

**FUND OBJECTIVE**

The Fund aims to deliver medium to long-term capital growth over time. The Fund is differentiated in the ASISA South African – Multi-Asset – High Equity category by focusing primarily on investments with international or Rand-hedge revenue streams. Elevated returns are targeted by utilising its full offshore and equity allowances. The Fund complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act.

**INVESTOR SUITABILITY**

The Fund is suitable for retail and institutional investors seeking maximum offshore exposure, within the bounds of Regulation 28. Therefore, it is appropriate for retirement savings and Tax-Free Savings Accounts. While volatility is expected to be less than an equity-only fund, investors must be willing to endure periods of short-term downturns. An investment horizon of 5+ years is recommended.

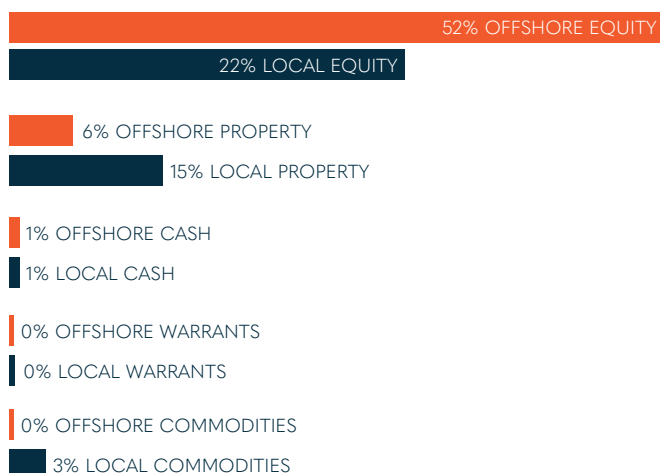


ANNUALISED RETURNS (NET OF FEES)		
	HIGH STREET	BENCHMARK
Since inception (CAGR)	13.68%	9.35%
5 years	13.52%	9.18%
3 years	10.85%	10.44%
1 year	48.93%	12.15%
Highest rolling 1-year return	48.93%	30.56%
Lowest rolling 1-year return	-23.61%	-10.44%

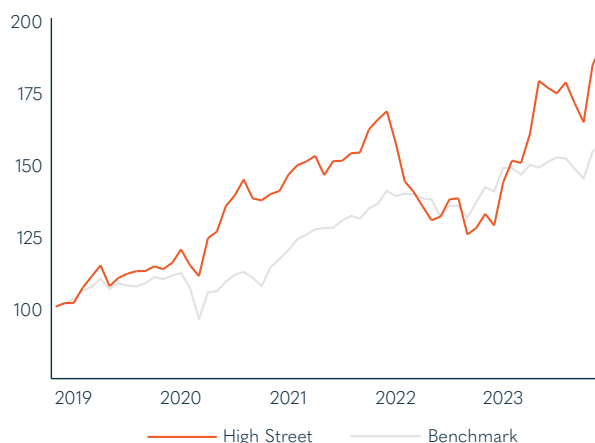
**TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

High Street Wealth Warriors Fund	Master Drilling Group
CrowdStrike	Microsoft
Dream Industrial Real Estate	Nvidia
LEG Immobilien	Sirius Real Estate
MAS Real Estate	Trencor

**ASSET ALLOCATION**



**ILLUSTRATIVE PERFORMANCE (NET OF FEES)\***



Benchmark: Category peer average (South Africa - Multi Asset - High Equity)  
Source: High Street Asset Management, 31/12/2023

**FUND DETAILS**

<b>Fund Manager</b> High Street Asset Management (Pty) Ltd (FSP No: 45210)	<b>Auditor</b> Ernst & Young Inc.	<b>Bloomberg Ticker</b> HISHEA1 SJ	<b>TER (VAT Incl.)</b> 1.50%
<b>Administrator</b> Prescient Fund Services (Pty) Ltd	<b>Regulator</b> Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA)	<b>Inception Date</b> 19 December 2018	<b>Minimum Investment</b> Lump Sum: R10,000 Monthly: R500
<b>Management Company</b> Prescient Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd	<b>Fund Classification</b> South African – Multi Asset – High Equity	<b>Fund Size</b> R267m	<b>Redemption Frequency</b> Daily
<b>Depository</b> Nedbank Investor Services	<b>Base Currency</b> ZAR	<b>Number of Units Issued</b> 76m	<b>Annual Income Distribution</b> 31 March (if selected)
	<b>ISIN</b> ZAE000264552	<b>Unit Price (ZAR Cents)</b> 187.66	<b>Recommended Time Horizon</b> 5+ years

\* 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 and income is reinvested on the reinvestment date.



