Melville Douglas Global Growth Fund Ltd
USD Balanced Class

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Investment Growth***

Trailing Returns***

	1 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
MD Global Growth Ltd US$ Balanced A	0.8	14.1	13.2	4.3	4.9	2.1
65% MSCI World , 35% JPM Global Agg (	1.2	12.8	11.6	5.1	6.4	3.3
EAA Fund USD Flexible Allocation	0.8	9.1	8.0	1.7	3.2	0.7

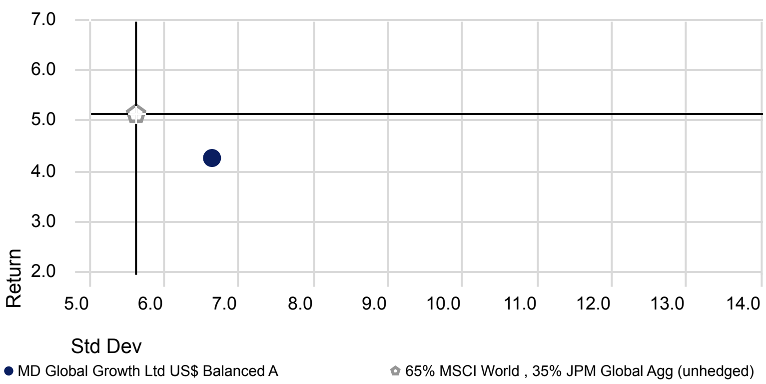
Risk Matrix *

	Class A	Benchmark	Cat Avg
Information Ratio (arith)	-0.5		-1.9
Std Dev	6.6	5.6	6.4
Sharpe Ratio **	0.2	0.3	0.0
Best Month (In Last 3 Years)	5.0	3.9	4.1
Worst Month (In Last 3 Years)	-4.1	-3.3	-4.3

Monthly Returns***

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2017	1.7	2.2	0.6	2.5	2.3	0.3	2.1	0.8	0.8				
2016	-3.7	-0.9	3.3	0.1	0.5	-0.9	1.9	0.0	0.1	-2.2	0.4	1.0	-0.7
2015	-1.1	3.2	-0.7	1.6	0.2	-1.7	0.9	-4.1	-2.4	5.0	-0.5	-1.2	-1.2
2014	-3.2	3.2	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.2	-0.9	0.9	-1.7	0.4	1.8	-0.9	2.5
2013	1.9	-0.1	1.3	1.3	-0.2	-3.2	2.4	-1.7	3.5	2.1	1.1	1.2	9.9
2012	4.4	2.5	0.5	-0.3	-5.6	0.6	1.8	2.4	2.8	-0.2	0.9	0.3	10.3

Risk-Reward *



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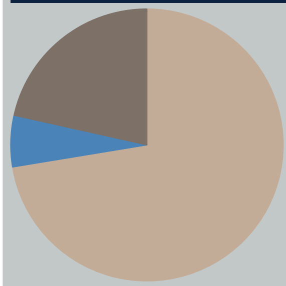
Investment Objective

The objective is to provide long term capital growth in US Dollar terms by investing in a balanced portfolio of globally diversified equity and fixed income.

Top 10 Holdings

	Weighting %
US Treasury 2.25	6.6
Visa Inc Class A	4.2
Oracle Corp	3.7
Microsoft Corp	3.6
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	3.3
Mastercard Inc A	3.3
iShares MBS ETF	3.2
Yum Brands Inc	3.1
United Health Products Inc	3.1
JPMorgan Chase & Co	3.0

Asset Allocation



	%
Equity	72.4
Cash	6.1
Fixed Income	21.5
Total	**100.0**

Operations

Price Date	2017/09/30
Month end price (USD)	$ 180.1
ISIN - Class A	JE00B559P010
Fund AUM (m)	$ 106.5

Fund Managers

Bernard Drotschie
Bernard is the Deputy Chief Investment Officer and is head of the SA fixed income strategy. He holds a B.Com (Hons) degree in Econometrics, is a CFA® Charterholder, and is a Certified Financial Planner™ professional.

Etienne Vlok
Etienne joined Melville Douglas in 2010. He covers the domestic and global IT and media sectors. He holds a BCom Acc. Hons, CA(SA), CFA.

Karl Holden
Karl specialises in global fixed income and currency markets. He is also lead manager of the Melville Douglas Income funds. Karl is a Chartered Wealth Manager, Fellow of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment and holds the Private Client Investment Advice and Management Certificate.

Portfolio Risk

Risk Profile

* Data is displayed over a 3 year rolling period
** Risk free rate = US Treasury T-Bill 3 Months
*** Class A since inception. Information compiled using Morningstar based on the most recent published information available to Morningstar at the end of the relevant period. This information is for illustrative purposes only.

Source: Morningstar Direct, Melville Douglas Investment Management

Additional Information

Where foreign securities are included in the portfolio there may be additional risks, such as potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds, macroeconomic risks, political risks, tax risks, settlement risks, and potential limitations on the availability of market information.

The risk rating seen on page 1 is designed to give an indication of the level of risk, measured by volatility, associated with this specific portfolio. In order to arrive at the specific risk rating of the portfolio in question, Melville Douglas measures the volatility of the fund, in the form of standard deviation, over a three year rolling period, and compares the result to internal risk parameters. Please note that these risk ratings are designed as a guide only.

