

# **Premier Miton Diversified Growth Fund**

# Sterling class D - Income shares

# Objective

The objective of the fund is to provide capital growth over the long-term, being five years or more. Five years is also the minimum recommended period for holding shares in this fund. This does not mean that the fund will achieve the objective over this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested.

# **Fund facts**

| Fund size       | £456.9m   |
|-----------------|---|
| Launch dates    | Fund - 21 Dec 2010<br>Share class - 05 Nov 2012 |
| Fund structure  | Open Ended Investment<br>Company (OEIC)         |
| Reporting dates | Final - 29 Feb<br>Interim - 31 Aug              |
| Base currency   | GBP   |
| Valuation point | 12:00 noon                                      |
| ISA eligible    | Yes   |
|                 |   |

# Investment Association sector IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares

Performance comparator IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares

Please see page 3 for further information.

# Fund manager



Lead fund manager
Neil Birrell
Joined Premier Miton
Jan 2013
Manager since
Mar 2013

# Risk and reward profile

| 1        | 2        | 3      | 4     | 5         | 6        | 7        |
|----------|----------|--------|-------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Lower r  | isk      |        |       |           | Hig      | her risk |
| Typicall | ly lower | reward | ls Ty | pically h | nigher r | ewards   |
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The fund is ranked as 5 because it has experienced medium to high rises and falls in value over the past five years. Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean a risk-free investment

# Investment overview

- A diversified, multi-asset, directly invested fund.
- Invests in different types of assets, to help spread investment risk and broaden the investment opportunities for generating growth, including fixed income (bonds), equities (company shares), property company shares and alternative investments.
- Between 45% and 75% is invested in equities. The allocation to equities will typically exceed the allocation to all other asset classes, but the fund will never be wholly invested in equities
- The portfolio is actively managed to ensure the appropriate risk is being taken.
- Lead fund manager supported by Premier Miton's specialist investment teams covering the different asset classes.

# Awards and ratings

















Morningstar  $^{\text{M}}$  2024 rating: Three year rating out of 1133 EAA Fund GBP Allocation 60-80% Equity funds as at 28.06.24 Awards and ratings are based on past events and are not an indication of future performance. Ratings are not a recommendation. Please see page 4 for further information.

# Performance summary (%)

Fund share class

- Sterling class D Income shares
- Performance comparator
- Sector: IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares

# Performance since manager start on 18 March 2013



|        | 1 month | 3 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years | 10 years | Manager<br>start |
|--------|---------|----------|--------|---------|---------|----------|------------------|
| ■ Fund | 0.50    | 2.22     | 14.43  | 8.57    | 45.43   | 125.00   | 125.19           |
| Sector | 1.40    | 1.67     | 11.82  | 7.19    | 25.58   | 72.48    | 83.73            |

|        | 2019  | 2020  | 2021  | 2022   | 2023 | YTD  |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|------|
| Fund   | 17.35 | 11.81 | 16.34 | -8.47  | 5.86 | 6.47 |
| Sector | 15.78 | 5.32  | 10.94 | -10.04 | 8.08 | 5.91 |

|        |       | 30.06.20<br>30.06.21 |       |      |       |
|--------|-------|----------------------|-------|------|-------|
| Fund   | 4.97  | 27.61                | -5.52 | 0.42 | 14.43 |
| Sector | -0.11 | 17.29                | -7.16 | 3.25 | 11.82 |

Source: FE Analytics. Based on Sterling class D - Income shares, on a total return basis to 28 June 2024. Performance is shown net of fees with income reinvested. On 20.01.2020, this fund moved from a single pricing basis (mid) to a swing pricing basis.

The performance information presented on this page relates to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Investing involves risk. The value of an investment can go down as well as up which means that you could get back less than you originally invested when you come to sell your investment. The value of your investment might not keep up with any rise in the cost of living. More information about the risks of investment is provided later in this document.



