly understood one thing: their willingness to ascend and visit Three Worlds Island at this time, and as guests, signified their recognition of Three Worlds Island's governance and control over All Phenomena Ocean. Those like Shern Yun who did not recognize, were already obliterated.

Under absolute and powerful suppression, all Sun Blaze were made to realize that Three Worlds Island possesses the capability and qualification to oversee All Phenomena Ocean; given this, there was nothing more to critique, though some may remain resentful, none would dare make a fuss given the precedent set by Shern Yun.

Currently seated here, their sole discussion centered on future interests!

It cannot be denied that All Phenomena Ocean's existence over these years brought significant benefits to the present factions, especially upon occupying Spirit Islands, allowing their cultivators to settle and accelerate their cultivation speed and efficiency, undoubtedly expediting the growth of their cultivators.

Moreover, having such a place to trade mutually offers great benefits to any faction, as every domain and star system has its own specialties; within one's domain they might be considered ordinary, yet to others, they are precious and rare items, thus transactions would yield greater value.

However, being experienced and wise participants, none initially mentioned such matters, all just exchanged pleasantries.

Taking advantage of the opportunity, Gu Tai from Yellow Dragon World particularly fostered relations with Lu Ye, for after the closure of the Asura Field, Gu Sheng had returned to Yellow Dragon World and mentioned Lu Ye's name, holding him in high regard.

"The friend Gu Sheng spoke highly of must be you, Fellow Daoist?" Gu Tai asked with a smile.

Lu Ye replied, "Indeed, I previously ventured to the Asura Field to train for a while, and there enjoyed engaging conversations with Gu Sheng."

"Truly impressive younger generation." Gu Tai lamented, for in the current Yellow Dragon World, Gu Sheng undoubtedly represented the most talented, yet even Gu Sheng was currently in seclusion and whether he might smoothly advance to Sun Blaze remained uncertain; in comparison, Lu Ye had not only already advanced to Sun Blaze but also accomplished such great feats, today seated here conversing as peers.

By contrast, Gu Sheng, held in high hopes by Yellow Dragon World, paled significantly.

"How is Gu Sheng faring nowadays?" Lu Ye asked, harboring a bit of guilt towards Gu Sheng and Arbuluo, as the trio had promised to explore the secrets of the Asura Field together, yet he was

beckoned away by the Sky Asura Race, unable to maintain contact with them subsequently, and never managed to meet again until the Asura Field's closure.

Chapter 2007: Minor Adjustments

"Ever since returning from the Asura Field, Gu Sheng has been in seclusion," Gu Tai smiled slightly.

Lu Ye raised an eyebrow: "That is indeed something to look forward to."

Someone like Gu Sheng, who has already reached the Peak Moon Jade, once decides to enter seclusion, must have only one objective—to advance to Sun Blaze!

The transition from Moon Jade to Sun Blaze is a monumental hurdle, countless cultivators have almost succeeded only to fail since ancient times, regretting it for the rest of their lives. However, Gu Sheng's profound foundation undoubtedly minimizes the risks of advancing to Sun Blaze.

And then there's Arbuluo, if he can refine his own Magic Source to Perfection and condense his Qi Flower, Lu Ye reckons he would face no difficulty advancing to Sun Blaze, just like him.

In the grand hall, the Sun Blaze cultivators were each conversing, and the atmosphere was lively.

After several drinks, someone suddenly asked, "Fellow Daoist Lu, now that the chaos in the All Phenomena Ocean has been settled, and as the Three Worlds Island seeks to control this treasure land, may I ask how it will be governed in the future and what regulations will be set?"

Such a place, teeming with countless cultivators from various galaxies, cannot exist without rules.

The question undoubtedly pertained to the future plans of the Three Worlds Island, which was also related to their interests.

The hall fell silent as everyone's gaze turned to Lu Ye, awaiting his response.

Lu Ye knew the critical moment had arrived. Don't be fooled by how polite these people were in visiting him earlier, or how well they chatted with him just now. If he truly wished to fulfill their hopes, he still had to provide them with a satisfactory answer to stabilize their hearts.

After surveying the surroundings, Lu Ye slowly began to speak: "This island has no intention of establishing overly complex regulations. After all, the All Phenomena Ocean is a place where heroes gather, and the people coming and going are complex. If the constraints were too strict, it would instead hinder future development. Moreover, the existing rules of the All Phenomena Ocean are reasonable, so I decided to make some small amendments while maintaining the overall previous state."

Sui Lin from the Five Colors Territory chuckled, "Please, Fellow Daoist, enlighten us."

Lu Ye pondered for a moment, then said, "You all know I climbed up step by step from the bottom, so I have my own understanding of the original rules of the All Phenomena Ocean. The changes we are making now are precisely those parts that are somewhat unreasonable. If there is anything inappropriate, I ask for guidance from all Fellow Daoist."

His courteous manner undoubtedly pleased all the Sun Blaze cultivators, who all presented themselves as quietly listening.

"Effective immediately, the rule that the Moon Jade governors of each Spirit Island are limited to five seats is abolished, and there will no longer be a restriction on the number of Moon Jade governors."

The crowd nodded upon hearing this, clearly believing this change to be fair and reasonable.

The original rules of the All Phenomena Ocean were mostly set to prevent conflicts from escalating too much, causing excessive casualties, thus facilitating the management of the All Phenomena Galaxy.

With only five Moon Jade governors, when conflicts arose between two Spirit Islands, at most ten Moon Jade led a group of Constellations, and it would not escalate too much.

However, ever since the As-Close-As-Siblings Array Disc began to circulate in the All Phenomena Ocean, the situation has changed. A few well-endowed Constellations can, through the array disc, exert energy comparable to ordinary Moon Jade.

