Ocean Lord 91

Chapter 91: Getting Rich

After sneaking into the castle, Ji Chen cautiously opened the Omniscience map and confirmed that there were no soldiers nearby.

Only then did he begin to observe his surroundings.

The scale of this castle was very large. Rather than calling it a castle, it was more like a small Urban area.

There were tall towers and stone buildings, connected by arched bridges, crisscrossed stone paths, and towering spires. There were several gardens alone.

Trees were planted all over the place, flowers and grass were everywhere, and pavilions were embellished in the middle. This added a little vitality to the slightly depressing gray wall tiles of the building.

It seemed that the so-called Krieg was also a person who knew how to enjoy life.

Ji Chen looked at the castle with envy.

This was the residence that a lord should have.

"My Lord, what should we do now?"

At this moment, Alice leaned over and whispered in his ear.

The air that blew out when she spoke gently blew against his ears, making him feel a little warm.

He slightly turned his eyes and saw Alice's beautiful face in front of him. Her red lips were slightly open as if he could touch it with a slight turn of her head.

"She's so cute. I want to..."

Phew ~

Ji Chen took a few deep breaths and suppressed this inappropriate thought.

He pondered for a moment and said, "We will look for rooms that might contain rare resources and treasures and try to hide our movements and not attract the attention of the soldiers."

"But if we were to alert the enemy, we can use the song to control them and make them kill each other to buy us time."

In his plan, the perfect situation was to find the room where the treasures and resources were stored without alerting any soldiers.

Then, he would quietly leave and not clash with any enemy here.

As the ruler of a mystic realm, the person named Krieg was definitely not an ordinary person to be able to make so many soldiers and residents so fanatical and obedient.

It was very likely that she was also a hero.

Moreover, it was at least stronger than the White Normal Rank he had encountered before.

He still had to be a little cautious.

Ji Chen waved his hand, and the army spread out a little and began to search the area.

He also paid close attention to the Omniscience map and issued warnings at any time.

However, the Bauhinia Alliance was still quite powerful. It seemed that they had determined that there would be a large number of rare resources and treasures hidden in this castle. They were determined to endure the casualties and attack crazily.

It seemed that they had also moved a lot of siege weapons from their warships and attacked the firm castle gate.

Seeing the situation unfold, the majority of Krieg and Forbidden Army soldiers had gathered near the main gate, leaving other areas more relaxed in terms of defense.

This provided them with considerable convenience for their covert search.

Ji Chen couldn't help but admire, "Good work!"

While the intense battle continued ahead, they quietly made a new discovery.

On the Omniscience map, most areas showed only a few scattered red dots, but in a passage leading underground, there were around thirty to forty red dots congregated together.

It seemed as though they were guarding something.

Seeing this scene, Ji Chen's spirits immediately lifted.

There had to be something fishy going on, right?

There's no smoke without fire!

He led his troops into a room.

From the outside, it appeared to be an ordinary storage room. However, on the map, vague pixelated dots indicated a downward passage behind one of the walls.

Those red dots were inside the passage.

Ji Chen gathered his troops, closed the door, and began searching the area.

There had to be some mechanism here that could open the wall.

Soon enough, he discovered a movable cabinet that could be shifted sideways.

Waving his hand, he instructed two Naga warriors to pull it.

With a resounding rumble, the wall opened up on both sides.

"Intruders!"

When the guards inside saw Ji Chen and the others, they immediately reacted and were about to sound the alarm.

He was instantly controlled by Alice's singing and obediently shut his mouth.

The tightly shut door and enclosed space displayed the Song of Temptation's ability very well, and it almost isolated the singing from the outside world.

They did not alarm the soldiers outside.

Ji Chen looked at the Forbidden Army soldiers with a strange glint in their eyes.

"Kill them."

As soon as he finished speaking, the Naga warriors rushed forward and slashed them with their ferocious bone blades.

Although these Forbidden Army guards were powerful, they could not resist Alice's singing. They allowed the Naga warriors to break their armor and kill them.

The Forbidden Army soldiers in the passage were quickly killed.

"Ding - You have obtained 8300 experience points..."

Ji Chen didn't care about the corpses on the ground.

With a wave of his hand, he left the shallow sea murlocs in the room to be on guard and led the other troops into the depths of the passage.

There was a sturdy iron door in the depths of the passage.

But this was not a problem for him.

"Sea Pixies, destroy this door for me."

After a few water arrows, the sturdy iron door collapsed under the explosion of the spell.

A few pieces of dust fell from the top of the passage, but fortunately, there were no signs of collapse.

Only then did Ji Chen walk in with relief.

When he saw the thing in front of him, he was overjoyed.

A few thousand square meters of underground space were filled with all kinds of resources.

With a casual glance, he could see a large number of crystals in wooden boxes.

The number of crystals stored here was even more than that of the crystal warehouse outside!

This was truly a pleasant surprise!

Although Ji Chen thought he had enough crystals before, seeing so many crystals in front of him now made his heart race uncontrollably.

Since they were free, why not take them?

With a wave of his hand, piles of crystals vanished instantly.

"Ding- You have obtained 23,000 units of crystals."

My goodness, it's nearly twice the amount he had before.

This was such a lucrative deal!

After collecting this batch, he now possessed a total of 35>000 units of crystals, instantly becoming wealthy.

This trip was indeed worth it!

Hey, Krieg, your crystals will be under my care now.

After all, they would just gather dust here, so why not put them to good use with me?

After collecting the largest quantity of crystals, the underground space was instantly emptied by half, leaving only a few remaining items.

Ji Chen's attention shifted to two round glass spheres.

Recruitment Camp Cores!

In a certain sense, these were also a kind of rare resource.

With Recruitment Camp Cores, one could establish recruitment camps and recruit units.

And units represented strength, the most crucial element in this world.

Seeing that these two Recruitment Camp Cores could be placed alongside the crystals, they probably weren't cores for some mediocre units, right?

With a mix of anticipation and curiosity, he picked up one of them and examined the panel showing the units it produced.

[Deep Sea Roamer]

[Race: Blood Beast]

[Level: 10]

[Tier: 4,1 star]

[Skill: Strange body (Purple Skill: Massive Interior Space (Inside the colossal body lies a vast space capable of carrying cargo and organisms, providing oxygen.)

Hardened Skin Armor (Purple Skill: Increases physical defense by 50% and reduces spell damage taken by 50%.)

Energy Surge (Blue Skill: Temporarily boosts swimming speed by an additional 100%, but increases energy consumption.)

Deep Sea Expedition (Blue Skill: Provides an extra 100% swimming speed when moving underwater.)

[Military characteristic: Crystal Energy (If separated from the Blood Sea, requires crystal to provide energy for survival and activities.)]

