

Discovery Cautious Fund

Quarterly update—ending 31st July 2025

Investment objective

The objective of the Fund is to provide returns through a combination of capital growth and income over a market cycle (5 years). The fund will primarily gain exposure indirectly via eligible collective investment schemes and other collective investment vehicles (for example, investment companies, exchange traded funds) and may also invest directly in eligible assets (excluding property and commodities). Derivatives will be used only for the purpose of Efficient Portfolio Management.

Fund manager

Indicative risk rating



James Kempster

James has over 20 years experience building and managing multi-asset investment portfolios. Beginning his career at Canada Life, he has more recently worked with financial advice firms to create managed portfolio solutions for end clients.



Fund managers' commentary

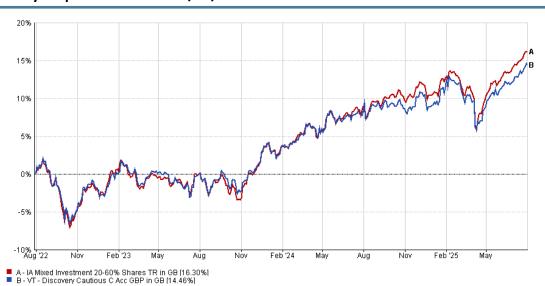
After the initial shock from US tariff announcements in April, markets regained ground during the quarter as Donald Trump enacted a pause and shifted focus to negotiating deals with key trading partners, including the UK, Japan and the EU. This helped reduce uncertainty and lifted share prices globally, though gains were again concentrated in a small number of large US tech firms. Meanwhile, concerns resurfaced around Trump's major tax and spending plans, which rely heavily on future tariff income and could significantly increase US government debt.

At this review we made one main change at a sector level and that was to reduce the cash weighting in favour of Gilts. Whilst we still value cash for its defensive characteristics, we believe there is better value to be found in Gilts which benefit from falling interest rates. We also refreshed our Global Equity weighting including the sale of our holding in Fundsmith Equity and the introduction of a new fund.

Performance summary as at 31/07/2025

	3 MONTHS	6 MONTHS	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	SINCE INCEPTION
Discovery Cautious Fund C Acc	5.10%	2.48%	5.69%	14.46%	19.64%	19.72%
IA Mixed Investment 20%-60% Shares	5.62%	2.88%	6.74%	16.30%	24.46%	27.41%

Three year performance to 31/07/2025



29/07/2022 - 31/07/2025 Data from FE fundinfo2025



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Key facts

Manager Start Date	27/03/2019		
Inception Date	01/04/2019		
Number of holdings	25		
Ongoing charge figure (C)	1.00%		
Estimated yield (C Acc)	3.05%		
Fund size	£49.95m		
ISIN (C Acc)	GB00BYYB5341		

Current asset allocation

Alternatives	7.70%
Cash	6.31%
Fixed Interest	34.48%
UK Equities	16.60%
International Equities	27.07%
Property & Infrastructure	2.97%
Multi-Asset	4.88%

Top 10 holdings as at 31/07/2025

HSBC FTSE 100 Index	9.19%
Royal London Corporate Bond	5.81%
Al Multi-Strategy Target Return	5.73%
Legal & General All Stocks Gilt Index	5.64%
HSBC American Index	5.38%
HSBC European Index	5.08%
Artemis High Income	4.88%
iShares Overseas Corporate Bond	4.85%
M&G Global Dividend Fund	4.08%
Royal London Short Duration Credit	3.89%

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