

# Baillie Gifford™

## Baillie Gifford Worldwide Japanese Fund

28 February 2025 B Class factsheet - Marketing communication

Awards and Ratings - As at 31 January 2025

Overall Morningstar Rating™



Class B Acc in USD. Overall rating among 1062 EAA Fund Japan Large-Cap Equity funds as at 31-JAN-2025.

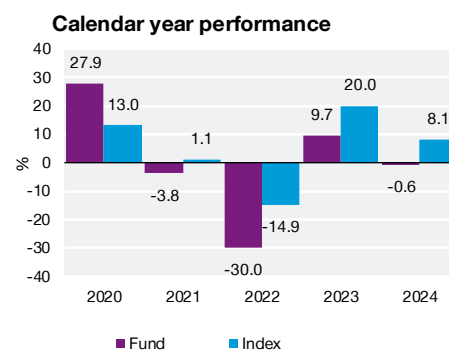
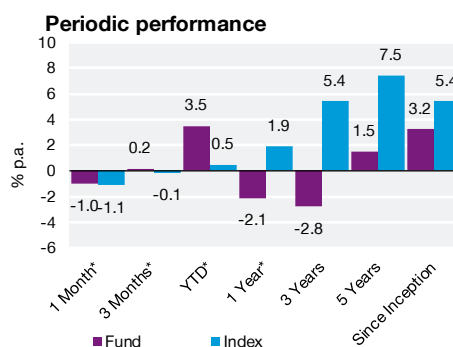
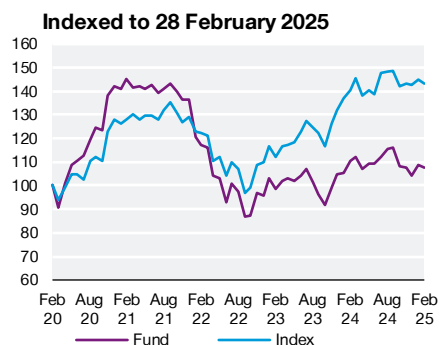


Based on the Class B USD Acc share class.

### Investment proposition

The Worldwide Japanese Fund is a concentrated portfolio of leading growth businesses in Japan. The Fund adopts a long-term time horizon of five years and beyond and positioning is based on bottom up stock selection. The manager adopts a pragmatic approach to growth and places significant emphasis on companies with durable competitive advantages which are run by dynamic and competent management teams.

### Performance overview – US dollars - Past performance does not predict future returns



Source: Revolution, Japan Exchange Group. As at 28 February 2025. US dollars. Net of fees. Class B USD Acc, 10am prices. Index: TOPIX, calculated using close to close. \*Not annualised. Share class inception date: 30 June 2015.

### Portfolio overview

#### Fund facts

Fund launch date	18 August 2014
Fund size	\$49.8m
Index	TOPIX
Active share	80%
Annual turnover	13%
Number of stocks	54
Stocks (guideline range)	35-55
Fund SFDR Classification	Article 8*
Fiscal year end	30 September
Structure	Irish UCITS
Base currency	JPY

\*The Fund is subject to enhanced sustainability-related disclosures on the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes.

#### Top ten holdings

	Holdings	% of Total assets
1	Sony	6.7
2	SoftBank Group	5.4
3	SBI Holdings	4.5
4	Sumitomo Mitsui Trust	4.2
5	Recruit Holdings	3.9
6	Keyence	3.8
7	MS&AD Insurance	3.5
8	Rakuten	3.2
9	Nintendo	3.1
10	Murata Manufacturing	2.9

#### Key Decision Makers

Name	Baillie Gifford years' experience	Industry years' experience
Donald Farquharson*	17	37
Tolibjon Tursunov	14	14

\*Partner

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**Sector Positioning**

	Fund (%)	Index (%)	Relative (%)
Manufacturing	49.1	52.7	-3.5
Transport And Communications	14.6	11.3	3.3
Finance & Insurance	14.0	14.6	-0.5
Services	12.2	4.8	7.3
Commerce	7.9	10.9	-3.0
Real Estate	0.7	1.9	-1.1
Cash	1.4	0.0	1.4

As well as cash in the bank, this balance includes unsettled cash flows arising from both shareholder flows and outstanding trades. Therefore, a negative balance may arise from timing differences between shareholder flows and security trading and does not necessarily represent a bank overdraft.

