

Guinness Multi-Asset Balanced



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Fund Facts

Fund launch	28.12.2018
Manager(s)	Guinness Global Investors
Fund size	£73.6m
Region	Global
IA sector	Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares
Base Currency	GBP
Structure	OEIC (UCITS)
Domicile	Ireland
ISA eligible	Yes
Reporting status	Yes
Pricing	Daily, forwards
Valuation	2300 Dublin time
Year end	31 December
Custodian	Brown Brothers Harriman
Investment Adviser	RBC Brewin Dolphin

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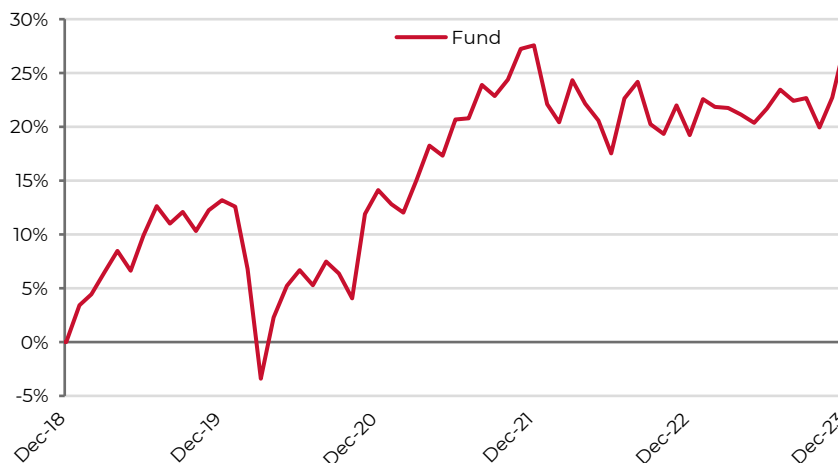
Risks

The Fund is a multi-asset fund investing primarily in other funds ("Underlying Funds") which may invest in equities, Government Bonds, fixed interest securities (which may include sub-investment grade securities), property and other investments. Investors should be willing and able to assume the risks of equity investing. The value of an investment and the income from it can fall as well as rise as a result of market and currency movement, and you may not get back the amount originally invested. Further details on the risk factors are included in the Fund's documentation, available on our website.

Cumulative Performance

FE fundinfo 31.12.23. Investors should note that fees and expenses are charged to the capital of the Fund. This reduces the return on your investment by an amount equivalent to the Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF). The OCF for the share class used for the fund performance returns is 2.00%. Returns for share classes with a different OCF will vary accordingly. Transaction costs also apply and are incurred when a fund buys or sells holdings. The performance returns do not reflect any initial charge; any such charge will also reduce the return.

Performance Since Launch in GBP (%) - Past performance does not predict future returns



Performance (to Month End) - Past performance does not predict future returns

	1 Month	YTD	1 yr	3 yr	5 yr	10 yr
Fund (GBP)	+4.2%	+7.3%	+7.3%	+12.1%	+27.9%	-
Fund (USD)	+5.0%	+13.7%	+13.7%	+4.5%	+28.0%	-
Fund (EUR)	+3.7%	+9.8%	+9.8%	+15.8%	+32.5%	-

Calendar Year Performance - Past performance does not predict future returns

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund (GBP)	+7.3%	-6.5%	+11.8%	+0.8%	+13.2%	-	-	-	-	-
Fund (USD)	+13.7%	-17.0%	+10.8%	+4.0%	+17.7%	-	-	-	-	-
Fund (EUR)	+9.8%	-11.6%	+19.2%	-4.6%	+19.9%	-	-	-	-	-

Market Commentary

2023 ended with the customary rally but H2 proved to be a roller coaster with both Equities and Fixed Interest posting positive returns in July and August before providing consecutive negative returns for the following three months. However, November and December benefitted from falling inflation, the prospect of a US soft landing and the anticipation of interest rate cuts which drove strong returns in both of those months.

Over the year, markets were strongly positive. The US, led by the "Magnificent 7" (Alphabet, Amazon, Apple, Meta, Microsoft, Nvidia and Tesla) tech stocks returned 24% and was the top performer. Europe was next at 23% whilst Japan and the UK were in the mid-teens. Even Asia as the laggard returned 6% in US terms. With the furor around Artificial Intelligence, it was no surprise to see growth stocks significantly outperforming value (37% v 11%). Bonds also had a good year ranging from 3.6% for Sovereign debt to 9.5% for Corporates.

Developed markets kept rates on hold during the final quarter which provided investors with hope rates had peaked and with falling inflation, attention turned to rate reductions during the coming year. That aside GDP and PMIs (Purchasing Managers Indices) in Europe indicated weak growth. The Eurozone GDP contracted by 0.1% in Q3 and is anticipated to be negative in the final quarter. Meanwhile, UK GDP also fell in Q3 after being flat in Q2. This compares to the US where 4.9% growth was reported for the third quarter.

In China, markets fell over the quarter around concerns of weaker economic growth, the current stimulus measures may be insufficient, ongoing real estate crisis and the risks of China's regulatory regime (particular for tech and gaming companies). The anticipated boom post the zero-COVID relaxation, earlier in the year, never really materialised.

Over the final quarter, Europe and the exposure to the Invesco Nasdaq 100 were the notable contributors with the latter benefitting from the prospects for the US economy, interest rates and the excitement around Artificial Intelligence / technology.

