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Dragon City Dragon Breeding Guide

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Introduction to Dragon City Dragon Breeding

Dragon City has captivated millions of players around the world with its vibrant world of dragons, islands, and battles. At the heart of the game lies one of its most exciting features: dragon breeding. Whether you are a new player looking to expand your collection or a veteran seeking that elusive legendary dragon, mastering the art of breeding is essential. This comprehensive **Dragon City Dragon Breeding Guide**will walk you through everything you need to know, from basic mechanics to advanced strategies. By the end, you'll be equipped to create a powerful and diverse dragon army, ready to conquer any challenge.

Breeding in Dragon City is not just about luck—it's about understanding elements, timing, and the subtle mechanics that govern which dragons appear. This guide is designed to be your go-to resource, providing clear explanations and actionable tips. We will cover the fundamentals, explore rare combinations, and reveal how to maximize your chances of breeding the most coveted dragons. Let's dive in and unlock the secrets of successful dragon breeding.

The Basics of Dragon Breeding

Before you start mixing dragons, it is crucial to understand the core mechanics. Breeding allows you to combine two adult dragons to produce an egg, which then hatches into a new dragon. The resulting dragon's elements are determined by the combination of its parents' primary and secondary elements. Here are the essential steps to get started:

- Unlock the Breeding Island: The Breeding Island is available from the start. Upgrading it to higher levels reduces breeding time and can unlock new possibilities.
- Select Adult Dragons: Both dragons must be at least level 4 to breed. Higher-level dragons may slightly improve the chances of rare outcomes, but the breedable dragons themselves are level independent.
- Place Dragons in the Breeding Island: Tap on the Breeding Island, choose your two dragons, and confirm the pairing. The game will then show the expected breeding time.
- Wait or Speed Up: Breeding takes real time. You can use gems to speed up the process, but patience is often rewarded.
- Hatch the Egg: Once breeding is complete, the egg appears. You can then move it to the Hatchery to hatch.

Remember that breeding is a combination of chance and predetermined rules. The game uses a hidden probability system for each combination. While you cannot guarantee a specific dragon, knowing the right mix of elements dramatically increases your odds.

Understanding Elements and Their Combinations

Elements are the foundation of all dragons in Dragon City. There are ten primary elements: Flame, Nature, Sea,

Electric, Ice, Metal, Dark, Light, Legend, and Pure. Each dragon possesses between one and four elements. Understanding how elements interact is critical for targeted breeding.

Primary and Secondary Elements

Every dragon has a primary element (the first one listed) and one or more secondary elements. When breeding, the game considers the combination of all elements from both parents. For example, breeding a Flame dragon (single element) with a Nature dragon (single element) can result in a dragon that has both Flame and Nature, or a hybrid like the **Turtle Dragon**(Sea + Nature). Note that the specific dragon that appears depends on the exact combination of elements, not just the parent names.

Element Chart for Quick Reference

Here is a simple list of elements and some of their common hybrid outcomes:

- Flame + Nature : Often yields a combination of Fire and Plant dragons, such as the Flower Dragon or Firebird.
- Sea + Electric : Can produce the Shock Turtle or Electric Eel Dragon.
- Ice + Metal : Leads to the Steel Dragon or Frostbite Dragon.
- Dark + Light : A classic pair that can give the Shadow Dragon or Lightning Dragon.
- Legend + Any Element : Legend dragons are rare and can combine with others to produce unique hybrids like the Mythic Dragon or Heroic Dragon.

To breed efficiently, always check the "Dragon Book" in-game to see which dragons are possible from a given combination. This will save you time and resources.

Breeding Rare and Legendary Dragons

Every player dreams of owning legendary dragons. These powerful creatures not only look amazing but also offer high stats and unique abilities. However, breeding them requires strategy and a bit of luck. Here are some proven tips:

Use High-Level Dragons

While level does not directly influence the dragon type, higher-level dragons have been reported to increase the chance of rare outcomes. Aim to level your dragons to at least level 10 before breeding for legendaries. Some players swear by level 15 or higher.

Breed During Events

Dragon City frequently runs breeding events that temporarily increase the chance of specific rare dragons. Pay attention to the in-game calendar and breed during these windows. The event bonuses can significantly improve your odds.

Know the Legendary Recipes

Legendary dragons often require a combination of three or four elements. For example, the **Pure Dragon** (a legendary type) is bred by combining two dragons that each have at least one Pure element. A popular pair is the **Pure Flame Dragon** and a **Pure Nature Dragon**. Similarly, the **Heroic Dragon**families require specific element combinations that are often announced during events.