[Blood fiends with powerful transportation capabilities, but their appetites seem to be a little bit awesome.]

Ji Chen was dumbfounded.. He really struck it rich this time!

Chapter 92: Alice's Power, Blackmail (1)

They possessed the ability to dive into the sea, carry cargo and personnel, and had excellent defense and speed.

This unit called the Deep Sea Roamer was similar to a submarine or underwater transport vessel, right?

Seeing such a panel, Ji Chen's thinking gradually became more active.

This unit held strategic significance for the territory.

It meant that the territory's dependency on ships would be greatly reduced.

If one day the enemy's fleet blocked the New Moon Islands, he could still use Deep Sea Roamers to break through underwater and maintain communication with the outside world.

Furthermore, they could be used as transporters to "deploy" units behind enemy lines, just like paratroopers, and give the enemy a good stabbing in the back. How delightful!

But the only thing that somewhat disappointed him was that the Deep Sea Roamers' diet was crystal!

Other units could survive by eating garbage (like the shallow sea murlocs), so why did this unit have to eat such a high-value resource like crystal to survive?

It wasn't eating crystal, it was eating money!

It seemed that the current supply of crystals was not enough, and he needed to obtain as many as possible.

With that in mind, he remembered the golden trees that could produce crystals.

If he could dig up one and plant it in the territory, wouldn't it be like having a never-ending source of eggs from a chicken?

Putting the two Recruitment Core Units in his backpack, he didn't have a chance to look at the other items.

A large number of red dots representing the Krieg soldiers appeared on the full-view map, approaching this location with a strong purpose.

Ji Chen's eyebrows furrowed slightly. Could it be that they had already been discovered?

Without much time to think, he hastily threw the remaining items into his backpack and, accompanied by the Naga Warriors, returned to the room through the passage.

At this moment,

A large number of Krieg soldiers and Forbidden Army troops had already appeared outside the room.

The Shallow Sea Fishmen stationed here were trying to prevent their entry.

Although Ji Chen didn't know how they had been discovered, he had already obtained what he came for and had no intention of staying any longer.

With a wave of his hand, he signaled the army to break through to the outside.

The Naga Warriors transformed their serpent tails into tanks, instantly crushing dozens of soldiers.

The soldiers outside were in groups, but when Alice took action, she quickly controlled hundreds of them, causing these soldiers who were originally loyal to Krieg to suddenly turn their weapons against their comrades.

Seeing these soldiers, who were once loyal to Krieg, now betraying their faith and loyalty, and ruthlessly killing their allies, Ji Chen suddenly had a feeling of "NTRing" Krieg.

These soldiers were loyal to you?

Very well, the next moment, they would be on our side.

The Krieg soldiers who were suddenly backstabbed by their allies were thrown into disarray, slashing at the "traitorous" allies.

But what made them feel hopeless was that for every controlled soldier they killed, another one would be controlled in the next moment.

Alice was smart. Instead of directly controlling a large group of soldiers nearby, she randomly selected individuals from among them. Once one died, another would take their place.

As a result, these Krieg soldiers had no idea if their nearby comrades would swing their blades at them in the next moment or if they themselves would be controlled to attack other allies.

In this atmosphere of mutual suspicion, they were constantly on guard, unable to fully engage in the battle, let alone stop Ji Chen and his group from breaking through.

Ji Chen was in a good mood.

The power of the Siren was so terrifying!

Alice alone could play a stronger role than thousands of troops!

Even if it could not cause great damage, it could still disgust the enemy to death!

They broke out of the encirclement and rushed to the edge of the city wall.

Just as they were about to jump into the moat, a clear and cold voice suddenly sounded.

"Guests who have come from afar, why leave without even saying hello? It seems I haven't been a good host."

Ji Chen paused for a moment and turned back with interest.

The pursuing Krieg soldiers, like the tide meeting a water dam, slowly parted to create a path in the middle.

A mature woman dressed in a purple gown walked out from the midst of the soldiers.

Seeing that they had reached the edge of the city wall, ready to leap down and escape into the water, Ji Chen no longer felt rushed. Instead, he began to size up this woman.

She had a beautiful and captivating appearance, a tall and mature figure, and a noble and elegant demeanor. Her slightly narrowed eyes even exuded a sense of aloof dignity.

It was clear that she was no ordinary person.

Especially with those super long legs of hers, coupled with her gaze from a higher vantage point, if the players were to see her, they would undoubtedly exclaim, "Step on me quickly!"

But obviously, Ji Chen didn't have such a fetish.

However, why would a woman like her appear here? Could she be a concubine of Krieg?

With some doubt in his mind, he focused his gaze on her.

With some doubts, he looked at it.

[Krieg Gwen (Hero)]

[Race: Human]

[Level: 20]

[Tier: Purple Rare]

[Skills]:

[The ruler of the Blood Sea, the faith of all soldiers]

???

A string of question marks appeared on Ji Chen's head.

The ruler of the Blood Sea was actually a woman?

Ji Chen had already thought about what the soldier's description of Krieg was like.

He thought that it might be a strong man who was more than a meter tall and held a huge axe.

He thought that it might be a shrewd and scheming dark man or a white-haired but dignified old man.

However, he had never expected her to be such a beautiful woman.

Moreover, it was a Purple Rare Hero!

Chapter 93: Alice's Power, Blackmail (2)

For a moment, Ji Chen was deeply shocked.

"You look surprised?"

Unexpectedly, Krieg's expression was very friendly as she smiled.

She was like a good friend who had not seen him for many years.

Ji Chen suppressed his surprise and smiled. "Of course. I didn't expect that the ruler of the Blood Sea was actually a woman, and she could even obtain the love and respect of so many soldiers."

"I gave them hope to live on the Blood Sea, so they repaid me with loyalty and life. This is very fair."

Krieg hugged her huge breasts and smiled at the soldiers.

The soldiers' eyes were filled with passion and excitement when they saw Krieg looking at them.

It was as if being looked at was a supreme honor.

"I swear my loyalty to you! I will forever follow in your footsteps!"

Ji Chen looked at them with a disdainful expression.

"Hey, this seems a bit like a pyramid scheme, doesn't it? Pyramid schemes are wrong, you know that, right? It's illegal!"

Shaking off the strange thoughts in his mind, Ji Chen asked with curiosity on his face.

"I'm a little curious. I killed so many of your soldiers and robbed several warehouses, but you don't seem angry?"

"These are nothing. Soldiers can be nurtured again if they die, and supplies can be replenished if they are lost. However, it will be a pity if someone like you were to leave."

Krieg shook her head nonchalantly and looked at Ji Chen with some admiration. "But if you could become my general and fight for me, then all the previous losses would be worth it, and everything could be forgiven."

Ji Chen raised an eyebrow, was she trying to recruit him?