**Active share classes**

	Inception date	ISIN	Bloomberg	SEDOL	WKN	Valoren	Ongoing charge figure (%)	Annual management fee (%)
<b>US dollar</b>								
Class B USD Acc	30 June 2015	IE00BY7S4358	BGWBUAU ID	BY7S435	A2QC4E	28817107	1.12	0.60
Class B USD Inc	08 August 2018	IE00BFWVPM20	BGWJBUI ID	BFWVPM2	A2QC4L	42819434	1.12	0.60
Class B USD Acc (Hgd)	30 June 2015	IE00BXDZF966	BGWBUAH ID	BXDZF96	A2QC4F	28802675	1.14	0.60
<b>euro</b>								
Class B EUR Acc	23 July 2015	IE00BYW73306	BGWBEAU ID	BYW7330	A2AF5Z	29059838	1.12	0.60
Class B EUR Inc	24 July 2018	IE00BFWVPQ67	BGWJBEI ID	BFWVPQ6	A2PFCH	42819319	1.12	0.60
Class B EUR Acc (Hgd)	23 July 2015	IE00BVGBXT35	BGWJEBH ID	BVGBXT3	A2AF50	27004952	1.14	0.60
<b>Japanese yen</b>								
Class B JPY Acc	18 August 2014	IE00BPYP3T56	BGWJBJA ID	BND9B01	A2JGLS	25330113	1.12	0.60
<b>sterling</b>								
Class B GBP Inc	01 August 2018	IE00BFWVPR74	BGWJBGI ID	BFWVPR7	A2QCBF	42819366	1.12	0.60
Class B GBP Acc	25 July 2018	IE00BFWVPN37	BGWJBGA ID	BFWVPN3	A2QC4K	42966015	1.12	0.60
Class B GBP Acc (Hgd)	16 October 2017	IE00BVGBXR11	BGWJGBH ID	BVGBXR1	A2QC4G	27003810	1.14	0.60
<b>Swiss franc</b>								
Class B CHF Acc	29 October 2020	IE00BN15WQ41	BAGWJBC ID	BN15WN1	A2QGSN	57110779	1.12	0.60

Our Worldwide funds allow us to offer multi-currency share classes. Share classes can be created on request. The ongoing charge figure is at the latest annual or interim period. Charges will reduce the value of your investment. Costs may increase or decrease as a result of currency and exchange rate fluctuations.

**Periodic performance**

	1 Month*	3 Months*	YTD*	1 Year*	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since inception
<b>US dollar</b>								
Class B USD Acc (%)	-1.0	0.2	3.5	-2.1	-2.8	1.5	N/A	3.2
Class B USD Inc (%)	-1.0	0.2	3.5	-2.1	-2.8	1.5	N/A	-0.3
Index (%)	-1.1	-0.1	0.5	1.9	5.4	7.5	N/A	5.4
<b>euro</b>								
Class B EUR Acc (%)	-1.2	1.8	3.5	2.2	-0.4	2.8	N/A	3.8
Class B EUR Inc (%)	-1.2	1.8	3.5	2.2	-0.4	2.8	N/A	1.5
Index (%)	-1.2	1.4	0.0	6.0	8.1	8.6	N/A	6.2
<b>Japanese yen</b>								
Class B JPY Acc (%)	-3.9	0.2	-1.0	-1.8	6.1	8.3	5.9	7.7
Index (%)	-3.8	0.2	-3.7	2.6	15.3	14.9	8.3	9.8
<b>sterling</b>								
Class B GBP Inc (%)	-2.4	0.9	3.0	-1.5	-0.8	2.0	N/A	0.4
Class B GBP Acc (%)	-2.4	0.9	3.0	-1.5	-0.8	2.0	N/A	0.3
Index (%)	-2.4	0.8	-0.1	2.4	7.7	7.8	N/A	4.9
<b>Swiss franc</b>								
Class B CHF Acc (%)	-2.0	2.6	3.7	0.9	-3.3	N/A	N/A	-3.7
Index (%)	-1.8	2.3	0.0	4.4	4.8	N/A	N/A	5.4
<b>Hedged</b>								
Class B USD Acc (Hgd) (%)	-3.6	1.3	-0.2	2.5	10.4	10.9	N/A	7.1
Class B EUR Acc (Hgd) (%)	-3.8	0.8	-0.6	0.8	8.0	9.0	N/A	5.1
Class B GBP Acc (Hgd) (%)	-3.7	1.2	-0.3	2.1	9.5	10.0	N/A	6.1
Index (%)	-3.8	0.2	-3.7	2.6	15.3	14.9	N/A	8.7

