

Nine-Dragon 1001

Chapter 1001: Spoiling the Scenery

Besides providing a convenient hiding place, the deep forests played another role.

There were more than just the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region and the Purple Cloud Palace in the core region of the deep forests. Therefore, entering the deep forests could confuse those people who were tracking them.

Half a day after his encounter with Qian Feng, Su Yu had returned to the depths of the jungle.

The enemies had used their Void-crossing abilities to nearly catch them several times, but Su Yu had avoided all of their attempts by sensing the space vibration in advance. It had been frightening, but they had never been in real danger.

Just as Su Yu had expected, he came across many challengers who were strangers to him along the way. They belonged to neither the Blessed and Heavenly Lands nor the Heavenly Knife Region. Their presence had indeed diverted the attention of the strong men of the Heavenly Knife Region, for the number of fighters hot on their heels had gradually dwindled.

After approximately two hours, no trace of the enemies had been seen. Su Yu's eyes shone with a shrewd light as he descended a cliff. Halfway down the cliff was the entrance to the nests and lairs dug by demonic beasts. With cover provided by the mountains and clouds, it was a very secretive spot.

Inside the cave, Su Yu laid Lü Chuyi down. He pressed his index and middle fingers on her wrist, instilling her with some Vital Energy which circulated around her body.

After completing his examination, Su Yu's brows were slightly furrowed. Her injuries weren't overly severe, but they weren't negligible either. Lü Chuyi was bathed in blood, her Vital Energy and bodily strength used up. However, these injuries were only superficial; it was the blow from traitor of the Purple Cloud Palace that was the most severe of all. It had severed several of her meridians and caused tremendous trauma to her internal organs. In addition, with the shortage of Vital Energy in her body, she had lost her self-healing ability and thus required external aid.

Su Yu's ninth-grade fairy Vital Energy could barely reconnect her severed meridians, and treat the injuries to her internal organs. Even if she could be treated, Lü Chuyi would still be unable to engage in an intense fight for a short period of time.

She needed someone to look after her.

As Su Yu gazed at her unconscious delicate face, scenes of the times he spent with her in the Heavenly Mysterious Divine Pavilion flashed across the depths of his memory like streams of water. From the awe-inspiring admiration he had felt at the very beginning, to the embrace on the night she had an encounter with death, and finally to the unique bond they formed amidst the sea of fire. His memory was fixed at the final scene, and remorse filled his heart. Su Yu couldn't get over the fact that he had taken a woman's innocence, let alone a woman who already had a lover.

"I'll save you this time so that we're equal," Su Yu muttered under his breath.

With the amount of perils in the Glittering Jewel Wonderland, using up all of one's Vital Energy to heal another person was dangerous enough, not forgetting the terrifying pursuit of the Heavenly Knife Region behind them. Saving her this time would pay all of the debts he owed her.

He was decisive in taking action once he had made up his mind. Su Yu used Vital Energy to haul her up and seated her before himself in a crossed-leg manner.

Gently, he pressed his palms on her back. The soft touch was like as warm and comfortable as cotton.

Su Yu's eyes were clear. Inside his vast Dantian, Vital Energy was roiling turbulently as it gushed into Lü Chuyi's body. The Vital Energy reached her meridians and piercing pain shot from the severed parts to the depths of Lü Chuyi's brain, jolting her awake from her coma.

Her bright eyes opened up gradually. After some hazy confusion, Lü Chuyi slammed the ground with both her hands and was about to spring up as she cried out softly, "Who's there!"

She remembered being badly injured by Zhao Li and so realized that she could have already fallen into the hands of Qian Feng.

However, before she could get up, a large hand pressed onto her shoulder. Su Yu's voice resonated from behind her. "Try to guide me while I instill Vital Energy to repair your meridians."

Lü Chuyi's body gradually stopped moving. Shocked, she queried, "Su Yuxian?" As she turned to look, she found that it really was him.

"It's my honor that you remember my voice." Su Yu was quite surprised that Lü Chuyi had done so. There hadn't been much interaction between Su Yuxian and Lü Chuyi.

Lü Chuyi turned her head to look at Su Yu. She gazed intently at the eyes behind the silver mask, and a dullness passed through the depths of her eyes. "Master Su is a man of awesome talents. Of course I know you."

As a matter of fact, it was all because Su Yuxian bore a shocking resemblance to the remnant figure of the silver-haired youth in her mind. Thus she had paid more attention to Su Yuxian without even realizing, and had remembered his voice too.

"It's an over-compliment, Miss Lü." Su Yu withdrew the palm pressed on her dainty shoulder and began instilling Vital Energy with both hands again.

Lü Chuyi turned around and lowered her head in silence.

For some unknown reason, she trusted Su Yuxian a lot, in the same way she trusted that silver-haired youth, Yinyu.

"Sorry for the trouble, Master Su," Lü Chuyi said in a quiet voice. Slowly, she closed her eyes and guided his Vital Energy to repair her meridians and heal her internal injuries.

After circulating for a whole cycle, the severed meridians were repaired. That just left the damaged internal organs, which also required another full cycle.

The so-called cycle referred to the cycle in which the Vital Energy circulated through all of the meridians in the body once. A full cycle happened when it circulated through all nine of the main meridians and all 81 of the side meridians.

“Master Su, I’ll heal the wounds on my own now. Since my meridians are repaired, I can absorb Vital Energy by myself,” Lü Chuyi said.

The physical bodies of Almighty were far stronger than fairies. The amount of Vital Energy required for conducting a full cycle far exceeded the meridians of fairies. For late-stage eighth-grade Almighty like her, the Vital Energy needed for a full cycle was even more massive.

To her, it was surprising enough that Su Yu had managed a full cycle in her body with his ninth-grade fairy cultivation. It seemed that Su Yuxian had sturdy fundamentals as a fairy, which far surpassed the ordinary ninth-grade fairies.

The following treatment would need to circulate the Vital Energy through the 49 side meridians near her internal organs for more than ten partial cycles, it would take an amount of Vital Energy that was no less than that of a full cycle. With Su Yu’s cultivation, it was obvious that he couldn’t carry on.

Su Yu still had his eyes closed. Without even lifting his head, he said detachedly, “Be at ease and guide me. You don’t have to worry about the Vital Energy.”

Lü Chuyi was surprised. She turned back to look, and much to her awe, Su Yu’s face showed no sign of discomfort even after instilling such a vast amount of Vital Energy.

Perturbed, Lü Chuyi continued guiding the Vital Energy to treat the injuries to her internal organs. For every cycle performed, she would turn back to look at Su Yu’s appearance, and every single time, she became more stupefied.

“It’s been three partial cycles. Do you still have any Vital Energy left?” Lü Chuyi was in complete awe now.

Usually at the fairy stage, the more massive the Vital Energy in the Dantian, the easier it was when condensing the fetal crystal. Besides, the fetal crystal would be more solid and more able to unleash power far greater than his peers.

Back when Brother Taixu was a ninth-grade fairy, his Vital Energy reservoir in the Dantian was roughly equivalent to the one full cycle and five partial cycles I’m having right now. Now Su Yuxian has reached one full cycle and three partial cycles, which is quite similar to Brother Taixu! Lü Chuyi marveled inwardly.

Initially, she had thought that Su Yuxian was only proficient in the Mu words. She hadn’t realized his fairy fundamentals were this frightening.

But very quickly, her shock turned into stupefaction. Before long, Su Yu had completed the fifth partial cycle. He still didn’t look any different on the surface.

How did he actually train his Dantian? Lü Chuyi was amazed. The training of Dantian required a strong determination to suppress the cultivation and refine the Dantian with Vital Energy by force. This compelled the Dantian to become more solid in order to accommodate more Vital Energy.

Perhaps Gu Taixu's Vital Energy reservoir wasn't the first in the continent, but it was more than enough to be ranked among the top ten in the continent.

Lü Chuyi was truly fascinated by how Su Yu surpassed it with such ease.

Su Yu had a tranquil facial expression as he continuously circulated the Vital Energy in her body.

The sixth cycle!

The seventh cycle!

The eighth cycle!

Lü Chuyi was astonished beyond words. She regarded Su Yu in a completely different light now! He wasn't an insignificant challenger of unknown origins. He was a superior Heaven Ruler! Insufficient attention had been paid to him. Although he couldn't possibly keep pace with topmost Heaven Rulers like Gu Taixu, he was certainly heads and shoulders above most of his peers.

The ninth cycle!

The tenth cycle!

Just as Su Yu had expected, all of his Vital Energy had been used up, and his face turned pale for the first time.

Bright waves of brilliance sparkled in Lü Chuyi's charming eyes. She gave Su Yuxian an appraising look from head to toe as if getting to know him all over again. "Master Su, the strength of your Dantian is the rarest I have seen in my life!"

Perhaps not even the True Man of the Purple Cloud had seen such powerful, mutated Dantian before. She certainly had not.

After all, remolding the Dantian was easier said than done. Which martial artists would willingly attempt to destroy their own Dantians and train them from the beginning again? No one would if they hadn't been in a hopeless plight like the one in which Su Yu's Dantian had been shattered.

Su Yu exhaled a mouthful of murky breath and weaved signs with his hands. Without even opening his eyes, he said, "Miss Lü, make the most of the time to recover your Vital Energy now. Time is running out." The hunters could catch up with them anytime!

Sensing Su Yu's wish to keep people away, Lü Chuyi gazed at Su Yu's eyes and her lips moved a little, as though she wanted to say something. But then she just nodded quietly, and said, "Thanks a lot."

She didn't question Su Yu's motive in helping her, because there really wasn't much interaction between them.

Su Yu had taken the risk of facing a scarcity of Vital Energy and had insisted on saving her in a precarious situation in which the enemies were in hot pursuit. What was his intention?

She already had an answer in mind.

Half an hour had passed. They had been making the most out of every second to recover their Vital Energy. With the aid of all sorts of spiritual elixirs and wonderful remedies, Su Yu had recovered 30 percent of his Vital Energy, and Lü Chuyi almost 30 percent.

It would hardly suffice if they needed to run for their lives, and it would be quite dangerous for them to fight enemies, especially when they were outnumbered.

Just when they were about to continue, the tips of Su Yu's ears quivered, and his eyes abruptly grew wide. Five demonic dragons penetrated from his chest, growling as they made their way out of the cave in the cliff.

A scream of misery sounded from outside the cave, and the whizzing sound of the air being pierced quickly disappeared.

With a flash of his figure, Su Yu rushed outside the cave at the speed of lightning. The vague figure of a human disappeared at the edge of the sky. Su Yu wanted to pursue the person but had lost sight of the target.

Looking at the air, pieces of black ashes floated down lightly. Su Yu recognized the clothing of the Heavenly Knife Region. One of their members had been killed, and another had run away!

"We have to leave very soon." Su Yu's brows were creased.

The opponent possessed the magical power of Void teleportation. It was only a matter of time before they got hold of their general location and caught up with them.

Lü Chuyi's red lips were pursed. She looked over at Su Yu, rolled up her sleeves and bent to pay him respect. Somberly, she said, "Master Su, Chuyi will remember your kindness in saving me for the rest of my life. But the target of the Heavenly Knife Region is me, and it has nothing to do with you. You should quickly escape. I will stay here to buy you some time."

Su Yu heaved a silent sigh. How could he leave Lü Chuyi here all by herself? If you decided to help someone, you had to help them to the very best of your ability. He hadn't helped her to resolve the crisis at hand, so how could he leave her alone?

Moreover, with her injured body, she couldn't buy him any time and would be tamed by powerful ninth-grade Almighty like Zhao Li after a few rounds. There was also still the unscrupulous Qian Feng.

"How are you going to meet your Brother Taixu if you're dead? Come with me. There might be a way to deal with them," Su Yu said with a shrewd gleam in his eyes, ideas already forming in his mind.

Lü Chuyi was startled. She lifted her gaze to look at Su Yu and her heart fluttered.

After a moment of hesitation, she looked into Su Yu's eyes and asked, "Master Su, I'd like to ask if you know a person named Yinyu?"

Su Yu felt a tug on his heartstrings. She still remembered him.

For an instant, Su Yu had wanted to confess. Finally, he shook his head and said, "No, I don't."

He took a step forward with his hands on his back and strode further into the depths of the forest.

They had only been gone a short while when five seams appeared in midair in front of the cliff. Qian Feng, Zhao Li, and the other strong men of the Heavenly Knife Region strode out from the seams.

Zhao Li stared at the cave and said, "I'll go in and search!"

Qian Feng cast a light glance at the cave. He then stared at the deeper parts of the forest and said coldly, "No need to check the cave."

Su Yu and Lü Chuyi would only still be there if they were completely reckless. Judging from the killing hunt along the way, Su Yu was a man of outstanding intelligence so had headed straight for the core region of the jungle. There was no reason that he would still be in the cave now.

"Our target is the core region of the book yard!" Qian Feng's severed right arm had recovered, and it was clenched into a fist. Dreadful murderous desires were being emitted from his eyes. "Leading me into the depths of the jungle, fine! I'll play with you this time!"

Swish!

A massive group of challengers was closing in on the center of book yard like dark clouds. Such tremendous power wasn't something a lone soldier could withstand.

Even though Su Yu had numerous abilities, he couldn't possibly handle this many strong men. Once their opponents caught them up, they would stand no chance of survival unless they were able to escape again.

With the imminent crisis fast approaching, Su Yu and Lü Chuyi arrived at the center of the book yard. Even though it was the center of the book yard, it was deserted at the moment. The recent intense battle between the Heavenly Knife Region and the Purple Cloud Palace had scared many people, dispersing them to other areas.

Another reason for the lack of activity was that the news about the strong men of the Heavenly Knife Region closing in on this region in considerable numbers had been spread around, so the challengers had escaped.

"Why have we returned to the central region?" Lü Chuyi was baffled. If they found Gu Taixu or joined with the people of the Red Blood Palace perhaps they still stood a chance. If they solely depending on the two of them, their odds of victory were nonexistent.

Su Yu glanced at their surroundings and narrowed his eyes. "This place gives us a chance to get out of our predicament."

He caressed the ring on his fingertip with one hand. Nine round balls of similar sizes were suspended on the surface of Su Yu's body. Eight of them were silver-white in color, and one of them was yellow-blue.

