

Trapped In Paradise

Volume 3 Chapter 19 / Chapter 524: Everyday Life at Home

Ning Chu had once been a fairly independent person.

She had gone alone to a strange city for university, worked part-time jobs on her own, rented apartments by herself, and searched for internships independently...

Although she still relied on the living expenses provided by her grandparents at the time, in her day-to-day life she was used to facing everything alone.

But ever since becoming a girl and getting together with Wen Yang, she had gradually been spoiled rotten.

That guy was always looking after her. Whether it was picking up food deliveries, ordering meals in the cafeteria, or simply walking down the street, Wen Yang would carry her shoulder bag and make sure it contained anything she might need.

She never had to worry about anything. As long as she sat there and waited, Wen Yang would happily take care of most things for her.

Even when it came to intimate activities, Wen Yang was usually the one taking the lead, while she was responsible for coming up with fun ideas...

For example, during the Year of the Rabbit, she had dressed up as a bunny girl. Though admittedly, a rabbit with horns was rather strange.

As a result, after returning home, she found herself experiencing a bit of withdrawal.

Whenever she went out with Black Bean and saw something she wanted to eat, she would instinctively glance to her side, expecting Wen Yang to buy it for her. When she wanted a can of cola at home, she would subconsciously look for Wen Yang to go downstairs and get it.

She had been wary from the very beginning about being spoiled by Wen Yang's care.

Yet in the end, she had still been pampered into a little princess—and she thoroughly enjoyed it.

"Wen— Black Bean, I want some cola."

"Then go buy some~ I'm doing homework."

Ning Chu turned her head and looked at Black Bean, who was sitting at the desk working on her school assignments. Her lips moved slightly, but she ultimately resisted the urge to order Black Bean around.

A person should stay independent, after all.

Being constantly taken care of wasn't really a good thing, even if it was comfortable.

She thought about getting up and going downstairs, but the convenience store at the entrance of the residential complex was at least a ten-minute round trip.

With a dejected sigh, she collapsed face-first onto the table.

"Sis~ Are you trying to get me to buy it for you?"

"If you want to?"

Black Bean padded across the wooden floor barefoot, her feet making soft *pat-pat* sounds. She ran over to Ning Chu's side and tilted her head at her slumped older sister.

"But I'm too lazy to go downstairs~"

"..."

"I want to go see a movie tonight! My classmates all said this animated film is really good!"

Without the slightest hesitation, Ning Chu nodded.

"Then I'll go watch it with you tonight."

At least Black Bean's entire life no longer revolved around food.

"The popcorn there! I've never had it before! Mom says popcorn is high in calories and makes you gain weight if you eat too much."

"You're not seriously going to the movie just for the popcorn, are you?"

She saw right through Black Bean instantly.

The little cat had at least learned to pretend a little now, but the moment she mentioned popcorn, she was practically drooling.

Embarrassed, Black Bean's ears twitched.

She turned around and bolted.

"I'll go buy your cola!"

But only a moment later, she poked her head back in.

"Sis! I don't have any money!"

"Take my phone with you."

"Okay~"

Soon, the sound of the front door slamming shut echoed from outside.

Ning Chu pursed her lips, stretched lazily, and got up to organize the luggage she had shipped back home some time ago.

Most of it consisted of miscellaneous odds and ends.

A half-used bottle of conditioner.

A whitening serum she had barely touched.

Toner and skincare products.

A wig she had impulsively bought on a whim.

Perhaps because succubi were naturally gifted, she had discovered that even without skincare products, her skin remained in excellent condition. As long as she kept it moisturized, she was fine; otherwise it would become dry, itchy, and painful.

As for the wig, she had only realized after buying it that the horns growing from her head made a full wig impossible to wear. Hair extensions were the only practical option.

One package after another was unpacked by Ning Chu.

Useful items were placed to one side.

Useless ones were stored away in a cabinet...

Until she reached the final parcel—a package wrapped with unusual care and sealed exceptionally tightly.

