

Ruffer Total Return International

Positive returns with low volatility



June recorded a further positive month for global equities, and a frustrating one for the portfolio, marking what has been a disappointing six month period in the context of our focus on capital preservation.

Markets have increasingly tried to consign 2022 to history. A bad dream, but no more. The prospect of a recession has led to a belief that rates might come down as quickly as they have risen. Supported by plentiful liquidity, stability has dominated. We have been more worried about the potential for instability. Suffering pain in our protective investments is not new, but we would usually hope that this would be offset by good performance from our growth assets. The path for stability described above, in our opinion, would necessitate continued strength in the real economy. We felt this would largely be predicated on continued recovery from China, supported by both stimulus and a powerful re-opening. This led us to focus our growth assets on both commodities, and equities more geared to the real economy. So far, this has not been the case, commodities have created a further headwind. Equally, whilst our equities have contributed positively, this has not been sufficient to offset the cost of protection.

Currently markets are increasingly certain policy makers will successfully be able to bring inflation back to target and will do so without creating any financial instability. The much-fabled soft landing will play out. Meanwhile, with interest rates moving higher than expected, and likely to stay high for longer, the impacts of tighter monetary policy are starting to be felt. This is already having consequences. This will inevitably, and intentionally, slow the economy. Despite this obvious risk, markets remain certain the risks will be contained. Investors are now willing to buy into equities (and indeed corporate credit) despite the fact they now offer a lower return (and higher risk) than cash! We are increasingly taking the other side of this perceived certainty.

The protections in the portfolio are threefold: structural protection against a new regime which is likely to be characterised by rising and more volatile levels of inflation; shorter-term (and powerful) protection against the potential financial instability caused by tighter liquidity and higher interest rates; and protection against the likely recession that will follow. For the moment, investors seem to be growing in confidence that policy makers will be able to successfully navigate the narrow tightrope of stability. Tightening policy sufficiently to maintain monetary (or inflation) stability, without creating financial instability. We are less convinced. Taking a cautious view can be painful, but history tells us that not long after these periods the risks emerge, leading to significant drawdowns in markets.

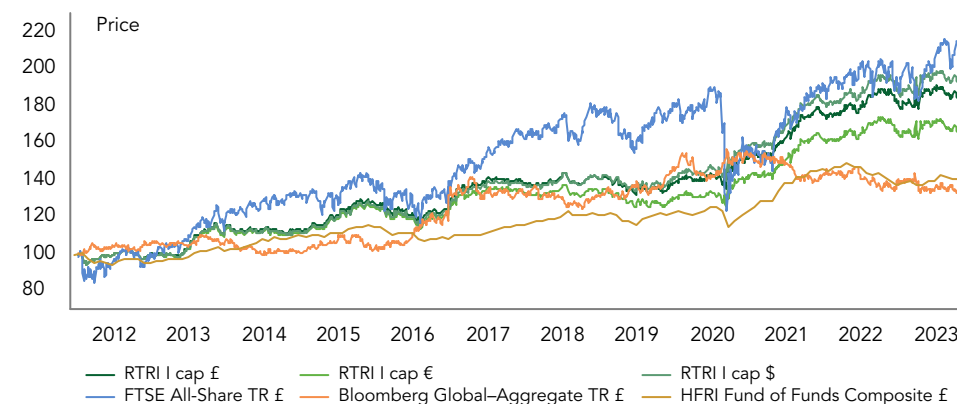
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Investment objective

The investment objective of the Ruffer Total Return International ('the fund') is to achieve low volatility, positive returns from an actively managed portfolio. The fund may have exposure to the following asset classes: cash, debt, securities of any type (including government and corporate debt), equities and equity related securities and commodities (including precious metals). Overriding this objective is a fundamental philosophy of capital preservation. Investors should note that there can be no assurance that the investment objective will be achieved.

