

Finsbury Growth & Income Trust PLC Factsheet as at 30 September 2023

Investment Objective and Benchmark Index

Finsbury Growth & Income Trust PLC invests principally in the securities of UK listed companies with the objective of achieving capital and income growth and providing a total return in excess of that of its benchmark, the FTSE All-Share Index (net dividends reinvested).

Five Year Performance (%)

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Net Asset Value per share (total return) +21.2%

Benchmark: FTSE All-Share Index (net dividends reinvested) +19.7%

Source: Morningstar

Ten Largest Holdings as at 30 September 2023 (% of total investments)

Name	Sector	Total
Name	Sector	TOLAI
RELX	Consumer Discretionary	12.4
London Stock Exchange	Financials	11.6
Diageo	Consumer Staples	9.9
Unilever	Consumer Staples	8.9
Sage Group	Technology	8.4
Burberry Group	Consumer Discretionary	8.0
Experian	Industrials	7.9
Mondelez Int.	Consumer Staples	7.3
Schroders	Financials	5.5
Heineken	Consumer Staples	4.8
Total		84.7

LINDSELL TRAIN



Portfolio Manager Nick Train

Fast Facts	As at 30 Septe	ember 2023					
Launch Date		1926					
AIC Sector	UK Eq	uity Income					
Date of Appointment of Lindsell Train: December 2000							
Annual Management Fee + (payable by the company)							
Ongoing Charges		0.6%					
Year / interim end	30	September/ 31 March					
Capital Structure	sh	34 Ordinary ares of 25p 20,471,869 (in treasury)					
Number of Holdin	gs	23					
Net Assets (£m)		£1,822.8m					
Market Capitalisat	tion (£m)	£1,742.5m					
Dividend Per Sha	re**	19.0p					
Current Net Yield		2.2%					
Gearing		0.8%					
Leverage***		oss 100.8% en 101.7%					
Share Price (p)		852.00					
NAV (p) (cum inco	ome)	891.24					
(Discount) / Prem	nium to NAV	(4.4%)					
Portfolio Turnove	r p.a.	2.3%					
Active Share		85.3%					

Codes

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Bloomberg	FGT LN					
EPIC	FGT					

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Sector Breakdown as at 30 September 2023 (%)					
38.1					
23.4					
22.2					
8.4					
7.9					
100.0					

Discrete Performance – Calendar Years (%)						
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	
NAV	-0.8	23.1	-2.0	13.0	-6.5	
Share Price	-0.9	21.8	-0.7	6.9	-6.0	
Index	-9.5	19.2	-9.8	18.3	0.3	

*Cumulative since Manager appointment in December 2000

Standardised Discrete Performance (%)

Percentage Growth 12 Month Return	1m	3m	YTD	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yr	Since Manager Appointment
NAV	-2.0	-3.8	2.2	7.2	11.8	21.2	130.0	599.8
Share Price	-2.2	-3.6	2.0	7.5	7.9	15.4	118.9	688.0
Index	1.8	1.9	4.5	13.8	39.8	19.7	71.8	205.6

Source: Morningstar.

* Index source: FTSE International Limited ("FTSE") © FTSE 2023

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Return vs Volatility (5 Years Annualised) - Chart (%)



Dividend Growth – 5 Years History							
		2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
	Dividend Rate	16.6p	16.6p	17.1p	18.1p	19.0p	
	YoY% Growth	8.5	-	3.0	5.8	5.0	

*Calculated at the financial year end, includes management fees and all other operating expenses.

**1st Interim payable 19 May 23 :(Year ended Sep 23) 8.5p 2nd Interim paid 10 Nov 23 :(Year ended Sep 23) 10.5p

***The Board has set the leverage limit for both the Gross and the Commitment basis at 125% of the Company's Net Asset Value.

[†]Lindsell Train – 0.45% pa of the Company's adjusted market capitalisation up to a value of £1 billion, such fee reducing to 0.405% pa of the Company's adjusted market capitalisation in excess of £1 billion up to a value of £2 billion, such fee reducing to 0.36% pa of the Company's adjusted market capitalisation in excess of £2 billion.