Well, it wasn't not surprising, after all, he was quite attractive. Maybe she wanted to keep him as a personal companion?

Ahem...

But Ji Chen was destined to become the Pirate King, to roam the seas!

How could he submit to someone else?

It held no appeal to him. After all, this was just a small mystic realm.

To him, the native inhabitants of this mystic realm were no different from the natives on the New Moon Islands, and he felt a certain sense of superiority over these narrow-minded locals.

"I'm sorry, I don't have the intention of submitting to anyone," he replied indifferently.

Hearing this, a look of regret appeared on Krieg's face. "If that's the case, I'll have to make you stay here."

Suddenly, circles of airwaves surged from her body. A tyrannical aura surged out, and her magic power surged.

He smacked his lips when he saw the sudden change in expression on Krieg's face.

Women were fickle. At first, she said she wanted to recruit him, but now she wanted to kill him.

On the surface, Ji Chen didn't think much of it, but he was on high alert.

He had seen Anina, who was also a Purple Rare, so he was equally wary of Krieg, who was a Purple Rare.

Therefore, he chose to strike first.

"Alice!"

Alice understood and immediately used her skill.

[Skill: Song of Temptation (Purple skill, can use beautiful and seductive songs to confuse the enemy, causing them to fall into a state of absent-mindedness and hallucination, can charm and control the enemy)]

Tens of soldiers were instantly under control. They drew their weapons and slashed at Krieg.

Krieg narrowed his eyes slightly. Her mana surged, and a blood ring sent the soldiers flying dozens of meters away.

Then, she pointed with her white finger, and dozens of blood-red blades shot out.

It was like an arrow that had been pulled to the limit.

Ji Chen raised his hand and drew water from the moat. He cast a water shield that was dozens of meters long in front of him to protect his troops.

The blood-red blade stabbed into the water shield and froze instantly as if it was stuck in a layer of glue.

It had no power at all.

This was the first time Ji Chen had used magic to fight an enemy. He was very interested in seeing the true power of the Tidal Lord class.

With a thought, a stream of water rose from the moat, as if it had merged into a mold, condensing into sharp water spears in the air.

He waved his right hand gently.

The hundreds of water spears floating in the air shot out in an instant, falling like a storm.

"Blood Shield!" Krieg's expression changed slightly as she waved her hand to form a blood shield.

The water spear hit the shield, and the tip of the spear sank three inches into the shield, getting stuck.

However, the other soldiers were not so lucky.

The water spears were like knives that were thrown at the crowd. Wails and screams sounded, and blood splattered. The gray floor was dyed red.

With one strike, dozens of soldiers died instantly.

Seeing this, Ji Chen's heart was filled with excitement and killing intent. He condensed another hundred water spears and threw them down.

Whether it was the ordinary soldiers or the Forbidden Army guards, their armor was as fragile as paper. The water spears pierced through them without any obstruction and nailed them to the ground.

A round of water spears passed, and another round.

Ji Chen was immersed in a murderous mood and had no intention of holding back.

Large amounts of water were absorbed by him and condensed into water spears, which he continued to shoot.

He finally felt the joy of being the character Gilgamesh from the Anime Fate Zero.

Even the rare purple Krieg could only struggle to hold up her shield under the rain of water spears. She had no ability to resist at all.

This made him even happier.

That was all there was to a Purple Rare Hero?

Under the barrage of water spears, the Krieg soldiers fell like wheat.

"Ding ~ You have killed a group of Krieg soldiers. Obtained 12500 experience points."

"Ding ~ You have killed a group of Kregg soldiers. Obtained 15200 experience points. Your level has increased ."

After a few waves, his level, which had stagnated at level 10, had risen. A majestic magical power surged into his body, causing his spirit to tremble and wake up from the pleasure of killing..

Chapter 94: Alice's Power, Blackmail (3)

When he came back to his senses, more than half of the soldiers in front of him had already fallen. Their corpses were covered in holes, and broken limbs were scattered everywhere. The scene was very miserable.

Ji Chen took a deep breath, and the blood in his eyes gradually faded.

As he swept his gaze across the area, all the Krieg soldiers he came into contact with took a few steps back in fear. No matter how zealous and loyal they were, they could not help but feel terrified.

How was this a battle? This was a one-sided massacre!

The shield dissipated, and Krieg's face was slightly pale. Her eyes were also filled with shock.

Originally, she had thought that Ji Chen was just a commander and didn't have much combat power.

The reason why he wanted to subdue it before was because of the hero under him who could control others.

However, she had never thought that Ji Chen would have such terrifying combat strength, even stronger than her!

Seeing this scene, Krieg's heart sank.

It seemed that this matter could not be settled peacefully...

Ji Chen was slightly excited to see the damage he had caused.

Previously, he had not used his enemy to test out his powers, so he had never had a clear understanding of his own strength.

So, he was actually this strong?

It felt like one person's output was higher than all the troops combined!

Although he felt good killing, he stayed sane and didn't continue attacking.

He smiled at Krieg.

"My strength is still worthy of your eyes, right?"

"You..." Krieg's eyes were full of fear. "Your strength is beyond my imagination. Why didn't you show it before?"

"I didn't know I was so awesome." Ji Chen really wanted to say that, but it was a good time to show off.

He chose to reply indifferently, "If I didn't do this, how could I make you come out willingly, thinking that your strength could overpower me?"

Krieg was momentarily at a loss for words, silently cursing herself.

She had underestimated Jichen's personal strength, mistakenly believing that he relied solely on his units to breach the defenses.

Taking a deep breath, she composed herself and spoke to Jichen with a renewed sense of caution.

"I admit that I was wrong before. Now, we can start again. I won't pursue what you did before."

Ji Chen looked at her like she was an idiot.

When he wanted to leave, she acted like a fool and didn't let him go. Now that he had beaten her into submission, she still wanted to put on a merciful act to allow him to leave?

Who did she think she is? Did she think she can make him stay and go as she pleased?

Ji Chen really wanted to leave, but now he changed his mind.

He wouldn't leave unless she bled.

Ji Chen smiled. "If you want me to leave, you should at least give me something, shouldn't you? Otherwise, it's like you're making me come and go as you please, without any dignity."

Krieg furrowed her brows and questioned, "You've already plundered one of my treasure rooms, aren't you satisfied?"

Jichen chuckled, "That was some compensation you should give me."

Feeling superior in his overwhelming strength, he became arrogant.

Normally, Jichen was a harmonious and helpful person, respectful towards women.

However, when faced with such a domineering person, it was only natural for him to give her a lesson and fight fire with fire.

But Jichen seemed to forget that he was the intruder in this mystic realm.

Upon hearing his words, Krieg took a few quick breaths to stabilize her emotions.

She glanced deeply at Jichen and gestured to her soldiers.

A group of soldiers rushed into the castle.

