



KMP Life History Table – March 2018 (Alice Petherick © 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 ^Emigrated "Immigrated %Returned ⁵⁾	Leavers ⁶⁾	Encounters ⁷⁾	Inter-group Encounters ⁸⁾	Group splits ⁹⁾	Absent at end of month ¹⁰⁾	Habituation Levels ¹¹⁾	Disease and TB status ¹²⁾
Baobab (BB)	16/16	VBBF132 <i>No clear dominance</i>	3	+VBBF132 +VBBF135 +VBBF137 ^VBBF142	*VBBM122 *VBBM123 *VBBM131 *VBBF138 %VBBM123 x 2 %VBBM125 x 1 %VBBM136 x 1 %VBBM140 x 1	VBBM123 x 2 VBBM125 x 1 VBBM136 x 1 VBBM140 x 1	VVHM103 x 1	Van Helsing x 2	Daily x 2 Overnight x 1	None	Fully	TB
(Little) Creatures (CR)	6	Unknown Unknown	None	None	%VCRF001 x1	VCRF001 x 1	*VCRF001 x 1	None	None	VCRF001	In progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	7	Unknown Unknown	None	None	None	None	None	Zulus x 1	None	None	In progress	None
Freetails (FR)	4	VLF226 Unknown	2	None	*VFRM003 %VLF227 x 1 %VLF229 x 1	VLF225 x 1 VLF227 x 1 VLF229 x 1	Unknown x 2	None	None	VLF225 VFRP001 VFRP002	In progress	D/I
Gold Diggers (GD)	6	Unknown Unknown	3	*Unknown female	*VGDP002	None	None	None	None	None	In progress	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	9/9	VLF206 VCVM001	None	None	None	None	None	Whiskers x 1	None	None	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	7/9	VJXF080 VLM207	0	+VJXF080	None	VJXM099 x 1 VJXM105 x 1	None	None	None	VJXM099 VJXM105	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	17/17	VLF223 VJXM095	5	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	13/13	VQLF011 VZUM006	4	+VQLF011	%VMPPF016 x 1 %VMPPM017 x 1	VMPF016 x 1 VMPM017 x 1	None	None	None	None	Fully	D/I
Run Amuk (RU)	6/6	VJXF097 VLM209	4	#VJXF096 #VJXF097	*VJXF096	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	(TB)
Storm Troopers (SO) (euthanased)	0	N/A	None	None	+VSOF001 *VLM216 *VEKM050	None	None	None	None	None	Incomplete	TB
Ubuntu (UB)	16	VBBF111 Unknown	None	None	+VUBM008 %VBBF109 x 1 %VUBM003 x 1 %VUBM007 x 2	VBBF109 x 1 VUBM003 x 1 VUBM007 x 2	Unknown x 1 VBBF104 x 7	None	None	None	In progress	None

Van Helsing (VH)	20/21	VVHF042 VZUM017	None	+VVHF042 +VVHF115 ^VVHF105	%VZUM017 x 1 %VVHF100 x 1 %VVHM103 x 1 %VVHM106 x 2 %VVHM122 x 1	VZUM017 x 1 VVHF100 x 1 VVHM103 x 1 VVHM106 x 2 VVHM122 x 1	*VVHF100 x 4 VNMM017 x 1	Baobab x 2	Daily x 1	None	Fully	None
Whiskers (W)	9/9	VWF176 VLM157	None	None	None	None	None	Hakuna Matata x 1	None	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	6/7	VZUF007 VLM211	None	+VZUF007 *VZUF014	%VZUM026 x 1	VZUF014 x 1 VZUM026 x 1	Unknown x 3 *VZUF014 x 8	Elrond's Council x 1	None	VZUF014	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), * found dead or euthanized, # Predated = assumed predated (for pups), ^ Emigrated = emigrated to another known group, " Immigrated = immigrated into group, % returned to group after being previously AO;
 - 6) Roving, evictions or other absence of members of the groups (including the number of leaves);
 - 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; In process: Habituation group.
 - 12) Disease and TB status: TB: TB observed in group, D/I: Disease or injuries observed on single individuals.
- Groups marked grey: Habituation / dispersal group.