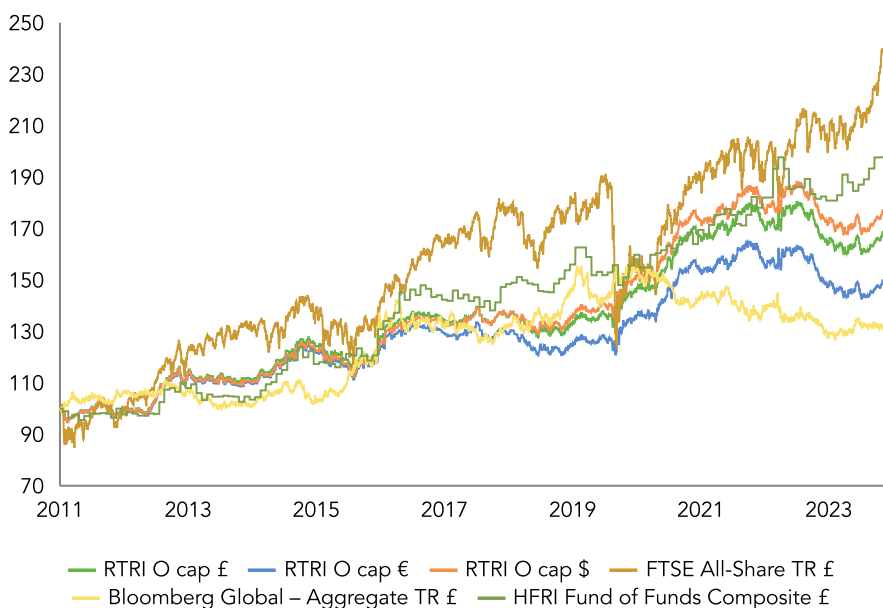


# Ruffer Total Return International

## SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH ON 14 JULY 2011

Past performance does not predict future returns



Positive corporate earnings, easing geopolitical tensions, and better inflation data in the US helped equities and bonds rise in May. Investors pivoted from fears of a reacceleration (which drove April's sell-off) back to hopes of a benign disinflation, albeit at a slower pace than was expected at the start of the year. The Federal Reserve all but ruled out interest rate hikes at their May meeting, pushing equity indices back to all-time highs. However, the latter half of May was less friendly to asset prices as we saw yields rising, some sector weakness in equity markets and volatility moving off its lows.

The fund protected investors in April as markets fell and it continued to deliver positive performance in May. Precious metals exposure (to which we added, and then took profits within the month) delivered a strong contribution as silver and platinum rallied 16% and 11% respectively. Chinese stocks were mixed but individual holdings such as Alibaba delivered gains alongside tech (where we have some exposure via TSMC and Amazon). In fixed income, we rotated part of our UK inflation-linked bond exposure into US 10 year inflation-linked treasuries (TIPS), which proved helpful as yields have remained higher in the UK following a hotter inflation print.

Our derivative positions detracted from performance – namely the credit protections, as corporate spreads tightened. After four consecutive positive months, oil fell 7% in May, as geopolitical tensions eased. This hurt the fund's energy equities. The portfolio's yen and US dollar exposure also dragged on performance, as sterling strengthened following the announcement of a general election that could deliver some political certainty, amidst signs of a more robust UK economy.

Acknowledging that equity markets had weathered the April showers and the passing of several risk events (inflation and labour market data, Bank of Japan intervention, liquidity contractions), we have slightly increased the gross risk of the portfolio. We added about 5% to our equity exposure, took the position in 10 year TIPS to over 11% and made further additions to precious metals. To maintain portfolio balance, we also added to the protective assets in the portfolio. Given spreads remain near record lows, despite signs of weakening economic fundamentals in the US, we increased our credit protection. We also took on more yen exposure, viewing it as a two-way asset that can work in a benign environment of falling US yields, or as powerful protection in a risk-off event.

Whilst some position sizes in the portfolio are now higher, we remain cautious overall. We maintain conviction that the path for a soft landing is narrow, as we head towards a summer of uncertainty driven by elections, central bank policy decisions, liquidity risks, and a softening US economy. However, attractive risk-reward can be found in growth assets across certain geographies and sectors, whilst the cost of protection remains at multi-decade lows. This all helps in building a balanced portfolio of offsetting and asymmetric assets.

