# Active Growth Fund

Portfolio Investment Entity

# Monthly Fact Sheet as at 30 September 2021



## Portfolio Managers



Ionathan Windust Portfolio Manager



William Curtayne Co-Portfolio Manager

The Fund returned -0.8% over September and was negatively impacted by falls in global (-3.7%) and Australian (-1.8%) share market indices. Shares were under pressure from a number of factors including the potential collapse of Chinese property developer Evergrande, supply chain disruptions and reduced stimulus from central banks. The defensive positioning of the Fund and strong performance of NZ shares helped to cushion the Fund's performance against market falls.

Key positives during the month included retailers Kathmandu (+16.3%) and The Warehouse (+11.1%) which reported results during the month. Kathmandu reported profits up approximately 110% as its Rip Curl and Oboz brands performed well, and the market responded positively to the growth ambitions of the new CEO. The Warehouse reported profits up 165%, boosted by good sales growth and strong margin gains. We believe that management has done an excellent job at making operational improvements within the business and these are being reflected in higher margins.

Key activity during the month was to reduce risk in response to rising economic and market risks and relatively optimistic investor sentiment. In particular, we reduced exposure to mining companies exposed to Chinese property and our investments in higher-valued growth companies.

The medium-term outlook for shares remains supported by the prospect of strong economic growth, strong company earnings, continued low short-term interest rates and high levels of liquidity. The key headwinds for markets are relatively high valuations, generally optimistic investor sentiment and the prospect of rising inflation and interest rates. In the short-term we have become more cautious following strong share market returns and issues around supply chains and Chinese growth. Accordingly, the Fund has a lower than normal exposure to shares with a higher weight in cash. We continue to focus on company selection and believe there continue to be good opportunities to add value for investors.

To view Milford's October 2021 Market and Economic Review please see milfordasset.com/fact-sheet.

## **External Ratings**



Milford Active Growth Fund received a Morningstar Analyst Rating™ of 'Silver' on 07-07-2020

## **Cumulative Fund Performance**

(after fees and before tax)



Assumes the growth of \$10,000 invested at the Fund's inception date.

## **Kev Fund Facts**

	Potentially lower returns Potentially higher returns			
Risk Indicator	Lower risk Higher risk  1 2 3 4 5 6 7			
Total Fund Fees <sup>3</sup>	1.25% (includes an est. performance fee)			
Performance Fee	15% of the Fund's returns above the Benchmark <sup>1</sup> , subject to the high watermark.			
Base Fund Fee <sup>2</sup>	1.05%			
Benchmark	10% p.a.			
Inception Date	1 October 2007			
Buy-sell Spread	None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)			
Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$2,206.2 M			
Neutral FX Exposure	16.0%			
Target Allocation	22% Income Assets / 78% Growth Assets			
Minimum recommended investment timeframe	7 years			
Description	Diversified fund that primarily invests in equities, with a moderate allocation to fixed interest securities			
Objective <sup>1</sup>	To provide annual returns of 10% over the minimum recommended investment timeframe			



Unit Price: \$5.0984

# Investment Performance after fees as at 30 September 2021<sup>4</sup>

	1 Month	3 Months	1 year	3 years (p.a.)	5 years (p.a.)	Since inception (p.a.)
Milford Active Growth Fund (Gross Of Tax)	-0.75%	2.65%	22.21%	12.13%	11.96%	12.92%
After Tax 10.50%	-0.82%	2.60%	21.87%	11.84%	11.67%	12.42%
After Tax 17.50%	-0.86%	2.57%	21.65%	11.65%	11.47%	12.21%
After Tax 28.00%	-0.93%	2.52%	21.32%	11.36%	11.18%	11.80%
Benchmark	0.79%	2.43%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%

# **Top Equity Holdings**

Holdings	% of Fund
Contact Energy	3.41%
Virgin Money	3.33%
Fisher & Paykel	3.01%
Summerset	2.27%
Alphabet	2.20%
Microsoft	2.17%
Lowe's	1.88%
Charter Hall Retail	1.82%
HCA Holdings	1.76%
Dr Horton	1.73%

# **Top Fixed Interest Holdings**

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Holdings	% of Fund
ING Groep 4.25% Perpetual	1.03%
Barclays 4.375% Perpetual	0.64%
Barclays 5.875% 2024	0.55%
NatWest 6% Perpetual	0.45%
NatWest 5.125% Perpetual	0.40%
Lloyds Bank 5.125% Perpetual	0.39%
Crown Resorts 5.795% 2075	0.31%
CYBG 8% 2049	0.31%
Scentre Group 5.125% 2080	0.30%
ANZ 2.999% 2031	0.28%

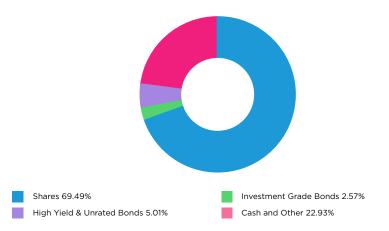
Note: Fixed interest securities are reported in the following format: Issuer name, interest (coupon rate), maturity year.

## **Current Asset Allocation**

22.07%	
22.93/0	6.00%
0.63%	2.00%
6.95%	14.00%
19.96%	20.00%
20.31%	18.00%
29.22%	40.00%
0.00%	0.00%
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<sup>#</sup> The actual cash held by the Fund is 10.97%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

## Fund Portfolio Mix



<sup>1.</sup> After the base fund fee but before tax and before the performance fee. 2. Where applicable, the Base Fund Fee includes an estimate of non-related underlying fund charges. 3. The Total Fund Fees comprise the Base Fund Fee and any estimated Performance Fee. Please refer to the Product Disclosure Statement for more information as to how these are calculated. 4. Please note past performance is not a guarantee of future returns.