

KMP Life History Table – April 2017 (Megan Soulsby © kalahari-meerkats.com)

Group	No. of Members	Dominant at end of month ²⁾	No of Pups ³⁾	+Pregnant *Birth #Aborted ^Lost ⁴⁾	+Last seen *Dead #Predated ^Emigrated "Immigrated %Returned ⁵⁾	Leavers ⁶⁾	Encounters ⁷⁾	Inter-group Encounters ⁸⁾	Group splits ⁹⁾	Absent at end of month	Habitua tion Levels	Disease and TB status ¹²⁾
Annals of History (AH) (group disintegrated)	NA	NA NA	NA	None	^VBBF112 #VAHP001	VAHP001 x1	None	None	None	NA	NA	NA
Baobab (BB)	24/24	VBBF069 VVHM089	5	*VBBF107	%VBBM133	None	VBBF112 x4	None	None	None	Fully	D/I
Hakuna Matata (HM)	8/8	VLF206 VCVM001	0	None	+VHMF004	VHMF004 x1	VVHM101 x1 VWM186 x1	TB-or-not-TB x1	None	None	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	12/12	VJXF080 VLM207	0	+VJXF080	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	12/12	VLF222 VJXM095	-1	*^VLF222 *^VLF223 *VLF225 *^VLF226	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	D/I
Make-E-Plan (MP)	10/10	VQLF011 VZUM006	1	*VQLF018	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Pandora (PA)	4/5	No clear dominant VVHM092	-1	*VPAF050 *VPAF055	*VPAF050 *VPAM062	VPAM049 x4 VPAM053 x1	None	None	None	VPAM053	Fully	ТВ
Rascals (RR)	10/10	VRRF180 VRRM182	0	+VRRF180	#VRRP201 #VRRP202 #VRRP203 #VRRP204 #VRRP205	VRRP201 x1 VRRP202 x1 VRRP203 x1 VRRP204 x1 VRRP205 x1	None	Unknown x1	Daily x1	None	Fully	ТВ
Storm Troopers (SO)	6	Unknown VLM216	1	None	None	VRRM113 x1	None	None	None	None	In Process	None
TB-or-not-TB (TN)	3/3	VJXF089 VWM186	0	#VJXF089	None	VVHM101 x2 VWM186 x2	None	Hakuna Matata x1	None	None	Fully	ТВ
Ubuntu (UB)	17-18	VBBF109 Unknown	3	*VBBF111	%VBBF104	None	None	None	Overnight x1	None	In Process	ТВ

Van Helsing (VH)	22/22	VVHF042 VZUM017	3	+VVHF042	#VVHP120	VVHM102 x1 VVHP120 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Whiskers (W)	9/9	VWF176 VLM157	5	None	None	VWM205 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	7/7	VZUF007 VLM211	3	None	#VZUP031	VZUP031 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	D/I

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), * found dead or euthanized, # Predated = assumed predated (for pups), ^ Emigrated = emigrated to another known group, " Immigrated = immigrated into group, % immigrated back to previous group (after emigration);
- 6) Roving, evictions or other absence of members of the groups (including the number of leaves);
- 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 rejoining;
- 8) Encounters with other groups (Inter-Group-Interactions, IGIs);
- 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, in process: Habituation group.
- 12) Disease and TB status: TB: TB observed in group, D/I: Disease or injuries observed on single individuals.
- Groups marked grey: Habituation / dispersal group.