

### WHAT IS THE FUND'S OBJECTIVE?

Top 20 aims to outperform the equity market over the long term.

# WHAT DOES THE FUND INVEST IN?

The fund's managers actively seek out attractively valued shares that could offer strong long-term growth.

The fund would typically hold shares in a maximum of 20 companies selected from all equities listed on the JSE. Its investments will therefore always be concentrated and limited to shares in large companies listed in South Africa.

While investments in foreign markets are specifically excluded, the fund can invest in foreign companies that are listed locally. There are no restrictions on how much exposure the fund can have to different sectors (for example, to mining, financial or industrial companies). The fund will remain fully invested in shares at all times. 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 Top 20 Fund focuses on a limited number of shares we believe are attractively valued and offer superior long-term growth, and avoid those shares that we view as least attractive. Consequently, its investment performance will often look very different from that produced by the overall market.

The fund can only invest in shares that are listed in South Africa. As a result, it cannot provide diversification into other asset classes or geographies. While the fund can invest in smaller companies, it is expected to always have an allocation biased towards larger companies.

Shares can be volatile investments and the risk of capital loss over the short term is high. However, given its focus on investing only in attractively valued shares that could offer long-term growth, the fund may preserve capital better than its benchmark over the long run.

## HOW LONG SHOULD INVESTORS REMAIN INVESTED?

The fund is managed to deliver the best possible returns over the long term; an investment horizon of 10 years or more is therefore ideal. It is not suitable as a single investment for investors who need to preserve their capital over five years or less.

### WHO SHOULD CONSIDER INVESTING IN THE FUND?

Investors who are building wealth, and who

- are comfortable with full exposure to shares in large companies listed in SA;
- accept that the fund may underperform the market significantly in the short term in pursuit of superior long-term gains;
- are holding Top 20 as one of multiple equity funds in their investment portfolio.

### WHAT COSTS CAN I EXPECT TO PAY?

An annual fee of a minimum of 0.50% and a maximum of 3.00%, depending on the fund's performance, is payable.

If the fund's return (after fees and costs) is equal to that of its benchmark, a fee of 1.00% will be charged. We share in 20% of performance above the benchmark, up to a maximum total annual fee of 3.00%. Performance is measured over a rolling 24-month period.

When the fund return is below the benchmark over a rolling 60-month period the fee is discounted by 0.50%.

All fees exclude VAT. 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.

# WHO ARE THE FUND MANAGERS?



NEVILLE CHESTER BCom, CA (SA), CFA



NICHOLAS STEIN CA (SA), CFA



NICHOLAS HOPS BBusSc,CFA

### GENERAL FUND INFORMATION

Launch Date	2 October 2000
Fund Class	А
Benchmark	FTSE/JSE Capped Shareholders Weighted All Share Index (C-SWIX)
ASISA Fund Category	South African – Equity – SA General
Income Distribution	Semi-annually (March & September)
Investment minimum	R5 000 or R500/m debit order
Bloomberg Code	CORTP20
ISIN Code	ZAE000026431
JSE Code	CNTF

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South African - Equity - SA General **ASISA Fund Category** 

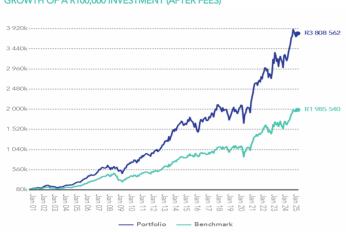
Launch date 02 October 2000 Fund size R28.20 billion NAV 21787.30 cents

Benchmark/Performance FTSE/JSE Capped Shareholders Weighted All Share Index Fee Hurdle Portfolio manager/s Neville Chester, Nicholas Stein and

Nicholas Hops

# PERFORMANCE AND RISK STATISTICS

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



Total Expense Ratio	1 Year* 1.51%	3 Year 1.35%
Fee for performance in line with benchmark	0.99%	1.00%
Adjusted for out/(under)-performance	0.31%	0.17%
Fund expenses	0.01%	0.01%
VAT	0.20%	0.18%
Transaction costs (inc. VAT)	0.29%	0.28%
Total Investment Charge	1.79%	1.63%

# PORTFOLIO DETAIL

# **EFFECTIVE ASSET ALLOCATION EXPOSURE**

Sector	28 Feb 2025
Domestic Assets	100.0%
■ Equities	99.9%
Basic Materials	21.7%
Consumer Goods	9.4%
Consumer Services	16.9%
Telecommunications	1.6%
Financials	31.7%
Technology	18.5%
■ Cash	0.1%