Who doesn't have a large number of Constellations anymore? The array discs are now sold at affordable prices.

So in recent years, whenever two forces clashed, it was often about fierce collisions between various arrays, most of which could almost be considered newly advanced Moon Jade.

Apart from array discs, there are battleships, powerful enough that their displayed might exceeds that of ordinary Moon Jade.

In such a situation, simply limiting the number of Moon Jade governors has little meaning.

Hence, Lu Ye decided to abolish this rule.

This way, forces with powerful backgrounds can station enough Moon Jade on their Spirit Island.

And each of the Sun Blaze present had backing forces within this category, so this change was beneficial to them, naturally leaving no room for objection.

"Additionally," Lu Ye spoke once more, "all top-class Spirit Islands may dispatch one Sun Blaze to guard their Spirit Island!"

At these words, the crowd was initially stunned, then a few Sun Blaze cultivators were overjoyed.

Gu Tai's eyes lit up as he looked at Lu Ye: "Really, Fellow Daoist?"

If the previous change Lu Ye proposed was nothing more than allowing stronger forces to better protect their islands, this change had much wider implications.

Throughout countless years, only the Sun Blaze of the home galaxy could stay for extended periods on the All Phenomena Ocean, any other foreign Sun Blaze were not allowed to remain for too long.

Years ago, several forces sought to negotiate this with the All Phenomena Galaxy's Sun Blaze, but they steadfastly refused, leading inevitably to a bloodbath if pressured too hard.

The firm stance of All Phenomena was primarily due to insufficient strength. The home galaxy has only a dozen or so Sun Blaze, and the All Phenomena Ocean has a similar number of top-class Spirit Islands occupied by top forces. Allowing each a Sun Blaze, how could the All Phenomena Galaxy manage the All Phenomena Ocean?

If these foreign Sun Blaze united for any malicious intent, the home galaxy would face catastrophe, thus they opted to nip the possibility at its source by firmly denying it.

So no one expected that, after taking over the All Phenomena Ocean, Lu Ye would actually relent on this matter, and even proactively bring it up.

For a moment, everyone felt somewhat unreal.

Lu Ye smiled slightly, "Among so many Fellow Daoists, how dare I speak recklessly?" He turned his words around, and said leisurely, "As far as I know, the spirit jade veins on each of the top-class Spirit Islands are of great benefit to Sun Blaze's cultivation, aren't they?"

Needless to say, the location of spirit jade veins has always been the place where the Spiritual Energy of a Spirit Island is most concentrated. Cultivating in such places naturally yields twice the results with half the effort.

Moreover, the benefits of spirit jade veins to Sun Blaze seem to be more than just this... There are also some reasons he has yet to encounter, which are of utmost importance!

Just like Ma Bin, his Dao foundation injury needs to be healed within the spirit jade veins.

And like Jiu Yan, she suddenly came to the spirit jade veins of Three Worlds Island, clearly not just to enhance her cultivation speed; spirit jade veins have a special attraction for her.

Various top-class domains indeed have their own spirit jade veins, but their Sun Blaze is never just one; who wouldn't want an additional spirit jade vein? The top-class Spirit Islands by the All Phenomena Ocean undoubtedly offer them such an opportunity.

It wasn't possible before; the All Phenomena Galaxy disagreed. But now Lu Ye has relented!

Gu Tai looked at Lu Ye, his eyes flashing, suppressing the joy in his heart, and took the lead to speak, "Fellow Daoist Lu's act is great kindness. That All Phenomena Ocean can be governed and managed by Fellow Daoist Lu is indeed the fortune of the cultivation world. From now on, my Yellow Dragon Island will look up to Fellow Daoist!"

Don't look at how he chatted well with Lu Ye before, even actively pulling closer in the name of Gu Sheng, but in reality, he never clearly stated his position on Three Worlds Island ruling the All Phenomena Ocean from beginning to end.

But as soon as Lu Ye mentioned that each top-class Spirit Island could send a Sun Blaze to station there, his attitude immediately changed.

The regulation of abolishing the number limit of Moon Jade governors on the first point doesn't have much impact on Yellow Dragon Island, whether abolished or not, Yellow Dragon Island remains as Yellow Dragon Island.

But the change in the second regulation is completely different. Even Gu Tai himself can benefit from it, which is the root cause of his significant attitude change.

"My Five Colors Territory also supports Fellow Daoist Lu reigning over the All Phenomena Ocean!" Sui Lin immediately spoke up.

Then followed Ten Thousand Demons, Netherworld, and other Sun Blaze born from top-class domains.

With these Sun Blaze speaking up, how could other Sun Blaze from large domains still hold back? Immediately, they all spoke up in support.

The hall instantly became lively and noisy.

It was from this moment that Three Worlds Island formally established its dominion over the All Phenomena Ocean, and no one had any dissent.

Lu Ye raised his hand to gesture calmly, and only after everyone's emotions settled did he speak, "Top-class Spirit Island can have a Sun Blaze stationed, but only one, and Sun Blaze must not participate in disputes between major Spirit Islands. Fellow Daoists have no objections to this, do you?"

"None, none!"

"This is as it should be."

Everyone quickly shook their heads.

Of course, there couldn't be any objections, and such things are unlikely to happen anyway, because although disputes are frequent and varied here at the All Phenomena Ocean, they generally arise from forces beneath the top-class Spirit Islands. Who would dare to conflict with a top-class Spirit Island? That would be seeking death.

So, a Sun Blaze stationed at a top-class Spirit Island is unlikely to be caught up in any disputes.

