

## WHAT IS THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE?

The fund aims to maximise long-term growth from investing in a select group of resource companies. It seeks to outperform an index of resource companies listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (the JSE Resources Index) over the longer term.

## WHAT DOES THE FUND INVEST IN?

The Resources Fund primarily invests in the shares of companies listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange but can also invest in international equities.

The fund will remain fully invested in a broad range of resource and basic materials industry shares that are affected by changes in the commodity cycle. This includes companies involved in mining, minerals, energy, natural resources and other commodities.

The fund is mandated to use derivative instruments for efficient portfolio management purposes.

## IMPORTANT PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS AND RISKS

## Risk Profile

Maximum growth/  
minimum income exposures

The fund's managers actively seek out attractively valued companies that could offer strong long-term growth. The fund reflects Coronation's best investment views in the resource sector.

Shares are selected following rigorous research into the long-term potential of a company. Shares can be volatile investments, and the cyclical demand for commodities can add to the risk of capital loss.

The fund is concentrated and only invests in one sector of the market, making it riskier than a general equity fund.

## HOW LONG SHOULD INVESTORS REMAIN INVESTED?

The fund is managed to deliver the best possible returns over the long term; an investment horizon of five years or more is therefore ideal.

## WHO SHOULD CONSIDER INVESTING IN THE FUND?

Investors who are building wealth and

- want to diversify their investments to include specific exposure to the resource sector;
- believe that resource shares offer compelling value;
- accept the cyclical nature of commodity demand and the resulting increased risk of short-term losses;
- want to hold the Resources Fund as one of multiple funds in their investment portfolio.

## WHAT COSTS CAN I EXPECT TO PAY?

An annual fee of 1.00% (excl. VAT) is payable.

Fund expenses that are incurred in the fund include trading, custody and audit charges. All performance information is disclosed after deducting all fees and other portfolio costs.

We do not charge fees to access or withdraw from the fund.

More detail is available on [www.coronation.com](http://www.coronation.com).

## WHO IS THE FUND MANAGER?



**NICHOLAS STEIN**  
CA (SA), CFA



**NICHOLAS HOPS**  
BBusSc, CFA

## GENERAL FUND INFORMATION

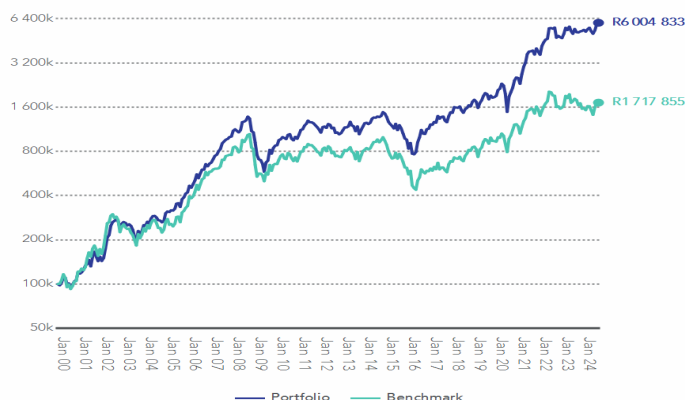
Launch Date	1 October 1999
Fund Class	P (previously class A)
Benchmark	FTSE/JSE Resources Index
ASISA Fund Category	South African – Equity – Resources
Income Distribution	Semi-annually (March & September)
Investment minimum	R5 000 or R500/m debit order
Bloomberg Code	CORVALU
ISIN Code	ZAE000022877
JSE Code	CCGF

CLASS P as at 31 May 2024

ASISA Fund Category	South African - Equity - Resources
Launch date	01 October 1999
Fund size	R 1.80 billion
NAV	31651.03 cents
Benchmark	FTSE/JSE Africa Resources Index (TR)
Portfolio manager/s	Nicholas Stein and Nicholas Hops

