



KMP Life History Table – September 2021 (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)	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
Hakuna Matata (HM)	11/18	VHMF030 VLM234	2	None	None	#VHMM034 x1 #VHMP055 x1 #VHMP056 x1 #VLM245 x1 #VHMF038 x1 #VHMM050 x1 # VHMM054 x1	VHMF019 x1 *VHMM034 x1	None	Uncertain Duration x1	VHMM034 VHMP055 VHMP056 VLM245 VHMF038 VHMM050 VHMM054	Complete	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	VL230 VLM266	-1	*VL230	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	None	Namaqua x1	Daily x4	VVHM117	Complete	None

						^VMPPM036 x1 ^VMPPM037 x1						
Namaqua (NQ)	11/11	VNQF013 VZUM034	0	#VNQF013	None	#VNQM012 x1 #VNQM018 x1 ^VNQM012 x1 ^VNQM018 x1	VMPPM037 x1	Make-e-plan x1	None	None	Complete	VNQF016
Runaways (RW)	12/12	VMPF022 VJXM122	1	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Complete	None
Side Quest (SI)	8/8	VZUF048 VECM009	-1	*VZUF048	None	None	None	None	None	None	Complete	None
Ubuntu (UB)	17/17	VBBF111 VUBM031	0	None	None	#VUBM032 x1 ^VUBM032 x1	VTSM017 x1	None	Daily x1	None	Complete	None
Whiskers (W)	VWF176 VLM157	18/19	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	VWM239	Complete	None
Zulus (ZU)	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.