

MAESTRO GROWTH FUND



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Investment objective

The Fund's objective is to produce above average long-term returns whilst simultaneously aiming to assume less risk than is inherent in the market itself. The Fund adopts a conservative investment philosophy and is Regulation 28 compliant.

The Fund benchmark

The Fund measures itself against a benchmark of 60% All Share Index, 20% All Bond Index (ALBI), 10% Short term fixed income (STEFI) index and 10% against a Global Benchmark.

Legal structure

The Fund is a pooled portfolio on the 27Four Life Limited balance sheet. The appointed portfolio manager of the Fund is Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Limited, an approved Financial Services Provider in terms of the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, operating under license number 739. 27Four Life Limited is a linked insurer governed by the Long Term Insurance Act. 27Four Life Limited issues investment linked policies. This Fund operates as white label under the 27Four Life License.

Fee structure

There is no initial fee charged. The Maestro Growth Fund is a Fund with an annual management fee of 1.5% (excluding VAT). This is inclusive of investment consulting, all underlying managers, and administrative functions performed by Prescient Fund Services.

Fund size

R 35 655 549

NAV

Class A: 2.3175

Long term insurer

27FourLife Limited
(Reg. no: 2004/014436/06)

Auditor

SNG Grant Thornton International

Portfolio manager

Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Limited

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Market Overview

After a few robust and profitable months on global equity markets, it is unsurprising that they paused for a breath during September. The forthcoming US election, a clear "second wave" of the Covid-19 pandemic across the Western world, disagreements within governments regarding the extent of financial help for its citizens, a smaller than expected economic rebound off second quarter lockdowns, racy equity market ratings, rising US-China tensions – these are just some of the reasons that gave investors reason to question the resurgent momentum that has characterized global equity markets since they troughed on 23 March.

The MSCI World index ended September 3.6% lower, while the MSCI Emerging Market index lost 1.8%. The Hong Kong market was a significant underperformer, losing 6.8% and bringing its year-to-date loss to 16.8%. That isn't as bad as the UK's 22.2% year-to-date loss – that market lost 1.6% last month. The Chinese equity market lost 5.2%, and the US market 3.8%. The Brazilian, Russian and Indonesian equity markets lost 4.8%, 6.4% and 7.0% respectively, while the Indian market lost only 1.5%. The US Large, Mid and Small cap indices losing 3.8%, 3.4% and 4.8% respectively.

Turning to the bond market, the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Bond index lost 0.4% while cash continues to generate negligible returns. The dollar (DXY index) rose 1.9%, in a reversal of the past few months' weakness, which resulted in most other currencies weakening against the greenback, as did virtually the entire commodity complex. The gold price lost 3.8%, and oil 8.3%. Somewhat surprisingly the copper price remained flat.

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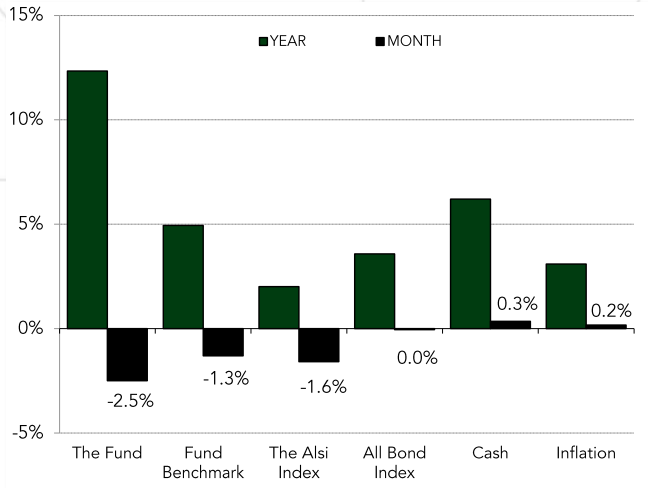
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Local market returns



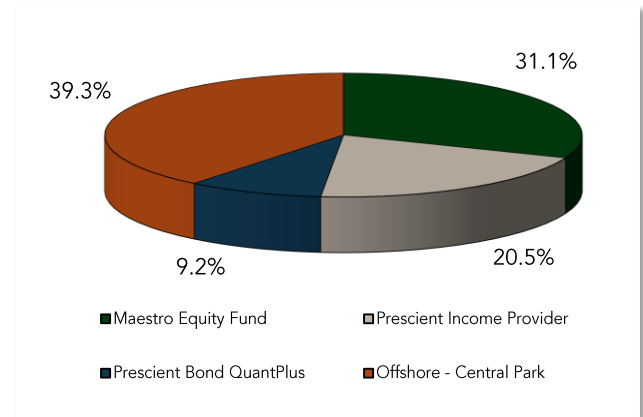
Turning to the local markets, the All Share index declined 1.6% while the All Bond index fell 0.1%. The Large, Mid and Small cap indices' respective returns were -1.7%, 1.3% and 0.8%. The Basic Materials index fell 3.4%, the Industrial index fell 1.5% while the Financial index rose 2.3%, supported by the slightly firmer rand; despite the dollar's strength, the rand rose 1.6% against the greenback. Shares which disappointed during the month included MTN, which lost 8.1%, Billiton 5.6%, and Naspers 4.3%. On a more positive note, Discovery rose 5.7%, Firststrand 8.9%, Cashbuild 13.5%, Shoprite 23.7%, and Capitec 24.2%.

