

Growth

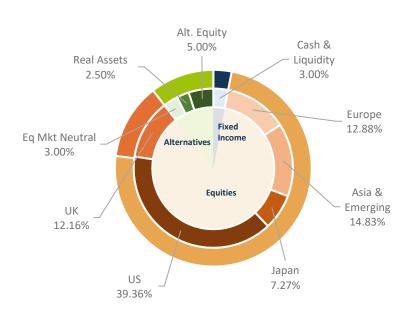
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Objective

To deliver high levels of capital growth in excess of the Consumer Prices Index over the recommended minimum time horizon of 10+ years.

The Fund will seek to achieve its objective by investing at least 70% in collective investment vehicles, a greater proportion of which will be allocated to growth assets (such as equities) than to defensive assets (such as fixed interest and cash).

Asset Allocation



Recent Changes (Previous 3 months)



Purchased Natixis S&P 500/EuroStoxx 50 Digital Synthetic & iShares Core S&P 500 ETF.



Increased None.



Sold Invesco S&P 500 ETF.



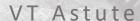
Reduced LXI REIT, Premier Miton European Opportunities & JPM UK Equity Core.



We reduced the LXI REIT, Premier Miton European Opportunities and JPM UK Equity Core positions to introduce the structured product position. We completed a straight swap of the Invesco S&P 500 ETF for the iShares Core S&P 500 ETF on a cost basis.

Holdings

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|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| FIX | xed Income & Cash | 3% | | | |
| Cash & Liquidity | Cash | | | | |
| Liquidity | Blackrock Sterling Liquid Env. Aware | Fund | | | |
| Equity | | | | | |
| UK Equity | JPMorgan UK Equity Core | | | | |
| | ES R&M UK Recovery | | | | |
| | ASI UK Mid-Cap Equity | | | | |
| Int. Equity | ES R&M European | | | | |
| | LF Miton European Opportunities | | | | |
| | Comgest Growth Europe Ex. UK | | | | |
| | Allianz China A-Shares | | | | |
| | Polar Emerging Markets Stars | | | | |
| | iShares MSCI EM SRI ETF | | | | |
| | Jupiter Japan Income | | | | |
| | M&G Japan Smaller Companies | | | | |
| | Baillie Gifford American | | | | |
| | SPDR® MSCI USA Small Cap Value ET | ΓF | | | |
| | Federated Hermes US SMID Equity H | Hedged | | | |
| | Granahan US SMID Select | | | | |
| | iShares Core S&P 500 ETF | | | | |
| | L&G US Equity | | | | |
| Thematic Equity | M&G Global Listed Infrastructure | | | | |
| | Regnan Sustainable Water and Was | te | | | |
| | Alternatives | 9.5% | | | |
| Eq. Mkt Neutral | Blackrock European Absolute Alpha | | | | |
| Real Assets | Aberdeen Standard European Logist | tics | | | |
| | LXI REIT | | | | |
| | Tritax EuroBox PLC | | | | |
| Alt. Equity | Syncona | | | | |
| | HarbourVest Global Private Equity | | | | |
| | Chrysalis Investments | | | | |
| | Structured Products | | | | |





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Performance From Launch 30.00% 25.00% 20.00% 15.00% 10.00% 5.00% 0.00%

VT Astute Growth A Acc

UK CPI + 3.5%

-5.00%

Morningstar UK Moderately Adventurous Target Allocation

Cumulative & Discrete Performance

| | 1 Year | Launch | 2021 | 2020* |
|------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| VT Astute Growth | -13.17 | 6.89 | 11.69 | 10.88 |
| Benchmark | 13.43 | 25.35 | 8.86 | 2.26 |
| Comparator | -3.49 | 13.87 | 12.27 | 6.14 |

Performance is net of ongoing charges. *Data from the 20th of July 2020 (Fund launch).

Commentary

In November, both developed market equities and emerging market equities continued their recovery from October. The bond market also registered a strong month with yields in developed markets retreating significantly, helping global bonds to rally. At the beginning of November, concerns about inflation and further central bank tightening continued to be at the front of investors minds. Central banks did deliver another round of steep policy rate hikes. Both the Federal Reserve (Fed) and the Bank of England (BoE) raised policy rates by 75 basis points to 4.0% and 3.0% respectively. Despite this, investor attitude improved after the release of US inflation numbers for October which highlighted a 7.7% year- on-year increase. This was below consensus expectations, and fueled hopes that US inflation may have peaked and could potentially be less sticky than initially feared. This news gave the market a hint that the end of the hiking cycle could be nearer than was being priced in, which gave both stocks and bonds a leg up. There was a glimmer of hope in China, as policymakers introduced some easing of Covid control measures and a push to put more vaccinations in the elderly, which was positive for Chinese equities. Looking ahead, we continue to monitor central bank activity closely, and hope that November has given us a flavour of what is to come in 2023.

ESG Rating

MSCI **ESG RATINGS**



Fund Details

£ 72.89m Fund Size CPI + 3.5% Benchmark

Morningstar UK Moderately Comparator **Adventurous Target Allocation** Astute Investment Management Manager

Valu Trac ACD OEIC (UCITS) **Fund Type** 20th July 2020 **Launch Date** OCF 0.96% **Total No. Holdings** 28 **Dealing Frequency** Daily

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Fund Management Team



Scott Osborne PhD CFA Chief Investment Officer



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Risks

Investments can fall as well as rise and you may get back less than your original investment. Changes in markets, currency exchange rates or interest rates may have adverse effects on the value of your investments. Past performance is never a guide to future performance.

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