**FEES (VAT INCL.)****Annual Base Fee (management & administration) \***

1.38%

**Performance Fee**

None

**Other Fees**

0.12%

**Total Expense Ratio (TER)**

1.50%

**Transaction Costs (TC)**

0.18%

**Total Investment Charge (TIC)**

1.68%

\* The investment in the High Street Wealth Warriors Fund is not subject to management fees.

**RISK METRICS**

	HIGH STREET	BENCHMARK
<b>Annualised Std. Deviation</b>	15.69%	10.08%
<b>Sharpe Ratio</b>	0.32	0.07
<b>Downside Sortino Ratio</b>	0.65	0.13
<b>Maximum Drawdown</b>	-25.47%	-14.21%
<b>Time to Recover (months)</b>	18	5
<b>Positive Months</b>	69%	62%
<b>Tracking Error</b>	11.83%	-
<b>Information Ratio</b>	0.37	-

**FUND COMMENTARY**

The Fund ended the year strongly, posting a 3.9% return in December, outperforming the category peer average return of 2.0%. This brought the Fund's 2023 return to 48.9%, significantly outpacing the peer average of 12.2% and leading to its top-ranking position of funds within the ASISA South African Multi-Asset High Equity category. This performance was aided by the Rand depreciating by 7.2% against the US dollar in the year.

Entering 2023, analysts held a pessimistic view of global markets. In the US, stocks had just suffered their worst year since 2008 (S&P 500: -18.1% in USD) while bonds had their worst year in history by a wide margin (10-year Treasury: -17.8% in USD). Many were expecting a US recession in 2023, following the historic interest rate hikes in 2022. This, alongside a myriad of other concerns including an inflationary spiral, falling earnings, the war in Ukraine, and the ongoing tightening of monetary policy shaped a decidedly negative market outlook.

Nonetheless, 2023 witnessed robust returns in global stock markets. The US emerged as the standout performer, fuelled by unexpected upside surprises in GDP growth and near-record-high corporate profits during the third quarter. As a result, recession fears were gradually replaced by growing confidence that US policymakers would achieve an economic soft landing. The subsequent table outlines the returns of the major equity indexes in ZAR for comparability:

INDEX	2023 ZAR Total Return
<b>MSCI World</b>	<b>33.4%</b>
<b>S&amp;P500</b>	<b>35.3%</b>
<b>STOXX Europe 600</b>	<b>29.1%</b>
<b>FSTE 100</b>	<b>21.8%</b>
<b>Hang Seng</b>	<b>-4.2%</b>
<b>JSE All-Share</b>	<b>9.4%</b>

Source: Bloomberg

The local market lagged most major indices, as struggles with a power, logistics, and growth crisis curbed investor enthusiasm. Throughout the year, domestic risk levels remained elevated, leading foreign investors to accelerate their net selling of equities on the JSE. Despite this, the Fund's local holdings performed well, outperforming the JSE All-Share Index. This success can be attributed to robust company-specific fundamentals and was further boosted by the depreciation of the Rand. Notably, top-performing holdings included Reinet Investments, Bidcorp, and Mondi, yielding returns of 44.6%, 32.4%, and 30.1%, respectively.

Given the JSE's relative underperformance, the Fund benefited from its mandate to always maximise direct offshore exposure as well as its bias towards US listings. A key theme of 2023 was Artificial Intelligence, with companies linked to AI soaring as investors backed the potential of the technology. Consequently, the top performers in the Fund's offshore component included Nvidia (+239% USD), Meta (+194% USD), and US cybersecurity company CrowdStrike (+142% USD). These companies provide products and services that are either integral in powering AI applications or are significantly enhanced by the advancement of AI capabilities.

The property sector also saw a rebound in 2023, with the Developed Property Index returning 17.6% in ZAR, while locally the SA Listed Property Index returned 10.1%. Our property holdings, comprising five names, performed exceptionally well, achieving an average return of 32.1% on a weighted basis. Notably, the Fund's largest holding, Sirius Real Estate, was the top performer, returning 50.6%. Our property exposure remains concentrated among our highest conviction ideas, all of which have zero exposure to the South African operating environment, despite the majority of these holdings being listed on the JSE.

