# Jupiter Merlin Balanced Portfolio

# The Jupiter Independent Funds Team

# **Fund Objective and Investment Policy**

**Objective:** To provide a return, through a combination of capital growth and income, net of fees, over the long-term (at least five years).

**Policy:** At least 70% of the Fund is invested in collective investment schemes (including funds managed by Jupiter and its associates). Up to 30% of the Fund may be invested in other assets, including shares of companies and cash and near cash. The Fund will have exposure (direct and/or indirect) of 40% to 85% (typically between 65% to 85%) to shares of companies.

# **Investment Management**

The Jupiter Merlin Portfolios are managed by the Jupiter Independent funds team, consisting from left to right of George Fox, Algy Smith-Maxwell, Venetia Campbell, David Lewis, Amanda Sillars, John Chatfeild-Roberts and Alastair Irvine.

## **Risk and Reward Profile**



**Synthetic Risk Reward Indicator (SRRI):**The SRRI is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the fund. The lowest category does not mean 'no risk'. Please see the KIID for further information.



## **Fund Ratings and Awards**







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#### Fund Performance as at 29.02.2024

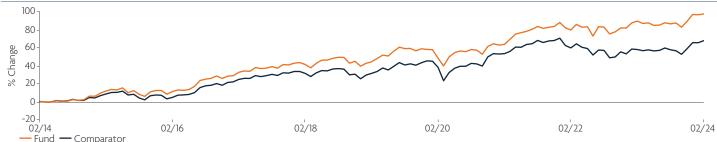
#### Performance (%)

	1 m	3 m	YTD	1 yr	3 yrs	5 yrs	10 yrs
Fund	0.5	4.3	0.3	4.2	20.7	36.9	97.2
Comparator Benchmark	1.4	5.6	1.3	6.3	9.5	27.7	67.5
Quartile Ranking	4	4	4	3	1	1	1

# Rolling 12-month Performance (%)

	01 Mar '23 to	01 Mar '22 to	01 Mar '21 to	01 Mar '20 to	01 Mar '19 to	01 Mar '18 to	01 Mar '17 to	01 Mar '16 to	01 Mar '15 to	01 Mar '14 to
	29 Feb '24	28 Feb '23	28 Feb '22	28 Feb '21	29 Feb '20	28 Feb '19	28 Feb '18	28 Feb '17	29 Feb '16	28 Feb '15
Fund	4.2	5.5	9.8	10.4	2.8	2.1	6.6	19.3	-0.6	11.6
Comparator Benchmark	6.3	-1.1	4.2	10.9	5.2	0.0	5.3	19.1	-3.5	8.4
Calendar Year Performance	(%)									
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund	8.3	-3.2	14.4	4.0	13.3	-2.3	11.2	14.2	6.0	6.5
Comparator Benchmark	8.1	-10.2	11.2	5.5	15.9	-6.1	10.0	13.3	2.8	5.0

# Performance Over 10 Years (%)



Past Performance is no guide to the future. Fund performance data is calculated on a bid to NAV or NAV to NAV basis dependent on the period of reporting, all performance is net of fees with net income reinvested. Source: Morningstar. 29.02.2024. The Jupiter Merlin Balanced fund increased its annual management charge and its registration fee from 01.09.05. This had the effect of increasing the total expense of the fund by approximately 1% p.a. The performance would have been correspondingly reduced had the current fees and charges applied since launch. Please note the AMC of the Fund (in the performance tables) was: 0.5% for the period 01.10.02 to 31.08.05, 1.5% for the period 01.09.05 to 18.09.11 and 0.75% thereafter. In line with the IA (Investment Association) methodology, performance data covering periods prior to share class launch includes returns calculated using the fund shighest fee share class. Performance data covering the period since share class launch is a record of actual returns achieved by the share class shown.

The fund class performance has been extended using the performance of an older share class.

## Risks

Market and exchange rate movements can cause the value of an investment to fall as well as rise, and you may get back less than originally invested. Investors should carefully read the Key Investor Information Document (KIID), Supplementary Information Document (SID), Terms & Conditions (T&Cs) and Scheme Particulars before making an investment decision. All of the portfolio's expenses are charged to capital, which can reduce the potential for capital growth. The NURS KIID, SID, T&Cs and Scheme Particulars are available from Jupiter on request. For definitions please see the glossary of this factsheet or at www.jupiteram.com.

