

FOORD EQUITY FUND – CLASS A

The fund aims to maximise long-term capital growth from an actively managed portfolio of JSE-listed securities and to thereby outperform the FTSE/JSE Capped All Share Index over rolling five-year periods, without assuming greater risk. The fund is appropriate for investors with a long investment horizon and who can withstand bouts of investment volatility in the short to medium term. Available as a tax free investment account.

DOMICILE
South Africa

MANAGEMENT COMPANY
Foord Unit Trusts (RF) (Pty) Ltd
VAT Registration Number: 4560201594

FUND MANAGERS
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INCEPTION DATE
1 September 2002

BASE CURRENCY
South African rands

EQUITY INDICATOR ●●●●●●●●●●
Indicates the relative weight of equities in the portfolio. A higher weight could result in increased volatility of returns.

CATEGORY
South African – Equity – General

BENCHMARK
Total return of the FTSE/JSE Capped All Share Index (prior to 1 July 2018 FTSE/JSE All Share Index).

MINIMUM LUMP SUM / MONTHLY
R50 000 / R1 000

PORTFOLIO SIZE
R3.6 billion

UNIT PRICE
9470.19 cents

NUMBER OF UNITS
5.5 million

LAST DISTRIBUTIONS
28/03/2024 83.35 cents
29/09/2023 116.00 cents

INCOME DISTRIBUTIONS
End-March and end-September each year.

INCOME CHARACTERISTICS
Low gross yield, similar to FTSE/JSE Capped All Share Index dividend yield. Income distributions are reduced by the annual service charge, which varies with the relative performance of the fund against its benchmark.

PORTFOLIO ORIENTATION
A portfolio of quality JSE shares that present compelling long-term investment value.

SIGNIFICANT RESTRICTIONS
SA equity exposure between 80% and 100%, with balance invested in cash and other JSE listed securities.

RISK OF LOSS
High in periods shorter than one year.
Lower in periods greater than three years.

TIME HORIZON
Longer than five years.

ISIN NUMBER
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EQUITY SECTOR ALLOCATION %

Change since 31 December 2023

Media	24	▲ 1.7
Financials	17	▲ 0.0
Consumer/services	16	▲ 1.5
Health	14	▼ 1.0
Overseas companies	10	▼ 1.0
Commodity cyclicals	7	▼ 1.0
Industrials/transport	6	▼ 1.1
Capital goods/construction	4	▲ 0.4
Precious metals	3	▲ 0.5

TOP 10 INVESTMENTS

SECURITY	% OF FUND
Prosus	10.3
Naspers -N-	9.2
Aspen	6.5
FirstRand	5.2
Anheuser-Busch	4.2
British American Tobacco	3.5
WBHO	3.3
Life Healthcare	3.3
Standard Bank	2.9
Fortress B	2.4

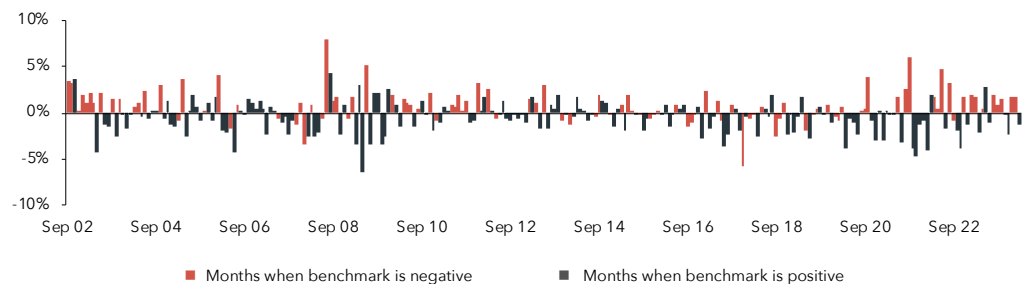
ASSET ALLOCATION %

	31 MAR 2024	31 DEC 2023
JSE equity securities	82	81
– Resources	8	8
– Financials	14	14
– Industrials	61	59
JSE property	4	4
Commodities	2	1
Money market	12	14
TOTAL	100	100

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE VS BENCHMARK



MONTHLY PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE VS BENCHMARK



In managing South African equity portfolios, Foord aims to construct a diversified portfolio of quality companies bought at reasonable prices to achieve long-term returns with minimum risk of capital loss. The chart above depicts the monthly returns of the portfolio relative to the monthly returns of its benchmark. Bars above the x-axis show months of outperformance against the benchmark, while bars below the x-axis show months of underperformance. Orange bars represent months when the benchmark was negative and navy bars represent months when the benchmark was positive. The chart illustrates that the portfolio has outperformed the benchmark 71% of the time when the market was down (orange bars above the x-axis).

