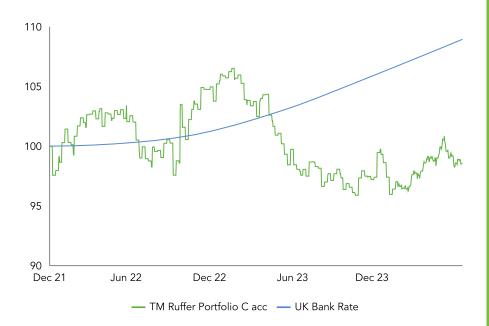
# TM Ruffer Portfolio Fund

#### **SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH ON 8 DECEMBER 2021**



The fund fell back marginally over the month as equity markets continued to move higher, albeit in increasingly narrow fashion. The S&P 500 was up 4% over the last month, whilst the same index equal-weighted was down by 1%, this is illustrative of a world of fewer winners and more losers. There is an adage that when markets are broad, they are strong, but when they are narrow, they are weak.

Over the past nine months we have managed to maintain a level of protection in portfolios we believe will be essential when market conditions deteriorate. But in contrast to the second quarter of last year, the growth assets have contributed to ensure that the fund isn't retreating in the intervening period. This has been driven by proactive portfolio adjustments. Adding duration in the fourth quarter gave us a positive year end; an increased equity weighting and dynamic management of the portfolio's commodity exposure have supported returns this year.

There is something of a dichotomy at play in markets; many investors express concerns but these are not yet reflected in their positioning. In a recent Bank of America Fund Manager survey 69% of respondents consider the 'Magnificent 7' to be the most crowded trade in markets, meanwhile about half of those respondents expect large-cap US growth stocks (dominated by the same seven names) to lead the market higher. There is no telling how much crossover there was from individual respondents, but it indicates a market displaying both uncertainty and great confidence in a benign outcome, given the level of valuations. This is a potentially dangerous combination, particularly when positioning is increasingly extreme in nature (and when leverage is involved).

Our predominant contention in the short term is that investor positioning is yet to adjust to reflect higher risk-free rates. Investors are currently paid more than 5% to not take risk. Meanwhile, risk premiums (the additional return an investor should receive for coming out of cash) are low, particularly in the US. It might be the case that conditions remain benign, but the potential upside of that outcome is limited. This informs our continued focus on ensuring that the portfolio is well positioned to make money should the certainties break and take advantage of the opportunities any sell-off presents.

The yen remains a key protection; we see many reasons for the yen to strengthen, but key to its role in the portfolio is that if the yen is strengthening it is likely to be against a backdrop of financial stress. Credit spreads give us exposure should the current compressed nature of risk premiums reverse. If liquidity is less readily available, a significant re-pricing of corporate debt is likely. We must also remain conscious of the need to participate should the current benign environment persist; the combination of a 25% allocation to equities, a recently increased position in oil plus exposure to gold mining equities, should allow us to participate, but without compromising our capital preservation mandate.



#### **C CLASS JUNE 2024**

	GBP
	-0.5
	-0.8
	1.0
	-
	-
	-
	-0.6
	98.55
	92.55
	1.41
Net	Gross
2.9	3.0
24.1	25.9
	2.9

#### 12 month performance to 30 June 2024

%	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
TMRP C acc	-	-	-	-1.5	1.0
UK Bank Rate	_	_	_	3.2	5.2

One to twelve month performance figures are cumulative, all others are annualised. Source: Ruffer LLP, Bloomberg. The comparator benchmark shown in this document is as stated in the fund's prospectus. Ruffer performance is shown after deduction of all fees and management charges, and on the basis of income being reinvested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of the shares and the income from them can go down as well as up and you may not get back the full amount originally invested. The value of overseas investments will be influenced by the rate of exchange.

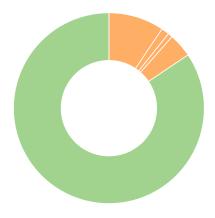
#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

To achieve positive returns over a 12 month rolling period, after all costs and charges have been taken. Underlying this objective is a fundamental philosophy of capital preservation. Capital invested is at risk and there is no guarantee that a positive return will be delivered over any one or a number of 12 month rolling periods.

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#### **ASSET ALLOCATION**

#### **CURRENCY ALLOCATION**



Inflation protection	%
Non-UK inflation-linked bonds long-dated	11.9
Gold and precious metals exposure	7.0
UK inflation-linked bonds short-dated	4.9
UK inflation-linked bonds long-dated	4.5
Non-UK inflation-linked bonds short-dated	0.2
Sell-off protection	
Short-dated nominal bonds	34.4
Cash	3.3
Credit and derivative strategies	5.4
Economic growth	
Healthcare equities	3.0
Consumer staples equities	2.6
Financials equities	2.5
Energy equities	2.4
Other equities	15.4
Commodity exposure	2.6

Currency allocation	%
Sterling	84.4
Yen	9.4
Hong Kong dollar	1.3
US dollar	0.8
Other	4.1
Geographical equity allocation	%
UK equities	8.7
Asia ex-Japan equities	5.4
Europe equities	3.2
North America equities	2.5
Japan equities	0.1
Other equities	6.1

#### **5 LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS**

Stock	% of fund
iShares MSCI China A UCITS ETF	3.0
BP	1.7
Pfizer	1.0
Reckitt Benckiser	0.9
Roche	0.9

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

#### **RUFFER LLP**

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#### **FUND SIZE £3,297.9M**

FUND INFORMATION	N
Annual management charge %	1.14
Maximum annual management charge %	1.2
Minimum investment (or equivalent in other currency)	£100,000
Ongoing Charges Figure %	1.25
Dealing frequency	Weekly, every Wednesday where this is a business day Plus the final business day of the month
Valuation point	12.00 each dealing day
Ex dividend dates	31 Mar, 30 Jun 30 Sep, 31 Dec
Pay dates	31 May, 31 Aug 30 Nov, 28 Feb
Investment manager	Ruffer LLP
Depositary	Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited
Authorised Corporate Director	Thesis Unit Trust Management Limited
Auditors	Ernst & Young LLP
Structure	Non-UCITS Retail Scheme Investment Funds (OEIC)
Share class ISIN	SEDOL
C GBP acc GB00BP4	DCZ86 BP4DCZ8
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# Luka Gakic HEAD OF CORE FUND MANAGEMENT | FUND MANAGER

Before joining Ruffer in 2011, he spent four years at Lehman Brothers, and then Nomura, in equity stock lending and deltaone sales. He graduated from the University of Oxford in 2006 with a degree in philosophy, politics and economics.



# Alexander Chartres

Joined Ruffer in 2010 after graduating from Newcastle University with a first class honours degree in history and politics. He is a Fellow of the CISI and co-manager of two of Ruffer's flagship funds.

#### **GLOSSARY**

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

UK Bank Rate the rate the Bank of England charges banks and financial institutions for loans with a maturity of one day

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