

# William Blair SICAV US Equity Sustainability Fund

Investors should note that, relative to the expectations of the Autorité des Marchés Financiers, the name of this UCITS is disproportionate to the consideration of non-financial criteria in its investment policy.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

**Capital Appreciation** 

### **CHARACTERISTICS**

The Fund seeks to invest across the market cap spectrum in companies with strong growth characteristics, quality management teams and solid financials.

#### **FUND FACTS AND STATISTICS**

Total Net Assets (\$MM)	\$48
Number of Holdings	44
Wgtd Avg Mkt Cap (\$BB)	\$838.0
Unwgtd Median Mkt Cap (\$BB)	\$44.5
P/E Ratio (Next 12 Months)	23.6
EPS Growth (Projected)(%)	16.0%
Trailing 1-Year Turnover (%)	33.3%
Cash	1.4%
Inception Date	19.12.2018
Minimum Purchase Amount	\$1,000,000
ISIN Number	LU0995404869
Valoren Number	22883378
Bloomberg Ticker	WBACJUU LX
Management Fee	0.70%
Total Expense Ratio	1.00%

#### WHY CONSIDER THIS FUND?

- Seeks to deliver competitive returns over time with a moderate risk profile
- Applies a time-tested, fundamental research approach to assess a company's growth sustainability and critical success factors
- · Features an unconstrained opportunity set to leverage the best ideas, regardless of market cap
- · Provides a focused yet diversified portfolio of stocks
- Managed by an experienced and long-tenured portfolio management team
- · The Fund is actively managed and is not constrained by a benchmark

#### **RISKS**

- The value of shares can increase or decrease and an investor may not get back the amount originally invested
- Where investments are made in currencies other than an investor's base currency, the value of those
  investments will be affected (favourably or unfavourably) by movements in exchange rates
- Equity securities may decrease in value in response to the activities of an individual company or in response to general market, business, and economic conditions
- The Fund focuses its investments in the United States and will have greater exposure to the market, political and economic risks of that country than if it was more diversified across a number of countries

### INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE % (Period ending 31.03.2024)

	1 MTH	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y	(19.12.2018)
Class J <sup>USD</sup> Shares	3.32	11.18	29.92	7.83	15.65		18.11
S&P 500 Index	3.22	10.56	29.88	11.49	15.05		17.00
Russell 3000® Growth Index	1.81	11.23	37.95	11.54	17.82		20.23

### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE %

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018†
Class J <sup>USD</sup> Shares	24.29	-24.30	28.81	35.84	31.94	-25.00
S&P 500 Index	26.29	-18.11	28.71	38.26	35.85	0.05

 $<sup>\</sup>dagger$  Since inception of Class  $J^{\text{USD}}$  Shares on 19.12.2018 through 31.12.2018

The primary benchmark changed from the Russell 3000® Growth Index to the S&P 500® Index in 2020. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. Returns for periods of one year or more are annualized. All charges and fees, except any entry, exit and switching charge, have been taken into account in calculating the Fund's performance. Returns for other share classes will differ from those shown above. The investment return and principal value of an investment in the Fund will fluctuate so that shares, on any given day or when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. Levels and bases for taxation may change. For the most current month-end performance information, please visit our web site

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### TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)2,3

Company	Industry	% of Fund
Microsoft Corporation	Software	9.9
Alphabet Inc.	Interactive Media & Services	8.8
	Semiconductors &	
NVIDIA Corporation	Semiconductor Equipment	6.2
Amazon.com, Inc.	Broadline Retail	6.0
Mastercard Incorporated	Financial Services	4.9
	Health Care Providers &	
United HealthGroupIncorporated	Services	4.4
WALMART INC	Retail	3.9
	Textiles, Apparel & Luxury	
TJX COMPANIES INC	Goods	3.1
	Health Care Equipment &	
Abbott Laboratories	Supplies	3.0
Canadian Pacific Kansas City		
Limited	Ground Transportation	2.6
Total Top 10		52.8

### SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION (%)<sup>2,3</sup>

Sector Type	Fund	Index <sup>1</sup>	
Information Technology	28.3	42.8	
Consumer Discretionary	17.1	14.8	
Financials	12.7	6.4	
Health Care	12.6	11.2	
Communication Services	8.8	11.6	
Industrials	8.1	6.5	
Consumer Staples	4.8	4.1	
Energy	3.4	0.7	
Materials	2.4	0.9	
Real Estate	1.8	0.9	
Utilities	0.0	0.1	

#### MARKET CAP DIVERSIFICATION (%)2,3

Market Cap	Fund	$Index^1$
> \$100.0B	59.4	75.3
\$30.0B - \$100.0B	14.4	13.9
\$5.0B - \$30.0B	19.0	7.5
<\$5.0B	7.2	3.3

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



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- 1 The S&P  $500^{\circ}$  Index is an index of 500 stocks chosen for market size, liquidity and industry grouping, among other factors. The S&P 500 is designed to be a leading indicator of U.S. equities and is meant to reflect the risk/return characteristics of the large cap universe. The S&P 500 is a market value weighted index—each stock's weight is proportionate to its market value. The Russell  $3000^{\circ}$  Growth Index is included as a supplemental reference. It consists of large, medium and small-capitalization companies with above average price-to-book ratios and forecasted growth rates. The index is weighted by market capitalization and large/medium/small companies make up approximately 80%/15%/5% of the index. For more information on the index, please visit the website at www.russell.com/Indexes.
- 2 Top ten holdings are shown as % of total net assets. Sector and market cap diversification exclude cash equivalents. Sector diversification calculated by William Blair based on Global Industry Classification Sectors (GICS). Market capitalization and geographic distribution are calculated by William Blair. Weights shown are percentages of total net assets. Sector weights may vary over time as benchmark index weights shift.
- 3 Information about the Fund's holdings should not be considered investment advice. There is no guarantee that the Fund will continue to hold any one particular security or stay invested in any one particular sector. Holdings are subject to change at any time.

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