Soon, they brought back several wooden crates filled with sparkling crystals.

Jichen's interest was piqued. After all, the more crystals, the better.

Without hesitation, he moved his hand, and a stream of water solidified into dozens of water ropes, pulling the wooden crates towards him.

"Ding ~ You have obtained 10,000 units of crystals."

Another sum of crystals entered his account.

Looking at the crystal on the interface that had more than 10,000 units, he felt relieved.

Going through all the trouble of plotting and scheming, using tactics like luring the tiger out of the mountains and creating disturbances to deceive the enemy, he had only obtained a little over 10,000 units of crystals.

But now, simply by using his words, he was able to make the enemy willingly hand over 10,000 units of crystals.

The difference was just too significant.

Strength was the most important thing in this world.

With absolute strength, things could become relatively simple.

This was particularly evident in the mystic realm.

After collecting the crystals, Jichen was about to leave with his army when he remembered something and pointed at the towering golden tree.

"Can those trees be transplanted?"

"My territory happens to lack some scenery, and those shiny trees look quite beautiful."

Krieg was taken aback, clearly not expecting him to ask this question. She gritted her teeth and replied,

"The roots of the golden tree have already penetrated deep into the Blood Sea. They cannot be transplanted. Once they are removed from the Blood Sea, they will wither immediately."

Hearing this, Jichen nodded with a disappointed expression.

It seemed that his idea of planting a tree that could automatically produce crystals had been shattered..

Chapter 95: Blood Spirit Warrior

Ji Chen was once again curious about the Golden Tree.

Seeing that there was a person who controlled the entire mystic realm here, he naturally had to capture her to question further.

"I have another question. How do these golden trees produce crystals? Where does the energy come from?"

Krieg revealed a mysterious gaze and slowly replied, "Death and birth both generate energy, and all energy belongs to the golden trees."

"Only by believing in the golden trees can one preserve oneself and obtain eternal life."

Ji Chen frowned.

This meant that death provided energy to the golden trees, which then produced crystals.

From this perspective, it was not entirely incomprehensible.

After all, the fantasy world was filled with all sorts of strange things.

The second half of the statement resonated even more.

Just like the native tribes on the New Moon Islands, they believed in the existence of "dragons", even though the dragons themselves ignored them and treated them as insignificant beings.

The more ignorant and narrow-minded a race, the more likely they were to believe in these seemingly majestic and powerful beings that they couldn't understand.

And in this mystic realm, there stood a gigantic golden tree, tall and beautiful, capable of producing crystals.

It was highly possible that a belief in the golden tree had arisen.

At that moment, he suddenly remembered the special characteristics of the Krieg soldiers.

[Military characteristic: People of the Blood Sea (After death, they will be resurrected and become blood spirits with stronger combat strength)]

"Krieg's soldiers have decent combat power, but be careful of the blood spirits they transform into after they die."

According to the literal meaning, after the death of the Krieg soldiers, they would become something called the Blood Spirit, which would give them even greater combat power.

But the strange thing was that he had killed thousands of Krieg's soldiers, but why didn't he encounter any of this so-called Blood Spirit?

Could this be related to the Golden Tree?

Just as Ji Chen was about to ask this question...

Suddenly, a fierce battle cry resounded through the air.

The players had arrived.

At some point, the players had advanced to the front of the castle and were charging in through the drawbridge.

Due to Jichen's influence, there were only a few Krieg soldiers stationed at the drawbridge and the gate.

Under the overwhelming tide of players and their units, the Krieg soldiers quickly crumbled and were unable to form a coherent defense.

Watching this scene, Jichen shrugged his shoulders.

"Good luck to you all."

Ignoring the displeased faces of the Krieg soldiers, Jichen, along with his army, leaped into the moat.

They disappeared without a trace amidst the splashing waves.

Running away after showing off, how exhilarating.

"Lord Krieg, what should we do now?" the officer asked with a hint of shame on his face.

They had shown signs of fear in the battle just now, which was truly a betrayal of their loyalty to their leader.

Krieg cast another deep gaze towards the spot where Jichen vanished, and coldly replied, "You stay with a portion of the soldiers to obstruct those outsiders. The rest will accompany me through the secret passage and head to the base of the golden tree to begin resurrecting the heroic spirits."

"I will soon return with the fallen heroes and eliminate all these invaders."

The officer's face brightened with joy as he received his orders.

Two heads emerged from a wide waterway.

"My Lord, are we leaving now? "Alice asked.

Ji Chen looked at the Holy City that was covered in black smoke and waved his hand.

"Let's go."

Although he still had many questions about this mystic realm, the harvest from this trip was enough. Or rather, it had far exceeded his expectations. There was no need to continue getting involved in this mess.

They advanced quickly in the water channel and returned to the water village.

They met up with Sparrow and the others who were guarding the place. The ship slowly sailed out and headed towards the endless sea of blood.

After driving for several hours.

The New Moon arrived at the island under the small golden tree.

The Krieg warship was still on the surface of the sea nearby, rising and falling with the waves.

But unexpectedly, the residents who originally lived on the island had disappeared, leaving only the lifeless village and the still-bright golden tree.

They probably ran for their lives.

Ji Chen shook his head.

They sent half of the pirates to board the intact two-masted warship. After half an hour, they finally raised the sails and formed a two-ship formation with the New Moon, heading towards the entrance of the mystic realm.

Inside the Holy City, the players had completely occupied the entire castle and plundered everything inside.

They began to discuss the next step of the plan.

"What should we do next? Leave the mystic realm?"

"No, I've detected that the remaining Krieg soldiers went to the giant golden tree. There might be something there."

"Exactly, I heard that the Krieg leader also went there. There might be some powerful treasures there."

After considering for a moment, the players made their decision.

They led their units out of the castle, following the traces left by the Krieg soldiers, and headed towards the giant golden tree.

Half an hour later, they arrived at the foot of the tree.

Looking up at the towering golden tree that pierced the heavens, they couldn't help but marvel.

"Look, there's a large tree hollow over there," someone said.

Everyone turned their gaze and indeed, at the base of the tree, there was a massive hole reaching a hundred meters in height.

Rather than calling it a tree hollow, it resembled the den of some wild beast.

But what kind of creature, with such a size, would reside in such a large tree hollow?

Just as they wondered where the soldiers had gone, a figure suddenly appeared in the tree hollow.

Krieg's gaze was icy as she looked at the players, a flash of coldness in her eyes.

She vowed to make these invaders pay a bloody price.

Especially that man who could manipulate water, she would ensure he remained in the blood sea forever!

"Look, there's a woman with an awesome figure over there!"

"Where? Let me see... Holy shit! Is she the so-called Krieg? And she's actually a woman?! A purple-grade hero too?"

