

STONEHAGE FLEMING EQUITY PRESCIENT FUND

OUR FOUR FUNDAMENTAL QUALITY PILLARS - IDENTIFYING GLOBAL BEST IN CLASS BUSINESSES



INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The aim is to maximise investor total return over the long term through a focused portfolio of high quality JSE listed equity securities.

The Fund has adhered to its policy objective.

FUND FEATURES

A concentrated equity-only portfolio that may invest across all sectors of the JSE. The portfolio will hold between 20 – 30 companies.

FUND COMMENTARY

The 1st quarter of 2025 proved to be a volatile one for global equity markets as uncertainty reigned with the looming announcement of US tariff increases and the potential impact thereof. The MSCI World Index ended the quarter down -1.7%, with the tech-heavy Nasdaq declining -10.4%.

At an Index level the JSE proved to be one of the best performing global equity markets for the quarter with the JSE Capped SWIX returning +5.8%. Returns were, however, largely driven by a narrow selection of gold and platinum miners with the JSE Precious Metals Index climbing +58.5% during the quarter. The JSE Financial and Industrial Indices returned -2.0% and +3.1% respectively. Notwithstanding the uncertain global climate and political instability on the domestic front, the rand strengthened by +2.6% against the US dollar over the period.

AB InBev returned +20.5% during the quarter. The company reported year-end results in February with earnings growing +15.7%. Strong free cash flow and reduced capital expenditures supported a +22.0% dividend increase and \$750 million in share buybacks (~40% of the \$2 billion share buyback plan announced in October 2024).

The quarter proved an eventful one for Prosus and Naspers. In January, Tencent was named as a "Chinese Military Company" by the US Department of Defence. Tencent also released full year results which reported a +44% growth in earnings and announcing share buybacks would continue into FY25. Prosus also announced their intention to acquire Just Eat Takeaway for EUR4.1 billion. The share buybacks at Naspers and Prosus continue with the companies now both having bought back just under 25% of their shares in issue. Naspers and Prosus returned +12.4% and +8.3% respectively for the quarter.

Looking ahead, the fallout from US tariffs and the potential for retaliatory actions will cloud global economic growth outlooks with elevated levels of uncertainty likely to persist. Our investment strategy remains one focussed on holding companies in strong financial health that can deliver sustainable organic growth over the long-term, and through differing economic and market conditions.

Data sourced from Company Financials and Factset (as at 31/03/2025).

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Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

¹ For periods longer than one year, returns are annualised. Annualised performance is the weighted average annual compound growth rate over the period measured.

² Benchmark is the JSE Capped SWIX Index. (Since 09/10/2023).

³ Fund Inception Date: 1 June 2016.

⁴ The lowest and highest annualised performance numbers are based on 10 non-overlapping one year periods, or the number of non-overlapping one year periods from inception where performance history does not exist for 10 years.

Source for all performance is Bloomberg and Stonehage Fleming Investment Management (South Africa). Third parties (including Bloomberg and Factset) whose data may be included in this document do not accept any liability for errors or omissions. All performance is stated net of fees.

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

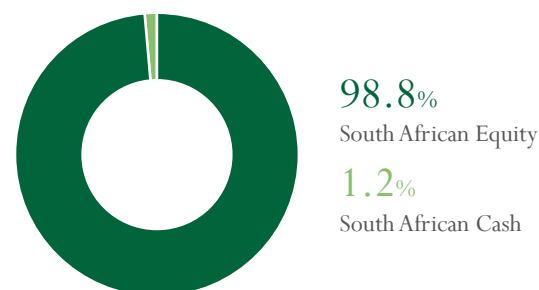
- Seek to identify exceptional businesses with sustainable long-term growth prospects and durable competitive advantages
- Fundamental, bottom-up research process
- Focus on quality of management, return on invested capital, free cash flow generation and balance sheet strength
- Predominantly larger capitalisation businesses; will consider exceptional smaller businesses that meet liquidity limits
- A concentrated, high-conviction portfolio
- Buy to hold orientation alongside disciplined selling process
- Benchmark agnostic, no active trading, no leverage, no hedging

SUITABLE INVESTORS

The portfolio is suitable for investors who:

- Have a time horizon that exceeds five years
- Seek JSE listed equity exposure
- Have discretionary wealth and require little short-term income
- Can tolerate short-term market fluctuations in pursuit of maximising long-term total return
- Are comfortable to grant the portfolio manager a large degree of investment discretion

ASSET ALLOCATION



HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE¹ %

	YTD	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	Since Inception ³
Class A1	-0.5	-2.8	15.0	41.9	93.6	64.5
Annualised				12.4	14.1	5.8
Benchmark ²	5.8	3.6	22.9	26.7	135.3	85.4
Annualised				8.2	18.7	7.2

