

Melville Douglas STANLIB Global Equity Feeder Fund

Fund information update at 31 August 2025

What is the fund's objective?

The objective of the fund is to provide long-term capital growth by investing in quoted global equities and maximising investment returns in USD.

What does the fund invest in?

The fund is a feeder fund which, apart from assets in liquid form, consists solely of participatory interests of the Melville Douglas Select Global Equity Fund – a high conviction, actively managed global securities fund. The fund consists of 25-35 high quality multi-national companies from around the world. Each company must comply with our stringent requirements for quality, growth and attractive valuation.

What possible risks are associated with this fund?

General market risks include a rise or volatility in bond yields, rising interest rates, economic and political risk, inflation uncertainty and duration risk. Where foreign securities are included in the portfolio there may be additional risks, such as potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds, macro-economic risks, political risks, tax risks, settlement risks, and potential limitations on the availability of market information.

Risk rating

Conservative	Moderately conservative	Moderate	Moderately aggressive	Aggressive
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What is the suggested investment period for this fund?

Minimum period

1 Month	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years
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Who should consider investing in this fund?

The investment strategy is suitable for investors looking for long term capital appreciation. The fund objective is to deliver strong risk adjusted returns over time. Risk is mitigated through holding a range of highly profitable and proven franchises diversified across multiple sectors and geographies.

Income

Distribution Net income is calculated and accrued daily and is declared and distributed semi-annually.

Due to the nature of this portfolio it is unlikely that any net income will be available for distribution.

Declaration 30 June, 31 December

General fund information

Manager(s) Justin Maloney and Derinia Mathura
Size (NAV) R 1.30 billion
Peer group Global - Equity - General
Benchmark MSCI AC World Net
Regulation 28 Does not apply

Class B1

Launch 07 November 2016
ISIN number ZAE000227815
JSE code MDGB1
Minimum investment requirements -
Lump sum R 10,000
Monthly R 500

What are the costs to invest in this fund?

Maximum charges including VAT

	Class B1
Initial fee (manager)	0.000%
Initial fee (adviser)	3.450%
Annual fee (manager)	1.495%
Annual fee (adviser)	0.000%
Performance fee	N/A
Adviser fee	1.150%

Annual fee (manager) – this is a service charge (% based) applicable to each class of a fund, that is levied on the value of your portfolio and includes the **Annual fee (adviser)** fee (where applicable). Annual fees are calculated and accrued daily and recovered monthly from the income awaiting distribution in the fund.

Adviser fee - this is the maximum annual service fee (% based) an adviser can charge on the value of your portfolio. It is calculated and accrued daily and recovered monthly by means of a redemption of your units. It is not included in the **Annual fee**.

Cost ratios (annual) including VAT as at 30 June 2025

	Class B1
Based on period from:	01/07/2022
Total Expense	1.87%
Performance Fee	0.00%
Transaction Costs	0.00%
Total Investment Charge	1.87%
1 Year Total Expense	1.86%

Total Expense (TER): This ratio shows the charges, levies and fees relating to the management of the portfolio and is expressed as a percentage of the average net asset value of the portfolio, calculated over the period shown and annualised to the most recently completed quarter. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER should not be regarded as an indication of future TERs.

Transaction Costs (TC): This ratio shows the percentage of the value of the fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the fund's underlying assets. TC are a necessary cost in administering the fund and impacts fund returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of fund, investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

Total Investment Charges (TIC): This ratio is simply the sum of the TER and TC, showing the percentage of the value of the fund incurred as costs relating to the investment of the fund. It should be noted that performance figures account for all costs included in the TIC ratio, so you should not deduct the TIC from performance figures, the performance is already net of the TIC.

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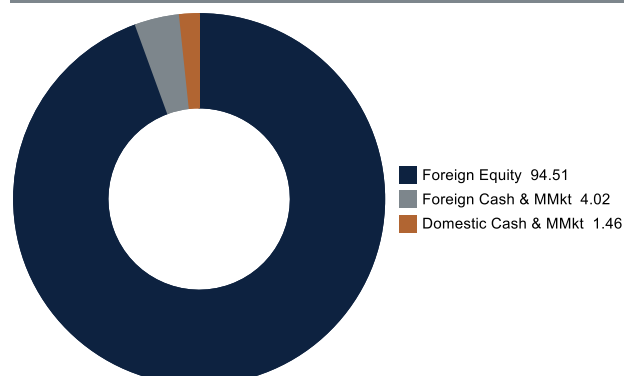
Monthly update at 31 August 2025

