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Abacon Worldwide Flexible

Fund Details

Fund Category Worldwide Multi Asset Flexible

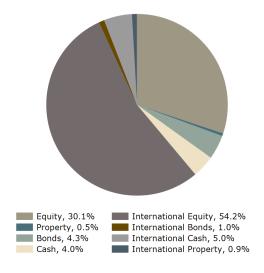
Benchmark Avg Worldwide Multi Asset Flexible

Risk Profile Aggressive
Investment period 5 years or longer
Launch Date 01 May 2018
Fund Size R 6 million
Platform Glacier

Fund Objective

The wrap fund aims to provide a high level of capital growth over the long term. Investors in this fund are prepared to tolerate high fluctuations in the value of their investment over the short term. The fund will be diversified across all major asset classes with a strong bias towards equities (maximum of 100%) and can invest in South African and/or foreign markets up to 100% either way. Investors in this tund should have a minimum investment horizon of 5 years or longer. The fund is not compliant with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act

Asset Allocation



Investor Profile

The fund is suitable for investors seeking:

- High level of capital growth over the long term
- Able to tolerate high levels of volatility, with diversification across asset classes both domestic and foreign
- A minimum investment horizon of 5 years or longer

Cumulative performance since launch *

Growth of R100 investment



— Abacon Worldwide Flexible — Benchmark

Performance (%)	Fund*	Benchmark				
1 Month	2.17	0.82				
3 Months	4.56	2.27				
6 Months	4.87	3.44				
1 Year	-0.32	-5.29				
2 Years (annualised)	10.57	5.80				
3 Years (annualised)	10.76	7.07				
Since Launch	9.70	7.38				

Risk statistics (2 years)	Fund*				
Returns (annualised)	10.57%				
Standard deviation (annualised)	9.12%				
% Positive months	66.67%				
Maximum drawdown	-11.36%				
Sharpe ratio	0.68				

Manager Selection (%)			
Allan Gray Balanced	7.00	Glacier Global Stock Feeder	7.00
Bateleur Flexible Prescient	8.00	Ninety One Global Franchise Feeder	8.00
Centaur BCI Flexible	8.00	Old Mutual Global Equity	9.00
Coronation Global Emerging Markets Flexible	4.00	PSG Flexible	9.00
Coronation Global Optimum Growth	16.00	Satrix MSCI World Equity Index Feeder	7.00
Fairtree Equity Prescient	8.00	Truffle SCI Flexible	9.00

Monthly Fund Performance* (%)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Fund 2022	-4.27	-0.20	-2.31	-0.56	-0.08	-4.42	4.49	0.43	-3.22	5.75	2.17		-2.75
Fund 2021	3.43	3.03	1.76	1.32	-1.06	1.63	1.83	0.92	0.14	4.31	0.80	2.50	22.54
Fund 2020	1.93	-5.25	-8.37	13.08	-0.60	3.96	3.08	2.29	-2.67	-3.28	7.06	2.59	12.74

Fees (% incl. VAT)

Annual wrap fee	0.46					
Underlying Manager TER's	1.22					

^{*} The investor is liable for CGT on any transactions in the units of the underlying unit trusts within the wrap funds. Compulsory investments are not subject to CGT. Performance is calculated using net returns (after fees) of the underlying unit trusts, and quoted excluding wrap fund fees. Performance quoted is pre-tax. Fund performance numbers shown are for a notional portfolio and do not reflect the actual performance of the client invested in the wrap fund due to timing differences of investments or disinvestments of the client. Benchmark returns for CPI are based on actual published returns and an estimated one month return for the month of the report date. ASISA Benchmark returns are the ASISA returns available as at the time of reporting.

The Abacon Worldwide Flexible Wrap Fund is developed and managed by Sanlam Investments on behalf of Abacon BlueStar.





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Manager Comment

For two consecutive months, global and local markets managed to recover some of the steep losses that we saw during the year. As we move to the last month of the year, the 2023 outlook remains gloomy and the coming year expects recession for both the developed and emerging market economies. Goldman Sachs' Global Investment Research (GIR) forecasts a slowdown in the pace of interest rate hikes as moderate inflation hits and supply chain pressures continue to ease.

For two consecutive months, global markets have managed to recover some of the steep losses that we saw during the year. The month started with a much anticipated fourth consecutive rate hike from the Fed. Mortgage rates have risen sharply in response to aggressive interest rate hikes, however, the US appears to be better insulated from mortgage payments shocks in 2023 when compared to other countries. Fed Chair Jerome Powell signalled that the Fed would slow down the pace of the interest rate hikes in December following a softer US inflation print for the month. The MSCI World Index closed 6.95% up m/m in USD and 1.08% down in ZAR. The Nasdaq 100 Index, which was impacted by previous central bank tightening recovered massively to end the month positive at 7.50%. The US 10-year government bond yields decreased by 0.30% to 3.80%.

Emerging market stocks rebounded to end higher than their developed market peers. The MSCI EM Index came in at 14.85% m/m in USD and 6.22% m/m in ZAR. The Chinese Hang Seng Index led the gains by ending 29.10% for the month. The positive gains were followed by constructive talks between President Xi Jinping and US President Joe Biden at the G20 summit, an announcement of some bailouts for China's poverty sector, and initial signs that the Chinese government will start to ease strict Covid-19 lockdown restrictions.

The local stock market had its best month in November in over two years. The FTSE/All Share Index came in at 12.33% m/m and 5.98% YTD. A significant contribution came from Naspers and Prosus, both up by 39% m/m, as they benefitted from a massive rally from Chinese tech company Tencent. The resources sector came in at 16.02%, the only disappointment came from Sasol, which came in lower at 3.00% down m/m as it tracked the oil price lower. The South African CPI print eased further to 7.50%. As anticipated, the SARB delivered a third consecutive 75 basis point rate hike during the month following global peers and pushing rates to 7% for the first time since mid-2017. Despite the SARB hike, the local 10-year government bond yields followed global yield lower, ending the month 0.50% down at 10.80%.

Portfolio Manager



Wade Witbooi

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About the Portfolio Manager

Wade joined Sanlam Multi Managers in May 2016 as a portfolio manager within the investment team. Wade is currently the lead portfolio manager within the hybrid model portfolio group (MPG) and manages portfolios within the Glacier Invest Discretionary Fund Manager (DFM) business. Wade has completed the requisite regulatory exams and supervision period.

Wade started his career at Glacier by Sanlam on their graduate trainee programme in 2010 after a stint working as a summer camp counsellor in the USA. For the first two years he worked within their communication centre, operations team, as well as their investment administration departments where he acquired a thorough understanding of the financial adviser market and client servicing requirements. In 2012 he joined the Glacier Research team as an investment analyst focussing on manager research within the retail asset management landscape. Other responsibilities included market research, economic commentary, and financial advisor support. Wade then joined Sanlam Investments in May 2014 as a retail investments analyst within their Strategy and Client Solutions team, focussing on investment research, industry trend analysis, product positioning, and distribution support.

Wade holds a B.Com degree in Business Management form the University of the Western Cape, a Post Graduate Diploma in Financial Planning from the University of the Free State, a Certificate in Investment Performance Measurement (CIPM) from the CFA institute, and has completed the first level regulatory examination for representatives.

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