



KMP Life History Table – April 2021 (Sian Seymour, Bieke Maex © 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⁾
Gold Diggers (GD)	25/25	VGDF013 VUBM018	10	None	+VGDM016	#VGDF031 x1 #VGDM010 x1 #VGDM011 x1 ^VGDF031 x1 ^VGDM010 x1 ^VGDM011 x1	None	None	Daily x1	None	Advanced Progress	None
Phoenix (PH)	1/1 + 16 Wild Individuals	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	Unknown	In Progress	None
Trackie-Daks (TD)	12/12 + 2 Wild Individuals	Unknown VTSM014	-1	*UnknownAd	None	None	None	None	None	Unknown	In Progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	20/23	VBBF117 VLM211	0	None	None	#VBBF117 x1 #VECF026 x1 #VECM024 x3 ^VECM024 x2	None	None	None	VBBF117 VECF026 VECM024	Incomplete	None
Jaxx (JX)	21/21	VJXF080 VLM221	0	None	None	None	None	None	Daily x1	None	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	15/15	VL230 VLM266	5	None	None	+VLM257	None	None	None	None	Incomplete	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	22/22	VQLF011 VVHM117	0	#VQLF011	#VMPPF061	#VMPPF061 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Namaqua (NQ)	12/13	VNQF009 Unknown	3	None	#VNQU026	#VNQF025 x1 #VNQM028 x1 #VNQP027 x1 #VNQU026 x1 ^VNQM028 x1 ^VNQP027 x1	None	None	None	VNQF025	Fully	VNQF017

Runaways (RW) (formerly Fake-e-plan)	12/12	VMPF022 VJXM122	6	None	#VRWM007	#VRWM007 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	13/13	VZUF028 VWM213	0	None	None	None	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), *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.