# Portfolio breakdown

# Asset allocation (%)



| ■ Equities                     | 55.3 |
|--------------------------------|------|
| UK equities                    | 23.6 |
| North American equities        | 21.0 |
| Europe ex UK equities          | 6.0  |
| Emerging markets equities      | 2.5  |
| Asia Pacific ex Japan equities | 1.5  |
| Global equities                | 0.4  |
| Japan equities                 | 0.3  |
| Fixed income                   | 18.3 |
| UK corporate bonds             | 10.1 |
| International corporate bonds  | 4.3  |
| Alternative fixed income       | 3.0  |
| Mortgage                       | 0.7  |
| Convertibles                   | 0.1  |
| Alternative investments        | 11.6 |
| Other alternatives             | 9.0  |
| Hedge funds                    | 2.0  |
| Alternative strategies         | 0.4  |
| Listed private equity          | 0.1  |
| Defensive strategies           | 0.1  |
| Property shares                | 10.0 |
| International property shares  | 6.5  |
| UK property shares             | 3.5  |
| ■ Cash                         | 4.8  |

# Largest holdings (%)

| Top 5 equities                                    | 6.3 |
|---|-----|
| Microsoft   | 1.5 |
| Novo Nordisk                                      | 1.3 |
| Broadcom  | 1.3 |
| Stryker   | 1.1 |
| Alpha Group International                         | 1.1 |
| Top 5 non-equities                                | 6.8 |
| Boussard & Gavaudan                               | 1.9 |
| Premier Miton Strategic Monthly Income Bond C Inc | 1.8 |
| Vonovia   | 1.3 |
| Virgin Money UK 4.0% 25/09/2026                   | 0.9 |
| TP ICAP Finance 5.25% 29/05/2026                  | 0.9 |
|   |     |

# Geographic - equities (%)

| UK                    | 42.7 |
|-----------------------|------|
| North America         | 38.0 |
| Europe ex UK          | 10.8 |
| Emerging markets      | 4.4  |
| Asia Pacific ex Japan | 2.8  |
| Global                | 0.6  |
| Japan                 | 0.6  |

# Sector - equities (%)

| Financials             | 21.2 |
|------------------------|------|
| Information Technology | 16.2 |
| Consumer Discretionary | 15.2 |
| Health Care            | 13.7 |
| Industrials            | 10.8 |
| Materials              | 7.4  |
| Consumer Staples       | 6.5  |
| Communication Services | 4.1  |
| Energy                 | 2.5  |
| Real Estate            | 1.5  |
| Utilities              | 0.9  |

# Charges

| Ongoing charges figure (OCF) | 0.56% |
|------------------------------|-------|
| as at 29.02.2024             |       |

The OCF is based on the last year's expenses and may vary from year to year. It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund). The OCF includes the annual management charge. Transaction charges will also apply. Please refer to the total costs & charges document on our website for more information.

| Initial charge | 0 | .( | 0 | 0 | 9 | 6 |
|----------------|---|----|---|---|---|---|
|----------------|---|----|---|---|---|---|

# Charges are taken from income

The fund's charges will be taken from income generated by the fund in the form of interest or dividends. If there is not enough income to cover the charges, the rest of the charges will be taken from the fund's capital which could result in capital erosion or constrain capital growth.



# A typical investor in the fund

# This fund may be compatible for clients who:

- are seeking the potential for long-term growth on their original investment
- can invest for the long-term, by which we mean staying invested for at least 5 years
- do not need a capital guarantee
- understand the risks of investing, including the risk that they could lose some of the amount originally invested
- are comfortable with seeing the value of their investment go up and down.
   There will be times when the value of the fund will fall, especially over the short-term
- understand that there is no guarantee on the amount of investment growth they can expect to receive during the period that they remain invested

# This fund may not be compatible for clients who:

- are fully risk averse / have no risk tolerance
- seek capital preservation
- have a short/medium term investment time horizon
- are seeking to receive a regular income
- are looking for a guaranteed level of investment growth
- would be uncomfortable with seeing the value of their investment fluctuating

# How the fund might perform

This fund invests in different types of assets, such as fixed income investments, including bonds, company shares (known as equities, or stocks), property company shares & alternative investments, such as infrastructure. How those assets perform will impact the performance of the fund. At times the asset classes will perform in similar ways and at other times they will perform differently. The aim is to diversify the fund to take advantage of good market conditions and reduce the impact of bad conditions. If financial markets are rising, the fund will usually provide positive returns and if they are falling, probably negative returns.