# PERFORMANCE FOR VARIOUS PERIODS (AFTER FEES)

	Fund	Benchmark	Active Return
Since Launch (unannualised)	3708.6%	1885.5%	1823.0%
Since Launch (annualised)	16.1%	13.0%	3.1%
Latest 20 years (annualised)	14.2%	12.8%	1.4%
Latest 15 years (annualised)	11.5%	11.3%	0.2%
Latest 10 years (annualised)	8.1%	8.2%	(0.1)%
Latest 5 years (annualised)	14.9%	14.7%	0.1%
Latest 3 years (annualised)	8.4%	7.5%	1.0%
Latest 2 years (annualised)	7.8%	9.4%	(1.6)%
Latest 1 year	20.6%	22.0%	(1.5)%
Year to date	2.1%	2.2%	(0.1)%

# **RISK STATISTICS SINCE LAUNCH**

	Fund	Benchmark
Annualised Deviation	16.0%	16.8%
Sharpe Ratio	0.52	0.31
Maximum Gain	46.6%	37.4%
Maximum Drawdown	(31.7)%	(43.4)%
Positive Months	60.4%	59.4%

	Fund	Date Range
Highest annual return	68.9%	May 2005 - Apr 2006
Lowest annual return	(31.7%)	May 2002 - Apr 2003

# **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

As at 31 Dec 2024	% of Fund
Prosus Nv	10.0%
Standard Bank Of SA Ltd	9.6%
Anheuser-busch Inbev Sa/nv	8.8%
Naspers Ltd	8.8%
Nedbank Ltd	8.4%
Anglogold Ashanti Ltd	5.3%
Investec Limited	5.2%
Quilter	5.1%
Pepkor Ltd	4.8%
Mondi Limited	4.8%

# **INCOME DISTRIBUTIONS**

Declaration	Payment	Amount	Dividend	Interest
30 Sep 2024	01 Oct 2024	390.96	389.65	1.31
28 Mar 2024	02 Apr 2024	55.44	55.08	0.35
29 Sep 2023	02 Oct 2023	559.04	558.12	0.92
31 Mar 2023	03 Apr 2023	76.91	76.51	0.40

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## MONTHLY PERFORMANCE RETURNS (AFTER FEES)

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
Fund 2025	0.5%	1.6%											2.1%
Fund 2024	(2.5)%	(1.8)%	2.3%	4.2%	2.9%	2.4%	4.3%	1.1%	4.1%	(1.5)%	(1.6)%	(1.4)%	13.0%
Fund 2023	8.3%	(2.2)%	(4.2)%	2.0%	(5.7)%	5.6%	2.3%	(2.7)%	(1.2)%	(4.4)%	9.6%	0.6%	6.7%
Fund 2022	1.8%	3.4%	(0.1)%	(2.3)%	1.4%	(6.6)%	3.2%	(0.9)%	(3.0)%	5.6%	10.4%	(3.0)%	9.0%
Fund 2021	4.5%	5.8%	3.5%	0.3%	0.4%	(2.3)%	3.5%	1.1%	(1.5)%	4.7%	(1.8)%	4.2%	24.1%
Fund 2020	(0.4)%	(8.8)%	(12.4)%	12.4%	1.8%	4.8%	2.4%	(0.3)%	(0.7)%	(5.3)%	13.5%	5.0%	9.0%
Fund 2019	3.2%	3.5%	3.1%	2.6%	(5.1)%	2.3%	(2.0)%	(2.6)%	2.8%	3.9%	0.8%	2.8%	15.8%
Fund 2018	(0.3)%	(2.1)%	(3.4)%	4.8%	(3.4)%	0.9%	0.2%	0.6%	(4.8)%	(2.8)%	(5.7)%	3.8%	(12.2)%
Fund 2017	4.2%	(1.5)%	3.0%	3.6%	(1.1)%	(3.9)%	6.8%	3.2%	(1.1)%	6.3%	0.1%	(2.1)%	18.1%
Fund 2016	(1.4)%	4.8%	10.3%	4.3%	(1.0)%	(2.3)%	4.2%	0.3%	1.8%	(4.0)%	(0.3)%	1.0%	18.3%

<sup>\*</sup>This column shows the most recently available figures for the 12 months ending January 2025. The 12-month TER for the financial year ending September 2024 was 1.63% which included a 0.41% adjustment for out/(under)

Issue date: 2025/03/12 performance and a total investment charge of 1.89%.

