

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 in-house analysts and portfolio managers.

Key Facts

Strategy Inception Date 1 October 1996

Portfolio Manager Shinichi SHMONISHINOSONO

Investment Manager Sumitomo Mitsui DS Asset Management Company, Limited

Base Currency JPY

Benchmark TOPIX TR Index*

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

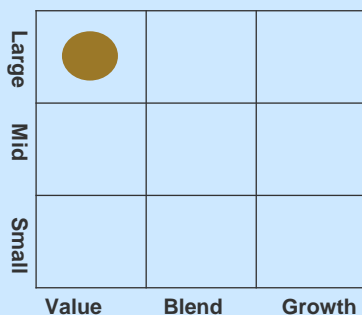
Number of Holdings Max 120 stocks

Strategy Size (MM) USD 9,853.59 (as at 30/11/25)

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

*For performance comparison purposes and not to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this strategy.

Style Indicator



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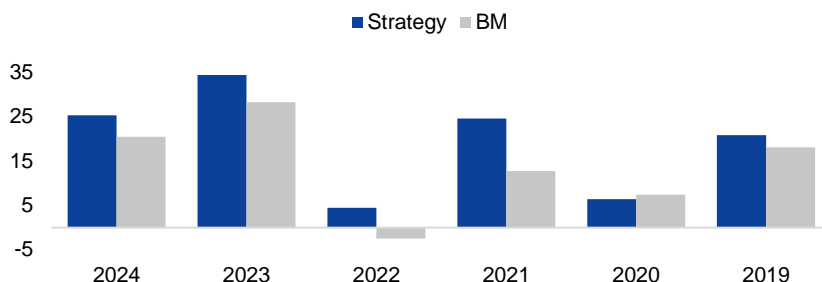
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Performance %

Calendar year strategy performance vs. benchmark



Source: SMDAM and Bloomberg, data as at 30 November 2025. The chart above shows calendar year performance in JPY against the benchmark TOPIX TR Index which is shown in JPY and is gross of fees.

Composite Performance

(Gross of fees)	Strategy %	Benchmark %
1m	1.90	1.42
3m	13.30	10.92
12m	42.50	29.17
3yr p.a.	30.11	22.34
5yr p.a.	25.39	16.79
10yr p.a.	14.67	10.46
Since Inception p.a. (01/10/96)	6.86	4.33

Source: SMDAM, as at 30 November 2025.

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GICS Sector Breakdown (%)

Consumer Discretionary	22.45
Industrials	21.51
Financials	20.44
Information Technology	12.68
Materials	7.24
Telecommunication Services	6.87
Consumer Staples	3.61
Real Estate	1.82
Utilities	1.74
Energy	1.64
Health Care	0.00
Total	100.00

Top 10 Holdings (%)

Mizuho Financial Group Inc	4.37
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Inc	4.30
Sony Group Corp	4.01
SoftBank Group Corp	3.29
NEC Corp	3.15
Toyota Motor Corp	3.07
Sumitomo Electric Industries Ltd	3.07
Suzuki Motor Corp	2.75
Fuji Electric Co Ltd	2.67
Hitachi Ltd	2.54
Total	33.22

Source: SMDAM and FactSet Research Systems Inc. of the US, as at 30 November 2025

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