

# True Potential Close Brothers Balanced

31 December 2024



## Fund objective

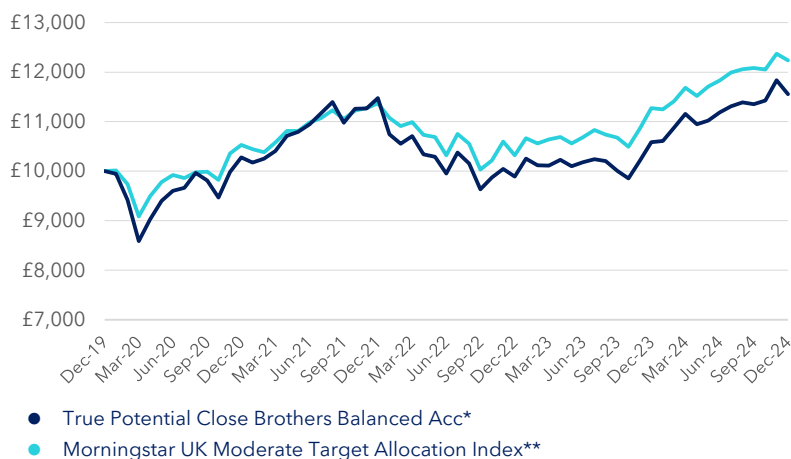
The Fund aims to generate capital growth with some income.

## December Investment Manager commentary

Major stock markets ended the year on a negative note, weighed down by a stronger US dollar and weakened expectations for further interest-rate cuts in the US. The Federal Reserve cut rates by 0.25% but raised inflation forecasts for 2025. Government bonds struggled due to rising US Treasury yields and political instability in Europe. Gold prices fell, and a short-lived oil rally was impacted by weakening global demand.

The True Potential Close Brothers Balanced fund fell 2.38% (net of fees) in December. The fund's overweight to equities detracted from performance in a month of negative equity returns. The US equity bias also proved unfavourable as US equities significantly underperformed their global peers in December, dragged down by stretched valuations and revised interest-rate expectations by the Fed. Sterling weakness against the US dollar was another detractor. In contrast, the fund's bias towards growth stocks aided relative returns. At the stock level, key contributors included Alphabet, Amazon and Taiwanese Semiconductor Manufacturing Company in a month of narrow equity-market breadth. On the other side, the most notable detractors included US insurer UnitedHealth and US government and military contractor Booz Allen Hamilton. In fixed income, the fund's allocation to UK gilts and US Treasuries hindered relative returns as yields rose. Exposure to real estate also proved unhelpful in a weak month for the sector.

## Growth of £10,000 invested 5 years ago



## Why invest in this fund?

- For investors looking to invest for the long term (5 years or more).
- Diversifies risk by investing in stocks and bonds.
- The balanced approach of the fund strives to provide both growth and income, while managing short-term losses through a diversified mix of assets that moderate risk.

## % Growth

	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since launch
True Potential Close Brothers Balanced Acc*	9.1%	0.7%	15.5%	52.0%
Morningstar UK Moderate Target Allocation Index**	8.6%	7.6%	22.4%	62.1%

## Annual % Growth

	Dec '19 Dec '20	Dec '20 Dec '21	Dec '21 Dec '22	Dec '22 Dec '23	Dec '23 Dec '24
True Potential Close Brothers Balanced Acc*	2.8%	11.7%	-13.8%	7.1%	9.1%
Morningstar UK Moderate Target Allocation Index**	5.3%	8.0%	-9.3%	9.3%	8.6%

\*Source: True Potential Administration LLP. **Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.**

\*\*Source: Morningstar Inc.

## What is the benchmark for this fund?

The benchmark for this fund is Morningstar UK Moderate Target Allocation. The benchmark may be used as a guide to compare and assess the performance of the Fund. This benchmark tracks the performance of an index that represents assets or securities with a similar risk profile to the Fund. Our aim is to help you monitor how your investment is performing. This benchmark reflects the multi-asset nature and relative risk profile of the Fund. The Fund does not use the benchmark as a target, nor is the Fund constrained by it. The mix of assets in the Fund may vary from those of the benchmark (and its constituents). Accordingly, it should be used for reference purposes only.

## Key fund information

**Accumulation shares:** this type of share reinvests the income generated by its underlying assets (such as dividends or interest) back into the fund, rather than paying it out to shareholders as income.