As she stared at the eight silver-white round balls, Lü Chuyi retrieved a fragment of golden yellow bamboo from her sleeve in shock. The quivered lightly on her palm, giving off a soft, continuous low buzz.

"Resonance?" Lü Chuyi was dumbfounded. Her Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo was resonating with the nine round balls. Like a bolt from the blue, a thought flashed across Lü Chuyi's mind. "The Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo of complete maturity!"

Her gaze was firmly fixed on the nine round balls. Excitement and delighted surprise formed on her pretty face as she nearly cried out in wonder.

No one knew better than her about the worth of the Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo, the first divine bamboo of the Jiuzhou continent! It was an ancient divine bamboo that needed to be watered day and night by All Creations Old Monsters with their own essence blood for a few hundred years before they could reach maturity. It had almost gone into extinction in this era. Even if there were still remnants of it, it was only infantile forms like the one in her hand. Seeing a mature Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo was like a dream to her.

How could Lü Chuyi know that the Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo before her right now had originated from the two seeds that she had given Su Yu back then! That was why her Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo could resonate with the eight silver-white round balls. They were of the same origin.

Su Yu's heart was moved, and he took a look at the familiar Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo in Lü Chuyi's hand. In the past, he had been so envious of the astounding power of this piece of Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo. Now, after so many years, he was no longer interested in it. He pretended not to have seen it. Su Yu weaved signs with both his hands and pointed at the nine round pearls from afar.

The eight round pearls emitted space vibration immediately, concealing themselves in the Void along with the ninth pearl.

Unless All Creations Old Monsters who were adept at space power arrived in person, there was no way the presence of those pearls could be noticed.

After completing the task, Su Yu's eyes flickered as he scanned the trees of life around him, and said, "Miss Lü, are you interested in cutting some trees with me?"

Cutting trees? Lü Chuyi was obviously stunned for a second. The strong men of the Heavenly Knife Region were approaching. Did they still have time for cutting trees?

What on earth was Su Yu trying to do?

Chapter 1002: The Book Yard Master

Doubtful, Lü Chuyi held the Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo in her hand and chopped horizontally into the nearest, pitch-black tree.

The Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo was impregnable. A smooth welt appeared on the roots of the thousand-feet-tall, dark, gigantic tree.

The Book of Life at the top of the tree lost its foundation and began combusting spontaneously. As it plummeted to the ground, it turned into piles of ashes which were scattered all over the Void.

Shortly after, the entire colossal tree turned into nothingness, leaving behind a massive deep pit which showed that a Tree of Life used to stand tall on this spot.

"Is one enough?" Lü Chuyi looked at Su Yu.

Su Yu's lips curved into a mysterious smile. "How can one be enough!"

The five demonic dragons growled as they broke out from Su Yu's chest, dancing with madness in the surroundings. When any part of one of the dragons touched the Trees of Life even slightly, the trees and the Books of Life all turned into nothingness. In the blink of an eye, a demonic dragon had obliterated seven to eight Trees of Life.

The five demonic dragons charged simultaneously. Within a short period of time, 40 to 50 hundred-foot-tall Trees of Life were razed to the ground, leaving behind deep pits of various sizes that looked like pockmarks.

Lü Chuyi was startled. "What are you trying to do? Even if these Books of Life serve no purpose for us, isn't it too much to destroy them just like that?"

As far as the eighth-grade Almighty Lü Chuyi was concerned, the life experiences of the past challengers weren't exactly meaningful to her. However, to the other challengers, they were treasures that were as valuable as sublimations. Destroying them just like that was no different from severing the opportunities of other challengers.

Su Yu smiled without saying a word. He carried on performing the Nine Dragons Demon Subduing Art, destroying patch after patch of the Trees of Life.

Lü Chuyi stared at Su Yu for a moment. She had no choice but to believe in him. Not only did they use the Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo, but all of the golden leaves too, striking in all directions at the same time.

Crash!

With the incessant sound of breaking, the Trees of Life perished one after another through the wanton behavior of the two of them. If there were any challengers present, they would certainly be gnashing their teeth with rage and fuming with anger upon seeing their deed.

Buzz...

All of a sudden, a mild, faintly visible vibration could be heard. It was barely noticeable and was as if something had crept in soundlessly.

"Challengers, is that enough of you?" A bleak voice sounded abruptly from the emptiness.

Lü Chuyi was stunned and scanned her surroundings with solemn eyes. "Who's there? Come out!"

For a moment, Su Yu didn't seem to have heard anything. Then, without even turning his head, he said, "If you're clever enough, don't meddle in the affairs of the Heavenly Knife Region!"

The Heavenly Knife Region? Lü Chuyi was confused. And then clarity streaked across her clear bright eyes.

"Since the Books of Life in this place serve no purpose to the Heavenly Knife Region, of course we have to destroy them, otherwise the other challengers will benefit at our expense!" Lü Chuyi remarked coldly. The Heavenly Orchid Silver Bamboo and golden leaves in her hand fluttered rapidly once again, destroying countless of the Trees of Life.

The desolate voice sounded again, with a tinge of low rage in it. "Are all of you challengers greedy and self-centered people? Even if they are of no use to you, you'd rather destroy them than letting other challengers benefit from them?"

Su Yu paused and glanced at his surroundings with narrowed eyes. "I'm telling you for the last time! If you don't want to get yourself killed, don't get in the way of the Heavenly Knife Region! The two of us are only the frontline. The rest of the troop are right behind us. If you don't want to die, get lost right now!"

The air in all directions froze abruptly. A harsh scent gradually befell the area, carrying with it a murderous, violent aura.

Swish!

Out of nowhere, a tornado appeared on the large patch of barren lands where the trees had been razed to the ground. Amidst the tornado, a three-inch-long, humongous book of black, white and blue colors was suspended in the Void.

The newcomer wasn't a human, but a bizarre book.

"A book? What the hell are you?" Su Yu creased his brows, slightly taken aback.

An angry voice sounded from the tri-colored book. "I'm the guardian of this place! Using the words of you challengers, I'm the master of the book yard!!"

What! The master of the book yard? Terror and shock covered the faces of Su Yu and Lü Chuyi. Streaks of panic and fright filled their eyes.

"Impossible! The legendary yard master of the book yard never shows itself. No matter how the Books of Life are being abstracted, it won't ever attract the yard master!" Lü Chuyi was extremely surprised.

The tri-colored book disdainfully said, "Of course I don't have to show up if you're only abstracting the Books of Life, but you're willfully destroying the Trees of Life right now, affecting the training of other challengers. How could I not show up?"

Lü Chuyi was still skeptical. "Then why has no one ever seen your existence?"

Whiffs of murderous aura surrounded the tri-colored book. "Because I only make an appearance when someone is maliciously destroying the book yard! And all of the people who had been destroying the book yard were detained here by me and got turned into Trees of Life. Now, you tell me why has no one ever seen me?"

Because all of the people who had seen it were dead.

Su Yu and Lü Chuyi felt cold chills cascading down their body. They had actually summoned the yard master of the book yard. It gave them a great sense of danger, which was far worse than that of the flower yard master. The flower yard master was a floral creature after all, who didn't have a heavy desire for killing. But the book yard master had read about the life experiences of countless of challengers. It had seen through worldly matters and became transcendental, freed from the shackles of all emotions. As far as it was concerned, killing was only a matter of mild significance, especially when the victims were dauntless, impetuous evildoers like Su Yu who maliciously destroyed the book yard.

“Do you think that the Heavenly Knife Region is the only influence in eternity that has destroyed the book yard to prevent the improvement of others? Haven’t you thought about why the book yard is still standing after all these years?” The yard master’s words resonated with contempt.

Indeed, if there were a divine realm like this which could be considered the place of sublimation on the Jiuzhou continent, it could be dominated by powerful influences which claimed it as their own, making it accessible to their own students only. Alternatively, no influence would occupy it at all. It would be reduced to ashes, and the huge influences could put their minds at ease.

However, the book yard had remained intact throughout eternity, which showed just how peculiar it was. And its main peculiar feature was the guardian of the book yard, the yard master, who had been thwarting the destruction brought upon the book yard. Each time it showed itself, there would be a massacre on a grand scale!

Lü Chuyi retreated slowly, her eyes horrified. “Senior brother, looks like we’ve gotten into trouble!”

Su Yu looked afraid as well. “Ask help from the faction immediately! No matter how strong the yard master is, it is on its own!”

Right away, the two of them turned and ran for their lives.

The yard master said with dispassion, “I haven’t killed for thousands of years. The challengers have forgotten my existence!” An intense murderous aura rose high into the sky.

The yard master snorted coldly as it stared in the direction in which Su Yu had run. A space seam formed next to the yard master and it turned around and vanished into it.

Su Yu and Lü Chuyi hadn’t gone a few hundred miles before a seam cracked up in front of them.

“Oh no! Space teleportation!” Lü Chuyi exclaimed in shock. She grasped Su Yu and recoiled instantly.

Buzz...

A wave of All Creations Mighty Force penetrated out from the vacant space, almost killing the two of them.

“Fight! Once the help from the faction arrives, we can get out of this!” Su Yu cried out. He flung his hand and tossed out five writing brushes, each of a different color.

The writing brushes floated in midair, emitting light beams of five variant colors which shrouded a corner of the sky. The light completely encased the cracked part of the Void. The Void vibrated and the tri-colored book was confined by the colorful rays of light and shaken out from the empty seam.

The yard master sounded a little moved through as it said, “Such a powerful great confining formation! Even the strong men of All Creations Stage One could be confined for quite some time!”

It looked coldly at Su Yu. its murderous desire not dwindled but intensified. “You really have come prepared! The challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region!”

As a matter of fact, it didn’t know that it was encased by the compressed version of the Five Elemental Heaven Extinguishing Formation. Under Su Yu’s manipulation, it unleashed less than

one-tenth of the power of the compressed version. Confining it perpetually until its death was no big deal. This was one of Su Yu's strongest trump cards!

Su Yu turned back to sneer as he ran. "Humph, it's your life that I want! Just wait until the strong men of the Heavenly Knife Region arrive!"

"I want all of you to die horrible deaths!" The yard master was thoroughly enraged, bellowing in fury amidst the confinement of the penta-colored sun rays.

Su Yu kept sneering and ran towards the faraway skies alongside Lü Chuyi.

He only stopped when they arrived on a mountain.

Lü Chuyi looked at him with her gorgeous eyes, excitement and agitation on her fair face.

"So this is the reason for cutting the trees!" Lü Chuyi exchanged a smile with Su Yu.

"You recklessly destroyed the forests and attracted the yard master, shifting the blame onto the Heavenly Knife Region!"

"There's only one thing that I don't quite understand. How could you be certain that the book yard master would show up because of the destruction to the forests? If it didn't, weren't we wasting the precious time we had in which to escape?" Lü Chuyi bright eyes were flickering.

Su Yu flashed a confident smile. "Hasn't the book yard master answered that? There's only one explanation for divine realms like the book yard which haven't been occupied or destroyed by people. There must be something guarding the book yard. And judging from the fact that it could guard the yard against genius challengers for eternity, the cultivation of the guardian should at least be on the All Creations level. Its identity could be easily worked out: the yard master of the book yard!"

"I knew that when I emerged as a destructor, the yard master would surely show up."

Lü Chuyi's eyes were rippling with surprise and awe. "Chuyi admires you for your meticulous planning, Master!"

Su Yu laughed. "Your response wasn't slow either, Miss Lü." Without Lü Chuyi's cooperation in deceiving the yard master about them having come from the Heavenly Knife Region, it wouldn't have been that easy.

Lü Chuyi's delicate face was flushed red. With her personality, this was the very first time she deceived someone.

"Master, have we succeeded just like that?" Lü Chuyi asked. The yard master had been infuriated and had believed that they were challengers from the Heavenly Knife Region. The things that were about to happen were worth anticipation.

But Su Yu shook his head. "We are still lacking some essentials. The people of the Heavenly Knife Region aren't idiots. They won't be fooled by us easily."

A while later, five space seams appeared at the center of the book yard. Qian Feng and his companions stepped out from the seams.

Their number had reached more than 80. It was a spectacular, major-scale troop movement, and the warriors each gave off an unusually shocking aura.

“Su Yuxian!” Qian Feng narrowed his eyes and scanned the vicinity. Suddenly something caught his attention, and his gaze fixed on the penta-colored sun rays ahead.

A book of three colors was encased by the rays, restrained to the point at which it was unable to move.

Qian Feng was initially startled, and then his face changed as he marveled inwardly. “The Five Elemental Heaven Extinguishing Formation! The unique skill of the Five Golden Light Guards of the Central Prefecture’s King! Impossible! Could they have entered the Glittering Jewel Wonderland as well?”

Zhao Li’s face was a mixture of shock and doubt. His gaze penetrated the sun rays and fell upon the tri-colored book, and apprehension rose in his heart.

“Senior Brother Qian, what is that book? Since it has been sealed and confined by the Five Elemental Heaven Extinguishing Formation, it must be something powerful.”

Qian Feng looked over at the book for a moment, and his pupils gleamed suddenly. “Black, white and blue, a tri-colored divine book... it’s the yard master of the book yard! One of the fiercest yard masters!” Shock and dread trembled in the depths of his heart.

“What? It’s the yard master of the book yard?” Zhao Li inhaled a cold sharp breath.

As far as they were concerned, the yard master was a dictator they had to look up to, due to the gap between the All Creations and the Almighty.

The faces of the strong men of the Heavenly Knife Region changed. They looked fearful and cowardly and did not have the courage to advance further.

Qian Feng’s eyes flickered several times. Retreating right now could indeed distance them from the unknown danger. Nonetheless, losing the Book of Yang and being unable to report the completion of mission to Bi Lingtian would also result in awful repercussions.

Staring at the confined yard master, Qian Feng bellowed in a low voice, “Don’t be afraid, guys. The yard master of the book yard has been confined. We just need to pass through quickly. It shouldn’t be a problem.”

His words made the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region feel more composed. Gingerly and fearfully, they headed towards the confined yard master, prepared to go around it and continue hunting down Su Yu and Lü Chuyi.

But in the eyes of the yard master, they were bearing down on it with vicious motives!

“Are you the challengers from the Heavenly Knife Region?” The yard master stared at them and opened its mouth for the first time.