## PERFORMANCE AND RISK STATISTICS

## GROWTH OF A R100,000 INVESTMENT (AFTER FEES)



## PERFORMANCE FOR VARIOUS PERIODS (AFTER FEES)

	Fund	Benchmark	Active Return
Since Launch (unannualised)	5904.8%	1617.9%	4287.0%
Since Launch (annualised)	18.1%	12.2%	5.8%
Latest 20 years (annualised)	16.8%	10.3%	6.5%
Latest 15 years (annualised)	14.2%	6.7%	7.5%
Latest 10 years (annualised)	15.9%	6.4%	9.5%
Latest 5 years (annualised)	27.1%	13.7%	13.4%
Latest 3 years (annualised)	15.6%	3.6%	12.0%
Latest 1 year	15.9%	(3.8)%	19.7%
Year to date	7.9%	5.7%	2.3%

## RISK STATISTICS SINCE LAUNCH

	Fund	Benchmark
Annualised Deviation	23.9%	26.2%
Sharpe Ratio	0.43	0.17
Maximum Gain	93.4%	86.3%
Maximum Drawdown	(57.9)%	(58.3)%
Positive Months	59.5%	55.4%

	Fund	Date Range
Highest annual return	157.7%	Apr 2020 - Mar 2021
Lowest annual return	(54.2)%	Mar 2008 - Feb 2009

## MONTHLY PERFORMANCE RETURNS (AFTER FEES)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Fund 2024	(5.6)%	(3.7)%	5.4%	10.0%	2.4%								7.9%
Fund 2023	5.6%	(6.7)%	(4.2)%	7.9%	(5.0)%	(0.4)%	1.6%	0.8%	1.7%	(2.9)%	3.9%	2.5%	3.8%
Fund 2022	1.3%	18.1%	0.3%	(1.0)%	1.8%	(14.8)%	3.0%	(2.0)%	(1.5)%	6.7%	10.2%	(3.5)%	16.2%
Fund 2021	7.0%	13.9%	4.2%	0.4%	1.1%	(6.1)%	10.1%	(5.0)%	(4.6)%	14.7%	5.9%	4.3%	53.1%
Fund 2020	(2.8)%	(12.2)%	(24.7)%	26.9%	7.3%	7.2%	12.3%	4.9%	(1.0)%	(8.7)%	16.4%	12.3%	30.3%

Total Expense Ratio	1 Year	3 Year
Fund management fee	1.17%	1.17%
Fund expenses	0.99%	0.99%
VAT	0.03%	0.03%
Transaction costs (inc. VAT)	0.15%	0.15%
Total Investment Charge	0.42%	0.48%
	1.59%	1.65%

## PORTFOLIO DETAIL

## EFFECTIVE ASSET ALLOCATION EXPOSURE

Sector	31 May 2024
<b>Domestic Assets</b>	<b>93.7%</b>
■ Equities	88.8%
Basic Materials	74.0%
Industrials	10.1%
Financials	4.8%
■ Commodities	4.3%
■ Cash	0.6%
<b>International Assets</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
■ Equities	6.2%
■ Cash	0.0%

## TOP 10 HOLDINGS

As at 31 Mar 2024	% of Fund
Anglo American Plc	15.6%
Mondi Limited	10.5%
Northam Platinum Ltd	7.5%
Exxaro Resources Ltd	7.4%
Impala Platinum Holdings Ltd	6.2%
Anglogold Ashanti Ltd	5.4%
Grindrod Ltd	4.9%
Teck Resources Ltd	4.9%
Sasol Ltd	4.6%
Eog Resources Inc	4.5%

## INCOME DISTRIBUTIONS

Declaration	Payment	Amount	Dividend	Interest
28 Mar 2024	02 Apr 2024	311.29	302.93	8.36
29 Sep 2023	02 Oct 2023	545.93	530.29	15.65
31 Mar 2023	03 Apr 2023	283.06	277.17	5.89
30 Sep 2022	03 Oct 2022	893.88	891.59	2.30

## Performance

The Fund returned -4.2% for the quarter and 5.4% for the last 12 months. The long-term performance of the Fund remains pleasing against both the peer group and the benchmark.

