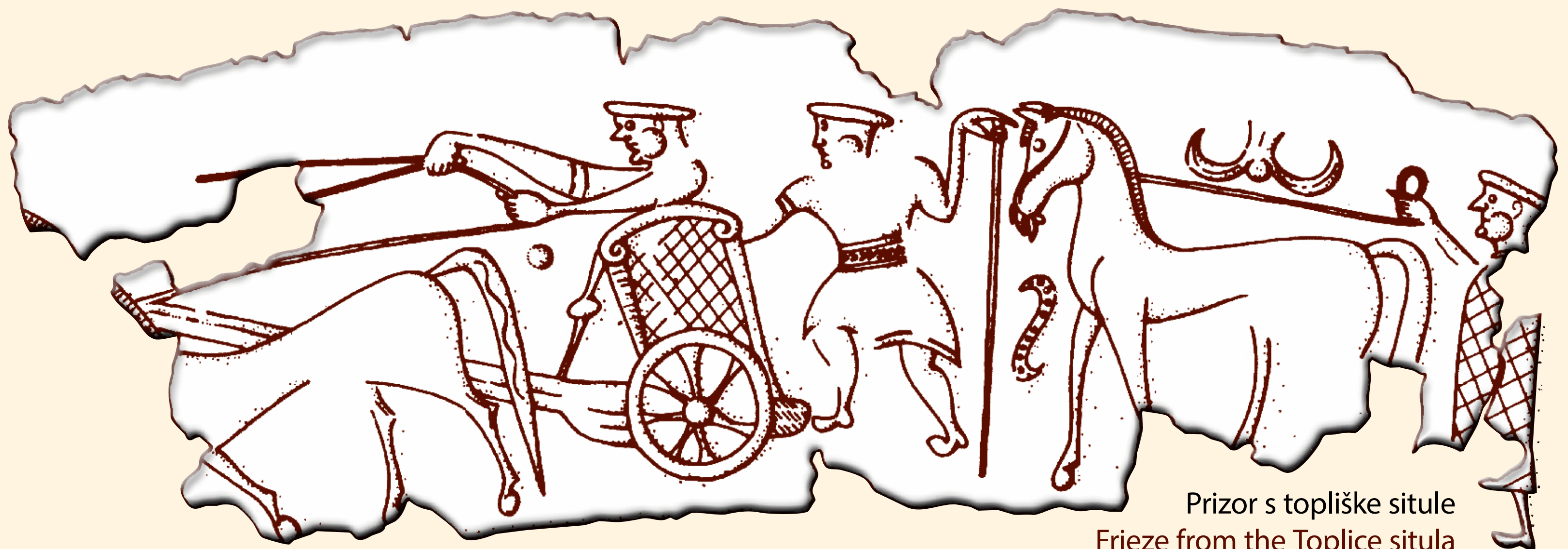


Arheološka pot | Archaeological Trail

CVINGER



Prizor s topliške situle
Frieze from the Toplice situla

Prazgodovinsko gradišče Cvinger pri Dolenjskih Toplicah je z zemljenim nasipom in kamnitim obzidjem utrjeno naselje, ki je bilo poseljeno v 1. tisočletju pr. n. št. Leži na vrhu 265 m visoke, z gozdom porasle vzpetine Cvinger med reko Krko ter potokoma Sušico in Radeščico. Obzidje, ki v celoti obdaja vrh, je bilo na več mestih arheološko raziskano in na enem odseku rekonstruirano.

Južno od naselja leži večje **talilniško območje**. Pridobivanje in predelava železa ter trgovanje z železnimi izdelki so takratnim prebivalcem omogočali gospodarski razcvet.

Na območju **gomilnih grobišč**, kjer so prebivalci Cvingerja pokopavali svoje pokojnike, so bile z arheološkimi izkopavanji že konec 19. stol. odkrite bogate najdbe, kot so okrašeno bronasto in lončeno posodje, železno orodje in orožje ter bronast, steklen in jantarni nakit.

Ostaline nekdanje poselitve povezuje označena **arheološka pot**. Na gradišču, pred vstopi vanj, pri Cvingerski jami, talilniškem območju in na gomilnem grobišču so pojasnjevalne table. Za 2,5 km dolg sprehod po gozdu vam priporočamo terensko obutev. Srečno pot!

The Prehistoric hillfort on Cvinger near Dolenjske Toplice is a settlement defended by an earthen bank and drystone rampart, which was occupied in the 1st millennium BC. It is located on the summit of the forested Cvinger hill, which is located between the river Krka and the Sušica and Radeščica streams. The rampart encircles the hilltop. It has been subject to archaeological investigation in several places and a short section has been reconstructed.

A large **iron-smelting area** is located to the south of the settlement. The extraction and processing of iron and trade in iron artefacts were the basis for the economic prosperity of the inhabitants of the hillfort.

The barrow cemetery, where the inhabitants of Cvinger buried their dead, was excavated at the end of the 19th century. The rich finds include decorated bronze and pottery vessels, iron weaponry and tools, as well as bronze, glass and amber jewellery.

The archaeological trail links the archaeological remains. Explanatory panels are located at the hillfort entrance, at the Cvinger cave, at the iron-production area and near the barrow cemetery. We advise the use of suitable footwear for walking the 2.5 km trail through the forest. Have a good walk!