"She's got a queen-like aura, long legs, and she looks at us as if she's looking at rubbish. Amazing... I want her to step on me..."

"Bro, your fetish is damn weird, oh? I also want her to step on me, so that's cool then."

As the players joked and bantered, suddenly a large area of blood-red appeared in the tree hollow.

Straining their eyes, they realized it was a group of blood-red translucent figures.

[Blood Spirit Warrior]

[Race Race: Blood Spirit]

[Level: 20]

[Tier: 3, 7 stars]

[Skill: Work together (blue skill, when working together, combat power increases by 4.0%)]

[Blood Spirit (Blue skill, attacking enemies without fear of pain)]

Loyalty (Blue skill, loyal to Krieg, will not cower or surrender)

[Military characteristic: Mental immunity (blood spirit creature, ignores any mental control, curse, and other negative effects)]

[The blood spirits transformed by the soldiers of Krieg have stronger combat power.]

At this moment, the players realized that something was wrong.

"Tier 3, 7-star, a whole level 20 Blood Spirit Warrior. Are you kidding us?"

"Run, we definitely can't beat them!"

Under their horrified gazes, thousands of Blood Spirit Warriors poured out of the big tree hole.

Like a blood-red tsunami, it swept over crazily..

Chapter 96: The Calculations of the Bauhinia Alliance

Ji Chen had no idea what was happening under the golden tree.

He was rushing to the entrance of the mystic realm, planning to leave.

Above the vast sea of blood was a dark red sky. The oppressive atmosphere was forever pervading.

At this moment, he was already missing the blue sky and white clouds of the New Moon Islands, the white beach, and the verdant jungle.

He was eager to return home.

It would still take some time for him to reach the entrance of the mystic realm. Taking advantage of this time, Ji Chen took out the loot he had obtained from the underground space.

Other than the crystal and the core of the military recruitment camp, there were four other things.

Two building blueprints and two treasures.

First, there were two building blueprints that looked rather ancient.

[Building Blueprint: Large Water Fort]

[Level: Special]

[Effect: Able to build a large water village that can accommodate all kinds of ships.]

[Construction Resources: 30,000 units of wood, 15,000 units of stone]

[Construction requirements: 1. Close to the sea 3. Gentle shoreline]

[Area: 500×100 (m)]

[Building Blueprint: Wood Processing Plant]

[Level: Special]

[Effect: Able to build a wood processing plant and process wood into various wooden products.]

[Resources required for construction: 2000 units of wood, 1000 units of stone]

[Area: $50 \times 50 \text{ (m)}$]

They were all good blueprints!

The Large Water Fort was probably the kind of fort that could accommodate large ships. Not only could it be used as a dock to anchor ships, but it could also be used for ship repairs.

For the territory, it was also an essential building.

He couldn't keep the ship floating on the sea all the time and rely on small boats for transportation, could he?

A wood processing factory would have been a great addition.

The territory's specialty, precious jungle wood, could have been maximized in value through the wood processing factory.

By processing the various wood products, aside from supplying the territory, they could have created furniture, decorations, and other goods for export overseas.

This was an important link in establishing an industrial chain.

Purchasing processed products could have yielded much higher profits compared to selling raw materials!

Next, there were two more treasures to discuss.

The first one was an amulet.

[Strength Talisman]

[Level: 4-star treasure (single)]

[Effect: Increase strength by 200% but increase stamina consumption by 100%.]

[Cooldown Time: None]

A supreme-grade treasure!

It was an extraordinary treasure!

Simple yet powerful in its effects.

Enhancing strength, but it seemed useless for him.

As a Tidal Lord, he was a magic-based class and had no need for strength.

However, the effect of the amulet—a 200% strength boost—would be significant if placed in the hands of someone who already possessed great strength.

Coincidentally, he knew someone who possessed immense strength—a whale, or rather, Anina.

Anina should still be in the territory, waiting. Perhaps this amulet could be kept for her to use.

They say that one hand washes the other.

Maybe by giving her this, she would be more inclined to stay?

With a silent nod, Jichen stored the amulet in his backpack and took out the second treasure.

It was a silver-white necklace, radiating with magical energy.

[Mana Pendant]

[Level: 4-star treasure (single)]

[Effect: A container that can store a large amount of magic power. It can be used to replenish magic power.]

[Cooldown Time: None]

[Necklace made of Mithril]

Another top-grade item!

And it was a noble magical treasure!

Ji Chen looked at the necklace and felt a little awkward.

Both he and Alice relied on magic power for a living, so logically speaking, they were both suitable for them.

But there was only one necklace.

Should he use it himself? Or give it to Alice?

Tidal Power's magic damage was extremely terrifying. His damage output alone was higher than an entire Sea Pixies team.

However, Alice seemed to be more suitable. The previous series of battles had also demonstrated the power of her singing. If she had this necklace, she would be even more powerful.

She seemed to have seen Ji Chen quietly struggling to make a decision.

"My lord, why don't you use this necklace? Your Tide Force is immensely powerful and can better utilize the effects of this necklace," Alice suggested considerately.

Upon hearing this, Jichen no longer hesitated and smiled. "Since that's the case, I'll keep it for now. If we need it in battle, you can use it."

Alice's face lit up with a sweet smile, radiating charm.

The rewards from this expedition in the mystic realm were quite remarkable.

They accumulated over 40,000 units of crystals, two core recruitment camps for units, two rare building blueprints, two exquisite treasures, and even a two-masted warship.

After a period of sailing, the colossal gate of the mystic realm came into view.

However, what puzzled him was the gathering of numerous player ships in front of the mystic realm gate.

"The Bauhinia Alliance is so despicable! They used us as cannon fodder, and now they demand us to give up half of our gains before they allow us to leave!" "These bastards! No wonder they were so generous in opening up the mystic realm and letting us in. They wanted to reap the benefits effortlessly!"

"We won't tolerate them! Once the other players return, we'll break through their blockade together. I refuse to believe that with so many ships and people, we can't break their siege!"

These players, with anger on their faces, gathered together and discussed their grievances.

As they noticed the approach of the New Moon, they stopped their discussions and wore expressions of joy.

With such a large ship joining them, their chances of breaking through the blockade increased significantly.

Ji Chen returned to the ship after understanding the situation.

Looking at the door of the mystic realm, he was deep in thought.

Ever since he saw the Bauhinia Alliance attack the castle and suffer heavy losses, he had not seen them again.

Who would have thought that they would exit the mystic realm and start extorting tolls from players? Weren't they afraid of incurring public outrage?

This was a little troublesome.

The mystic realm gate was the passage in and out of the mystic realm, typically limited to only one entrance.

Now, the Bauhinia Alliance had sealed it off again, and it seemed that there were numerous warships lined up outside. If they didn't pay the toll, they would likely be greeted with cannon fire.