Qian Feng was instantly alarmed, and the faces of the challengers from the Heavenly Knife Region turned pale with fright as dread and panic kicked in. The yard master had noticed them!

Qian Feng suppressed the disconcertment in his heart, and calmly said, “Yes. Dare I ask, do you have any orders for us, Yard Master?”

The yard master gave a peal of cold laughter. “You people are bold! Why would I give you orders?”

What? Qian Feng frowned. The tone of the book yard master didn’t sound quite right.

An idea occurred to him. Cupping his fists, Qian Feng queried, “Dare I ask, Yard Master, could you have been schemed by some despicable people, who intended to incite disharmony between us?”

Upon hearing that, the yard master was slightly stunned. Coldly, it asked, “What makes you say that?”

Qian Feng thought for a moment, and said, “To be honest, Yard Master, we have seized Mo Jidao’s Divine Books of Yin Yang, but the Book of Yang has been stolen from us by two people. We have been pursuing them, and they have run straight to the center of the book yard! I suspect that it is a conspiracy to lure us into the depths of the book yard.”

The yard master had a look of suspicion. “Really? Just now they have claimed themselves to be the students of the Heavenly Knife Region, and were destroying the Trees of Life wantonly. Were they trying to provoke me, and make me take my anger out on you?”

The people of the Heavenly Knife Region broke out in a cold sweat when they learned what had happened. No wonder the yard master had treated them with such an attitude! It turned out that they had nearly fallen into Su Yu’s trap!

The mere thought of being hunted down by an All Creations Old Monster made all of their hairs stand on end, including Qian Feng.

Fortunately, Qian Feng was insightful enough to have predicted what had happened and had resolved the misunderstanding. In the meantime, their hatred for Su Yu had reached a whole new level.

“What a malicious scheme!”

“He nearly got us all killed!”

The challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region felt indignant at the injustice and were beyond frustration. Su Yu’s evil scheme had incited the rage of many.

“Yard Master, he is a cunning person with many schemes up his sleeve, don’t ever trust him,” Qian Feng said with cupped fists and gritted teeth. Repentance filled his heart. If he had known things would turn out like this, he wouldn’t have let the Book of Yang be stolen because of his greed for women.

The yard master observed the words and actions of the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region, and slowly said, “I understand now.”

Coincidentally, the five writing brushes dissipated, and the yard master was emancipated.

As it scanned the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region, the yard master said, “It looks like we have the common target for killing!”

Qian Feng was inwardly relieved. Rumor had it that whoever came across the yard master of the book yard would die, but some said that it never killed innocents.

“We would like to give you a hand in your hunt for this thief, Yard Master!” Qian Feng said.

The yard master nodded. “Alright, I will break the rules this once and collaborate with you challengers to seize the wicked thief!”

Both parties reached a consensus, and things were progressing in a manner opposite to the direction which Su Yu had planned.

“All of you move forward and carry my scent with you. If you discover this thief, all you have to do is trigger the scent. I will detect it and come and kill him,” the yard master said.

The faces of the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region changed slightly. If they agreed, their whereabouts would always be within the grasp of the yard master. If it attempted to harm them, it would be a breeze. They carefully considered the matter. If the yard master had wanted to harm them, it could have done so now. Why would it go to all that trouble? Feeling nervous and insecure, the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region reluctantly agreed.

Qian Feng put up a courageous front and stepped forward. “I’ll go first!” As he stood before the yard master, Qian Feng was relaxed on the surface, but vigilant and cautious inside.

The yard master radiated a tri-colored splendor which slowly landed on the top of Qian Feng’s head.

The yard master nodded in satisfaction. “Rest assured, as long as you cooperate with sincerity, I will reward you once the task is complete...”

However, its words trailed off! All of a sudden, eight seams opened in the Void, revealing eight silver round balls which besieged the yard master like a bolt from the blue!

Chapter 1003: Martial Yard, Martial Tower

The Meteor Light Stream Great Formation!

The eight silver-white round balls surrounded the yellow-blue round balls and descended very abruptly, encircling the yard master who hadn’t seen it coming at all.

Qian Feng had been close to the yard master so had been within reach. Surprisingly, however, the balls repelled him away, leaving him on the outside. Qian Feng was caught unawares and thought that the yard master was launching its attack. This made him recoil in shock. But in the eyes of the yard master, it seemed like it was a premeditated assault.

“You challengers really are untrustworthy!” the yard master sneered scornfully, “I am the yard master. Do you really think I need help from incapable challengers like you to find a person in the book yard? I was only letting you get close to me to give you a bit of my scent in order to test if you have any ulterior motives and I surmised correctly! You are the accomplices of those two so-called evil thieves.”

“It is as he told me. Your aim isn’t to destroy the book yard, but to capture me, the yard master, in order to open the rumored sixth yard!”

The yard master had encountered countless challengers throughout its life and was adept at evil schemes and cunning deceptions. It would not believe Qian Feng’s one-sided statement. The yard master had only suggested the collaboration to lure the snake out of its hole and expose their malicious intentions.

Now that it had been ambushed exactly at the moment the two of them came into contact, and Qian Feng was unscathed! Would anyone actually believe that it was only a coincidence?

As he was recoiling, a thought occurred to Qian Feng and the ominous realization struck him. Hurriedly, he explained, “Please calm down, Yard Master, we weren’t the ones who laid the ambush! This must be an entrapment set by the evil thief, and his purpose is to use you in getting rid of us!”

He would have been better remaining silent, because right away the yard master said contemptuously, “So you challengers actually think that the book yard master is that gullible? If this really is an ambush laid by the evil thief, why weren’t you embroiled? Aren’t you their greatest threat?”

Qian Feng was rebutted to a point that he became speechless. He was certain that this was exactly what Su Yu had intended. If just Qian Feng was killed, there was still Zhao Li and the tremendous military strength consisting of more than 80 fighters. Su Yu’s ultimate aim was to use the hand of the yard master to kill them all and enjoy an effortless victory!

But the yard master prided itself upon its experience in dealing with challengers. Being obstinate and self-opinionated, it was very unlikely it would believe Qian Feng’s story. Qian Feng had a hopeless feeling of being wronged.

Sensing that the yard master was about to erupt with wrath, Qian Feng yelled, “People of the Heavenly Knife Region, while the yard master is still sealed in the formation, retreat immediately and seek help from Senior Brother Bi!”

Upon hearing that, the yard master sneered. “Are you finally going to tell the truth? You seized the opportunity to arrange the formation to allow stronger challengers to strike! Humph! You will never get away with it!”

Qian Feng felt a lump in his throat. He was choking on his own anger. This self-righteous idiot! It’s even counting money for the enemy while being sold! But the most abhorrent person in all of this is the silver-masked fellow!

He hated Su Yu to the depths of his bones. Not only had Su Yu alarmed the book yard and used the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region as his scapegoat, but he had even held a trick back, abruptly launching an assault right when they were about to join hands with the yard master. Now the mistrustful yard master was completely enraged!

If Su Yu hadn’t reserved this trump card, he would be the one dead by now. However, this vital finishing touch of his had rendered the people of the Heavenly Knife Region speechless and defenseless!

“Run away, now!” Qian Feng bellowed.

Swish! Swish! Swish!

The people of the Heavenly Knife Region dared not hesitate for another second. In horror, they all fled for their lives. None of them had time to think about Su Yu now.

Trapped by the Meteor Light Stream Great Formation, the yard master stared coldly at the strong men of the Heavenly Knife Region as they scampered away. "All of you, don't even think of running away! Stay behind and become the Trees of Life!"

"Open!" the yard master screamed, and the All Creations Mighty Force was emitted from all over its body.

The eight silver round balls that confined it froze for a split second before being blown off by the tremor. They vanished into the Void. At the same time, the five writing brushes scattered on the ground were drawn into the Void as well.

The yard master cast an icy stare in the direction of the Void. "I'll settle things with the two of you at the very end!" Then, it rotated around and disappeared into the Void, hunting down the people of the Heavenly Knife Region.

A great distance away, large patches of space seams were formed in the area where Su Yu was. The eight silver pearls, carrying the Underworld Pearl and the compressed version of the Five Elemental Heaven Extinguishing Formation, returned to his side.

Before Lü Chuyi could make out what those five writing brushes were, Su Yu withdrew them.

"Things have happened just as expected. We're safe for the time being. As long as we leave the book yard before the yard master returns, we'll be safe and sound." Su Yu's lips formed a small smile.

Lü Chuyi hadn't been able to see the entire process clearly, but since the oppression from the book yard master had diminished a great deal, she knew Su Yu had achieved his objective.

As she looked into Su Yu's eyes, a look of respect appeared on Lü Chuyi's delicate face.

"We don't have to leave the book yard. As long as we meet up with Brother Taixu, it wouldn't matter even if the yard master did catch with us!" Lü Chuyi said.

Gu Taixu! A murderous gleam flashed through Su Yu's eyes.

Nodding lightly, Su Yu said, "I'll escort you there."

With Lü Chuyi's injuries, any random eighth-grade Almighty could cause her life-threatening damage right now. Before she reunited with Gu Taixu, she needed someone by her side.

"Alright!" Lü Chuyi's heart was grateful. Immediately, she set to detect Gu Taixu's location. A moment later, she opened her eyes and pointed at the North. "The North, most probably in the direction of the martial yard. Brother Taixu should be at the martial yard."

Lü Chuyi's bright eyes went dull for a second as she mentioned the martial yard.

The martial yard was the site of congregation for the students of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction. A martial tower was situated there, and it served immense benefits to the enhancement of the challengers from the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction. The students of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction spent most of their time in the martial tower.

Gu Taixu was most likely near the martial tower too, since he was in the martial yard. Perhaps, he was keeping the enchantress of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction company.

Su Yu did not notice the unusual expression on her face. Looking northwards, he strode across the air and headed in that direction.

Three days later, they had reached the outer periphery of the book yard. There were pitch-dark trees around 200 feet in height as far as the eye could see. Before long, they would reach the border of the book yard.

“I sensed Brother Taixu’s scent already. He’s nearby!” A heart-shaking bewitching smile formed on Lü Chuyi’s lovely face.

He should be at the martial tower of the martial yard, and there was only one reason he had appeared in this area. He had come to Lü Chuyi’s rescue by following her scent, after receiving the aid request from the escaped members of the Purple Cloud Palace. This was the reason Lü Chuyi was glad, overjoyed even. Gu Taixu still had feelings for her!

Is he here yet? Su Yu looked over at Lü Chuyi and thought for a moment, before saying, “Miss Lü Chuyi, if Gu Taixu betrays the Purple Cloud Palace one day, what will you do with yourself?”

Lü Chuyi’s smile disappeared. Surprised, she stared at Su Yu. “Why did you ask that?”

Su Yu could tell she wasn’t pleased because Su Yu had doubted the person whom she loved the most.

“It’s just an idea,” Su Yu said. He felt sorry for her as he looked at Lü Chuyi’s unhappy face.

Expressionless, Lü Chuyi said, “My heart only belongs to him. If he betrays the Purple Cloud Palace, I will certainly pursue him, without regretting it for a single second of my life.”

Such unwavering faithfulness? Su Yu heaved a silent sigh. He believed in Lü Chuyi’s loyalty and intention to always keep her word.

She had already shown her faithful nature. She had chosen to face death, rather than letting Gu Taixu miss out on the Book of Yang and than losing her chastity.

She loved Gu Taixu far more than her own life.

For a moment, Su Yu saw Xia Jingyu’s silhouette again. There used to be a woman who loved Su Yu more than her own life too.

“Take care, Miss Lü. We’ll go our separate ways now.” Su Yu turned as his feet leaped into the Void and he left, streaking across the sky. Su Yu had now repaid the debt of kindness he owed her, and there were no more ties between them.

“You’re leaving? Your Vital Energy isn’t recovered yet, so traveling alone is extremely dangerous for you. Why don’t you follow me to meet up with Brother Taixu? He’ll surely protect you.” Lü Chuyi quickly caught up with him and stopped him.

Su Yu didn’t even look back as he advanced away from her. “It’s for your own good. Please do not mention my name in front of Gu Taixu.”

Looking at Su Yu’s back as he left with staunch resolution and disappeared at the edge of the sky, Lü Chuyi felt a wave of melancholy washing over her. It was as if a spot in her heart was vacant.

Watery mist brimmed her bright eyes. Lü Chuyi mumbled under her breath, “I’m sorry I didn’t have the courage to find out if you really were Yinyu.” Some answers had long been revealed in the depths of the heart, but the courage to face them had been lost.

Not long after, the space began vibrating.

Gu Taixu’s tall, handsome figure dashed forth at the speed of lightning.

However, as he approached, the anticipation in Lü Chuyi’s eyes crumbled bit by bit. Gu Taixu wasn’t alone. Beside him was a delicate beauty clad in a dark green dress, with snowy fair skin and gorgeous features. She was delicate because that face of hers was a rare one. It was as beautiful as a sculpture and surreally enchanting. Lü Chuyi knew that face. She was the first beauty of the Demon Path, Han Fei.

Han Fei was the first on the Demon Path, an absolute Heaven Ruler, and one of the four starry sky elites of the Jiuzhou continent! In terms of talents, no one in the Jiuzhou continent could rival her, including Gu Taixu!

No matter in what way, Lü Chuyi was no match for her.

The two of them arrived speedily, stepping on the Floating Clouds of the Nine Heavens.

Lü Chuyi didn’t allow her true emotions to show in her eyes and walked up to them with a delighted look. “Brother Taixu, you’re here.”

Gu Taixu descended. He nodded, and asked right away, “Is the Book of Yang in your hands?”

Lü Chuyi felt a piercing pain through her heart. Shouldn’t he be most concerned about her safety? It turned out that he hadn’t come to rescue her, but to get the Book of Yang.

Shaking her head in bitterness, Lü Chuyi held back the grief in her heart, and said, “The Book of Yang was seized by Qian Feng of the Heavenly Knife Region. Chuyi was useless, I didn’t take good care of the Book of Yang.”

Looks of disappointment, annoyance, and anger flashed across Gu Taixu’s face. He was disappointed that the Book of Yang was lost. And he was angered because the Book of Yang was lost by Lü Chuyi.

