

## SVS BROWN SHIPLEY CAUTIOUS FUND

#### Factsheet to 31 December 2024

## **Fund Objective**

The Fund aims to achieve growth through a combination of capital and income over the medium term (at least five years). The Fund will invest, directly and indirectly, in a mixture of shares and fixed interest securities (being sovereign, investment grade and non-investment grade bonds). The allocation between the shares and fixed interest securities in which the Fund invests will be actively managed and will vary in response to short term market conditions. However, the Fund operates a cautious strategy, meaning that the allocation to shares, will remain within a 0% to 35% range. The Fund excludes issuers that derive more than 10% of revenue from thermal coal extraction or power generation, those that are involved in controversial weapons, issuers subject to EU arms embargoes and those that are deemed in violation of the UN Global Compact principles for over 3 years. In addition, the Fund integrates environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors in its investment process.

## Commentary

The portfolio finished the year with a good Q4, supported by a strong performance from the US equity market. US stocks rose following the result of the US Presidential election and robust economic data with the portfolio benefiting from the decision in November to increase exposure to the US market. For 2024, it was a positive year for equities across the board, with US markets leading the way. Bond markets were mostly positive, with higher risk sectors tending to outperform. The preference in the portfolio for higher quality bonds marginally held back returns, but overall, performance was ahead relative to peers (represented by the IA sector), with the decisions throughout the year to add to equities contributing to returns. The globally diversified approach within the portfolio has helped support performance during periods of volatility, with the strategy well positioned to capture growth whilst mitigating risks.

The portfolio is positioned to benefit from a combination of long-term structural trends (including AI, new infrastructure, cybersecurity, circular economy, among others) as well as to selectively exploit near-term tactical opportunities. With inflation falling in the near term, interest rates have room to come down further, which should support global growth in 2025. As such, we therefore maintain a slight preference for equities over bonds at this stage of the cycle.

Overall, the portfolio remains well positioned to continue to grow as well as to navigate uncertainty both in markets and in the global economy.

Brown Shipley Fund Management Team

## Rolling 12 Month Performance Record

	From	31/12/2023	31/12/2022	31/12/2021	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	
	То	31/12/2024	31/12/2023	31/12/2022	31/12/2021	31/12/2020	
SVS Brown Shipley Cautious A Acc		4.5%	6.0%	-13.5%	3.0%	5.0%	
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares NR		4.4%	6.0%	-11.1%	3.0%	3.8%	

## 5 Year Performance to 31 December 2024



Source: Morningstar, Bloomberg & Lipper. A Accumulation shares, percentage growth total return, mid to mid in GBP with net income reinvested, net of fees and net of tax. SVS Brown Shipley Cautious Fund contains estimated data.

The Investment Association sector is used in the above graph for comparative purposes only. This comparator benchmark has been chosen as it best reflects the asset allocation of the Fund and as it provides a direct peer group comparator for SVS Brown Shipley Cautious A Acc.

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Fund Weighting

12.6%

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## Asset Allocation\*

#### (at 31/12/2024)



- Structured and Global Bonds 14.5%
- Corporate Bonds 12.0%
- Hedge and Structured Funds 10.2%
- Cash 4.3%
- Europe Equity 2.9%
- UK Equity 2.5%
- Emerging Markets Equity 2.5%
- Japan Equity 2.0%
- Commodities 2.0%
- Other Alternatives 0.0%

QMM GL IG CREDIT GBPH DIS	9.0%
QMM GLB HY CORP GBPH DIS	5.0%
QMM US EQUITY GBP DIS	4.9%
QMM US EQUITY GBPH DIS	4.9%
ISHARES CORE UK GILTS ETF	4.2%
UBS SUST DEV BK BDS ETF A	4.0%
1/8 UK TSY GILT JAN28 31.01.2028	3.2%
QMM CONT EURO EQ GBPH DIS	2.9%
ISHARES CORE FTSE 100 ETF	2.5%

(at 31/12/2024)

Top Ten Holdings

ISHARESIII FTSE UK GIL0-5

### **Fund and Price Information**

Fund Name and Cla	ss	Price	Yield*	ISIN	Ongoing Charges	Transaction Fee	Annual Management Charge
SVS Brown Shipley	Cautious A Acc	1.21	2.47%	GB00BP4VN485	1.45%	0.10%	1.00%
SVS Brown Shipley	Cautious A Inc	1.00	2.52%	GB00BP4VN592	1.45%	0.10%	1.00%
Date launched	No. of Holdings	Fund Size	Ex Dividend Date		Payment Date		
29 July 2014	40	£14.89 m		c, 01 Mar, n, 01 Sep	31 Jan, 30 Apr, 31 Jul, 31 Oct		

<sup>\*</sup>Net Historic Yield on current portfolio constituents, net of fees as at 31/12/2024. Fees taken from capital.

Investment Risks - The fund balances equity investment risk with exposure to Sovereign and Corporate bonds. Exposure is gained through investment in other funds whose individual risk profile may not match that of the Cautious fund, while exposure to UK markets is generally through direct equity holdings. Bonds are affected by the relative movements in interest rates, and the risk of default by the sovereign or corporate issuer. Global currency fluctuations contribute to fluctuations in the value of the investment. Investment Trusts and Structured Products do not represent significant holdings but where used carry specific investment risks; with structured products there is a risk of insolvency of the underlying issuer, while Investment Trusts may borrow to investment and, where borrowing is used, the gains or losses in those underlying investments are exaggerated. Please refer to the Key Investor Information Document and the fund prospectus for further information

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Portfolio positions are based on gross asset valuations at global close (not official NAV time). Historic yields distributions declared over the past 12 months. The portfolio data on this factsheet is updated on a monthly basis. SVS Brown Shipley Cautious Fund is a sub-fund of SVS Brown Shipley Multi Asset Portfolio.

SVS Brown Shipley Multi Asset Portfolio is an investment company with variable capital incorporated in England and Wales under registered number IC000202 and authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") with effect from 15 November 2002. The Company has an unlimited duration.

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<sup>\*</sup>Totals may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

<sup>†</sup>The ongoing charges figure is based on the last year's expenses (ending 29/02/2024) and may vary from year to year. The transaction fee is paid by the fund due to the acquisition and disposal of investments.