



KMP Life History Table – May 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)	18/19	VBBF132 No clear dominance	4	+VBBF134	"Wild male	None	VVHM112 x 2 Unknown x 1	None	Daily x 3	VBBM140	In progress	TB
(Little) Creatures (CR)	10	Unknown Unknown	3	*Unknown	%VCRF001	None	None	Lazuli x 1	None	None	In progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	8	Unknown Unknown	1	*Unknown	%VBBF116	VBBF116 x 2	Unknown x 2	Unknown x 1	None	VBBF116	In progress	None
Freetails (FR)	4	VLF226 Unknown	None	+VLF226	None	None	None	None	None	None	In progress	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	17	Unknown Unknown	5	*Unknown	None	None	None	None	None	None	In progress	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	10/10	VLF206 VCVM001	3	*VHMF001 ^VLF206	^VHMM002 ^VHMM003 %VHMM003	VHMM003	VLM209 x 3	Run Amuk x 2	None	None	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	11/11	VJXF080 VLM221	4	None	"VLM207	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	16/16	VLF223 VJXM095	None	None	%VLM228 %VJXM098	VLM228 VJXM098	VLM228 x 1	Little Creatures x 1 Ubuntu x 1	None	None	Fully	D/I
Make-E-Plan (MP)	14/14	VQLF011 VZUM006	2	None	VQLF018	VQLF018	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Run Amuk (RU)	5/5	VJXF097 VHMM002	None	None	+VRUM004 ^VLM209 "VHMM002 "VHMM003	VRUM004	VLM209 x 1 VHMM003 x 1	Hakuna Matata x 2	None	None	Fully	None
Ubuntu (UB)	14	VBBF111 Unknown	-1	*VBBF111	^VBBF104 %VBBF109	VBBF109 VBBF104	VLM228 x 1 VBBF104 x 6 *VBBF104 x 6 *VBBF109 x 3	Lazuli x 1	None	VBBF104	In progress	None
Van Helsing (VH)	24/27	VVHF042 VZUM017	6	None	%VVHF100 %VVHF105 %VVHM106 x 2 %VVHM108 x 2	VVHF100 x 2 VVHM106 x 3 VVHM108 x 3 VVHF109	Unknown x 1 *VVHF100 x 4 *VVHF105 x 2	None	Daily x 3	VVHF100 VVHM106 VVHM108	Fully	D/I

					%VVHF109 x 2 %VVHM112	VVHM112						
Whiskers (W)	14/14	VWF176 VLM157	5	*VWF176	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	8/9	VZUF007 VLM211	2	None	None	VZUF014	*VZUF014	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.