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The Castle della Fava

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■ Overhead walkways

In the wall built to defend the castle della Fava (fig. 1), the overhead walkways can still be partly seen. In the inner boundary wall, these passages (fig. 2) which allowed keeping watch over the fortress, were probably along the sides which formed the perimeter of the parade ground, except in the stretch where the tower stands. They were of varying width, and then narrowed until they disappeared near the watch tower. The walkway was accessed via a wooden staircase or via a structure in the parade yard, but no comparison hypothesis is possible due to a lack of available archaeological data. Holes are visible in the inner part (figs 3-4) along a horizontal or vertical line; these holes probably housed wooden beams: some completed the walkway, others supported the structure on which the soldiers guarding the castle walked.



Fig. 1 - The fortress of the Castello della Fava which shows the parade ground and the tower (Reconstruction by M. G. Arru, photo by Unicity S.p.A.).



Fig. 2 - Detail of the walkway around the inner perimeter wall (photo by Unicity S.p.A.).



Fig. 3 - Holes housing wooden beams, arranged vertically (photo by Unicity S.p.A.).



Fig. 4 - Housing holes arranged horizontally, for the supporting beams of the walkways (photo by Unicity S.p.A.).



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