

# Polen Capital Global Growth Fund Class A Units

## Investment Report & Fact Sheet

November 2024

#### **Fund Overview**

Polen's Global Growth strategy seeks to achieve long-term growth by building a concentrated portfolio of outstanding global businesses. Polen Capital (Polen) believe that consistent earnings growth is the primary driver of intrinsic value and long-term stock appreciation. Polen seeks to invest in companies they identify as having a durable earnings profile driven by a sustainable competitive advantage, financial strength, proven management teams and powerful products/services.

By thinking and investing like a business owner and taking a long-term investment approach, Polen believe that clients will best benefit from targeted steady compounding returns expected to be generated by the companies held in the portfolio. Returns are not guaranteed.

#### **Fund Facts**

#### Investment Manager

Montgomery Investment Management Pty Ltd

#### Objective

The Fund aims to outperform the benchmark, over a rolling five-year period, net of fees.

#### Benchmark

MSCI ACWI Net Total Return Index, in Australian Dollars

#### Fund Construction

The Fund typically invests in a portfolio of 25 to 35 high quality global businesses with competitive advantages.

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#### Portfolio Managers

Damon Ficklin Bryan Power

#### **Recommended Investment Timeframe**

At least 5 years

#### **Minimum Initial Investment**

A\$25,000

#### **Inception Date**

15 March 2021

#### **Aggregate Fund Size**

\$44.7M

#### Management Fees and Costs

Up to 1.20% per annum of the net asset value of The Fund

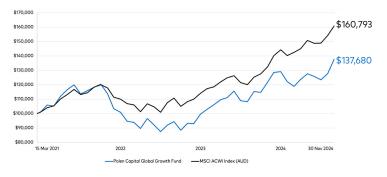
#### Performance Fees

15.05% of the excess total return of The Fund (after management fees and expenses have been deducted) above the Fund's benchmark.

#### **Application & Redemption Prices**

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#### Polen Capital Global Growth Fund Performance



# Polen Capital Global Growth Strategy Performance – AUD adjusted\*



\*Source: Montgomery/Archer. The Fund's inception date is 15 March 2021. Performance for prior periods is based on the actual performance of the Polen Capital Global Growth strategy managed by Polen Capital since 31 December 2014, adjusted for fees and converted to AUD and assumes all distributions are reinvested. The Fund invests using the identical strategy to the Polen Capital Global Growth Strategy and is advised by the same investment management team managing to the same investment objectives. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

#### Portfolio Performance

(to 30 November 2024, after all fees)

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	Since Inception (15 Mar 2021)	Compound Annual Return (CAR) Since Inception	Strategy CAR Since Inception*	Strategy Return Since Inception*
Polen Capital Global Growth	7.89%	9.46%	15.83%	19.42%	5.20%	37.68%	8.99%	13.40%	247.87%
MSCI ACWI (AUD)	4.31%	8.08%	12.83%	28.36%	10.76%	60.79%	13.65%	12.13%	211.16%
Out/Underperformance	3.58%	1.38%	3.00%	-8.94%	-5.56%	-23.11%	-4.66%	1.27%	36.71%

Portfolio Performance is calculated after fees and costs, including the Investment management fee and Performance fee, but excludes the buy/sell spread. All returns are on a pre-tax basis.



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#### **Fund Commentary**

The U.S. election results were the primary driver of performance across global markets in November. Donald Trump's presidential victory, coupled with the Republican party's success in securing a majority in both chambers of Congress, fuelled expectations for implementing pro-growth policies. Such policies could include additional tax cuts, expansionary fiscal policy, and looser regulation. Outside U.S. markets, the election results were met with some caution. Trade policy risk, combined with the strengthening U.S. dollar and fears of a less supportive U.S. monetary environment, negatively impacted international equities.

Amidst this, the MSCI ACWI Index delivered a 3.74 per cent U.S dollar return for the month, with growth and momentum style factors decidedly in favour while value and dividend yield factors lagged. Sector leadership also appeared to reflect perceived policy beneficiaries, with Financials and Consumer Discretionary as the most notable outperformers. In contrast, rate-sensitive sectors like Utilities and Real Estate lagged along with defensives like Healthcare and Consumer Staples.

The Polen Capital Global Growth Fund (the Fund) increased by 7.89 per cent in Australian dollars in the month of November, while its benchmark, the MSCI ACWI Net Total Return Index, rose by 4.31 per cent, also in Australian Dollars. The Polen Capital Global Growth Fund has made good progress in the past six months, up 15.83 per cent, however ,this is partially attributable to the weaker Australian dollar.

The Fund outperformed the benchmark for November, driven primarily by stock selection in Technology and, to a lesser extent, Consumer Discretionary and Industrials. Slightly offsetting this was the negative impact from the overweight positioning in Healthcare.

The top three absolute contributors to performance in the month were Shopify, Amazon, and Sage Group. The bottom three absolute detractors were L'Oreal, ICON plc, and CSL. During the month, the Fund added to its positions in Novo Nordisk and Oracle while also selling its position in CSL.

Regardless of the near-term direction of the global economy, Polen Capital believe their portfolio of companies are performing well, and expect them to continue to do so through the cycle.

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#### **Top Completed Holdings** (to 30 November 2024)

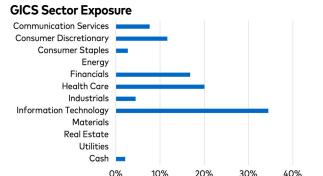
Company Name	Sector	Country of Domicile	Market Cap US\$ B	Weight (%)
Amazon.com Inc	Consumer Discretionary	United States	2,186	9.7
SAP SE	Information Technology	Germany	292	5.7
Microsoft Corp	Information Technology	United States	3,148	5.6
Alphabet Inc	Communication Services	United States	2,077	5.4
Shopify Inc	Information Technology	Canada	140	5.3
Mastercard Inc	Financials	United States	489	4.7
Visa Inc	Financials	United States	635	4.5
Abbott Laboratories	Health Care	United States	206	4.5
Aon PLC	Financials	United States	85	4.3
MSCI Inc	Financials	United States	48	4.1

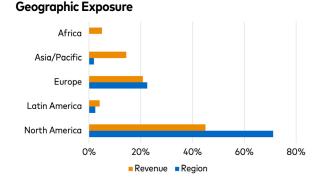
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