Monthly fund returns

During September the Maestro Growth Fund's NAV fell -2.5% versus the Fund's benchmark which decreased 1.3%. The [Maestro Equity Prescient Fund](#) fell 1.7% versus the 1.6% decrease of the All Share index. The [Prescient Income Provider Fund](#) returned 0.3% against its benchmark return of 0.3%. The [Prescient Bond QuantPlus Fund](#) fell 1.8% versus its

benchmark which was flat for the month. [Central Park Global Balanced Fund](#) fell 4.4% in rand terms versus the 3.8% decrease of the rand benchmark.

Asset allocation



Largest Holdings

Investment	% of Fund
Naspers Ltd - N Shares	4.1%
Sygnia Itrix US	3.9%
Satrix Resi	3.4%
Alibaba	2.9%
Sygnia Itrix World	2.8%
RSA 8.50% R2037 310137	2.6%
TAL Education Group	2.3%
Adobe	2.3%
RSA 10.50% R186 211226	2.2%
Visa	2.1%
Total	28.6%

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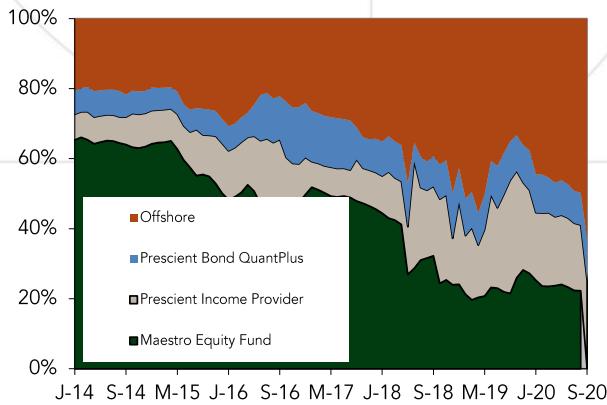
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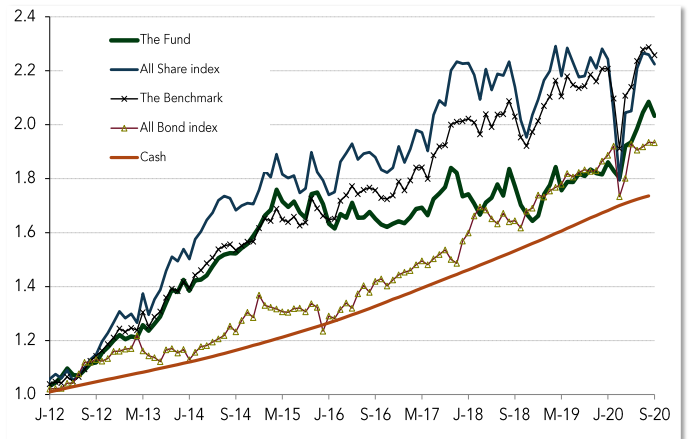
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Historic sector allocation



Historic performance



Monthly and annual average return (%)

Investment	1 month	1 year	3 years	5 years	7 years
Maestro Growth Fund	-2.5	12.3	4.8	4.2	6.2
Fund Benchmark	-1.3	4.9	5.3	6.5	7.4

Monthly and annual (%)

Investment	YTD	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Maestro Growth Fund	12.0	10.5	-5.2	6.2	-4.2	7.4	11.5	18.7	20.0	-1.3
Fund Benchmark	1.9	11.7	-2.0	15.8	4.5	6.0	10.6	17.0	21.0	5.8

Units in linked insurance policies should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value of units may go up as well as down and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Unit prices are calculated on a net asset basis, which is the total value of all the assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions (Brokerage, Securities Transfer Tax, VAT, Auditor's fees, Bank Charges, Custodian fees and the annual Management fee) from the portfolio divided by the number of units in issue. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of any underlying international investments to go up and down. Forward pricing is used. Maestro Investment Management (Pty) Limited and 27Four Life Limited are members of the Association for Savings and Investments of South Africa (ASISA).