



KMP Life History Table – September 2021 (Bieke Maex © kalahari-meerkats.com)

Group	No. of Members <sup>1)</sup>	Dominant at end of month <sup>2)</sup>	No of Pups <sup>3)</sup>	+Pregnant *Birth #Aborted ^Lost <sup>4)</sup>	+Last seen *Dead #Predated <sup>5)</sup>	+Emigrated *Immigrated #Leavers ^Returned "Evicted %Evictend <sup>6)</sup>	Encounters <sup>7)</sup>	Inter-group Encounters <sup>8)</sup>	Group splits <sup>9)</sup>	Absent at end of month <sup>10)</sup>	Habituation Levels <sup>11)</sup>	Disease and TB status <sup>12)</sup>
Gold Diggers (GD)	23/23	VGDF013 VUBM018	0	^VGDF013	None	None	None	None	Daily x2	None	Advanced Progress	None
Phoenix (PH)	1/1 + 20 Wild Individuals	Unknown Unknown	3	*UnknownF	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Trackie-Daks TD)	14/15	Unknown VTSM014	0	None	None	"VTSF020 x1 #VTSM017 x1 ^VTSM017 x1	VTSF020 x3	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	24/24	VECF032 VLM211	5	*VECF003	None	#VECM014 x1 ^VECM014 x1	None	None	Daily x1	None	Incomplete	None
Jaxx (JX)	25/25	VJXF080 VLM221	5	#VJXF080	None	#VJXF135 x1 #VJXM131 x1 ^VJXF135 x1 ^VJXM131 x1	None	None	Daily x1	None	Complete	None
Lazuli (L)	15/15	VLF230 VLM266	-1	*VLF230	None	None	None	None	None	None	Incomplete	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	21/22	VQLF011 VVHM117	0	^VQLF011	None	#VMPPM027 x1 #VMPPM036 x1 #VMPPM037 x1 #VVHM117 x1 ^VMPPM027 x1 ^VMPPM036 x1 ^VMPPM037 x1	None	Namaqua x1	Daily x4	VVHM117	Complete	None
Namaqua (NQ)	11/11	VNQM013 VZUM034	0	#VNQM013	None	#VNQM012 x1 #VNQM018 x1 ^VNQM012 x1 ^VNQM018 x1	VMPPM037 x1	Make-e-plan x1	None	None	Complete	VNQM016
Runaways (RW)	12/12	VMPF022 VJXM122	1	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Complete	None

<b>Side Quest (SI)</b>	8/8	VZUF048 VECM009	-1	*VZUF048	None	None	None	None	None	None	Complete	None
<b>Zulus (ZU)</b>	VZUF048 VWM213	13/13	0	^VZUF028	None	None	None	None	Daily x1	None	Complete	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 May 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.