After some thought, Ji Chen decided to wait for the other players to return before rushing out together. It would be safer that way.

For now, he had to be patient and wait.

The speed at which the other players returned exceeded his expectations.

Within a few hours, they saw a large number of player ships rapidly approaching from the direction of the Great Golden Tree in the sea.

However, Ji Chen's brows suddenly furrowed.

These players didn't seem to be returning with a bountiful harvest. Instead, they looked a bit... like they were being chased and attacked?

"They've finally arrived. Let's break through together."

"Wait, something seems off."

As soon as those words were spoken, they suddenly noticed a large wave of warships following behind the players' ships.

The sails of these warships were adorned with a golden tree emblem.

They were Krieg warships!

The situation became clearer. These Krieg warships were relentlessly chasing after the players' ships, like cats hunting mice. The cannons on their bows spewed flames.

The projectiles fired from the cannons sank players' ships, causing some players and units who couldn't swim to meet their demise in the sea.

Witnessing this scene, Ji Chen's forehead creased with worry.

It seemed that something had happened after he left the Holy City....

Chapter 97: Chaos

As the fleeing players rushed towards the mystic realm gate in a panic, without even explaining the situation outside to them, Ji Chen and Alice exchanged a glance and made an immediate decision.

"Raise the sails urgently and evacuate at full speed behind them!"

"Leave the two-masted sailboat behind, let the pirates return immediately!"

"Yes!" Sparrow shouted loudly.

Ji Chen manipulated the water currents, creating a waterway between the two ships, allowing the pirates on board to quickly return.

Soon, the large sails were hoisted, and the fierce wind of the Blood Sea blew, inflating the sails.

The New Moon, as if pushed by the hands of a wind giant, swiftly merged into the fleet.

On the distant surface of the sea, the Crimson Warships were manned by Blood Spirit warriors with murderous intent, relentlessly pursuing at full speed.

Although they had died in the flesh, the Blood Spirits, who had transformed after death, still retained their consciousness and will from their previous lives.

Before their deaths, they had met various fates.

Some were killed by players with a single slash, some drowned in the previous naval battles, and some were shot to death by crossbow arrows.

Of course, there were also those who were controlled by Alice and killed by their own kind.

Regardless of how they died, they all had some connection to the players and Ji Chen, so their hatred was beyond words. Resentment surged from their foreheads, almost reaching the sky.

Each of them wished to dismember the players and Ji Chen in a brutal manner.

"Fire!"

The Blood Spirit sergeant on the warship brandished his sword and commanded the Blood Spirit Warriors to fire the cannons.

The cannonballs continued to land on the nearby sea, splashing water into the sky. Ji Chen was terrified when he saw this.

Fortunately, his luck was not bad. The shells either hit the other players' ships or landed on both sides of his ship. The New Moon was intact.

He turned around.

Dozens of Krieg battleships were chasing from all directions like a pack of wolves, pouring fire on them.

Among them was an especially huge warship.

It was over a hundred meters long, with five towering masts and extremely gorgeous decorations.

At the bow of the ship, Krieg's expression was cold as she watched the players fleeing like rats in the distance. She could not help but smile.

What goes around, comes around.

Now is the time!

"My Lady, they are about to leave. Should we continue pursuing them?"

The officer beside her asked with a lowered head.

"Of course! We must slaughter these invaders completely!"

"But once the Blood Spirit Warriors leave the Blood Sea, their power will gradually diminish, and by then..."

Kreig furrowed her brow and said sharply, "Death is their honor. Only by killing the invaders quickly can they wash away their previous shame."

"Yes." The officer fell silent and dared not say anything more.

Thus, the Crimson Warships advanced at full speed, relentlessly pursuing their prey.

Ji Chen followed the player ships and entered the mystic realm gate. In an instant, the bloody sky transformed into a blue sky with white clouds, and the crimson sea turned into a deep blue ocean.

In the distance, there were over forty warships of the Bauhinia Alliance surrounding the mystic realm gate.

"All Glory Lords who have emerged, listen up! Stop your ships!"

"You must surrender half of your loot from within the mystic realm before you can leave. Otherwise, we will sink you here!"

Upon seeing so many ships emerging, the officer of the Bauhinia Alliance flagship quickly spoke loudly using a specially designed amplifier.

However, to his astonishment, these Glory Lords seemed to ignore his words completely and showed no intention of stopping. They continued full speed ahead without the slightest hesitation.

His anger surged instantly.

How dare they ignore his words!?

He would give these ungrateful Glory Lords a severe lesson and make them realize that the Bauhinia Alliance was the true ruler of these seas!

So, he immediately ordered the bombardment of the place.

But soon, he realized that something was wrong.

Why did these Glory Lords appear to be in such a panic?

It was as if something was chasing after them.

This thought had yet to fade away.

The door to the mystic realm suddenly shook violently.

Warships sailed out one after another, and the sails were engraved with a golden tree.

Was it Krieg's warship?

The Bauhinia Alliance soldiers were stunned.

Hadn't Krieg's Holy City already been captured? And the majority of the soldiers should have been killed or injured. Where did these many soldiers come from on the ships?

In their extreme shock, they even forgot to fire their cannons.

During this lapse of time, the players' ships swiftly moved away from both sides.

Only the ships of the Bauhinia Alliance and Krieg's forces remained facing each other.

The Blood Spirit soldiers piloted their ships through the Mystic Realm's gate and, upon seeing the surrounding environment, involuntarily opened their mouths wide.

The sky was a deep blue, adorned with white clouds. The sea was a vibrant azure, filled with flying birds and leaping fish—a scene brimming with vitality.

Compared to that, the Blood Sea seemed like a lifeless wasteland, inhabited only by ferocious blood beasts and desolate land.

They were captivated by this beautiful sight, but then they noticed the fleet in the distance, with a violet flower adorning the ship's sails.

They quickly realized that it was another group of invaders!

The Bauhinia Alliance had clashed with Krieg and his forces several times before the players entered the Mystic Realm, leaving a deep impression on them.

In terms of hatred, they held no less animosity towards Krieg's forces than they did towards the players.

As they say, when enemies meet, their envy becomes even stronger..

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Without a moment of hesitation, the Blood Spirit warriors immediately controlled their cannons and launched an attack.

The warships fired their cannons, smashing into the Bauhinia Alliance fleet like a storm.

The planks of the ships were damaged, masts were broken, and some ships started sinking. White smoke rose, and it was uncertain how many soldiers of the Bauhinia Alliance were killed or injured by the cannonballs.

Even the flagship came under attack.

A cannonball landed on the side of the ship, narrowly missing the officer's arm but killing four or five soldiers.

"Cough...," the officer stood up with the help of his soldiers, raising his head with anger filling his eyes.