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Performance O cap %	GBP	EUR	USD
May	0.6	0.5	0.7
Year to date	0.0	-0.6	0.1
1 year	0.2	-1.3	0.5
3 years pa	-0.6	-2.0	-0.2
5 years pa	5.2	4.0	5.8
10 years pa	4.1	3.0	4.6
Since inception pa	4.0	3.1	4.4

### Share price, p

O CHF cap	1.3682
O EUR cap	1.4761
O GBP cap	1.6638
O USD cap	1.7467
OI EUR cap	1.4781
OI USD cap	1.7486

	Net	Gross
Duration (years)	2.9	3.0
Equity exposure %	23.4	25.2

O cap GBP	Volatility %	Sharpe	Sortino
3 years	5.3	-0.6	-0.7
5 years	6.3	0.5	0.9
10 years	6.0	0.5	0.8
Since inception	5.8	0.5	0.9

### 12 month performance to 31 March 2024

%	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
RTRI O cap £	3.2	22.2	8.4	-1.6	-6.3
RTRI O cap €	2.0	21.5	7.6	-3.3	-7.7
RTRI O cap \$	5.0	22.7	8.5	-1.0	-5.9
FTSE All-Share TR £	-18.5	26.7	13.0	2.9	8.4
B'berg Gbl-Agg TR £	9.4	-5.8	-1.9	-2.0	-1.9
HFRI FOF Comp £	-0.4	11.6	6.1	4.6	7.8

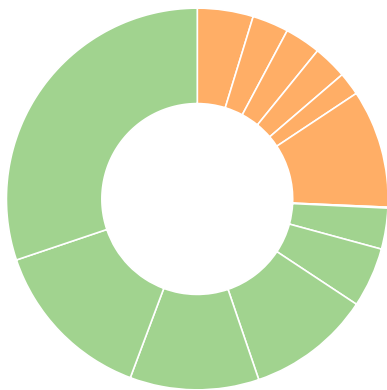
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## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The investment objective of the fund is to achieve positive returns from an actively managed portfolio. The fund may have exposure to the following asset classes: cash, debt, securities of any type (including government and corporate debt), equities and equity-related securities and commodities (including precious metals). Overriding this objective is a fundamental philosophy of capital preservation. Investors should note that there can be no assurance that the investment objective will be achieved.

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## ASSET ALLOCATION



Asset allocation	%	Currency allocation	%
Short-dated bonds	30.2	Sterling	73.8
Non-UK index-linked	14.1	Yen	14.4
Cash	10.9	Euro	2.6
Gold and precious metals exposure	10.5	Hong Kong dollar	1.1
Long-dated index-linked gilts	5.1	Other	8.2
Index-linked gilts	3.5	<b>Geographical equity allocation</b>	<b>%</b>
Financials equities	4.7	UK equities	9.5
Consumer discretionary equities	3.1	Asia ex-Japan equities	5.4
Energy equities	3.0	North America equities	5.3
Consumer staples equities	2.9	Europe equities	4.7
Other equities	11.4	Other equities	0.2
Commodity exposure	0.5		

## 5 LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS

Stock	% of fund
iShares MSCI China A UCITS ETF	3.3
BP	2.0
Citigroup	1.2
Alibaba Group	1.0
Prosus	1.0

The credit and derivatives strategies allocation is calculated using market value. In some cases, this allocation might be negative due to the nature of how the instruments, in particular credit default swaps, are priced. Largest equity holdings exclude Ruffer funds | Source: Ruffer LLP | Totals may not equal 100 due to rounding

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**FUND SIZE** £4,445.9M €5,220.4M

## FUND INFORMATION

Annual management charge %	1.4	
Maximum subscription fee %	5.0	
Minimum investment (or equivalent in other currency)	£1,000	
Ongoing Charges Figure %	1.55	
Cut offs	3pm Luxembourg time on valuation day (so typically Wednesday and the last business day of the month)	
Dealing frequency	Weekly, every Wednesday (if not a business day, on the following business day) Plus on the last business day of each month	
Investment manager	Ruffer LLP	
Depository bank	Bank Pictet & Cie (Europe) A.G.	
Management company, administrative agent, registrar and transfer agent, paying and domiciliary agent	FundPartner Solutions (Europe) S.A.	
Auditors	Ernst & Young S.A.	
Structure	Sub-fund of Ruffer SICAV, a Luxembourg domiciled UCITS SICAV	
SFDR classification	Article 6	
O share classes	Capitalisation only (equivalent to accumulation)	
Share class	ISIN	SEDOL
O CHF cap	LU0638558808	B4R1SD2
O EUR cap	LU0638558717	B42NV78
O GBP cap	LU0638558634	B41Y053
O USD cap	LU0638558980	B449LX0
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## GLOSSARY

**Volatility** measures the extent to which returns vary over a given period. High volatility means returns have been more variable over time

**Duration** measures the sensitivity of a bond or fixed income portfolio's price to changes in interest rates. The higher the duration, the more sensitive the price or portfolio is to changes in interest rates

**Sharpe ratio** measures the performance of an investment, adjusting for the amount of risk taken (compared to risk-free). The higher the ratio, the better the returns compared to the risk taken

**Sortino ratio** measures the extra return an investment makes for each unit of bad risk (the chance of losing money below a certain target)

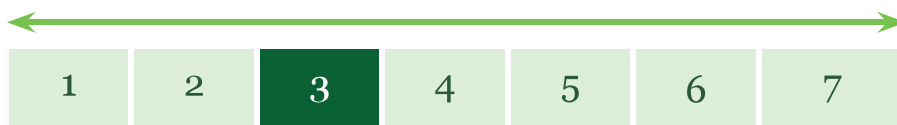
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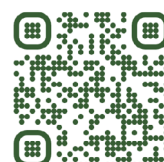
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