Performance since fund launch on 14 July 2011

Past performance does not predict future returns



Performance I cap shares %	GBP	EUR	USD	Share price as at 30 June 2023	
June 2023	-0.5	-0.6	-0.5	I EUR Capitalisation	1.5786
Year to date	-7.4	-8.1	-7.0	I CHF Capitalisation	1.4949
1 year	-3.4	-5.0	-2.6	I USD Capitalisation	1.8379
3 years	15.3	11.6	16.8	I GBP Distribution	1.7028
5 years	24.4	17.6	29.9	I SEK Capitalisation	1.6156
10 years	55.7	41.5	63.9	I USD Distribution	1.7896
				I CAD Capitalisation	1.4772
				I SGD Capitalisation	1.4777
				I GBP Capitalisation	1.7552

12 month performance to June %	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
RTRI I cap £	-2.6	10.8	15.5	3.4	-3.4
RTRI I cap €	-3.9	9.6	14.7	2.4	-5.0
RTRI I cap \$	-1.0	12.3	15.9	3.5	-2.6
FTSE All-Share TR £	0.6	-13.0	21.5	1.6	7.9
Bloomberg Global-Aggregate TR £	9.8	7.4	-8.2	-3.6	-5.7
HFRI Fund of Funds Composite £	4.9	3.5	5.8	7.5	-1.0

Source: Ruffer LLP, FTSE International, Bloomberg, Hedge Fund Research Inc. The comparator benchmarks shown in this document is as stated in the fund's prospectus.

Ruffer Total Return International as at 30 Jun 2023

Asset allocation



Asset allocation	%
● Short-dated bonds	26.9
● Non-UK index-linked	14.4
● Cash	10.2
● Index-linked gilts	9.2
● Long-dated index-linked gilts	8.7
● Gold exposure and gold equities	5.4
● Illiquid strategies and options	2.0
● Commodity exposure	8.3
● UK/Europe equities	7.6
● North America equities	3.5
● Asia ex-Japan equities	2.3
● Japan equities	0.9
● Other equities	0.5

Source: Ruffer LLP. Pie chart totals may not equal 100 due to rounding.

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10 largest equity holdings*

Stock	% of fund
iShares MSCI China A UCITS ETF	1.0
Ryanair	0.8
Alibaba Group Holding	0.7
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co	0.6
BP	0.6
Bayer AG	0.5
Ambev SA	0.5
Glencore	0.4
Cigna	0.3
Amazon	0.3

5 largest bond holdings

Stock	% of fund
UK Treasury index-linked 2.5% 2024	6.9
US Treasury 0.625% TIPS 2024	6.1
US Treasury FRN 31 Oct 2024	4.5
US Treasury 0.125% TIPS 2052	4.1
Australian govt bonds 2.75% 2024	3.6

*Excludes holdings in Ruffer funds

Fund size £5,320.1m €6,199.5m

Fund information

Ongoing Charges Figure	1.02
Maximum annual management fee (I class)	1.0
Annual management fee	0.9
Maximum subscription fee	5.0
Minimum investment (or equivalent in other currency)	£25m
Record date	Third Monday of November
Ex dividend dates	Next NAV following the record date
Payment	Within five business days after ex dividend date
Dealing	Weekly, every Wednesday (if not a business day, on the following business day) Plus on the last business day of each month
Cut off	4pm Luxembourg time on the day before valuation day (so typically Tuesday and the penultimate business day of the month)

ISIN and SEDOL	Currency	Cap	ISIN	ISIN
EUR	I cap	LU0638558394	B4LVH08	
CHF	I cap	LU0638558477	B4QLM86	
USD	I cap	LU0638558550	B4L04N7	
GBP	I dis	LU0779209195	B8BHYH0	
SEK	I cap	LU0923103534	B94R6P6	
USD	I dis	LU0955560437	BCDYZK7	
CAD	I cap	LU1296766634	BYSW6J6	
SGD	I cap	LU1400661093	BD2YGL3	
GBP	I cap	LU0638558121	B4WP6Q8	

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