A sense of shame and the realization of their narrow escape surged within him, followed by an uncontrollable rage.

How dare these natives of the Mystic Realm initiate an attack on them?

This was unacceptable!

An endless fury consumed his rationality.

"Attack Krieg's ships with all our might! Give them a strong counterattack!!"

After a brief delay, all the ships of the Bauhinia Alliance turned their cannons and unleashed their firepower.

The players who had managed to reach a safe position turned around upon hearing the commotion behind them, witnessing the intense exchange of fire between the two sides.

They breathed a sigh of relief, halting their escape and casually eating snacks.

A grand spectacle unfolded as nearly a hundred warships exchanged fire, a scene rarely seen in ordinary circumstances.

"Blow up those Krieg's ships! Those damn Blood Spirit warriors chased us like rabid dogs. They nearly scared me to death. It would be great if we could wipe them all out!"

"The Bauhinia Alliance should die as well. They treated us as human shields and even wanted to extort toll fees from us. So greedy!"

"Kill them! Kill them! It would be best if both sides suffer heavy losses!"

The playful players began cheering, displaying their carefree nature.

In the intense exchange of fire, the Bauhinia Alliance had a slight advantage. In order to prevent the players from escaping, they had positioned themselves in advance, aligning one side of their ships with the Mystic Realm's gate, allowing half of their cannons to fire.

On the other hand, the Krieg's ships, despite their greater numbers, could only use a few cannons at the bow, resulting in a significant firepower disadvantage.

After a round of intense exchange, both fleets suddenly ceased their bombardment.

"Quickly go to the cabin and move the shells! Shoot these mystic realm natives to death!" The officer from the Bauhinia Alliance said sternly.

"Quickly replenish your ammunition and pledge your loyalty to Lord Krieg! "The Blood Spirit soldiers shouted.

The cannonballs on both sides were almost exhausted. The barrels were hot and red, and they stopped working.

For a moment, the battlefield fell into a strange silence.

After a few waves of attacks, both sides suffered losses.

The Bauhinia Alliance had lost about six or seven warships, while Krieg's side had lost more than ten.

Pieces of the ship were floating on the surface of the sea, and the soldiers who fell into the water were shouting for help.

The shattered human body parts and fresh blood attracted sharks, their fierce dorsal fins looming above the water surface.

The immense destructive power of war was unquestionably evident at this moment.

Meanwhile, the flagship carrying Krieg slowly emerged from the gate of the Mystic Realm.

With its massive hull, numerous cannons, and towering masts.

Upon seeing this, the Blood Spirit soldiers cheered.

On the ship, Krieg looked around at the completely different environment, equally astonished.

So, there truly existed an incredibly vast main world outside, much larger than the Blood Sea they inhabited.

What a beautiful world it was...

Krieg quickly regained her composure and looked at the enemies in the distance.

She could already sense that without the protection of the Blood Sea and the Golden Tree, the state of the Blood Spirit warriors was slowly declining. This battle needed to be swift and decisive!

With this thought in mind, she didn't waste any more time and swiftly issued the orders for the operation.

The flag signal on the flagship instantly changed.

"Rest of the ships, charge forward! Initiate boarding battles!"

The command was conveyed, and nearly forty Krieg's ships began their charge.

Upon seeing this scene, the Violet Alliance officers immediately gathered. Though they were unaware of what was happening, the Krieg soldiers seemed to have resurrected and become even more powerful.

If it was just a matter of exchanging cannon fire, they wouldn't be afraid. But if it turned into boarding battles, they would be far from a match.

Whoosh!

Suddenly, the charging Krieg's ships were bombarded by a barrage of cannonballs from the side.

Curiously, the Bauhinia Alliance officers followed the trajectory of the cannonballs to see who was assisting them.

A fleet consisting of over twenty ships was rapidly approaching the battlefield.

Their ships were adorned with peculiar decorations, looking flamboyant and flashy.

Some ships carried cannons, some had crossbow machines, and others had nothing at all.

However, what they all had in common was the black skull and crossbones sails fluttering in the sea breeze.

It was the Black Skull Pirate Crew!

The crowd quickly understood what was happening.

Upon learning that this Mystic Realm produced a large quantity of crystals, these pirates also wanted to get a share of the spoils!

Upon witnessing this scene, a hint of joy appeared on the faces of the Bauhinia Alliance officers.

Although these Black Skull pirates had a mishmash of ships, if they could join the fight, they could at least attract some firepower.

If those Glory Lords also attacked the Krieg's ships, there was a possibility of winning this battle.

The players also became excited, their faces expressing a desire for chaos.

With the addition of these pirates, there were now three factions on the battlefield: the Bauhinia Alliance, Krieg, and the Black Skull Pirate Crew, all engaging in mutual attacks.

The entire sea area turned into a chaotic mess!

Chapter 99: Chaos (3)

What a grand spectacle!

They were really enjoying watching the commotion while it lasted.

But in the next moment, they saw the pirate fleet firing cannonballs at them, catching them off guard and causing panic.

The players were dumbfounded.

Even those who were just bystanders had to fight?

Let's rewind time back half a minute.

"Listen up, you lot! Shoot those Mystic Realm natives' ships with all you've got! Whether we can strike it rich this time depends on you!" Captain Franco of the One-Eyed Pirate Crew shouted loudly.

When he saw the Krieg's ships being caught off guard by the barrage, he grinned widely and was about to give the order to continue the attack.

But then, Rudy, a member of the pirate crew who had just returned from the Silver Islands, exclaimed in surprise from the side.

"Boss! I saw the Black Widow! It's right there in the fleet next to us!"

Upon hearing this, Franco's left eye twitched, and he gazed in that direction.

Sure enough, he saw his own Black Widow, which had gone missing half a month ago.

At this moment, the Black Widow was docked within another fleet.

He was always the one doing the plundering, but this time, someone had stolen from him. It made him furious and deeply humiliated.

In his eyes, if the Black Widow was mixed in with that fleet, then those ships next to it should be accomplices.

Thus, he immediately ordered.

"Lads, point the cannons at that fleet and teach them a lesson. We'll take back the Black Widow!"

"Yes, sir!"

Boom!

The cannons spewed out thick white smoke, and the cannonballs traced beautiful parabolic arcs through the air.

Caught off guard, the player fleet suffered heavy losses. Some of the smaller ships were even pierced through their sides, allowing seawater to pour in and slowly sink them.

Even the New Moon had its ballista shattered, leaving a gaping hole on its deck.

Ji Chen watched as the Black Skull Pirate Crew launched a sudden attack.

The expression on his face was somewhat subtle.

The pirate ship that the New Moon had been masquerading as was originally part of the Black Skull Pirates' fleet.

Now it seemed that the pirates had recognized the New Moon's true identity and come to settle the score.

