



# Trojan Ethical Fund

All data as at 30 April 2025

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The investment objective of the Trojan Ethical Fund is to provide capital growth (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). Its investment policy is to invest across a broad range of asset classes. Whilst asset allocation will vary, in general, the investment universe will comprise high-quality, developed market equities, developed market government bonds, gold related investments, cash and money market instruments (such as treasury bills). The portfolio will be constructed with input from both top-down analysis (looking at an economy as a whole) and bottom-up analysis (study of individual securities). The Fund will invest in accordance with the parameters of its Ethical Exclusion Criteria.

## PRICES

145.78p

'O' accumulation shares

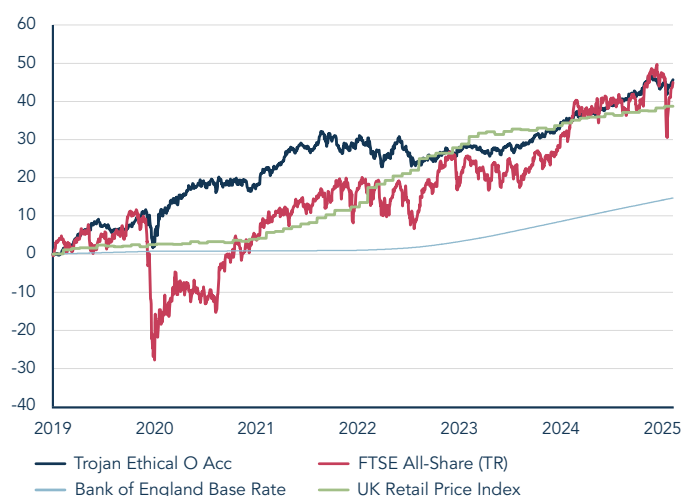
141.70p

'O' income shares

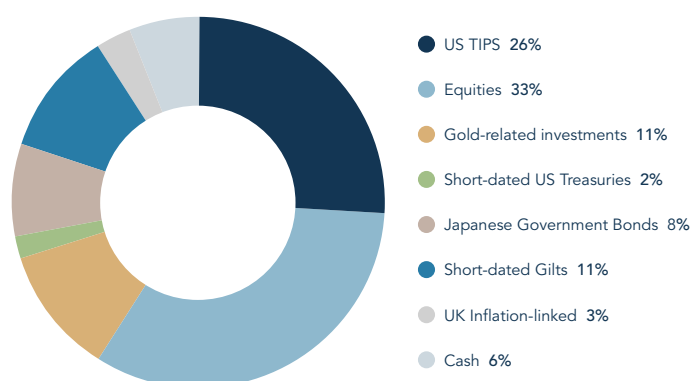
## FUND SIZE

£860m

## PERCENTAGE GROWTH FROM 22/03/2019 TO 30/04/2025



## ASSET ALLOCATION



Source: Factset. Asset Allocation is subject to change.

Total Return to 30 April 2025	22/03/19 Since Launch	30/04/20 5 years	30/04/22 3 years	30/04/24 1 year	31/10/24 6 months
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+45.7%	+29.9%	+11.7%	+7.7%	+3.6%
Bank of England Base Rate	+14.7%	+13.8%	+13.5%	+5.1%	+2.4%
UK Retail Price Index	+38.7%	+35.1%	+18.1%	+2.7%	+1.2%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*	+45.0%	+67.9%	+22.6%	+7.5%	+5.6%

Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2019*	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 YTD
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+7.2%	+10.9%	+10.1%	-4.6%	+5.2%	+7.9%	+2.7%

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\*from 22 March 2019

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Source: Lipper

## April Commentary

Your Fund returned +0.6% during the month compared to -0.2% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

The modest returns of the Fund and the FTSE All-Share belie the volatility that shook markets during April. Intra month, the FTSE All-Share saw a drawdown of -10% at worst in April, compared to -1.9% for the Fund (Source: Bloomberg).

The trigger for markets to fall was the unprecedented tariffs announced on so-called 'Liberation Day' on 2nd April. The hardline stance on trade shocked markets that appeared to have largely assumed Trump was bluffing when he said "Tariff is the most beautiful word in the dictionary". Markets appear not to agree and the dollar, Treasury bonds and US equities all swiftly fell. The days that followed included a series of back-and-forth announcements on exemptions, partial suspension and threats to replace the Federal Reserve Chair that only served to exacerbate uncertainty.

