

# STANLIB Sector Neutral Growth and Quality Index Tracker Fund

Fund Information as at 31 March 2018

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## What is the fund's objective?

The objective of the STANLIB Sector Neutral Growth and Quality Index Tracker Fund is to track the customised STANLIB Sector Neutral Growth and Quality Index ("the Index") as closely as possible. This Index is constructed to give investors consistent and reliable exposure to stocks exhibiting strong growth and quality characteristics in the South African equity market.

## What does the fund invest in?

The fund invests in the constituents of the Index. It aims to replicate the performance of the Index by holding the constituents in the same weightings that are held in the Index. This customised Index includes the top 33% ranked stocks by the growth and quality scores from each sector in the S&P South Africa Composite Index. These are then weighted according to a combination of the growth and quality scores and market capitalisation.

The fund is rebalanced quarterly. The fund may also hold a small portion in cash instruments and listed derivatives to effect efficient portfolio management.

## What possible risks are associated with this fund?

Risks include general market conditions and market volatility, company specific risk, economic and political risk.

### Risk Rating

Conservative	Moderately conservative	Moderate	Moderately aggressive	Aggressive
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## Who should consider investing in this fund?

- Investors who seek exposure to South African equities exhibiting strong growth and quality characteristics
- Investors who seek a low cost fund
- Investors who seek a simple and transparent investment process that invests in liquid, listed securities
- Investors who seek a growth and quality style exposure that blends well with other investment strategies to reduce total costs and diversify risk
- Investors who are willing to take a longer term view as this fund is aggressively risk profiled and investors should expect some volatility in the shorter term

## What are the costs to invest in this fund?

Portfolio charges including VAT:

	Class A
Initial advice fee (max)	0.00%
Initial manager fee	0.00%
Advice annual fee (max)	1.00%
Manager annual fee	0.63%
<b>Total Expense Ratio (TER) 1 year</b>	<b>0.80%*</b>
<b>Total Expense Ratio (TER) 3 years (annualised)</b>	<b>0.79%*</b>
Transaction Costs (TC) 3 year (annualised)	0.23%*
Total Investment Charges (TIC) 3 year (annualised)	1.02%*

Note: All fund returns already take these expenses into account.

\* This is an estimation as the fund has less than one year track record.

**Class A** fee is an annual service charge on the value of your portfolio and includes the fees of your accredited financial adviser as indicated.

The **Total Expense Ratio (TER)** is the charges paid by the portfolio for management and operating costs incurred in the administration of the fund. The TER is expressed as a percentage of the daily net asset value (NAV) of the fund and calculated over three years on an annualised basis. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, neither does a lower TER imply a good return.

The **Transaction Cost (TC)** is the cost incurred by the portfolio in the buying and selling of underlying assets. The TC is expressed as a percentage of the daily NAV of the fund and calculated over a one year period.

The **Total Investment Charges (TIC)** of the fund is the TER and TC combined.

## General fund information

	<b>Class A</b>
<b>Launch date:</b>	12 June 2017
<b>Portfolio Manager(s)</b>	Ann Sebastian
<b>Portfolio Size (NAV)</b>	R 9.2 million
<b>Investment minimum:</b>	
Lump sum:	R5 000
Debit order per month:	R500
<b>ISIN Code:</b>	ZAE000245502
<b>JSE Code:</b>	SSG11
<b>Sector classification:</b>	South African – General Equity
<b>Portfolio benchmark:</b>	STANLIB Sector Neutral Growth and Quality Index
<b>Distribution status:</b>	Distributing – net revenue is calculated daily and distributed semi-annually
<b>Income declaration:</b>	30 June, 31 December.

## Performance (%)

	Annualised	1 month	3 months	6 months	Since inception
Class A		-5.37	-7.87	0.48	1.75
Benchmark		-5.31	-7.70	0.90	3.23

Since February 28th 2018 the funds are priced at 17h00 (previously 15h00).

Performance is calculated based on the net asset value (NAV) of the portfolio. Individual investors may realise returns that are different to the NAV performance as a result of initial fees, actual date of investment, date of reinvestment of income and dividend withholding tax.

