PRESCIENT CORE TOP 40 EQUITY FUND (A2)

MINIMUM DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

INVESTMENT AND RETURN OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to outperform the FTSE/JSE Africa Top 40 index. Tracking error to the index is minimised in the process.

INVESTMENT PROCESS

The Fund is an equity index fund where returns are enhanced by taking advantage of low risk arbitrage opportunities in the market. Additional benefits are gained from efficient implementation of cash flows, dividend reinvestments, management of corporate actions, use of future discounts and index rebalancing. The Fund aims to remain fully invested in equities at all times.

WHO SHOULD INVEST

Investors seeking broad based exposure to the large capitalisation sector of the South African equity market. This Fund is appropriate for investors with a long-term investment horizon.

RISK INDICATOR DEFINITION

These portfolios typically hold meaningful equity and/or offshore exposure which may result in significant capital volatility over all periods. Due to their nature expected long term returns are higher than for the other risk categories.

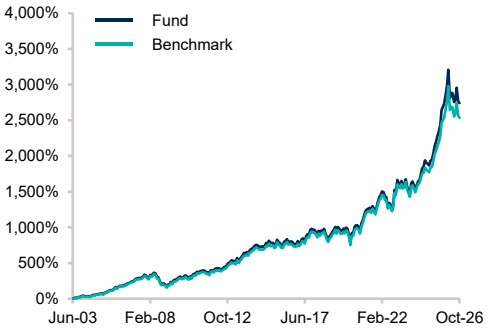
RISK INDICATOR



ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (%)

	Fund	Benchmark
1 year	1.94	1.33
3 years	22.03	19.92
5 years	15.46	14.35
10 years	12.60	12.23
15 years	12.28	12.14
Since incep.	15.42	15.04
Highest rolling 1 year	71.18	72.85
Lowest rolling 1 year	-38.53	-39.70

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE



RISK AND FUND STATS (Since inception)

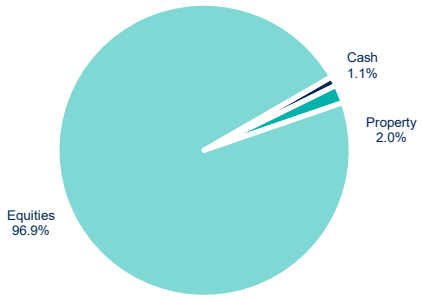
Since inception (p.a.)

	Fund	Benchmark
Alpha	0.38%	
Sharpe Ratio	0.54	0.53
Standard Deviation	16.07%	15.92%
Max Drawdown	-42.71%	-43.42%
Dividend Yield	4.43%	4.48%
PE Ratio	12.00	11.87

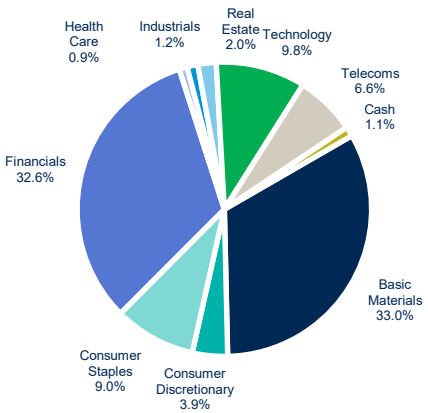
TOP 10 SHARES

	% of Fund
Naspers	7.3
Gold Fields	7.1
Firstrand Limited	6.7
Anglogold Ashanti Plc	6.2
Capitec Limited	6.0
Standard Bank Group	5.5
Mtn Group	5.3
Valterra Platinum Ltd	3.8
Anglo American	3.4
Absa Group Limited	2.7
Total	54.1

ASSET ALLOCATION



SECTOR ALLOCATION



Prescient
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

31 OCTOBER 2026

ABOUT THE FUND

Fund Manager:
Prescient Equity Team

Fund Classification:
South African - Equity - Large Cap

Benchmark:
FTSE/JSE Africa Top 40 Index

JSE Code:
PEQB2

ISIN:
ZAE000122156

Fund Size:
R311.9 m

No of Units:
11,503,725

Unit Price (cpu):
1,242.04

Inception Date:
30 June 2003

Minimum Investment:
R10 000 lump-sum
R1 000 per month

Income Distribution:
31 March 2026 - 16.71 cpu

Initial Fee:
0.00%

Annual Management Fee:
0.30% (excl VAT)

(All performance figures are net of TIC)

Fee Breakdown:

Management Fee	0.30%
Performance Fees	0.00%
Other Fees*	0.09%
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	**0.39%**
Transaction Costs (TC)	**0.01%**
Total Investment Charge (TIC)	**0.40%**

