# Australian Ethical Australian Shares Fund (Wholesale)

Fund Profile - 31 January 2024



Australian Ethical is one of Australia's leading ethical fund managers. By investing responsibly in well-managed ethical companies, we deliver competitive financial performance to our clients and positive change to society and the environment. Since our inception in 1986, our Ethical Charter has guided all investment decisions and underpinned our business practices. Every year 10 per cent of our profits\* are distributed to charitable organisations and social impact initiatives through The Australian Ethical Foundation.

## Investment objective

To provide long-term growth focusing on Australian companies that meet the Australian Ethical Charter.

## **Price information**

Pricing Daily frequency:

Buy/Sell spread: 0.15%/0.15%

## **Fund facts**

Fund size: \$665.04m
Asset class: Equity
Inception date: 23/01/2012
Minimum 7 Years
investment
timeframe:

Risk level: Very high

#### Identifiers

ISIN code: AU60AUG00184

APIR code: AUG0018AU

## **Distributions**

Frequency: 2

Dates: 30/06, 31/12

### **Fees**

Management 1.10% costs - PDS:

Minimum initial \$25,000 investment: minimum in the Fund and \$500,000 investment across

Australian Ethical's managed funds.

0.00%

Additional transactional and operational costs:

A full explanation of all the fees and costs that you may be charged for investing in the Fund is provided in the Fund's Product Disclosure Statements available from our website australianethical.com.au

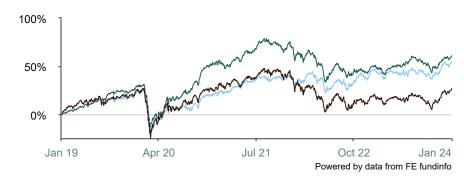
\*(after tax, before bonus expense)

\*\*The Benchmark was the composite S&P/ASX Small Industrials Accumulation Index from inception until 12 August 2019 and is the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index thereafter.

## Investment strategy

The opportunity to invest in a diversified share portfolio of companies predominately listed on the ASX and selected on the basis of their social, environmental and financial credentials. The Fund utilises an active stock-picking management style with stocks generally selected for growth rather than income, with a bias towards smaller capitalisation stocks listed on the ASX. All stocks are chosen on the basis of relative value where we deem the risks are being adequately priced.

## Cumulative performance (as at 31/01/2024)



- Australian Ethical Australian Shares
- Composite Benchmark\*\*
- S&P/ASX Small Indust.

### Performance (as at 31/01/2024)

|                          | 1m   | 3m    | 6m   | 1y   | Зу   | 5у    | 10y   | Since<br>inception<br>(ann.) |
|--------------------------|------|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------------------------------|
| Fund                     | 0.8% | 11.7% | 0.4% | 7.7% | 2.0% | 10.0% | 10.6% | 12.2%                        |
| Composite<br>Benchmark** | 1.1% | 13.9% | 5.6% | 6.7% | 9.3% | 9.2%  | 8.6%  | 9.8%                         |
| S&P/ASX<br>Small Indust. | 1.9% | 20.1% | 4.4% | 6.8% | 0.3% | 4.9%  | 6.4%  | 8.0%                         |

## Calendar Performance (as at end 2023)

|                          | CY2023 | CY2022 | CY2021 | CY2020 | CY2019 |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Fund                     | 11.0%  | -17.1% | 15.0%  | 21.0%  | 28.1%  |
| Composite<br>Benchmark** | 12.1%  | -1.8%  | 17.5%  | 1.7%   | 22.5%  |
| S&P/ASX<br>Small Indust. | 11.4%  | -21.8% | 13.7%  | 5.9%   | 24.5%  |

Source: FE fundinfo.

Total returns are calculated using the sell (exit) price, net of management fees and gross of tax as if distributions of income have been reinvested at the actual distribution reinvestment price. The actual returns received by an investor will depend on the timing, buy and exit prices of individual transactions. Return of capital and the performance of your investment in the fund are not guaranteed. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Figures showing a period of less than one year have not been adjusted to show an annual total return. Figures for periods of greater than one year are on a per annum compound basis. The current benchmark may not have been the benchmark over all periods shown in the above chart and tables. The calculation of the benchmark performance links the performance of previous benchmarks and the current benchmark over the relevant time periods.

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#### **Top 10** SUNCORP GROUP LIMITED 4.0% 3.6% **CONTACT ENERGY LTD INSURANCE AUSTRALIA GROUP LTD** 3.5% WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION 3.2% ORD F/PD SHARES NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK 3.2% MACQUARIE TECHNOLOGY GROUP LTD 3.1%

| BANK OF QUEENSLAND LIMITED     | 3.0%     |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| BENDIGO AND ADELAIDE BANK LIMI | TED 2.9% |
| QUBE HOLDINGS LTD              | 2.8%     |
| MIRVAC GROUP STAPLED SECURITIE | S 2.7%   |

## Ratings and awards

Why invest ethically?

### RIAA

Certification:

ORD F/PD DS



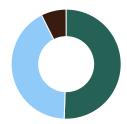
Portfolio diversification: Diversify your portfolio by investing in companies and sectors not well covered by other fund managers and brokers. Help build a better world: Invest in the new, lowcarbon economy, fund medical and technology breakthroughs, efficient transport and more. Promote human rights: We strive to avoid any investment in companies involved in the poor treatment of asylum seekers or the exploitation of workers through poor working conditions.

### Sector allocation

| Financials             | 31.6% |
|------------------------|-------|
| Health Care            | 14.0% |
| Information Technology | 8.5%  |
| Utilities              | 8.3%  |
| Industrials            | 7.1%  |
| Real Estate            | 6.8%  |
| Communication Services | 5.7%  |
| Materials              | 5.1%  |
| Consumer Discretionary | 3.9%  |
| Other                  | 9.1%  |

## Asset allocation

| Australian & NZ Small Cap | 50.6% |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Australian & NZ Large Cap | 42.0% |
| Cash                      | 7.4%  |



## **Need Help?**

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