Seeing the intimidating approach and the continuous gunfire from the dozen or so pirate ships, Ji Chen felt a slight tremor in his heart.

He could withstand the artillery barrage from three or four ships, but it would be nearly impossible to handle so many.

If the New Moon were truly sunk here, he would have to swim back to their territory.

With this thought in mind, Ji Chen didn't hesitate any longer and immediately ordered Sparrow to sail away at full speed.

The players who were suddenly attacked, after recovering from their confusion, became furious one after another.

"Damn it! These pirates really have no regard for us. They're even attacking those who are just here to spectate?"

"Do they think we're pushovers? Let's show them what we're capable of!"

"These pirates are nothing to me."

Although they spoke bravely, not a single player dared to charge forward. Instead, they fled in the opposite direction, prioritizing their own survival. They didn't want to end up as fish food in the sea.

The New Moon unfurled all three sails, surging ahead with full force, taking the lead among the player fleet.

However, this sudden surge drew the attention of many.

Krieg squinted her eyes as she watched the New Moon in the forefront. She suddenly had an inexplicable feeling that the man who had extorted her might be on that ship.

Without hesitation, she immediately ordered a detachment of over ten heavily armed warships from her fleet to give chase, determined to eliminate Ji Chen here, displaying the deep-seated resentment within her.

Ji Chen felt a tingling sensation as she looked at the ships following closely behind the New Moon.

The current pursuit unfolded as follows: the first wave was led by the New Moon, charging ahead as the vanguard. Following closely behind was the second wave of players' ships. The third wave consisted of pirate ships. Lastly, there were over ten fully armed Krieg warships.

It appeared as though they were chasing after other players, but in reality, they were all in pursuit of him.

The thrill reached its peak!

Chapter 100: Information Gap, Outcome (1)

When the Bauhinia Alliance officer saw this scene, he was stunned.

What did those Glory Lords do? Why were the pirates chasing after them?

Then, he suddenly realized.

Huh? Weren't they blocking the entrance to the Mystic Realm and forcing the Glory Lords to hand over their gains?

He had lost his focus for a moment and failed to intervene.

But if they let them escape, they would truly gain nothing.

The officer glanced at the approaching Krieg fleet.

He wasn't foolish. He knew the formidable power of the Blood Spirit Warriors. If both sides engaged in a skirmish, they would undoubtedly lose. So now, they needed to create some distance and utilize their firepower advantage by unleashing their cannons.

Thus, the fleet of the Bauhinia Alliance formed a formation, manoeuvring at high speed while firing their cannons.

The battlefield situation once again underwent a change.

The Bauhinia Alliance fleet and Krieg's main fleet chased after each other and began to engage in an intense fire.

It was unknown if it was intentional or not, but Bauhinia's fleet was also heading in the direction of the fleeing player fleet.

When the players saw this scene, they started cursing again.

They didn't do anything outrageous, so why did everyone seem to be chasing after them?

"Sir, the left side of the ship is damaged!"

"All the crossbows at the stern are damaged!"

"The sails are damaged, and the power has decreased slightly!"

Sparrow kept reporting the damage, and every word made Ji Chen's heart sink.

Let's forget about being able to return to the territory safely, it was already good enough that he hadn't lost a few arms and legs.

Listening to the sound of cannonballs flying past his ears, he knew that he could not continue like this. He had to think of a way.

They looked at the fleet that was chasing after them in several echelons. They were only about a kilometer away from each other.

This was considered a short distance on the sea.

The New Moon lacked cannons, so it was impossible to defeat the pirates, Krieg, or the Bauhinia Alliance.

In such a vast sea, he was a living target.

Therefore, the best solution now was to head to the nearby Silver Islands at full speed. They would use the complicated sea area and the numerous islands there to avoid the bombardment. They would hide their ships and find an opportunity to escape!

Ji Chen didn't hesitate for even half a second.

He ordered Sparrow to turn the bow slightly and sail toward the Silver Islands.

In order to speed up, he even controlled the waves at the stern to push the ship forward.

His speed increased in an instant, and he moved forward.

The players in the second tier were dumbfounded when they saw this.

"How can this guy's ship travel so fast!? This was a medieval sailing ship, not a steamship!"

"Look at the direction it's heading in...It was the Silver Islands, the headquarters of the Bauhinia Alliance."

"Wait a minute...I understand now! They wanted to use the complex terrain of the Silver Islands to escape pursuit!"

"I see. Good idea! Then why are we still waiting? Follow suit!"

The New Moon swiftly darted into the midst of the island chain, instantly concealed by towering mountains and dense foliage.

Following suit, the player fleet dispersed in all directions the moment they entered the island chain, disappearing behind the islands like scurrying mice.

The pirate fleet, without hesitation, sailed towards the spot where the New Moon had vanished.

The Krieg fleet, which was in pursuit of the New Moon, hesitated briefly before following the pirate fleet.

Lastly, both the Bauhinia Alliance fleet and the Krieg flagship fleet, still engaged in intense fire, also entered the island chain, maneuvering and firing amidst the islands.

The exhilarating open sea confrontation swiftly transformed into a skillful island-based shootout.

Under Ji Chen's acceleration, the New Moon moved like an agile fish, constantly manoeuvring between complex islands, quickly leaving behind the pursuing pirate fleet and Krieg sub-fleets.

"My Lord, should we leave this place immediately?" Sparrow asked.

Ji Chen looked at the surrounding islands, and his thoughts began to run wild.

The initiative was back in his hands. With the high mobility of the New Moon, he could move around here easily.

However, due to the composition of the pirate fleet and the Krige sub-fleets, their speed was certainly lacking. In order to efficiently locate the New Moon, they had to divide their forces. Once they divided, it meant there was an opportunity to exploit.

"We won't retreat for now. Let's seize the chance to give them a good beating!"

"As you wish," Sparrow replied with a hint of excitement on his face.

After their previous frantic pursuit, he had been holding back his frustration. Now, with the Lord's order to counterattack, it aligned perfectly with his desires.

The New Moon sailed slowly on the surface of the sea, while all the shallow sea murlocs and Naga Warriors were dispatched to scout the enemy's positions.

The sea breeze blew, and the murlocs and Naga Warriors leapt through the water.

Soon, the shallow sea murlocs and Naga Warriors returned with a piece of news.

Two pirate ships were manoeuvring in the southwest direction, only about a kilometer away from the New Moon in a straight line. However, due to several islands blocking their view, they couldn't see the exact location of the New Moon.

Two pirate ships...

Jichen nodded silently.

Typically, a pirate ship of the Black Skull Pirates had about 200 elite pirates onboard. So, two ships meant 400 elite pirates, a number they could handle.

On the two pirate ships.

The pirates looked at the surrounding islands and seas, feeling restless in their hearts..