



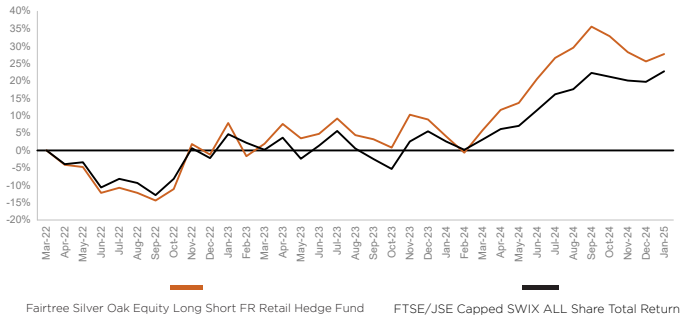
Investment Objective

The objective of the fund is to create long-term wealth for investors by extracting alpha from equity markets.

Fund Profile

The portfolio is managed as a long/short hedge fund, focused on extracting beta and alpha returns from the South African equity market. The funds returns are delivered through fundamental knowledge of South African equities vis-à-vis economic growth and broad economic themes as well as medium to long-term relative valuation opportunities, generating the largest portion of its returns through its directional bias. Relative value pairs, together with absolute longs and shorts seek to stabilize returns in turbulent market conditions, supported by the adjustment to the net exposure.

Cumulative Performance Since Inception



The investment performance is for illustrative purposes only; the investment performance is calculated by taking the actual initial fees and all ongoing fees into account for the amount shown; assuming income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.

The above benchmark (s) are for comparison purposes with the fund's performance. The fund does not follow the benchmark (s).

Return Analysis (Annualised)

	Fund	FTSE/JSE Capped SWIX All Share Total Return
1 Year	22.77%	19.72%
3 Years	n/a	n/a
5 Years	n/a	n/a
10 Years	n/a	n/a
Since Inception	9.01%	7.50%

All performance figures are net of fees.

Risk Analysis

	Fund	FTSE/JSE Capped SWIX All Share Total Return
Sharpe Ratio	0.24	n/a
Sortino Ratio	0.40	n/a
Standard Deviation	17.69%	13.97%
Best Month	14.60%	9.62%
Worst Month	-8.81%	-7.48%
Highest Rolling 12 Months	31.76%	28.01%
Lowest Rolling 12 Months	-3.57%	-2.02%
Largest Cumulative Drawdown	-14.42%	-12.82%
% Positive Months(Since Incept.)	50.00%	52.94%
Correlation (Monthly)	0.89	
Value at Risk (VaR) 95%	6.53%	

Fund Details

Risk Profile:	High
Portfolio Manager:	Clarissa van der Westhuyzen
Fund size:	R 859.52 m
NAV Price (Inception):	1000
NAV Price (as at month end):	1,259.04
Number of Units:	682,314.20
JSE Code:	FAICL1
ISIN Number:	ZAE000309589
Inception Date:	1 April 2022
ASISA Classification:	Retail Hedge Funds - South African - Long Short Equity Hedge Funds - Long Bias Equity Hedge Funds
Hurdle/Benchmark:	Capped SWIX All Share Total Return Index
Minimum Investment:	R50 000 Lump sum or R1 000 monthly
*Service Fee:	1.43% (excl. VAT) *Includes Base fee/Investment Management Fee of 1.25%
Performance fee (uncapped):	20% outperformance over Capped SWIX with a 1 year rolling high water mark (excl.VAT).

Cost Ratios (incl. VAT)

Total Expense Ratio (TER%):	2.74%
Performance Fee (PF) Included in TER:	1.05%
Transactions Costs Ratio (TC%):	0.23%
** Total Investment Charges (TIC%):	2.97%
* Total Investment Charges (TIC%) = TER (%) + TC (%)	
** TIC Fees are calculated in respect of the 12 months up to and including December 2024	