Bond markets tend to do better when inflation and interest rates are low or

falling and worse when they are rising. Equity markets tend to do better when economic growth is stronger and worse when it is weaker. Property companies will be impacted by all those factors, in the same way, whilst the alternative investments typically perform in a less correlated way to those factors.

The investment team seek to adjust the amount of the fund that is invested in each asset class according to the financial market conditions and focus on what they view as the most attractive parts of those asset classes at different times as well.

You should expect the fund to perform differently as economic and financial market conditions change over time.

For example, should equity markets rise, the value of the fund is unlikely to rise as much, because it is diversified across different asset classes. There is no guarantee as to how financial markets will perform in the future or how the fund will perform.

This is one of a range of four funds with different risk profiles and, therefore, different potential return profiles. This fund is considered to be the second highest risk one in the range, meaning it should rise by less than the highest risk fund (Premier Miton Diversified Dynamic Growth Fund) when financial markets rise and fall less when they fall.

# Performance comparator

The fund is classified in the IA Mixed Investment 40% to 85% shares sector, which we believe is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the fund.

# Fund codes and investment minimums

| Fund codes |              |  |  |  |
|------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| ISIN       | GB00B8BJV423 |  |  |  |
| Sedol      | B8BJV42      |  |  |  |
| Bloomberg  | PRASCNI:LN   |  |  |  |

# Minimums

| £1m £100,000 £100,000 £1m | Initial | Top-up   | Withdrawal | Holding |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|------------|---------|
|                           | £1m     | £100,000 | £100,000   | £1m     |



# General risks

Investing involves risk. The value of an investment can go down as well as up which means that you could get back less than you originally invested when you come to sell your investment. The value of your investment might not keep up with any rise in the cost of living.

Typically, there is less risk of losing money over the long-term (which we define as over 5 years) from an investment that is considered low risk, although potential returns may also be lower. Investments considered higher risk typically offer greater opportunities for better long-term

returns, though the risk of losing money is also likely to be higher.
Premier Miton is unable to provide investment, tax or financial planning advice. We recommend that you discuss any investment decisions with a financial adviser.

# Specific fund risks

Some of the main specific risks of investing in this fund are summarised here. Further detail is available in the prospectus for the fund.

#### Derivatives

Derivatives may be used within funds for different reasons, usually to reduce risk, which can be called "hedging". This can limit gains in certain circumstances as well. Derivatives can also be used to generate income or to increase the risk being taken, which can have positive or negative outcomes. The derivatives used can be options or futures which are types of contracts that are dealt on an exchange or negotiated with a third party. More complex derivatives may also be used. Derivatives can also introduce leverage to a fund, which is similar to borrowing money to invest.

#### **Equities**

Equities (company shares) can experience high levels of price fluctuation. Smaller company shares can be riskier than the largest companies, companies in less developed countries (emerging markets) can be risker than those in developed countries and funds focused on a particular country or region can be riskier than funds that are more geographically diverse. These risks can result in bigger movements in the value of the fund. Equities can be affected by changes in central bank interest rates and by inflation.

#### Fixed income

Fixed income investments, such as bonds, can be higher risk or lower risk depending on the financial strength of the issuer of the bond, where the bond ranks in the issuer's structure or the length of time until the bond matures. It is possible that the income due or the repayment value will not be met. They can be particularly affected by changes in central bank interest rates and by inflation.

# High volatility

This fund may experience high volatility due to the composition of the portfolio or the portfolio management techniques used.

#### Other investment risks

Funds may have holdings in investments such as commodities (raw materials), infrastructure and property as well as other areas such as specialist lending and renewable energy. These investments will be indirect, which means accessing these assets by investing in companies, other funds or similar investment vehicles. These investments can also increase risk and experience sharp price movements. Funds focused on specific sectors or industries, such as property or infrastructure, may carry a higher level of risk and can experience bigger movements in value. Certain investments can be impacted by decisions made by third parties, such as governments or regulators.

