



KMP Life History Table – January 2018 (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)	19/20	VBBF132 No clear dominance	3	+VBBF142 #VBBF139	+VVHM089 +VBBM124 +VBBM141 %VBBM122 %VBBM123 x 3 %VBBM125 %VBBM128 %VBBM131 %VBBM133 %VBBM136 x 4 %VBBF137	VBBM122 VBBM123 x 4 VBBM125 VBBM128 VBBM131 VBBM133 VBBM136 x 4 VBBF137	*VBBM136 VNMM017 x 7 VVHF100 VVHM103 x 4 VVHM107 x 2 VVHM108 x 9 VVHF113 Unknown x 3	Van Helsing x 5	Daily x 3	VBBM123	Fully	TB
(Little) Creatures (CR)	6	Unknown Unknown	0	None	#VCRP003 #VCRP004 #VCRP005 %VCRF001 %VCRM002	VCRF001 x 2 VCRM002	None	None	None	VCRF001	In progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	8	No clear dominance Unknown	0	*VBBF117	None	None	None	None	None	None	In progress	None
Freetails (FR)	4/4	VLF225 NA	0	#VLF225 #VLF226	None	None	VUBM002 x 2	Lazuli x 1 Ubuntu x 2	None	None	Fully	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	13	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	In progress	D/I
Hakuna Matata (HM)	9/9	VLF206 VCVM001	0	None	#VHMP012 #VHMP013 %VHMM002 x 2	VHMM002 x 2	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	9/9	VJXF080 VLM207	0	None	%VJXM099	VJXM099	None	None	Overnight x 1	None	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	12/12	VLF223 VJXM095	-1	*VLF223	%VJXM100 %VLM224 x 2	VJXM100 VLM224 x 2	Unknown x 1	Freetails x 1	None	None	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	13/13	VQLF011 VZUM006	4	*VQLF018	None	None	VUBM002	Ubuntu x 1	None	None	Fully	None
Paprika (PR) (disintegrated)	0	Unknown No clear dominance	0	None	^VNMM017 ^VVHM075 ^VVHM102	None	None	None	None	None	Incomplete	None

Run Amuk (RU)	7/7	VJXF096 VLM209	4	+VJXF096 +VJXF097	#VRUP002	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Storm Troopers (SO)	2	No clear dominance VLM216	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	VSOFO01	Incomplete	TB
Ubuntu (UB)	10	VBBF111 Unknown	0	#VBBF104	^VBBF104 %VUBM002 x 2 %VUBM003	VUBM002 x 2 VUBM003 VUBM008	VBBF104 x 4	Freetails x 2 Make-e-plan x 1	None	VUBM008	In progress	TB
Van Helsing (VH)	20/21	VVHF042 VZUM017	0	+VVHF105	%VVHM103 x 5 %VVHM106 x 3 %VVHM107 x 3 %VVHM108 x 5 %VVHM112 x 2 %VVHF113 %VVHM114 %VVHF116	VVHF100 VVHM103 x 5 VVHM106 x 3 VVHM107 x 3 VVHM108 x 5 VVHM112 x 2 VVHF113 VVHM114 VVHF116	VBBM125 VBBM136 x 2 VNMM017 x 4 VVHM075 x 3 VVHM108 x 5 *VVHF100 x 6 *VVHM108 x 2	Baobab x 5	Daily x 1	VVHF100	Fully	None
Whiskers (W)	9/9	VWF176 VLM157	0	#VWF176	%VLM157 %VWM202 %VWM209	VLM157 VWM202 VWM209	None	None	Daily x 1	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	7/7	VZUF007 VLM211	0	+VZUF014	%VZUF014	VZUF014	None	None	None	None	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.