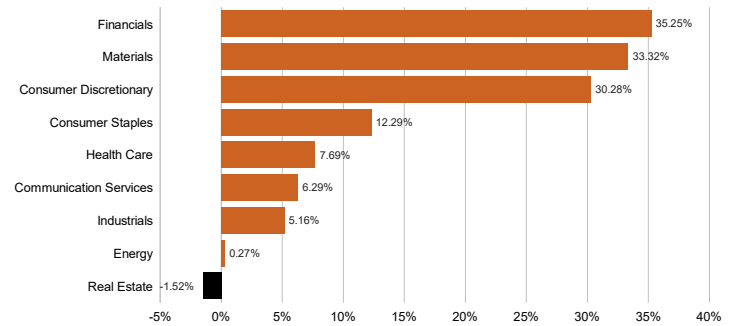
Income Distribution

31 December 2024 593.26 cents per unit (cpu)

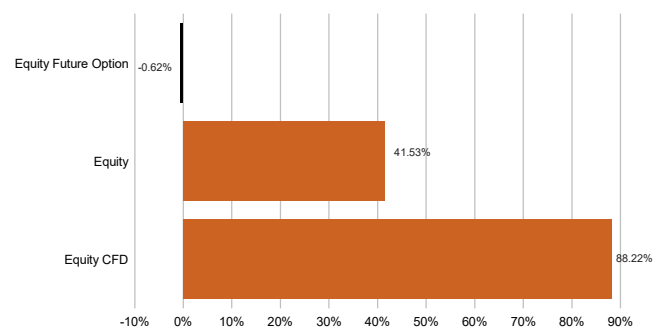
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Sector Allocation



Asset Allocation





	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
2022				-4.14%	-0.62%	-7.83%	1.73%	-1.67%	-2.56%	3.88%	14.60%	-2.98%	-1.15%
2023	9.11%	-8.81%	3.63%	5.55%	-3.81%	1.23%	4.22%	-4.38%	-1.15%	-2.29%	9.36%	-1.23%	10.19%
2024	-4.51%	-4.49%	6.53%	5.53%	1.80%	6.05%	4.97%	2.32%	4.71%	-2.01%	-3.45%	-2.11%	15.30%
2025	1.68%												1.68%

Risk Profile

Risk Level	Low	Low-Medium	Medium	Medium-High	High
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Market Commentary

Markets entered the year on the back foot but, after experiencing some volatility, ended January on a positive note. The initial volatility was caused by growing concerns and uncertainty around Trump's trade and fiscal policies. US 10-year bond yields rose to 4.8%, while the US dollar strengthened. Both reversed course after Trump's inauguration speech, which made little mention of tariffs, and as inflation data surprised to the downside. The S&P 500 ended the month 2.7% up. Value sectors outperformed growth sectors, and large tech stocks came under pressure after news that DeepSeek, a Chinese AI model, had been developed at a significantly lower cost. The Federal Reserve kept interest rates unchanged, as expected. Chair Powell indicated that the Fed was in no hurry to cut rates, stating that it was waiting for further data on employment, inflation and Trump's policies.

In Europe, equity markets performed strongly, with the Euro Stoxx 50 climbing 8.1%. The European Central Bank cut interest rates by 25 basis points, as anticipated, citing a weak economy. We expect the European Central Bank to continue cutting rates, with the euro to remain under pressure while political uncertainty and tariff risks are elevated.

Emerging markets had mixed results. The Hang Seng Index gained 0.8%, but China struggled, with the Shanghai Composite Index losing 3.0%. Chinese economic data has softened, and concerns about US tariffs have weighed on sentiment. We expect China to continue to ease policy to stabilise the property sector.

In commodities, Brent crude rallied by US\$2.9 to US\$77/bbl as the outgoing Biden Administration tightened sanctions, and cold weather in the US spiked energy usage. In hard commodities, Copper rose 6.3%, and Palladium gained 11.4%, reaching US\$1016/oz.

South African equities performed well, with the Capped SWIX up 2.6% and the MSCI South Africa Index up 4.1%, outperforming both developed and emerging markets. The South African Reserve Bank's Monetary Policy Committee cut the repo rate by 25 basis points at its January meeting. As expected, the decision was accompanied by a hawkish tone, with the committee highlighting several risks that could impact its inflation outlook. Despite this cautious stance, we believe that more rate cuts are likely this year as inflation continues to surprise to the downside. Growth has picked up, but several challenges remain, including global policy uncertainty and the government's policy stance towards healthcare, land and its relationship with the US. In the local fixed income space, the All Bond Index (ALBI) posted a 0.4% return, while cash did 0.7%. The property sector underperformed, returning -2.3%. On the currency front, the South African rand appreciated 0.7% against the US dollar, ending January at R18.67/USD. Resources (+16.3%) outperformed in January, while industrials rose 0.5% and financials fell 2.9%. Key sector leaders were Personal Goods (+30.7%) and Precious Metals (+29.1%), with notable performers including AngloGold (+34.3%) and Gold Fields (+30.8%). Laggards included General Retail (-12.0%) and Insurance (-5.6%).

