



# SOMERSTON CORE EQUITY FUND

MONTHLY FACT SHEET AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2025

**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.

**Performance:** The Core Equity Fund (US1 class) fell by -1.9% in the month and rose by +0.6% over the last three months. The reference index fell by -0.8% during the month and fell by -0.1% over the last three months.

## Performance US1 (%)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
<b>2017</b>				1.2	5.4	-0.2	0.4	-0.1	1.9	1.8	-1.8	2.1	<b>10.9</b>
<b>2018</b>	6.2	-4.6	-1.9	0.4	1.2	1.2	4.3	1.3	0.4	-8.5	2.7	-9.0	<b>-7.2</b>
<b>2019</b>	6.2	4.2	3.3	3.8	-4.0	5.7	0.6	0.8	-1.6	1.3	5.1	2.5	<b>31.1</b>
<b>2020</b>	0.9	-7.3	-14.3	12.5	5.8	2.6	4.4	5.5	-3.4	-3.8	9.7	2.9	<b>13.0</b>
<b>2021</b>	-0.6	1.7	3.3	5.0	0.2	3.4	3.1	2.2	-5.1	6.3	-1.6	2.9	<b>22.2</b>
<b>2022</b>	-8.3	-4.8	4.4	-9.4	-0.2	-8.8	10.4	-4.5	-8.6	6.6	4.7	-4.8	<b>-23.1</b>
<b>2023</b>	2.2	-3.8	5.3	1.8	-1.6	4.7	3.7	-1.1	-5.5	-2.8	8.9	4.6	<b>17.0</b>
<b>2024</b>	2.6	3.3	1.6	-4.2	4.0	2.1	0.3	3.3	0.8	-3.5	2.5	-2.1	<b>10.8</b>
<b>2025</b>	4.8	-1.9											<b>2.8</b>

Total return since March 2017: 90.6%

## Geographical Allocation

Region	% Fund
North America	74.2%
Europe	24.4%
Cash and Equivalents	1.5%

## Sector Allocation

Sector	% Fund
Information Technology	29.4%
Health Care	16.9%
Financials	15.2%
Communication Services	13.0%
Consumer Discretionary	10.0%
Industrials	7.8%
Consumer Staples	6.3%
Cash and Equivalents	1.5%

## Top Ten Holdings

Name	% Fund
Meta Platforms Inc	8.0%
Alphabet Inc	7.2%
Synopsys Inc	5.7%
Mastercard Inc	5.3%
Microsoft Corp	5.1%
LVMH	5.1%
Amazon.com Inc	4.9%
EssilorLuxottica SA	4.8%
Novo-Nordisk ADR	4.5%
Visa	4.1%
<b>Total for Top Ten</b>	<b>54.8%</b>

**GB1 Class Performance:** The Core Equity Fund (GB1 class) fell by -1.9% in the month and rose by +0.6% over the last three months.

### Performance GB1 (%)

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<b>2025</b>	4.8	-1.9											<b>2.9</b>

Total return since March 2017: 89.3%

The GB class launched May 2024, prior performance is based on the US1 Class.

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. Performance calculations for the month are based on estimates and will be subject to change.

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