“Fei-er, we’re too late. The Book of Yang has been taken away,” Gu Taixu turned and said to Han Fei.

Han Fei shook her head like it was nothing. “Just find the Heavenly Knife Region and get it back.”

She cast a glance at Lü Chuyi, and queried, “She’s your fiancée?”

Gu Taixu flashed a smile. "It was arranged and matchmade by the faction. As a student, I didn't have a choice about it."

Upon hearing that, Lü Chuyi's heart shuddered, and she looked at Gu Taixu in disbelief. It was true that they had been matchmade by the elders and the people in charge of the faction, but hadn't they been in love before the arrangement? Were all those times when they cared for each other lovingly, arranged by the elders and the people in charge too? She felt as though someone had driven a knife through her heart, and it was dripping with blood.

Han Fei nodded and withdrew her glance as if she had lost interest in Lü Chuyi. "Let's get back to the martial tower. The Heavenly Knife Region will gather there too."

"The martial tower this time is rather different from in previous years. I suppose they'll gather at the martial tower once they get the news. By then I'll just ask to have for the Books of Yin Yang for a read."

Gu Taixu said, "Sure. Taixu is willing to lend Fei-er a helping hand. But, Fei-er can leave first. There are some matters that I want to remind Lü Chuyi of," Gu Taixu added.

Han Fei streaked across the sky and headed in the direction of the martial tower without even looking at Lü Chuyi.

After she left, the smile on Gu Taixu's face vanished. With his hands on his back, he gave Lü Chuyi an indifferent, measuring look, and said, "They reported to me that you had been tamed by the Heavenly Knife Region and were badly injured. Can you tell me how you managed to escape? I heard that Qian Feng has been wanting to lay his hands on you!"

He was implying that Lü Chuyi might have traded her chastity for her life. Perhaps she was an unclean woman now.

Sensing Gu Taixu's suspicious look, Lü Chuyi was still afraid that he would misunderstand despite her own disconsolation. Hastily, she explained, "Don't get it wrong. I was rescued by someone, and Qian Feng did not get what he wanted. Brother Taixu, you know me. I won't ever lie to you." She almost looked like she was begging him for forgiveness.

Is that so? Gu Taixu grew gentler. He flashed a smile flew down to comfort her. "Don't be afraid. I'm just worried that you might have been bullied. I'm glad that you're fine. By the way, where's the person who saved you? I haven't thanked him for giving you a hand."

Gu Taixu's tenderness delighted Lü Chuyi. She felt as if she had been pardoned. She cherished his affection whole-heartedly, and said, "My savior did not reveal his name. He has left on his own." She had not forgotten Su Yu's reminder to keep his identity a secret.

Gu Taixu furrowed his brows. Based on his understanding of Lü Chuyi, she wouldn't lie to him indeed, so he believed that Qian Feng hadn't had his way.

"Chuyi, about Han Fei and I, don't take it to heart. It's the faction's arrangement that I treat her well. The purpose is to befriend the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction and reap certain benefits from them. My feelings for you have not changed."

Lü Chuyi's charming face was flushed, and a sweet smile as gorgeous as the spring flowers blossomed on her face. "Brother Taixu, is that true?"

Gu Taixu smiled gently. "Of course it's true!"

He stuck out his arms in an attempt to embrace Lü Chuyi but was subtly shunned away by Lü Chuyi. With her head hung low, she said bashfully, "Brother Taixu, don't do that."

A streak of frustration flashed through Gu Taixu's eyes but he concealed it quickly. He said, "Haha, I was being careless. It's inappropriate for Chuyi to have physical contact with the opposite gender before you have completed your practice of the cultivation techniques."

Lü Chuyi's body stiffened imperceptibly for a second. "Don't blame yourself, Brother Taixu."

After a moment of thought, Gu Taixu's eyes flickered. "Chuyi, what stage have you accomplished? When will you be able to complete it?"

A streak of frantic fear flashed through Lü Chuyi when she heard that. "Not...not much. I'm in the stage two top class. There's still one more stage to go to the final top class."

"You attained the stage two upper class three years ago. It's been three years, and you only managed to progress one level?" Gu Taixu questioned with a scowl.

He was keeping his promise to the faction that he hadn't laid his hands on this golden lady Lü Chuyi. Lü Chuyi was practicing a set of top-notch cultivation techniques passed down from the Purple Cloud Palace. Its grade was unspecified, but its power was remarkable. Only women who had preserved their virginity could practice it, and they were prohibited from touching the opposite gender during the training. Once the line was crossed, at the very least, one's techniques would regress. For severe cases, the difficulty of training would increase by multiple times, almost as though the prior efforts had been rendered futile.

Due to his fear and respect for the faction, Gu Taixu had refrained the urge to touch her over and over again.

"The further my ability progresses, the tougher the training becomes." Lü Chuyi's heart was beating wildly.

Gu Taixu expressed his understanding and did not take it to heart. "Train in peace; I'm not in a rush."

"Yes," Lü Chuyi replied softly.

"Lots of people who have attained their sublimations have gathered at the martial tower at the martial yard. Various influences have learned about it and are heading there too," Gu Taixu said.

"You can leave first. Head in that direction first and you'll soon catch up with Han Fei. She'll take you there."

Lü Chuyi asked, "How about you, senior brother?"

Gu Taixu laughed softly. "I have some matters to settle. I'll catch up with you soon."

Lü Chuyi thought for a moment, before flying off to catch up with Han Fei. "Be quick, senior brother."

As he watched Lü Chuyi leave, Gu Taixu nodded slightly. Then his face darkened, and he stared coldly in the direction in which Su Yu had left.

“Hiding his identity after saving Lü Chuyi, humph! Would I believe that?” It turned out that Gu Taixu was concerned about Lü Chuyi’s savior!

He couldn’t just let go of the matter and needed to verify things himself.

Who believes that a person will actually save someone else’s life without asking for a remuneration? There must be something stealthy about it.

Either Lü Chuyi was lying, or that savior of hers has ulterior motives!

The latter had a higher possibility. Perhaps, he has already owned Lü Chuyi with his filthy body, without her even knowing it.

As the King of Heaven Rulers of his region, he would never allow anyone to lay a finger on something that belonged to him!

Chapter 1004: The Great Oriental Family

Since leaving Lü Chuyi, Su Yu had been heading towards the border of the book yard.

With the book yard master’s threat still hanging over him, he would never be safe if he stayed in the book yard.

Half a day later, Su Yu had reached the border and he was surrounded by trees that were around a hundred feet tall. Range upon range of steep mountains could be faintly seen from afar.

On top of those mountains were blades of straight, broken swords, and knives. Whiffs of harsh, fierce air echoed in the mountains.

“That must be the martial yard,” Su Yu muttered to himself.

Of the five great yards, he had traveled through the flower yard and the book yard already. His gains were quite remarkable: from the former, he got the yard master and the Honey of Hundred Flowers; from the latter, he got the Book of Yang of Mo Jidao.

He wanted to find out what specialties the martial yard had in store. His eyes shone, and he strode towards the region of the martial yard. At that moment, he subconsciously turned back to look. A remnant flame was slowly dissipating in the forests, carrying waves of residual scorching heat!

With his spatial magical power, Su Yu could even sense the faint, intangible power of space reverberating.

“Who’s there?” Su Yu was alarmed. Someone had just soundlessly torn through the Void behind him. If it wasn’t for his sensitivity to space, he wouldn’t have noticed at all.

Could it be the book yard master? Su Yu thought for a moment and then shook his head gently in denial. If it was the yard master, it would’ve attacked already. There’s no need for it to be stealthy.

Su Yu’s eyes turned solemn. He was being followed by a mysterious person who could navigate the Void. How long had the person been following him? And what was he trying to do?

Feeling cautious, Su Yu headed for the martial yard at a fast pace. Right at that moment, an enormous icy, murderous scent shot forth from afar at an extreme speed.

Su Yu turned back to look, and the expression on his face turned ferocious. “Gu Taixu!” He hadn’t expected Gu Taixu to come after him!

Gu Taixu noticed Su Yu’s presence from afar too, and his handsome darkened.

He had thought of many people who had possibly saved Lü Chuyi, but Su Yu was a possibility that he had not considered at all! This person who came from the Zhenlong continent, whom he regarded as some insignificant insect from the past!

In the Heavenly Mysterious Divine Pavilion, Lü Chuyi’s behavior towards this insect had been surprising, and it was clear that the insect had inexplicable feelings for Lü Chuyi too. Gu Taixu had seen all of that with his own eyes.

As he recalled how Lü Chuyi had deliberately concealed the fact that Su Yu was the one who rescued her, Gu Taixu felt cheated on. Anyone would know what it meant when their own woman kept things about their intimate relationships from them!

“So! It! Was! You!” Gu Taixu flew towards him, turbulent rage hovering in his eyes.

Su Yu would not have expected that his kind consideration for Lü Chuyi had caused an even greater misunderstanding on Gu Taixu’s part.

As he gazed at Gu Taixu, Su Yu strained to hold back his murderous desires. Firstly, he didn’t have absolute confidence in his ability to kill Gu Taixu, especially after witnessing Gu Taixu’s Peak of the Pure Divine Decree. His capacity was profound beyond measure.

Secondly, his Vital Energy hadn’t recovered yet, and his combat power wasn’t at its best right now.

Thirdly, even if it was, he didn’t want to waste his time on a battle right here. He would have a whole lot of opportunities to kill him once they left the Glittering Jewel Wonderland; why rush it now? The Glittering Jewel Wonderland opened once every hundred years, and it wasn’t meant for fighting.

Gu Taixu realized that as well. If it were any other challenger, he would have charged and tamed them and strictly interrogated them already. But he knew that Su Yu was a fellow who had killed entities like Xue Di with his own hands, and he possessed unknown, terrifying tactics. He didn’t want to fight Su Yu to death at the moment.

After collecting enough sublimations in the Glittering Jewel Wonderland and achieving the All Creations level, he would find it a lot easier to kill Su Yu.

Their lines of sight collided in midair, creating intense sparks. An intense murderous aura surrounded both of them, making the dark trees in the surroundings wither and turn into nothingness.

A boulder located between the two of them crumbled all of a sudden, producing the dull sound of thunder.

“I have come to the Glittering Jewel Wonderland this time to search for the last drop of the Ancient Spiritual Beast’s blood. Once I succeed, it’ll be your doomsday!” Gu Taixu pointed at Su Yu from a distance as he spoke in a horrific, bloodthirsty voice.

He had long achieved the Peak of the ninth-grade Almighty. If he wished to, it wouldn’t be very difficult for him to step up to the All Creations level.

Gu Taixu was suppressing his cultivation because he didn’t want to just break through the ordinary All Creations level. Instead, he wished to refine a Nine Fairy Elixir and accomplish the complete Ancient Spiritual Body of the Real Spirit Nine Transformations!

Once successful, he would hardly have another competitor in the state of All Creations. Even Mo Tianxuan, who was known to be the first after the Mortal Fairies, wouldn’t necessarily be able to rival him.

By then, on the entire Jiuzhou continent, only a person who was under the protection of the Nine Great Prefecture’s Kings or the Severed Fairy Cliff Master would be safe from him!

“You’ll only know whose doomsday it is the moment you close your eyes!” Su Yu remarked with indifference.

Both of them revealed their murderous intentions, and they each had the tenacious willpower to bury each other alive.

Right at that moment, a peal of cold laughter came out of nowhere to echo through the Void out of nowhere.

“Hahaha, how about the two of you die together?” The voice was empty and it reverberated, sounding very mysterious. Who else could it be but the book yard master?

The sound of space being torn apart resonated in the center above their heads and a book shrouded in black, white and blue rays emerged.

“The book yard master?” Su Yu’s eyes turned cold. It had been several days, yet the book yard master had still found him with ease.

The Heavenly Knife Region must have suffered a great number of injuries and deaths. Being hunted down by the book yard master for such a long time would have the effect of leaving only a handful of people who managed to escape the book yard.

Gu Taixu placed his hands behind his back and looked over coldly. “What are you? Who gives you the right to interrupt when we’re talking?”

The book yard master was totally clueless about Gu Taixu’s background. Tauntingly, it sneered, “Ignorant challenger, how dare you behave recklessly in my territory! I only wanted to take his petty life. Fine, since the slaughter has begun, I’ll send you on the road along with him!”

When it was done speaking, enormous All Creations Mighty Force pressed down like the heavens, enveloping them.

Upon hearing that, Gu Taixu cast a look at Su Yu and snorted with disdain. “Take his petty life? I think you’ve stayed too long in the Glittering Jewel Wonderland, and have become the frog at the bottom of the well!”

“How dare you threaten to take his life when you’re merely a Stage One All Creations?” Gu Taixu questioned.

Gu Taixu wasn’t flattering Su Yu but was speaking the truth that he had learned. If Su Yu had wanted to kill the book yard master, it would be a piece of cake.

In the meantime, Gu Taixu didn’t want to admit that his greatest enemy Su Yu, was just an insignificant character in the eyes of others. If so, wouldn’t his mighty reputation be blemished?

The book yard master was stunned. It could vaguely feel Gu Taixu’s immense strength. As for Su Yu, wasn’t he just a little ninth-grade fairy challenger?

Swaying slightly, the book yard master sneered. “You challengers still like to pretend to be someone more powerful than yourselves. Do you really think I will be fooled?”

Once it finished speaking, the All Creations Mighty Force throughout its body condensed into a humongous virtual shadow a thousand feet in width, which crashed down upon them. Its first target turned out to be Gu Taixu!

Gu Taixu was unruffled, and his eyes were filled with contempt. “You’ve overestimated yourself!”

Nine rays of bright light were emitted from Gu Taixu’s body. They appeared like nine enormous caverns and the purple light on his right arm was especially bright. Clenching his right fist, the purple light gathered on his hand. With one hand behind his back, he launched his punch skywards.

Boom! Pang!

The giant book appeared to be majestic, but under Gu Taixu’s fist, it shattered into several halves.

The residual impact of the fist surged towards the book yard master. The tri-colored sun rays blazed around the yard master in an attempt of self-defense.

With a deafening sound, the tri-colored sun rays shattered too. The original form of the book yard master was swept off the ground and flew backward.

