

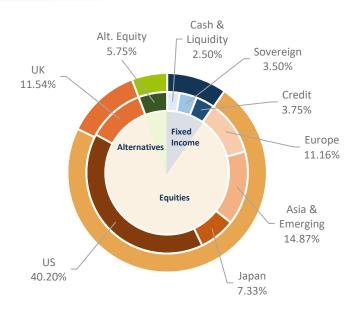
FUND FACTSHEET | JULY 2024

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)



Increased JPM UK Equity Core ETF, iShares S&P 500 Equal Weight, Regnan Sustainable Water and Waste, Lazard Japanese Strategic Equity, M&G Japan Smaller Companies.

Sold JPM UK Equity Core, Federated Hermes US SMID Equity, L&G Russell 2000 US Small Cap, iShares Core S&P 500 GBP Hedged, Jupiter Japan Income, Ninety One EM Blended Debt.

Reduced M&G Global Listed Infrastructure, L&G US Equity, BlueBay Financial Capital Bond.

We sold our Jupiter Japan Income position to increase Lazard Japanese Strategic Equity and M&G Japan Smaller Companies. We switched JPM UK Equity Core into the cheaper ETF product. Sold M&G Global Listed Infrastructure to increase Regnan Water and Waste. L&G Russell 2000 US Small was sold in favour of Lazard US Small Equity. Hermes was sold in favor of S&P 500 Equal Weight. Core US exposure switches to save costs. Ninety One and BlueBay was sold in favor of introducing a direct UK Gilt for protection against equity volatility.

Holdings

Fixed Income & Cash 9.75%					
Cash & Liquidity	Cash				
	Blackrock Sterling Liquid Env. Awar	e Fund			
Sovereign	UK Gilt 4.375% 31/07/2054				
Credit	Man GLG Sterling Corporate Bond				
	Man GLG Dynamic Income				
	BlueBay Financial Capital Bond				
	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				
	Lazard Japanese Strategic Equity				
	M&G Japan Smaller Companies				
	Baillie Gifford American				
	iShares S&P 500 Equal Weight ETF				
	Lazard US Small Cap Equity				
	Invesco S&P 500 ETF GBP Hedged				
	L&G US Equity				
Thematic Equity	M&G Global Listed Infrastructure				
	Regnan Sustainable Water and Wa	ste			
	Alternatives	5.75%			
Alt.	Syncona				
Equity	Structured Products				

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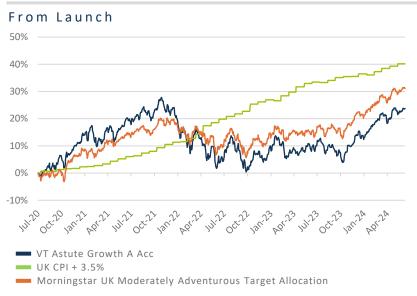
Growth

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Performance



Cumulative & Discrete Performance

	1 Year	Launch	2023	2022	2021	2020*
VT Astute Growth	12.80	23.73	10.15	-15.42	11.69	10.88
Benchmark	5.03	40.17	7.50	13.33	8.86	2.26
Comparator	13.75	30.90	10.67	-7.27	12.27	6.14

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

Commentary

With no major developments, yields saw a minimal change in June, though a surge in the wellknown tech names did push some equity indices to new highs. Recent softer inflation prints were welcome news, but the likelihood of rate cuts remained broadly unchanged as Central Banks await further confirmation. The US election race remains somewhat close, but Trump likely gained a further edge due to Biden's weaker performance during the televised debate. In Europe, attention is on the first round of the French election given a victory for the National Rally party will likely introduce some market volatility. However, the key is that fiscal easing appears inevitable, which could support economic growth but will constrain the European Central Bank's path going forward. In Japan, the Yen continued to depreciate to new lows prompting discussions about potential intervention, though historically, such measures has only offered temporary relief. This adds pressure on the Bank of Japan leading up to their July meeting to adopt a more hawkish stance which could include an additional 25bps rate hike alongside the already announced significant reduction in government bond buying. Looking ahead, European markets will likely dominate the headlines in July as the French election unfolds but also given that the upcoming UK election appears to be Labours to lose.

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Growth

ESG Rating

MSCI ESG RATINGS					
CCC B BB BBB A AA AAA					
Fund Details					
Fund Size	£97.42m				
Benchmark	CPI + 3.5%				
Comparator	Morningstar UK Moderately Adventurous Target Allocation				
Manager	Astute Investment Management				
ACD	Valu Trac				
Fund Type	OEIC (UCITS)				
Launch Date	20 th July 2020				
OCF	0.81%				
Total No. Holdings	25				
Dealing Frequency	Daily				
ISIN	GB00BKWGB681				
SEDOL	BKWGB68				

Fund Management Team



Risks

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