



# Absa Prime Equity Fund

## Minimum disclosure document – Month ended 31 January 2024

Please note that this fund is currently undergoing a fund amalgamation balloting process. For more information, please call us on 0860 111 456 or e-mail [utenquiries@absa.co.za](mailto:utenquiries@absa.co.za)

### Fund details

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Industry category	South African EQ General
Benchmark	FTSE/JSE Top 40 Index
Fund launch date	28 September 2001
Class A launch Date	28 September 2001
Fund Size	R 568,71 Million
JSE code	ABRF
Fund Manager	Stephen Arthur – B.Sc. Eng Mining, CFA Dale Hutcheson – BCom, Dip (Acc), HDip (Tax), CA (SA)
Minimum lump sum	R 2000
Minimum Monthly	R 200

### Income distributions - cents per unit (cpu)

Class A	
the 6 months ended 30 Jun 2023	12.75
the 6 months ended 31 Dec 2023	15.24
Income declaration	30 June & 31 December
Income distributions	1 July & 1 January

### Fees and Cost ratio (VAT incl.)

Class A	
Initial Fees:	Absa: 0% Adviser: 0-3.45%
Annual Fees:	Management: 1.15% Adviser: 0-1.15%
Performance Fee:	No

### Costs (annual, based on period shown)

Class A	
For the period to 30/09/2023, from:	01/10/2020
Total expense ratio (TER):	1.17%
Transaction costs (TC):	0.68%
Total investment charges (TER+TC):	1.85%

Please refer to Disclosure section on next page for further information on Fees and Costs

### Performance

Performance: annualised total returns (%)				
Term	Class A	Benchmark	Sector Average	Rank
Launch	13.78	13.68	12.69	9/23
1 Year	-8.57	-4.09	-1.94	164/171
3 Year	8.73	10.12	9.65	111/156
5 Year	9.63	11.12	8.04	46/137
10 Year	8.22	8.77	6.13	12/77

### Performance Yearly returns (%)

Year ending:	Jan'24	Jan'23	Jan'22	Jan'21	Jan'20	Jan'19	Jan'18	Jan'17
Class A	-8.57	13.03	24.38	9.35	12.69	-4.28	10.67	10.26
Benchmark	-4.09	12.99	23.22	17.61	7.87	-6.01	17.82	7.01

Sector Average & rank: applies to the A Class.  
Please refer to Disclosure section on the next page for further information on calculation methodology and source of all performance data content (tables and/or charts) of this MDD.

### Fund objectives

The Absa Prime Equity Fund is in the domestic equity large-cap sector and invest majority of its assets in the South African investment markets at all times

### Fund strategy

The majority of the equity securities will be large capitalisation shares from the FTSE/JSE Top 40 index. The fund will predominantly invest in securities of an equity nature. Our equity investment process is primarily bottom-up stock-picking and valuation focused. The portfolios are managed in line with our pragmatic value investment approach, with the objective of providing real returns to clients.

### Fund features

- A fund ideally suited as part of a long-term investor's core South African equity exposure
- Actively managed with potential capital growth opportunities
- Access to a broadly diversified selection of the largest companies listed on the JSE
- Suitable for investors who seek exposure to the top 40 listed equity shares

### Fund specific risks

Concentration: Investments may be primarily concentrated in specific areas (e.g. countries/geographical regions and/or industry sectors), in terms of investment style (e.g. income or growth), in individual holdings and/or in a number of other ways. This may mean the value of the Fund may decrease whilst more broadly invested funds might grow. Equity investment: The value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. bankruptcy), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company. Liquidity: There may be insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments giving rise to delays in trading and being able to make settlements from the Fund and/or large fluctuations in the value of the Fund which may lead to larger financial losses than anticipated.

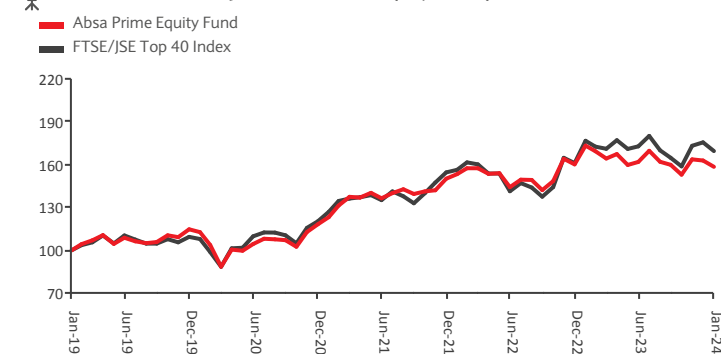
### Risk profile and advisable minimum term



### Risk statistics

Class A	Since Inception (28 September 2001)
Number of positive months	162/268
Highest 1 Year Performance	30/04/2006 74.48%
Lowest 1 Year Performance	28/02/2009 -32.05%

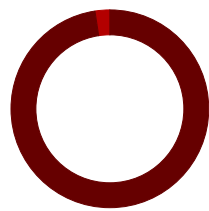
### Cumulative performance (5 years)



The chart reflects the value (monthly data points) of a R100 investment made on the 01/02/2019



## Asset Allocation (%)



■ Equity  
■ Money market  
■ International Equity

## Sector Allocation (%)



■ Energy 0.00%  
■ Telecommunications 0.00%  
■ Technology 15.29%  
■ Health Care 4.38%  
■ Consumer Staples 15.85%  
■ Consumer Discretionary 11.62%  
■ Basic Materials 25.06%  
■ Industrials 6.03%  
■ Financials 21.77%  
■ Real Estate 0.00%

## Top share holding

NASPERS -N	11.18%
ABSA GROUP LTD	7.94%
ANGLO	7.48%
ANGLO GOLD ASHANTI	7.04%
CAPITEC	6.75%
FIRSTRAND	6.55%
BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO PLC	4.99%
COMPAGNIE FINANCIERE	4.50%
BID CORP LTD	4.17%
PROSUS NV	3.75%

## Quarterly fund commentary as at 31 December 2023

The Fund Commentary is provided on a quarterly basis and can be found on [www.absainvestmentmanagement.co.za](http://www.absainvestmentmanagement.co.za) under Unit Trusts Minimum Disclosure Documents. The latest quarterly commentary available is for the quarter ending 31 December 2023.



## Disclosures

97.59%  
2.41%  
0.00%

**Fees:** Class A Adviser annual fee is not included in the annual management fee, it is charged by a way of unit reduction.

**Costs:** All fees quoted on this MDD is inclusive of VAT. Total Expense Ratio ("TER") is expressed as an annualised percentage of the value of the class of the portfolio that was incurred as expenses relating to the administration of the portfolio. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a lower TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an accurate indication of future TER's. Transaction Costs ("TC") is expressed as an annualised percentage of the value of the portfolio that was incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the assets underlying the portfolio. TC are a necessary cost in administering the portfolio and impact returns. TC should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of portfolio, the investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER. Note that the Total investment charges have already been deducted prior to the calculation of the performance figures shown. Fees calculated are inclusive of VAT. All fees disclosed are rounded to 2 decimal places. Full fee disclosure may be obtained from the manager upon request.

**Performance:** Performance is calculated for the portfolio/class of portfolios. Illustrative performance information is included for illustrative purposes only; individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial and ongoing fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax. All figures quoted are from Morningstar and/or IRESS, for the period ending 31/01/2024 (unless otherwise stated), calculated on a NAV to NAV basis, with income distributions reinvested on the ex-dividend date. Annualised figures refer to the average yearly return of an investment over a given time period, all actual annual figures (if not shown) are available on request.

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