



## BALANCED REAL RETURN FUND

### INVESTMENT UPDATE

as at 30 April 2012

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

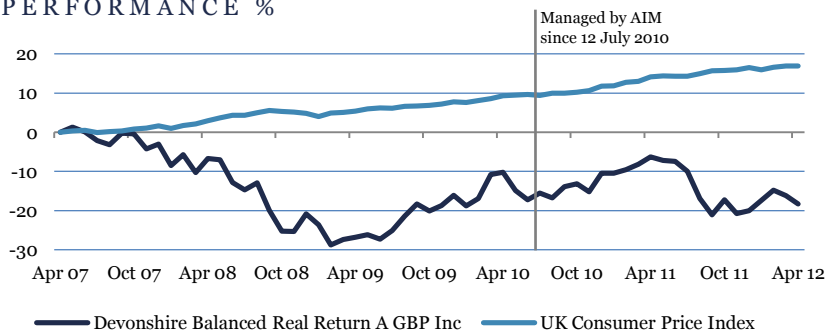
The objective of the Fund is to provide long-term capital growth from a diversified portfolio of investments.

#### FUND STRATEGY

- To achieve a positive return in all market conditions on at least a rolling 36 month basis.
- Targets CPI +7% p.a. over a market cycle (gross of all fees).
- No need to generate an income.

This strategy can commit heavily in pursuit of its growth objectives. In addition, it can invest more in high growth areas such as emerging markets. The Devonshire Balanced Real Return Fund is one of a series of Devonshire strategies in The Devonshire Portfolio. It offers dynamic asset allocation which allows the managers to move between a range of asset classes, without restriction, when it is sensible to do so. In essence, investors can be 'in' equities, property, fixed interest, cash or commodities when it is right to be 'in' and 'out' when necessary – in whatever combination will generate the best overall return.

#### PERFORMANCE %



Source: Lipper IM. Past performance is not a guarantee to future returns.

#### DISCRETE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE TO QUARTER END %

To 31 Mar	2007–2008	2008–2009	2009–2010	2010–2011	2011–2012
	-8.6	-19.1	22.9	3.0	-8.7

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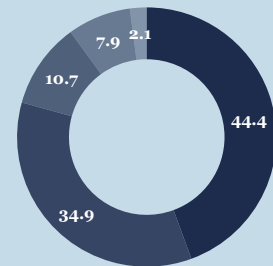
#### DISCRETE MONTHLY PERFORMANCE %

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2012	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-2.6</b>									<b>2.1</b>
2011	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-2.7</b>	<b>-7.7</b>	<b>-5.1</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>-4.2</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>-9.7</b>
2010	-3.2	2.4	7.4	0.6	-5.2	-2.8	<b>2.1</b>	<b>-1.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>6.8</b>
2009	-3.6	-6.7	1.9	0.8	0.9	-1.5	3.0	4.9	4.0	-2.2	1.7	3.2	5.9
2008	-5.6	3.0	-4.8	4.0	-0.4	-6.2	-2.2	2.1	-8.1	-6.6	-0.2	6.1	-18.4
2007	0.4	1.9	-1.2	1.9	1.3	-1.3	-2.1	-1.1	3.1	-0.2	-3.9	1.3	-0.1

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Figures in bold represent the time period AIM have been managing the portfolio.

#### ASSET ALLOCATION (%)

Equity	44.4
Alternative	34.9
Commodities	10.7
Cash/Currency	7.9
Fixed income	2.1



#### TOP 10 HOLDINGS (%)

iShares DJ Asia/Pacific Select Div GBP	9.4
iShares S&P Global Water 50 GBP	9.5
Merrill Lynch SA (Commod Alpha GBP)	9.0
SX5E Div Dec 15	8.5
Muzinich Short Duration High Yield GBP	7.5
Melchior Selected Trust Euro Ab Return Fund	6.1
db x-trackers DJ Stoxx 600 Healthcare ETF	5.5
Ignis Argonaut Euro Alpha Fund	4.4
db x-trackers MSCI Brazil ETF	3.9
AT&T	3.7

#### PERFORMANCE (%)

3 Months	-1.1
Year to Date	2.1
1 Year	-12.9
3 Years	11.6
5 Years	-18.4

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#### FUND MANAGER COMMENTS

Markets turned negative during April with European politics and a softer patch of US economic data unnerving investors. A likely change of president and policy in France, combined with the collapse of the Dutch coalition, served as a reminder of how fragile sentiment remains. Within bond markets Spanish, Italian and French 10-year bond yields continued to widen, while German and UK yields contracted. The FTSE 100 index fell 2.1%, while gilts rose 0.4% in sterling total return terms.

The Balanced Real Return Fund fell 2.6% in sterling, total return terms during the month.

The general risk aversion hit many of our holdings with Brazilian equities and commodities amongst the biggest fallers in absolute terms. This was offset by our short exposure to the Euro Stoxx 50 and Russell 2000 indices. There was also positive performance from the iShares Asia Pacific Select Dividend ETF, Muzinich Short Duration High Yield fund, AT&T and Coca-Cola.

We increased our bet against German government bonds as yields shrank below those on offer in Japan for the first time in more than 20 years. We see relatively little downside risk to this trade unless deflation takes hold. This looks particularly unlikely in Germany where unemployment is at a multi-decade low, wage demands are increasing and rates remain artificially low.

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#### FUND FACTS

Fund size:	£17.1m
Minimum initial investment:	£10,000
Minimum withdrawal:	£5,000
Initial charge:	up to 5%
Annual management charge:	1.5%
Status:	OEIC
Launch date:	2 February 2005
Type of unit:	Distribution
Base Currency:	GBP
Dividend declaration dates:	30 Jun, 31 Dec

#### ISIN CODES

GBP Inc	IE00B063QJ37
GBP Acc	IE00B3QKBF60
EUR Inc	IE00B3Y5KP63
EUR Acc	IE00B3XPTM75
CHF Inc	IE00B4JZY909
CHF Acc	IE00B3QTVZ30
SEK Inc	IE00B3X3C114
SEK Acc	IE00B3R7TQ32
USD Inc	IE00B3RLC991
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