"I only want to change these two rules. Do any of you have anything to add?" Lu Ye asked.

Gu Tai said, "Fellow Daoist's thoughts are thorough; I, Gu Tai, have nothing to add."

The others also shook their heads, indicating they had nothing.

Only then did Lu Ye nod, "In that case, apart from these two rules, everything else remains unchanged. The major Spirit Islands have suffered heavy losses this time and must recover quickly so they can restore their former prosperity. I will rely on everyone to pay more attention and put in more effort on these matters."

Since the All Phenomena Ocean is now governed by Three Worlds Island, the more prosperous it is, the greater the benefit to Three Worlds Island. He naturally hopes that the major Spirit Islands will recover their vital energy as soon as possible.

The many Sun Blaze all nodded in agreement; even if Lu Ye didn't mention it, they wouldn't neglect this matter, as it is their own business.

Someone spoke up, "We must also thank Fellow Daoist Lu for his kindness in returning the plundered goods from this incident. I thank Fellow Daoist here."

Upon this statement, there was suddenly another wave of gratitude. Almost half of the forces present had been plundered by Animitta Palace, especially those top-class Spirit Islands, which were the primary targets of Animitta Palace's attention. Lu Ye's decision to return the plundered goods undoubtedly saved them from many losses.

Lu Ye smiled and said, "This should indeed be done."

While speaking, a figure stepped in from outside; the one coming was Luan Xiao'e.

When she entered the hall, she instantly attracted everyone's gaze. Luan Xiao'e, a newly rising Sun Blaze, hadn't experienced such a scene before, and nearly lost her composure. Fortunately, her determination was firm, and the Sun Blazes in the hall held no malice towards her, saving her from making a joke of herself.

Chapter 2008: Taking a Bath in the All Phenomena Ocean

It wasn't Luan Xiao'e herself that attracted the gaze of many Sun Blaze cultivators inside the grand hall; a newly ascended Sun Blaze, no matter how extraordinary Luan Xiao'e's beauty was, couldn't possess such drawing power.

The focus of the Sun Blaze cultivators was on the dazzling golden beast pet she was holding in her arms.

Lu Ye from Three Worlds Island possessed a peculiar golden light-type treasure, and it was with the power of this treasure that he could, as a newly ascended Sun Blaze, rampage through his foes, even forcing the Animitta Palace to leave behind their plundered goods.

Moreover, this treasure was not an ordinary treasure; surprisingly, it was a living creature, yet it somehow emitted the power of a treasure.

So at this moment, seeing this golden beast pet, the Sun Blaze cultivators couldn't take their eyes off, because this beast perfectly matched the description of the treasure in their intelligence reports!

Is this the treasure?

A group of Sun Blaze cultivators immediately became solemn, scrutinizing closely.

Gu Tai, Sui Lin, Kwei Huo, Su Lan, and other Sun Blaze cultivators from top domains exchanged glances with complex expressions.

Before coming to Three Worlds Island, they had all sorts of speculations about this treasure because the power it displayed was too exaggerated. The momentarily falling of Shern Yun, who possessed the Heavenly Net Umbrella, made them question whether this was truly a treasure.

Originally, they planned to seize the opportunity to inquire about this treasure from Lu Ye, but unexpectedly, Three Worlds Island proactively presented it.

What does this imply?

"What is it?" Lu Ye, sitting at the head, looked down at Luan Xiao'e and asked.

Frankly, bringing the Pixiu over under such circumstances involved some risk, but certain methods needed to be shown, so it had to be done.

Moreover, he was confident that the aftermath of the previous battle would serve as sufficient intimidation, preventing any ulterior motives among the Sun Blaze cultivators present.

Luan Xiao'e bowed to Lu Ye and reported as he had instructed before, "Island Master, Little Fella's mood is somewhat agitated, and it seems like it's about to act up." After speaking, her eyes twitched — the name "Little Fella," who came up with it?

Upon hearing this, many Sun Blaze faces changed.

This treasure could instantly kill Shern Yun, so what does it mean when its mood is agitated and about to act up? Although some of them had also brought treasures over, no one confidently believed their treasures offered stronger protection than the Heavenly Net Umbrella. If it suddenly acts up and its power erupts, who could withstand it?

"Quack!" Little Fella's cheeks puffed up, and its bulging eyes turned as if staring in a direction.

In that direction, several Sun Blaze cultivators' expressions immediately turned tense, Mana surging secretly, looking as if facing a formidable opponent.

"No need to panic, everyone!" Lu Ye hurriedly reassured, walking down from above and taking Little Fella into his hand, gently stroking it.

"Goo..." Little Fella's sound echoed again, reverberating endlessly within the vast hall.

Lu Ye seemed to be muttering something, but no one could make out what he was saying.

After a while, Lu Ye smiled and said, "I apologize for the scare, for now, it's settled."

Beside him, Gu Tai looked solemn, gazing at Lu Ye and asked, "Fellow Daoist, this beast is..."

"Pixiu," Lu Ye casually explained, "This beast has a trace of Pixiu's Bloodline, but the Bloodline isn't pure enough to achieve great things, yet it encountered another chance."

Everyone held their breath, listening silently.

"Several years ago when I was exploring the stellar space, I acquired a peculiar ancient coin. Initially, I didn't find anything special about it, but not long after, this greedy little creature ate the ancient coin, and ever since, this beast seemed to undergo a miraculous transformation."

"What transformation?" Although he had some speculation, Gu Tai still wanted clarification.

