Discovery Balanced Fund

Quarterly update—ending 31st October 2025

Investment objective

The objective of the Fund is to provide returns through a combination of capital growth and income over a market cycle (5 years). The fund will primarily gain exposure indirectly via eligible collective investment schemes and other collective investment vehicles (for example, investment companies, exchange traded funds) and may also invest directly in eligible assets (excluding property and commodities). Derivatives will be used only for the purpose of Efficient Portfolio Management.

Fund manager

James Kempster

James has over 20 years experience building and managing multi-asset investment portfolios. Beginning his career at Canada Life, he has more recently worked with financial advice firms to create managed portfolio solutions for end clients.

Indicative risk rating

Fund managers' commentary

NVIDIA's surge past a $5 trillion valuation underscored another strong quarter for global equities, fuelled by continued enthusiasm for artificial intelligence. The largest US technology firms once again led gains, lifting major indices to record highs. Similar trends played out across the UK, Europe and Japan, where large-cap stocks outperformed while smaller companies lagged on a relative basis, extending a pattern seen over the past few years.

However, lofty valuations meant corporate results were met with mixed reactions. Several leading US firms saw share prices dip despite reporting robust earnings, as investors reacted sharply to even minor disappointments. Overall, global markets advanced, but gains remained concentrated among a handful of dominant companies, leaving diversification more challenging even as sentiment stayed broadly positive.

Performance summary as at 31/10/2025

	3 MONTHS	6 MONTHS	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	SINCE INCEPTION
Discovery Balanced Fund C Acc	5.53%	12.95%	11.73%	32.02%	33.61%	68.75%
IA Mixed Investment 40%-85% Shares	5.61%	14.28%	13.11%	34.49%	44.19%	95.14%

Three year performance to 31/10/2025

Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance.

IA sector source: FE fundinfo. All figures quoted are on a total return basis with income reinvested. The since inception date was 05/02/2016.

Discovery Multi Asset Funds

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Key facts

Manager Start Date	27/03/2019
Inception Date	05/02/2016
Number of holdings	28
Ongoing charge figure (C)	1.02%
Estimated yield (C Acc)	2.76%
Fund size	£84.50m
ISIN (C Acc)	GB00BYN66598

Current asset allocation

Alternatives	6.63%
Cash	1.46%
Fixed Interest	20.95%
UK Equities	19.51%
International Equities	40.97%
Property & Infrastructure	6.76%
Multi-Asset	3.73%

Top 10 holdings as at 31/10/2025

HSBC FTSE 100 Index	8.91%
HSBC American Index	7.09%
Legal & General All Stocks Gilt Index	6.62%
iShares Overseas Corporate Bond	4.75%
AI Multi-Strategy Target Return	4.71%
IShares Pacific Ex Japan Equity Tracker	4.41%
Fidelity Index Japan	4.19%
HSBC European Index	4.06%
Schroder US Smaller Companies	4.05%
Emerging Markets Bond	3.88%

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