Vraclav, Ústí nad Orlicí dist., Pardubice Region

Early Medieval hillfort

(11th-13th cent.)

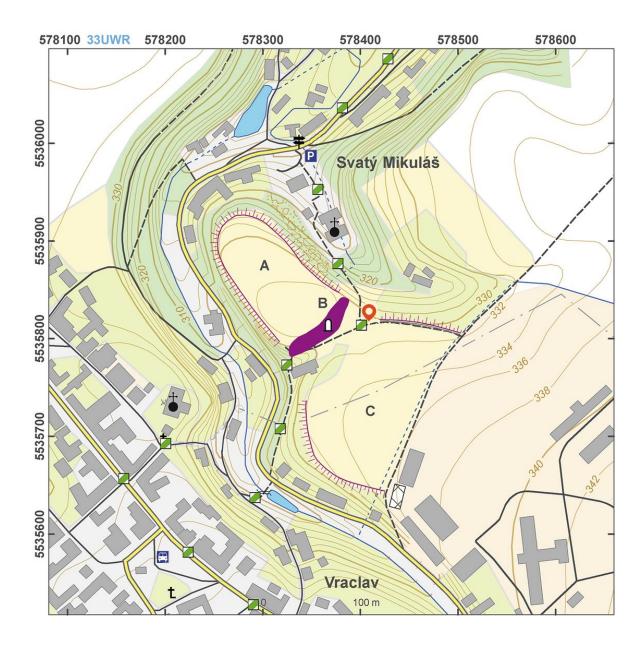


A Přemyslid administrative centre situated on the 'Trstěnice Trail' connecting Bohemia and Moravia. The hillfort had traditionally been attributed to King Vratislav II (ruled 1061-1092), but it appears that it was in fact built at the turn of the 11th century. The hillfort was an administrative centre until the mid 13th century. Vraclav is tied to one of the attempts to exterminate the rival Vršovec family, which actually occurred in 1108. All that remains of the hillfort is the bank around the acropolis; excavations uncovered remains of buildings and evidence of crafts and trade.

References: Skružný 1962; Charvát 1980.

Navigation points: N 49°58'10.25", E 16°05'35.86".

Map notes: A – acropolis; B – bank; C – bailey.



Access map / site plan.

After Kuna et al. 2014.



Hillfort's fortification, taken from southwest.

Photo J. Mařík, 2014.



Hillfort's fortification.

Photo J. Mařík, 2014.



Memorial in the memory of slaughtering of the Vršovci noble family in 1108, built in 1908. Photo J. Mařík, 2014.



Aerial view of the hillfort. Photo J. Mařík, 2014.



Aerial view of the hillfort. Photo J. Mařík, 2014.