**Calendar year performance**

	December 2020	December 2021	December 2022	December 2023	December 2024
<b>US dollar</b>					
Class B USD Acc (%)	27.9	-3.8	-30.0	9.7	-0.6
Class B USD Inc (%)	27.9	-3.8	-30.0	9.7	-0.6
Index (%)	13.0	1.1	-14.9	20.0	8.1
<b>euro</b>					
Class B EUR Acc (%)	16.8	4.3	-25.6	5.8	5.7
Class B EUR Inc (%)	16.8	4.3	-25.6	5.8	5.7
Index (%)	3.7	8.8	-9.3	16.0	15.3
<b>Japanese yen</b>					
Class B JPY Acc (%)	21.4	7.5	-19.7	17.8	10.0
Index (%)	7.4	12.7	-2.5	28.3	20.5
<b>sterling</b>					
Class B GBP Inc (%)	23.2	-2.7	-21.4	3.8	0.8
Class B GBP Acc (%)	23.2	-2.7	-21.4	3.8	0.8
Index (%)	9.5	2.0	-4.1	13.3	10.0
<b>Swiss franc</b>					
Class B CHF Acc (%)	N/A	-0.2	-29.1	-0.0	6.9
Index (%)	N/A	4.2	-13.6	9.2	16.3
<b>Hedged</b>					
Class B USD Acc (Hgd) (%)	21.3	7.7	-18.0	23.8	14.8
Class B EUR Acc (Hgd) (%)	19.6	6.5	-20.4	21.2	13.2
Class B GBP Acc (Hgd) (%)	19.8	7.0	-19.3	23.0	14.4
Index (%)	7.4	12.7	-2.5	28.3	20.5

**Discrete performance**

	31/12/19-31/12/20	31/12/20-31/12/21	31/12/21-31/12/22	31/12/22-31/12/23	31/12/23-31/12/24
<b>US dollar</b>					
Class B USD Acc (%)	27.9	-3.8	-30.0	9.7	-0.6
Class B USD Inc (%)	27.9	-3.8	-30.0	9.7	-0.6
Index (%)	13.0	1.1	-14.9	20.0	8.1
<b>euro</b>					
Class B EUR Acc (%)	16.8	4.3	-25.6	5.8	5.7
Class B EUR Inc (%)	16.8	4.3	-25.6	5.8	5.7
Index (%)	3.7	8.8	-9.3	16.0	15.3
<b>Japanese yen</b>					
Class B JPY Acc (%)	21.4	7.5	-19.7	17.8	10.0
Index (%)	7.4	12.7	-2.5	28.3	20.5
<b>sterling</b>					
Class B GBP Inc (%)	23.2	-2.7	-21.4	3.8	0.8
Class B GBP Acc (%)	23.2	-2.7	-21.4	3.8	0.8
Index (%)	9.5	2.0	-4.1	13.3	10.0
<b>Swiss franc</b>					
Class B CHF Acc (%)	N/A	-0.2	-29.1	-0.0	6.9
Index (%)	N/A	4.2	-13.6	9.2	16.3
<b>Hedged</b>					
Class B USD Acc (Hgd) (%)	21.3	7.7	-18.0	23.8	14.8
Class B EUR Acc (Hgd) (%)	19.6	6.5	-20.4	21.2	13.2
Class B GBP Acc (Hgd) (%)	19.8	7.0	-19.3	23.0	14.4
Index (%)	7.4	12.7	-2.5	28.3	20.5

	31/12/14-31/12/15	31/12/15-31/12/16	31/12/16-31/12/17	31/12/17-31/12/18	31/12/18-31/12/19
<b>US dollar</b>					
Class B USD Acc (%)	N/A	7.1	35.7	-14.8	19.6
Class B USD Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	19.6
Index (%)	N/A	3.5	26.6	-13.7	19.2
<b>euro</b>					
Class B EUR Acc (%)	N/A	10.6	19.9	-10.7	21.9
Class B EUR Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	21.9
Index (%)	N/A	6.6	11.2	-9.4	21.4
<b>Japanese yen</b>					
Class B JPY Acc (%)	7.7	4.0	30.8	-16.6	17.9
Index (%)	12.1	0.3	22.2	-16.0	18.1
<b>sterling</b>					
Class B GBP Inc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	15.8
Class B GBP Acc (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	15.8
Index (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	14.6
<b>Hedged</b>					
Class B USD Acc (Hgd) (%)	N/A	2.7	31.9	-15.2	20.4
Class B EUR Acc (Hgd) (%)	N/A	1.9	29.8	-17.4	17.0
Class B GBP Acc (Hgd) (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	-16.6	18.3
Index (%)	N/A	0.3	22.2	-16.0	18.1

Source: Revolution, Japan Exchange Group. As at 28 February 2025. Net of fees. 10am prices. Index: TOPIX, calculated using close to close. \*Not annualised. Hedged share classes shown against the index in the base currency.

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