\*12-month rolling periods since inception.

## Income distribution

	Declared in last 12 months	Declared in 2017
Class A	0.81 cpu	0.81 cpu

## What is the suggested investment period?

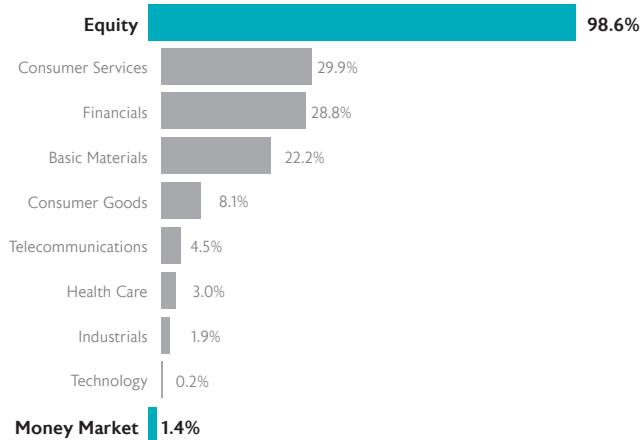
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## Asset allocation



## Top 10 holdings (% of fund)

	Fund weight
Naspers Ltd -N-	21.20
Firststrand Ltd	7.04
Mondi Plc	6.09
Vodacom Group Ltd	4.48
British American Tobacco Plc	4.35
RMB Holdings Limited	4.03
Mondi Limited	3.59
Capitec Bank Holdings Ltd	2.94
Sappi Limited	2.88
Aspen Pharmacare Holdings Limited	2.53

## Who are the fund managers?

The fund is run by the STANLIB Index Investments team which specialises in the manufacture of index and factor products for individual and institutional investors. Investors who seek a simple, transparent and low-cost investment solution can invest in index products that meet their financial goals.



### Ann Sebastian

Portfolio Manager

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Industry experience: 5 years

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## Fund review

The last quarterly review of the index saw amongst others, inclusion of Aspen Pharmacare, Glencore Plc and Mondi Plc to the index and the deletion of BHP Billiton, Sanlam Ltd and Remgro Ltd from the index. The fund has been repositioned for this change. The fund performed in line with its benchmark for the first quarter of 2018. The fund benefitted from its allocation to Mr Price Ltd and Truworths International Ltd which returned 16.4% and 16.8% respectively. While its allocation to Naspers and British American Tobacco Ltd detracted from performance recording -16.2% and -15% respectively.

## Market overview

The global recovery across China, Japan, Europe and the United States continued to support commodity prices and emerging market currencies in the first quarter of 2018. The Fed hiked rates by 25 basis points in their March meeting and there was growing tension in world trade between the US and China. Higher rates and potential for a trade war triggered volatility in global equity markets which posted a loss of 1.15% (MSCI World) over the quarter. In South Africa, Cyril Ramaphosa was sworn in as South Africa's president and his State of the Nation address was favourably received. Over the quarter local property fell 19.61% (SAPY) and equities were down 5.97% (ALSI). Losses in equities were driven by poor performance of rand hedge stocks, and by a sell-off in Naspers, following the announcement it would be trimming its shareholding in Tencent Holdings. Property's decline was due to losses in the Resilient stable. The local bond market rallied impressively to +8.06% (ALBI) over the quarter, signalling the pricing out of political risk with 10-year SA government bond yields falling sharply to their current levels of 8.04%. February's budget offered significant fiscal consolidation with VAT being raised to 15%. National Treasury cut the size of its weekly bond auction by a third, and the SARB cut its benchmark repo rate by 25bps. The bond market momentum was further reinforced by Rating's Agency Moody's decision to keep the countries investment grade credit rating and improve the countries outlook to stable.

## Looking ahead

We expect continued rate increases in the US and escalating trade friction to add further anxiety to global equity markets over the short to medium term. While the changing political and economic environment is a positive for South Africa, uncertainty remains around the direction of the land restitution debate and the implications for agricultural investment and property rights.

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