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Jičina, Nový Jičín distr., Moravian-Silesian Region

Prehistoric hillfort Požaha

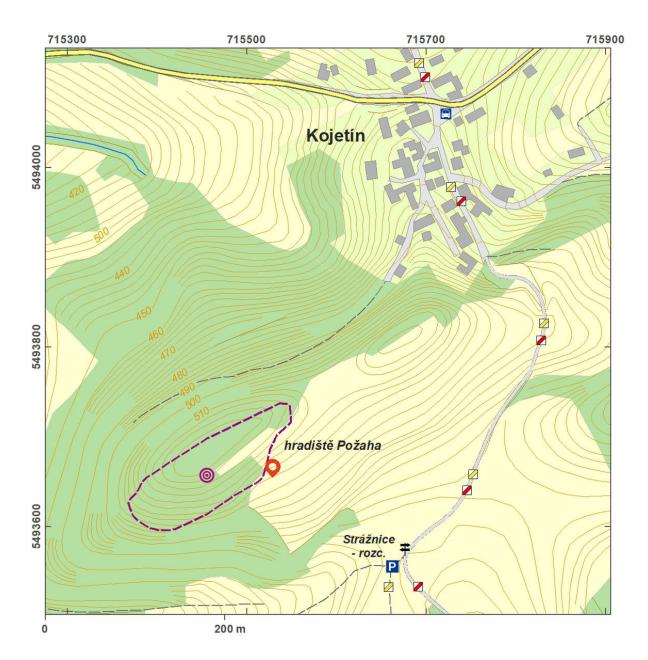
(from 160 BC to 20s/30s AD)



Požaha counts among the most important monuments of the Púchov culture (Late La Tène period) in Moravia. The hillfort was discovered in the 1st half of the 20th century; the first archaeological excavation was undertaken only in the 2nd half of the same century. We have evidence of the remains of cabins (partially sunken into the slopes) and of the fortification. The finds feature items like ceramic vessels, glass and amber beads, a glass fragment of Italian origin, bronze bracelets and finger rings, strap-ends, iron tools and weapons. A piece of iron slag witnesses iron smelting at the site. The desertion of the hillfort seems to be connected with a thick burnt layer. The hillfort is situated in a strategic position, covers a surface of about 0.5 ha and has an oval ground plan. Defensive features are not visible in the terrain any more.

References: Jisl 1968; Čižmář 2004.

Navigation point: N 49°33'25.49", E 17°58'49.07".



Access map.

After Tomášek et al. 2015.



Požaha hillfort. Photo M. Zezulová, 2015.