

CUT THROUGH VENTURE · INVESTOR GUIDE

Who to research before you raise

69 Australian startup investors across three stages, chosen from the last two years of deal data.

Pre-seed and seed

296 rounds counted

57 firms

43 generalist · 14 specialist

Series A

88 rounds counted

40 firms

31 generalist · 9 specialist

Series B and growth

97 rounds counted

22 firms

17 generalist · 5 specialist

HOW THE LISTS WERE BUILT

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Count the deals

We took all 481 announced Australian rounds from pre-seed to growth in our deal database, January 2025 to October 2026, and counted the rounds each investor joined, as lead or follower.

2

Shortlist and review

The most active investors at each stage made the shortlist. Our team then reviewed every list, only adjusting due to fund name changes or combinations.

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Group by focus

Generalists back founders across sectors. Specialists focus on a sector or on female founders. Within each group, firms are listed alphabetically, not ranked.

57 investors to research before your first raise

Australian backers of pre-seed and seed rounds, grouped by focus and listed alphabetically.

296

pre-seed and seed rounds tracked, 2025 to 2026 YTD

Generalist

Back founders across sectors

43 FIRMS

77 Partners	Co Ventures	OIF Ventures
Admiralty Capital Group	Empress Capital	Purpose Ventures
AirTree Ventures	EVP	QIC
Antler	Five V Capital	Rampersand
Archangel Ventures	Flying Fox Ventures	Scalare Partners
Artesian	Folklore Ventures	Shearwater Capital
Aura Ventures	Galileo Ventures	Side Stage Ventures
BetterLabs	Gandel Invest	Skip Capital
Black Nova VC	Glitch Capital	Square Peg
Black Sheep Capital	Innovation Bay	Tall Order
Blackbird Ventures	InterValley Ventures	TEN13
Blue Corridor	Investible	Tidal Ventures
Brisbane Angels	Jelix Ventures	Tribe Global Ventures
Carthona Capital	M8 Ventures	
CMACK Ventures	NextGen	

Specialist

Focused on a sector or on female founders

14 FIRMS

Aliavia Ventures Female founders	Metagrove Ventures Industrial tech	TripleBubble Fintech
Brandon Capital Life sciences	Possible Ventures Impact deep tech	Uniseed University research
Electrifi Ventures Climate	Scale Investors Female founders	Unlock Capital Physical AI
Giant Leap Fund Impact	Tenacious Ventures Agritech	Virescent Ventures Climate
Main Sequence Deep tech	Tenmile Health	

40 investors to research before your Series A

88

Australian backers of Series A rounds, grouped by focus and listed alphabetically.

Series A rounds tracked, 2025 to 2026 YTD

Generalist Back founders across sectors

31 FIRMS

Admiralty Capital Group	Five V Capital	QIC
AirTree Ventures	Folklore Ventures	Salter Brothers
Archangel Ventures	Gandel Invest	Shearwater Capital
Artesian	Glitch Capital	Skip Capital
Athletic Ventures	InterValley Ventures	Square Peg
Bailador	Investible	TEN13
BetterLabs	Jelix Ventures	Tidal Ventures
Blackbird Ventures	Marbruck	Tribe Global Ventures
Carthona Capital	OIF Ventures	Wunala Capital
Ellerston Capital	OneVentures	
EVP	Purpose Ventures	

Specialist Focused on a sector or on female founders

9 FIRMS

Brandon Capital Life sciences	Salus Ventures Defence	Uniseed University research
Giant Leap Fund Impact	Tenmile Health	Virescent Ventures Climate
Main Sequence Deep tech	TripleBubble Fintech	Wollemi Capital Climate

22 investors to research for Series B and growth

97

Australian backers of Series B, later-stage and growth rounds, grouped by focus and listed alphabetically.

Series B and later rounds tracked, 2025 to 2026 YTD

Generalist Back founders across sectors

17 FIRMS

AirTree Ventures	Marbruck
Athletic Ventures	OIF Ventures
Bailador	OneVentures
Blackbird Ventures	Salter Brothers
Ellerston Capital	Skip Capital
EVP	Square Peg
Five V Capital	UniSuper
Hostplus	Wunala Capital
King River Capital	

Specialist Focused on a sector or on female founders

5 FIRMS

Brandon Capital Life sciences	TripleBubble Fintech
Main Sequence Deep tech	Uniseed University research
Tenmile Health	

Compiled by Cut Through Venture from announced Series B to H and growth rounds, January 2025 to October 2026, and its own research. Not an endorsement of any fund or group named. Some active investors invest in stealth and may not appear. Check stage, sector, geography and cheque size before you reach out.