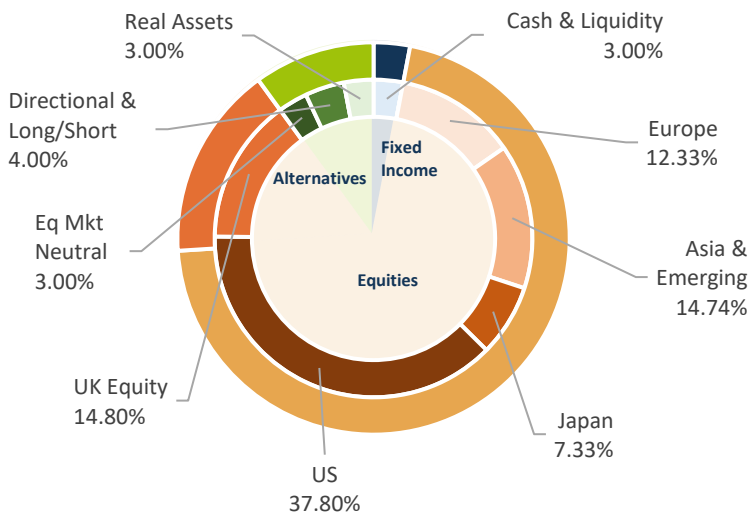


Objective

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** Invesco S&P 500 ETF.
- ▲ **Increased** JPM UK Equity Core, ES R&M European, Jupiter Japan Income.
- **Sold** None.
- ▼ **Reduced** Baillie Gifford American, SPDR MSCI USA Small Cap Val Wtd ETF, Granahan US SMID Select, L&G US Equity.

We purchased the Invesco S&P 500 (GBP Hedged) and increased our JPM UK Equity Core, ES R&M European and Jupiter Japan Income positions whilst reducing our L&G US Equity, Baillie Gifford American, SPDR USA Small Cap Val Wtd ETF and Granahan US SMID Select positions to hedge our core dollar exposure from a tactical view and to increase allocation to cyclical markets.

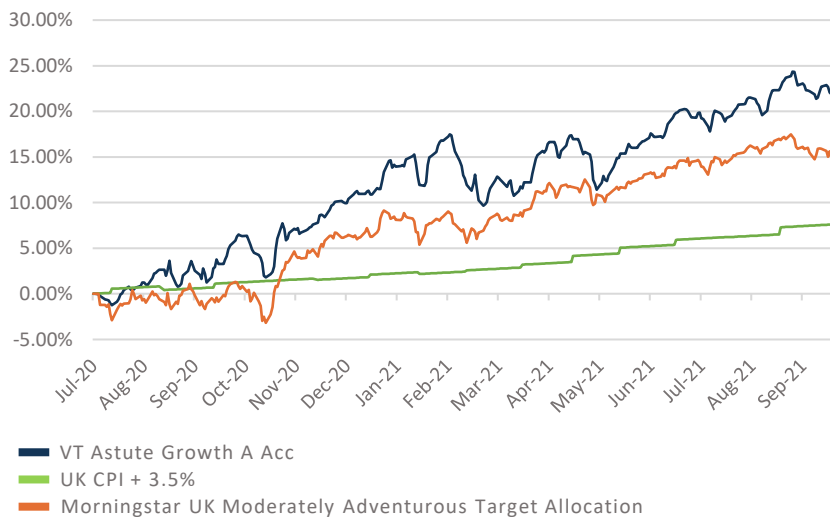
Holdings

Fixed Income & Cash		3%
Cash & Liquidity	Cash	
Equity		87%
UK Equity	JPMorgan UK Equity Core	
	ES R&M UK Recovery	
	Baillie Gifford British Smaller Companies	
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	
	Comgest Growth Japan	
	Baillie Gifford American	
	SPDR® MSCI USA Small Cap Value ETF	
	Federated Hermes US SMID Equity Hedged	
	Granahan US SMID Select	
	Xtrackers MSCI USA Financials ETF	
	Invesco S&P 500 ETF	
	L&G US Equity	
Polar Capital Global Technology		
Alternatives		10%
Eq. Mkt Neutral	Blackrock European Absolute Alpha	
Long / Short	Blackrock UK Emerging Companies	
Real Assets	Invesco Physical Gold	

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Performance

From Launch



Cumulative & Discrete Performance

	1 Year	Launch	YTD	2020*
VT Astute Growth	18.40	21.85	9.89	10.88
Benchmark	6.41	7.60	5.37	2.10
Comparator	16.01	14.91	8.14	6.26

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

Commentary

Equities lost some ground in September due to concerns about a peak in the rate of economic growth, supply disruptions and rising inflation. Concerns in China continued as the Government crackdown on over leveraged property development pushed the countries largest player, Evergrande, towards a potential default. The spillover effects of which were uncertain, but added to the volatility in the region, albeit concerns around its contagion faded as the month wore on. Japanese markets were the unlikely leader in September after a strong rally following new leadership. Inexpensive valuations and an acceleration in the re-opening, an area where Japan lagged other nations also helped. Despite relatively dovish central bank communications, fears about “sticky” inflation once again led to rising bond yields, pushing many bond markets into the red. The US Federal Reserve, Bank of England and European central bank have all laid the groundwork for removing their supportive policies, but fixed income markets only now seem to be accepting the inevitability of rising interest rates and pricing appropriately. Looking forward, colder weather will likely see COVID risks re-emerge, but booster roll-out and high vaccination levels will help mitigate the worst effects and ultimately help avoid further restrictions.

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Fund Details

Fund Size	£ 60.13m
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	0.94%
Total No. Holdings	22
Dealing Frequency	Daily
ISIN	GB00BKWGB681
SEDOL	BKWGB68

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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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