

# Discovery Balanced Fund

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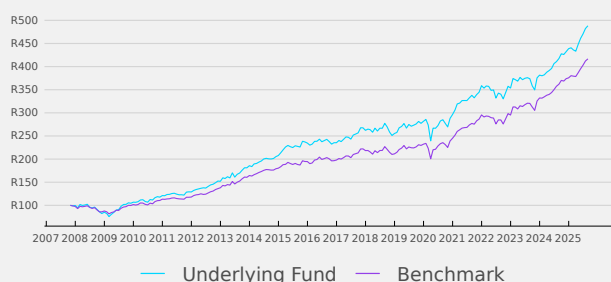
## Fund details

Risk profile:	Medium/high
Investment manager:	Ninety One SA (Pty) Ltd
Portfolio manager:	Hannes Van Den Berg and Samantha Hartard
Inception date of portfolio:	22 October 2007
Launch date of portfolio:	05 November 2007
Portfolio classification:	South African - Multi Asset - High Equity
ESG classification:	ESG Integration <sup>1</sup>
Benchmark:	ASISA Sector Average
Fund size:	R50 504 983 052
ISIN:	ZAE000107504
Class:	A
Income declaration:	Bi-annually (end of June and December)
Historic one-year yield:	2.83%
Initial fees:	0.00%
Annual fees:	1.50% (excl. VAT)
Performance fees:	None
Total expense ratio (TER):	2.00%
Transaction costs (TC):	0.17%
Total investment charges (TIC):	2.17%
Valuation:	16:00 (17:00 month-end)
Transaction cut-off:	16:00

### Notes

1. Funds that practice active stewardship whilst considering ESG risks and opportunities. For further information, please see [www.ninetyone.com/ESG-explained](http://www.ninetyone.com/ESG-explained)

## Illustrative cumulative performance for a R100 lump-sum investment since launch



## Who this investment may be suitable for

This fund is suitable for investors looking to access a diversified mix of asset classes and steady, stable growth over the long term.

## Fund investment policy

In selecting securities for the portfolio, the manager shall ensure that the Discovery Balanced Fund will be a specialist portfolio, focusing on specific allocations into the classes of securities outlined below, as well as allocation within each security class. It will seek to secure an investment medium for investors which shall have as its primary objective to produce steady, but stable growth of income and capital across a range of security classes in a balanced manner, and reasonable level of current income. The portfolio will attempt to achieve a moderate risk profile by actively managing the exposure to the various asset classes. This fund has a maximum equity limit of 75%.

To achieve its objective, the manager will invest in JSE listed companies, listed gilts and interest bearing securities, money market instruments, listed property securities, listed derivatives, unlisted derivatives, participatory interests in collective investment schemes and foreign investments and unlisted securities as permitted from time to time by the Act. The allocation of investments to be included in the fund will be appropriate for retirement funds.

## Historical performance table

Period (annualised)	Fund	Benchmark
1 year	17.00%	15.16%
3 year	12.80%	13.55%
5 year	11.35%	12.09%
10 year	7.94%	8.27%
Since launch	9.30%	8.34%
Since launch (cumulative)	388.30%	316.74%

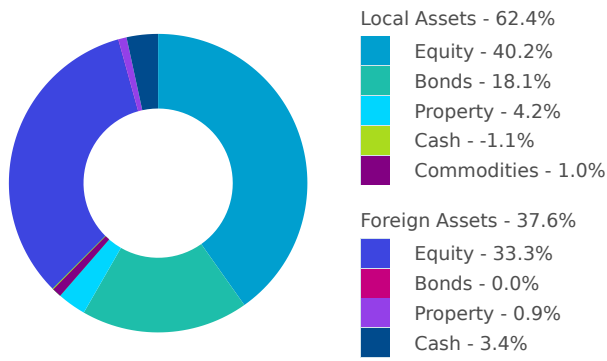
Watch the [latest market commentary](#) on this fund.