HIGHEST & LOWEST ANNUAL FIGURES(%)⁴

Highest Annual	28.22
Lowest Annual	-14.70

CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE¹ %

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Class A1	14.5	21.3	-3.8	19.1	10.2
Benchmark ²	13.4	7.9	4.4	27.1	0.6

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TOP TEN HOLDINGS (% OF FUND)

Prosus N.V. Class N	7.8
Capitec Bank Holdings Ltd	6.3
Shoprite Holdings Limited	6.1
Naspers Limited Class N	5.8
Compagnie Financiere Richemont SA	5.8
Bid Corporation Limited	5.6
Bidvest Group Limited	5.5
FirstRand Limited	5.2
Standard Bank Group Limited	5.0
Pepkor Holdings Limited	4.9
TOTAL	58.0

Source: Stonehage Fleming Investment Management (South Africa)
During the quarter there were notable additions to existing holdings in Capitec, Reinet and Boxer with notable reductions to positions in FirstRand, Prosus and Naspers.

SECTOR BREAKDOWN (% OF FUND)

Financials	31.5
Consumer Staples	30.1
Technology	13.6
Consumer Discretionary	10.7
Industrials	7.7
Basic Materials	5.2
Cash	1.2
TOTAL	100.0

Values may not add up to 100% due to rounding.
Source: Stonehage Fleming Investment Management (South Africa).

INVESTMENT MANAGER INFORMATION

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PORTFOLIO MANAGER

JEAN-PIERRE DU PLESSIS



The fund is managed by Jean-Pierre du Plessis, a director of Stonehage Fleming Global Equity Management (South Africa). Jean-Pierre has over 20 years experience in equity markets and joined the Group in 2011 to help establish the Group's onshore direct equity offering.

ESTIMATED REGIONAL REVENUES (% OF FUND)

Africa & Middle East	54.7
Americas	7.9
Asia Pacific	23.0
Europe	14.4
TOTAL	100.0

Source: Based on where underlying companies in the Stonehage Fleming Equity Prescient Fund derive their revenues.

Source: Bloomberg; Stonehage Fleming Investment Management (South Africa). Due to rounding, values may not add up to 100%.

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

Average Market Cap (Billions ZAR)	645.0
Number of holdings	24
Return on Invested Capital	14.4%
Forward Dividend Yield (Gross)	2.9%
Forward Price-to-Earnings Ratio	14.2

Source: Bloomberg, Stonehage Fleming Investment Management (South Africa).

FEES¹

Minimum Investment (Platform)	No Minimum
Minimum Investment (Direct)	R 10,000
Maximum Initial Advice Fee	N/A
Maximum Annual Advice Fee	1.15%
Investment Manager Initial Fee	N/A
Investment Manager Annual Fee	1.15%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.20%
Transaction Costs (TC)	0.08%
Total Investment Charges (TIC)	1.28%

¹ Advice fees are negotiable between the client and their advisor. Annual advice fees are paid through a repurchase of units from the investor. The fund is available through certain LSPs which levy their own fees. Total Expense Ratio (TER) PERIOD: 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2024. Total Expense Ratio (TER) | 1.20% (A1 class) and 0.80% (A2 class) of the value of the Financial Product was incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the Financial Product. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction Cost (TC) | 0.08% of the value of the Financial Product was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the Financial Product. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the Financial Product and impacts Financial Product 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 Financial Product, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. Total Investment Charges (TIC = TER + TC) | 1.28% (A1 class) and 0.88% (A2 class) of the value of the Financial Product was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the Financial Product. Disclosed performance information is calculated after all fees and costs deducted. All fees inclusive of VAT where applicable.

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FUND INFORMATION

Portfolio Manager	Jean-Pierre du Plessis
Fund Size	R 776.8 million
Benchmark	JSE Capped Swix Index
Fund Type	CIS (Collective Investment Scheme)
Fund Domicile	South Africa
Base Currency	ZAR
Number of Units	822,678
Unit Price (cents)	1,447
ISIN	ZAE000218004
JSE Code	SFFA1
Inception date	01-Jun-16
Pricing	17:00 pm (SA)
Dealing	13:00 pm (SA)
Repurchase Period	Three business days
ASISA fund classification	South African - Equity - General
Risk Profile	Aggressive
Income declaration dates	March & September
Last two distributions	31 Mar 2025: 10.59 cpu 30 Sep 2024: 12.90 cpu
Income payment dates	1st business day of April & October
Investment Manager	Stonehage Fleming Investment Management (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd
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