Holdings

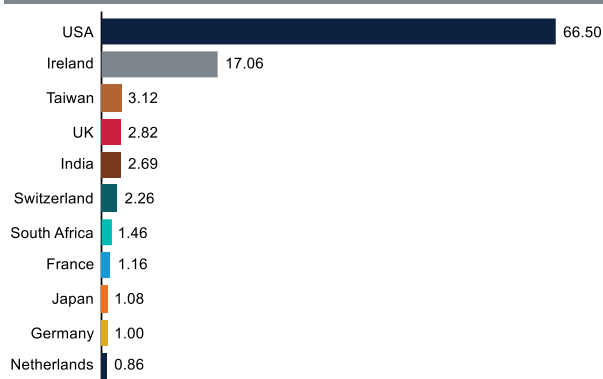
Holdings (%)

Melville Douglas SFL - Global Equity USD Class X	98.54
Domestic Cash	1.46

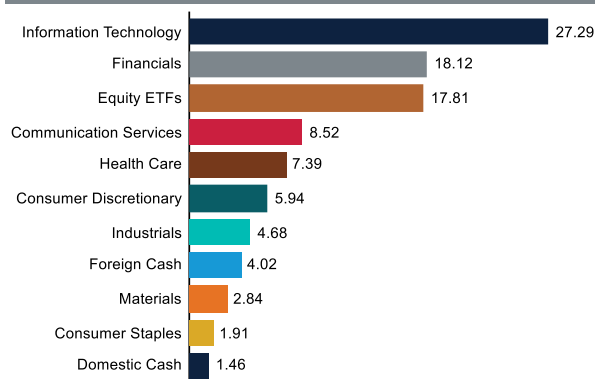
Asset class (look through) (%)



Country (look through) (%)



Sector (look through) (%)



Performance and Income

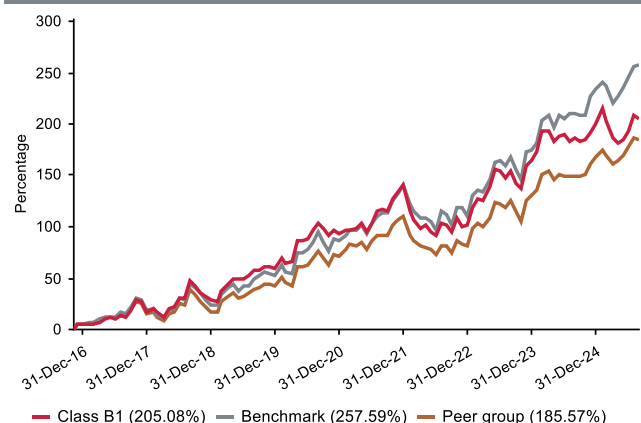
Class B1 Launch: 07 November 2016

Benchmark: MSCI AC World Net from 23/01/2017, previously MSCI AC World TR from launch.

Returns (%)	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	7yrs	Launch
Class B1					
Class	6.59	14.74	8.43	10.89	13.49
Rank/Out of	102/116	68/101	52/71	31/50	17/40
Benchmark	15.40	19.13	12.98	13.81	15.55
Peer group	14.76	16.16	10.03	10.88	12.64

Returns (%) shown are cumulative for all periods shorter than or equal to 1 year and annualised for all periods greater than 1 year.

Cumulative performance (%) from Launch



Statistics (%)	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	7yrs	Launch
Class B1					
Positive Months	7	22	34	48	60
Max Gain	11.11	61.44	64.47	148.32	217.25
Max Drawdown	-10.79	-10.79	-20.64	-20.64	-26.58
Highest	20.38	32.67	32.67	33.95	33.95
Lowest	-2.34	-16.32	-16.32	-16.32	-16.32

Highest – this reflects the highest 12 month return during the period.

Lowest - this reflects the lowest 12 month return during the period.

Amount declared (cents per unit)

	Class B1
31 December 24	0.00
30 June 25	0.00
In last 12 months	0.00
In 2024	0.00

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Quarterly update at 30 June 2025

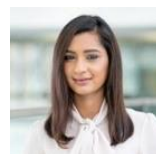
Who are the investment managers?

Since 1983 Melville Douglas has been delivering superior investment returns across a number of asset classes. As a global boutique investment management company within the Standard Bank Group, we are uniquely positioned to offer domestic and offshore investment solutions. What truly sets Melville Douglas apart is our experienced investment team and our approach to investing – driven by balance, a long-term view and a commitment to fundamental research – which informs our investment decisions across the board.