39.7%

4.7%

#### Fund Manager Style

The philosophy of unconstrained investing by the Jupiter Independent Funds Team adheres to the following principles:

#### Invest for the future

Make decisions looking forwards, not backwards, recognising that indices (benchmarks) at best reflect the current situation

#### Invest with talented individuals

Investment is a people business; the skills of individuals (fund managers) and identification of their 'style bias' are critical for success.

#### **Back your convictions**

When you find the right combination of a fund manager with the 'wind behind them', make sure you have enough money invested with them to make a difference.

# Regular withdrawal facility

This is available for all the Jupiter Merlin Portfolios with a minimum lump sum investment of £5,000 per portfolio. You can choose the amount paid to you each month or quarterly. Any such withdrawals which exceed investment returns will result in an erosion of capital.

# 3rd Party Links

The Jupiter Merlin Portfolios are available via a wide range of platforms, wraps, and Life and Pension companies both onshore and offshore.

#### **Investment Opportunities**

Unit Trust | SIPP (via 3rd party links) | ISA | ISA Transfers.

#### **Enhanced Reporting**

We provide in-depth reporting to keep you informed, not confused. Portfolio statements include Manager's Commentary, half-yearly and annual Reports.

# Fund Holdings as at 29.02.2024

## **Global Equities**

Blackrock Gold & General BlueBox Global Technology Fundsmith Equity Fund Juniter Global Value M&G Global Dividend Prevatt Global Royal London Global Equity Income

28.9% **UK Equities** 

Evenlode Income Jupiter Income Trust MAN GLG UK Income

10.3% Fixed Income

Aegon High Yield Bond Jupiter Global Sovereign Opportunities Jupiter Strategic Bond

**US Equities** 8.4%

Findlay Park America

Japanese Equities 6.4% Morant Wright Nippon Yield

Other

Mayfair Capital Commercial Propert Wisdomtree Core Physical Gold Etfs

Cash 1.6% Total<sup>1</sup> 100.0%

# **Charges and Codes**

Share Class	Income Distribution Policy	ISIN	Bloomberg	Ongoing Charges Figure	Fixed Annual Charge	Minimum Initial Investment	Minimum Top Up Investment
I GBP ACC	Accumulation	GB00B4351D99	JUPNEIA LN	1.39%	0.97%	GBP 1,000,000	GBP 50,000
L GBP ACC	Accumulation	GB0031845141	JUPNEPA LN	2.14%	1.72%	GBP 500	GBP 250
L GBP INC	Semi-Annual paid out	GB0031910754	JUPNEPI LN	2.14%	1.72%	GBP 500	GBP 250
I GBP INC	Semi-Annual paid out	GB00B3X5X818	JUPNEII LN	1.39%	0.97%	GBP 1,000,000	GBP 50,000
J GBP ACC	Accumulation	GB00BJJQF060	JUMEBJG	1.74%	1.32%	GBP 500	GBP 250
J GBP INC	Semi-Annual paid out	GB00BJJQF391	JUJMBJG	1.74%	1.32%	GBP 500	GBP 250

The ongoing charges figure is based on the fixed annual charge as detailed in the Scheme Particulars. With effect from 23/02/24 the fixed annual charge may be subject to a discount based on the value of the Fund's scheme property. The current discount rate, if applicable, can be found at www.jupiteram.com/tiered-pricing. Where the Fund invests in other underlying funds, which may include closed-ended funds such as investment trusts, the ongoing charges figure will include the ongoing charges for those funds, and will therefore vary from year to year. The ongoing charges figure excludes portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/ exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling shares in another collective investment undertaking

# Fund Information as at 29.02.2024

## **Product Information**

Launch Date Fund:	01.10.2002				
Launch Date Share Class:	19.09.2011				
Morningstar Category:	GBP Moderately Adventurous Allocation				
Comparator 1 Benchmark:	IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares				
Comparator 2 Benchmark:	ARC Sterling Equity Risk Private Client Index				
Yield		As At Date			
Historic Yield	2.59%	2024-01-31			

