# Best Ideas Portfolio (GBP)

September 2025

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# PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE (GBP)<sup>1,2</sup>

		Annualised					
Return (%)	S. Inception	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year	3 Month	1 Month	YTD
Best Ideas Portfolio	13.1	19.4	23.1	26.2	8.5	0.8	19.2
MSCI World	11.9	13.5	16.2	16.8	9.2	3.6	9.2
Relative	1.2	5.9	6.9	9.4	-0.7	-2.8	10.0

Risk (%)	Volatility (Annualised)	Largest Drawdown
BIP (GBP)	12.0	-30.4
MSCI World (GBP)	12.3	-26.1

#### MARKET COMMENTARY

Global markets delivered resilient returns in September, supported by improving macroeconomic data and increasingly dovish signals from central banks. In the US, equities performed strongly, with both the NASDAQ and S&P 500 rising by 5.7% and 3.6% respectively, driven by robust earnings, continued enthusiasm around Al-led productivity, and growing expectations of further monetary policy easing following the Federal Reserve Bank's (Fed) cautious tone. European equities also advanced, though at a more moderate pace. The Euro STOXX 50 rose by 3.4%, supported by stabilising inflation and improving business sentiment, while the FTSE 100 gained 1.8%, helped by strength in globally exposed sectors. In fixed income, the US 10-year bond yield fell by 7.8 basis points, reflecting investor confidence in the Fed's policy stance of cutting rates to the target of 4%. In the UK, the 10-year bond yield fell by 2.3 basis points, as the Bank of England held rates at 4% but maintained a cautious tone amid sticky inflation and subdued growth. Commodities experienced mixed performance. Gold surged by 10.5% as investors sought safe-haven assets amid US dollar weakness and rate cut expectations, while copper rose by 6.2%, reflecting optimism around industrial demand and global growth. Currency markets saw minimal movement, with both sterling and the euro largely stable against the US dollar.

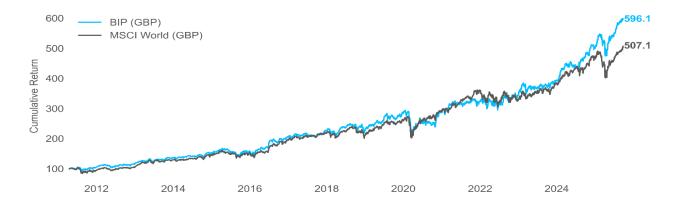
#### **Key Contributors to Return**

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#### **Key Detractors from Return**

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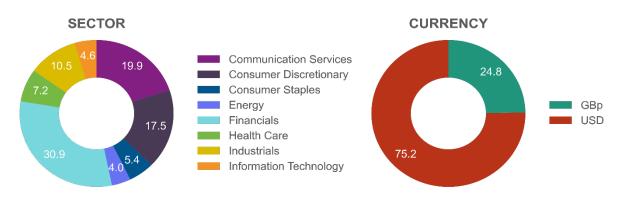
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#### SAMPLE PORTFOLIO STATISTICS<sup>2</sup>

	Trailing 12 Month P/E	12 Month Forward P/E	Dividend Yield (%)
Admiral Group PLC	12.3	13.9	5.3
AutoZone Inc	28.3	26.4	0.0
Alphabet Inc	28.3	22.0	0.3
Total Portfolio Average	19.4	17.7	1.4
MSCI World	24.2	20.4	1.6

## **ASSET ALLOCATION (%)**



#### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

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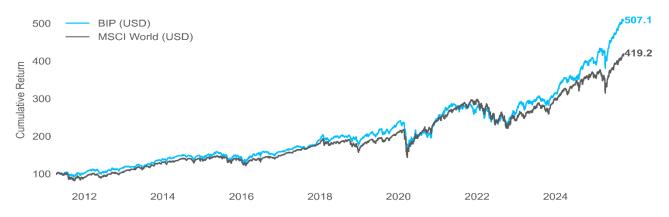
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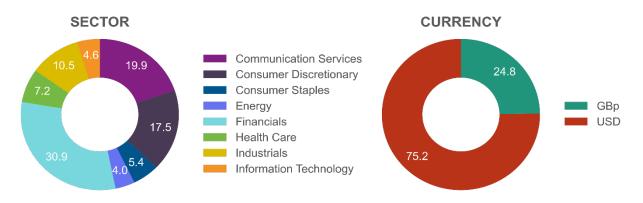
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