Justin Maloney
BSc (Hons), CFA®, Chartered FCSI
Fund Manager

Justin joined Melville Douglas in 2014 and has over three decades experience of managing global equity funds. He co-manages the Melville Douglas Select Global Equity Fund and covers a range of sub-sectors for the team. Prior to joining the company, he was a global equity fund manager in London for Sanlam and F&C Asset Management. He holds a BSc (Hons) degree in Business from Cass Business School, University of London. He is also a CFA® Charterholder and a Chartered Wealth Manager. Justin is based in Jersey.



Derinia Mathura
BBusSci (Hons) Finance, CFA®
Fund Manager

Derinia joined Melville Douglas in 2013 as the lead analyst for a range of global equity holdings within the consumer discretionary sector. She is the co-manager of the Melville Douglas Select Global Equity Fund. Prior to joining, she worked for RMB Morgan Stanley as a sell-side equity research analyst covering financials. Derinia has a BBusSci (Hons) degree in Finance and is also a CFA® Charterholder.

Fund review

The fund was buoyed by higher global stock markets. However, its return lagged the MSCI All Country World index. Notable weakness came within natural fishing grounds for quality compounders, namely healthcare (ICON, UnitedHealth, Thermo Fisher and Elevance), luxury goods (LVMH) and payments processing (Fiserv). Although there were stock specific reasons for the underperformance, there were also broad disruptive shifts in competitive backdrops and addressable markets that meant we were fighting against the tide.

Such dislocations provide opportunities as well as flag risks to mitigate. As a result, there have been more changes than usual to the portfolio.

One such opportunity is the technology sector, specifically artificial intelligence. We increased the exposure to AI-related stocks by adding to the holding in chip designer Nvidia at an attractive valuation entry point and by introducing Broadcom (designer of application specific chips) and Apple (gateway to AI apps) to the portfolio. We also continued to hold the three largest cloud service providers (Microsoft, Amazon and Alphabet) as well as interconnect provider Amphenol and chip foundry Taiwan Semiconductor. A common theme for businesses across geographies and industries is an ongoing (and even redoubled) commitment to AI-related capital expenditure to protect existential risks, save operating costs and open new market opportunities.

By contrast we have lowered the exposure to the consumer and healthcare sectors. Healthcare's long held safe-haven status has eroded with heightened policy and regulatory intervention from the Trump Administration which threatens business model profitability. The consumer will be squeezed by higher cost of living resulting from increased import duties and economic uncertainty relating to the Trump Administration's trade policies. In addition, the power of old established multinational brands continues to wane in the face of increasingly robust local competition, geopolitics in a multipolar world, social media disruption and generational change.

Market overview

It was a tumultuous but ultimately positive quarter for global equities. Early April saw markets plunge amidst egregious US tariff policy, recession worries and Chinese AI competition. But the rebound was swift as President Trump backtracked, Big Tech companies reassured on profitability, and there were few signs of previously feared stagflation. Oil prices briefly spiked and then reversed after Israel and Iran agreed a ceasefire following 12 days of war. The US dollar continued to slide, resulting in its worst performance since 1973 for the first half of the year.

The uncertainty and higher costs associated with the Trump Administration's erratic trade policy has impacted business and consumer sentiment, which is filtering through to lowered corporate earnings projections. The last quarterly reporting season saw numerous companies cut or change guidance blaming tariff uncertainty. Nonetheless, consensus corporate earnings forecasts arguably have some conservatism baked in, especially as the 10% decline year-to-date in the US dollar index provides a positive translation effect for US-listed multinationals with overseas earnings. In short, there is still sufficient profit growth to drive markets.

Looking ahead

The sharp rally from the April lows represents a dramatic swing in the sentiment pendulum. From bleak despair to the belief the worst will consistently fail to happen. But are we completely out of the woods? The Trump Administration's constant shifting of the goal posts is already influencing businesses and consumers thinking about investing in a new plant, acquiring a competitor, booking a holiday or buying a new car. In addition, US import tariffs are five times higher than they were in 2024, directly impacting consumers' cost of living as well as corporate profit margins. To date, the fallout seems contained. Economic data and corporate profit forecasts have weakened but remain generally supportive for now.

We are sticking to our knitting. By its nature, i.e. outperformance requires a portfolio different from the benchmark, active portfolio management will exhibit periods of underperformance as a result of investment style shifts (e.g. growth to value) or when stock calls will not always pan out as forecasted (i.e. the only certainty is that the unexpected will happen). The key to achieving long-term results is to stay true to the underlying investment philosophy whilst being prepared to change one's mind on the fundamentals when the facts change.

The commentary gives the views of the portfolio manager at the time of writing. Any forecasts or commentary included in this document are not guaranteed to occur.