For the first quarter of 2024, our underweight position in gold shares detracted from performance as the strong rally in those names was compounded by an index up-weighting in March. Contributors to performance came from limited exposure to the PGM sector which continued to sell off in the quarter.

## Fund positioning

We meaningfully adjusted our PGM exposure towards the tail end of the quarter as we sold entirely out of the platinum ETF and bought Northam and Impala. The March index reweighting, combined with strong share price returns, has resulted in gold exposure comprising 38% of the FTSE/JSE Resources Index at the end of March. Anglo American was down weighted and now represents a more palatable 14% of the index at the end of the quarter. Given that we manage the Fund on a clean-slate basis and the sector tends to become fairly concentrated at cyclical extremes, there are often large differences between Fund and index positioning. There have been several such weighting adjustments over the years.

A key change in fund positioning, as mentioned above, was the buying of PGM equities (Northam and Impala) from zero to a combined 13.8% at the end of the quarter. The Fund's total exposure to PGMs increased to 18.92% if you include our holdings in African Rainbow Minerals and Anglo American, which have PGM subsidiaries. We remain negative on the long-term outlook for PGMs, but a confluence of events has led us to expect the medium term to have an improved outlook, and provided certainly compared to what was being priced into these equities in the quarter.

From the peak levels in 2021, the PGM basket price sold off by 56% to the lows reached in Q1 this year. Naturally, the equity prices followed suit with declines over this time frame ranging from 65%-80%. These low prices cut deep into the cost curve and rendered many of the producers' assets cash flow negative and their future projects less viable. We have seen a degree of supply rationalisation as well as shelving of projects in the last six months, but we still believe more is necessary for the industry to be sustainable in the longer term. Nevertheless, the low prices reduced our estimates for future supply from the mining sector, which improved the outlook for market balances. A second supply-driven feature has been weakness in the secondary supply from recycled autocats. Low PGM prices, high used car prices and provenance legislation in some key regions have impacted the flow of metal from the secondary sector. Again, this adjustment reduced our estimates of supply going forward and improved market balances.

The third key element has been the stutter seen in global Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV) growth. We continue to believe in the long-term dominance that will be achieved by BEVs. Adoption of any technology comes with speedbumps in the road and the fact that the industry has not brought enough low-price cars to market is one of those speedbumps at present.

China is the only market where they have delivered these cars and that comes through in the high levels of BEV penetration achieved in that market. High interest rates further reduce the attractiveness of BEVs without a low-cost option. Based on models coming from the global automakers, it seems that these low price BEVs remain a few years from coming to market in a material way. Having reduced our BEV penetration estimates in the medium term we now see more demand for PGMs over that time frame. The long-term picture remains negative, however, unless we see further supply rationalisation.

These two supply factors and one demand factor have made the next few years a more conducive environment for the PGM sector. The improvement in medium-term fundamentals occurred at a time when PGM equities were being sold aggressively in the market. We took advantage of this opportunity in the Fund.

Outside of PGMs, the commodity markets have been relatively bifurcated from a price perspective in 2024. Gold has been on a tear and making nominal price highs. We have also seen strong price performances from coking coal, oil, and copper. The Fund is well exposed to the energy complex but with little gold exposure, which has hurt our relative performance in the last 12 months.

