

Growth

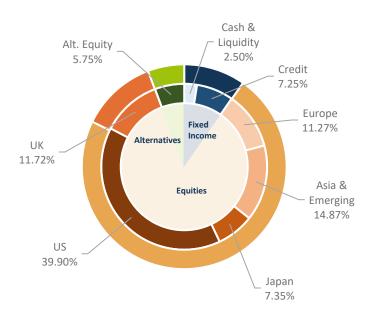
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Objective

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)



Sold None.



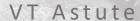






Holdings

Fixe	ed Income & Cash	9.75%				
Cash & Liquidity	Cash					
	Blackrock Sterling Liquid Env. Awar	e Fund				
Credit	Man GLG Sterling Corporate Bond					
	Man GLG Dynamic Income					
	BlueBay Financial Capital Bond					
	Ninety One EM Blended Debt					
	Equity	84.50%				
UK Equity	JPMorgan UK Equity Core					
	ES R&M UK Recovery					
	Abrdn UK Mid-Cap Equity					
Int. Equity	ES R&M European					
	LF Miton European Opportunities					
	Polar Emerging Markets Stars					
	iShares MSCI EM SRI ETF					
	Jupiter Japan Income					
	Lazard Japanese Strategic Equity					
	M&G Japan Smaller Companies					
	Baillie Gifford American					
	iShares S&P 500 Equal Weight ETF					
	Federated Hermes US SMID Equity Hedged					
	L&G Russell 2000 US Small Cap ETF					
	iShares Core S&P 500 ETF					
	L&G US Equity					
Thematic Equity	M&G Global Listed Infrastructure					
	Regnan Sustainable Water and Wa	ste				
	Alternatives	5.75%				
Alt. Equity	Syncona					
	Structured Products					





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Performance



Cumulative & Discrete Performance

	1 Year	Launch	2023	2022	2021	2020*
VT Astute Growth	11.82	20.26	10.15	-15.42	11.69	10.88
Benchmark	5.15	38.45	7.50	13.33	8.86	2.26
Comparator	10.45	26.95	10.67	-7.27	12.27	6.14

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

Commentary

Global yields remained elevated in April, reflecting the prevailing sentiment of higher rates in financial markets. Despite concerns, the likelihood of the Federal Reserve raising rates remains relatively low, particularly with the looming November election. While US Q1 GDP data fell short of expectations and inflation trends were negative, these are seen as temporary setbacks, rather than the beginning of a sustained inflationary trend necessitating tighter monetary policy. Consequently, there appears to be little urgency for either raising or lowering interest rates in the US. Elsewhere, European and UK policymakers have centered on the divergence in policy paths however could be constrained if the Federal Reserve maintains its stance on rates. Despite this, there's a general sentiment of improved economic outlook in these regions, characterized by tight labor markets and, in the UK's case, persistent underlying inflation concerns. Meanwhile in Japan, the yen's value has come under renewed pressure. With the US unlikely to cut rates, Japan faces pressure to tighten its own policy to address yen depreciation. Looking ahead, stock markets may experience volatility as quarterly earnings season unfolds. However, the prevailing view suggests that current rate and yield levels can be sustained for the time being without significantly dampening risk appetite.

ESG Rating





Fund Details

£ 92.78m Fund Size CPI + 3.5% Benchmark

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

Valu Trac ACD OEIC (UCITS) **Fund Type** 20th July 2020 **Launch Date** OCF 0.81% **Total No. Holdings** 28 **Dealing Frequency** Daily

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Fund Management Team



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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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