

## **Heriot Global Smaller Companies Fund**

### Monthly Factsheet as at 30 June 2025

Key Facts				
Fund Size	£15.3m			
Fund Yield	1.3%			
7 Day Fund Liquidity^	100%			
Number of Holdings	59			
Average Market Cap	\$8.0bn			
Median Market Cap	\$6.5bn			
Active Share*	99%			

All data as at 30/06/2025.

**Annual Management** 

**Dividend Payment** 

Charge (AMC)

Sources: Waystone Management (UK) Limited, Bloomberg, MSCI.

### FE fundinfo Crown Rating



### **General Information**

Investment Manager	Dundas Global Investors
Portfolio Managers	Gavin Harvie Co-Manager Andrew Brown Co-Manager Alan McFarlane David Keir James Curry
Fund Type	UK OEIC
Launch Date	27 September 2021
Base Currency	GBP
Accumulation Shares	Dividends Reinvested
Income Shares	Dividends Paid Out
Initial Charge	n/a

Authorised Corporate Waystone Management (UK)
Director Limited

0.85%

End January & July

**Depository**The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

Auditor Cooper Parry

Dealing (Pricing) Daily (8am)

IA Sector Global

**Dividend Ex Dates** End May & November

### Investor Profile

- Wants total return through capital and dividend growth
- Accepts the risk associated with the volatile nature of equity investments
- Plans to hold their investment for at least five years
- Favours a portfolio with defensive characteristics
- Prefers no investment in tobacco or cluster bomb manufacturers

### **Fund Objective**

The aim of the Fund is to provide capital appreciation over the long term (5 years or more).

The Fund is not constrained by a benchmark and will invest in shares of companies in any country and in any sector. These will typically, at the time of initial purchase, have a market capitalisation that is no larger (by market capitalisation) than the largest company in the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index. The Investment Manager will monitor the market capitalisation of companies held and will, using its discretion, seek, at the timing of its choice, to dispose of those holdings where the company's market capitalisation has consistently outgrown that of the largest company in the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index.

### **Portfolio Comment**

During the month two US listed stocks, **Bio-Techne** the global life sciences company which provides innovative tools and bioactive reagents for the research and clinical diagnostic communities and **LeMaitre Vascular** which focuses on the design, marketing, sales, service, and technical support of medical devices and implants for the treatment of peripheral vascular disease, were purchased. There were no complete sales. The top five contributors were **Disco Corp, Japan Elevator Service Holdings, Halma, Inficon** and **Gaztransport**. The bottom five detractors were **Paycom Software, Ryan Specialty Holdings, Trend Micro, MonotaRo** and **GlobalData**.

The monthly dividend average increase was 5.9% and the announcements consisted of :- **Halma** 7.0% and **GB Group** 4.8%.



Cumulative	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	Since launch**
Heriot Smaller Companies Fund A Acc	0.3%	5.9%	2.2%	2.2%	6.7%	16.1%	-7.1%
MSCI ACWI Small Cap	3.2%	5.8%	-1.4%	-1.4%	4.8%	25.9%	9.5%
IA Global	2.3%	5.6%	0.6%	0.6%	4.4%	33.0%	17.6%
Quartile	4	2	1	1	2	4	4

Source: Morningstar Direct as at 30 June 2025. Total Return in GBP, Bid to Bid. Tax UK Net. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. The value of your investment and the income derived from it can go down as well as up and you may not get back the money you invested. \*\*Since Fund launch on 27 September 2021.

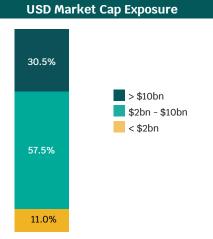
<sup>^</sup>Basis: 25% of trailing 20 day average daily volume

<sup>\*</sup>compared to the MSCI All Country World Small Cap Index



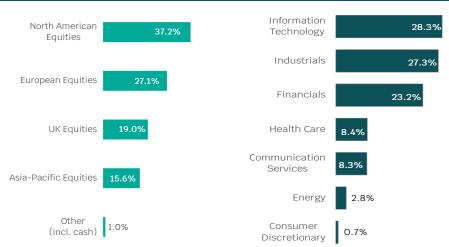
#### **Top 10 Holdings** % of Portfolio Rightmove 3.58 **RB** Global 3.52 Ryan Specialty 3 39 TMX Group 3 23 Mensch Und Maschine 3.19 Halma 3 04 AJ Bell 2.77 Paycom Software 2 76 Gaztransport 2 74 Watts Water 2.69 TOTAL 30 91

Source: Waystone Management (UK) Limited & Bloomberg as at 30/06/2025



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# **Regional and Sector Exposure**



