# LF Blue Whale Growth Fund August 2019

Data as at 31.07.19

## FUND FACTS

Fund launch date	11 September 2017
Fund type	UK OEIC
Lead Fund Manager	Stephen Yiu
Fund size	£205m
No. of holdings	28
IA sector	Global
Avg. market cap	>£100bn
Base currency	GBP
Dividend dates	End of February, August
ACD	Link Fund Solutions (LF)
Depositary	Northern Trust Global Services
Initial Charge	0.0%
Performance Fee	0.0%

### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

- Adobe .
- Ansys
- Autodesk

- Microsoft
- Mastercard
  - Veeva Wyndham Hotels
- **GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN**

US	70.5
UK	12.4
Europe	2.4
Cash	14.7

PayPal

Salesforce Smith & Nephew

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SECTOR BREAKDOWN	%
Technology	43.7
Health Care	15.7
Consumer Discretionary	12.9
Consumer Staples	5.5
Communication Services	5.2
Industrials	2.3
Cash	14.7

# SHARE CLASS DETAILS

Share Class	OCF	SEDOL	ISIN
I Acc (GBP)	0.89%	BD6PG56	GB00BD6PG563
l Inc (GBP)	0.89%	BD6PG67	GB00BD6PG670
R Acc (GBP)	1.14%	BD6PG78	GB00BD6PG787
R Inc (GBP)	1.14%	BD6PG89	GB00BD6PG894
R Acc (EUR)	1.64%	BYVQ1C3	GB00BYVQ1C38

# PERFORMANCE

%

Top 10 45.5



	Blue Whale <sup>1</sup>	MSCI World <sup>2</sup>	FTSE 100 <sup>3</sup>	Peers <sup>4</sup>	<b>Rank</b> ⁵
2019 - to date	+33.2%	+22.3%	+15.7%	+22.6%	#4 of 319
2018	+8.6%	-3.0%	-8.7%	-5.6%	#4 of 296
Since Launch	+48.8%	+23.2%	+10.3%	+20.8%	#4 of 288

1 class Acc shares, net of fees priced at midday UK time, source: Bloomberg. 2MSCI World Index (£ Net) priced at close of business US time, source www.msci.com. 3FTSE 100 Total Return Index (£). 4IA Global Sector, source: Lipper. 5Relative to funds in IA Global Sector, source: Lipper. Chart performance data plotted at monthly intervals; data as at the last day of the calender month. Past performance is not a guide to future performance

# WHY BLUE WHALE GROWTH FUND?

- Hand-picked by Peter Hargreaves to run a substantial portion of his family's wealth
- · Concentrated, best ideas portfolio avoids index hugging and enables material outperformance of the market
- . A truly active, two-pronged investment process focused on both bottom-up fundamentals and valuation
- Able to choose from a global universe of stocks
- · Currently provides high US exposure which helps UK investors diversify their portfolio

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The investment objective of the fund is to achieve capital growth over the long-term by investing in equities on a global basis, with a current focus on developed markets.

The portfolio will be concentrated, generally comprising between 25 to 35 stocks.

In our view investments must fall into the below criteria in order to qualify for selection within the portfolio;

- 1. The business must be fundamentally attractive;
  - · it has the ability to grow and improve profitability over the long term
  - it must not face structural or imminent cyclical issues

2. The business must have an attractive price:

- the business must have a current valuation that is attractive relative to its future growth and profitability
- · we expect the business to receive favourable revisions of medium-term consensus growth and profitability expectations

These criteria enable the Investment Manager to select investments from a broad range of geographies and sectors with no particular sector or style bias.

The Investment Manager will conduct detailed bottom-up fundamental research on each potential investment and in most cases produce their own financial model and forecasts of future performance.



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