# Ravenscroft Investment Fund Offshore

# Ravenscroft Global Balanced Fund

#### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Global Balanced Fund's main objective is to generate capital growth by investing into a combination of fixed income and global equities. The underlying investments are selected using a thematic investment process. Ravenscroft Global Balanced is a sub fund of the Ravenscroft Investment Fund Offshore; an open-ended, multiclass Unit Trust authorised as a Class B Scheme by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission.

#### **ASSET CLASS WEIGHTINGS**



#### PERFORMANCE CHART

High Income Bonds



## Ravenscroft Global Balanced O Acc

### COMMENTARY

After a promising start to the quarter, investment markets started to sell off mid-February as the American exceptionalism narrative was troubled by the emergence of the Chinese AI company DeepSeek and the world tried to decipher the narrative of Donald Trump. The sell-off accelerated through to the end of March as the world awaited Liberation Day when America inflicted trade tariffs on its global trading partners. In this environment the Ravenscroft Global Balanced fund fell by -2.8% during March, taking quarterly and YTD return to the end of March to -1.37%.

Over the quarter, global equities delivered an average return of -4.6% but there was a wide dispersion of returns across regions and sectors. American equities saw sharp sell-offs whilst many European indices posted positive returns. In many ways the first quarter of 2025 was the inverse of 2024 with bonds outperforming equities. Within equities, America and technology significantly underperformed broader equity markets.

Ruffer Total Return Fund was the best performing fund over the quarter, returning circa +5%. The fund manager's cautious views about the investment market backdrop and in particular their exposure to gold and defensive options strategies justified its existence as a portfolio diversifier. The value orientation of Lazard Global Equity Franchise Fund and Pacific North of South Emerging Market Equity Income Fund enabled them to deliver positive returns circa +3% despite the challenging investment environment. The bond fund holdings mostly delivered modest positive returns as the high embedded yields were partly offset by uncertainty around the future interest rate policy of central banks. Unsurprisingly, the laggards in performance over the quarter were the funds with the largest technology exposure, namely Sanlam Al and BlueBox Technology funds with both reducing in value circa -10%. The falls are reflective of the sharp sell-offs that have been seen in the sectors that they invest in so whilst we have had review meetings with both fund managers no further action is being taken at this time.

## **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE**

	1 Month	3 Month	6 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year
Ravenscroft Global Balanced O Acc	-2.8%	-1.4%	-0.7%	-1.4%	1.9%	5.2%	23.3%

Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance and may not be repeated.

Source: FE fundinfo. Data date: 31/03/2025.

Inception date: 01 April 2016

## PRIOR CALENDAR YEARS PERFORMANCE

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Ravenscroft Global Balanced O Acc	6.0%	5.7%	-8.8%	4.3%	7.6%

All performance figures are based on the "O" class. Figures are in GBP and includes capital returns and any income. Figures are net of all fees charged within the fund and any underlying third party funds. If you invest via an intermediary additional charges may apply.

Financial Promotion - The value may go down as well as up and you may get back less than you invested.

#### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Name	Weight
Lazard Global Equity Franchise	7.9%
Guinness Global Equity Income	7.8%
Brown Advisory Global Leaders Fund	5.9%
Fundsmith Equity	5.5%
Fermat Cat Bond	5.1%
Muzinich Short Dated Emerging Market Corporate Bond	5.0%
Rathbone Ethical Bond	5.0%
Royal London Short Duration High Yield	5.0%
Schroder Strategic Credit	5.0%
Titan Hybrid Capital	5.0%

#### **Yield: 2.95%**

	Global Balanced O Dis GBP						
31/10/2024	159.00p						
30/04/2024	132.00p						

Dates quoted are dividend payment dates. Ex-dividend dates are the prior month end.

#### **INVESTMENT MANAGER**

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#### **CLASSES**

Unit Name	Annual Charge	OCF*	Minimum Investment	ISIN
Ravenscroft Global Balanced O Acc Class	0.75%	1.63%	£5,000	GG00BYSYNZ76
Ravenscroft Global Balanced I Acc Class	1.50%	2.38%	£5,000	GG00B3F15Q93
Ravenscroft Global Balanced O Dis Class	0.75%	1.63%	£5,000	GG00BMHKT541

<sup>\*</sup>Ongoing Charge Figure includes annual charge, fund expenses and costs within underlying investments.

## **FUND DETAILS**

Trustee: Custodian:

Dealing Frequency: Daily, UK business days

Settlement Period: Trade date plus four working days

Fund Assets: 264.8

# KEY PARTIES

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Constitutional documents are available from the administrator.

## **PLATFORM AVAILABILITY:**

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Signatory of:



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