Source: Waystone Management (UK) Limited & Bloomberg as at 30/06/2025. Note: Numbers may not sum precisely due

### **About Dundas Global Investors**

- Single strategy focus
- Experienced team, independent, co-investors
- Over £2.0 billion assets under management
- High conviction, long-term approach
- All research conducted in-house
- Signatory to the Principles for Responsible Investment since 2012





### **Fund Attributes**

- Portfolio aligned with the biggest factor driving long-term equity return; sustainable dividend
- Low portfolio turnover with long-term holding periods
- Sector, region and market cap diversification built bottom-up, stock by stock
- Strong ESG scoring

- Approximately 60 global listed companies with high returns on equity and strong free cash flows

Shareclass Information							
GBP	Minimum Investment	Ongoing Charge (OCF)*		ISIN	SEDOL		
		Annual Charge (AMC)	Other Costs & Charges				
A Acc	£10,000	0.85%	0.10%	GB00BNHRF767	BNHRF76		
A Inc	£10,000	0.85%	0.10%	GB00BNHRF874	BNHRF87		

### **How to Invest**

You can buy shares in the fund by visiting:

https://www.fundsolutions.net/uk/heriot-global/

By telephoning Waystone Management (UK) Limited: 0115 988 8272

Or via the following platforms:

7IM abrdn Elevate abrdn Wrap Aegon Aegon ARC AJ Bell Allfunds Aviva Fidelity FNZ Hargreaves Lansdown Hubwise Interactive Investor James Hay M&G Nucleus Pershing Nexus Quilter Transact True Potential

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Source: Waystone Management (UK) Limited as at 30/06/2025.
\*The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) covers all aspects of operating a fund. It is made up of the Annual Management Charge (AMC) and other charges. It does not include the cost of buying and selling stocks for the fund. The OCF is currently on a capped rate.



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- Sustainability label. The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) has issued standards governing the use of sustainability vocabulary in the promotion and description of fund and asset management services. Funds may adopt one of four FCA labels describing their approach, or they may opt not to have a label. For reasons discussed below, Dundas has decided for the present to operate without a label for its two UK domiciled funds Heriot Global and Heriot Global Smaller Companies.
- Dundas makes investment decisions in large part based upon audited annual reports which in recent years have expanded to address wider sustainability matters. Disclosure on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and sustainability has improved but remains incomplete, inconsistent, and heavily reliant on estimation. In response new IFRS Sustainability accounting standards were issued in 2023 (now out for adoption across the world outside the USA, where GAAP standards are moving in the same direction) effective 1 January 2024. Dundas welcomes the new standards. They are thorough, stringent and, when fully adopted, will raise and level the playing field for corporate sustainability reporting.
- Dundas is already engaged with the companies in which it invests about the new standards. We will reevaluate the appropriateness of adopting a label once our analysis of improved sustainability reporting is complete.
- Sustainability Goal: to invest in companies with long-term growth potential that are simultaneously becoming more environmentally and socially sustainable. Progress will be measured largely via reporting under the new IFRS Sustainability standards. Dundas believes that companies which shoulder these responsibilities and communicate effectively will gain competitive advantage which is why we advocate for sustainable practices by those we invest in.
- Investment Policy and Strategy: Dundas invests in global equities for dividend and capital growth with an investment horizon of five years or more. Where dividend growth leads, share prices follow. Sustained dividend growth is produced by well managed companies that respect all their stakeholders' interests. The case for responsible investment in sustainable businesses is readily made by its opposite. A portfolio of irresponsible companies with unsustainable businesses will not meet clients' long-term investment needs. The actions of the companies Dundas invests in (i.e. the enterprise contribution) are the main driver of sustainability metrics.
- Stocks we decline to own on principle because their principal activity is one of the following:
  - Manufacture, production or distribution of tobacco products;
  - Manufacture of controversial and indiscriminate weapons (including cluster bombs or similar anti-personnel weapons):
  - Corporate structures that deny investors title to the underlying operating business assets, such as Variable Interest Entities:
  - State-owned or controlled companies where minority shareholders' interests are not respected.
  - Thermal coal mining or its use in power generation.
- Relevant Metrics: Dundas monitors the progress of the businesses it invests in on behalf of clients against metrics such as: carbon footprint, carbon intensity, weighted average carbon intensity (all for Scope 1 and 2 emission), MSCI ESG ratings, board independence, workforce pay & conditions, employee turnover, productivity. We rely upon MSCI and Bloomberg reports whose accuracy will improve as IFRS Sustainability standards are applied.

Progress on these metrics will be covered in our annual Stewardship Report and TCFD document along with discussion on quality and availability of data from audited sources.

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