**Income shares:** this type of share pays out the income generated by the fund's underlying assets (such as dividends or interest) directly to investors, rather than reinvesting it back into the fund.

Fund details	Accumulation shares	Income shares
ISIN	GB00BV9FR456	GB00BV9FR233
12 month yield*	1.34%	1.37%
Launch Date	16/03/2015	16/03/2015
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)**	0.66%	0.66%
Risk profile	Balanced	Balanced
Investment Manager	True Potential Investments	True Potential Investments
Sub-Investment Manager	Close Brothers Asset Management	Close Brothers Asset Management
Minimum Recommended holding period	5 years	5 years
Income payment frequency	Annual	Annual

\* The 12 month yield reflects distributions declared over the past 12 months, as a percentage of the latest share/unit price. Investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. Yield as at 31 Dec 2024. Source: True Potential Administration LLP.

\*\*OCF payable can fluctuate over time as the underlying investments are variable and can change. The OCF figure is sourced from the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) dated 01 Nov 2024 found at [www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents](http://www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents).

## Who is this fund suitable for?

This fund is suitable for all investors under the advice of a professional adviser, or investing through the True Potential Portfolios. The minimum recommended holding period is 5 years. Please be aware there is no guarantee that the fund will meet its investment objectives. The Fund is available to those that do not need a capital guarantee and are aware that their capital is at risk. Clients who are unable to bear loss of capital should not invest in this Fund.

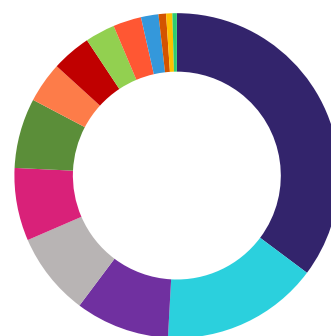
## What are the fees associated with investing in this fund?

The OCF of this fund is currently 0.66%. This means that if you invest £1000 in the fund, you can expect to pay £6.60 in fees over the course of a year. The fees you pay are pro-rata. If you hold the fund for less than a year you will only pay the proportional amount of fees applicable (based on the duration of your investment).

## Where is the money invested?

### Asset breakdown

Asset class	% of total exposure***
US Stocks	35.22%
UK Stocks	15.66%
Global Treasury Bonds	9.36%
UK Gilts	8.27%
Global Corporate Bonds	7.25%
Europe ex UK Equity Stocks	6.96%
Gold	4.04%
UK Corporate Bond	3.92%
Global High Yield Bond (GBP Hedged)	2.97%
Cash and cash equivalents****	2.81%
Emerging Markets Stocks	1.74%
Alternatives	0.75%
Asia Pacific Stocks	0.62%
Property	0.44%



\*\*\*Source: True Potential Investments LLP

\*\*\*\*Cash and cash equivalents include bonds with a short time to maturity.

## Risks

The following are some of the key risks associated with investing in this Fund. For a complete list of risks, please refer to the Fund's prospectus, available at [www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents](http://www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents). **Please be aware that there is no guarantee that capital will be preserved.**

Risk type	Description
<b>Performance Risk</b>	Investment objectives express an intended result but there is no guarantee that such a result will be achieved. Depending on market conditions and the macro-economic environment, certain investment types and styles may perform better than others and investment objectives may become more difficult to achieve.
<b>Counterparty Risk</b>	There may be cases where the organisation from which we buy a derivative, or an asset, fails to meet its obligations. The Fund's cash deposits are also subject to counterparty risk.
<b>Derivative Risk</b>	The Fund is entitled to use derivatives. Derivatives may not achieve their intended purpose. Their prices may move up or down significantly over relatively short periods of time which may result in losses greater than the amount paid.
<b>Operational Risk</b>	The Fund faces non-market risk, relating to purchasing, holding and servicing the Fund's assets.
<b>Credit Risk</b>	Where the Fund invests in bonds, there is a risk the bond issuer may fail to meet its repayments. Changes in interest rates, inflation and the creditworthiness of the bond issuer may also affect the bond's market value. This risk is particularly relevant where the fund invests in bonds with a lower credit rating.
<b>Exchange Rate Risk</b>	The Fund may invest in securities not denominated in GBP. The value of your investments may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates.
<b>Liquidity Risk</b>	Certain market conditions could make sufficiently liquid assets difficult to sell quickly at a fair price. This could result in an unpredictable fall in the value, and overall liquidity of the Fund.

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