

## Introduction

The principal objective of the Sintra Global Fund is to grow investor wealth over the long-term while maintaining a capital preservation focus by investing in a portfolio of Australian and International securities.

As at 31 March 2024	1 Mth	3 Mths	6 Mths	12 Mths	Since Inception*	Since Inception p.a.*
Sintra Global Fund Performance <sup>1</sup>	1.08%	5.47%	13.40%	16.52%	27.32%	14.80%
<sup>1</sup> Net of fees						* Inception date: 1 July 2022

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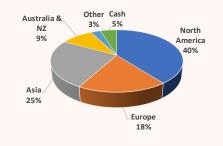
### **Core Portfolio Holdings**

Alphabetical Order

Alphabet	Flutter
Amazon	Microsoft
Aristocrat	Seven Group
ASML	Universal Music
Deckers	Visa

#### **Geographic Exposure**

by Revenue Source



### Sector Exposure



"It's tough to make predictions, especially about the future." - Yogi Berra

### **Market Commentary**

The strong performance enjoyed by global equity markets to start 2024 continued in March as investors gained greater comfort that interest rates have peaked with no damage done to the real economy. US Corporate earnings remain robust underpinned by a healthy consumer who are reaping the benefits of full employment and wage growth not seen for 20 years. Predictions around the timing and trajectory of rate cuts are dominating the headlines. But does it really matter? Whether it is this quarter or in 2025, the next move will almost certainly be down. Regardless, we believe the economy is considerably more important and any delay in rate cuts naturally implies a stronger economic backdrop. And not wanting to complicate matters further, this is an election year and any movement (or not) by the Federal Reserve could be construed as political.

With the prospect of rates staying higher for longer, our focus on companies with strong balance sheets remains unchanged. Core portfolio holding **Microsoft** is a perfect example. The world simply cannot function without their products. If they doubled prices tomorrow, businesses would have no alternative but to pay it. The textbook definition of pricing power.

The AUD appreciated by 0.4% versus the USD for the month. The Sintra Global Fund is currently hedged 66% back to the AUD, partially protecting the portfolio from March's rise.

## **Key Portfolio Contributors**

**Freeport (+24%):** Benefited from a rising copper price as expectations of a supply shortage gain momentum. The rise of AI and cloud computing is seeing a significant expansion of the data centre market, amplifying the demand for copper. Anecdotally, Microsoft's US\$500m data centre in Chicago required 2,177 tonnes of copper for its construction. In addition, any improvement in the China macro environment will further drive positive investor sentiment.

**Flutter (-8%):** Regulatory concerns in the US around potential marketing restrictions along with legislation to impose Federal oversight of online sports betting businesses weighed on the stock. Any such changes can take many years to play out and we expect will only have a minimal impact on profitability. Management has significant experience in successfully navigating the regulatory landscape in a wide variety of jurisdictions Including Australia and the UK. We took advantage of the share price weakness to add to our position.

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#### Why Sintra?

Skilled portfolio managers with Combined 45+ years of equity market experience Long-term track records of superior investment performance

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High conviction portfolio consisting of 20-30 companies One fund; One focus; Zero Conflicts 5

Genuine partnership approach - Principals invest alongside clients and on the same terms

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