

# **SOMERSTON CORE EQUITY STRATEGY 'CARVE OUT'**

### Fact Sheet as at 31 December 2019

**Portfolio Objectives**: To grow capital over the medium term by investing in a concentrated portfolio of high quality companies and to outperform global equities over the economic cycle.

**Strategy:** We use a fundamental bottom-up approach to identify attractive investment opportunities. We have a 5 year investment horizon. We focus our investments in 15 to 25 high quality companies. Being concentrated sharpens our decision making and gives us a better understanding of our investments. We invest in companies that demonstrate strong governance, high profitability, low capital intensity, strong economic moats and low business risk. We invest globally, without sector/geographic restrictions. We actively tilt our style and risk exposures to account for prevailing market conditions.

This Factsheet shows the 'Carve Out' of the "Core Equity Strategy" from the Somerston Multi Asset Fund IC ("the Fund") since 31 March 2017 and from Somerson's' predecessor portfolios from 31 December 2012 to 31 March 2017. The "Core Equity strategy" is a major component of the Fund. However, performance of the two strategies may differ significantly as the Fund exposes investors to the performance of additional instruments and strategies.

	Performance	
	Portfolio	Benchmark
2013	36.0%	28.9%
2014	10.3%	9.8%
2015	8.9%	2.1%
2016	2.3%	9.0%
2017	16.4%	18.5%
2018	-5.8%	-7.4%
2019	31.1%	27.3%
Since 31/12/2012	240.2%	220.0%

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Sector Allocation					
Sector	Portfolio	Benchmark	Relative		
Health Care	29%	13%	16%		
Information Technology	22%	18%	4%		
Industrials	15%	11%	4%		
<b>Communication Services</b>	10%	8%	1%		
Consumer Staples	10%	8%	1%		
Utilities	8%	3%	5%		
Energy	4%	5%	-1%		
Materials	3%	4%	-2%		
Consumer Discretionary	0%	10%	-10%		
Financials	0%	16%	-16%		
Real Estate	0%	3%	-3%		

Top Ten High Conviction Equity Holdings					
Name	% Portfolio				
FRESENIUS SE & CO KGAA	9.3%				
RUBIS	7.9%				
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	7.2%				
ALPHABET INC-CL A	6.1%				
THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC	5.0%				
INTUIT INC	4.4%				
ASHTEAD GROUP PLC	4.4%				
ROPER TECHNOLOGIES INC	4.3%				
MICROSOFT CORP	4.2%				
ENBRIDGE INC	4.2%				
Total	56.9%				

Geographical Allocation						
Region	Portfolio	Benchmark	Relative			
North America	71.7%	67.5%	4%			
Continental Europe	20.1%	15.1%	5%			
UK	8.2%	5.4%	3%			
Japan	0.0%	8.0%	-8%			
Other	0.0%	3.9%	-4%			
Benchmark: Total Return of Global Equities						

Portfolio: Performance is calculated before fees

Note: Statistics winsorised and calculated on a weighted average basis

Characteristics						
	Portfolio	Benchmark				
ROE	28.4%	12.8%				
ROCE	52.0%	31.3%				
EBITDA Margin	29.3%	21.6%				
FCF Margin	15.4%	8.6%				
Sales/Assets	79.8%	59.2%				
Dividend Yield	1.6%	2.6%				
P/E (Forward)	22.7	16.8				
P/S (Forward)	4.8	2.0				
P/B	4.6	2.0				
Holdings	23	> 1,600				
as at 6 January 2020						

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