

Australian Shares Trust

Investment objective

To provide capital growth of your investment over the long term by investing in a diversified portfolio of Australian shares, and to achieve a total return after fees in excess of the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index over a rolling seven-year period.

Features	Information
APIR code	IOF0092AU
Inception date	April 2008
Minimum suggested investment time frame	7-10 years
Risk/return profile	High
Benchmark	S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index
Income distribution frequency	Half yearly (as at 30 June and 31 December)
Fund size	\$556.56m

Investment minimums	
Initial investment	\$25,000
Additional investment	\$5,000
Switch/withdrawal	\$5,000

Total estimated management costs as at 30/06/2022 ¹	
Estimated management fee	0.80% pa
Estimated performance fee	0.26% pa
Total estimated management cost	1.06% pa

Performance ² as at 31/05/2023

	3 mths %	6 mths %	1 year %	3 years % pa	5 years % pa
Total return	-0.80	-1.69	0.24	9.73	7.17
Benchmark	-0.96	-0.80	2.37	11.33	7.43

Performance data provided by FE fundinfo.

Investment strategy

The Trust generally gains its investment exposure by investing in a well diversified portfolio of Australian share investment managers.

The Trust's investments generally provide exposure to stocks within the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index.

The Trust aims to be fully invested at all times with cash exposure not exceeding 10% for any length of time.

The Trust is authorised to utilise approved derivative instruments subject to the specific restriction that derivative instruments cannot be used to gear the portfolio exposure.

Quarter highlights as at 31/03/2023

- Australian Equities posted positive gains in the March quarter with the index advancing by 3.33%. Overall the trust underperformed over the quarter. There were no manager changes over the quarter.
- Northcape outperformed with positive stock selection in Financials, Industrials and Materials contributing favourably to performance.
- Selector outperformed due to positive selection in Industrials and Healthcare. An overweight to Information Technology also contributed favourably to performance.
- Acorn underperformed the ASX 300 and its own benchmark the Emerging Companies Index. Underperformance was due to the manager being exposed to a number of small cap stocks which posted steep share price falls.
- Legg Mason Martin Currie underperformed due to overweight Financials & Energy underweight Materials AA positioning coupled with negative stock selection in Industrials.

Manager weightings as at 31/05/2023

Asset class	Investment manager/s strategy	Manager style/strategy description	Asset allocation %
Australian shares	Acorn Capital Limited	Micro-caps, active long only	5.78
Australian shares	AllianceBernstein Investment Management Australia Limited	Managed volatility and concentrated value	15.56
Australian shares	Invesco Australia Limited	Quantitative, bottom-up, multi-factor approach	0.90
Australian shares	Franklin Templeton Martin Currie Australia Limited	Dynamic value	15.33
Australian shares	Northcape Capital Pty Ltd	Quality	13.64
Australian shares	OC Funds Management Limited	Small cap and micro-cap	9.25
Australian shares	Quest Asset Partners Pty Limited	Fundamental quality and growth	15.48
Australian shares	Boutique Manager Portfolio	Diversified Australian shares	11.74
Australian shares	Vinva Investment Management Limited	Quantitative	11.87
Australian shares	Transactional cash (IOOF Investment Services Ltd)	Transactional cash	0.10
Cash and short-term securities	IOOF Investment Services Ltd	Short-term money market securities	0.35

Top holdings - Australian shares³ as at 31/03/2023

Holding	Weight
BHP Group Ltd	5.83%
CSL Limited	3.85%
Transurban Group Ltd.	3.17%
National Australia Bank Limited	3.04%
Macquarie Group, Ltd.	2.96%
Telstra Group Limited	2.66%
QBE Insurance Group Limited	2.05%
Woodside Energy Group Ltd	2.01%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	2.01%
Brambles Limited	2.00%

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Notes to the trust profile

- The total estimated management cost includes the management fee and any performance fees (shown if applicable) that may be charged by underlying investment managers. These costs are subject to change from time to time and may vary depending on changes to the composition of the underlying assets, changes in exposure to underlying investment managers and where any unusual or non-recurrent expenses are incurred. Estimated performance fees if applicable are indicative and have been based on the annualised performance fees incurred as at 30 June 2022. Please refer to the latest PDS and www.ioof.com.au for full details on fees and costs.
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- Information shown may include data provided by some investment managers from the prior month.

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