

Monthly Overview of Life History Data - January 2026

Group Name	Adlib hours (sessions)	Dominant at end of the Month	Group Count (Begin - end of Month)	No. of Pups (Begin - end of Month)	Pregnant Birth	Last Seen	Dead	Predated	Emigrated	Immigrated	Left	Returned	Evicted	Evict Ended	Encounters	Inter-Group Interactions	Group Splits	Absent at end of month	Habituation Levels
Full Data Collection Group 10 groups																			
Alba At	AM: 28h (11) PM: 28h (13)	♀ VALF008 ♂ VECEM023	23-26	8-3	▲ VALF033 ● VALF020 ♥ VALF023	None	None	None	VALM014 (♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀) VALF025 (♂ → ♀) VALM036 (♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀) VALM030 (♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀)	VHMM036 x2	None	Daily x2 Overnight x1	None	None	Complete				
Brussels Sprouts 85	AM: 34h (12) PM: 32h (15)	♀ VMPF035 ♂ VGDM011	18-19	5-5	None	None	None	None	VHMM036 (♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀ → ♂ → ♀)	UnknownAd x1	None	Daily x10	None	Complete					
Gold Diggers GD	AM: 29h (11) PM: 28h (12)	♀ VGDF007 ♂ VUBM018	24-27	4-4	▲ VGDF049 ▲ VGDF054 ▲ VGDF047 ● VGDF071 ▲ VGDF068	None	None	None	VGDM064 (♂)	None	None	Daily x2	None	Complete					
Jaxx JK	AM: 49h (17) PM: 30h (16)	♀ VJXF160 ♂ VJXM200	20-19	4-4	♥ VJXF160	None	None	None	VJXM212 (♂ → ♀) VJXM194 (♂ → ♀) VJXF208 (♂ → ♀) VJXM214 (♂)	UnknownAd x1	None	Overnight x1	VJXM214	Advanced Progress					
Lazuli L	AM: 28h (10) PM: 24h (12)	♀ VLF308 ♂ VGDM015	15-20	8-5	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	UncertainDuration x1 Daily x1	None	Complete					
Side Quest SI	AM: 43h (16) PM: 21h (13)	♀ VZUF048 ♂ VECEM009	20-20	2-2	♥ VZUF048	None	None	None	VHWM001 (♂ → ♀) VHWM002 (♂ → ♀)	VHWM001 x2 VHWM002 x1	Hogwarts x1	Daily x1	None	Complete					
Trackie-Daks ID	AM: 36h (14) PM: 24h (13)	♀ VTDF041 ♂ VWWM275	16-21	5-5	▲ VTDF051 ♥ VTDF049	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress					
Ubuntu UB	AM: 41h (15) PM: 25h (12)	♀ VUBF039 ♂ VHMM048	18-18	4-4	♥ VUBF039	None	None	None	VUBM082 (♂ → ♀)	None	Vetkoeks x1	None	None	Complete					
Vetkoeks VK	AM: 48h (16) PM: 30h (13)	♀ VHMF053	18-17	6-5	● VHMF053	♥ VVKM038	♥ VVKM038	None	VUBM082 (♂ → ♀)	VUBM082 x1	Whiskers x2 Ubuntu x2	Daily x1	VVKM038	Complete					
Zulus ZU	AM: 27h (9) PM: 26h (13)	♀ VZUF070 ♂ VGDM028	22-22	5-5	♥ VZUF077 ● VZUF070	None	None	None	VZUM072 (♂ → ♀) VZUM080 (♂ → ♀)	None	None	Daily x2	None	Complete					
Habituation Group 2 groups																			
Hogwarts HW	None	♀ VZUF051 ♂ VHWM004	19-19	4-0	▲ VZUF051	None	None	None	VHWM001 (♂ → ♀) VHWM002 (♂ → ♀)	None	Side Quest x1	None	None	In Progress					
Whiskers W	None	♀ VWF267 ♂ VTDM017	18-19	9-9	None	None	None	None	VWM295 (♂ → ♀) VWF279 (♂)	None	Vetkoeks x2	None	None	In Progress					
Life History Monitoring Group 2 groups																			
Dik-Diks DD	None	♀ VGDF009 ♂ VUBM046	16-18	None	♥ VGDF009	None	None	None	VDDF003 (♂) VDDF015 (♂)	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress					
Elands Council EC	None	o ♂ VECEM070	16-16	4-4	None	None	None	None	VECEM070 (♂ → ♀) VECEM066 (♂ → ♀) VECEM068 (♂ → ♀) VECEM069 (♂ → ♀) VECEM072 (♂ → ♀) VECEM074 (♂ → ♀) VECEM076 (♂ → ♀) VECEP080 (♂ → ♀) VECEP081 (♂ → ♀)	None	None	Daily x2	None	Advanced Progress					

Legend

- Number of meerkats present at the end of the month vs. total number of meerkats in group (both numbers include pups once they have emerged).
 - Number of Adlib hours (AM- morning sessions, PM- afternoon sessions) and the number of Adlib sessions.
 - Dominant individuals at the end of the month. Underlined ID codes indicate the individual newly acquired dominance in this month.
 - Number of individuals present in the group at the start of the month, then at the end of the month.
 - Number of pups present in the group at the start of the month, then at the end of the month.
 - Pregnancy status: ♥ Pregnant at any time during the month, ♀ gave birth, ● aborted pre-term, ▲ lost litter after giving birth.
 - Individual status: ☹ Last seen = Last seen (unknown cause), ☠ Dead = found dead or euthanized, ⚰ Predated = assumed predated (for pups).
 - 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 times left group), 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.
 - 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.
 - Encounters with other groups (Inter-Group-Interactions, IGIs). "Appears= Individuals not acting as part of the group but still on the marksheet.
 - Group splits with type and how many (leaving individuals originating from splits are not considered in item 8); Daily: the group reunited the same day, Overnight: the group was separated for one or more nights.
 - Individuals that are not with the group or a splinter including the dominant female, at the end of the month.
 - 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 can be collected from all individuals; **In progress:** Habituation group.
- Note:** Data collection levels are now shown as group headers. This table is updated monthly. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the data manager.