"Just like it is now, and it can also emit a kind of golden light with strong imprisonment power," Lu Ye slowly spoke, "I believe you're aware of the confrontation I had with the Animitta Palace Sun Blaze. To be frank, I'm merely a new Sun Blaze, and it was Little Fella's abilities that enabled me to kill the Animitta Palace's people, or else I wouldn't have such great prowess."

Although they knew about this intelligence, hearing these words directly from Lu Ye still made people feel inexplicably moved.

Among the many Sun Blaze cultivators present, none hadn't endured years of arduous cultivation to reach this point, yet their prowess seemed insignificant in the face of a mighty treasure.

Lu Ye merely stumbled upon a chance encounter, and he could have the ability to slay Sun Blaze cultivators as easily as chopping vegetables.

The comparison naturally invoked envy and jealousy, leaving one lamenting the unfairness of the heavens.

"The ancient coin you previously acquired, was it a treasure?" someone asked.

"Treasure or not, I don't know," Lu Ye shook his head, "You all are knowledgeable people, why not offer some guidance?"

Su Lan spoke solemnly, "Treasures are powerful, but the activation of any treasure requires stringent conditions, either consuming a cultivator's foundation or needing extensive preparation time. Fellow Daoist Lu, dare I ask what price your pet beast has to pay?"

This was undoubtedly probing into someone's details, but Lu Ye himself brought it up, so although Su Lan's inquiry was somewhat impolite, it wasn't a major issue.

Moreover, Lu Ye seemed unbothered by it.

"Price?" Lu Ye blinked, "It doesn't seem like there's any price to pay, maybe... needing to take a bath in the All Phenomena Ocean?"

"Taking a bath in the All Phenomena Ocean?"

"What does this imply?"

Everyone was perplexed, looking bewildered.

Lu Ye didn't explain but instead looked down at Little Fella, comforting it again, "All right, all right, I know, don't be agitated."

Then he looked up at everyone and said, "My apologies, Little Fella is feeling somewhat unwell; I'll take it for a stroll to the All Phenomena Ocean for some comfort."

Saying this, he walked straight out of the great hall.

Everyone looked at each other, and in the next moment, they all stood up and followed closely behind Lu Ye.

They vaguely sensed that what they were about to witness might be extremely bizarre.

Soon, a large group of Sun Blaze arrived at the edge of Three Worlds Island. Under the watchful eyes of everyone, Lu Ye, holding Little Fella, plunged into the All Phenomena Ocean.

The entire scene was silent, with countless people twitching their eyes and faces at that moment, staring quietly at the splashing water, unable to come back to their senses for a long time.

The terrifying corrosion of the All Phenomena Ocean water was known to everyone.

If they hadn't seen it with their own eyes today, they would never have believed that someone would voluntarily jump into the All Phenomena Ocean.

Lu Ye couldn't be courting death; his actions indicated that he had the ability to withstand the corrosive waters of the All Phenomena Ocean!

What an astonishing matter this was.

Moreover, according to the information they received, Lu Ye had done such a thing before, but hearing about it was far less shocking than witnessing it firsthand.

Luan Xiao'e also followed, and many secretly glanced at her, but she showed no sign of worry.

The sea surface calmed down, and Lu Ye's whereabouts were no longer visible. Even the Sun Blazes straining their Ocular Power could not see any trace.

Until ten breaths later, someone suddenly shouted, "He's back!"

Everyone focused their eyes and indeed saw a blurry shadow under the sea rapidly solidifying. In the next moment, with a crash, Lu Ye emerged unscathed with Little Fella in his arms, sending water splashing everywhere. Those nearby quickly stepped back for fear of getting splattered.

"Quack!" Accompanied by a crisp call, a beam of golden light suddenly shot out straight into the depths of the Void, stretching for countless miles.

"Feeling better now?" Lu Ye patted Little Fella's head and leisurely flew back.

On the shore, dozens of Sun Blazes looked at him with complicated expressions.

Lu Ye smiled, "Earlier, Fellow Daoist Su Lan asked about the cost of Little Fella's ability. I observed closely and found that Little Fella seems to be able to devour the sea water of the All Phenomena Ocean, then store that immense energy in its body, and release that sealing golden light when needed."

Su Lan was slightly taken aback, "So the cost for your beast pet is to devour the sea water of the All Phenomena Ocean?"

"That seems to be the case." Lu Ye nodded.

Kwei Huo spoke with a sinister tone, "You say it can devour sea water and store it in its body; how many times can it unleash the affiliated treasure's power with its stored energy?"

The way he spoke gave off a particularly insidious feeling, but that's just how he was. Whether familiar or unfamiliar, his speaking style didn't indicate favor or dislike.

"I don't know." Lu Ye shook his head, looking calmly at Kwei Huo. "But regardless of how many times it can be used, replenishing it is simple enough."

Kwei Huo's eyes flickered. He had to admit that Lu Ye was right. The All Phenomena Ocean water was so vast that if the cost of the treasure's power was the ocean water, replenishing it would be easy enough.

Lu Ye had only taken that pet beast into the sea for ten breaths...

"Does your freedom to enter and exit the All Phenomena Ocean relate to it?" someone curiously asked.

"That's right!" Lu Ye nodded.

A few more people voiced their curiosities, and Lu Ye answered them one by one.

Suddenly, Gu Tai spoke up, "Fellow Daoist, when you fought with Shern Yun before, did you ever deploy the Heavenly Net Umbrella?"

This was not only his curiosity but also the curiosity of all the Sun Blazes who knew the power of the Heavenly Net Umbrella.

"Heavenly Net Umbrella?" Lu Ye blinked and casually flipped his hand to take out a small black umbrella the size of a palm. "Is this what you're talking about? If it is, it seems to be broken."

