

Ellerston Global Mid Small Cap Fund

Monthly Report as at 31 May 2025

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Concentrated portfolio of global mid small cap securities, built through a contrarian, high conviction, and benchmark independent approach.



Targets companies which the Portfolio Manager feels are in a period of "price discovery" and which offer an attractive risk/reward dynamic.



Aims to outperform the benchmark with a focus on risk management and capital growth.

Performance Summary - Class A

Performance	1 Month	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years (p.a.)	5 Years (p.a.)	Since Inception (p.a.) ^{^^}
Net [^]	6.27%	1.16%	12.02%	7.68%	8.50%	10.37%
Benchmark*	4.86%	-0.09%	15.82%	12.57%	11.78%	10.66%
Alpha	1.41%	1.25%	-3.80%	-4.87%	-3.28%	-0.29%

Performance Summary - Class B

Performance	1 Month	3 Months	1 Year	2 Years (p.a.)	3 Years (p.a.)	Since Inception (p.a.) ^{^^}
Net [^]	6.27%	1.15%	11.96%	8.99%	7.70%	8.25%
Benchmark*	4.86%	-0.09%	15.82%	16.05%	12.57%	11.68%
Alpha	1.41%	1.24%	-3.86%	-7.06%	-4.86%	-3.43%

[^] The net return figure is calculated after fees & expenses, assuming all distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance.

* MSCI World Mid Cap Index NR (AUD). ^{^^}Class A inception is 28 February 2017. Class B inception is 18 August 2020.

Key Information

Portfolio Manager(s)	Nick Markiewicz
Investment Objective	To outperform the benchmark by 3% over a 5-year rolling period.
Benchmark	MSCI World Mid Cap Index NR (AUD)
Liquidity	Daily
Target Number of Holdings	20-40
Minimum Investment	Initial - \$25,000 Additional - \$10,000
Distribution Frequency	Half-Yearly (where available)
Management Fee	0.75% p.a.
Performance Fee ¹	10.00%
Buy/Sell Spread	0.25% / 0.25%
Class A Unit Prices & Fund Size	Application - 1.5897 Net Asset Value - 1.5857 Redemption - 1.5817 Fund Size - \$25,152,529
Class B Unit Prices & Fund Size	Net Asset Value - 1.3437 Redemption - 1.3403 Fund Size - \$39,528,396

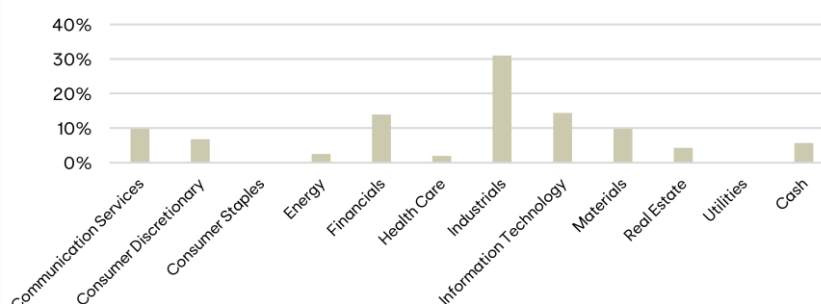
¹Of the investment return above the benchmark, after recovering any underperformance in past periods.

Top Holdings*

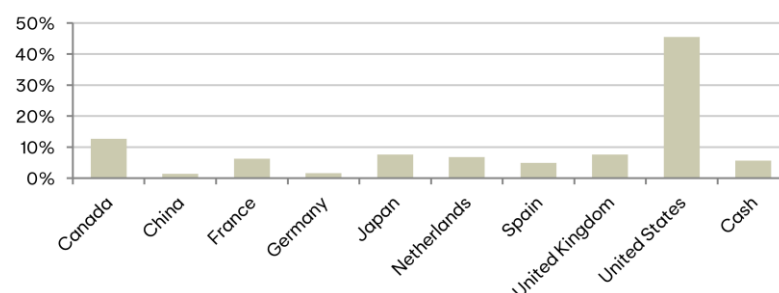
Company	Sector
AerCap Holdings NV	Industrials
Cellnex Telecom S.A.	Communication Services
Corpay, Inc.	Financials
GFL Environmental	Industrials
Greatland Gold	Industrials

Source: Ellerston Capital. *In alphabetical order.

Sector Allocation



Regional Exposure



PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

The Ellerston Global Mid Small Cap Fund delivered 6.27% in May relative to the MSCI World Mid Cap index rising 4.86%.

Equity markets posted uniformly strong returns through May, driven by a de-escalation of the trade war between China and the US, strong corporate earnings and positive read-throughs for AI expenditure by large tech companies. Offsetting this, yields on 10 year US Treasury notes rose by 25bps through the month, finishing at an uncomfortably high 4.4% as Trump raised the spectre of tax cuts against a smaller than expected tariff and DOGE revenue/savings base. This saw US technology and consumer discretionary sectors and small cap indices post strong gains, with defensive equities and interest rate sensitive cyclicals lagging.

Of particular note was the bullish tone of large technology companies towards AI expenditure. This was led by Microsoft, which at its 3Q25 result, saw a re-acceleration of its Azure business (including a higher contribution from AI revenues within this) and commentary that the business remains short of data centre capacity. In our view, this went a long way in allaying concerns around the impact of models like Deep Seek on the outlook for AI capital expenditure (see our January report for an overview), as well as rumours that Microsoft itself was cancelling leases. Reflecting this, AI stocks have had a strong rally through the month.

Key contributors through the month included Nebius Group, Aritzia and Curtiss-Wright Corporation.

Nebius Group N.V (NBIS US) is a technology company specializing in AI infrastructure. Emerging from Yandex's international operations, it focuses on full-stack AI solutions, including GPU clusters and cloud platforms. Subsidiaries include Toloka, TripleTen, and Avride—which focus on advance data labeling, tech education and autonomous driving technologies. We added to the position through the month following Microsoft's strong outlook for AI demand, which we believe is supportive of the broader demand outlook for Nebius' GPU cloud business.

Aritzia Inc. (ATZ CN), is a multi-brand Canadian apparel retailer marketing "Everyday Luxury" items. It designs and sells exclusive in-house brands like Wilfred, Babaton, and TNA through over 130 boutiques across North America and online. The company continues to grow strongly, benefiting from high demand within its brands and a store roll out program across the US. More certainty on tariffs saw investors refocus on the company's strong underlying fundamentals through May.

Curtiss-Wright Corporation (CW US), is a U.S.-based manufacturer and service provider headquartered in Davidson, North Carolina. The company specializes in engineered products and services for aerospace, defense, and power generation markets, operating through three segments: Aerospace & Industrial, Defense Electronics, and Naval & Power. The company's nuclear technology is likely to be a key beneficiary of the growing power needs for AI related data centres.

Regulatory Guide (RG240) Fund Disclosure Benchmark – Periodic Reporting (monthly)

- **Net Asset Value of the Fund and Redemption Price of Units**

Please refer to details on page one.

- **Any changes to key service providers including any change in related party status.**

There have been no changes to key service providers, including any change in related party status.

- **Net returns after fees, costs and relevant taxes**

Please refer to details on page one.

- **Any material changes to the Fund's risk profile and strategy**

There have been no changes to the Fund's risk profile and strategy.

- **Any material changes related to the primary investment personnel responsible for managing the Fund.**

There have been no changes to the primary investment personnel responsible for managing the Fund.

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