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE % (PERIODS GREATER THAN ONE YEAR ARE ANNUALISED¹)

	CASH VALUE ²	SINCE INCEPTION	15 YRS	10 YRS	7 YRS	5 YRS	3 YRS	1 YR	THIS MONTH
Fund ³	R 1,556,647	13.6	11.7	5.0	4.9	8.5	10.8	5.8	2.0
Benchmark ⁴	R 1,535,021	13.5	12.6	8.2	9.2	9.9	8.9	1.5	3.2
Fund highest ^{3,5}		75.4	46.1	42.4	42.4	42.4	19.4	5.8	
Fund lowest ^{3,5}		-29.9	-22.5	-22.5	-22.5	-22.5	-0.7	5.8	

¹ Converted to reflect the average yearly return for each period presented

² Current value of R100 000 notional lump sum invested at inception, distributions reinvested (graphically represented in R'000s above)

³ Net of fees and expenses

⁴ Source: IRESS MD RSA

⁵ Highest and lowest actual 12 month rand return achieved in the period

Note: Totals may not cast perfectly due to rounding

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FEE RATES

Initial, exit and switching fees	0.0%
Standard annual fee for equalling benchmark	1.0% plus VAT
Performance fee sharing rate	15% (over- and under-performance)
Minimum annual fee	0.5% plus VAT
Maximum annual fee	Uncapped

The annual fee is based on portfolio performance with the daily rate being adjusted up or down based on the portfolio's one-year rolling return relative to that of its benchmark and is subject to a minimum fee rate.

TOTAL INVESTMENT CHARGE %

	12 MONTHS	36 MONTHS
Total expense ratio (TER)	1.60	1.20
– Manager's charge (basic)	1.00	1.00
– Performance charge	0.39	0.03
– VAT and sundry costs	0.21	0.17
Transaction costs (incl VAT)	0.17	0.16
Total investment charge	1.77	1.37

A TER is a measure of a portfolio's annual expenses, fees and charges, expressed as a percentage of the average daily value of the portfolio. These expenses include the annual fee, VAT, audit fees, bank charges and costs (excluding trading costs) incurred in any underlying funds. Included in the TER, but separately disclosed, is a performance fee (or credit) resulting from overperformance (or underperformance) against the benchmark. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TERs. Performance return information and prices are always stated net of the expenses, fees and charges included in the TER. The TER for the fund's financial year ended 31 March 2023 was 1.17%.

PERFORMANCE FEES

Performance fees align investor and manager return objectives by rewarding the manager for outperformance while penalising the manager for underperformance. Foord's performance fee structure increases or decreases the daily fee levied based on the over or underperformance of the Foord unit trust portfolios relative to their benchmarks. When the portfolio return exceeds the benchmark return, the daily performance fee rate is increased proportionately. Similarly, underperformance causes the daily performance fee rate to decrease proportionately. Performance fee rates are not capped because outperformance is generally not earned smoothly. The annual fee is adjusted up or down daily by the performance fee calculated as the difference between the rolling one-year net-of-fee return and the benchmark return for the same period, multiplied by the performance fee sharing rate, which may vary from fund to fund.

PERFORMANCE FEE EXAMPLES %

	A	B	C	D
Foord 1-year rolling return	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Benchmark 1-year rolling return	8.0	12.0	10.0	16.0
Relative performance	+2.0	-2.0	0.0	-6.0
Performance fee sharing rate	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Adjustment to 1% annual fee	+0.3	-0.3	0.0	-0.9
Annual fee rate applied (excl. VAT)	1.3	0.7	1.0	0.5*

* Minimum fees apply

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