

SOMERSTON CORE EQUITY FUND

MONTHLY FACT SHEET AS AT 30 APRIL 2024

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. 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.

Performance: The Core Equity Fund fell by -4.2% in the month and rose by +0.7% over the last three months. The reference index fell by -3.9% during the month and rose by +4.3% over the last three months.

Performance US1 (%)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2017				1.2	5.4	-0.2	0.4	-0.1	1.9	1.8	-1.8	2.1	10.9
2018	6.2	-4.6	-1.9	0.4	1.2	1.2	4.3	1.3	0.4	-8.5	2.7	-9.0	-7.2
2019	6.2	4.2	3.3	3.8	-4.0	5.7	0.6	0.8	-1.6	1.3	5.1	2.5	31.1
2020	0.9	-7.3	-14.3	12.5	5.8	2.6	4.4	5.5	-3.4	-3.8	9.7	2.9	13.0
2021	-0.6	1.7	3.3	5.0	0.2	3.4	3.1	2.2	-5.1	6.3	-1.6	2.9	22.2
2022	-8.3	-4.8	4.4	-9.4	-0.2	-8.8	10.4	-4.5	-8.6	6.6	4.7	-4.8	-23.1
2023	2.2	-3.8	5.3	1.8	-1.6	4.7	3.7	-1.1	-5.5	-2.8	8.9	4.6	17.0
2024	2.6	3.3	1.6	-4.2									3.2

Total return since 2017: 73.1%

Geographical Allocation					
Region	% Fund				
North America	61.7%				
Europe	38.3%				

Sector Allocation					
Sector	% Fund				
Health Care	23.7%				
Information Technology	23.2%				
Communication Services	11.8%				
Consumer Staples	11.0%				
Consumer Discretionary	10.4%				
Financials	10.0%				
Industrials	9.9%				

Top Ten Holdings	
Name	% Fund
LVMH	10.2%
Mastercard Inc	7.9%
Alphabet Inc	7.0%
Assa Abloy AB-B	5.9%
Microsoft Corp	5.4%
UnitedHealth Group Inc	5.0%
Diageo PLC	4.8%
Meta Platforms Inc	4.6%
SGS SA	3.9%
PepsiCo Inc	3.9%
Total for Top Ten	58.7%

This factsheet shows the performance of Somerson's "Core Equity Strategy" from 31 March 2017 to 30 September 2023 then the Somerston Core Equity Fund from its launch on 02 October 2023.



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