



KMP Life History Table – November 2017 (Lindsey Meador and Alice Petherick © 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 ^Emigrated "Immigrated %Returned ⁵⁾	Leavers ⁶⁾	Encounters ⁷⁾	Inter-group Encounters ⁸⁾	Group splits ⁹⁾	Absent at end of month ¹⁰⁾	Habituation Levels ¹¹⁾	Disease and TB status ¹²⁾
Baobab (BB)	21/22	No clear dominance VVHM089	0	None	*VBBF107	VBBM124 x1 VBBM130 x4 VBBM133 x1 VBBM141 x1	VNMM017 x3 VVHM102 x6 VVHM103 x6 VVHM075 x2	Unknown X1	Daily x1	VBBM130	Fully	TB
(Little) Creatures (CR)	6	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	VCRF001	In Process	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	8	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Process	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	9/9	VLF206 VCVM001	3	#VLF206	None	VHMM002 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	11/18	VJXF080 VLM207	6	*VJXF080	None	VJXM103 x1 VJXP107 x1 VJXP108 x1 VJXP111 x1	Unknown x4	None	None	VLM209 VJXF096 VJXF097 VJXM103 VJXP107 VJXP108 VJXP111	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	12/12	VLF223 VJXM095	0	+VLF223	^VLF225 ^VLF226 ^VLF227 ^VLF229	VLF227 x1 VLF229 x1	Unknown	Lazuli 3 x 1	None	None	Fully	D/I
Lazuli 3 (L3) (new dispersal group)	2/4	No clear dominance N/A	0	"VLF225 "VLF226 "VLF227 "VLF229	VLF225 x1 VLF226 x1	None	None	Lazuli x 1	None	VLF225 VLF226	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	9/13	VQLF011 VZUM006	4	*VQLF011	%VQLF018	VMPP009 x1 VMPP010 x1 VMPP011 x1 VMPP012 x1	None	None	None	VMPP009 VMPP010 VMPP011 VMPP012	Fully	D/I
Paprika (PR)	3	Unknown VVHM082	0	None	None	VVHM075 x1	None	None	None	VVHM075	Incomplete	TB
Storm Troopers (SO)	4	Unknown VLM216	0	None	%VLM216 %VEKM050	VLM216 x1 VEKM050 x1	None	Whiskers x 1	None	None	In Process	TB

TB-or-not-TB (TN)	4	VJXF089 Unknown	0	*VJXF089	None	None	None	None	None	None	Incomplete	TB
Ubuntu (UB)	11	VBBF109 Unknown	-1	+VBBF109	%VBBF104 %VBBF111	None	None	None	None	None	In Process	None
Van Helsing (VH)	20/23	VVHF042 VZUM017	-1	*VVHF042	^VVHF100 ^VVHF105 ^VVHF109 ^VVHF110 "VVHF100 "VVHF105 "VVHF109 "VVHF110	VNMM017 x2 VVHM102 x1 VVHM103 x2 VVHF110 x1	*VNMM017 x4 *VVHF105 x1 *VVHF109 x1 *VVHF110 x1 Unknown x2	Van Helsing 5 x3	Unknown Duration x1	VNMM017 VVHM102	Fully	None
Van Helsing 5 (new dispersal group) (rejoined parent group)	0/4	<i>No clear dominance</i>	0	None	"VVHF100 "VVHF105 "VVHF109 "VVHF110 ^VVHF100 ^VVHF105 ^VVHF109 ^VVHF110	VVHF100 x2 VVHF105 x1 VVHF109 x1 VVHF110 x1	None	Van Helsing x3	None	None	Fully	None
Whiskers (W)	10/10	VWF176 VLM157	2	#VWF176	+VWF204	None	None	Stormtroopers x 1	None	None	Fully	None
Yetis (YE)	4	<i>No clear dominance</i> <i>No clear dominance</i>	0	None	None	VYEM001 x1 VYEF005 x1	None	None	None	VYEM001 VYEF005	Incomplete	TB
Zulus (ZU)	5/6	VZUF007 VLM211	-1	*VZUF007	None	None	*VZUF014 x6 Unknown x1	None	None	VZUF014	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), * found dead or euthanized, # Predated = assumed predated (for pups), ^ Emigrated = emigrated to another known group, " Immigrated = immigrated into group, % returned to group after being previously AO;
 - 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 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; 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.