

## **Abstract**

The diploma thesis deals with informal mining of moldavites and groups of diggers in South Bohemia who are engaged in this activity. Through ethnographic research, participant observation and informal interviews, it seeks to understand the lives, practices and motivations of this marginalised group, as reflected in its stylistic form. The research provides a bottom up extractivism perspective that aims to reveal the interactions between the digger and the surrounding environment, and explores the various aspects that influence this activity. The work provides a new perspective on extractive mining from the perspective of the actors themselves and contributes to a societal debate where the topic is a constant source of passion.

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