After killing Shern Yun, he had taken this small black umbrella and examined it, feeling it was damaged at the time.

Broken!

Everyone was shocked and looked at Lu Ye's hand. Indeed, they saw the small black umbrella completely devoid of any spirituality and somewhat tattered.

How could the famed Heavenly Net Umbrella be broken?

Gu Tai's expression was extremely serious, his lips moved a few times before he spoke, "Fellow Daoist, if you don't mind, may I have a look?"

"Go ahead." Lu Ye tossed the tattered small black umbrella to Gu Tai as if it were trash.

But Gu Tai caught it with both hands, his Mental Consciousness surging to investigate it. Not only he was looking, but several seasoned Sun Blazes gathered around him to examine it carefully.

No matter how they looked, this was undeniably the genuine Heavenly Net Umbrella affiliated treasure. Even though it was broken and tattered, the aura of the affiliated treasure couldn't be faked.

A wave of panic surged through everyone.

The Heavenly Net Umbrella was one of the most renowned defensive treasures in stellar space. With this treasure, Shern Yun could be undefeated against anyone, earning him his well-known fame.

But now, Shern Yun was dead, and the Heavenly Net Umbrella affiliated treasure was broken.

What treasure in the world could destroy the Heavenly Net Umbrella affiliated treasure in an instant?

For a moment, a terrifying, almost unbelievable thought surged in everyone's mind.

Chapter 2009: This Is a Supreme Treasure

Everyone believed that what Lu Ye held was an affiliated treasure, and Shern Yun must have thought the same. That's why when he brought the Heavenly Net Umbrella to the All Phenomena Ocean, he didn't take Three Worlds Island seriously, nor did he intend to report and register with Three Worlds Island, as Lu Ye had previously suggested.

So, Shern Yun died, and the Heavenly Net Umbrella was shattered.

Only now did people realize that this was not an affiliated treasure; it most likely was a stellar space supreme treasure!

A stellar space supreme treasure, how could anyone still be able to control a stellar space supreme treasure in this era?

Though the real controller of the stellar space supreme treasure was the beast pet with Pixiu bloodline, what difference does it make whether it controls, or Lu Ye controls?

After swallowing that peculiar ancient coin, whatever this beast pet originally was, at this moment, it is a living stellar space supreme treasure!

Does Lu Ye not know the value of this treasure?

Even if he is a newly promoted Sun Blaze, he surely cannot be unaware, yet even knowing, he still showcased the power and victories of this treasure under everyone's watchful eyes, even brought that

supreme treasure into the All Phenomena Ocean in front of many Sun Blaze witnesses, restoring the treasure's power in just ten breaths.

Everything he did was merely to display Three Worlds Island's foundation, to intimidate the visitors from all directions.

Consider this, a supreme treasure that can freely enter and exit the All Phenomena Ocean with people, and rapidly replenish its consumption by swallowing the ocean water, who can rival it, who dares to rival it in this vast All Phenomena Ocean?

With this supreme treasure, no matter which Sun Blaze, no matter how many Sun Blaze dare to stir trouble in All Phenomena Ocean, they will not end well.

It's even said that if Lu Ye wills it, every Sun Blaze present stands to be annihilated easily given enough time; this has nothing to do with Lu Ye's cultivation level, it's completely the power of the supreme treasure.

In an instant, the Sun Blaze comprehended why Lu Ye wouldn't mind revealing the secret of the supreme treasure just to showcase extensively before them.

With this supreme treasure guarding, Three Worlds Island's rule over All Phenomena Ocean is undoubtedly impregnable, and from now on, no one will dare to cause trouble here. Any powerful cultivator who arrives must obediently follow the rules unless they have the capacity to contend with a supreme treasure.

Thinking of this, the Sun Blaze from top major forces finally understood why Lu Ye didn't mind them dispatching Sun Blaze to guard their own Spirit Island.

The All Phenomena Galaxy did not dare to set this precedent because they weren't confident in ruling the All Phenomena Ocean after setting this precedent.

But Lu Ye dares, because he doesn't care how many foreign Sun Blaze sit guard on his Spirit Island; if anyone dares break the rules, he can eliminate them, that is strong confidence in the supreme treasure.

Gu Tai's heart raced with thoughts as he returned the ragged Heavenly Net Umbrella to Lu Ye: "With such a treasure guarding, All Phenomena Ocean is truly lucky; I believe this treasured land will see more peace in the future."

After a brief pause, he continued: "As for the ancient coin swallowed by Fellow Daoist's beast pet, if not mistaken, it should be called Three Treasure Wishing Coins."

"Three Treasure Wishing Coins?" Lu Ye raised an eyebrow, exhibiting a consultative demeanor. Although this treasure coin is now swallowed by Little Fella, and he can wield it, if he can learn more information, he certainly won't miss the chance.

Gu Tai shook his head and said: "I don't know much about it either, I've only seen a little mention in an extremely old tome of this domain. It's said these Three Treasure Wishing Coins can swallow stellar space energy, and depending on the amount of energy swallowed, it can show three colors, casting mystic light with imprisonment effects. Among the three colors, copper corresponds to Constellation, silver to Moon Jade, and gold corresponds to Sun Blaze. This imprisonment light, ordinary cultivators cannot resist it. But this treasure was lost long ago, hasn't surfaced for countless years, unexpectedly..." As he spoke, he looked at Little Fella with complex eyes.

Listening to his narration, Lu Ye immediately realized that the ancient coin should indeed be the Three Treasure Wishing Coins, because what Gu Tai said matches the power previously displayed by the ancient coin.

