



Group	No. of Members	Dominant at end of month ²⁾	No of Pups	+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⁾
Lazuli (L)	14/14	VLF230 Unknown	-1	*VLF230 *VLF240	+VLM258	None	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress	None
(Little) Creatures (CR)	5/6 + 1 Wild Individual	VCRF013 Unknown	-1	*VCRF009	None	#VCRF012	None	None	None	VCRF012	In Progress	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	8/8 + 1 Wild individual	Unknown Unknown	-1	*Unknown Female	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Tswana (TS)	12/15	VTSF009 Unknown	None	None	None	#VTSM014 #VTSM018 ^VTSM014 ^VTSM018	None	Hakuna Matata x1	Uncertain Duration x1	VTSM008 VTSM010 VTSF016	Advanced Progress	VTSF005
Elrond's Council (EC)	22/23 + 1Wild Individual	VBBF117 VLM211	10	None	#VECF020 #VECP021	#VZUM026 x5 ^VZUM026 x5 ^Yearling Female %VECF003	Unknown x1 *VECF003 x2 * Yearling Female x4	None	None	VECP029	Incomplete	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	12/14	VHMF001 VLM234	None	+VHMF001	None	#VHMF031 #VLM247 ^VLM247 "VHMF030 x2 %VHMF030	VTSM014 VTSM018 Unknown x4 *VHMF030 x8 *VHMF031 x9	Tswana x1	None	VHMF030 VHMF031	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	16/16	VJXF080 VLM221	-1	*VJXF080 #VJXF128	+VJXM133	#VJXF128 ^VJXF112 ^VJXF128	*VJXF112 x5	None	None	None	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	19/19	VQLF011 VVHM117	5	None	None	^VMPF022	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Namaqua (NQ)	16/16	VQLF018 VLM228	5	None	None	None	VZUM026 x4	None	None	None	Fully	None
Ubuntu (UB)	18/18	VBBF111 VUBM021	4	None	#VUBP034	None	VWM216 x1	Zulus x1	None	None	Fully	None
Whiskers (W)	18/18	VWF176 VLM157	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	13/15	VZUF028 VWM213	4, 3	None	None	#VWM216 x1 #VWM210 x3 ^VWM210 x3	*VWM210 x11	Ubuntu x1	None	VWM210 VWM216	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), AReturned = 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 rejoining.
- 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.