# Other risks

There are many other factors that can influence the value of a fund. These include currency movements, changes in the law, regulations or tax, operational systems or third-party failures, or financial market conditions that make it difficult to buy or sell investments for the fund.



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# Alternative investments / assets

Typically, these are investments other than the more traditional company shares or bonds which could include, for example, commodities (such as gold), infrastructure, private equity, real estate, and hedge funds. Alternative investments can be useful to help with diversification, as some of them are not expected to perform in the same way as more traditional investments.

# Annual management charge (AMC)

The yearly fee paid to Premier Miton for managing a fund, expressed as a percentage of your investment. The AMC does not typically change from year to year.

Different groups of investments such as company shares, bonds, commodities or property.

# Bonds (or fixed income)

Types of investments that allow investors to loan money to governments and companies, usually in return for a regular fixed level of interest until the bond's maturity date, plus the return of the original value of the bond at the maturity date. The price of bonds will vary, and the investment terms of bonds will also vary.

# Capital

Describes financial assets, particularly cash, or other assets, such as shares, owned by a person or organisation.

# Capital growth

The increase in the value of an asset or investment over time, excluding any income received, measured by its current value compared to its purchase cost.

# Convertible bonds

A type of bond that the holder can convert into shares of the issuing company in certain circumstances.

# Diversification

Investing in a number of different investments, which can include different assets, funds and geographic areas, to help spread investment risk.

# **Equities**

Another name for shares (or stock) in a company.

# Government bonds

A type of bond, issued by a government. They pay out a regular fixed amount of interest until the bond's maturity date, when the issue value of the bond should also be repaid. In the UK they are called gilts and in the US they are referred to as treasuries.

# Hedge fund

A portfolio of investments that uses advanced investment strategies. Hedge funds range from low risk to very high risk and are usually not regulated. Investing in hedge funds is usually only suitable for sophisticated, experienced investors.

# Investment Association (IA)

The trade association that represents investment management firms in the UK.

# Investment Association (IA) sectors

To help with comparisons between the thousands of funds available, funds are categorised into different groups or sectors, organised and reviewed by the Investment Association (IA)

# IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector

Funds in this sector are expected to have a range of different investments. However, there is scope for funds to have a high proportion in company shares (equities). A fund must have between 40% and 85% invested in company shares.

- Maximum 85% equity exposure (including convertibles)
- Minimum 40% equity exposure
- No minimum fixed income or cash requirement
- Minimum 50% investment in established market currencies (US Dollar, Sterling & Euro) of which 25% must be Sterling
- Sterling requirement includes assets hedged back to Sterling

# Multi-asset

A fund that invests across a combination of different asset classes, such as commercial property, company shares, bonds and alternative investments with the aim of increasing diversification and reducing risk and achieving specific investment objectives such as paying an income.

# Individual Savings Account (ISA)

A wrapper in which you can place your savings and investments to protect them from some forms of taxation. There are different types of ISA. All of Premier Miton's funds are available for investing in an ISA (with the exception of Premier Miton Capital Financials Securities Fund). HM Revenue & Customs set the amount that you are allowed to invest into an ISA in each tax year. Further details about ISAs, including the current ISA investment limits, can be found on the Government website.

# Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)

A measure of what it costs to invest in a fund over a year. It includes the fee paid to Premier Miton for the management of the fund (known as the annual management charge) and the OCFs of underlying funds that might be held in a portfolio (excluding any Premier Miton funds held) with the remainder covering costs that have to be paid to external companies for other services relating to the ongoing administration and management of a fund, such as the fees paid to the depositary, custodian, regulator, auditor and administrator. The fee is deducted from the value of the fund and reflected in the fund's share price. The OCF is typically calculated once a year and can change from year to year. The OCF does not include transaction costs which are associated with buying and selling investments in a fund.

# Total return

A way of showing how an investment has performed and is made-up of the capital appreciation or depreciation and includes any income generated by the investment. Measured over a set period, it is expressed as a percentage of the value of the investment at the start of that period.

# Contact us

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