

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

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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

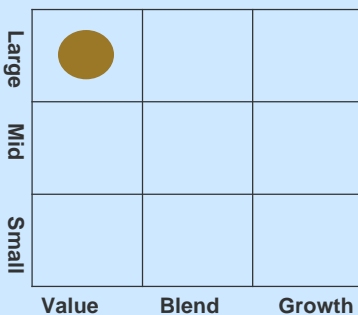
Number of Holdings Max 120 stocks

Strategy Size (MM) USD 10,423.37 (as at 31/03/26)

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

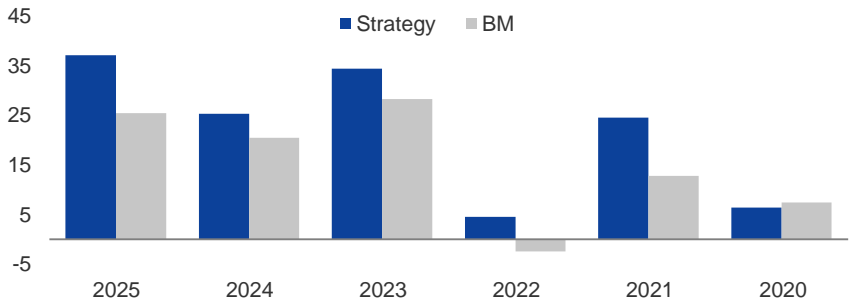
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Style Indicator



Performance %

Calendar year strategy performance vs. benchmark



Source: SMDAM and Bloomberg, data as at 31 March 2026. 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	-12.46	-10.33
3m	3.29	3.64
12m	44.27	34.65
3yr p.a.	31.18	23.28
5yr p.a.	22.36	15.12
10yr p.a.	16.92	12.62
Since Inception p.a. (01/10/96)	6.93	4.44

Source: SMDAM, as at 31 March 2026.

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GICS Sector Breakdown (%)

Industrials	26.83
Consumer Discretionary	20.99
Financials	20.56
Information Technology	9.38
Materials	5.33
Telecommunication Services	5.23
Consumer Staples	3.49
Energy	2.97
Utilities	2.30
Real Estate	2.00
Health Care	0.92
Total	100.00

Top 10 Holdings (%)

Mizuho Financial Group Inc	4.67
Toyota Motor Corp	3.99
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group	3.89
Sumitomo Electric Industries	3.89
Inpex Corp	2.97
Marubeni Corp	2.80
Sony Group Corp	2.71
Fuji Electric Co Ltd	2.44
Hitachi Ltd	2.32
Japan Post Insurance Co Ltd	2.22
Total	31.90

Source: SMDAM and FactSet Research Systems Inc. of the US, as at 31 March 2026.

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