# Japan Equity Value + Alpha

## **Investment Objective**

A value style product which aims to generate the majority of its alpha from stock selection with a team-based investment approach founded on rigorous corporate research by experienced inhouse analysts and portfolio managers.

#### **Key Facts**

Strategy Inception Date October 1996
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**Base Currency JPY** 

Benchmark TOPIX (with dividends)

**Performance Target** Generate excess return against the benchmark over the long run.

Number of Holdings 120 max.

Strategy Size (MM) USD 7,128 (as at 30/04/25)

**EU 2019/2088 SFDR Regs:** The strategy is categorised under SFDR as Article 6.

## **Style Indicator**



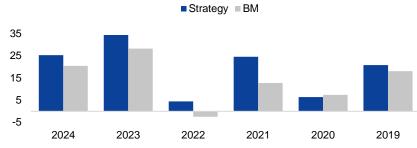
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#### Performance %

Calendar year strategy performance vs. benchmark



Source: SMDAM and Bloomberg, data as at 30 April 2025. The chart above shows calendar year performance in JPY against the benchmark TOPIX (with dividends) which is shown in JPY and is gross of fees.

Composite Performance				
(Gross of fees)	Strategy %	TOPIX (with div) %		
1m	-0.46	0.33		
3m	-2.95	-3.25		
12m	0.95	-0.31		
3yr p.a.	18.71	14.82		
5yr p.a.	22.12	15.46		
10yr p.a.	11.15	7.77		
Since Inception p.a. (01/10/96)	5.78	3.52		

Source: SMDAM, as at 30 April 2025.

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## GICS Sector Breakdown (%) Top 10 Holdings (%)

Consumer Discretionary	23.72	TDK Corp	4.66
Financials	21.07	Renesas Electronics Corp	4.48
Industrials	20.79	The 77 Bank Ltd	4.46
Information Technology	10.64	Mitsui & Co Ltd	3.73
Telecommunication Services	7.96	Ryohin Keikaku Co Ltd	3.48
Consumer Staples	5.47	Sanwa Holdings Corp	3.27
Materials	5.26	Toyo Suisan Kaisha Ltd	2.97
Real Estate	1.83	Softbank Group Corp	2.77
Energy	1.60	Sompo Holdings Inc	2.74
Utilities	1.08	Fuji Electric Co Ltd	2.68
Health Care	0.58	Total	35.24
Total	100.00		

Source: SMDAM and FactSet Research Systems Inc. of the US, as at 30 April 2025 **Risk warning**: The organisations and/or financial instruments mentioned are for reference purposes only. Material content should not be construed as a recommendation for their purchase or sale.

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