

VT Chelsea Managed Aggressive Growth

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Managed FUNDS



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Fund information

Launch date	5 th June 2017
Size	£40.08m
Number of holdings	37
Share class & ISIN	VT Chelsea Managed Aggressive Growth A Acc GBP GB00BF0NMY13
Initial charge	0%
Ongoing charges figure	1.13%

Top 10 holdings

Fidelity Index	8.77%
HSBC American Index	5.72%
Chrysalis Investment Co Ltd	5.23%
Polar Capital Biotechnology	4.27%
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Baillie Gifford Japan Trust	3.85%
Ninety One Global Environment	3.64%
Fidelity Asia Pacific Opportunities	3.61%
Doric Nimrod Air Two Ltd	3.19%
Schroder Global Recovery L Acc GBX	3.04%
Total	45.40%

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aims to produce capital growth over the long term[†]. The fund will invest up to 100% in UK and overseas equities, although it may also invest in other assets including bonds,

Fund commentary' Uncertainty and nervousness are still weighing on markets. The fund's total return for the past three months was -0.49% vs -0.19% for the IA Global sector.* The US stock market has improved but this has been almost entirely down to a few large US tech stocks. The US economy remains remarkably resilient in the face of higher interest rates. This is forcing the Federal Reserve to keep interest rates high which keeps pressure on equity and bond markets.

UK gilt yields have been rising as a result of persistently sticky inflation. In the UK, wage growth and core underlying inflation (stripping out food and energy), remain high. The expectation is that the Bank of England will need to keep raising interest rates.

In the fund the best performer in the period and year to date has been the Polar Capital Technology trust which has benefitted as US tech has come back into favour following the excitement around Artificial Intelligence (AI).

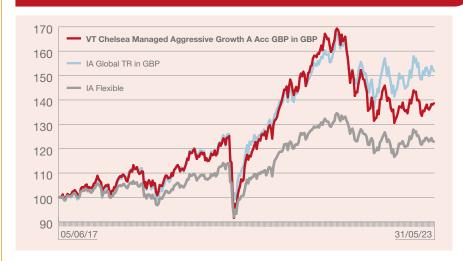
property, gold and targeted absolute return strategies. Exposure to assets will typically be via open-ended funds, investment trusts and exchange traded funds.

The trust remains on a large discount despite the strong performance.

Our overweight to smaller companies continued to be a drag on performance with Granahan US Focused Growth, Chelverton UK Equity, Marlborough European Special Situations and Schiehallion C shares all underperforming. The other weak point was our small investment into REITs via the TR Property Investment trust.*

All the funds holdings in investment trusts remain on substantial discounts. We are maintaining a patient approach and edging into value on weakness, cognisant that there might still be more pain to be felt. When will the situation change? It's impossible to say, but given the big increase in interest rates we've already had we think we must be a lot closer to the end than the beginning. We feel confident that the prices we are seeing now provide incredible long-term opportunities, we believe that our patience will be rewarded.

Performance since launch (%)**



Cumulative performance

	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since launch
Fund (%)	-1.49%	20.11%	28.38%	38.63%
IA Sector (%)	2.38%	27.51%	40.99%	51.82%
IIA Flexible Sector (%)	-1.34%	16.59%	17.69%	22.89%

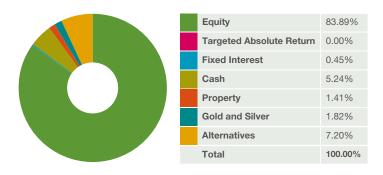
Calendar year performance

	YTD	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund (%)	3.03%	-18.93%	16.85%	16.68%	19.71%
IA Sector (%)	4.05%	-11.06%	17.68%	15.27%	21.92%
IA Flexible Sector (%)	1.47%	-8.98%	11.30%	6.70%	15.66%

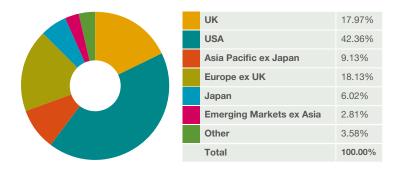
Past performance is not a reliable guide to future returns. *Source: FE Funds Info 28/02/2023-31/05/2023 Total Return in Sterling. **FE Funds Info 05/06/2017-31/05/2023.

Asset allocation (%)

Geographical equity allocation (%)



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