Gu Tai spoke again: "This beast holds Pixiu bloodline; you should have heard, Pixiu dominates wealth, only intake but no outcome; Three Treasure Wishing Coins are wealth. This beast swallowing it may have produced some unusual changes with its own bloodline." Saying so, he cupped his hands toward Lu Ye: "Fellow Daoist, you truly have good fortune; otherwise, with another beast pet, swallowing the Three Treasure Wishing Coins wouldn't end well."

His implication was that such an exotic beast like Little Fella being born was full of coincidences.

Lu Ye chuckled: "I indeed have good luck."

All that needed showcasing had been shown; surely, through the dissemination of news by these Sun Blaze, it won't be long until the entire stellar space knows that Three Worlds Island has a supreme treasure guarding it, by then, no one will dare to take on the All Phenomena Ocean.

If it wasn't absolutely necessary, Lu Ye actually didn't want to expose Little Fella publicly, as it's the killer move of Three Worlds Island; even if others suspected, as long as they didn't actively reveal, others' guesses had no solid proof.

Yet out of certain considerations, Lu Ye did this, because the foundation of Three Worlds Island was not strong enough, the existence of the supreme treasure could significantly bolster Three Worlds Island's weight.

Everyone returned to the main hall, and the banquet continued.

After showcasing Little Fella's capabilities, Lu Ye clearly felt the Sun Blaze attendees became much more courteous toward him.

A short half-day later, as the music fades, people disperse.

This meeting where many Sun Blaze converged, led by Three Worlds Island, set the tone for All Phenomena Ocean's future development; and after the chaos, the various Spirit Islands of All Phenomena Ocean were rather desolate, with every Sun Blaze having their matters in need of tending.

Lu Ye, accompanied by Luan Xiao'e, bid farewell to the guests. With a surge of mana, he dispelled the alcohol fumes from his body and then took out the damaged Heavenly Net Umbrella, lowering his head to inspect it.

This affiliated treasure was already broken, and Lu Ye originally thought it was useless, which is why he carelessly handed it over to Gu Tai for investigation.

To his surprise, during a subsequent chat with Gu Tai and others, he obtained some useful information.

Under normal circumstances, no one can repair damaged affiliated treasures because they are attachments to supreme treasures and not crafted by humans.

However, there is one method that offers a chance to repair damaged affiliated treasures.

That is to place them into a Spirit Jade Vein.

The exact reasons are unclear, and Gu Tai and others were merely recounting what they'd read in the past. This was something not only Gu Tai mentioned, but Sui Lin and others confirmed as well.

However, while this method of repairing affiliated treasures is effective, it is time-consuming, stretching up to centuries. Given the damage to the Heavenly Net Umbrella, even placing it inside the Spirit Jade Vein wouldn't restore it to its original state for several hundred to a thousand years.

Originally, upon hearing that the Heavenly Net Umbrella could be repaired, Lu Ye had some hope. He didn't initially know its power, especially since it was damaged by the golden light of Little Fella. But the reverence Gu Tai and others had for the Heavenly Net Umbrella made Lu Ye realize its enormous value.

The protection it offers might seem insignificant compared to the Three Treasure Wishing Coins, but among other affiliated treasures of similar quality, it is extremely formidable—practically impenetrable.

Little Fella isn't Lu Ye's beast pet, it's Hua Ci's, and the seal from Little Fella's golden light isn't insoluble—at least it doesn't seal the psyche.

If Hua Ci had the protection of the Heavenly Net Umbrella, paired with the Three Treasure Wishing Coins, it would be an attack-and-defense combination that would ensure Hua Ci's safety.

However, upon hearing that repairing the Heavenly Net Umbrella would take hundreds to thousands of years, Lu Ye lost interest.

Such a long time, Hua Ci might have already reached Peak Sun Blaze.

However, seemingly noticing Lu Ye's thoughts, Gu Tai immediately proposed another suggestion: placing the damaged Heavenly Net Umbrella alongside a genuine supreme treasure for a chance at repair.

It's merely a chance because if the affiliated treasure and the supreme treasure don't match in nature, this method won't work.

According to Lu Ye's understanding, this repair method likely involves the supreme treasure imparting its mystic light into the affiliated treasure during close contact, aiding its repair. So, they don't need to match precisely, but they should at least not conflict.

Lu Ye wasn't sure if the Heavenly Net Umbrella's affiliated treasure matched with the Three Treasure Wishing Coins, but it was a direction worth trying.

With this thought, Lu Ye handed the damaged Heavenly Net Umbrella to Luan Xiao'e: "Senior Sister, take this to Hua Ci and ensure she places it properly."

Luan Xiao'e took the Heavenly Net Umbrella, nodded slightly, and couldn't help but say: "Junior Brother, Hua Ci's psyche seemed affected after she was sealed for years. Although her strength surged post-release, it's as if she doesn't remember us at all. Would you like to check on her?"

Lu Ye was stunned: "She doesn't remember you?"

Luan Xiao'e nodded.

"Who does she remember now?"

"She doesn't remember anyone. Even when Shui Yuan approached her to talk, she reacted like a stranger."

"Taking it this far?" Lu Ye blinked, pondering. He hadn't offended her over the years, and she had been sealed, so he hadn't even had the chance to offend her.

"What?" Luan Xiao'e didn't hear clearly.

"Nothing," Lu Ye shook his head, considered for a moment, and said, "I'll handle this matter, but I have other urgent matters at the moment."

After a brief pause to think, he decided not to hide it from Luan Xiao'e: "Zixuan has already mobilized troops. More than ten Sun Blaze commanders are leading the Demon Race army, currently heading towards the Jade Conch Galaxy. If Black Cloud wasn't lying, they should arrive in Jade Conch in about two and a half months."