Its usual obstinate, arrogant tone was replaced with astonishment. “That punch...No, it’s the nature of your body! The Ancient Nine Spirits Body!! How could it be? How could you have the third-highest-class bloodline?” The book yard master’s tone was filled with shock and amazement.

Gu Taixu exclaimed scornfully, “I thought you were better than that!” As he spoke, he lifted his hand for another punch, aiming in the yard master’s direction.

With a shrill scream of agony, the book yard master was blown out of the nine heavens. Its original form was damaged and worn as if it had sustained some severe injuries.

Shortly after, Gu Taixu rolled up his huge sleeves and swept the book yard master over. Sneering, he said, “Rumor has it that the sixth yard can be opened by gathering all five yard masters! I’m unsure if the rest of the yard masters have been seized as well.”

Severely injuring the All Creations yard master and capturing it alive had only taken Gu Taixu a fleeting moment. Su Yu's heart was filled with dread as he witnessed the entire process. This was only Gu Taixu's superficial capacity!

But, right at that moment, Su Yu's eyes shone like bolts of lightning as he looked behind Gu Taixu.

A seam appeared in the Void behind him, and a fair, delicate hand stuck out from the seam, grasping the book yard master in Gu Taixu's hand.

Gu Taixu grew fierce. "Come out!"

Holding the book yard master tightly in his right hand, he suddenly exerted a great outward force and grabbed forcefully.

A feminine yell sounded from the seam in the Void.

With a stringent shriek of a phoenix, large masses of flames flew out from the seam.

Su Yu turned to look and fixed his gaze on it. It was a sweet, adorable little girl, who was stepping on a phoenix blazing with flames as she was pulled out of the seam in the Void by Gu Taixu.

The lovely girl was calm in the face of crisis, and orange sparks of fire suddenly surged from her right hand which Gu Taixu held firmly.

Gu Taixu noticed the abnormality on his palm and loosened his grip immediately. Once freed, the lovely girl did a backward somersault and flew out of the space seam on the back of the phoenix.

She stood a thousand feet away from Gu Taixu, staring at the book yard master in his hand from afar.

The lovely girl was only 18 of age. Her skin was smooth and supple, and totally flawless, with delicate, adorable features. She wasn't exactly gorgeous, but pristine and sweet like the little sister of the neighborhood. She would appeal to many.

However, if her power and the phoenix beneath her feet were underestimated because of her harmless appearance, one would be on their way to Hell.

She had the cultivation of the ninth-grade Almighty Peak, but the whiffs of danger she was giving off indicated that her power was greater.

The fire phoenix beneath her feet was an All Creations demonic beast. It was extremely ferocious and could compare to the book yard master.

Gu Taixu cast a look at his scorched palm, in which a piece of crystalline fragment was embedded.

"The Grass of Crystallization?" Gu Taixu looked somber. He swept his palm with a purple gas, dusting off the Grass of Crystallization before it could reproduce.

As he raised his gaze to meet the young sweet girl, Gu Taixu was solemn. "You're the second eldest daughter, Dongfang Tianfeng?"

Dongfang Tianfeng? It was a name that Su Yu was completely unfamiliar with. He had never even heard of it before. But undoubtedly, she was the mysterious person who was following him in secret just now. Her capacity clearly wasn't average, because she had been able to fight Gu Taixu and not be placed in a position of disadvantage.

Su Yu was even more alarmed that a person as haughty as Gu Taixu would be fearful of her.

The young girl rubbed her wrists. Her bright eyes glowering, she complained, “You’ve just hurt me! Tell me, how are you going to compensate me for it?”

Gu Taixu masked his murderous aura. He was not annoyed that she had attacked him, and instead, he flashed a smile. “Pardon me for not recognizing you in time, Miss Tianfeng. It’s my fault.”

Glancing at the book yard master in his hand, Gu Taixu said generously and straightforwardly, “Since Miss Tianfeng wants the book yard master, I’ll present it to you as a gift, as my compensation to you.”

From his words, Gu Taixu was obviously currying favor with this little lady.

Su Yu was surprised. He knew that Gu Taixu wasn’t just a student of the Purple Cloud Palace. He was also related to the Central Prefecture’s King in countless ways, and his status was way beyond the comprehension of commoners.

If a person like him was intentionally flattering the young girl before them, just how powerful could she possibly be?

If only Su Yu knew that Dongfang Tianfeng had come from the Eastern continent, from the prestigious family that had produced two Mortal Fairies, he wouldn’t be that surprised. She was a member of the greatest family in the world, the Great Oriental Family!

Moreover, Dongfang Tianfeng was one of the four greatest starry sky elites, so her capacity wouldn’t necessarily be weaker than Gu Taixu’s. Why would Gu Taixu not befriend a person with such noble status and phenomenal talents?

His target wasn’t the sixth yard anyway, but the last drop of Real Spirit blood.

Dongfang Tianfeng pouted her mouth and raised her chin, like a proud little peacock. “You’re lucky that you’re tactful!”

Gu Taixu smiled and stepped forward to present the book yard master.

The first step of befriendng her could be considered successful.

However, Dongfang Tianfeng did not accept his gift. Instead, she said, “I don’t want it!”

Gu Taixu’s smile froze, and he asked, “Miss Tianfeng, don’t you want the book yard master?”

“No, all I want is the flower yard master.” Dongfang Tianfeng cast her bright, clear, lively eyes at Su Yu, grievance sparkling there. “The flower yard master was mine in the first place, but you took her away!”

In fact, when Su Yu first saw that Gu Taixu was infected with the Grass of Crystallization, Su Yu had realized that Dongfang Tianfeng was the woman from the Great Oriental Family whom the eldest senior brother of the Heaven’s Craftsmen Faction had mentioned. Could she have been following him all the way from the flower yard?

However, Su Yu had no intention in fawning over Dongfang Tianfeng. He was hoping to keep the flower yard master and unlock the sixth yard, in order to procure sublimations.

“My apologies. Your name isn’t engraved on the flower yard master, so what gives you the right to claim her?” Su Yu questioned her without any facial expression and showed no intention of giving way.

Dongfang Tianfeng was furious. “If I hadn’t been held back by some matters and was therefore a little late, the flower yard master would have been mine!”

Su Yu turned his head and greeted her with cupped fists. “I’m preoccupied with important matters now. I can’t keep you company while you throw a tantrum. If there’s nothing else, I’d like to excuse myself.”

An interested smile danced on Gu Taixu’s lips as he watched the scene.

How ignorant of him to offend the second eldest daughter of the Great Oriental Family, haha!

Even without Dongfang Tianfeng striking, there are numerous Heaven Rulers of the generation in the Glittering Jewel Wonderland that will fight for her justice, including the three other starry sky elites!

“I know, that’s why I’m exchanging her for the book yard master!” Dongfang Tianfeng stuck out her lips at Gu Taixu. “What are you waiting for? Send him the book yard master! I’ve never met anyone as dense as you!”

The upward curve on Gu Taixu’s lips froze and anger rose in his heart!

Giving away the book yard master which he had captured to Su Yu... Just what did Dongfang Tianfeng see him as? A servant whom she could command at will?

And it would be alright if she was giving it to someone else, but that person happened to be Su Yu!

Resentment filled his chest all of a sudden, making him stand unmoving on his spot, unable to move his feet.

Chapter 1005: I Can’t Hear It

“Didn’t you hear what I said?” Dongfang Tianfeng asked, seeking to hurry him by making her displeasure evident.

Martial artists like Gu Taixu who tried to curry favor with her were as numerous as the fish in the pond. Why would she be polite to them?

Gu Taixu would never bow his head to Su Yu. He squinted his eyes and said, “Miss Tianfeng, I think that you can get the flower yardmaster without losing the book yardmaster.”

“Do you intend that we should work together to do so?” Dongfang Tianfeng asked.

Gu Taixu stared at Su Yu and nodded slowly. He didn’t want to fight Su Yu alone, and if he allied with the second eldest daughter of the Great Oriental Family, his chances of victory could rise by up to 80 percent.

The Great Oriental Family wouldn’t allow Dongfang Tianfeng to take any risks. She was definitely equipped with powerful treasures for her own defense. With Dongfang Tianfeng’s power as leverage, getting rid of Su Yu could well be possible.

“Dream on!”

But all he received was a contemptuous reply from Dongfang Tianfeng.

“If I could just take it, why would I be stalking him?” Dongfang Tianfeng questioned.

Gu Taixu frowned. Could Dongfang Tianfeng have found out Su Yu’s greatness already? She seemed fearful of him, to the extent that she even had to seize another yardmaster to exchange.

“My Feng-er told me that he has a few dangerous objects with him, and I don’t feel the need to take the risk.” Dongfang Tianfeng caressed the fire phoenix under her feet.

Dangerous objects? Gu Taixu had never suspected otherwise.

“Cut down on the nonsense, and hand over the book yardmaster!” Dongfang Tianfeng yelled.

The muscles on Gu Taixu’s face tensed up as he considered matters with a glum expression on his face. His priority now wasn’t to win Dongfang Tianfeng’s heart but to avoid offending her in any way.

Dongfang Tianfeng had always had people fawning over her. His ingratiating efforts wouldn’t necessarily please her. However, if he did not flatter her he risked offending her! He couldn’t offend Dongfang Tianfeng as Su Yu had done, so all he could do was to swallow his anger.

Maintaining a hold on the book yardmaster, Gu Taixu took two steps forward. Staring at Su Yu, he handed over the book yardmaster, keeping quiet the entire time.

Su Yu stood with his hands behind his back. Half-smiling, he asked, “Brother Gu, is this charity you’re doing? Although I can’t compare to your status in the Blessed and Heavenly Lands, I don’t beg for things either.”

“Miss Tianfeng wishes to exchange the book yardmaster for your flower yardmaster. If you want to avoid trouble, then exchange!”

Su Yu pretended to look shocked and surprised. “Oh, so you’re actually begging me. In that case, Brother Gu, you don’t seem to have the right attitude for it.”

Vexed, Gu Taixu squinted his eyes. “Su Yuxian! Don’t ask for a mile just because I gave you an inch!”

Su Yu flicked his sleeves and turned. “Since Brother Gu finds me rude, is there any room left for discussion?”

Standing to one side, Dongfang Tianfeng was anxious. She was glowering at Gu Taixu with her almond-like eyes, a sign that he would be in trouble if he failed to negotiate.

Sensing Dongfang Tianfeng’s displeasure, Gu Taixu’s heart sank slightly. Just as expected, it wasn’t easy to make a good impression on Dongfang Tianfeng, but she could be offended within seconds. If he had known before what would happen, he would have pretended not to know Dongfang Tianfeng, and he could have avoided such a passive predicament.

Gu Taixu regained his composure after calming himself. He said, "Brother Su, Miss Tianfeng wishes to trade the book yardmaster for the flower yardmaster. I sincerely plead you to give away your treasure!"

Su Yu did not even turn his head. Dispassionately, he said, "Raise your voice, I can't hear it."

Green veins quivered on Gu Taixu's forehead. He inhaled deeply and repeated himself in a raised voice. "I plead to you to give away your treasure!"

"Still can't hear it." Su Yu shrugged.

Gu Taixu was hot with murderous desire, as he strained to suppress the urge to turn and just leave. For the last time, he used his Vital Energy to perform sound wave techniques that vibrated the air. "I! Plead! You! Brother Su!" "Did you hear me this time?" Gu Taixu's face was as dark as the deep waters.

Su Yu collected his thoughts and poked his finger in his ear. "Yes, I finally heard you."

"Well then, hand over the flower yardmaster!" Gu Taixu humphed.

Su Yu spread out his hands. "I didn't say I would trade! Goodbye, Brother Gu, see you next time." After waving his hand, Su Yu strode towards the center of the martial yard.

Gu Taixu was exasperated. "You're looking for death!!" He had been taunted time and time again, yet had still failed to get the flower yardmaster back. Gu Taixu was finally out of patience.

"Useless piece of trash!" Dongfang Tianfeng glared at him, her starry eyes full of frustration and rage. "Give me the book yardmaster!"

Gu Taixu stared back at her coldly, murderous desires flickering stealthily in his heart. If he had absolute confidence, he would have reduced her to ashes by now. He had never been humiliated in such a way in his whole life! Nonetheless, owing to the mighty prestige of the Great Oriental Family, the greatest family in the world, Gu Taixu dared not to lay hands on her. Swallowing his resentment, he presented the book yardmaster with both hands.

"Humph! I'll get it myself!" Dongfang Tianfeng took hold of the book yardmaster with no attempt to be polite. She threw two grains of precious materials as compensation and took flight.

Gu Taixu stared in the direction in which the two had headed, giving off an intense murderous aura. "Once my Nine Fairy Elixir is successfully refined, and I transform into a complete Nine Spirit body, even your Great Oriental Family will have to show me respect! Humph!"

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Su Yu flew all the way towards the martial yard, looking behind him from time to time. He could still sense that Dongfang Tianfeng hadn't given up pursuing him. This placed Su Yu in a rather awkward position.

With her around, Su Yu didn't have a safe environment to concentrate on consuming the Honey of Hundred Flowers or to practice his cultivation techniques with ten times his usual tendency to comprehension. It seemed like he needed to search for a secure place.

Half a day later, at the border region where Su Yu, Gu Taixu and Dongfang Tianfeng had appeared, a green bronze bull strode out from the seam in the Void, and the surroundings shimmered.

“The scent of a Nine Spirits Body?” The green bronze bull sniffed the surrounding air, and surprise flashed in its eyes. “How could there be a descendant of the third-highest-class race on the Jiuzhou continent?”

“But it seems like only one spirit has been awakened. It’s a deformed body, not enough to bring major disaster!” the green bronze bull muttered under its breath, “The scent of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction student is here, and it looks like he’s not far away!” The green bronze bull took a step forward and vanished into the Void.

Another half-day later, Su Yu left the book yard and arrived before range upon range of mountains. There were hundreds of thousands of mountains and each was built from various broken weapons. The broken weapons had a peculiar appearance. Some were colossal and did not seem like weapons used by humans.

Among the mountains of various sizes, many challengers were hectically searching for broken weapons with remnants of spiritual power. The number of challengers Su Yu met along the way far exceeded the combined number of challengers he had met in the flower yard and book yard.