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Fund Profile

Investment Objective

The investment objective is to provide capital appreciation over the long term. Returns will be generated through both capital growth and income, with a bias towards developed and liquid capital markets. The risk will be diversified by holding collective investments in a range of asset classes and geographies. The management of the portfolio aims to meet the objective conservatively by taking managed risk through fund selection and asset allocation. The portfolio is based on the Brewin Dolphin International MPS Passive Plus Balanced Strategy.

Investment Policy

The Fund is actively managed without reference to a benchmark. The Fund invests in funds in a range of different asset classes.

ABOUT RBC BREWIN DOLPHIN

RBC Brewin Dolphin are one of the UK's leading providers of discretionary wealth management services and can trace our origins back to 1762. They combine scale, experience and highly specialised expertise to manage investments for clients of advisers. Their network of over 30 offices across the UK, Channel Islands and Ireland are staffed by highly qualified and experienced Investment Managers and support staff.

They manage over £60 million of clients' assets. The investment proposition is driven by an in-house research team which undertakes research across markets, asset classes and individual companies.

Asset Allocation

Equities	68.3%
Fixed Income	22.8%
Alternatives	5.5%
Cash	3.4%

Equity Assets by Region

USA	43.8%
Other International (DM)	20.5%
UK	2.5%
Other International (EM)	1.6%
Cash	3.4%

Share classes

Class	Currency	Acc/Dist	OCF	Maximum Initial Charge	ISIN	Bloomberg
C GBP Acc	GBP	Acc	2.00%	5%	IE00BG5QQV79	GMABCGA ID
C USD Acc	USD	Acc	2.00%	5%	IE00BG5QQY01	GMABCUA ID
C USD Hedged Acc	USD	Acc	2.08%	5%	IE00BG5QQZ18	GMABCUH ID
C EUR Acc	EUR	Acc	2.00%	5%	IE00BG5QQW86	GMABCEA ID
C EUR Hedged Acc	EUR	Acc	2.08%	5%	IE00BG5QQX93	GMABCEH ID

Other share classes at other fee structures and currencies exist. Not all share classes are registered for sale in all countries where the Fund is registered for sale.

Top Holdings

	%
iShares Core S&P 500 UCITS ETF	18.4
iShares Global Corp Bond UCITS ETF	8.9
Vanguard FTSE Developed Europe ex UK UCITS ETF	8.4
Vanguard S&P 500 UCITS ETF	7.3
iShares Global Government Bond Index	6.9
Invesco EQQQ Nasdaq-100 UCITS ETF	6.5
SPDR S&P US Dividend Aristocrats UCITS ETF	6.4
Vanguard - Pacific Ex-Japan Stock Index Fund	5.6
Fidelity MSCI Japan Index Fund	4.1
iShares Global Inflation-Linked Bond Index Fund	3.9
iShares Core UK Gilts UCITS ETF	3.0
iShares S&P 500 Health Care Sector UCITS ETF	3.0
iShares Core FTSE 100 UCITS ETF	2.5
Xtrackers CSI300 Swap UCITS ETF	2.4
Xtrackers Russell 2000 UCITS ETF	2.3
Lyxor MSCI Emerging Markets Ex China UCITS ETF	1.6
iShares Physical Gold ETC USD	1.5
BlackRock ICS US Dollar Liquidity Fund	1.5
Amundi Index FTSE EPRA NAREIT Global	1.0
Winton Trend Fund (UCITS) I USD Acc	1.0

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Documentation The documentation needed to make an investment, including the Prospectus, the Key information Document (KID), the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) and the Application Form, is available in English from www.guinnessgi.com or free of charge from:-

- the Manager Waystone Management Company (IE) Limited (Waystone IE) 2nd Floor 35 Shelbourne Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin D04 A4E0, Ireland, or

- the Promoter and Investment Manager: Guinness Asset Management Ltd, 18 Smith Square, London SW1P 3HZ.

Waystone IE is a company incorporated under the laws of Ireland having its registered office at 35 Shelbourne Rd, Ballsbridge, Dublin, D04 A4E0 Ireland, which is authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland, has appointed Guinness Asset Management Ltd as Investment Manager to this fund, and as Manager has the right to terminate the arrangements made for the marketing of funds in accordance with the UCITS Directive.

Investor Rights A summary of investor rights in English is available here: <https://www.waystone.com/waystone-policies/>

Residency In countries where the Fund is not registered for sale or in any other circumstances where its distribution is not authorised or is unlawful, the Fund should not be distributed to resident Retail Clients.

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Structure & regulation The Fund is a sub-fund of Guinness Asset Management Funds PLC (the "Company"), an open-ended umbrella-type investment company, incorporated in Ireland and authorised and supervised by the Central Bank of Ireland, which operates under EU legislation. If you are in any doubt about the suitability of investing in this Fund, please consult your investment or other professional adviser.

Singapore The Fund is not authorised or recognised by the Monetary Authority of Singapore ("MAS") and shares are not allowed to be offered to the retail public. The Fund is registered with the MAS as a Restricted Foreign Scheme. Shares of the Fund may only be offered to institutional and accredited investors (as defined in the Securities and Futures Act (Cap.289)) ('SFA') and this material is limited to the investors in those categories.

Telephone calls will be recorded.