## Portfolio managers

### Nicholas Stein and Nicholas Hops

as at 31 March 2024

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE INVESTING IN THE CORONATION RESOURCES FUND**

The Resources Fund should be considered a long-term investment. The value of units may go down as well as up, and therefore Coronation does not make any guarantees with respect to the protection of capital or returns. Past performance is not necessarily an indication of future performance. The fund is mandated to invest into foreign securities and may as a result be exposed to macroeconomic, settlement, political, tax, reporting or illiquidity risk factors that may be different to similar investments in the South African markets. Fluctuations or movements in exchange rates may cause the value of underlying investments to go up or down. Asset allocation and top 10 holdings are reflected on a look-through basis. Any African exposure (ex SA) is reflected under international assets. Coronation Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd is a Collective Investment Schemes Manager approved by the Financial Sector Conduct Authority in terms of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act. Portfolio managed by Coronation Asset Management (Pty) Ltd (FSP 548), an authorised financial services provider. The Management Company reserves the right to close the fund to new investors if we deem it necessary to limit further inflows in order for it to be managed in accordance with its mandate. Unit trusts are allowed to engage in scrip lending and borrowing. Standard Chartered has been appointed as trustees for the fund ([www.sc.com/za](http://www.sc.com/za); 011-2176600). Coronation is a full member of the Association for Savings & Investment SA (ASISA).

**HOW ARE UNITS PRICED AND AT WHICH PRICE WILL MY TRANSACTION BE EXECUTED?**

Unit trusts are traded at ruling prices set on every trading day. Fund valuations take place at approximately 15h00 each business day, except at month end when the valuation is performed at approximately 17h00 (JSE market close) and forward pricing is used. Instructions must reach the Management Company before 14h00 (12h00 for the Money Market Fund) to ensure same day value. The payment of withdrawals may be delayed in extraordinary circumstances, when the manager with the consent of the fund trustees deem this to be in the interest of all fund investors. These circumstances may include periods when significant underlying markets suspend trading which will prevent accurate valuation of the instruments held in the fund. When the suspension of trading relates to only certain assets held by the fund, these assets may be side-pocketed. This process allows normal liquidity on the assets that can be valued, but will delay liquidity on the affected portion of the fund. If the fund is faced with excessive withdrawals, the affected withdrawals may be ring-fenced, which is the separation and delayed sale of the assets reflecting the interest of the liquidity seeking investors. It ensures that the sale of a large number of units will not force Coronation to sell the underlying investments in a manner that may have a negative impact on remaining investors of the fund.

**HOW WAS THE PERFORMANCE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS FACT SHEET CALCULATED?**

Performance is calculated by Coronation as at the last day of the month for a lump sum investment using Class P NAV prices with income distributions reinvested. All underlying price and distribution data is sourced from Morningstar. Performance figures are quoted after the deduction of all costs (including manager fees and trading costs) incurred within the fund. Note that individual investor performance may differ as a result of the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment of distributions and dividend withholding tax, where applicable. Annualised performance figures represent the geometric average return earned by the fund over the given time period. Unannualised performance represents the total return earned by the fund over the given time period, expressed as a percentage.

**BENCHMARK DETAILS**

The benchmark used for performance purposes is the FTSE/JSE Resources Index.

Note that we use the FTSE/JSE Africa Resource 10 Index for compliance monitoring purposes.

**WHAT IS THE TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (TER) AND TRANSACTION COSTS (TC)?**

TER is calculated as a percentage of the average net asset value of the portfolio incurred as charges, levies and fees in the management of the portfolio over the period referenced. The TER charged by any underlying fund held as part of a fund's portfolio is included in the fund expenses portion of the TER, but trading and implementation costs incurred in managing the underlying fund are excluded. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER may not necessarily be an accurate indication of future TER's. The 1 year TER is for the 12 months to end of the previous financial year (updated annually). The 3 year TER is for a rolling 36-month period to the last available quarter end (December, March, June and September).

Transaction costs are a necessary cost in managing a fund and impacts the fund's return. They should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of fund, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

The Total Investment Charge is the sum of the Total Expense Ratio (TER) and transaction costs.

**ADVICE AND PLATFORM COSTS**

Coronation does not provide financial advice. If you appoint an adviser, advice fees are contracted directly between you and the adviser. For more information please contact the relevant platform (Linked Investment Service Provider or Life Assurance Provider).

**WHERE CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?**

Additional information such as daily fund prices, brochures, application forms and a schedule of fund fees and charges is available on our website, [www.coronation.com](http://www.coronation.com)

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