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# **CORONATION TOP 20 FUND**

Quarterly Portfolio Manager Commentary



### Please note that the commentary is for the retail class of the Fund.

The final quarter of 2024 saw capital markets continue to experience the volatility that has been ever-present, given the great number of macro and geopolitical events that played out in 2024. On the macro front, we continued to see the markets react monthly to economic data from the US as market players tried to assess the pace and extent of interest rate cuts. On top of this, the sweeping win by Donald Trump and the Republican Party in the US elections saw the US dollar strengthen and most other currencies weaken on fears/expectations of massive tariff hikes (even though economically, these are likely to be detrimental to the US in the long run). The local market was buffeted by these major macro moves, resulting in the rand, bond markets, and equities all finishing weaker in the quarter but not taking too much shine off what was a great overall year for most markets in South Africa.

We took advantage of the market moves to do some repositioning within the Fund. At a sectoral level, we cut the resource position in favour of industrials and, to a lesser extent, financials. Within resources, we have sold out of our holding in Exxaro, a long-held position in the Fund. It has been a good investment for many years, mainly due to the strong cash generation by Exxaro's underlying businesses. However, the prospect of the company misallocating capital under pressure to buy assets outside of its existing businesses has become a significant risk. We also reduced our exposure to Sasol in this period despite the very cheap valuation, as we are no longer particularly bullish on the oil price which is necessary to drive earnings at Sasol given the company's poor production performance and outlook.

In the industrial holdings, we have added two new positions: Woolworths and Vodacom. Both companies' share prices have been weak, and we now believe there to be significant return potential. Vodacom operates the no.1 network in South Africa, but also owns a stake in the very successful Safaricom business in Kenya, which operates M-Pesa, the preeminent African mobile money business. It has also recently purchased a controlling stake in Vodafone Egypt. While South Africa is a mature market, it does generate very strong cash flows, and the growth opportunities in markets like Kenya and Egypt offer potential growth vectors for the company. Egypt, in particular now that its currency has been allowed to float, is an attractive market for Vodacom to generate decent returns.

Woolworths has seen its food and groceries business continue to do well in South Africa, defending its market share in a very competitive market and continuing to innovate, which makes its offerings so desirable. Its clothing business has, however, been the main drag on performance, both in Australia and South Africa. Significant investment is being channelled into the South African business to deliver better product and availability, which should then result in the business stabilising its market share and returning to growth. The market has derated the business substantially, especially when you look at the rating of the other FMCG businesses as well as against the more successful fashion retailers in the local market. With management progressing a turnaround in the fashion business and the potential benefits from an easing interest rate cycle, we see the group as well positioned to outperform from here.

Within financials, we have added to our positions in the banking sector as we continue to expect this industry to be the first beneficiary of an improved South African economic performance. Commercial lending, driven by improved business sentiment, has risen faster than retail lending, and the SARB's recalcitrance to cut interest rates has seen our bank holdings' endowment earnings (the return on group capital) maintain current high levels. The banks are well capitalised, still paying out good dividends to shareholders, and should all be able to deliver at least mid-single-digit earnings growth in the year ahead.

We also added to our holding in Investec, which is part South African bank, but also part UK specialist bank, with a stake in a UK wealth management business. The same drivers as above are relevant for their investment case, as well as the benefit to be derived from synergies after having merged its UK wealth business with Rathbones. Investec is now one of the largest wealth managers in the UK, with good runway for growth and cost-saving synergies.

The calendar year 2024 was a period of politicians making promises and voters making their choices. In 2025, returns are going to be driven by the actual policy decisions being implemented around the world and how these decisions will drive economic outcomes. We remain active in identifying those businesses best able to handle volatility, and those that can take advantage of the potential opportunities.

Portfolio managers
Neville Chester, Nicholas Stein and Nicholas Hops
as at 31 December 2024

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# **CORONATION TOP 20 FUND**

Important Information



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE INVESTING IN THE CORONATION TOP 20 FUND

The Top 20 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. Asset allocation and top 10 holdings are reflected on a look-through basis. 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; 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 A 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.

### HOW ARE THE BENCHMARK RETURNS CALCULATED?

From 1 April 2021 the fund's benchmark is the FTSE/JSE Capped Shareholders Weighted All Share Index which replaces the FTSE/JSE Capped All Share Index. The benchmark returns shown in this MDD will be spliced between the previously applicable index values (includes the Top 40 Index up to 30 September 2015 and CAPI up to 31 March 2021) and the new index returns from 1 April 2021.

Note that we use the formal SA – Equity – General category benchmark as specified in the ASISA Standard on Fund Classification, which is currently the FSTE/JSE All Share 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 a rolling 12-month period to the last available month end (updated monthly). The financial year TER displayed at the bottom of page 2, is the latest available 12-month TER to the end of the previous financial year ending 30 September (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

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