

High Yield Bond Fund



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Fund Objective

To produce a combination of income and capital growth.

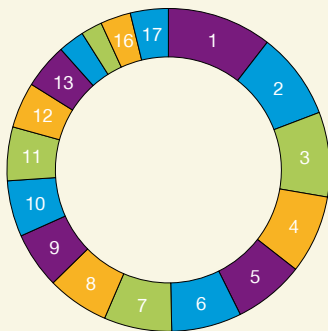
The fund will invest at least 80% in sub-investment grade bonds and will be actively managed. Bonds are primarily of European currency, hedged to sterling.

The manager believes an appropriate comparison for this Fund is the Investment Association Sterling High Yield Bond sector average given the investment policy of the Fund and the approach taken by the manager when investing.

Key Information

Fund Managers	Robert Baltzer / Lucy Isles
Launch Date	30 November 2001
Fund Size	£773.05m
IA Sector	£ High Yield

Sector Analysis of Total Assets



1	Basic Industry	10.5%
2	Telecommunications	8.7%
3	Media	8.5%
4	Capital Goods	7.9%
5	Leisure	7.1%
6	Retail	7.0%
7	Financial Services	6.8%
8	Insurance	6.2%
9	Services	5.6%
10	Real Estate	5.6%
11	Automotive	5.4%
12	Banking	4.6%
13	Health Care	4.5%
14	Utility	2.6%
15	Technology & Electronics	2.1%
16	Others	3.0%
17	Cash & Derivatives	3.8%

Total may not sum due to rounding.

Periodic Performance

	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years (p.a.)	5 Years (p.a.)
Class B-Inc (%)	3.6	11.9	5.7	5.4
Sector Ranking	15/43	18/41	6/34	5/31
Sector Average (%) *	3.1	10.9	4.4	4.5

Performance source: FE, total return in sterling.

Returns reflect the annual charges but exclude any initial charge paid

* IA £ High Yield Sector.

Investment Proposition

Performance is driven by bottom-up bond selection. Rigorous, forward-looking research identifies a diverse range (50-90 holdings) of under-appreciated, resilient businesses to invest in over the long term (3-5 years or more).

Top Ten Physical Bond Holdings*

Holdings	% of Total Assets
1 Netflix 4.625% 2029	2.4
2 Aroundtown Properties 3.75% 2023 Perp	2.2
3 Unicredit 4.875% 2024/29	2.1
4 Darling Ingredients 3.625% 2026	2.0
5 Residomo 3.375% 2024	1.9
6 Co-operative Group 7.5% 2026	1.9
7 Arqiva Group 6.75% 2023	1.8
8 LeasePlan 7.375% 2024 Perp AT1	1.8
9 Pure Gym 6.375% 2025	1.8
10 Virgin Media 5% 2027	1.8
Total	19.6

*The Fund may also hold derivative positions for hedging purposes.

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Charges and Yield

	Initial Charge	Ongoing Charge	Distribution Yield	Underlying Yield
Class B-Inc (%)	0.00	0.37	4.2	3.8
Class B-Acc (%)	0.00	0.37	4.2	3.8

The ongoing charge figures are at 30 September 2019.

Annual Discrete Performance

	31/12/14-31/12/15	31/12/15-31/12/16	31/12/16-31/12/17	31/12/17-31/12/18	31/12/18-31/12/19
Class B-Inc (%)	0.2	10.1	8.1	-2.5	11.9
Sector Average (%) *	-0.7	10.1	6.1	-3.2	10.9

Performance source: FE, total return in sterling.

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Additional Fund Information

The Fund is a sub-fund of the Baillie Gifford Bond Funds ICVC (Investment Company with Variable Capital) which is an umbrella Open-Ended Investment Company. Its Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD') is Baillie Gifford & Co Limited.

The Distribution Yield reflects the annualised income of the Fund (calculated in accordance with relevant accounting standards) as a percentage of the mid-market share price of the Fund (excluding tax) as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot or the portfolio on that day.

The Underlying Yield reflects the annualised income net of expenses of the Fund (calculated in accordance with relevant accounting standards) as a percentage of the mid-market share price of the Fund (excluding tax) as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot or the portfolio on that day.

The Distribution yield is higher than the Underlying Yield because the Fund's expenses are charged to capital. This has the effect of increasing distributions and constraining the Fund's capital performance.

The ongoing charges figure is based on the expenses for the financial year and may vary from year to year. It excludes the cost of buying and selling assets for the Fund although custodian transaction costs are included. Further explanation of all the charges and costs relating to this Fund can be found in the Enhanced Disclosure of Fund Charges and Costs document which is available through our website, www.bailliegifford.com.

Further Information

Any comments expressed in this factsheet should not be taken as a recommendation or advice.

This factsheet does not provide you with all the facts that you need to make an informed decision about investing in the Fund. You need to read the associated Key Investor Information Document and Supplementary Information Document and decide whether to contact an authorised intermediary.

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Risk Warnings

Investment markets can go down as well as up and market conditions can change rapidly. The value of an investment in the Fund, and any income from it, can fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future returns.

The specific risks associated with the Fund include:

- Bonds issued by companies and governments may be adversely affected by changes in interest rates, expectations of inflation and a decline in the creditworthiness of the bond issuer. The issuers of bonds in which the Fund invests may not be able to pay the bond income as promised or could fail to repay the capital amount.
- The Fund's concentrated portfolio relative to similar funds may result in large movements in the share price in the short term.
- Derivatives may be used to obtain, increase or reduce exposure to assets and may result in the Fund being leveraged. This may result in greater movements (down or up) in the price of shares in the Fund. It is not our intention that the use of derivatives will significantly alter the overall risk profile of the Fund.
- Market values for securities which are difficult to trade may not be readily available and there can be no assurance that any value assigned to such securities will accurately reflect the price the Fund might receive upon their sale.
- Custody of assets involves a risk of loss if the custodian becomes insolvent or breaches duties of care.
- The Fund's share price can be volatile due to movements in the prices of the underlying holdings and the basis on which the Fund is priced
- From 1 October 2019 the Fund's expenses will be taken from the Fund's capital. This will reduce the capital value of the Fund. The figure for the current financial period has not yet been determined.

Further details of the risks associated with investing in the Fund can be found in the Key Investor Information Document, copies of which are available at www.bailliegifford.com, or the Prospectus which is available by calling the ACD.

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Target Market

This Fund is suitable for all investors seeking a Fund that aims to deliver income and capital growth over a medium- or long-term investment horizon. The investor should be prepared to bear losses. This Fund is compatible for mass market distribution. This Fund may not be suitable for investors seeking capital protection and investing for less than three years.



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