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# Sygnia Skeleton Balanced Absolute Fund

# **Fund Class A**

A passively managed, low-risk, multiasset-class global balanced portfolio

Risk profile

Low

Low to Medium

Medium

Medium to High

High

# Investment objective and strategy

The Sygnia Skeleton Balanced Absolute Fund is a South African–Multi-Asset–Low Equity portfolio comprised of investments in multiple asset classes as set out below and may include international assets. The fund targets positive returns over rolling 12-month periods and as such has an absolute return focus. The fund has exposure to both domestic and foreign assets, including equities, fixed income and money market assets, and is comprised of a number of underlying portfolios predominantly managed on a passive, index-tracking basis. The fund targets a performance benchmark of SA CPI + 2%

# Risk profile

The risk in the fund is managed by spreading investments across asset classes to deliver uncorrelated returns over time, ensuring a diverse source of returns over market cycles. Tactical asset allocation is used to take advantage of short-term mispricing opportunities in the market in an efficient and cost-effective manner and as a risk management tool in times of market downturns.

## What the fund invests in

Sector	Percentage	Allocation
Domestic Bonds	24.7	
Domestic Income	23.6	
Domestic Inflation-Linked Bonds	15.0	
Domestic Equities	13.2	
International Equities	8.9	
Domestic Money Market	6.3	
International Fixed Interest	4.6	
International Cash	2.2	
Domestic Property	1.6	

# Who should invest?

The Sygnia Skeleton Balanced Absolute Fund targets a maximum return with a risk target of no negative returns over 12 months. It is a highly suitable vehicle for long-term retirement funds seeking conservative strategies. It is also suited to individual investors seeking to maximise their long-term returns in a risk-controlled manner. The strategy complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act 1956, as amended, and is therefore suitable for investors in retirement annuities and preservation, pension and provident funds.

### **Fees**

Initial fees	N/A	
Management fees	0.35% p.a. (excl. VAT)	
Performance fees	N/A	
Other expenses	0.15% (excl. VAT)	
VAT	0.07%	
Total expense ratio (TER)	0.57% (Mar 2025)	
Transaction costs (TC)	0.04% (Mar 2025)	
Total investment charge (TIC)	0.61% (Mar 2025)	

Sygnia charges an annual management fee, calculated and accrued daily and payable monthly in arrears.



# **Portfolio managers**



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# **Key facts**

**Fund launch date** 23 March 2022

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Fund size R 200.00 Million

Regulation 28 Compliant

Benchmark SA CPI + 2%

# Minimum investment period

2 years

#### Disclosures

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