Dividend Growth Portfolio (GBP)





Strategy & Objective

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Portfolio Performance (GBP)^{1,2}

		Annualised					
Return (%)	S. Inception	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year	3 Month	1 Month	YTD
Dividend Growth Portfolio	11.8	9.8	4.9	-1.9	-8.3	8.4	-9.9
MSCI World	11.8	9.2	6.0	-0.5	-7.6	9.3	- 7.7
Relative	0.0	0.6	-1.1	-1.4	-0.7	-0.9	-2.2

Risk (%)	Largest Drawdown	Volatility (Annualised)
Dividend Growth Portfolio	26.7	13.1
MSCI World	26.2	15.0

Market Commentary

Although much of the global economy remained in lockdown as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, April provided some relief for investors as global equity markets rebounded strongly from the March lows. Volatility remained high as uncertainty prevailed. The S&P 500, FTSE 100 and Euro STOXX were all up 12.8%, 4.3%, 5.4% respectively. Governments and central banks continued to introduce substantial stimulus measures to combat the negative effects of the coronavirus on their economies and improve investor confidence amid global recessionary fears. US West Texas Intermediate (WTI) Crude Oil Futures for delivery in May fell into negative territory for the first time ever due to fears that the country was running out of space to store the commodity. Brent Crude oil was down 10.7% over the month. In fixed income markets, the yields for the US, UK and German 10-year bonds decreased by 3, 13 and 12 basis points respectively. The pound was up 1.5% against the US dollar and 1.8% against the euro.

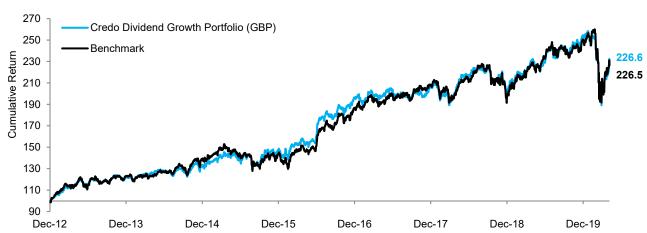
Key Contributors to Return

Flutter Entertainment's shares increased by 36.0% after the company announced better than expected results and that its merger with The Stars Group is due to complete earlier than scheduled. Crown Resorts' shares increased by 30.1% after the company disclosed that private equity firm, Blackstone, had acquired a 10% stake.

Key Detractors from Return

BP's shares declined by 9.0% along with the whole sector after investor concerns about oversupply and sinking demand pushed oil prices lower. Meggitt's shares declined by 3.8% after air traffic statistics signalled that the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic on aviation is worse and potentially more prolonged than originally expected.

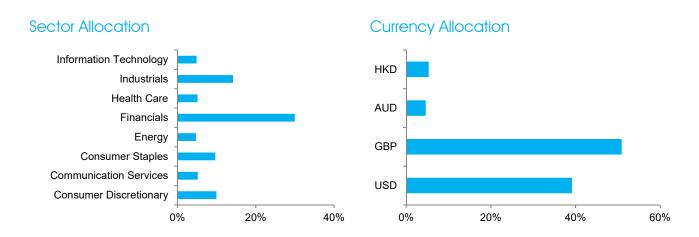
Performance Since Inception (28/12/2012)²





Sample Portfolio Statistics²

	Current Price	Trailing 12 Month P/E	12 Month Forward P/E	Dividend Yield
GlaxoSmithKline plc	1661p	14.0x	14.1x	4.8%
PepsiCo Inc	\$132.3	23.1x	24.0x	2.9%
Union Pacific Corp	\$159.8	18.5x	19.8x	2.4%
Total Portfolio Average		15.1x	15.4x	4.0%
MSCI World		18.8x	18.6x	2.6%



Investment Philosophy

Credo's investment philosophy is based on the following tenets:

- 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
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Dividend Growth Portfolio (USD)

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MSCI World	8.1	4.9	5.0	-4.0	-11.9	10.9	-12.4
Relative	0.2	1.0	-0.9	-0.7	0.2	-1.1	-1.2

Risk (%)	Largest Drawdown	Volatility (Annualised)
Dividend Growth Portfolio	33.3	13.3
MSCI World	34.0	14.3

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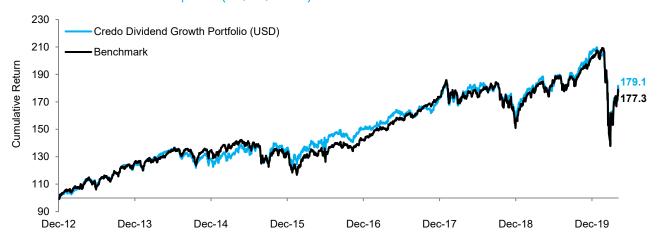
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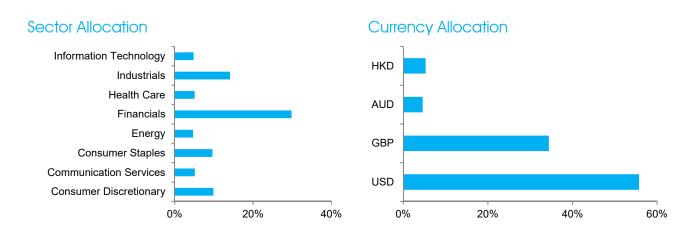
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