Dividend Growth Portfolio (GBP) August 2023

Strategy & Objective

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Portfolio Performance (GBP)^{1,2}

		Annualised					
Return (%)	S. Inception	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year	3 Months	1 Month	YTD
Dividend Growth Portfolio	12.5	9.7	15.0	1.1	2.2	-0.9	1.4
MSCI World	12.3	8.8	10.4	6.1	4.7	-0.9	10.9
Relative	0.2	0.8	4.5	-5.0	-2.4	0.0	-9.5
Risk (%)	Largest Drawdown			Volatility (Annualised)			
Dividend Growth Portfolio			26.8				13.7
MSCI World			26.2				15.1

Market Commentary

Global equity markets faced headwinds in August amid renewed weakness in the Chinese economy and specifically their property market, as well as ongoing inflation concerns and rising interest rates. The S&P 500, NASDAQ, Euro STOXX 50, FTSE 100 and Shenzhen CSI 300 all finished the month down 1.6%, 2.1%, 3.8%, 2.6% and 6.0% respectively, measured in their local currencies. The Bank of England and European Central Bank continued with their hawkish stance by increasing rates by another 25 basis points with the market expecting that the Federal Reserve could deliver another rate hike before year-end. The Credit Rating agency, Fitch also downgraded the US Government's credit rating from AAA to AA+. Yields on US and UK 10-year bonds rose by 15 and 5 basis points respectively, whereas the yield on German 10-year bonds fell by 3 basis points. Brent Crude oil rose by 2.7% despite growth risks in China. The pound fell by

Key Contributors to Return

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Key Detractors from Return

Wells Fargo's shares declined by 9.9% along with shares of other US banks after a report that Fitch Ratings may downgrade the sector's credit rating, renewing concerns about the health of the sector. AIA Group's shares declined by 8.0% along with the Hang Seng Index after China's central bank announced smaller-thanexpected cut in a key interest rate, aimed at supporting the slowing economy.

Performance Since Inception²



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Sample Portfolio Statistics²

Current Price	Trailing 12 Month P/E	12 Month Forward P/E	Dividend Yield
488p	5.9x	7.1x	4.4%
\$177.9	23.9x	22.7x	2.7%
\$220.6	19.9x	18.6x	2.4%
	17.8x	13.6x	2.9%
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Sector Allocation **Currency Allocation** 4.60% Consumer Discretionary Communication Services 13.0% 11.5% USD Consumer Staples 4.5% Energy 14.3% ■ GBP Financials 13.6% FUR 53.6% Health Care 9.0% 30.5% HKD Industrials 5.2% Information Technology Cash & Cash Eq

Investment Philosophy

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- · We believe that wealth is best created and preserved through patient and disciplined investing, with a focus on the long term
- We follow a value-based approach to investing
- · We seek to invest in high quality companies that are attractively priced relative to their future business prospects
- · We believe that the market's short-term focus creates opportunities for those willing to concentrate on underlying business performance
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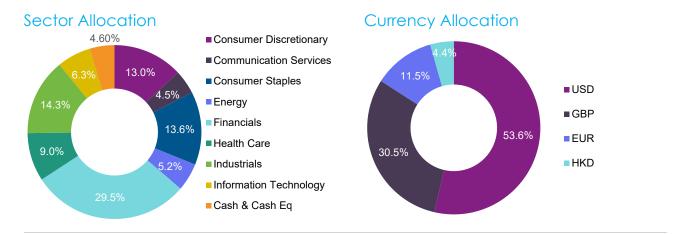


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