

# WaveStone Dynamic Australian Equity Fund Quarterly Fund Report - March 2024

## **Portfolio returns**

The Fund delivered a total return of 5.0% for the March quarter after all fees and expenses. The S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index returned 5.4% over the same period.

Performance	Quarter %	FYTD %	1 year %	3 years % p.a	5 years % p.a	10 years % p.a <sup>4</sup>	Inception % p.a <sup>1,4</sup>
Fund return (including franking credits)	5.3	12.5	14.6	12.1	10.0	9.5	11.1
Less: Franking credits <sup>2</sup>	0.3	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.5
Total Return <sup>3</sup>	5.0	11.7	13.6	10.8	8.8	8.0	9.6
S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index <sup>4</sup>	5.4	13.3	14.4	9.5	9.2	8.3	9.4
Active return <sup>3</sup>	-0.4	-1.6	-0.8	1.3	-0.3	-0.2	0.2
Average Daily Net Equity Exposure	80	81	81	81	80	79	81

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Numbers may not add due to rounding. Data source: Fidante Partners, 31 March 2024. <sup>1</sup>The Fund's inception date is 02 July 2009.

<sup>2</sup>Franking credits accrued as received by the Fund.

<sup>3</sup>After all fees and expenses and assumes all distributions are reinvested.

<sup>4</sup>From 1 January 2014, the benchmark of the Fund changed to the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index. Prior to this, the benchmark of the Fund was the RBA Cash Rate.

# Fund Facts as at 31 March 2024

APIR Code	HOW0053AU
Inception date	02 July 2009
Management fee + (Performance Fee)	0.99% p.a. + (15% of the Fund's daily return (after fees and expenses and after adding back any distributions paid) above the Fund's Performance Benchmark.) <sup>1</sup>
Buy/sell spread	+0.20% / -0.20%
Fund size	\$166.0M
Exit price	\$1.6589

#### Data source: Fidante Partners.

<sup>1</sup>The performance fee is applied on the outperformance over the benchmark after deduction of fees and expenses and after adding back any distributions paid.

### **Fund features**

Variable Beta: the flexibility to reduce market exposure to cushion falls.

**Alpha extension:** the flexibility to borrow long and sell short. This increases the available opportunity to add value.

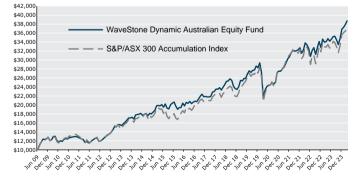
**Experienced investment professionals:** access to experienced investment professionals with over 20 years of experience.

**Proprietary research model:** WaveStone undertake significant proprietary research to identify quality businesses that display sustainable competitive advantage.

**Capture growth:** access to a portfolio that has the potential to provide long-term capital growth.

**Tax benefits:** aims to deliver low fund turnover and pass through tax benefits (franking credits) to its investors.

## Growth of \$10,000



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## **ASIC Periodic Reporting Requirements**

The WaveStone Dynamic Australian Equity Fund (Fund) is classified as a hedge fund in accordance with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission Regulatory Guide 240 *Hedge funds: Improving disclosure.* We are required to provide this additional information to you on a quarterly basis.

# Asset Allocation (as at 31 March 2024)

Exposure analysis				
Position	% of net invested capital			
Australian listed equities	96.9			
International listed equities	-			
Exchange traded derivatives	(16.9)			
Over-the-counter derivatives	-			
Cash equivalent investments	3.1			
Net equity exposure	80.0			
Gross equity exposure	126.2			

## Liquidity profile

The table below demonstrates the liquidity profile of the Fund as at 31 March 2024.

In summary, 100% of the Fund's assets can be liquidated within 10 days.

Time to liquidate	% of assets
Within 1-10 days	100%
>10 to 21 days	100%
> 21 days	100%

## **Maturity profile**

The table below demonstrates the maturity profile of the Fund as at 31 March 2024 / the Fund does not have any material liabilities.

Time to liquidate	% of assets
<10 Days	100%
>10 to 21 days	0%
> 21 days	0%

### Leverage ratio

WaveStone uses leverage to increase the exposure of the Fund to investment markets. Leverage can be obtained by either of the following methods:

- Using derivative instruments to increase the Fund's investment exposure beyond the net asset value of the Fund; or
- · Borrowing a share to sell on the market (short selling); or
- Borrowing cash to invest.

WaveStone will use leverage as an investment strategy predominantly through short selling and using derivatives.

Short positions are taken on particular stocks where WaveStone believes a security is overvalued and it is expected that these stocks will fall in price, or for hedging purposes. Short selling will also increase the Fund's total gross effective exposure to the share market above 100% of its net asset value.

The Fund may have gross exposure of up to 250% of net asset value (NAV), including up to 100% in short positions and 150% total in long positions.

The Fund has the ability to borrow up to a maximum of 50% of the Fund's net asset value. The level of borrowings employed by the Fund have historically been and is anticipated to continue to be around 0-20% of the net asset value of the Fund. Borrowings undertaken by the Fund may be undertaken through the prime broking relationship with UBS AG, Australian Branch. The Fund must provide collateral to secure its obligations under the relevant Customer Documents.

As at 31 March 2024, the Fund is long 103.1% and short 6.2%; gross leverage is 109.3% and net leverage is 80.0%.

## **Derivative counterparties engaged**

The derivative counterparties engaged for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 March 2024 are provided in the table below.

#### **Derivatives counterparty**

UBS AG, Australia Branch

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During the period there have been no changes to key service providers for the Fund including any changes to any related party arrangement. Additionally, there have been no material changes in the Fund's investment team, risk profile, or strategy, nor to the individuals who play a key role in the investment decisions for the Fund.

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