



KMP Life History Table – December 2020 (Shaz Alderton © kalahari-meerkats.com)

Group	No. of Members ¹⁾	Dominant at end of month ²⁾	No of Pups ³⁾	+Pregnant *Birth #Aborted ^Lost ⁴⁾	+Last seen *Dead #Predated ⁵⁾	+Emigrated *Immigrated #Leavers ^Returned "Evicted %Evictend ⁶⁾	Encounters ⁷⁾	Inter-group Encounters ⁸⁾	Group splits ⁹⁾	Absent at end of month ¹⁰⁾	Habituation Levels ¹¹⁾	Disease and TB status ¹²⁾
(Little) Creatures (CR)	Unk/6	VCRF013 Unknown	0	None	None	#VCRM008 x1	None	None	None	Unknown	Unknown	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	17/17	Unknown VUBM018	5	None	None	#VGDM016 x1 ^VGDM016 x1	VLM253 x1 UnknownAd x2	None	None	None	Advanced Progress	None
Phoenix (PH)	0/1 + 13 Wild Individuals	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	"VPHF001 x1	None	None	None	VPHF001	In Progress	None
Tswana (TS)	Unk/3	Unknown Unknown	0	Unknown	+VTSF009 +VTSF003 +VTSF005	+VTSF020 x1 +VTSM006 x1 +VTSM007 x1 +VTSM011 x1 +VTSM014 x1 +VTSM017 x1 +VTSM019 x1 +VTSM021 x1 +VTSM022 x1	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	None
Tswana2 (T2)	9/9	None Unknown	0	None	None	*VTSF020 x1 *VTSM006 x1 *VTSM007 x1 *VTSM011 x1 *VTSM014 x1 *VTSM017 x1 *VTSM019 x1 *VTSM021 x1 *VTSM022 x1	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress	None
Aristokats (AK)	GROUP DISBANDED											
Elrond's Council (EC)	23/24	VBBF117 VLM211	4	None	+VECM030	#VECM009 x1 #VECM013 x1 #VZUM033 x1 #VZUM034 x1 ^VECM013 x1 ^VZUM033 x1 ^VZUM034 x1	VNQM012 x1	Namaqua x1	None	VECM009	Incomplete	None

Fake-e-plan (FP)	6/6	Unknown VJXM122	0	None	None	+VJXM121 +VMPPM024 +VMPPM028	VJXM131 x1 VCRM010 x2	None	None	None	None	None	
Jaxx (JX)	14/16	VJXF080 VLM221	5	+VJXF080	+VJXF112 +VJXF128	+VJXM114 x1 #VJXF128 x1 #VJXF135 x1 #VJXF145 x1 #VJXM131 x3 #VJXM137 x1 #VJXM139 x1 ^VJXF145 x1 ^VJXM131 x3 ^VJXM137 x1 ^VJXM139 x1 "VJXF129 x1	UnknownPup x1 UnknownAd x1 UnknownAd x1 *VJXF129 x1	None	None	VJXF129 VJXF135	Fully	None	
Lazuli (L)	11/12	VLF230 VLM266	2	*VLF230	None	#VHMM023 x2 #VLF244 x1 #VLF246 x1 #VLM251 x1 #VLM253 x4 #VLM261 x1 #VLM265 x5 ^VHMM023 x2 ^VLF244 x2 ^VLF246 x2 ^VLM251 x1 ^VLM253 x5 ^VLM261 x1 ^VLM265 x5	UnknownAd x2 *VLF244 x1 *VLF246 x1 *VLM253 x1	None	Daily x1	VLM251	Incomplete	None	
Make-E-Plan (MP)	16/16	VQLF011 VVHM117	5	None	None	None	UnknownAd x1 VNQM012 x1 VLM265 x1	Namaqua x1	None	None	None	Fully	None
Namaqua (NQ)	10/10	VNQF009 VZUM026	0	None	+VQLF018	#VNQF013 x1 #VNQF016 x1 #VNQM012 x2 #VNQM018 x1 ^VNQF016 x1 ^VNQM012 x2 ^VNQM018 x1	VZUM033 x1 VLM265 x2 UnknownAd x1	Elronds Council x1 Make-e-plan x1	None	None	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	10/12	VZUF028 VWM213	0	+VZUF028	+VZUF029 +VZUF032	+VWM210 #VWM216 x2 ^VWM216 x3 #VZUF048 x1 #VZUF049 x1	VUBM025 x1 UnknownAd x3 VECM009 x2 VUBM024 x1 *VZUF048 x1 *VZUF049 x1	Ubuntu x1	None	VZUF048 VZUF049	Fully	None	

Explanations:

- 1) Number of meerkats present at the end of the month vs. total number of meerkats in group (both numbers including pups once they have emerged).
 - 2) Dominant individuals at the end of the month. Underlined ID codes indicate the individual newly acquired dominance in this month.
 - 3) Number of pups present in the group at the end of the month. -1 means that the group is babysitting an unknown number of pups (before emergence).
 - 4) Pregnancy status: + Pregnant at any time during the month, * gave birth, # aborted pre-term, ^ lost litter after giving birth.
 - 5) Individual status: + Last seen = Last seen (unknown cause), *Dead = found dead or euthanized, # Predated = assumed predated (for pups).
 - 6) +Emigrated = emigrated to another known group, *Immigrated = immigrated into group, #Leavers = Roving, evictions or other absence of members of the groups (including the number of leaves), ^Returned = returned to group after being previously AO, "Evicted= individuals who have been evicted from the group, %Evictend= Previously evicted individuals who have returned to the group.
 - 7) Encounters with individuals from other groups (including number of encounters) at the group or its splinters, * encounter with absent individuals (rovers/evictees) from own group, without re-joining.
 - 8) Encounters with other groups (Inter-Group-Interactions, IGIs).
 - 9) Group splits with type and how many (leaving individuals originating from splits are not considered in item 6); Daily: the group reunited the same day. Overnight: the group was separated for one or more nights.
 - 10) Individuals that are not with the group or a splinter including the dominant female, at the end of the month.
 - 11) Habituation level of the group: Fully: Fully habituated, i.e. all members can be weighed; Incomplete: Specific individuals in the group that have to be habituated; Advanced Progress: Habituation group where all individuals are identifiable through consistent dye marks and data is able to be collected on all individuals; In progress: Habituation group. Note: "Advanced Progress" habituation level addition made during April 2020 revision.
 - 12) Disease and TB status: TB: TB observed in group, D/I: Disease or injuries observed on single individuals.
- N/A: Not applicable (if a group has not been found, has split, has gone extinct).
- Groups marked grey: Habituation / dispersal group.