With Black Bean out of the house and her mother busy watching a TV drama in her bedroom, now was the perfect chance to unpack it and hide it away!

She definitely didn't want to end up in the same embarrassing situation Lily had once faced...

If her family found out, even though her mother knew she was a perfectly normal succubus, the sheer embarrassment would make her want to flee the house immediately.

Ning Chu grabbed the package wrapped tightly in layers of tape and tried tearing it open with her hands. After struggling for quite a while without making any progress, she had no choice but to run to the kitchen and fetch a pair of scissors.

The master bedroom door was open.

Seeing her daughter rushing past the doorway like a whirlwind and then racing back again, Ning Juan curiously sat up on the bed and peeked toward the second bedroom.

Just then—

Bang!

The bedroom door shut firmly, followed by the distinct click of the lock engaging.

"So mysterious."

Ning Juan could guess eight or nine-tenths of what was going through her daughter's mind.

Inside the room, Ning Chu locked the door and moved with exaggerated caution, like a guilty thief. It felt as though making even the slightest noise would get her caught red-handed.

She cut open the package, revealing a large box.

Lifting the lid, she found it packed full of oddly shaped sex toys with a wide variety of functions.

In the past, she had still been somewhat reserved. Whenever Lily enthusiastically recommended these sorts of things, she would brush her off, blushing furiously whenever the topic came up.

But now her own collection included quite a few unusually shaped "monsters."

Some were heated.

Some could extend and retract.

Some vibrated or swayed.

They came with all sorts of features.

At this point, her collection might even surpass Lily's.

As a succubus—and as the heroine who had gone through plenty of plot developments alongside the hentai protagonist—it was perfectly normal to own a few dildoes, right?

But under absolutely no circumstances could her family find out!

After taking only a quick glance inside the box, Ning Chu immediately closed it and looked around the room for a suitable hiding place.

The box was simply too large.

None of the drawers could fit it, but separating the contents and hiding them individually would make them easier for her family to discover. And with Black Bean around, who knew which drawer she'd decide to open one day?

Her gaze drifted upward to the top compartment of the wardrobe—the storage space pressed against the ceiling where blankets were kept.

Unfortunately, it was too high.

Even standing on a chair wouldn't be enough for her to reach it.

She might need to fetch the folding ladder from the balcony.

Suddenly, the sound of the front door opening echoed from outside.

Already tense, Ning Chu nearly jumped out of her skin.

She hurriedly shoved the box beneath the bed.

"Ning Xin, come over here for a moment!"

But it was Black Bean whom their mother called into the living room.

Ning Chu froze for a second, then pushed the box even farther under the bed before getting up and opening her door to peek outside.

Their mother was sitting on the sofa.

Her slender succubus tail was raised high in the air, swaying and twitching enticingly.

The sight instantly awakened Black Bean's feline instincts.

Standing on tiptoe, she repeatedly tried to catch the "cat teaser," only for the tail to hook around and lure her into scrambling all over the sofa.

Hearing the bedroom door open, Ning Juan looked up at Ning Chu in surprise.

"That was fast."

"Huh?"

Seeing the bewildered look on Ning Chu's face, Ning Juan awkwardly lowered her tail.

"Nothing. Ning Xin, go play with your sister."

"Oh..."

Unable to catch the teasing tail, Black Bean looked somewhat dejected. Her own tail drooped as she walked over and handed the cola to Ning Chu.

"Finish today's homework, and I'll let your sister's tail play with you."

"Huh? No way! It hurts when she catches it!"

"Okay!"

Black Bean immediately brightened up and dashed excitedly into the bedroom.

Feeling uneasy, Ning Chu followed after her, terrified that the box hidden beneath the bed would be discovered.

But nobody randomly looked under a bed for no reason... right?

And even if someone noticed a black box underneath, surely they wouldn't lie on the floor, struggle to drag it out, and then open it...

Yet she couldn't shake the feeling that she had just planted a whole forest of death flags behind her.

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