Other Fund Facts

Manager	STANLIB Fund Managers Jersey Limited
Investment Manager	Melville Douglas Investment Management (Pty) Ltd
Custodian	Capita Trust Company (Jersey) Limited
Auditors	PwC, Ireland
Fund Directors	H.Holmes, GS.Baillie, M.Farrow, and O.Sonnbichler
Registered Office	47-49 La Motte Street, St Helier, Jersey
Publication Date	30th October 2017
Compliance No.	HX2499

Share Class ISIN

Class A	JE00B559P010
Class B	JE00BD2X3T71
Class C	JE00BD2X3V93

Minimum Investment

Class A	$15 000
Class B	$ 2 500
Class C	$ 2 500

Launch Date

Class A	21 June 1998
Class B	01 September 2016
Class C	01 September 2016

Fund Costs- 12 months

Fee Class	Management Fee	TER	TC	TIC
Class A	1.00%	1.29%	0.13%	1.42%
Class B	1.50%	1.78%	0.13%	1.91%
Class C	1.2%	1.48%	0.13%	1.61%

TER = (Total Expense Ratio), TC = (Transaction Costs) ,TIC = (Total Investment Cost ; TER + TC = TIC)

Where a transaction cost is not readily available, a reasonable best estimate has been used. Estimated transaction costs may include Bond, Money Market and FX Costs (where Applicable)

Fund Costs- 36 months

Fee Class	Management Fee	TER	TC	TIC
Class A	1.00%	1.27%	0.13%	1.40%

TER = (Total Expense Ratio), TC = (Transaction Costs) ,TIC = (Total Investment Cost ; TER + TC = TIC)

Where a transaction cost is not readily available, a reasonable best estimate has been used. Estimated transaction costs may include Bond, Money Market and FX Costs (where Applicable). Share classes in issue for less than 36 months is not disclosed.

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The manager does not provide any guarantee either with respect to the capital or the return of the portfolio.

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3rd Quarter 2017

Quarterly Commentary

The world this year has been remarkably benign. Strong economic growth, accommodative central banks, sustained recovery in corporate earnings and continued low interest rates have combined to produce strong results from equity markets and commodities. They have also provided resilience against more unstable geopolitics. Can it last?

The favourable macroeconomic environment this year has been remarkable. Not only has growth improved beyond expectation, it has broadened across much of the world, so that this year for the first time since the financial crisis, synchronized growth is a reality. The pull has exerted a strong force on commodities and emerging markets, but equities generally have benefited.

Rising commodity prices and buoyant emerging markets are typically signs of “above-trend” growth, and would usually be accompanied by higher inflation and rising interest rates.

In this cycle, however, inflation has proven remarkably benign, and as a result, central banks have not been compelled to react very strongly. This is so even though real interest rates have been persistently low.

But now, central banks are starting to worry that as growth takes hold that there will come a point where inflation responds unexpectedly swiftly, and that markets are too complacent about the tightening of monetary policy. If an inflationary surge forced a sudden change, the disruption could be substantial and volatile. As a result, for most of this year, the rhetoric of central banks has changed from the post-crisis “whatever it takes” (to generate growth) to a series of warnings regarding the necessity of “normalizing” interest rates and how they propose to remove the extraordinary amount of monetary accommodation that has been provided.

As far as the long bond yield is concerned, it has more than just inflation to contend with. In the past months, geopolitical risks (mainly North Korea, but also Iran and other issues) have risen, which creates additional demand for “safe haven” assets. This may have held the long bond yield lower than it otherwise would have been. It certainly looks that way: as soon as geopolitical factors fade, long bond yields rise.

Meanwhile, equity markets are buoyed by a remarkable confluence of benign influences, without much evidence of structural stress. Not only have companies delivered strong earnings growth this year, but guidance has been sufficiently benign that analysts have not felt the need to adjust forecasts downwards, as in prior years. Furthermore, the growth is being delivered more from improved revenues, rather than just cost-cutting and financial engineering. Of course, this fact may also be a measure of improving pricing power and therefore impending inflation.

Outlook

Investors need to be aware that 2017 will prove to have been the point at which the “post-crisis” mode of policy-making and adjustment changed. The fact that the global environment has been so benign this year carries with it the seeds of further change, and it would be remiss to assume that 2018 will be a repeat. While central banks remain extremely vigilant, there are many things they don’t know. The messaging from them is changing from a mode of being “data-driven” (i.e. backward-looking) to something much more proactive, in an attempt to ensure that an inflation surprise can be dealt with without recourse to sudden changes of policy. The concern is that markets are not fully in agreement regarding the need for the change. And “gradual” policy change does not automatically guarantee gradual market adjustment. If there is a tension between the market view and the policy settings, the likelihood of a dislocation rises, and what causes it -a geopolitical event, a policy error (fiscal or monetary) or inflation - won’t matter in the short run.

The positioning in the fund favors equity, which is expected to outperform as the synchronized global economic backdrop provides a promising environment for companies to grow profits. Equities have performed strongly this year and valuations are no longer cheap, yet we are still finding more attractive opportunities in the asset class than cash and bonds where income yields are well below inflation.

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