The majority of influences had congregated in the martial yard.

Mo Tianxuan had said that the martial yard was situated in the central area of the five yards, and could be considered the center. It was no wonder many influences would choose to gather here.

And because of that too, once the martial disaster broke out in the martial yard, the number of casualties would be the greatest. Almost 40 percent of the challengers would be eliminated directly.

The disaster of books hasn’t befallen, and the disaster of martial arts is yet to arrive... Su Yu thought inwardly.

There were three more days till the outbreak of the disaster of books. Unless something changed, he was certain to be inflicted.

The severity of the disasters increased from one to another. The disaster of flowers was the easiest to negotiate, but the disaster of books shouldn’t be that simple.

With a tinge of nervousness, Su Yu headed straight for the core region of the martial yard in a stride.

More than half of the Heaven Rulers and strong men were gathered here. People were everywhere. The atmosphere was boisterous.

When Su Yu reached the center, the space seemed to be more crowded and jam-packed. Every mountain top was occupied by a different influence, and flags of all kinds were stuck into the ground.

From afar, hundreds of thousands of flags were fluttering in the wind. It was a rather spectacular sight.

Much to Su Yu's astonishment, he discovered the flags of the Red Blood Palace amongst the sea of flags! Finally, after getting past two yards, he had found his own faction mates! He headed there at a fast pace and landed on the mountain where the Red Blood Palace flags were arranged. However, there was not a single soul to be found inside the tents.

"Eh? Where are the people?" Su Yu was in shock.

Chapter 1006: Hundred-Storey Tower

It just wasn't logical that the people had left without a trace but had left the flags behind.

Right at that moment, a woman's cry sounded from behind.

"It really is you! Su Yuxian!"

Su Yu turned to look. A middle-aged woman who was in good shape was standing behind Su Yu. She was like an ice statue, staring at him in annoyance and anger.

"Fairy Ling?" Su Yu was surprised. She was the cabinet mistress of the Tianya Auction House and Gongsun Wuxie's aunt.

Fairy Ling's pretty face was ice-cold. "It's been a long while since our last meeting. How are you doing? Your cultivation seems to have improved a lot!"

It had been a long time ago, but Fairy Ling still couldn't forget her past embarrassment when Yinmu had planted the seeds of lovesickness in her body, and she was subject to Su Yu's manipulation.

Su Yu smiled awkwardly, and replied in turn, "Fairy Ling, are you here to visit Gongsun Wuxie? How has she been for the past few days? And what about my people from the Red Blood Palace?"

Fairy Ling answered with indifference, "She's fine; there's no need to see her. However, your people from the Red Blood Palace aren't in good condition."

What? Su Yu had thought that something wasn't quite right with the Red Blood Palace. He had been correct: something really was going on.

"Where are my people from the Red Blood Palace? What are they up to?" Su Yu asked.

Fairy Ling creased her brows. She was reluctant to answer, but after a moment of thought, she said, "It doesn't help even if you get to know. They were challenged by the Heavenly Knife Region and are all engaged in a battle right now. It is said that you were the one who stole something from the Heavenly Knife Region, and they are seeking revenge."

The Heavenly Knife Region? Have they caught up? Su Yu asked, "How many of them are there?" He estimated that most of them should have been killed by the book yardmaster by now.

"Three. Another person also arrived and including him, there are four," Fairy Ling said.

The first three must be Qian Feng, Zhao Li, and their companion. Who was the other person?

"What's the state of the battle?" Su Yu asked dispassionately.

Fairy Ling was surprised. "Oh? You don't seem to be bothered? They are your fellow faction mates."

They were Su Yu's faction mates, but there was only a handful of them who truly treated Su Yu as such. Su Yu had not forgotten about the selection during the Fengyun Great Assembly, and how those people from the inner sanctum had wished that he wasn't qualified to enter. He would also never forget how Mo Tianxuan had transported him to the flower yard, all by himself. Now that the people of the Red Blood Palace had encountered difficulties, why should he rush to their rescue?

"I just want to know if Bing Wuxin, Gongsun Wuxie, and Bai Shanliang are among them," Su Yu stated succinctly.

Fairy Ling was half-smiling. "Still there are people whom you care about! Gongsun Wuxie doesn't need your concern: she's in another yard. Bai Shanliang left early on and is nowhere to be found. Bing Wuxin is the only one among them."

Su Yu asked, "Where is the battle taking place?"

Fairy Ling pointed far ahead at the central region, which was surrounded by endless mountains. There stood a hundred-story tower the color of black opal. It was built entirely out of a bizarre, exotic kind of metal and gleamed with a pitch-black brilliance.

Countless blades of broken weapons and knives adorned the sky-high tower. Amongst them were broken weapons that were semi-manufactured fairy artifacts!

"That is the martial tower, the most important feature of the martial yard, and the safest place in the Glittering Jewel Wonderland," Fairy Ling explained. "Apart from challengers, no other living creatures could enter it. The impregnable body of the tower couldn't be wrecked even if the strongest Mortal Fairies arrive."

Su Yu asked, "Are you saying that they are inside the tower?"

Fairy Ling shook her head lightly. "The martial tower isn't opened for entry yet. There's still half a day to go. It'll only be opened on the night of full moon!"

"The people of the Red Blood Palace aren't in the martial tower; they are in the arena set up for the purpose of competing for the martial tower. It is on the other side of the martial tower."

Su Yu asked, "How's the battle going then? There are merely three to four people from the Heavenly Knife Region, so the Red Blood Palace must have the upper hand in terms of number. I suppose they are not suffering any loss?"

"Do you think the Red Blood Palace could compare to a regional power? Besides, they have that person holding the fort, but the chief eldest student of your Red Blood Palace, Bing Wuqing, hasn't even met up with your people. Although there are only four people on the opposing side, the Red Blood Palace has still suffered a great number of casualties. Your beloved fiancée is wounded too."

Upon hearing that, Su Yu became a little anxious. "Wuxin is wounded?"

Judging from his experience of dealing with the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region, the only one who could pose substantial threat on her was Qian Feng. His power certainly was no weaker than Jinmu's, so it was inevitable that Bing Wuxin wasn't a match for him.

"Thanks for filling me in." Su Yu thanked her with cupped fists and immediately flew to the other side of the martial tower.

Fairy Ling held her tongue. She meant to tell Su Yu that his arrival would be futile. That was the battlefield of Almighty Divine Masters—what good could a ninth-grade fairy serve? What was the point of rushing there and walking right into the trap?

After a moment of contemplation, Fairy Ling stomped her feet and sighed helplessly. "Fine, I'd better follow, I'll just act according to the circumstances and rescue him. The young cliff master is going to owe me a debt of gratitude, and it'll be much easier to bring him back to the Severed Fairy Cliff in the future." She began her approach in a graceful, nimble manner.

Passing the vast tower, Su Yu saw a colossal mountain artificially flattened on the other side of the tower. The mountain was crammed with crowds of people. In the flattened area were large groups of challengers dressed in blue. They could be recognized as the people of the Red Blood Palace based on their attire.

There were several other challengers clad in clothing of a different color. Among them, Su Yu recognized Qian Feng, Zhao Li, and an eighth-grade Almighty female challenger.

There was another person dressed in white, who was standing outside the arena in a leisurely and carefree manner. He was holding a black-colored book in his hand, reading it in silence as though there was no one else around him. With his celestial temperament, he looked rather otherworldly. It was a pity that his face was concealed by a golden mask, and his true appearance couldn't be seen.

Su Yu's pupils constricted slightly. "Bi Lingtian!!" Previously, Jinmu had created a replica of Bi Lingtian with a drop of essence blood, which possessed 70 percent of the real Bi Lingtian's combat power. Even then, it was still exceptionally terrifying. Even at her peak, Bing Wuxin couldn't rival him.

Su Yu recognized the person in an instant because of that golden mask. It was Bi Lingtian, the strongest of the younger generation of the Heavenly Knife Region. If Su Yu's speculation was right, the black book in his hand was the Book of Yin of Mo Jidao!

All of a sudden, Bi Lingtian closed the Book of Yang and raised his gaze to meet Su Yu, as if he had sensed his presence. His emerald eyes looked like a pair of green flowers, extraordinarily dreamy, and extraordinarily...dangerous!

Casting a deep gaze at those emerald eyes, Su Yu glanced at the battle on the arena haphazardly.

Qian Feng was indeed outstanding. He was fighting ten people all at once by himself. Despite being beleaguered by ten individuals, he did not lose his leverage. Instead, he wounded the late-stage Almighty strong men of the Red Blood Palace one after another.

Zhao Li was known as the second strongest warrior of the Purple Cloud Palace. Despite being a traitor, his combat power was astonishing. He was fighting Tianyu and six other eighth-grade Almighty at once, handling it skillfully and easily. Tianyu seemed to be fatigued.

The eighth-grade Almighty female challenger was equally astonishing. She was pinning down Tang Ling and a few dozens of seventh-grade Almighty on her own. Her combat power was incredible.

And this was before Bi Lingtian's intervened at all! If he did, the Red Blood Palace would be on the losing side, without a doubt.

As Su Yu glanced at the personnel of the Red Blood Palace who were resting at the side, the willowy, elegant figure of a cold beauty entered his line of sight.

Chapter 1007: Righteous Indignation

Her appearance was like a perfect piece of jade. She was absolutely gorgeous and was attracting the attention of many onlookers.

Most of the challengers from other factions who were watching the battle were captivated by her bewitching beauty.

She stood tall at the edge of the arena where the two parties were fighting, holding a cold, long sword in her arms. Her brilliant, crystal clear eyes captured every move in the arena.

Harsh, uncompromising sword energy was being emitted into her surroundings, giving off an oppressive ambiance. Therefore, even though many were astounded by her beauty, no one was daring enough to approach her.

Swish!

With a leap, Su Yu landed beside Bing Wuxin with all eyes pinned on them.

Bing Wuxin cast a sideways glance at him, a tinge of delight flashing across her enchanting eyes. But she was cool on the surface as she glared at Su Yu. "Why have you only just come?"

Despite her unfriendly tone, the sword aura around her was subdued, allowing Su Yu to get close to her.

"Some accidents happened in the process of transportation. I was far away from you all and so was unable to arrive in time," Su Yu explained concisely. "Are you not participating because of Bi Lingtian?"

Bing Wuxin shot an extremely cautious stare at Bi Lingtian. "Yes! The precondition of the battle between us is that Bi Lingtian and I are not allowed to take part!" Bi Lingtian's capacity was profound beyond measure, and if Bing Wuxin put her Ancient Spiritual Body to use, only a few ninth-grade Almighty could possibly resist it. If the two of them were to join the battle, the number of casualties would rise marginally.

"Bi Lingtian's capacity is most likely above mine, but for some reason, the Heavenly Knife Region has sustained an extremely large number of casualties before arriving at the martial yard. There are only four of them left. Hence, Bi Lingtian took the initiative to suggest him and I did not participate in the battle, probably with the objective of protecting the few challengers from the Heavenly Knife Region."

When Bing Wuxin spoke, her bright eyes were pinned on Su Yu, unblinking. "They said you stole something from them, and you were the one who caused their great losses. Is that true?"

Su Yu had a deep frown on his face. When he rescued Lü Chuyi and despoiled the Book of Yang, he hadn't exposed his identity. And there were only two people at the scene who knew Su Yu's identity. They were Lü Chuyi, and Gu Taixu, who had arrived later! Gu Taixu must be the one who leaked the information about Su Yu coming from the Red Blood Palace, inviting trouble for the faction.

Gu Taixu!

Su Yu's cold glance swept across his surroundings. From afar, he discovered that the challengers from the Purple Cloud Palace were among the spectators as well.

Gu Taixu was standing at the front of the crowd. Beside him was a gloomy Lü Chuyi. As he looked at Su Yu, the corners of his lips curved upwards. When their gazes collided, a murderous aura erupted in midair.

"Su Yuxian?" Bing Wuxin followed Su Yu's gaze, and her eyes fell upon Gu Taixu and Lü Chuyi. Her gaze leaped back and forth and finally fixed upon Lü Chuyi. Suspicion filled her snowy eyes. "You're looking at Lü Chuyi?"

Su Yu withdrew his gaze. "You're overthinking things! Indeed, I stole something from the Heavenly Knife Region. This incident has occurred because of me." He stood still at the side of the arena, showing no intention of participating in the fight. His only worry had been Bing Wuxin, and she was fine. Why should he meddle in others' business?

Pop!

The soft sound of a book being shut sounded clearly in everyone's ears despite the clamor and commotion at the scene of the battle. As their gazes followed the soft sound, the arena fell silent.

"Haha..." Gentle, soft laughter sounded out of nowhere. Bi Lingtian stood up slowly, closing the Book of Yang of Mo Jidao with one hand. With a mellow smile, he looked at Su Yu. "Your mates are in danger. Aren't you going to get involved? Su Yuxian!"

Bi Lingtian's words made the two parties who were indulged in a heated, intense fight gradually stop. Qian Feng and his teammates gradually withdrew their assaulting poses and retreated to the border of the arena, their eyes as sharp as knife blades.

"Su! Yu! Xian!" Qian Feng's eyes were reddened as he bellowed Su Yu's name through gritted teeth, pausing between syllables. The challengers of the Red Blood Palace had finally noticed Su Yu's arrival, and they were all angry.

"What a useless piece of garbage you are!" Tang Ling was the first to become enraged. He was covered in blood at the moment and was as disheveled as he could ever be. Exasperated, he walked up to Su Yu while growling, "You dragged the faction into this, bringing unexpected calamity upon us. Do you confess to your crime?"

Su Yu shrugged, and said to the smiling Bi Lingtian, "You've just seen it for yourself. They've never regarded me as a faction mate of theirs."

His words infuriated the rest of the challengers from the Red Blood Palace.

“Shameless! You inflicted great harm upon your faction peers, and not only did you stand aside without helping, now you’re making cynical remarks!”

“We should have let him fail the Fengyun Great Assembly at all costs. If we had, we wouldn’t be in such a plight right now!”

“I should’ve known this Su Yuxian was a good-for-nothing! He prides himself on his proficiency in the Mu language and behaves willfully! I regret it now!”

