

TM Ruffer Portfolio

Positive returns with low volatility

During November the fund price rose from 103.78p to 104.75p.

Following three consecutive negative quarters across almost all asset classes, the final quarter of 2022 is at last delivering some seasonal cheer for investors. November saw strong gains in both equities and bonds, though obviously not digital assets thanks to the collapse of FTX. This late burst of optimism is founded on the hope that inflation is finally peaking, though by now it clearly no longer warrants either the 'transitory' or 'temporary' labels. Evidence supporting the long-awaited peak in inflation arrived mid-month with US CPI below expectations and crucially lower than previous year on year readings. This sparked a sharp rally in both equities and bonds, as did US Federal Reserve Chair Powell's unexpectedly dovish speech on the very last day of the month. Investors may want to consider, however, whether such short-term volatility (one day gains for US equities of 5% and 3%) really constitutes a sound base for a sustained rally.

We have no argument with the idea that inflation (at least in the US) may have peaked and could fall quite sharply in coming months. Where we disagree with both central bank forecasts and market expectations is in their faith that inflation will return to target anytime soon. We think wage rises will make inflation stickier than predicted and see evidence for this in the strength of both US and UK private sector wage inflation, plus the depressing sight of increasing numbers of strikes here in the UK. This, plus concerns that markets currently underestimate the impact on corporate profits of a likely recession next year, has made us nervous of adding to equities. Instead, we added risk into portfolios through long-duration inflation linked bonds, principally in the US. These holdings performed strongly in the recent market rally.

Ruffer aims to deliver 'all weather' returns whatever happens in financial markets, and we do this by holding a combination of fear (protection) and greed (growth) assets. Over the last 20 years this approach has delivered a positive correlation to stock markets when they are healthy, so we aim to harvest a proportion of equity gains in the good times. However, we have been negatively correlated to equities when times are more difficult, protecting investors in each of the major stock market crises of the last quarter century. This year has been no exception. Ruffer portfolios were negatively correlated to both equities and bonds as they fell sharply earlier in the year. Adjustments to the portfolio meant it was positively correlated to equities in November, as markets staged a recovery. Such 'perfect' shifts in correlation cannot be expected every month, but it is reassuring to see both sides of our investment approach in good working order.

Ruffer performance is shown after deduction of all fees and management charges, and on the basis of income being reinvested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of the shares and the income from them can go down as well as up and you may not get back the full amount originally invested. The value of overseas investments will be influenced by the rate of exchange.

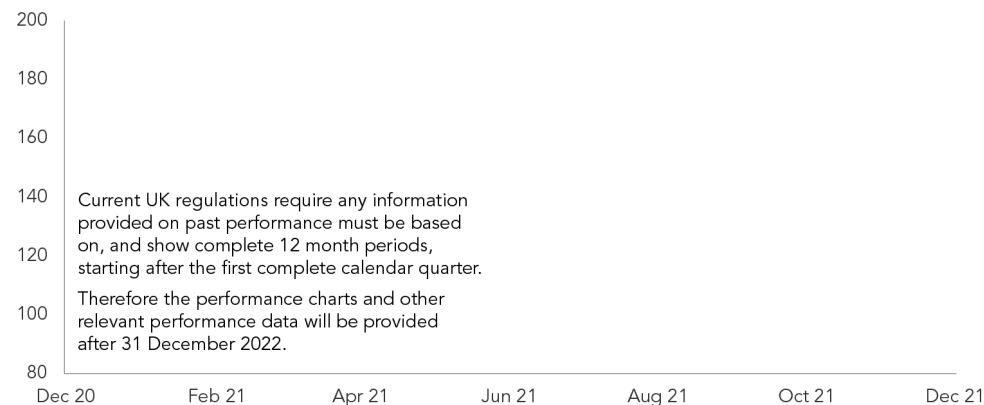


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Investment objective

To achieve positive returns over a 12 month rolling period, after all costs and charges have been taken. Underlying this objective is a fundamental philosophy of capital preservation. Capital invested is at risk and there is no guarantee that a positive return will be delivered over any one or a number of twelve-month rolling periods.

Performance since launch



Share price as at 30 November 2022	p
C accumulation	104.75
C income	103.60

Source: Ruffer LLP

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TM Ruffer Portfolio as at 30 Nov 2022

Asset allocation



Asset allocation	%
Short-dated bonds	20.4
Credit and derivative strategies	18.3
Cash	12.4
Index-linked gilts	11.9
Long-dated bonds	7.6
Long-dated index-linked gilts	5.9
Non-UK index-linked	4.5
Gold exposure and gold equities	4.2
Global funds	0.3
North America equities	4.7
UK equities	3.5
Europe equities	2.6
Japan equities	2.0
Asia ex-Japan equities	1.1
Other equities	0.6
Currency allocation	%
Sterling	66.7
US dollar	11.3
Yen	10.6
Australian dollar	5.5
Euro	1.0
Other	4.9

Currency allocation



10 largest equity holdings*

Stock	% of fund
Ambev SA	0.6
BP	0.4
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group	0.3
Resona	0.3
Alibaba Group ADR	0.3
Swire Pacific	0.3
Cigna	0.2
Alibaba Group Holding	0.2
CITIC Securities	0.2
ArcelorMittal	0.2

5 largest bond holdings

Stock	% of fund
US Treasury 0.125% TIPS 2052	6.2
UK Treasury index-linked 0.125% 2024	6.0
UK Treasury index-linked 2.5% 2024	6.0
UK Treasury 0.75% 2023	4.0
UK Treasury 0.125% 2024	3.9

*Excludes holdings in pooled funds
Source: Ruffer LLP.
Pie chart totals may not equal 100 due to rounding.

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Fund size £2,690.4m

Fund information

	%
Ongoing Charges Figure	1.23
Annual management charge	1.15
Maximum annual management charge	1.20
Yield	0
Minimum investment	£100,000
Ex dividend dates	30 Jun, 31 Dec
Pay dates	28 Feb, 31 Aug
Dealing frequency	Weekly, every Wednesday where this is a business day Plus the final business day of the month
Valuation point	12.00 each dealing day
ISIN	Accumulation GB00BP4DCZ86 Income GB00BP4DJF75
SEDOL	BP4DCZ8 BP4DJF7
Investment manager	Ruffer LLP
Auditors	Ernst & Young LLP
Authorised Corporate Director	Thesis Unit Trust Management Limited
Depository	Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited
Structure	Non-UCITS Retail Scheme Investment Funds (OEIC)

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HEAD OF UK WEALTH

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Alexander Chartres

INVESTMENT DIRECTOR

Joined Ruffer in 2010 after graduating from Newcastle University with a first class honours degree in history and politics. He is a member of the CISI and co-manages two of Ruffer's flagship funds.



Investment Specialist

Kate Forsyth

INVESTMENT MANAGER

Joined Ruffer in 2016, with a degree in Spanish and International Management from the University of Bath. She became a member of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment following completion of the CISI Masters in Wealth Management in 2019.



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