Frostrow – 0.15% pa of the Company's adjusted market capitalisation up to a value of £1 billion, such fee reducing to 0.135% pa of the Company's adjusted market capitalisation in excess of £1 billion up to a value of £2 billion, such fee reducing to 0.12% pa of the Company's adjusted market capitalisation in excess of £2 billion.

Active Share is expressed as a percentage and shows the extent to which a fund's holdings and their weightings differ from those of the fund's benchmark index. A fund that closely tracks its index might have a low Active Share of less than 20% and be considered passive, while a fund with an Active Share of 60% or higher is generally considered to be actively managed.

Investment Policy

The Company has a concentrated portfolio of up to 30 stocks with a low turnover, and aims to provide shareholders with a total return in excess of that of the FTSE All-Share Index. The Portfolio Manager uses a bottom-up stock picking approach and looks to invest in a universe of excellent listed companies that appear mostly undervalued. Up to 20% of the portfolio, at the time of acquisition, can be invested in quoted companies outside the UK. The Company's policy is to invest no more than 15% of its gross assets in other listed investment companies (including listed investment trusts).

Share Buy-back and Issuance Mechanism

The Directors have adopted a share buyback policy to establish and support an improved rating in the Company's shares through the use of share buybacks, with a view to limiting the discount to NAV per share at which the shares trade to no more than 5%. Shares bought back may be held in treasury for reissue at a later date and it is the intention of the Board that any re-sale of treasury shares would only take place at a premium to the NAV per share. In order to stop the share price trading at a significant premium to the NAV per share, the Company has the ability to issue new shares at a 0.7% premium to the NAV per share.



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Commentary

In September, the NAV was down 2.0% on a total return basis and the share price was down 2.2%, on a total return basis, while the index was up 1.8%.

The last three months were unhelpful for your portfolio. It was a quarter when Big Oil and some metals companies did well as share prices. This always hurts our relative performance, because we continue to have no exposure to the commodity sectors. That squeeze was intensified by falls in share price of some of our consumer brand owners, particularly those with a tilt toward luxury or premium products. With interest rates high and some input costs still rising, we can understand the short-term caution about consumer spending; nonetheless I was disappointed to see Diageo down 9% and Burberry down 10% over the quarter. Both are important holdings, both in terms of their size, but also, we think, in terms of the exposure they offer UK equity investors to companies that own heritage-rich, luxury products.

To be clear: our strategy is based on the assumption that the next decade will be marked by rapid productivity gains and wealth creation, driven by the application of digital technology to increasing aspects of life and that the resultant wealth will be spent on products such as Burberry's iconic trench coat and Diageo's Johnnie Walker Blue-label.

The only real resilience in your portfolio in Q3 was in some, but even here not all, of the big positions we hold in data and software companies. RELX and Sage both rose 6% and, in the process, hit all-time high share prices. It is said that in the 21st century – "Data is the new Oil". Recently, we have suffered from having no exposure to actual Oil. But we ask shareholders investors to note the growing proportion of the portfolio invested in companies that own and create proprietary data, like RELX, Sage, Experian and LSEG. We sense that global investors are looking for owners of globally relevant and unique data and, despite warranted caution about the UK market, are finding candidates in London. I hope so. For instance, the appetite shown by institutions to buy another big tranche of London Stock Exchange Group's shares, sold by Blackstone and Thomson in early September – another £2.8bn worth – is encouraging. In addition, we started a new holding in September which gives further exposure to this theme of data and data-analytics.

Important Information

Finsbury Growth & Income Trust PLC (the Company) is a public limited company whose shares are premium listed on the LSE and is registered with HMRC as an investment trust.

The Company has an indeterminate life.

This financial promotion is issued by Frostrow Capital LLP which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA").

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The Company can borrow to purchase investments, this could potentially magnify any losses or gains made by the Company.