

SUMMARY

Water mills

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1. The mill of Padubysis—one of newer more modern mills in the basin of Dubysa river. Rather progressive grinding equipment were used in the mill: the rolls, flat bolters, grain sorting machines, filters. Two turbines were driving the mill.

2. The dam of the mill is characteristic of the Dubysa–Šušvė basin mills.

3. The remains of an old hydro-technical plant were skillfully applied.

4. During the German occupation years mills were very important. They supplied with flour the Reich army first of all and the local population after it. The local millers were considered not trust-worthy and they were replaced by the German protégé.

5. The example of the Butkevičiai family shows that milling had become the profession of their family.

6. The mill of Padubysis is a valuable heritage object and there is enough data for its restoring. After restoring the mill, the turbines must be returned to their former places.