

# UK Star Equity Fund

March 2019

## Fund Overview

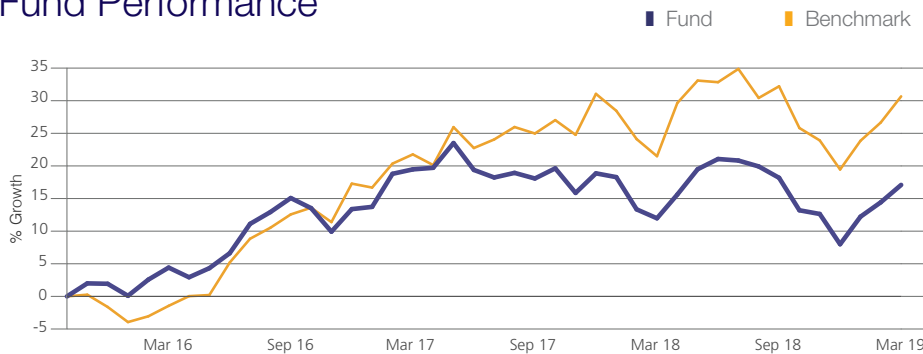
The Fund aims to provide income and capital returns by choosing an optimal mix of UK stocks using a rigorous proprietary process. The portfolio consists of less volatile UK mid and large cap stocks with strong franchises, stable earnings, growing dividends, solid balance sheets and financial flexibility.

## Market & Portfolio Commentary

UK Equities (+3.2%) outperformed their global peers (+1.6%) over March, with UK Star participating well in the rally gaining 2.3% while being defensively positioned. Trade weighted Sterling remained range bound through the month as domestic politics continue to take centre stage, despite the initial Brexit delay announced earlier this month the process looks likely to go until the eleventh hour. Central Banks globally have acknowledged the weakening economic backdrop. The US Federal Reserve announced a significant reduction in rate hike expectations for the next two years while ending its quantitative tightening programme. Along with the weaker than expected German business confidence survey, this caused long dated sovereign bond yields to collapse with the US treasury curve inverting for the first time since 2007. The market's attention is now focused on China, as it might be the single biggest factor to further support the already mature economic cycle. An evidence of a turnaround could catalyse an improvement in the Eurozone economic backdrop weakening the Bund rally year to date while allowing for US Dollar weakness.

Unsurprisingly, top portfolio contributors in March were Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever and Compass Group as investors chased bond proxy assets and international exposure. Detractors included domestics: Stagecoach, ITV and Kingfisher.

## Fund Performance\*



## Monthly Returns (%) GBP\*

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2016	-1.81	2.48	1.80	-1.42	1.35	2.20	4.22	1.63	1.90	-1.34	-3.18	3.15	11.23
2017	0.30	4.46	0.57	0.20	3.17	-3.33	-0.97	0.60	-0.72	1.32	-3.15	2.59	4.84
2018	-0.49	-4.18	-1.21	3.25	3.36	1.31	-0.20	-0.75	-1.45	-4.21	-0.50	-4.12	-9.15
2019	3.91	1.97	2.33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.42

## Discrete Annual Performance (%)\*

	31.03.18 31.03.19	31.03.17 31.03.18	31.03.16 31.03.17	31.03.15 31.03.16	31.03.14 31.03.15
Fund	4.57	-6.28	14.42	-	-
Benchmark	7.55	-0.23	23.56	-	-

## Fund Highlights (%)\*

	1 mth	3 mths	6 mths	Year to Date	Since Launch	Best Month	Worst Month
Fund	2.33	8.42	-0.92	8.42	17.09	4.46	-4.21
Benchmark	3.16	9.38	-1.17	9.38	30.66	-	-

\*Source: RBC. Fund performance relates to Class X GBP and is net of fees with dividends reinvested. Discrete annual performance is based on data since inception.

Issued April 2019. All data as at 31 March 2019

### Key facts about the Fund

- Companies traded in UK-based stock exchanges
- High quality companies with reasonable valuations
- Total Number of Holdings 17

### Fund Details

Fund Type	UCITS IV, Dublin domiciled
Launch Date	02 November 2015
Benchmark	MSCI UK
Fund AuM	£5.0m (all share classes)
Administrator	RBC Investor & Treasury Services

### Dealing & Pricing

Pricing	Daily
Pricing Time	12 noon T+1 UK time
Dealing Frequency	Daily
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### Potential Risk / Rewards



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## Portfolio Breakdown

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### Top Ten Equity Holdings

Name	Sector	%
Kingfisher	Consumer Discretionary	4.9
Renewables Infrastructure Group	Utilities	4.8
Imperial Brands	Consumer Staples	4.8
Sage	Information Technology	4.8
Compass	Consumer Discretionary	4.8
Bunzl	Industrials	4.8
Reckitt Benckiser	Consumer Staples	4.8
Phoenix Group	Financials	4.8
Unilever	Utilities	4.8
Diageo	Consumer Staples	4.8
<b>Total</b>		<b>48.1</b>

### Sector Breakdown (%)

Sector	Fund	Index
Consumer Discretionary	19.1	17.5
Consumer Staples	14.4	6.1
Energy	0.0	17.6
Financials	4.8	20.1
Health Care	0.0	9.8
Industrials	14.1	8.7
Information Technology	9.5	0.9
Materials	0.0	9.7
Real Estate	4.8	1.2
Telecommunication Services	0.0	5.1
Utilities	14.2	3.2

Source: Fund data London & Capital and RBC Investor & Treasury Services, Index data MSCI.

\*The data above does not include cash, cash equivalents and futures; therefore occasionally the data may not add up to 100%.

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Best Private Client Investment Team  
UK and Best Global Equity Fund



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Best International Wealth Management Provider



**Wealth Adviser Awards 2015**  
Best Ultra High Net Worth Team

## Share Class Details

Share Class	Initial Charge	AMC	ISIN	Bloomberg	SEDOL
Class X GBP	0.00%	0.00%	IE00BYNVJ006	LCUSXGI ID	BYNVJ00
Class I GBP	0.00%	1.00%	IE00BYNVJ113	LCUSIGI ID	BYNVJ11

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