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Su Yu had a dispassionate look on his face. “Haha, you lot all seem to think you have done me a favor in letting me come to the Glittering Jewel Wonderland! Without me, you would all be dead in the Wonderland by now. Do you really think you get a chance to voice your righteous indignation now?”

Su Yu’s words rendered them speechless and unable to defend themselves.

During the Fengyun Great Assembly, Gu Taixu had run away when the frightening puppet appeared. Without Su Yuxian, all of them would have been buried alive in the Purple Cloud Secret Realm.

“Nonsense! Even without you, the person in charge would’ve saved us!” Tang Ling strode toward him, his rage roiling inside him. His old vengeance hadn’t yet been settled, and now there was another reason for him to seek revenge on this person!

He had been eliminated in the Purple Cloud Secret Realm. In the end, he was allowed entry as a reserved candidate only because there were some vacant quotas.

Su Yu seemed to have finally noticed Tang Ling. Detachedly, he said, “I suppose, for a failure like Senior Brother Tang to come to the Glittering Jewel Wonderland, the person in charge must have intervened in this as well?”

Tang Ling erupted with violent rage as his wound was being revealed. “Go to Hell!”

Swish!

When Tang Ling was ten feet away from Su Yu, he drew out a broad, enormous sword and moved like a shooting star, striking the sword towards Su Yu’s cranial vault in an attempt to slice Su Yu in half.

Bing Wuxin’s clear eyes flickered with gleams of coldness as she uttered, “Get lost!”

All of a sudden, Tang Ling’s steps faltered and he stumbled as if struck by a lightning bolt. Finally, he staggered and his body tumbled backward, nearly collapsing onto the ground.

A gentle force caught hold of him from behind.

“Junior Sister Bing, we’re simply punishing a junior brother who’s committed wrongdoings. Why did you injure us?” Tianyu walked out slowly from behind Tang Ling with a glum face.

Bing Wuxin's face was expressionless as she asked, "Punishing? Do you think Su Yuxian could fend off that sword from Tang Ling? If that was only a punishment, how about I do the same to Tang Ling?"

Anyone with common sense could see that Tang Ling was trying to take Su Yu's life.

After all, Tang Ling was a famed eighth-grade Almighty with outstanding combat power. On the other hand, Su Yuxian was said to be a trivial ninth-grade fairy. Solely in terms of cultivation, the gap between them was insurmountable.

When she was done speaking, Bing Wuxin's fingertips touched the blade of the sword she was holding, and her eyes gave off sword energy.

Tianyu sneered coldly. "Very well! I have been wanting to have a taste of what Junior Sister Wuqing values so much! Is it just because of an identical face?"

"Tang Ling, I'll leave Su Yuxian to you!" Tianyu was full of ferocity. "Don't be gracious, punish as best as you can, for he is an ignorant troublemaker! If he dares retaliate, kill him without a second thought!"

As she spoke, she slapped her hand down and pulled out a pair of huge, golden scissors. It had a dragon head carved on it and a peculiar appearance.

"Su Yuxian, be careful on your own. Give me a moment. I'll settle it this in three strikes!" Bing Wuxin whisked her fingertips, and the silver sword came out of its sheath, transforming into a long sword that erupted with cold shine as it headed toward Tianyu.

Chapter 1008: Imperishable Sword Body

Tianyu held the scissors with both hands, and remarked with great disdain, "Three strikes? You're overestimating yourself! My Golden Dragon Scissors are capable of cutting through all sorts of things, from intangible spirits to fragments of fairy artifacts. Let me see how you're going to defeat me with three strikes!"

Screech!

The Golden Dragon Scissors snapped shut forcefully, forming two crossed-over rays of golden light. The golden rays sliced through the air like it was fabric, forming two strips of pitch-black space seams wherever they touched.

Bing Wuxin's long sword was cut in half!

"semi-manufactured fairy artifact?" Qian Feng grew solemn. When he was fighting her earlier, Tianyu did not use this semi-manufactured fairy artifact!!

Cries of astonishment erupted all around them. Those watching were envious and covetous of this remarkable item.

In a great faction of the region like the Red Blood Palace, only the top three students would be offered the opportunity to own a semi-manufactured fairy artifact for self-defense. They could not fail to be jealous of Tianyu.

However, Bing Wuxin was calm and composed. Weaving signs with her hands, she questioned, “Would my sword be cut off that easily?”

Praa!

With a soft noise, the sword that had been severed into two fragments diminished in brightness, revealing its true form. It wasn’t any tangible treasure. Those fragments were, in fact, two transparent empty objects without a solid form!

After breaking apart, the two rays of sword brilliance merged into one, and re-coalesced into a blade which continued to strike at Tianyu.

Tianyu was caught unawares, dread and shock all over her face. “This... this is the intermediate level of the Path of Swords, the Imperishable Sword Body!”

“What? The second level of the Path of Swords?” The sound of sharp intakes of breath spread through the onlooking crowds.

On any martial path, impassable obstacles would emerge towards the end of training. Once the obstacles were overcome, one would step into a whole new divine, miraculous domain, which was known as the Inherent Martial Path. The Inherent Martial Path was classified into three levels: the elementary level, the intermediate level, and the advanced level.

As for the three great levels of the Path of Swords, the elementary level was the Sword-Heart Synchronization, and the intermediate level was the Imperishable Sword Body!

Most of the elites got no further than the Extrinsic Martial Path, unable to peer into the Inherent Martial Path. Only a minority of them, who had a rather ethereal proneness to enlightenment and were capable of comprehending the laws of the world, could negotiate the obstacles and step into the first level of the Inherent Martial Path.

As for the second level, only a very small number of Heaven Rulers could ever comprehend it.

Those who had practiced the Martial Path to the second Inherent level were few and far between in the Central Prefecture, and Bing Wuxin was one of them!

Bi Lingtian couldn’t help but cast her a look of approval. Those eyes of emerald petals flickered with a beguiling, devilish gleam.

Right at that moment, Tianyu’s Golden Dragon Scissors revolved in front of her and transfigured into a golden protective shield.

The intangible sword brilliance struck the golden shield head-on. With the stringent, ear-piercing sound of metal scraping against metal, the intangible sword rays collided with the revolving Golden Dragon Scissors, producing a long fiery dragon. It was an extremely spectacular sight!

Tianyu gave a sigh of relief and regained her composure. Ferocious light sparkled in her eyes. “That’s all the Imperishable Sword Body can do! Look at my Golden Dragon Scissors!”

Crash!

All of a sudden, the revolving Golden Dragon Scissors picked up speed. With a shrill scraping noise, the intangible sword rays ricocheted off the vigorously revolving golden scissors and flew back towards Bing Wuxin.

Meanwhile, the Golden Dragon Scissors broke in half, becoming two independent parts.

Each part flew towards Bing Wuxin at an insane speed, like a golden sea dragon!

“The alternate form of the semi-manufactured fairy artifact!” Someone exclaimed in awe. Semi-manufactured fairy artifacts normally had more than one ability. The more their abilities were concealed, the more terrifying they were.

“That is the Spirit of the Golden Dragon, it contains a single strike of half an All Creations strong man. The ninth-grade Almighty couldn’t defend against it, I’m afraid that beautiful woman is about to suffer a tragic fate.” Some stranger challengers from unknown regions recognized the capability of the Golden Dragon Scissors.

The hearts of many of the people watching were anxious for Bing Wuxin.

“How could the Imperishable Sword Body be devastated so easily?” Bing Wuxin was still cool and calm and cool, as she weaved signs with one hand.

All of a sudden, the ricocheted intangible sword rays seemed to be frozen in their time frame. From a blurred state of rapidly backfiring, they halted three feet before Bing Wuxin, still and motionless.

Bing Wuxin’s jade-like fingers whisked on the body of the sword.

The intangible sword rays dispersed and transformed into sparks of dazzling, glorious light. The sparks of light gathered again, condensing into countless sword rays, which filled the entire arena. There seemed to be at least a thousand blades!

Each blade was harsh and ferocious, emitting immensely powerful sword energy.

At once, the sword energy crisscrossed in a hair-raising manner that shook everyone to the core. It was remarkable and phenomenal.

“This is the Imperishable Sword Body,” Bing Wuxin remarked nonchalantly.

As she spoke, all four corners of the world tightened. A thousand blades of sword rays quivered incessantly, producing the buzzing noise of swords shrieking.

At the moment, Bing Wuxin was controlling a thousand blades of swords all at once. She was like a female sword fairy!

Swish! Swish! Swish!

The thousand sword rays were triggered. Like a thick dense layer of dark clouds, they crashed downwards.

“Interesting! The Imperishable Sword Body. Sword like this heart of mine, never perishing; traversing the clouds, killing the evil!” Bi Lingtian applauded, seeming impressed.

This technique was extraordinarily powerful and far surpassed Bing Wuxin’s previous combat power.

Su Yu marveled in awe as he watched. It hadn't been that long, yet Bing Wuxin's comprehension of the Path of Swords had exceeded the Sword-Heart Synchronization, and she had embarked on the second level, the Imperishable Sword Body!

"What? Ahh!" Tianyu only managed to cry out in shock before she was drowned by the earth-shattering intangible sword rays.

The two strips of the Golden Dragon Scissors were forced to fly back to her side, surrounding her in an attempt to fend off the dense, packed sword rays.

Screech! Screech!

Faint rupturing noises sounded from the inner part of the Golden Dragon Scissors. It was seemingly unable to withstand the packed assault from the sword rays and began to rupture.

Tianyu turned pallid with fright. She hadn't expected Bing Wuxin's power to be this terrifying. It was even comparable to Bing Wuqing!

"Tang Ling! What are you waiting for? Capture Su Yuxian!!" Tianyu cried out urgently.

She had forgotten her initial intention, which was to punish Su Yu. Now, she just wanted to save herself.

Tang Ling's eyelids quivered as he watched, and he swallowed the lump in his throat forcefully, feeling an unprecedented reverence for Bing Wuxin.

Upon hearing Tianyu's instruction, he did not dare to hesitate? Bolts of lightning seemed to shoot out from his eyes as he looked over at Su Yu and sprinted in his direction.

Bing Wuxin's face fell slightly. She had to divert her attention to contend with Tang Ling.

"Wuxin, just leave him to me." Su Yu took a step forward, calm and composed.

Bing Wuxin queried somberly, "How long can you stand it?"

Su Yu thought for a second and answered, "Perhaps one strike?"

"One strike?" Bing Wuxin nodded lightly. "One strike should be enough. Hang in there! I'm coming to your rescue in just a second!"

Among the onlookers, Fairy Ling heaved a sigh. She retrieved a delicate crossbow from her arms. "Still need my intervention after all!"

Tang Ling flew through the air at lightning speed and landed ten feet in front of Su Yu. His hand formed into a claw which grasped at Su Yu's shoulder.

He flashed a ferocious, cold smile. "Seems like you know yourself quite well! I only one strike to finish you off!!"

Tang Ling was about to grasp Su Yu's shoulder when the ghost of a smile danced on Su Yu's lips. All of a sudden, demonic energy churned turbulently in his chest. Six demonic dragons surged out, one after the other. Pure demonic energy frightened all of the people in the surroundings.

"Such pure demonic energy! I've never seen such unique demonic energy from any demonic martial artist!"

“That isn’t any ordinary demonic energy, it’s the Energy of the Real Demon of the race of demons that arrived on the Jiuzhou continent a hundred years ago!”

“What? The demonic energy of the Extraterrestrial Demon?” Tang Ling was dumbfounded for a moment. When he managed to respond again, the six demonic dragons had penetrated his chest.

The Nine Dragons Demon Subduing Art exhibited the power of the sixth layer for the first time ever.

Tang Ling looked at his own body in disbelief. It was rupturing inch by inch from the inside out, and intense, pitch-black flames were surging out.

“You...” Tang Ling couldn’t believe what he was seeing.

Su Yu replied dispassionately, “You misunderstood. When I said one strike, I was referring to you.” He waved his sleeved lightly. Tang Ling’s entire body had shattered into black ashes the size of feathers and was carried away by the wind.

Tang Ling had wanted him dead time and time again. This could be considered the final resolution.

The whole scene plunged into a dead silence. Everyone stared unblinkingly at Su Yu as if looking at a monster.

Chapter 1009: Another Traitor

“What on earth is the actual state of his cultivation?” Su Yu’s ability to defeat the enemy with one strike had finally captured the attention of the challengers from other regions.

When they tried to decipher Su Yu’s cultivation, it was concealed by the silver mask on his face.

“He’s an Almighty challenger! The Vital Energy he displayed while performing the techniques were of the Almighty level. He must be an Almighty Divine Master,” someone analyzed.

“Nonsense! Would any martial artists qualified to be recommended for the Glittering Jewel Wonderland have cultivation below the Almighty? The problem is, whether his real cultivation is eighth-grade or ninth-grade.”

Only the people who were familiar with Su Yu knew that his actual cultivation was merely a ninth-grade fairy. He was not even an Almighty yet.

“Isn’t he amazing?” Stunned, Fairy Ling stood unmoving on the spot with the crossbow in her hand. That monstrous strike of his could have devastated her too! She clearly remembered that when she first met Su Yu, he was only a young martial artist that hadn’t been a fairy for very long. She would have been able to finish off with a snap of her fingers. It hadn’t been too long ago, yet his strength had now

soared to a level that she had to look up to. His drastic transformation gave Fairy Ling an unreal feeling.

Tianyu's pupils constricted abruptly. She was tremendously shocked. His capacity had far exceeded her expectations. Supreme beings like the eighth-grade Almighty Tang Ling couldn't even stand one strike at Su Yu's hands! Tianyu felt a menacing sense of great danger.

The other students of the inner sanctum of Red Blood Palace turned pale with terror. Tang Ling failed to hold off a single strike. As they were staring at Su Yu, many of the inner sanctum students of the Red Blood Palace began reconsidering their relationship with him.

"You're so strong?" Bing Wuxin was astounded. She knew that Su Yu had concealed part of his ability, but based on her impression, his level was at most the sixth-grade Almighty.

Su Yu chuckled and clapped his hands. "You settle your part as soon as you can."

"Humph, I don't need your instructions!" Bing Wuxin seemed to be provoked as she snorted unwillingly.

