



KMP Life History Table – October 2020 (Shaz Alderton © 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⁾
(Little) Creatures (CR)	7/7 + 1 Wild Individual	VCRF013 Unknown	3	None	None	+VCRM010 x1	None	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	12/12	Unknown VUBM018	0	+VGDF013	None	None	Unknown Adult x1	None	None	None	Advanced Progress	None
Phoenix (PH)	1/1 + 19 Wild Individuals	Unknown Unknown	2	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Tswana (TS)	14/15	VTSF009 Unknown	3	None	None	None	None	None	None	VTSM004	Advanced Progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	18/21	VBBF117 VLM211	0	+VBBF117	None	+VZUM026 x1 #VECF003 x3 #VECF019 x1 #VECF032 x2 #VECM030 x1 ^VECF003 x2 ^VECF019 x1 ^VECF032 x1 "VECF003 x1 %VECF003 x1	VZUM026 x1	None	Uncertain Duration x1	VECF003 VECF032 VECM030	Incomplete	None
Fake-e-plan (FP)	6/6	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	*VMPF022 x1 *VMPF025 x1 *VMPF026 x1 *VMPF029 x1 *VMPM024 x1 *VMPM028 x1	None	None	None	None	None	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	12/13	VHMF001 VLM234	-1	*VHMF001	+VLM247	#VHMF031 x2 #VHMM032 x4 #VHMM036 x2 #VLM245 x1 ^VHMF031 x1 ^VHMM032 x4 ^VHMM036 x2 ^VLM245 x1	VWM214 x2 *VHMF030 x10 *VHMM032 x1	Ubuntu x1	Daily x1	VHMF031	Fully	None

						"VHMF030 x1 "VHMM032 x1 "VHMM036 x1 %VHMF030 x1 %VHMM032 x1 %VHMM036 x1						
Jaxx (JX)	17/18	VJXF080 VLM221	-1	*VJXF080	None	#VJXM101 x1 "VJXF112 x2 %VJXF112 x2	None	None	Daily x1	VJXM101	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	7/11	VL230 VLM266	0	None	+VLM271	+VLF240 x1 +VLF241 x1 +VLF250 x1 #VHMM023 x4 #VLM251 x4 #VLM253 x4 #VLM264 x4 #VLM257 x1 #VLM261 x1 #VLM265 x1 #VLM266 x1 ^VHMM023 x3 ^VLM251 x3 ^VLM253 x3 ^VLM257 x1 ^VLM261 x1 ^VLM264 x3 ^VLM265 x1 ^VLM266 x1	VUBM024 x1	Ubuntu x1	Daily x1	VHMM023 VLM251 VLM253 VLM264	Incomplete	None
Lazuli 3 (L3)	4/4	Unknown VCRM010	0	None	None	*VCRM010 x1 *VLF240 x1 *VLF241 x1 *VLF250 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	11/11	VQLF011 VVHM117	0	+VQLF011	+VMPPM045	+VMPPF022 x1 +VMPPF025 x1 +VMPPF026 x1 +VMPPF029 x1 +VMPPM024 x1 +VMPPM028 x1 #VMPPM027 x2 #VMPPM034 x1 ^VMPPM027 x2 ^VMPPM034 x1	Unknown Adult x1 *VMPPM027 x1 VLM228 x1	None	Uncertain Duration x1	None	Fully	None
Namaqua (NQ)	11/13	VQLF018 VZUM026	0	None	+VNQM007 +VNQM008	*VZUM026 x1 #VLM228 x4 #VNQF014 x1 #VNQM010 x3 #VNQM018 x1 ^VLM228 x3	VZUM026 x1	None	Daily x1	VLM228 VNQM010	Fully	VNQM010 VQLF018 VNQF009

						^VNQF014 x1 ^VNQM010 x2 ^VNQM018 x1						
Ubuntu (UB)	14/16	VBBF111 VUBM021	0	None	+VUBM030	#VUBM024 x3 #VUBM025 x3 #VUBM031 x1 ^VUBM024 x2 ^VUBM025 x2 ^VUBM031 x1	Unknown Adult x1 VHMM023 x5 VLM264 x2 VLM228 x2 VWM216 x1 VHMM032 x1	Hakuna Matata x1 Lazuli x1	None	VUBM024 VUBM025	Fully	None
Whiskers (W)	18/21	VWF176 VLM157	3	+VWF176	None	#VWF212 x1 #VWF215 x1 #VWF224 x1 #VWM234 x1 #VWM214 x3 ^VWM214 x3	None	None	Daily x1	VWF212 VWF215 VWF224	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	15/15	VZUF028 VWM213	0	#VZUF028	None	#VWM210 x3 #VWM216 x1 ^VWM210 x3 ^VWM216 x1	VLM228 x1 Unknown Adult x1 Unknown Adult x1	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.