It was precisely because of the situation over at Jade Conch that he needed to first fully resolve matters at All Phenomena Ocean, so there wouldn't be any concerns later. Displaying Little Fella's capabilities was part of this consideration.

Otherwise, after he leaves, some troublemakers might try to cause chaos, but now it's different. As long as Little Fella guards Three Worlds Island, nothing will disturb the vast All Phenomena Ocean.

Luan Xiao'e was shocked: "Why would Zixuan mobilize troops to Jade Conch!"

Jade Conch Galaxy is such a remote place, with only three large domains in total. How could Zixuan gain anything by sending troops there?

Chapter 2010: Preparations

How could a prestigious domain like Zixuan suddenly decide to invade another domain without sufficient benefits?

What puzzled Luan Xiao'e even more was, how Zixuan could possibly know the correct route to Jade Spiral.

Remember, back then when they journeyed from Jade Spiral to All Phenomena Ocean, it was Lu Ye who led the way, facing numerous dangers before finally charting the route from Jade Spiral to All Phenomena.

If Zixuan didn't know the correct route, they wouldn't have invaded Jade Spiral, yet they proceeded anyway.

"Back then, this island had some Constellations go missing, among them a few fell into Yuan Du's hands, he applied the Soul Searching Technique..."

Lu Ye slowly revealed the whole story.

Black Cloud went to Jade Spiral under Yuan Du's instigation and also due to his own selfish desires, because in the conflict between Zixuan Island and Three Worlds Island, Zixuan suffered great losses, and Black Cloud lost face as well.

Neither Black Cloud nor Yuan Du anticipated that upon reaching the Nine Provinces, Black Cloud uncovered another matter of concern.

This led to the current situation of Zixuan deploying troops to Jade Spiral.

Lu Ye largely discerned Black Cloud's intentions. He likely wanted to acquire the Dao Tree legacy, so on one hand, he personally took action on the All Phenomena Ocean's side, while at the same time causing Zixuan to bring troops to the Nine Provinces, ensuring control regardless of where the Dao Tree legacy was located.

His scheme was well-crafted, but plans are not always foolproof, eventually ending up in a fate of death and Dao destruction.

Upon hearing this, Luan Xiao'e's face was immediately filled with anger, "Yuan Du, the old dog, is truly not worthy of life!"

Tracing back the events, there was actually no direct conflict between Three Worlds Island and Yuan Du. At that time, this island even intended to seek alliance with him, but Yuan Du simply dismissed the Three Worlds cultivators, preferring to support Baiyue in occupying Three Worlds Island.

This led to subsequent conflicts, rapidly escalating the situation, until in the final confrontation, Yuan Du personally intervened.

After cursing, Luan Xiao'e began to worry again, "Zixuan is powerful, Jade Spiral is completely powerless to resist. Brother, what should we do?"

In her understanding, the entire Jade Spiral Star System doesn't even have a single Sun Blaze, once targeted by Zixuan, how could it resist?

She wished she could fly back to Jade Spiral immediately, even though she has just ascended to Sun Blaze, even if she couldn't defeat the Zixuan battalion, she would fight to protect the land that nurtured her.

"Don't be nervous, Sister, I have arrangements. In the meantime, gather your energy, things will be fine on the Jade Spiral side."

Strangely, initially upon hearing about Zixuan's deployment to Jade Spiral, Luan Xiao'e felt both anger and more significantly, anxiety and concern for her homeland. However, as soon as Lu Ye spoke, the anxiety and concern suddenly vanished completely, replaced by an indescribable calmness, as if Lu Ye said things would be fine then they certainly would be.

"I understand." Luan Xiao'e nodded and soon withdrew, since Lu Ye advised her to gather her energy, it clearly indicated that her assistance might be needed later.

Lu Ye stood in place, pondering briefly, then suddenly turned to look in one direction.

In that direction, Hua Ci was quietly standing at the cliff's edge, her beautiful eyes gazing at the endless ocean, with deep, contemplative eyes.

Sensing his gaze, Hua Ci turned to look, and their eyes met. She nodded towards Lu Ye from afar, giving a gentle smile.

But she offered no more indication.

Previously, this would have been unlikely, yet now Hua Ci was just like this.

Lu Ye blinked, too lazy to deal with her, mainly because he had some matters needing handling, no time to play mind games with her, dealing with them first and then attending to her later.

His figure flickered and vanished.

Shortly after, in Chu Shen's pavilion, Lu Ye appeared.

The two brothers sat down, Chu Shen looked troubled and said, "Brother, my current situation is a bit awkward, where should we go in the future?"

On the entire Three Worlds Island, aside from Chu Shen, who doesn't belong to Jade Spiral Star System's cultivators, there is another group of people, all of whom came with Chu Shen from Cheling World back then.

Back then the Three Worlds Island, in title, had pledged allegiance to Jiu Yan, so Cheling World naturally had to show some gesture, the outward display being sending disciples to reside and cultivate on Three Worlds Island.

The number of these people isn't large, Lu Ye has never mistreated them, whatever benefits Three Worlds cultivators had, they lacked none.

Previously, when Yuan Du attacked, these people evacuated with the Three Worlds cultivators to the Merfolk Race territory.

Upon returning, the All Phenomena Ocean had already undergone immense changes, even the home galaxy's long-maintained supremacy over this treasured land was stripped away.

Emotionally, Chu Shen naturally leaned towards Lu Ye, the brotherly bond between them, formed as star companions, over many years of friendship, is extraordinary.

However ultimately, Chu Shen is also an All Phenomena cultivator, backed by Cheling World.

