



Trojan Fund

All data as at 31 May 2025

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The investment objective of the Trojan Fund is to seek to achieve growth in capital (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). The policy is to invest globally in government and public securities (such as sovereign debt and treasury bills), corporate bonds, equities and equity-related securities, private equity, precious metals, cash, cash equivalents and deposits.

PRICES 430.06p

339.75p

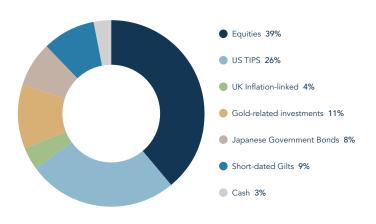
fund size £5,037m

PERCENTAGE GROWTH 31/05/2001 TO 31/05/2025



#### **ASSET ALLOCATION**

'O' accumulation shares



Source: Factset. Asset Allocation is subject to change.

Total Return to 31 May 2025	31/05/01 Since Launch	31/05/15 10 years	31/05/20 5 years	31/05/22 3 years	31/05/24 1 year	30/11/24 6 months
Trojan Fund O Inc	+371.6%	+66.1%	+25.5%	+11.7%	+7.4%	+3.5%
Bank of England Base Rate	+71.1%	+17.1%	+14.3%	+13.8%	+5.0%	+2.4%
UK Retail Price Index	+130.9%	+55.6%	+37.6%	+19.3%	+4.1%	+2.9%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*	+293.2%	+80.7%	+69.0%	+26.8%	+9.4%	+7.3%

Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2001#	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	+0.6%	+4.1%	+15.4%	+10.3%	+15.9%	+12.0%	+6.1%	+1.1%	+11.6%	+14.4%	+8.5%	+2.1%	-3.1%
Trojan Fund O Inc	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	YTD
	+8.9%	+3.2%	+12.3%	+4.1%	-3.0%	+10.7%	+7.4%	+12.1%	-3.8%	+2.7%	+6.7%	+3.	4%

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Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Lipper

# May Commentary

Your Fund returned +0.7% during the month compared to +4.1% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR)

At the end of the month we attended a conference in New York, which enabled us to take the temperature of corporate America. The speakers were predominantly from finance and payments-related companies, including the Fund's holdings Visa and American Express ("Amex"). The payments companies were reassuring regarding their potential for future growth. Amex has been going for 175 years and has evolved from 'a FedEx model with horses' to travellers' cheques, to credit cards. Under current management, Amex has made strides to attract millennials and Gen Z. Since 2019, these younger customers have grown from 19% of card holders to 35% today. Similarly Visa, a somewhat younger payments company, established in 1958, has built a truly global platform linking 14,500 financial institutions with 150 million merchants worldwide. While in many countries payments systems are well developed, even the most mature markets, including the Netherlands and Norway, are still growing well ahead of inflation. Less developed payments markets like Japan and Germany have a long journey

to shift from cash to card. Visa believe that there remains \$23 trillion in annual payment volume (including cash and cheque) that would be better off served by card.

The key takeaways from the conference were fourfold. First, the consensus was for higher inflation (thanks to tariffs) and lower growth. Stubbornly higher inflation explains why the Federal Reserve has been reluctant to cut interest rates. Second, the very high level of investment in technology by larger companies is increasing barriers to entry and scale-benefits, while increasing efficiency and reducing costs. Perhaps this is the reason smaller companies continue to underperform their larger brethren. How can a small regional bank compete with JP Morgan spending \$13bn on tech in 2025? Thirdly, private equity and private credit are peaking after a prolonged cycle since the Global Financial Crisis as there are too many highly leveraged assets looking for a home. Finally, while there was plenty of criticism of inconsistent and unpredictable economic policymaking, no one was prepared to criticise President Trump by name.





# RETURN VS VOLATILITY SINCE LAUNCH (31/05/2001)



Source: Lipper

## **RISK ANALYSIS**

Risk analysis since launch (31/05/01)	Trojan Fund O Inc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+371.6%	+293.2%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-13.7%	-45.6%
Best Month	+8.9%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-4.7%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+66.7%	+59.0%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+6.0%	+13.4%

<sup>1</sup> Measures the worst investment period

<sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns

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# TOP 10 HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT BONDS)

iShares Physical Gold	5.7%
Unilever	4.9%
Invesco Physical Gold	4.9%
Alphabet	3.9%
Visa	3.6%
Diageo	3.3%
Heineken	2.7%
Nestlé	2.6%
Microsoft	2.5%
VeriSign	2.2%
Total Top 10	36.3%
12 Other Equity holdings	13.2%
US TIPS	26.2%
Short-dated Gilts	9.4%
Japanese Government Bonds	8.4%
UK Inflation-linked	3.7%
Cash	2.8%
TOTAL	100.0%
Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.	

### **FUND MANAGER AWARDS**



### RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT





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## **FUND INFORMATION**

A copy of the latest Prospectus and the KIID for each class (in English) upon which you should base your investment decision is available from Waystone Management (UK) Limited, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, (Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) at <a href="https://www.waystone.com">www.waystone.com</a>. The Trojan Fund is closed to new direct investments, but is still available to new investors through major fund platforms.

Dividend Ex Dates

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Co-Manager	Charlotte Yonge
Currency	£ Sterling
Launch Date	31 May 2001

Dividend Pay Da 30 September (in	terim), 31 March (final)
Historic Dividend	d Yield
('O' Inc shares)	1.36%
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Bloomberg	
CFTROJA_LN (O Acc), CFT	FROJI_LN (O Inc)
Ongoing Charges	
'O' (ordinary) shares:	1.01%
	0.76%





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