

# **VT Chelsea Managed Balanced Growth**

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Launch date	5 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
Size	£24.17m
Number of holdings	32
Share class & ISIN	VT Chelsea Managed Balanced Growth A Acc GBP GB00BF0NMX06
Initial charge	0%
Ongoing charges figure	1.07%

#### **Top 10 holdings**

Fundsmith Equity	6.89%
Man GLG UK Absolute Value	5.69%
RWC Continental Growth Europe	4.30%
Artemis Corporate Bond	4.08%
Franklin UK Managers Focus	4.08%
Baillie Gifford Japan Trust	3.99%
Merian Gold & Silver	3.82%
Merian Chrysalis Investment Co Ltd	3.71%
Fidelity Global Special Situations	3.63%
T Rowe Price Global Focused Growth Equity	3.61%

#### VT Chelsea Managed Balanced Growth aims to produce capital growth over the long term<sup>†</sup>, but with lower volatility than global

term<sup>T</sup>, but with lower volatility than global equities. The fund has a target weighting of between 50% and 70% in UK and overseas equities, although it may also

Fund commentary The fund fell -2.69% during the three month period, underperforming the IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector, which fell -0.97%.\* However, this certainly doesn't tell the full story. As the lockdown caused the global economy to shut down, the market panicked and we experienced one of the steepest falls in history.

The fall was much faster and more violent than anything during the great financial crisis. Our absolute return funds, some of which have the ability to short the market, held up well and reminded us why we hold them.

Our alternative investment trusts, which had previously been defensive, fell heavily. This made little sense. For example, renewable energy trusts, mostly dependent on government subsidies from power generation, were largely unaffected by the virus. The sun continued to shine and the wind continued to blow. Yet even so many of these trusts fell over 40% and started trading

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

at extreme levels. This provided us with some great opportunities and we were able to buy into some of these trusts at distressed levels locking into very high dividend yields.

Almost as extraordinary as the sell-off was the speed of the recovery. Governments and central banks provided unprecedented levels of support, and the market very quickly bounced back.

We initiated a position in the Artemis Corporate Bond fund. Corporate bonds initially fell heavily providing us with a good entry point. They are a direct beneficiary from central bank support and this position has already done very well in a short space of time.

It's impossible to say where markets will go in the short term. There is no doubt we are going to suffer a very severe recession. However, with interest rates now close to zero many of the trusts and funds we see look good value for the long term.

#### Performance since launch (%)\*\*



#### **Cumulative performance**

	1 year	3 years	5 years	Since launch
Fund (%)	0.54	-	-	7.91
IA Sector (%)	1.11	-	-	5.60

#### Calendar year performance

	YTD	2019	2018	2017
Fund (%)	-7.60	15.30	-3.01	-
IA Sector (%)	-5.86	15.78	-6.11	-

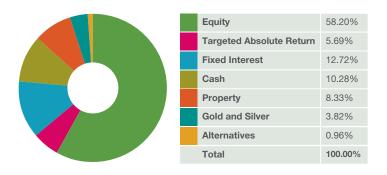
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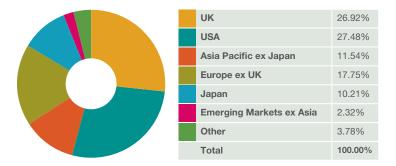
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#### Asset allocation (%)

### **Geographical equity allocation (%)**



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