The friction between Three Worlds Island and the All Phenomena Galaxy impacts him no matter what.

Recently, he has been restraining the home world's cultivators, instructing them to remain in their respective abodes, preventing them from going out due to fear of clash with Three Worlds cultivators.

Lu Ye didn't come to find him, so he had to go find Lu Ye. Being stuck in the middle like this was too uncomfortable.

Lu Ye obviously understood what he meant and said, "Don't worry about so much. You represent the Cheling World, and your mother's words set the tone for your realm's attitude toward our Three Worlds Island. Worrying is pointless."

Chu Shen grimaced, "You're right about that, but my mother is an All Phenomena cultivator. It's just that something big happened here while she was away. What am I supposed to do when she returns and finds out?" He seemed to recall something and looked at Lu Ye, "Bro, let me be clear. Don't use that golden light on my mother."

His mother's strength was indeed formidable, but he had heard that the golden light was the power of a supreme treasure. No matter how strong his mother was, she absolutely couldn't withstand the treasure's power. If the golden light really ensnared her, nothing good would come of it.

He didn't want to see any conflict between Lu Ye and his mother.

Lu Ye chuckled, "Don't worry, I won't."

After a pause, his expression became solemn, and he said, "Actually, there's something I've always been curious about."

"What is it?" Chu Shen asked.

"Why did the All Phenomena Galaxy have only five Sun Blaze governors for its six large domains previously?"

This seemed rather illogical.

If benefits were to be evenly distributed, there should have been six, but the All Phenomena Galaxy had specifically left out the Cheling World, while the other five domains each had a Sun Blaze stationed at the All Phenomena Ocean.

Lu Ye hadn't known how strong Jiu Yan was before, but after several recent encounters, he could vaguely sense that Jiu Yan was not an ordinary Sun Blaze.

Among the entire All Phenomena Galaxy, her power was probably among the top ranks.

The timing of Yuan Du's actions also indicated this. He was clearly apprehensive of Jiu Yan, which was why he targeted the Three Worlds Island after Jiu Yan had left.

In fact, Jiu Yan's departure from the Three Worlds Island might have something to do with him. He might have used some method to draw her away.

Why hadn't such a formidable individual been a Sun Blaze governor of the All Phenomena Ocean?

Chu Shen wasn't stupid. When Lu Ye asked this, he roughly understood what Lu Ye meant and thought for a moment, "Bro, I've only heard a few things Aunt Yue mentioned in passing, so it may not be entirely accurate. My mother never tells me much, so..."

"I get it!" Lu Ye nodded.

Chu Shen pondered for a moment and said, "Here's the thing. Previously, our home galaxy only had five major domains. The Cheling World rose to prominence along with my mother's rise. You've been to the Cheling World; the domain is small, with few people. Without my mother's reputation, such a domain actually doesn't hold much value."

Lu Ye nodded.

"During her rise, my mother gradually gained some fame, attracting the attention of our home galaxy's Sun Blazes. I don't know the specifics of what happened, but Aunt Yue said that after my mother was promoted to Moon Jade, she distanced herself from our galaxy and ventured outside for a long time. Until one day, she suddenly returned as a Sun Blaze, standing on equal footing with the other Sun Blazes of our galaxy. However, over the years, the relationship between our domain and the other domains has been quite indifferent, without many close interactions. Our Cheling World has always been in a semi-secluded state."

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Half a day later, Lu Ye left Chu Shen's place.

The attitude of the other Sun Blazes in the All Phenomena Galaxy was of no concern to Lu Ye. After all, he now had the final say over the All Phenomena Ocean!

But Jiu Yan was the only one he couldn't ignore.

Jiu Yan had offered him considerable help, especially in the early development of the Three Worlds Island. Without the involvement of cultivators from the Cheling World, today's Three Worlds Island wouldn't exist.

Given the kindness shown, Lu Ye obviously couldn't be someone who forgets kindness and acts unjustly.

He refrained from leading Little Fella to those domains and annihilating Yuan Se and others out of consideration for Jiu Yan. Even though they were previously enemies, he'd already killed Yuan Du and others. Attacking the other domains would be like trampling on Jiu Yan's dignity.

Lu Ye certainly would not do such a thing.

Jiu Yan was absent now, but she would return eventually, and not too late. The changes in the All Phenomena Ocean were too significant, and the news would spread quickly. So wherever Jiu Yan was before, as soon as she got the news, she would definitely rush back immediately.

So Lu Ye needed to figure out what kind of stance Jiu Yan might take.

After a good chat with Chu Shen, he had a rough idea in his mind.

Chu Shen didn't say much, but he subtly sensed a piece of information: there seemed to be some conflict between Jiu Yan and Yuan Se, which also affected her relationship with the other major domains. Only Muh Qing could exchange a few words with her.

So if luck was on his side, things on the Three Worlds Island wouldn't necessarily escalate into a confrontation with Jiu Yan. After all, no matter how you look at it, he wasn't the one who initiated the trouble. Everything he did was a forced retaliation, albeit the scale of the retaliation was... slightly beyond what the enemy could handle.

Returning to his own pavilion, Lu Ye sat down cross-legged and thoughtfully considered everything Chu Shen had said, making sure there weren't any major issues before reaching out.

A treasure gourd appeared in his palm.

It was the sword gourd he hadn't used for a long time.

After acquiring this affiliated treasure, it had indeed provided Lu Ye with significant support. Back in the Nine Provinces, he had used the alias Li Taibai, riding on the power of this treasure. During that time, he had been a carefree sword cultivator, earning quite some fame and catching the attention of Ten Thousand Demons Ridge.