



# Montanaro European Smaller Companies Trust

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#### 31 March 2024

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#### **Fund Objective**

To achieve capital growth by investing principally in Continental European quoted smaller companies. The Company's benchmark index is the MSCI Europe SmallCap (ex UK) Index (in sterling terms).

#### **Key Information**

Fund Launch	04/09/2006‡
Legal Status	UK Investment Trust
Listing	London Stock Exchange
Dividend Dates	January and July/August

Price	142.5p
NAV <sup>†</sup>	164.77p
Discount	-14%

#### **Performance**

Cumulative Retu	rns (£)								
	YTD	1M	3M	6M	12M	3Y	5Y	10Y	Launch
Trust (Price)	4.8%	4.2%	4.8%	19.3%	3.6%	-11.5%	60.1%	163.9%	346.4%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	4.6%	3.3%	4.6%	19.1%	4.0%	3.7%	63.0%	177.7%	382.0%
Benchmark *	1.7%	3.5%	1.7%	11.8%	3.4%	-0.1%	32.1%	86.7%	187.5%

#### **Fund Facts**

Fund Manager	George Cooke
Backup Fund Manager	Stefan Fischerfeier
Benchmark	MSCI Europe SmallCap xUK
Net Assets	£312 million
Gross Assets	£321 million
No.of Holdings	50
Median Mkt Cap	£2,021 million

2.9% Gearing

Annual Returns (f) [Financial Year End - 31 March]

Allitual Neturns (±) [Financial real End - 51 March]									
	FYTD	22/23	21/22	20/21	19/20	18/19	17/18	16/17	15/16
Trust (Price)	3.6%	-18.1%	4.3%	83.0%	-1.1%	11.3%	15.1%	28.7%	4.9%
Trust (NAV) <sup>†</sup>	4.0%	-7.6%	7.9%	66.1%	-5.3%	12.2%	10.7%	27.7%	11.4%
Benchmark*	3.4%	-5.5%	2.2%	55.6%	-15.1%	-6.3%	9.9%	25.5%	7.8%

#### **ESG**

Carbon Intensity	32.3
Water Intensity	1,628.3
Waste Intensity	13.4
Fund FSG Score*	6.43

<sup>\*</sup>The Fund ESG Score is the weighted average of Montanaro's proprietary company ESG Checklist scores (0-10: 10 is best).

#### **Cumulative Performance Since Inception**



Source: Montanaro, Bloomberg. NAV to NAV, fully diluted.

‡The date Montanaro took over the Trust

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## **Risk & Reward Profile**



These numbers rate how the Fund may perform and the risk of losing some or all of your investment. In general the potential for higher returns also implies a higher level of risk. However, the lowest category (1) does not mean a risk free investment.

This risk rating is based on historical data which may not be a reliable indication of the future risks and rewards of the fund. The risk rating of

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results. All investments are subject to risk and the value of shares and the income from them can fall as well as rise due to stock market and currency movements. You may not get back as much as you originally invested.

For further information please see the Risk and Reward section of the Key Investor Information Document (KID).

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<sup>\*</sup> Effective June 1st 2009 the index used in this factsheet for comparison purposes is the MSCI European Smaller Companies Index ex-UK (Capital Return). The performance history prior to June 1st 2009 was the MSCI European Smaller Companies Index (Capital Return).

<sup>†</sup> NAV excludes income

Top 10 Holdings	
NCAB	4.4%
Atoss	4.4%
MTU Aero Engines	4.4%
CTS Eventim	4.1%
Fortnox	3.9%
IMCD	3.7%
Esker	3.2%
Kitron	3.1%
VZ	3.0%
Brunello Cucinelli	3.0%
	37.1%

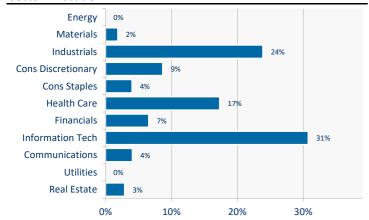
Risk Analysis		
	Fund	Index
Jensen's Alpha (annual)	1.8%	
Beta	1.36	1.00
Standard Deviation	25.0%	16.4%
Sharpe Ratio	-0.01	-0.09
Tracking Error	12.7%	
Information Ratio	0.1	
Active Share	91.9%	

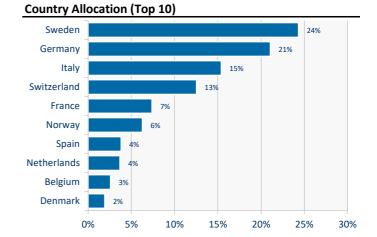
Note: risk statistics over three years

Price / Earnings 24F	26.6
EPS Growth 24F	3.7%
Dividend Yield 24F	1.8%
Dividend Growth 24F	7.1%
Return on Equity 24F	16.0%
EV/EBITDA 24F	20.1
EBIT Margin 24F	21.5%
Net Debt/Equity 24F	-3.7%

Source: Factset consensus estimates

#### **Sector Allocation**



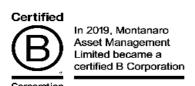


#### **Share Information**

Currency	Ticker	ISIN	SEDOL	Launch	Price	NAV	Discount	Ongoing Charge	Annual AMC	Perf Fee	High Water Mark	SRRI
Sterling	MTE LN	GB00BM8H3X05	вм8н3х0	04/09/2006‡	142.5p	164.77p	-14%	1.03%*	0.90%	N/A	N/A	5

<sup>\*</sup>The costs of buying and selling investments are excluded, as are interest costs, taxation, non-recurring costs and the costs of buying back or issuing Ordinary shares.

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