***Other fees includes underlying fee (where applicable): Audit Fees, Custody Fees, Trustee Fees and VAT**

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FUND MONTHLY RETURNS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
2003							10.54%	4.75%	-3.35%	10.08%	-0.99%	8.42%	32.23%
2004	5.34%	0.58%	-1.98%	-2.62%	0.93%	-3.25%	2.24%	9.28%	5.44%	-1.82%	6.88%	1.08%	23.39%
2005	1.16%	5.82%	-0.46%	-5.83%	10.37%	2.92%	6.75%	1.99%	10.33%	-2.41%	1.73%	8.04%	46.86%
2006	8.91%	-4.24%	7.32%	4.50%	-2.19%	4.74%	-1.93%	5.32%	2.34%	4.14%	2.09%	4.05%	40.13%
2007	1.57%	1.01%	6.93%	2.89%	2.11%	-0.27%	1.34%	0.74%	5.46%	4.75%	-2.58%	-5.00%	19.97%
2008	-4.42%	12.42%	-1.71%	4.79%	4.18%	-3.23%	-10.09%	-0.43%	-14.25%	-11.73%	1.81%	0.86%	-22.37%
2009	-4.97%	-10.47%	12.66%	0.68%	11.03%	-3.56%	10.10%	3.03%	-0.20%	6.15%	2.95%	2.32%	30.81%
2010	-3.77%	-0.03%	7.57%	0.03%	-5.32%	-3.36%	6.94%	-4.39%	10.15%	3.19%	0.59%	5.84%	17.17%
2011	-1.98%	2.86%	0.91%	2.12%	-0.50%	-2.39%	-2.83%	-0.11%	-4.40%	11.32%	-1.35%	-0.65%	2.15%
2012	6.02%	1.42%	-1.96%	2.46%	-3.42%	0.83%	3.39%	2.52%	1.63%	5.53%	2.09%	3.24%	26.04%
2013	3.25%	-2.12%	0.78%	-2.46%	9.02%	-6.48%	5.20%	3.41%	4.86%	3.85%	-1.35%	3.28%	22.26%
2014	-2.27%	5.09%	2.18%	1.84%	2.16%	2.46%	1.41%	-1.33%	-2.71%	0.57%	0.65%	-0.95%	9.20%
2015	2.46%	4.50%	-1.33%	4.93%	-3.60%	-0.05%	0.02%	-4.19%	2.06%	7.79%	-3.39%	-1.61%	7.03%
2016	-4.06%	0.04%	6.11%	0.67%	3.24%	-4.08%	-0.11%	1.08%	-1.17%	-2.95%	-0.51%	0.37%	-1.82%
2017	4.84%	-3.93%	3.29%	4.43%	0.22%	-3.61%	7.59%	2.55%	-0.49%	6.68%	1.30%	-1.35%	22.84%
2018	0.13%	-2.31%	-4.26%	5.62%	-2.97%	3.36%	-0.12%	2.34%	-4.84%	-6.73%	-2.66%	4.62%	-8.36%
2019	2.97%	3.51%	1.97%	4.27%	-4.94%	5.41%	-2.58%	-2.87%	0.16%	3.19%	-2.06%	3.44%	12.49%
2020	-1.67%	-8.35%	-10.04%	14.29%	0.36%	8.01%	2.42%	-0.01%	-1.84%	-5.15%	10.54%	3.61%	9.67%
2021	5.32%	5.53%	1.04%	0.74%	1.16%	-2.74%	4.55%	-2.54%	-3.53%	5.24%	5.36%	5.10%	27.50%
2022	1.29%	3.23%	-0.87%	-4.30%	0.31%	-8.67%	3.47%	-1.32%	-5.93%	5.65%	15.05%	-2.14%	3.82%
2023	10.80%	-3.02%	-0.33%	2.71%	-5.25%	2.25%	4.70%	-5.49%	-3.59%	-3.40%	9.83%	1.56%	9.55%
2024	-3.48%	-2.70%	3.14%	3.44%	0.86%	4.59%	4.27%	1.57%	4.33%	-1.34%	-1.09%	-1.06%	12.76%
2025	3.32%	1.01%	3.93%	4.70%	3.42%	3.06%	2.52%	4.01%	8.21%	1.47%	1.60%	4.74%	50.81%
2026	4.09%	7.18%	-11.97%	2.57%	-0.21%	-4.16%	1.12%	5.78%	-6.59%	-0.48%			-4.21%

Source: Performance calculated by Prescient Fund Services verified by the FSP
Date: 31 October 2026

