

Monthly Overview of Life History Data - April 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 Aborted Lost	Last Seen Dead Prenated	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 <i>AL</i>	AM: 36h (13) PM: 23h (14)	♀ VALF008 ♂ VECM023	25-25	None	None	VALM014	VALF020 (♂ → ♀) VALF039 (♂ → ♀)	None	None	Daily x2, Overnight x1	None	Complete
Brussels Sprouts <i>BS</i>	AM: 27h (9) PM: 16h (9)	♀ VMPF035 ♂ VGDM011	18-18	None	None	None	VBSM019 (♀) VHMM036 (♂ → ♀)	Unknown x1	Gold Diggers x1	None	None	Complete
Gold Diggers <i>GD</i>	AM: 41h (15) PM: 25h (15)	♀ VGDF007 ♂ VUBM018	27-26	None	None	♀ VGDM088	VGDM055 (♂ → ♀ - ♀ → ♀)	None	Brussels Sprouts x1	Daily x4	VGDM088	Complete
Jaxx <i>JX</i>	AM: 38h (15) PM: 22h (15)	♀ VJXF160 ♂ VJXM200	24-24	5-0	None	None	VJXM219 (♂ → ♀) VJXM222 (♂ → ♀)	None	None	UncertainDuration x1, Daily x3	None	Advanced Progress
Lazuli <i>L</i>	AM: 41h (14) PM: 27h (15)	♂ NoDominant ♂ VGDM015	16-12	None	None	♂ VLF308	VLF329 (♂) VLM331 (♂) VLM325 (♂ → ♀ - ♀ → ♀) VLM327 (♂) VLF308 (♂ → ♀)	None	None	None	VLF329 VLM331 VLM327 VLF308	Complete
Side Quest <i>SI</i>	AM: 31h (13) PM: 16h (10)	♀ VZUF048 ♂ VECM009	24-24	4-4	None	None	None	None	Hogwarts x1	None	None	Complete
Trackie-Daks <i>TD</i>	AM: 49h (17) PM: 25h (14)	♀ VTDF041 ♂ VVM275	21-21	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress
Ubuntu <i>UB</i>	AM: 31h (11) PM: 26h (14)	♀ VUBF039 ♂ VHMM048	22-21	4-4	None	None	VHMM048 (♂ → ♀) VUBF071 (♂ → ♀) VUBF077 (♂ → ♀) VUBM093 (♂)	None	None	None	VUBM093	Complete
Vetkoeke <i>VK</i>	AM: 36h (14) PM: 15h (9)	♀ VHMFO53	17-17	None	None	None	None	Unknown x1	None	Daily x1	None	Complete
Zulus <i>ZU</i>	AM: 42h (15) PM: 25h (13)	♀ VZUF070 ♂ VGDM028	26-26	4-4	None	None	VZUM078 (♂ → ♀)	None	None	None	None	Complete
Habituation Group 3 groups												
Hogwarts <i>HW</i>	None	♀ VZUF051 ♂ VHWM004	19-20	3-1	None	♀ VHWU023 ♀ VHWU024	None	Unknown	Side Quest x1	None	VHWU023 VHWU024	In Progress
Khoisan <i>KS</i>	None	Unknown	17-17 observed	None	None	None	None	Unknown	Unknown	None	None	In Progress
Whiskers <i>W</i>	None	♀ VWF267 ♂ VTDM017	19-19	None	None	None	None	Unknown	Unknown	None	None	In Progress
Life History Monitoring Group 2 groups												
Dik-Diks <i>DD</i>	None	♀ VGDF009 ♂ VUBM046	21-21	3-3	None	♀ VDDF037	None	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress
Elronds Council <i>EC</i>	None	♂ NoDominant	10-9	None	None	♀ VECM072	VECM068 (♂ → ♀ - ♀ → ♀)	None	None	None	VECM068	Advanced Progress

Legend

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- 1) 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).
- 2) Number of Adlib hours (AM- morning sessions, PM- afternoon sessions) and the number of Adlib sessions.
- 3) Dominant individuals at the end of the month. Underlined ID codes indicate the individual newly acquired dominance in this month.
- 4) Number of individuals present in the group at the start of the month, then at the end of the month.
- 5) Number of pups present in the group at the start of the month, then at the end of the month.
- 6) Pregnancy status: ♡ Pregnant at any time during the month, ♀ gave birth, ⚡ aborted pre-term, ▲ lost litter after giving birth.
- 7) Individual status: 🐾 Last seen = Last seen (unknown cause), ☠️ Dead = found dead or euthanized, 🐾 Prenated = assumed predated (for pups).
- 8) 🏠 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.
- 9) 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.
- 10) Encounters with other groups (Inter-Group-Interactions, IGIs), *Appears= Individuals not acting as part of the group but still on the marksheet.
- 11) 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.
- 12) Individuals that are not with the group or a splinter including the dominant female, at the end of the month.
- 13) 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.