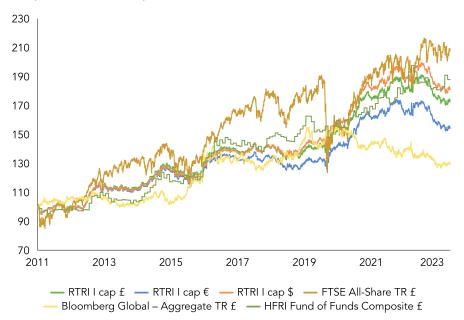
## Ruffer Total Return International

**SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH ON 14 JULY 2011** 

Past performance does not predict future returns



November proved to be a positive month for asset owners, as both bonds and equities rallied sharply. The catalyst was a growing hope that falling inflation will not be accompanied by slowing economic growth. This is an ideal outcome since it would allow policymakers to gently ease interest rates, helping to sustain high equity valuations without dampening earnings. Policymakers have also changed their tone, leaving investors less concerned about further monetary policy tightening.

The market moves were significant, with global bonds experiencing their best monthly return since 2008 and US equities recording their best monthly return this year. We added to the fund's bond duration in recent months to take advantage of compelling valuations (eg US ten year real yields reaching 2.5%), and with the belief that yields were reaching levels beyond which they would begin to cause acute pain to the financial system. The increased exposure enabled the fund to further benefit from November's rally in fixed income, which was the largest contributor to returns over the month. Likewise in equities, we had tactically added to the fund's exposure as risk assets struggled with rising yields in prior months. These increases to both bonds and equities enabled the portfolio to deliver a positive return and outweighed the headwinds from our protective assets.

On the negative side of the ledger, protective positions to guard against pain in the corporate bond market naturally suffered in the buoyant environment as credit spreads narrowed sharply. Elsewhere, exposure to energy was a headwind, partly as the perceived risk of wider military conflict across the Middle East has faded. Within our growth seeking assets, the exposure to Chinese equities continued to stutter. Whilst we deem the visit of Xi Jinping to San Francisco as a positive step in easing the tensions between the World's two largest powers, investor sentiment remains weak. We acknowledge there are good reasons for the high risk premium applied to Chinese equities, but it does stand out for both depressed valuations and, in our view, the increasing likelihood of further policy stimulus to come.

Given the speed of the rally across bonds and equities, we felt it was prudent to reduce the fund's exposures towards the end of the month. Bond markets are now pricing in over 1% of interest rate cuts in 2024 from the Federal Reserve. High equity valuations, tight credit spreads and low volatility suggest complacency may have returned to financial markets. There is a path for policymakers to pull off the magic trick of raising interest rates aggressively without derailing the economy, but we see an obvious vulnerability should events deviate from this narrow route. Policy changes feed through with a lag and the initial signs of a possible soft landing are eerily similar to those pre-empting something more severe. The portfolio is designed to deliver positive returns in both benign conditions such as we saw this month, but also in those which are likely to be more challenging ahead.

#### MARKETING COMMUNICATION



#### **I CLASS NOVEMBER 2023**

Performance I cap	% GBF	P EUR	USD
November	1.7	7 1.5	1.7
Year to date	-8.6	-9.9	-8.1
1 year	-8.0	9.5	-7.5
3 years pa	2.9	1.7	3.3
5 years pa	5.1	3.9	6.0
10 years pa	4.3	3.2	4.8
Since inception pa	4.5	3.6	4.9
Share price, p			
I CAD cap			1.4553
I CHF cap			1.4525
I EUR cap			1.5475
I GBP cap			1.7320
I GBP dis			1.6796
I SEK cap			1.5834
I SGD cap			1.4492
I USD cap			1.8160
I USD dis			1.7676
		Net	Gross
Duration (years)		4.0	5.2
Equity exposure %		18.4	18.4
I cap GBP	Volatility %	Sharpe	Sortino
3 years	5.8	0.2	0.2
5 years	6.5	0.6	1.0
10 years	5.9	0.6	1.0
Since inception	5.8	0.6	1.1