Please refer to the Glossary section of the Factsheet for the Historic Yield methodology

## Price Information

	Every Business Day in the United			
Valuation Day:	Kingdom			
Base Currency Fund:	GBP			
Currency Share Class:	GBP			
Available on:	www.jupiteram.com			
Fund Size				
Fund Value:	GBP 1,983m			
Holdings:	17			
Distribution				
XD Date	01/06; 01/12			
Payment Date	31/01; 31/07			

**Benchmark Information:** Comparator benchmark - IA Mixed Investment 40%-85% Shares Sector. Many funds sold in the UK are grouped into sectors by the Investment Association (the trade body that represents UK investment managers), to help investors to compare funds with broadly similar characteristics. This Fund is classified in the IA Mixed Investment 40%-85% Shares Sector. The Fund is actively managed. This means the fund manager is taking investment decisions with the intention of achieving the Fund 's investment objective; this may include decisions regarding asset selection, regional allocation, sector views and overall level of exposure to the market.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The figures may not equal 100% due to rounding.

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#### Jupiter Factsheets - Glossary of Terms

Absolute return: the total return of an asset, portfolio or fund over a given period of time OR an investment approach that attempts to achieve a return which is not benchmarked against an index.

Ask / Bid price: the lowest price a seller is willing to sell a security for / the highest price a buyer is willing to pay for a security.

**Bond**: a debt instrument ('I Owe You') issued by a company (corporate bond), government (sovereign/government bond) or other institution in order to raise money. In most cases, bonds pay a fixed interest rate (coupon) over a fixed period of time and will be repaid on a particular date. See Coupon.

**Convertibles**: securities (e.g. bonds or preference shares) that can be exchanged at some point in the future for a specified number of shares at a specified price of the company issuing the securities. See **Bond**.

**Coupon**: denotes the interest in % paid on a bond See **Bond**.

Credit rating: an assessment of a borrower's credit worthiness, i.e. the likelihood of the borrower to repay its debts.

**Derivative**: a financial instrument that derives its value from its underlying assets. Common underlying assets include stocks, bonds, commodities, currencies, interest rates and market indices. Futures contracts, forward contracts, options and swaps are the most common types of derivatives. Derivatives can be purchased 'on margin', i.e. at a fraction of the value of the underlying asset. Thus, they are 'leveraged' instruments where the risk of loss can be greater than the initial outlay. Derivatives can be used like insurance contracts (i.e. to hedge market risk) or for investment purposes. See Hedge, Leverage.

Distribution Yield: reflects the amounts that may be expected to be distributed over the next twelve months as a percentage of the price of the fund as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot of the portfolio on that day. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on distributions.

**Duration/Modified Duration:** Duration estimates the sensitivity of a bond or bond fund to changes in interest rates. It is measured in years. The longer a bond's duration, the more sensitive it is to interest rate movements. Modified duration estimates the effect that a 1% change in interest rates will have on the price of a bond or bond fund.

Economic Gross: the gross exposure adjusted to account for investments with mutually exclusive outcomes, for example a short position hedge on a share that is also held as a long position. See Gross exposure, Long/short position, Hedge

**Effective duration:** estimates the sensitivity of a bond's price to changes in benchmark interest rates. Effective duration is required for the measurement of interest rate risk for complex types of bonds. See Bond.

Engagement: means dialogue with management teams and boards, including nonexecutive directors. Engagement enables us to assess and influence how businesses are managed

Equity: a share representing an ownership interest in a company. Equity market means stock market.

Exchange Traded Fund (ETF): a fund vehicle that is traded like a stock on a stock exchange. It is used to track and mimic the performance of a specific market index.

**Exposure**: describes the level of risk to a particular asset, asset type, sector, market or government. Also, the directional market exposure of a (absolute return) fund. See Absolute Return, Gross/Net exposure.

Fixed interest/income: denotes debt instruments (securities) that pay a fixed interest rate (e.g. bond, commercial paper). Also, a universal term for bond or debt investing. See **Bond.** 

Floating rate note (FRN): a bond with a variable interest rate. The interest rate is variable as it is tied to a benchmark such as LIBOR (London Interbank Offered Rate). See Bond.