## Risk statistics table

Statistic	Fund
Volatility (Last three years, annualised)	8.17%
Maximum drawdown	-29.22%
Highest one-year return	42.40%
Lowest one-year return	-25.59%
Sharpe ratio (Since launch, Rf = 0%)	0.94

Performance calculated using the Total Returns Index (TRI), net of fees, with all dividend and/or income declarations reinvested on the declaration date at the net asset value price at that time. Investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

Asset allocation chart



All allocations include the exposure created by derivatives.  
Data source: Ninety One SA (Pty) Ltd

Top 10 holdings	
Name	Allocation
Naspers Ltd	6.4%
Gold Fields Ltd	3.3%
Capitec Bank Holdings Ltd	3.3%
Firststrand Ltd	2.5%
Anglogold Ashanti Plc	2.3%
Standard Bank Group Ltd	2.2%
Mtn Group Ltd	2.1%
Nvidia Corp	2.0%
Microsoft Corp	1.8%
British American Tobacco Plc	1.7%

Income distribution (last 12 months)	
30 June 2025	2.73c
31 December 2024	2.50c

Specific fund risks

- Derivatives
  - Exposure to foreign securities
  - Drawdown
- Liquidity
  - Equities
  - Bond
- For a detailed description of these risks, and other risks that are relevant to the portfolio, please refer to the CIS Risk Disclosure Document, available at [www.discovery.co.za](http://www.discovery.co.za).

Contact details

CIS Manager	
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Discovery Life Collective Investments (Pty) Ltd (Discovery Life Collective Investments) is registered as a manager of collective investment schemes, in terms of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

Discovery Life Collective Investments (Pty) Ltd, through Discovery Holdings Limited, is a member of the Association for Savings and Investment South Africa (ASISA).

Trustee Standard Chartered Bank	
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Tel number	011 217 6600
Website	<a href="http://www.standardchartered.com/za">www.standardchartered.com/za</a>

The trustee is registered as a trustee of collective investment schemes, in terms of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

Investment manager Ninety One SA (Pty) Ltd	
Registration number	1984/011235/07
FSP	587
Telephone number	0860 110 161
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## General

Collective Investment Schemes (Unit Trusts) are generally medium to long-term investments. The value of participatory interests (units) or the investment may go down as well as up. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Collective investment schemes are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending (i.e. borrowing and lending of assets). The manager does not provide any guarantee, either with respect to the capital or the return of a portfolio. Any forecasts and/or commentary in this document are not guaranteed to occur. Different classes of participatory interests apply to these portfolios and are subject to different fees and charges. A schedule of all fees and charges, inclusive of VAT and maximum commissions, is available on request from us or from your financial adviser. Forward pricing is used.

## Glossary

*Sharpe Ratio* - this is a measure of the excess return an investor receives for the additional volatility that they endure for holding a riskier asset. This compares the return on an investment with its risk.

*Information Ratio* - this is a measure of the risk-adjusted return of a portfolio relative to a certain benchmark.

## Important information

The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. The ability of the portfolio to repurchase, is dependent upon the liquidity of the securities and cash of the portfolio. A manager may suspend repurchases for a period, subject to regulatory approval, to await liquidity, and the manager must keep the investors informed about these circumstances.

Lump-sum performance returns are being quoted. Income distributions, prior to deduction of applicable taxes, are included in the performance calculations. NAV to NAV figures have been used for the performance calculations, as calculated by the manager at the valuation point defined in the deed, over all reporting periods. Investment performance calculations are available for verification upon request by any person. Reinvestment of income is calculated on the actual amount distributed per participatory interest, using the ex-dividend date NAV price of the applicable class of the portfolio, irrespective of the actual reinvestment date. The performance is calculated for the fee class. The individual investor performance may differ, as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax.

The rate of return is calculated on a total return basis, and the following elements may involve a reduction of the investor's capital: interest rates, economic outlook, inflation, deflation, economic and political shocks or changes in economic policy. Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of one year. This allows investors to compare returns of different assets that they have owned for different lengths of time. All period returns greater than one year have been annualised. Returns for periods less than one year have not been annualised. A cumulative return is the aggregate amount an investment has gained or lost over time, independent of the period of time involved. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request. Illustrative investment performance is for illustrative purposes only.

## What is the total investment charge (TIC)

Total expense ratio (TER) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as expenses relating to the administration (charges, levies and fees) of the portfolio. TER is calculated over rolling 3 years (or since inception, where applicable), and is annualised, to the most recent calendar quarter-end. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction costs (TC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the portfolio. Transaction Costs are a necessary cost in administering the portfolio and impacts portfolio returns. It should not be considered in isolation, as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time, including market returns, the type of financial product, the investment decisions of the investment manager, and the TER. Calculations are based on actual data, where possible, and best estimates, where actual data is not available. Total investment charges (TIC) is the percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the investment of the portfolio. It is the sum of the TER and TC.

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For additional information on the portfolio, refer to the application forms, quarterly investment report and minimum disclosure documents, available on our website, [www.discovery.co.za](http://www.discovery.co.za), from your financial adviser, or on request from the manager, free of charge.

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