#### 12 month performance to 30 September 2023

%	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	2017	2020	2021	2022	
RTRI I cap £	0.4	8.9	14.6	7.0	-8.2
RTRI I cap €	-1.0	8.0	14.0	5.7	-9.8
RTRI I cap \$	2.0	10.1	15.0	7.3	-7.6
FTSE All-Share TR £	2.7	-16.6	27.9	-4.0	13.8
B'berg Gbl-Agg TR £	14.1	1.0	-5.0	-3.9	-6.5
HFRI FOF Comp £	6.0	0.5	9.6	12.9	-3.4

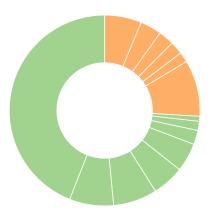
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#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The investment objective of the fund is to achieve 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.

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### **ASSET ALLOCATION**



Asset allocation	%
Short-dated bonds	44.0
Non-UK index-linked	7.5
Long-dated index-linked gilts	7.4
Gold exposure and gold equities	5.4
Cash	4.9
Long-dated bonds	2.4
Credit and derivative strategies	1.5
Index-linked gilts	0.8
Commodity exposure	6.3
Consumer discretionary equities	3.6
Financials equities	2.6
Energy equities	2.2
Consumer staples equities	1.7
Other equities	9.6

Currency allocation	%
Sterling	77.7
Yen	15.1
US dollar	4.1
Euro	0.3
Other	2.8
Geographical equity allocation	%
UK equities	6.3
Asia ex-Japan equities	5.1
North America equities	4.0
Europe equities	3.8
Other equities	0.5

#### **5 LARGEST EQUITY HOLDINGS**

Stock % of	
iShares MSCI China A UCITS ETF	2.7
ВР	1.7
Alibaba Group Holding	0.9
TSMC ADR	0.8
Ryanair ADR	0.6

Largest equity holdings exclude Ruffer funds | Source: Ruffer LLP | Totals may not equal 100 due to rounding

#### **RUFFER LLP**

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#### **FUND SIZE £5,096.3M €5,907.1M**

Annual manageme	nt		0.9
charge %			
Maximum subscrip			5.0
Minimum investme equivalent in other	•		£25m
Ongoing Charges I	Figure %		1.02
Cut offs		3pm Luxembourg time on valuation day (so typically Wednesday and the last business day of the month)	
Dealing frequency		Weekly, every Wednesday (if not a business day, on the following business day) Plus on the last business day of each month	
Ex dividend dates		Next NAV following the record date	
Pay dates		Within five business day after ex dividend dat	
Record date		Third Monday of Novembe	
Investment manage	er		Ruffer LLP
Depositary bank		Bank Pictet & Cie (Europ A.	
Management comp administrative ager and transfer agent, and domiciliary age	nt, registrar , paying	Fı	undPartner Solutions (Europe) S.A.
Auditors			Ernst & Young S.A.
Structure			fund of Ruffer SICAV, kembourg domiciled UCITS SICAV
SFDR classification			Article 6
Share class	ISIN		SEDOL
I CAD cap	LU1296766	634	BYSW6J6
I CHF cap	LU0638558	477	B4QLM86
I EUR cap	LU0638558	394	B4LVH08
I GBP cap	LU0638558	121	B4WP6Q8
I GBP dis	LU0779209	195	В8ВНҮН0
I SEK cap	LU0923103	534	B94R6P6
I SGD cap	LU1400661	093	BD2YGL3
I USD cap	LU0638558	550	B4L04N7
I USD dis	LU0955560	407	BCDYZK7

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#### **GLOSSARY**

Volatility measures the extent to which returns vary over a given period. High volatility means returns have been more variable over time

Duration measures the sensitivity of a bond or fixed income portfolio's price to changes in interest rates. The higher the duration, the more sensitive the price or portfolio is to changes in interest rates

Sharpe ratio measures the performance of an investment, adjusting for the amount of risk taken (compared to risk-free). The higher the ratio, the better the returns compared to the risk taken Sortino ratio measures the extra return an investment makes for each unit of bad risk (the chance of losing money below a certain target)

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The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for five years.

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