FUND COMMENTARY

Global equity markets slipped in October, but the small fall in the index hid a dramatic change in leadership underneath. Investors grew more sceptical about whether the enormous sums flowing into artificial intelligence infrastructure will earn an adequate return, and technology shares paid the price. Companies most reliant on borrowing to fund the buildout came under particular strain as financing costs stayed high. Leadership swung towards energy and defensive sectors such as consumer staples, healthcare and utilities, and value stocks outperformed growth by almost seven percentage points. Government bonds did their job as a diversifier, rallying even though resilient economic data and renewed Middle East tensions, which pushed Brent crude to $118 a barrel, would normally push yields higher. The MSCI World Index declined 0.77% for the month, leaving it up 10.89% year to date. Offshore index returns are quoted in US dollars throughout. European equities were weaker. The Euro Stoxx Index declined 3.16% in October, leaving it 3.02% higher year to date. France was the main source of strain, as worries over its public finances and political uncertainty widened the gap between French and German government bond yields and weighed on European banks, which carry a meaningful weight in the index. Broader European benchmarks held up better, helped by their greater exposure to the defensive sectors that led the month. Japan was caught up in the technology sell-off, with the Nikkei 225 falling 5.30%, though it remains 24.84% higher year to date.

In the United States, the S&P 500 fell 0.87% in October, trimming its year-to-date gain to 11.77%. The headline figure told only part of the story. Several of the largest technology names came under heavy pressure as investors questioned the scale of AI-related capital spending, with Alphabet and Meta among the hardest hit. Beneath the surface, though, the average US share rose over the month, and the index's decline came down to weakness in a handful of its largest constituents. The split ran through technology itself, with semiconductors falling sharply while software edged higher.

Emerging markets were the weakest region, with the MSCI Emerging Markets Index falling 8.05% and trimming its year-to-date gain to 13.45%. The damage was concentrated in technology-heavy Asian markets such as Korea and Taiwan, where concerns over the upfront cost of the data-centre buildout and growing Chinese competition hit hardest. Latin America also sold off following Brazil's presidential election. Within China, the CSI 300 Index fell 7.83%, extending its year-to-date decline to 9.59%.

Locally, the FTSE/JSE All Share Index was close to flat, slipping 0.39% in October to leave it 3.60% lower year to date. The calm headline hid wide differences between sectors. Resources were the main drag, with basic materials falling 8.84% for the month and turning negative for the year, now down 7.89%. Technology declined a further 2.67%, leaving the sector 36.22% lower year to date. Financials and property provided the counterweight, rising 3.83% and 1.98% respectively, echoing the rotation towards value seen globally.

The rand weakened 1.75% against the US dollar in October against a backdrop of weaker emerging market sentiment, which cushioned the rand value of offshore returns. The move leaves the currency 0.90% weaker year to date.

Overall, October was a lesson in how little a headline number can reveal. A modest decline in global equities concealed a sharp rotation out of AI-linked technology and into energy, defensives and value, while in the US the average share rose even as the index fell. Locally, a near-flat All Share masked a gap of more than twelve percentage points between its best and worst performing sectors. Months like this are where dispersion creates opportunity, and they reinforce the case for a disciplined, diversified process over chasing whichever narrative dominates the headlines.

The top contributors to the Fund's performance for the month were Sasol Ltd (26.31%), MTN Group Ltd (11.65%) and Capitec Limited (6.83%). Detractors included Anglogold Ashanti Plc (-12.84%), Valterra Platinum Ltd (-16.21%) and Gold Fields Ltd (-7.29%).

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GLOSSARY

Annualised performance: Annualised performance shows 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 performance: The highest and lowest performance 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.

Current Yield: Annual income (interest or dividends) divided by the current price of the security.

CPU: Cents Per Unit to the Glossary

Alpha: Denotes the outperformance of the fund over the benchmark.

Sharpe Ratio: The Sharpe ratio is used to indicate the excess return the portfolio delivers over the risk free rate per unit of risk adopted by the fund.

Standard Deviation: The deviation of the return stream relative to its own average.

Max Drawdown: The maximum peak to trough loss suffered by the Fund since inception.

Dividend Yield: The weighted average dividend yield of all the underlying equity in the Fund. The dividend yield of each company is the dividends per share divided by the price.

PE Ratio: The weighted average price earnings ratio of all the underlying equity in the Fund. The price earnings ratio of each company is the price divided by the earnings per share.

Fund Specific Risks

Default Risk: The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments 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.

Derivatives risk: The use of derivatives could increase overall risk by magnifying the effect of both gains and losses in a Fund. As such, large changes in value and potentially large financial losses could result.

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.

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.

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.

Information Disclosure

The portfolio has adhered to its policy objective and there were no material changes to the composition of the portfolio during the quarter.

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DISCLAIMER

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Where a current yield has been included for Funds that derive its income primarily from interest bearing income, the yield is a weighted average yield of all underlying interest bearing instruments as at the last day of the month. This yield is subject to change as market rates and underlying investments change.

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Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers, including actual initial and all ongoing fees, with income reinvested on the reinvestment date. 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.

This portfolio operates as a white label fund under the Prescient Unit Trust Scheme, which is governed by the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

For any additional information such as fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to www.prescient.co.za

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