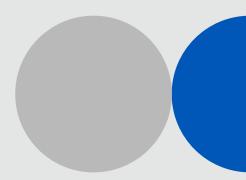


# Murray International Trust PLC

A high conviction global portfolio designed to deliver a strong and rising income and to grow capital

Performance Data and Analytics to 31 March 2024



# Investment objective

The aim of the Company is to achieve an above average dividend yield, with long term growth in dividends and capital ahead of inflation, by investing principally in global equities.

# Reference Index

FTSE All-World TR Index.

# Cumulative performance (%)

	as at 31/03/24	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years	5 years
Share Price	248.5p	1.8	(2.8)	6.7	(2.9)	17.7	33.6
NAV <sup>A</sup>	279.4p	2.3	3.6	10.3	9.1	35.7	51.9
Reference Index		3.3	9.1	16.0	21.0	35.2	66.0

# Discrete performance (%)

	31/03/24	31/03/23	31/03/22	31/03/21	31/03/20
Share Price	(2.9)	11.4	8.8	47.4	(23.0)
NAV <sup>A</sup>	9.1	5.6	17.9	35.0	(17.1)
Reference Index	21.0	(0.9)	12.8	37.5	(10.7)

Total return; NAV to NAV, net income reinvested, GBP. Share price total return is on a mid-to-mid basis. Dividend calculations are to reinvest as at the ex-dividend date. NAV returns based on NAVs with debt valued at fair value. Source: abrdn Investments Limited, Lipper and Morningstar.

Past performance is not a guide to future results.

# Morningstar Rating™



 $^{\rm B}\, {\rm Morningstar}\, {\rm Rating^{TM}}\, {\rm for}\, {\rm Funds}$ 

Morningstar rates funds from one to five stars based on how well they've performed (after adjusting for risk and accounting for all sales charges) in comparison to similar funds.

### Twenty largest equity holdings (%)

Taiwan Semiconductor	4.7
Broadcom	4.6
Grupo Aeroportuario	4.1
BE Semiconductor	3.7
AbbVie	3.5
TotalEnergies	3.0
CME	2.8
Philip Morris	2.8
Oversea-Chinese Banking	2.6
Samsung Electronic	2.6
Merck	2.6
Unilever <sup>C</sup>	2.5
Hon Hai	2.4
Zurich Insurance	2.3
Siemens	2.3
GlobalWafers	2.0
Shell	2.0
Walmart	1.9
Danone	1.9
Verizon	1.8
Total	56.1

#### Ten largest fixed income holdings (%)

Total	5.6
Indonesia (Rep Of) 10% 15/02/28	0.2
Petroleos Mexicanos 5.5% 27/06/44	0.3
Power Finance Corp 7.63% 14/08/26	0.4
HDFC Bank 7.95% 21/09/26	0.4
Petroleos Mexicanos 6.75% 21/09/47	0.6
Indonesia (Rep Of) 8.375% 15/03/34	0.6
Dominican (Rep Of) 6.85% 27/01/45	0.6
Sth Africa (Rep Of) 7% 28/02/31	0.7
Indonesia (Rep Of) 6.125% 15/05/28	0.8
Mexico (United Mexican States) 5.75% 05/03/26	1.0

All sources (unless indicated): abrdn: 31 March 2024.

<sup>c</sup> Consolidates all equity holdings from same issue

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<sup>\*</sup>Including current year revenue

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# 1 Year Premium/Discount Chart (%)



# Fund managers' report

## **Background**

Beyond the bravado of seemingly omnipresent optimism, so inextricably linked to financial market sentiment these days, the month of March witnessed some subtle macroeconomic developments unlikely to be supportive of the current positive consensus. Following a euphoric end to 2023 for government bonds in developed markets, labour market data supportive of expected rate cuts has so far failed to materialise whilst simultaneously the rate of inflation moderation has slowed dramatically. Consequently, bond yields backed up over the period, resulting in real rates grudgingly returning to ten-year UK gilts and ten year US treasuries. Although too early to confirm that free market pricing of bonds is returning to rational orthodoxy, the fact that monetary aggregates in both the United States and the UK have been declining for close to 12 months now suggests that a world without "easy money" will indeed have significant constraining consequences. For policymakers, such recent developments are particularly problematic, with the dichotomy further clouded by energy prices which have relentlessly risen throughout the first three months of the year.

#### Performance

Unperturbed by evolving macro-economic events and bond market weakness, global equity markets continued to focus on the accentuation of positive expectations over the period. Yet again US technology companies proved to be the most popular investment theme as valuations were pumped higher and higher by investors with a seemingly insatiable appetite for all things "Artificially Intelligent". From a portfolio perspective, the most significant contributions to capital appreciation came from holdings based in Taiwan, United States, Germany and South Korea, reflecting strength of large, individual

## Fund managers' report continues overleaf

# <sup>D</sup> Expressed as a percentage of total costs divided by average daily net assets for the year ended 31 December 2023. The Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the overall cost shown as a percentage of the value of the assets of the Company. It is made up of the Annual Management Fee and other charges. It does not include any costs associated with buying shares in the Company or the cost of buying and selling stocks within the Company. The OCF can help you compare the annual operating expenses of different Companies.

#### Total number of investments

Total	64
Total Fixed Income Holdings in Portfolio	14
Total Equity Holdings in Portfolio	50

#### Portfolio analysis (%)

Equities	
Europe ex UK	27.3
North America	26.8
Asia Pacific ex Japan	24.2
Latin America & Emerging Markets	10.8
United Kingdom	3.8
Fixed Income	
Latin America & Emerging Markets	2.5
Asia Pacific ex Japan	2.4
Africa & Middle East	0.7
United Kingdom	0.4
Europe ex UK	0.2
Cash	0.9
Total	100.0

# Key information Calendar

Year end	31 December
Accounts published	March
Annual General Meeting	April
Dividend paid	February, May, August, November
Established	1907
Fund manager	Bruce Stout Martin Connaghan Samantha Fitzpatrick
Ongoing charges <sup>D</sup>	0.53%
Annual management fee <sup>E</sup>	0.5% (tiered)
Premium/(Discount)	(11.0)%
Yield <sup>F</sup>	4.5%
Net cash/(gearing) <sup>G</sup>	(7.2)%
Active share <sup>H</sup>	93.8%

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm E}$  The annual fee is charged at 0.5% of net assets (ie excluding gearing) up to £500 million, and 0.4% of Net Assets above £500 million.

F Calculated using the Company's historic net dividends and month end share price.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Net gearing is defined as a percentage, with net debt (total debt less cash/cash equivalents) divided by shareholders' funds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>H</sup>The 'Active Share' percentage is a measure used to describe what proportion of the Company's holdings differ from the Reference Index index holdings.