

STERLING ASSET MANAGEMENT FUND

Minimum disclosure document (fact sheet) as at 31 October 2018

Investment objectives & strategy

This Fund aims to achieve an increase in value whilst suppressing volatility and risk, through a conservative allocation of assets between, primarily, international equities, fixed interest securities and cash or money market instruments. Exposure to equities is limited to a maximum of 50% and exposure to fixed income securities is limited to a maximum of 70%. Exposure to currencies, other than base currency, after hedging, will not exceed 50%.

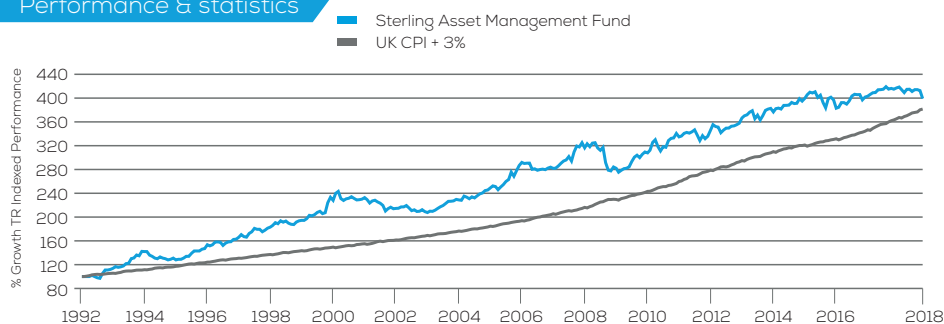
Investor profile

This Fund is suitable for an investor looking to achieve long-term growth of capital, accepting a low to moderate degree of risk.

Fund activity

- Global equity markets fall in a heap as continuing monetary policy normalization begins to weigh on sentiment.
- Technology sector was hit the hardest as investors took profits on those sectors which had run hardest. Vulnerable segments like emerging markets were also hit harder than developed markets.
- Markets worried about how late in the cycle this US economic expansion is, and hence, despite economic strength, these bouts of volatility are likely to continue.
- US 10 year Treasuries hit highest levels in seven years as economic strength underlines continued upside inflation risks and likely further US Federal Reserve (The Fed) rate hikes.
- After markets dropped we made decision to add to equity positions from our previous underweight, favouring increased exposure in US, where the earnings outlook remains better than most other regions.

Performance & statistics



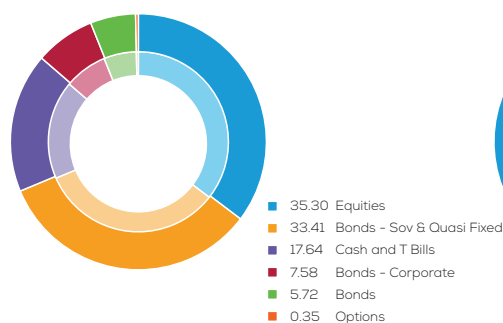
Annual average compound rate of return: **5.31%**

Source: Morningstar

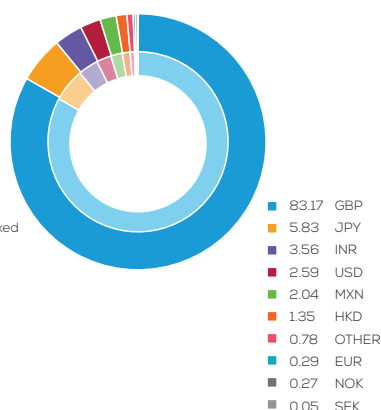
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Growth (%)	Fund	Benchmark	Fund statistics (Rolling 3 Yr)	Fund
YTD	-4.30	4.49	Standard deviation	4.26
1 Mth	-3.24	0.35	Sharpe ratio	-0.10
3 Mths	-3.62	1.52	Maximum gain	9.44
6 Mths	-3.74	3.04	Maximum drawdown	-4.77
1 Yr	-4.11	5.42	Drawdown recovery (mths)	0
3 Yrs	-0.03	16.15	Positive months	22
5 Yrs	5.23	24.54		
Since launch	299.20	276.02		

Asset allocation (%)



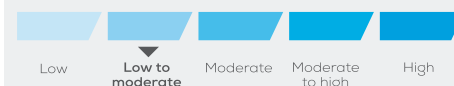
Currency weightings (%)



International

Key facts

Risk profile



General Information

Launch date	04/02/92
Fund size	£189.43m
Minimum investment	£10,000
Benchmark	UK CPI + 3%
Domicile	Jersey
Dealing	Daily
ISIN	GB0000532423
Sedol	0053242
Bloomberg ticker	ASHRASI JY
Nav price	£39.9201
Yield	N/A
Dividend policy	Accumulation
Manager	Ashburton (Jersey) Limited
Investment manager	Ashburton (Jersey) Limited
Custodian	BNP Paribas Securities Services S.C.A., Jersey Branch
Reporting fund	No
ISA eligible	No
FCA recognised	No
Umbrella fund	Ashburton Replica Portfolio Limited

Fee Structure (%)

Annual Management fee	1.50%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.82%
Transaction Charges	0.00%
Total Investment Charges	1.82%
Initial Charges are subject to prescribed minimums. Please refer to the Fund Prospectus.	

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Monthly performance history (%)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Calendar year
2018	0.35	-1.06	-1.20	1.35	0.03	-0.90	0.75	0.00	-0.39	-3.24	-	-	-4.30
2017	0.35	0.72	0.71	0.07	1.15	0.05	0.18	1.03	-0.96	0.28	-0.30	0.50	3.83
2016	-3.51	0.41	2.04	0.00	-0.63	1.35	2.09	0.74	-0.14	0.01	-2.19	1.20	1.21
2015	1.18	1.52	1.07	-0.32	0.48	-2.30	0.93	-3.06	-2.27	4.09	0.54	-1.13	0.53
2014	-1.57	1.46	0.27	-0.44	1.61	0.03	0.10	1.15	-0.46	0.11	1.96	-1.02	3.17

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Top 5 bond holdings (%)

	Sector	%
Fidelity Funds - Emerging Markets Debt	Other	5.72
Ashburton Investments SICAV - India Fixed Income Opportuniti	Ashburton Fund	3.24
United States Treasury Note/Bond 2.2500 31 Jul 2021	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	2.86
United States Treasury Note/Bond 7.5000 15 Nov 2024	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	2.81
United States Treasury Note/Bond 3.3750 15 Nov 2019	Sovereign & Quasi Fixed	2.75

Top 5 equity holdings (%)

	Sector	%
S&P500 EMINI FUT Dec18	Future	13.29
NIKKEI 225 (OSE) Dec18	Future	7.27
EURO STOXX 50 Dec18	Future	3.09
Fidelity Funds - America Fund	Other	3.07
Ashburton Emerging Markets Funds Ltd - Chindia Equity Fund	Ashburton Fund	2.79

Geographical weighting (%)

	ASIA	EMERGING MARKETS	EU	JPN	OTHER	UK	US
Bonds - Corporate	-	-	-	-	2.0	-	5.6
Options	-	-	0.3	-	-	0.1	-
Bonds - Sov & Quasi Fixed	-	-	8.7	-	3.0	3.2	18.5
Equities	4.6	1.0	3.5	7.3	0.8	0.4	17.6

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