



KMP Life History Table –December 2018 (Lorna Harvey © 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⁾
(Little) Creatures (CR)	7	Unknown VJXM104	0	None	^VCRM002 %VCRM002 x1	VCRF001 x1 VCRM002 x1	None	None	None	VCRF001	In Progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	14	VBBF117 Wild Male	5	*VBBF117	%VBBF116 x1	None	*VBBF116 x2	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Freetails (FR)	1	VLF227 Unknown	0	#VLF227	None	Wild Male	None	None	None	Wild Male	In Progress	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	15	Unknown Unknown	0	+Unknown Female	%VGDM004 x1	VGDM004 x1	None	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	14/14	VLF206 VCVM001	4	+VLF206 +VHMF001	%VHMM007 x6 %VHMM008 x5 %VHMM014 x1 %VHMM021 x1	VHMM007 x6 VHMM008 x5 VHMF010 x1 VHMM014 x1 VHMM021 x1	VCRM002 x2 Unknown x1	Whiskers x1 Ubuntu x1	None	VHMF010	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	12	VJXF080 VLM221	6	*VJXF080	+VJXM106 %VJXM126 x1	VJXM126 x1	None	Unknown x1	None	None	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	15/19	VLF223 VJXM095	0	^VLF223 +VLF230 +VLF235	%VLF230 x2 %VLF235 x1 %VJXM098 x1 %VLM234 x2 %VLM236 x1	VLF230 x1 VLF235 x1 VJXM098 x1 VLM224 x1 VLM234 x2 VLM236 x2 VLM237 x1 VLM238 x1	*VLF230 x3 *VLF235 x2 VHMM007 x4 VUBM004 x1 VUBM006 x1 VUBM018 x3 VWM205 x2 VBBF109 x1 Unknown x1	Ubuntu x1	None	VLM224 VLM236 VLM237 VLM238	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	14/14	VQLF011 VVHM103	-1	*VQLF011	%VMPF004 x2 %VMPF006 x3	VMPF004 x2 VMPF006 x3	*VMPF004 x1	Van Helsing x1	None	None	Fully	None
Namaqua (NQ)	4/4	VQLF018 VLM228	0	+VQLF018 +VMPF001	%VMPM005 x3	VMPM005 x3	Unknown x4	None	None	None	Fully	None
Run Amuk (RU)	4/5	VRUF001 VHMM002	0	+VRUF001	"VCRM002 %VCRM002 x3	VHMM003 x1 VCRM002 x3	None	None	None	VHMM003	Fully	None

Ubuntu (UB)	11/11	VBBF111 VUBM021	0	<u>^</u> VBBF111 +VBBF109 +VUBF005	<u>"</u> VBBF109 <u>^</u> VUBM004 <u>^</u> VUBM006 <u>^</u> VUBM007 %VUBM004 x3 %VUBF005 x1 %VUBM006 x1 %VUBM007 x2 % VUBM018 x4	VUBM004 x3 VUBF005 x1 VUBM006 x2 VUBM007 x3 VUBM018 x4	VJXM098 x1 VHMM007 x1 VHMM008 x2 Unknown x5 VBBF109 x1 VLM234 x1	Hakuna Matata x1 Lazuli x1 Unknown x1	None	None	In Progress	None
Unknown (UNK)	1	NA	0	+VBBF104	<u>^</u> VBBF109	N/A	N/A	N/A	None	None	Fully	None
Van Helsing (VH)	9/9	VVHF109 No Clear Dominance	0	+VVHF109 +VVHF110	%VVHM123	VVHM123 x1	VUBM002 x5 VUBM003 x1	Make-e-plan x1	None	None	Fully	VVHM114 (TB)
Whiskers (W)	17/18	VWF176 VLM157	5	*VWF176	%VWM205 x2 %VWM208 x1	VWM205 x2 VWM208 x1	*VWM205 x1 *VWM208 x1	Hakuna Matata x1	None	VWM207	Fully	None
X-Force	7/8	VVHF115 No Clear Dominance	0	+VVHF115 +VVHF113 +VVHF116	<u>"</u> VUBM004 <u>"</u> VUBM006 <u>"</u> VUBM007 %VUBM003 x1	VUBM002 x1 VUBM003 x1	None	None	None	VUBM002	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	8/8	VZUF007 VLM211	-1	*VZUF007	%VZUM026 x7	VZUM026 x7	None	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), * 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 progress: 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.