Futures: an exchange traded contract between two parties to buy or sell a commodity or a financial instrument at a pre-determined price at a future date. See Bond Future, Derivative.

Gearing: measures a company's borrowings (debt) as a proportion of assets. See

**Gross exposure**: the percentage value of the long positions plus the percentage value of the short positions. See **Net exposure**.

**Hedge**: an investment designed to reduce the risk of adverse price movements in an asset by taking an offsetting position. Derivatives are usually used as hedging tools. See **Derivative**.

High Water Mark: the highest level that a fund's net asset value (NAV) has reached at the end of any 12-month accounting period. See Net Asset Value.

**High yield bond**: a bond with a high coupon payment and typically a low/no credit rating (below investment grade, e.g. BBB-). See **Bond**, **Coupon**.

Historic yield: reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the price, as at the date shown. It does not include any initial charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

Hurdle Rate: the minimum level of return required before a fund can charge a performance fee. See Performance fee.

Leverage: the use of financial instruments (e.g. debt) to increase the potential return of an investment. See Notional value.

Liquidity: measures how easily an asset or security can be converted into cash.

Long/short position: a long position is buying a security with the expectation that it will deliver a positive return if its value goes up and a negative return if its value falls. Conversely, a short position involves selling a borrowed security with the expectation of buying it back at a lower price to make a profit. However, if the  $\,$ security goes up in value, a short position will make a loss.

Maturity: refers to a finite time period at the end of which a security/debt instrument is due to be repaid. See Bond.

Money market: markets in which short-term (less than one year) debt instruments are traded. Money market instruments are typically cash deposits and commercial

Net asset value (NAV): in relation to a fund, the market value of its assets less its liabilities. The market value is usually determined by the price at which an investor can redeem shares.

**Net exposure**: the percentage value of the long positions less the percentage value of the short positions. See Gross Exposure, Long/short Position.

Non-rated bonds: bonds that are not rated. See Bond.

Notional value: commonly used in relation to a derivative, denotes the theoretical value of its underlying asset. See Derivative.

Open-ended Investment Company (OEIC): a fund vehicle, which can issue a limitless number of shares whose value are directly linked to the value of its underlying investments. OEICs normally list a single price based on the NAV. See Net Asset Value.

Performance fee: a fee paid to an asset manager for generating positive returns above a hurdle rate.

Preferred bonds: have greater seniority when a bond issuer repays its debts. In the event that the issuer cannot repay all its debt, the holders of preferred bonds will be further forward in the queue for repayment than holders of other ('nonpreferred') bonds.

Share: a unit of ownership interest in a company or financial asset. Also Equity.

SICAV:Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable. A type of open-ended fund widely used in Europe.

Spread: the difference between the bid and the ask price of a single security. It can also refer to the difference in price between two securities. See Ask/Bid price.

Stewardship: our responsibility to understand and manage investment risks we take on behalf of our clients. We consider material Environmental, Social and Governance ('ESG') information in the same way as we consider other types of investment analysis. These three factors enable us to evaluate how companies interact with the Environment (such as climate change), Society (human rights) and Governance (management). Stewardship entails a responsibility to monitor and engage with the companies in which we invest.

Sustainability: by appropriately considering ESG risks and engaging with companies, we strive to generate long term, sustainable returns for our clients.

Total return: the capital gain or loss plus any income generated by an investment over a given period.

Underlying Yield: reflects the amounts that may be expected to be distributed, net of expenses, over the next twelve months as a percentage of the price of the fund as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot of the portfolio on that day. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on distributions.

Unit Trust: A fund vehicle which can issue a limitless number of units whose value are directly linked to the value of its underlying investments. Jupiter Unit Trusts are single priced, which means they have one price for buying and selling.

Value at Risk (VaR): value at Risk, a mathematical way of measuring the maximum expected loss of an investment over a period of time.

**Volatility**: measures how much the price of a security moves up or down over a period of time. A stock that experiences big price swings has high volatility, while one which moves up or down in smaller increments has low volatility.

Yield to Maturity (YTM): measures the annual return an investor can anticipate for holding a particular bond until it matures. When considering an entire bond portfolio, an average yield is used based on the weightings of individual bonds within that portfolio.

