The Tirslund Stone

The Tirslund Stone (Tislund Stenen) is freely accessible in a grove in Tirslund Plantation. It is a real climbing stone with a circumferenceredof 16 metres and a large notch at the top, which it got in 1792 when the local priest tried to blow it up.

The Tirslund Stone consists of gneiss granite with elongated red-brown calcite crystals that are clearly aligned. The crystals are typically 5-6 cm long and 1-2 cm wideredand often with twins. In between are quartz and light-coloured plagioclase. The black minerals are probably hornblende.

The journey of the Tirslund Stone

The Tirslund Stone is located on Holsted Hill Island between Holsted and Brørup in the marginal moraine landscape to which the Tirslund Mountains belong. The Tirslund Stone has been exposed to radiation from the sky for almost 75,000 years. So it saw the light of day again after travelling encapsulated in the ice sheet 75,000 years ago. The exposure time suggests that the Tirslund Stone was brought to Tirslund during the last ice age in the Middle Vistula. The Ristinge Ice Stream 55-50,000 years ago now reached about 25 kilometres further west than the Main Advance, which stood at the Main State Line 23-21,000 years ago. The field stones in the area are predominantly Baltic and possibly Swedish in origin. It is not unlikely that the Tirslund Stone comes from

the Baltic Sea region.

Cultural traces

The Tirslund Stone has a notch in the top. It happened in 1792 when the local priest tried to blow it up. The destruction was stopped and the pieces are at the foot of the stone. A bird is carved into the top of the stone.

The Tirslund Stone has a notch in the top after a priest tried to blow it up in 1792 Gold sledge, trolls and gods The Tirslund Stone and Hamborggård Stone are associated with the legend that Harald Bluetooth tried to have the giant stone dragged to Jelling on an iron or gold sledge. The sledge is said to still be there, as no one has managed to dig it out.

Legends

Several troll legends are told about the Tirslund Stone. One troll is said to have thrown it at Føvling Church in envy that he - the troll - had no steeple on his own church. Another troll is said to have thrown the stone at Brørup Church. Tirslund is reminiscent of the god of war, Tyr, who was probably worshipped in the forest grove.

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