She pressed down with five fingers. The Golden Dragon Scissors was already at its weakest, and it couldn't persevere any longer. With a screech, it was pierced through by endless sword rays, and its spiritual light went dull as it was shattered into countless smithereens.

Tianyu was spiritually connected to that semi-manufactured fairy artifact of hers. When it was destroyed, her soul sustained a severe trauma as well. Whimpering out of misery, she was blown backward, spitting out mouthfuls of blood.

In an instant, Tianyu was fatally wounded, and Tang Ling was killed.

"Su Yuxian!" Tianyu stared at Tang Ling's ashes, and bellowed fiercely, "Instead of helping your faction mates resolve the crisis, you killed Tang Ling. What kind of intentions do you harbor? And you, Bing Wuxin, you destroyed my fairy artifact and wounded me. What are your motives?"

Su Yu laughed tauntingly with contempt at the mention of the crisis encountered by the faction mates. "So you knew your faction mates are faced with a crisis? In the face of crises, we are supposed to be united against the outsiders. "Yet, who was the one trying to suppress her peers with strength and violence, rousing internal disorder? Senior Sister Tianyu, I won't believe you've never thought about that before! We should be the one questioning you about your intentions!"

The challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region had their ravenous eyes on the quarry, yet Tianyu regarded her personal grudge with greater importance than the wellbeing of her faction mates. Now, she was even falsely accusing Su Yu and Bing Wuxin!

As for the part about Su Yu not planning to help the students of the inner sanctum, he had been kind enough to not harm them amidst the chaos. Considering how they had treated Su Yu previously, especially Tang Ling's repeated malicious attempts of harming him, this was good of him.

Tianyu exclaimed through gritted teeth, "You should be beheaded for slaughtering your faction mate! And you should also be charged for spreading lies and deceptions! My fellow faction mates,

what are you still waiting for? Let's kill the traitor, I will certainly ask for credits on behalf of all of you from the Palace Master, for your righteous contribution!"

The faces of the students of the Red Blood Palace inner sanctum changed subtly.

Going against Su Yuxian and Bing Wuxin?

There were over 40 of them, but in terms of combat power, they were far from capable of fighting against Su Yuxian and Bing Wuxin.

"Ask Palace Master Mo for credits? Humph, she'll take your head instead!" Bing Wuxin scoffed. "Inciting internal disorder in the face of crisis; haven't you all understood her intentions?" Bing Wuxin was half-smiling as she stared at Tianyu. "While fighting the challengers of the Heavenly Knife Region, I didn't see you using your reserved ace, the Golden Dragon Scissors to salvage the situation, even when you were on the losing side. But you used it on your own faction mates! Tell me, Senior Sister Tianyu, are you a student of the Red Blood Palace, or the Heavenly Knife Region?"

Upon hearing that, the students of the inner sanctum of Red Blood Palace were frightened. It was true. During the great battle with the Heavenly Knife Region, Tianyu still reserved her powers, causing the number of injuries and deaths to rise steeply.

However, while dealing with Bing Wuxin, she was hysterical, and every blow from her was lethal!

Owing to Tianyu's prestige in the inner sanctum, the students of the inner sanctum hadn't really thought about it in depth. But when Bing Wuxin pointed out the misgivings, they felt the cold sweat of shock breaking out!

Swish! Swish! Swish!

The students of the inner sanctum distanced themselves from Tianyu, suddenly wary of her.

"Don't buy their nonsense!" Tianyu proclaimed hurriedly. Staring at Bing Wuxin, she couldn't hold her hatred back.

But with Zhao Li of the Purple Cloud Palace serving as an atrocious example, no one dared believe Tianyu. If the Heavenly Knife Region could persuade the second-ranking Zhao Li of the Purple Cloud Palace to change sides, what was impossible about doing the same to Tianyu?

"I've long suspected that Senior Sister Tianyu is problematic. It's just as I've expected!" an eighth-grade Almighty student of the inner sanctum yelled. And then he dashed to stand behind Su Yu and Bing Wuxin, his stance clear and obvious.

The rest of the students thought for a moment and quickly and easily made their choice.

Firstly, the state which Bing Wuxin had achieved on the Path of Swords, and the skills that she had exhibited just now were totally astonishing and mind-blowing. She had the potential to become their patron whom they could rely upon.

Secondly, Tianyu was truly suspicious, so staying in league with her was extremely precarious.

Before long, all of the students of the inner sanctum had come to stand behind Su Yu and Bing Wuxin, while Tianyu stood isolated at the side.

“All of you!” Tianyu was enraged. Her icy glance swept across all of the inner sanctum students who had betrayed her, her eyes sharp and cold. But an eerie smile danced on her lips. “You all are lucky!”

Swish!

With a flash of her figure, Tianyu transformed into a silhouette and flew to stand behind Bi Lingtian.

Bi Lingtian was wearing a gentle smile, as he turned his head and said in a gentle voice, “Sorry for the trouble. It’s been so many years.”

Tianyu had a respectful look on her face. “Tianyu is most willing to serve the faction, with all my heart and soul!”

A commotion broke out.

“What? She really is a traitor to the Red Blood Palace!”

First it was Zhao Li from the Purple Cloud Palace, and now Tianyu from the Red Blood Palace! Just how many spies has the Heavenly Knife Region actually placed in the Blessed and Heavenly Lands throughout the years?

Many people were inwardly stunned.

The students behind Su Yu still had lingering fears, but they also felt fortunate that they had made the right choice. More importantly, they were fortunate that Su Yu had returned just in time and exposed Tianyu’s malevolence by chance. Otherwise, with Tianyu being an undercover agent, they would be reduced to ashes at the hands of the Heavenly Knife Region!

“I didn’t really think you were a traitor!” Bing Wuxin sighed deeply. She had only been testing her initially but had ended up unveiling a shocking truth.

Tianyu snorted. “What’s there to sigh about? A person with talents chooses a patron of integrity. The Red Blood Palace defies the great influences of the world and is destined to be destroyed by the great influences. I’m just realized the truth quicker than the rest of you!”

“Bing Wuxin, you’re a person with extraordinary talents. I advise you to abandon the Red Blood Palace as early as you can. There are greater prospects out there for you!”

Bing Wuxin replied detachedly, “Why would I need a traitor like you to worry about my future? You’d be better off spending your time trying to think of a way to leave the Glittering Jewel Wonderland alive!”

“Hahahaha!”

Peals of scornful laughter came out of Qian Feng’s mouth. “It’s the other way round! You’re the ones who should be worrying about not leaving the Glittering Jewel Wonderland alive, not us!” Qian Feng’s eyes were like the eyes of a venomous snake, giving off rays of scarlet light.

Chapter 1010: The Starry Sky Elites Duo

Bing Wuxin raised a hand and waved, and the thousand blades of sword rays in the sky all began to hover in a menacing, dangerous manner.

“Su Yuxian, I’m afraid you can’t leave us now. Fight alongside me now!” Bing Wuxin shot a look at Su Yu.

Regardless of whether Su Yu got involved, the Heavenly Knife Region wouldn’t let Su Yu get away with it.

“Hehe, everyone is responsible for getting rid of traitors, and I am no exception!” Su Yu shrugged and laughed, and then glanced at their opponents. “I love it when the side with more people get to bully the side with fewer!”

“Do you?” Bi Lingtian, who was still watching events unfold from the side of the arena, asked with a smile.

Su Yu looked over at him and smiled. “Are you considering getting involved?” If Bi Lingtian entered the arena, Su Yu would need to put his best foot forward.

“Of course not, I’m only interested in the four great starry sky elites. Unless it’s necessary, I won’t ever interfere in your battles.” Bi Lingtian kept his placid smile all the while. He seemed elegant and otherworldly.

“But even if I don’t get involved, someone else will.” Bi Lingtian’s gaze penetrated the crowds and landed on some faraway range of mountains. “Isn’t that Han Fei?”

Han Fei? The scene became uproarious. There was not a single soul who didn’t know who Han Fei was!

She was the chief eldest student of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction! She was the peerless starry sky elite of the millenium, the demonic saintess who overrode all heroes of the demon factions.

One month ago, in the Northernmost region, the heavens and the lands were plunged into darkness, as a pitch-black Sun shrouded the boundless earth, vying alongside the worldly Sun and the Moon for brilliance.

The black sun had risen for the sake of the demonic saintess! After the pioneering forefather of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction, she was the first peerless demonic woman to succeed in the practice of the “Heavenly Demon Black Sun”!

Her capacity far exceeded the Almighty level. Rumor even had it that the ten great demonic elders of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction had all been defeated at her hands!

And the first-ranking demonic elder among the ten great demonic elders had long since attained the cultivation of Stage Three All Creations!

The mountain on top of which the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction had garrisoned fell silent for a moment.

The sound of clothes fluttering in the air resonated and a phenomenally gorgeous woman appeared before them, floating in midair. She wore a long muslin dress and had skin as fair as snow, bright eyes and immaculate teeth.

People's breath was taken away as they beheld the woman.

Su Yu was quite impressed too. The woman's beauty was not in the least inferior to Bing Wuxin's! The difference was that Han Fei was sexier, with a faint touch of natural charm that was the complete opposite of Bing Wuxin's iciness.

Han Fei's appearance roused a great commotion among the crowds.

"One of the four great starry sky elites, Han Fei!"

"She has actually shown up!"

Bi Lingtian looked over at Han Fei with a smile. "Since we parted at the Starry Sky Symposium, I haven't seen Fairy Ling in three years. How have you been lately?"

Han Fei's gaze swept unceremoniously over Bi Lingtian before her gorgeous eyes shifted to Su Yu and began scrutinizing him.

Even when being ignored, Bi Lingtian kept his cool and smiled magnanimously.

"What is your name?" Han Fei gazed at Su Yu in a condescending manner.

There was deathly silence. Challengers from all across the continent were staring at Su Yuxian with unblinking eyes. He should be greatly honored that one of the starry sky elite had openly enquired about his name!

Gu Taixu narrowed his eyes slightly, a cold gleam flickering in them.

"What do you want?" Bing Wuxin's face turned solemn as she stepped forward and stood in front of Su Yu, blocking Su Yu from Han Fei.

Han Fei replied with indifference, "I'm asking him, not you."

Bing Wuxin said coldly, "Before you lay a finger on him, you must ask for my permission!"

"You?" Han Fei asked detachedly.

"That's right, me! I am his fiancée!" Bing Wuxin proclaimed open-heartedly, totally heedless of the fact that there were so many people watching.

Lü Chuyi shuddered a little, for some unknown reason. Staring at the silver-masked Su Yu, Lü Chuyi felt as if her heart was being pricked by something. Are he and Bing Wuxin engaged already? A dullness covered her eyes.

"I'll change the question then," Han Fei said, "Where did your demonic energy come from?"

"She really has come for the demonic energy, just as expected," Su Yu thought to himself

The pure demonic energy he displayed just now had roused the attention of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction.

As the greatest Demonic Path of Jiuzhou, the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction had always proclaimed their demonic authenticity. The demonic energy that they acquired was totally distinguishable from that of the other demonic factions, which was usually extremely pure.

However, Su Yu's demonic energy was even purer compared to the demonic energy of the members of the Supreme Heavenly Demon Faction.

"Do I need to tell you?" Su Yu wrapped his arms around his chest, completely fearless. It was as if the words "starry sky elites" meant nothing to him.

The looks on the faces of the foreign challengers were interesting.

"He must be really foolish to speak to the starry sky elite like that!"

"The starry sky elites were titles given to the four strongest prodigies of the generation on the continent. Which one of them isn't guaranteed to become an unrivaled Divine Master in the days to come?"

"The past Nine Great Prefecture's Kings were all starry sky elites when they were young!"

"His extreme fortitude will bring him failure. With such a personality, he's going to attract fatal tragedies to himself sooner or later!"

Han Fei furrowed her brows. She hadn't expected to be rejected so steadfastly.

Bi Lingtian flashed a small smile as if he had foreseen all of it.

"Are you sure you want me to strike?" Han Fei cast a nonchalant glance at the inner sanctum students of the Red Blood Palace behind Su Yu.

Those who she looked at shuddered with icy chills as if they were falling into an icehouse. The way she looked at them was reminiscent of Mo Tianxuan!

A word echoed in their minds: "Enchantress"! This enchantress was as terrifying as she was rumored to be.

Gu Taixu flashed a helpless smile. Even he was afraid of Han Fei. In a real duel, he wouldn't be able to resist ten strikes from Han Fei. Su Yu wouldn't fare any better.

Su Yu narrowed his eyes. This woman was stronger than Bi Lingtian, yet Su Yu still had several methods to defeat her. However, the price he would have to pay to do so was too high.

"Sister Han Fei, how about giving Feng-er a chance to test you?" A tender, feminine voice reverberated through the clouds.

With a creaking sound, a seam appeared across the sky, and a fire phoenix with a dreadful scent flew out from it. A pristine, adorable young girl was seated on it, looking like an average girl from any neighborhood with her bare feet dangling in the air.

Han Fei raised her head to look and frowned. “Dongfang Tianfeng, are you taking their side?”

Dongfang Tianfeng’s appearance caused another great commotion in the crowd.

“The greatest family in the world, the Great Oriental Family!”

“What? Even she has come?!”

“Hiss! Two of the four great starry sky elites have turned up at once! What a phenomenal sight!”

Most martial artists wouldn’t even get a chance to see a starry sky elite with their own eyes at all in their lifetime. Now two of them had appeared at once, making many challengers both agitated and thrilled.

Dongfang Tianfeng took a leap and alighted from the fire phoenix. Like a feather, she landed gracefully beside Su Yu and giggled adorably. “Feng-er doesn’t care if Sister Han Fei is bullying someone else, but if you’re bullying him, you have to get past me first!”

Han Fei cast a surprised look at Su Yu, and asked, “What is your relationship with him? Is he worth your intervention?”

Su Yu’s lips twitched. This little girl really is lingering at every turn, still asking for the flower yardmaster!

She would even come to his rescue because of that.

However, what made Su Yu’s muscles freeze next were the words that came out of Dongfang Tianfeng’s mouth, which sent the crowd into a tumultuous frenzy.

“It doesn’t really matter. He has only taken advantage of my body,” Dongfang Tianfeng’s words never ceased to shock and fascinate people.