Heading into 2024, the economic outlook is characterised by uncertainty. Positively, global inflation has moderated from its peak of around 10% in 2022 to a current rate of less than 5%. Although geopolitics and energy prices pose upside risk to inflation, we are inclined to believe that there is more gravity weighing it down than buoyancy pushing it up. In the US, equity markets are now priced for a soft landing, however, strategist opinions are divided as to whether the country will fall into a recession this year. The global spotlight will also be on elections, with more than 60 scheduled to occur, encompassing over 4 billion people, including those in the US and South Africa. Domestically, South Africa's economic trajectory will be shaped by these global economic trends, as well as its local infrastructural challenges, effective implementation of government reforms, and upcoming elections.

At High Street, while we monitor these macro economic events, we believe that company specific fundamentals and adhering to specific mandates is what drives performance over the long run. Ultimately, the Fund continues to deliver on its mandate of maximising offshore exposure, through utilising its full offshore allowance and investing exclusively in Rand-hedge names locally. In December, the Fund attained its 5-year track record, with a 5-year annualised return of 13.5% as of 31 December, placing second within category and significantly outperforming the category peer average return of 9.2% per year. Importantly, this is despite the average annual Rand depreciation versus the US dollar over the 5-years being less than the 30-year average. We are very proud of this performance and believe that the Fund remains ideally suited as a geographic diversifier for an investor's local portfolio.



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**DISCLAIMER**

The Fund has adhered to its policy objective. Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value may go up as well as down and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. CIS's are traded at the ruling price and can engage in scrip lending and borrowing. The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the Manager. There is no guarantee in respect of capital or returns in a portfolio. A CIS may be closed to new investors in order for it to be managed more efficiently in accordance with its mandate. CIS prices are calculated on a net asset basis, which is the total value of all the assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions (brokerage, STT, VAT, auditor's fees, bank charges, trustee and custodian fees and the annual management fee) from the portfolio divided by the number of participatory interests (units) in issue. Forward pricing is used. The Fund's 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. During the phase-in period TER's do not include information gathered over a full year. 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. It 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 and the TER.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third-party-named portfolio. Where foreign securities are included in a portfolio there may be potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds, macroeconomic risks, political risks, foreign exchange risks, tax risks, settlement risks; and potential limitations on the availability of market information. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees. Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), to be transacted at the net asset value price for that day. Where all required documentation is not received before the stated cut off time Prescient shall not be obliged to transact at the net asset value price as agreed to.

Funds are priced at either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website. Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestments and dividend withholding tax. Full performance calculations are available from the manager on request.

For any additional information such as fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to [www.prescient.co.za](http://www.prescient.co.za)

**FUND SPECIFIC RISKS**

**Default risk:** The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments (e.g. bonds) may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed. The issuers credit quality is vital. The worse the credit quality, the greater the risk of default and therefore investment loss.

**Developing Market (excluding SA) risk:** Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems. These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than those in countries generally regarded as being more developed.

**Foreign Investment risk:** Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.

**Interest rate risk:** The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to be inversely related to interest and inflation rates. Hence their value decreases when interest rates and/or inflation rises.

**Property risk:** Investments in real estate securities can carry the same risks as investing directly in real estate itself. Real estate prices move in response to a variety of factors, including local, regional and national economic and political conditions, interest rates and tax considerations.

**Currency exchange risk:** Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.

**Geographic / Sector risk:** For investments primarily concentrated in specific countries, geographical regions and/or industry sectors, their resulting value may decrease whilst portfolios more broadly invested might grow.

**Liquidity risk:** If there are insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments, the result may lead to delays in trading and being able to make settlements, and/or large fluctuations in value. This may lead to larger financial losses than expected.

**Equity investment risk:** Value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. bankruptcy), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

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**GLOSSARY SUMMARY**

**Annualised performance:** Annualised performance show longer term performance rescaled to a 1 year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

**Highest & Lowest return:** The highest and lowest returns for any 1 year over the period since inception have been shown.

**NAV:** The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

**WHY IS THIS FUND IN CATEGORY 4 ?**

The Fund is rated as 4 due to exposure to shares and stocks, and the nature of its investments which include the risks previously listed. The price of shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount they have invested. As the investments of the Fund are in various currencies and the Fund is denominated in South African Rands your shares may be subject to currency risk.

**WHAT DO THESE NUMBERS MEAN?**

They rate how a fund might behave and how much risk there is to your capital. Generally, the chance to make large gains means a risk of suffering large losses.

A **Category 1** fund is not a risk-free investment - the risk of losing your money is small, but the chance of making gains is also limited.

With a **Category 7** fund, the risk of losing your money is high but there is also a chance of making higher gains. The seven-category scale is complex (for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1).

For a more detailed explanation of risks, please refer to the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus.

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