



# NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio

August 2025

#### **Key Information**

A summary of key information about the NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio:

Portfolio Type Capital Growth

Inception Date 01.01.24

Constituent Funds 8

FE Risk Score 97

Historic Yield 1.6%

Volatility 10.0%

Targeted Average Annual Return<sup>1</sup> 7-8%

Indicative Risk Level

Rebalance Frequency
Biannual

Benchmark<sup>2</sup>

80% IA Global/20% IA MI 40-85% Shares

## **Portfolio Charges**

At NorthStar, we believe in total charging transparency and are committed to simple, clear fees. The annual charge for the NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio is:

Annual Portfolio Charge (OCF)<sup>3</sup> 0.40%

All investors also pay an annual platform charge and ongoing advice fee dependent upon circumstances.

## **Investment Objective**

The NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio is suitable for investors who are seeking to invest 'ethically' and are seeking very strong long-term capital growth. Investors must be prepared to accept significant short-term fluctuation in order to achieve this aim. The portfolio is constructed using a broad range of assets which may include equities, fixed income, property, infrastructure, alternative investments and cash. Investments are predominantly held in assets that seek to promote environmental, ethical, sustainable and socially responsible causes and exclude companies that promote or produce tobacco, fossil fuels, arms, gambling, animal testing and similar activities. Equity content will typically be in excess of 90%, meaning the portfolio will exhibit significant downside risk to achieve the required level of capital growth. Due to the nature of underlying holdings, investment in this portfolio should be seen as a long-term strategy. Risk aspects include inflation risk, capital risk, shortfall risk, and exchange rate risk. The key objective of the portfolio is to adhere to high ethical, sustainable and socially responsible standards at all times. These considerations will always take precedence over portfolio returns. The portfolio targets capital growth in excess of 7-8% per annum over a rolling 5-year period and is benchmarked against a composite of 80% IA Global sector average and 20% IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector average. Values may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

#### Portfolio Performance

Performance of the NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio to August 2025:

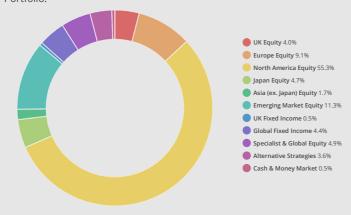


- NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio - Benchmark: 80% IA Global/20% IA MI 40-85% Shares

	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio	12.4%	1.0%	9.6%	N/A	N/A	19.2%
Benchmark: 80% IA Global/20% IA MI 40-85% Shares	11.2%	1.0%	9.2%	N/A	N/A	18.1%
Relative Performance	1.2%	0.0%	0.4%	N/A	N/A	1.1%

# **Portfolio Asset Allocation**

The current asset allocation of the NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio:



# **Portfolio Commentary**

So far, 2025 has been a period of heightened uncertainty and volatility for global investment markets. President Trump's trade and fiscal policies triggered sharp market falls early in the year, while the imposition of tariffs and the reshaping of global supply chains added further pressure. A significant decline in the US dollar dampened returns from US equities for UK-based investors, and ongoing inflationary concerns kept central banks in a delicate balancing act when it comes to lowering interest rates. Despite these headwinds, markets showed much resilience, with many major indices recovering from earlier losses as investors adjusted to the shifting political and economic landscape.

Many ethical investment strategies, including our portfolios, continued to underperform traditional approaches due to a lack of exposure to strong-performing sectors like oil, gas, mining and defence, and higher allocations to struggling sectors such as clean energy and biotech. Against this backdrop, the NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio performed in line with the benchmark over the past six months, with a return of 1% since the last investment review. Over the past year as a whole, the portfolio is up by 9.6%, just ahead of the benchmark, which rose 9.2%. The best performing fund was 'L&G FW ESG Tilted and Optimised Emerging Markets Index', with a return of almost 8% during the past six months. At the other end of the spectrum was 'L&G MSCI World Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) Index', recording a loss of 1.1% over this period.

The outlook for the remainder of the year presents a mixed picture. Inflation and interest rates are expected to remain the dominant market forces, with central banks navigating the challenge of stimulating growth while avoiding an inflation resurgence. President Trump's stance on international trade, particularly with key partners such as China and the EU, will continue to influence market sentiment and global economic momentum. At the same time, structural shifts such as technological innovation and the green transition are disrupting traditional sectors. In this environment, investors should anticipate continued market turbulence and maintain a disciplined, diversified approach to achieve their long-term financial goals.

#### **Portfolio Risk**

The NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio is a higher-risk investment strategy that is likely to exhibit significant volatility and downside risk to achieve the required level of capital growth.



#### **Constituent Funds**

The NorthStar Ethical Adventurous Growth Portfolio contains the following funds:

Vanguard ESG Screened Developed World All Cap Equity Index 28%

HSBC Global Responsible Multi-Asset Adventurous Portfolio 20%

L&G MSCI World Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) Index 14%

L&G FW ESG Tilted and Optimised Emerging Markets Index 10%

L&G FW Climate Change Equity Factors Index 9%

BNY Mellon FutureLegacy 7 7%

Fidelity Sustainable Multi Asset Growth 6%

Vanguard ActiveLife Climate Aware 60-70% Equity 6%

100%

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