



ustan is located in the Peran wilderness at the northern terminus of the road known as the Scarlet Ribbon. The site contains a ruined Corani Empire fort, numerous barrows, and the Kuboran village of Kus to the north of the fort.

Kustan is the site of the annual Kuboran tribal moot.

HISTORY

The Kubora believe that the semi-legendary prophet Kemlar the Guide bid them end their journey from the east at Kustan and that his mortal body is interred at the site. Kustan became a holy place to the Kubora and they began the custom of burying their chieftains in barrows. The village of Kus was established soon after the tribes arrived in Peran.

Kobar, the seventh Corani emperor, began the conquest of Peran in 410 TR. A trail was blazed into the wilderness and Corani legions were met by frenzied Kuboran assaults. Although the tribes fought with grim ferocity, they were no match for the trained legions of the empire. By 414, imperial troops had taken Kustan and constructed the fortress.

During the next several decades, the Corani Empire overran much of Peran, building several small outposts throughout the region to subjugate the tribes. Despite this, Corani control of Peran remained tenuous except within a day's march of Kustan. It was "the only refuge in the north" as a visitor called it in 462. The Kubora rose in

revolt 12 times between 414 and 477. This near-constant state of rebellion, coupled with attacks on caravans and patrols, was an unceasing drain on the imperial treasury, only partially compensated by the rich harvest of furs from Peran.

When Sylud became emperor in 465, he began to divert money to various artistic and learned pursuits. The Kustan garrison began to suffer long delays in receiving supplies and replacements. In 474, Nebran began to unify the Kuboran tribes. He was also able to convince the Urdu and Equani tribes to ally against the Corani. In 477, an expedition arrived in Kustan intent on discovering the barrow of Kemlar the Guide. Hearing of this outrage, Nebran stormed Kustan and annihilated the weakened, under-supplied garrison. Kustan's fall shattered the Corani Empire's hegemony in Peran. Fortunately for the Corani, Nebran was slain in the sack of Kustan and his fragile net of alliances died with him.

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