Change in allocation of the fund over the quarter

Asset type	Q2 2025	Q1 2025	Change
Domestic Cash & MMkt	1.27	3.66	-2.39
Foreign Cash & MMkt	2.63	0.69	1.94
Foreign Equity	96.10	95.65	0.45

The portfolio adhered to its portfolio objective over the quarter.

Fund classes

Class	Type	Price (cpu)	Units	NAV (Rand)
B1	Retail	294.00	201,888,910.12	593,550,309.01

All data as at 30 June 2025.

Units – amount of participatory interests (units) in issue in relevant class.

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Important information update at 31 August 2025



Disclosures

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) are generally medium to long term investments. The value of participatory interests may go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. CIS are traded at ruling prices and can engage in borrowing and scrip lending.

The Melville Douglas STANLIB Global Equity Feeder Fund is a portfolio of the STANLIB Collective Investment Scheme (the Scheme).

The manager of the Scheme is STANLIB Collective Investments (RF) (Pty) Limited (the Manager). The Manager is authorised in terms of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act, No. 45 of 2002 (CISCA) to administer Collective Investment Schemes (CIS) in Securities. Liberty is a full member of the Association for Savings and Investments of South Africa (ASISA). The Manager is a member of the Liberty Group of Companies. The manager has a right to close a portfolio to new investors in order to manage the portfolio more efficiently in accordance with its mandate. The Manager does not provide any guarantee either with respect to the capital or the return of a CIS portfolio. A schedule of fees and charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the Manager.

The trustee of the Scheme is Standard Chartered Bank.

The investments of this portfolio are managed, on behalf of the Manager, by Melville Douglas Investment Management (Pty) Ltd, an authorised financial services provider (FSP), FSP No. 595, under the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act (FAIS), Act No. 37 of 2002.

Prices are calculated and published on each working day, these prices are available on the Manager's website (www.stanlib.com) and in South African printed news media. This portfolio is valued at 15h00. Forward pricing is used. Investments and repurchases will receive the price of the same day if received prior to 15h00.

This portfolio is permitted to invest in foreign securities. Should the portfolio include any foreign securities these could expose the portfolio to any of the following risks: potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds; macroeconomic risks; political risks; foreign exchange risks; tax risks; settlement risks; and potential limitations on the availability of market information.

This portfolio is a Feeder Fund portfolio. A Feeder Fund portfolio is a portfolio that invests in a single portfolio of a collective investment scheme, that levies its own charges, which could result in a higher fee structure for the Feeder Fund.

This portfolio is a third party named, co-named portfolio. The Manager retains full legal responsibility for this portfolio. A third party named, co-named portfolio is a portfolio bearing the name of both the Manager and the financial services provider (FSP) where the FSP, under an agreement with the Manager, undertakes financial services of a discretionary nature, as contemplated in the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, Act No. 37 of 2002 (FAIS), in relation to the assets of the portfolio. Melville Douglas Investment Management (Pty) Ltd, an authorised FSP, FSP No. 595, FAIS, is the third party manager of this portfolio.

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All performance returns and ranking figures quoted are shown in ZAR and are based on data sourced from Morningstar or Statpro and are as at 31 August 2025.

Annualised return figures are the compound annualised growth rate (CAGR) calculated from the cumulative return for the period being measured. These annualised returns provide an indication of the annual return achieved over the period had an investment been held for the entire period. Actual annual figures are available on request from the Manager.

Portfolio performance figures are calculated for the relevant class of the portfolio, for a lump sum investment, on a NAV-NAV basis, with income reinvested on the ex-dividend date. Individual investor performance may differ due to initial fees, actual investment date, date of reinvestment of income and dividend withholding tax. Portfolio performance accounts for all costs that contribute to the calculation of the cost ratios quoted, all returns quoted are after these costs have been accounted for.

Statistics - Positive Months: the number of individual 1 month periods during the specified time period where the return was not negative; Max Gain: the maximum gain in a trough-to-peak incline before a new trough is attained, quoted as the percentage between the trough and the peak. It is an indicator of upside risk over a specified time period (quoted for all periods of 1 year or longer); Max Drawdown: the maximum loss in a peak-to-trough decline before a new peak is attained, quoted as the percentage between the peak and the trough. It is an indicator of downside risk over a specified time period (quoted for periods of 1 year or longer, where no value is shown no loss was experienced); Highest and Lowest: the highest and the lowest 1 year return (%) that occurred during the specified time period (quoted for all relevant classes launched 1 year or more prior to current month end date).

Additional information about this product including, but not limited to, brochures, application forms and annual or quarterly reports, can be obtained free of charge, from the Manager and from the Manager's website (www.stanlib.com).

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