The Fund underperformed its Capped SWIX benchmark by 1.4% in January. The largest contributors to positive relative performance were long positions in gold equities (AngloGold +1%, Gold Fields +0.7% outperformance). Long positions in Kumba and Amplats added 0.4% and 0.2%, respectively, to relative performance, while a short position in an insurer contributed +0.3%. Short positions in luxury goods and platinum miners detracted most from relative performance in January.

Please Note: The above commentary is based on reasonable assumptions and is not guaranteed to occur.



Glossary

Net Asset Value (NAV) :	Means net asset value, which is the total market value of all assets in a portfolio including any income accruals and less and deductible expenses such as audit fees, brokerage and service fees.
Annualised Return :	Is the weighted average compound growth rate over the performance period measured.
Highest & Lowest Return :	The highest and lowest rolling twelve-month performance of the portfolio since inception.
Total Expense Ratio (TER) :	Reflects the percentage of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) of the portfolio that was incurred as charges, levies and fees related to the management of the portfolio. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER's.
Transaction Costs (TC) :	Is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the Fund's underlying assets. Transaction costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns.
Total Investment Charges (TIC) :	Should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of Fund, investment decisions of the investment manager.
Total Investment Charges (TIC%) :	= TER (%) + TC (%): The Total Investment Charges (TIC), the TER + the TC, is the percentage of the net asset value of the class of the Financial Product incurred as costs relating to the investment of the Financial Product. It should be noted that a TIC is the sum of two calculated ratios (TER+TC).
Standard Deviation :	The deviation of the return of the portfolio relative to its average.
Drawdown :	The greatest peak to trough loss until a new peak is reached.
Sharpe Ratio :	The ratio of excess return over the risk-free rate divided by the total volatility of the portfolio.
Sortino Ratio :	The ratio of excess return over the risk-free rate divided by the downside deviation of the portfolio.
Correlation :	A number between -1 and 1 indicating the similarity of the dispersion of returns between the portfolio and another asset or index with 1 being highly correlated, -1 highly negatively correlated and 0 uncorrelated.
Value at Risk (VaR) :	Value at risk is the minimum loss percentage that can be expected over a specified time period at a predetermined confidence level.
Leverage/Gearing :	The use of securities, including derivative instruments, short positions or borrowed capital to increase the exposure beyond the capital employed to an investment.

Fund Risk

Leverage Risk :	The Fund borrows additional funds, trades on margin or performs short sale trades to amplify investment decisions. This means that the volatility of a hedge fund portfolio can be many times that of the underlying investments due to leverage on a fund.
Derivative Risk :	Derivative positions are financial instruments that derive their value from an underlying asset. Derivatives are exposed to implicit leverage which could result in magnified gains and/or losses on the portfolio.
Counterparty Credit Risk :	Counterparty risk is a type of credit risk and is the risk of default by the counterparty associated with trading derivative contracts. An example of counterparty credit risk is margin or collateral held with a prime broker.
Volatility Risk :	Volatility refers to uncertainty and risk related to size of change of an instrument or portfolio. It is a statistical measure of the dispersion of returns for a given security or market index. Volatility is proportional to the directional exposure of a portfolio and is measured by Value at risk (VaR) which is a statistical technique used to measure and quantify the level of volatility.
Concentration and Sector Risk :	A large proportion of total assets invested in specific assets, sectors or regions. Concentrated positions or concentrated sectors in a portfolio will material impact the returns of the portfolio more so than diversified portfolios.
Correlation Risk :	A measure that determines how assets move in relation to each other. Correlation risk arises when the correlation between asset-classes change. Correlation risk also arises when the correlation within an asset-class changes. Examples of correlation within asset classes include equity pairs trading, fixed income curve trading and commodities pairs trading.
Equity Risk :	Applies to investment in shares or derivatives based on shares. The market price of shares varies depending on supply and demand of the shares. Equity risk is the risk of loss due to the drop in the market price of shares. Equity risk can either be systematic risk which is risk to the entire market based on political and economic indicators or unsystematic risk which is company specific and includes risk relating to company profits, future prospects and general consensus on the company or sector.

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Total Expense Ratio

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