Be Patient and Persistent

Breeding a legendary can take dozens of attempts. Do not get discouraged if you get the same common hybrids repeatedly. Keep trying, and eventually, the egg you want will appear. Many players track their attempts to identify patterns.

Breeding Times and Time Optimization

Time is a valuable resource in Dragon City. Breeding times range from a few minutes (common dragons) to over 60 hours (legendary dragons). Knowing how to manage these times can accelerate your progress.

Common Breeding Times

- Common dragons: 2 to 8 hours
- Rare dragons: 8 to 24 hours
- Very Rare dragons: 24 to 48 hours
- Legendary dragons: 48 hours to over 72 hours

Strategies to Speed Up Breeding

If you are impatient, you can spend gems to instantly complete breeding. However, gems are precious, so use them wisely. A good strategy is to focus on breeding dragons with shorter times when you are active, and start long breeding sessions before you go to sleep. For example, if a breed takes 20 hours, start it before bedtime so it finishes when you wake up.

Additionally, upgrading your Breeding Island and Hatchery reduces the base time for breeding and hatching. This is a worthwhile investment for serious breeders.

The Breeding Tree and Recommended Pairs

To help you navigate the vast number of possibilities, here is a "breeding tree" of reliable pairs for different rarity levels. These are time-tested combinations that yield consistent results.

Common and Uncommon Dragons

- Flame Dragon + Nature Dragon = Firebird, Flower Dragon, or Turtle Dragon (if Sea is involved).
- Sea Dragon + Electric Dragon = Shock Turtle, Electric Eel, or Puffer Dragon.
- Ice Dragon + Metal Dragon = Steel Dragon, Frostbite Dragon, or Armored Dragon.

Rare and Very Rare Dragons

- Dark Dragon + Light Dragon = Shadow Dragon, Light Dragon, or Prism Dragon.
- Pure Dragon + Any Elemental Dragon = Pure hybrid (e.g., Pure Flame, Pure Nature).
- Legend Dragon + Pure Dragon = Mythic Dragon or Heroic Dragon (during events).

Legendary and Mythic Dragons

For legendary dragons, you need to combine two dragons that together cover four or more different elements. For instance, the **Apocalypse Dragon**(Dark + Ice + Nature) can be bred using a Dragon with Dark/Ice and a Dragon with Nature/Ice. Check online resources or the Dragon City community for the latest proven combos, as the game updates often.

Advanced Breeding Tips and Tricks

Once you have mastered the basics, you can take your breeding game to the next level with these advanced strategies.

Use the Dragon Book as Your Bible

The in-game Dragon Book lists every dragon you have discovered and those you haven't. Tap on a missing dragon to see possible breeding combinations. This feature is invaluable for targeted breeding.

Breed Multiple Times for Rarity

Rarity percentages are low, so the more attempts you make, the higher your overall chance. Consider setting up multiple breeding islands (available through upgrades or purchases) to run several breeding attempts simultaneously. This exponentially increases your chances of hitting a rare dragon.

Breeding Events and Limited-Time Dragons

Some dragons are only available during special events. Always participate in these events because they often have boosted breeding odds. Stockpile food and gold beforehand so you can hatch and raise dragons quickly.

Keep a Breeding Journal

Record every breeding attempt, including the dragons used, the result, and the time. Over time, you will spot patterns and identify which combinations are most successful for you. Many top players share their journals online.

Utilize the Breeding Sanctuary

If you have access to the Breeding Sanctuary (a premium building), it allows for three-dragon breeding, which can unlock rare dragons not possible with only two. This is especially useful for breeding legendary and heroic dragons.

Common Mistakes to Avoid

Even experienced breeders make errors. Here are some pitfalls to watch out for:

- Breeding the same two dragons repeatedly without variation: Mix up your pairs to target different elements.
- Ignoring the Dragon Book: Always check if your chosen pair can actually produce the dragon you want.
- Using low-level dragons for rare breeding: While not proven, many players believe higher levels improve odds. Level them up.
- Wasting gems on short breeds: Save gems for speeding up long legendary breeds or for purchasing the Breeding Sanctuary.
- Not participating in events: You miss out on boosted rates and exclusive dragons.

Conclusion

Breeding dragons in Dragon City is a rewarding and strategic endeavor. With the knowledge from this **Dragon City Dragon Breeding Guide**, you are now equipped to breed efficiently, target rare dragons, and expand your collection like a pro. Remember that patience, persistence, and a systematic approach are your best allies. Use the Dragon Book, experiment with different element combinations, and keep an eye on special events. Soon, you will have a team of legendary dragons ready to dominate battles and impress your friends. Happy breeding!

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