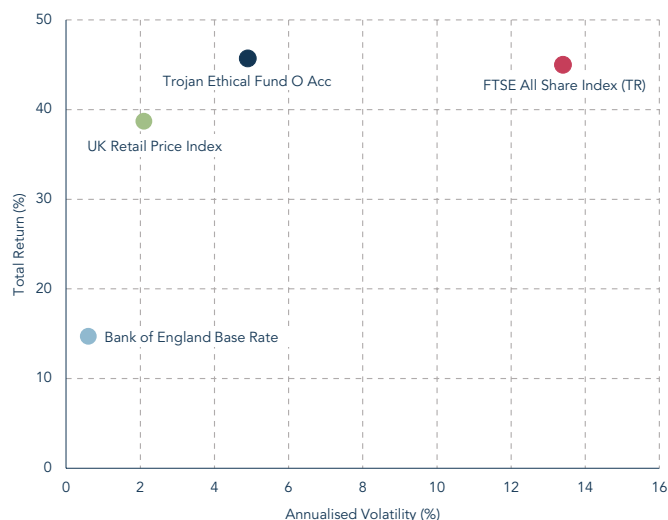
Looking through the noise, there are likely to be longer-term impacts. The most immediate is that the tariff burden has risen to a level that is likely to trigger a recession if sustained. Whilst we seek to avoid precise economic forecasts, we are

cognisant of the growing risks to the economy. Longer-term, the price reactions of both currencies and bonds are potentially indicative of lasting change. As equities fell, so did the dollar and long-dated US Treasuries, with the 10-year yield reaching 4.5%. These moves suggest that aggressive trade actions against allies have damaged the safe-haven status of US assets. Our view is that this has the potential to sustain as the US's credibility is undermined.

Amongst the falls in equities, there are select opportunities in some high-quality businesses. We added c. 4% to equities during the month in the knowledge that there may well be further downside in markets, but that we should be incrementally more positive as equity valuations fall. The rapidly changing US environment also requires us to consider whether the US dollar and Treasuries will continue to offer the protection needed for our investors. As discussed in the latest [Investment Report](#), we have reduced our net dollar exposure from ~23% to 11% and our inflation-linked bond duration to 2.4 years. We have also added a 9% Japanese Yen holding, which is a currency that we expect to act as a safe haven should the macro environment deteriorate further.



## RETURN VS VOLATILITY SINCE LAUNCH (22/03/2019)



Source: Lipper

## TOP 10 HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT BONDS)

Invesco Physical Gold	6.7%
Alphabet	4.1%
Royal Mint Physical Gold	4.0%
Unilever	3.7%
Visa	3.2%
Nestlé	3.0%
L'Oreal	2.9%
Adobe	2.6%
VeriSign	2.1%
Agilent Technologies	2.1%
<b>Total Top 10</b>	<b>34.5%</b>
8 Other Equity holdings	9.6%
US TIPS	25.7%
Short-dated Gilts	10.8%
Japanese Government Bonds	8.5%
UK Inflation-linked	2.9%
Short-dated US Treasuries	1.8%
Cash	6.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.

## RISK ANALYSIS

Risk analysis since launch (22/03/19)	Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+45.7%	+45.0%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-8.9%	-35.3%
Best Month	+4.6%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-2.9%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+67.1%	+60.3%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+4.9%	+13.4%

<sup>1</sup> Measures the worst investment period

<sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns

Source: Lipper **Past performance is not a guide to future performance**

## FUND MANAGER AWARDS



## RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT



## FUND INFORMATION

A copy of the latest Prospectus and the KIID for each class (in English) upon which you should base your investment decision is available from Waystone Management (UK) Limited, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, (Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) at [www.waystone.com](http://www.waystone.com).

### Structure

Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds  
UK UCITS

### Investment Manager

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### Fund Manager

Charlotte Yonge

### Currency

£ Sterling

### Launch Date

22 March 2019

### Authorised Corporate Director

Waystone Management (UK) Limited  
Tel: 0345 608 0950

### Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

### Dividend Pay Dates

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

### Dividend Yield

('O' Inc shares) 1.29%

### Benchmarks

For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet, available from our [website](http://www.waystone.com)

### Registrar

Waystone Transfer Agency Solutions (UK) Limited

### Auditor

Ernst & Young LLP

### Depository

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

### Dealing

Daily at noon  
Tel: 0345 608 0950

### ISIN

GB00BJP0XY24 (O Inc), GB00BJP0XX17 (O Acc)  
GB00BJP0Y054 (S Inc), GB00BJP0XZ31 (S Acc)

### SEDOL

BJP0XY2 (O Inc), BJP0XX1 (O Acc)  
BJP0Y05 (S Inc), BJP0XZ3 (S Acc)

### Bloomberg

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### Ongoing Charges (capped)

'O' (ordinary) shares: 1.02%  
'S' (charity) shares: 0.77%

### Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT



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