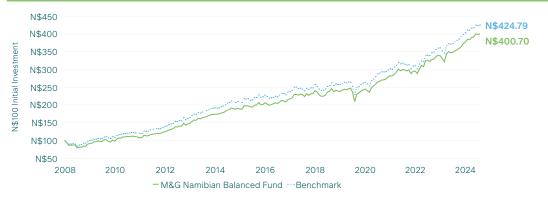
# M&G Namibian Balanced Fund

Multi-asset

# March 2025





Annualised performance	A class	Benchmark	B class	
1 year	13.9%	12.6%	14.4%	
3 years	10.3%	10.5%	10.9%	
5 years	13.8%	13.2%	14.4%	
7 years	8.7%	8.5%	9.2%	
10 years	7.9%	7.5%	8.4%	
Since inception	8.7%	9.1%	-	

Risk measures	A class	Benchmark
Monthly volatility (annualised)	9.0%	7.7%
Maximum drawdown over any period	-21.0%	-15.8%
% of positive rolling 12 months	93.1%	94.1%
Information ratio	-0.1	n/a
Sortino ratio	0.6	0.7
Sharpe ratio	0.4	0.4

#### Top holdings as at 31 Mar 2025

1.	Capped Shareholder Weighted 40 Index Future 0625	8.0%
2.	Republic of SA R2032 Bond Future 0525	7.6%
З.	Naspers Ltd/Prosus NV	3.5%
4.	Bank Windhoek FRN J3+0.25% 210825	3.4%
5.	Republic of SA R2037 Bond Future 0525	2.5%
6.	Namibian Government Bond 8.00% 150127	2.1%
7.	Namibian Government Bond 9.85% 150745	2.0%
8.	Firstrand Ltd NM	1.7%
9.	Namibian Government Bond 10.00% 151048	1.7%
10.	Standard Bank Group Ltd NM	1.6%

Asset allocation as at 31 Mar 2025

•	Foreign Equity
•	Namibian Cash
•	Namibian Bonds
•	SA Bonds (ex. ILBs)
•	Namibian Equity
•	Foreign Bonds
•	Namibian Property
•	Foreign Cash
•	Foreign Property
•	SA Listed Property

25.7%

24.8%

24.3%

13.4%

10.6%

4.9% 2.0%

1.3%

0.2% 0.2%

-17.3%

• SA Equity

SA Cash

Investment options	A Class	<b>B</b> Class
Minimum lump sum investment	N\$10 000	N\$5 million
Minimum monthly debit order	N\$500 pm	n/a
Annual Management Fees (excl. VAT)	A Class	B Class
M&G1	1.25%	0.75%
Financial adviser service fee (if applicable) <sup>2</sup>	0.50%	n/a

# <sup>1</sup> Additional underlying foreign fund fees are dependent on the fund <sup>2</sup> The Financial Adviser Service Fee, if applicable, is included in M&G's annual management fee above. An Ongoing Adviser Fee, over and above the Financial Adviser Service Fee, may be negotiated between the Investor and Financial Adviser, Should you agree to an Ongoing Adviser Fee, it will be paid via the regular repurchase of units.

## **Risk profile**



# Fund facts

### **Fund objective**

The Fund aims to achieve steady growth of capital and income through global asset allocation and superior stock selection across all industry sectors.

#### Investor profile

Those investors seeking a suitable vehicle for retirement provision and those investors wishing to tilt their portfolio to value with controlled risk exposure.

#### Investment mandate

The Fund aims to achieve steady growth of capital and income through investments in an actively managed, diversified combination of domestic and international assets where the asset allocation is tactically managed. The Fund is managed to comply with regulations governing retirement fund investments in Namibia.

#### **Fund managers**

Sandile Malinga Michael Moyle Leonard Krüger

#### Morningstar category

Moderate Allocation

#### Benchmark

Namibian Peer Group Average

# Inception date

1 August 2008

# Fund size

N\$1 366 130 854

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Income Distributions <sup>3</sup>	A Class	B Class
	Total 12m yield	Total 12m yield
31 December 2024	4.24 cpu 3.21%	4.91 cpu 3.65%
30 June 2024	4.46 cpu 4.51%	5.07 cpu 4.98%

#### **Fund commentary**

The FTSE/JSE All Share Index (ALSI) returned 3.6% in March. The FTSE/JSE All Bond Index returned 0.2%. Cash returned 0.6%.

The NSX Overall Index returned -1.2% and the NSX Local Index returned 3.5% on a total return basis in March. Over a 12-month period the NSX Overall Index returned 17.2% versus 14.0% for the Local Index. The IJG All Bond Index returned 0.3% in March and 21.2% over 12 months. The IJG Money Market Index increased by 0.6% in March and by 8.3% over 12 months.

The Namibian dollar strengthened 0.5% against the US dollar, but weakened 3.2% against the euro and 1.9% against the pound sterling.

The fund realised a total return of 0.6% for the month. Contributing the most to absolute performance was the fund's exposure to SA and Namibian equities (excluding property). This brings the one-year performance of the fund to 13.9% (after fees).

The fund delivered a return of 8.7% per annum since inception (after fees) whilst the NCPI inflation index has increased by 5.0% per annum over the same period.

#### Glossary

12-month yield	A measure of the Fund's income distributions as a percentage of the Fund's net asset value (NAV). This is calculated by summing the income distributions over a rolling 12-month period, then dividing by the sum of the NAV at the end of the period and any capital gains distributed over the same period.
Annualised performance	The average amount of money (total return) earned by an investment each year over a given time period. For periods longer than one year, total returns are expressed as compounded average returns on a yearly basis.
Cumulative performance graph	This illustrates how an initial investment of R100 or N\$100 (for example) placed into the Fund would change over time, taking ongoing fees into account, with all distributions reinvested.
Income distribution	The dividend income and/or interest income that is generated by the underlying Fund investments and that is periodically declared and distributed to investors in the Fund after all annual service fees.
Information ratio	Measures the Fund's active return (Fund return in excess of the benchmark) divided by the amount of risk that the manager takes relative to the benchmark. The higher the information ratio, the higher the active return of the Fund, given the amount of risk taken and the more consistent the manager. This is calculated over a 3-year period.
Maximum drawdown	The largest drop in the Fund's cumulative total return from peak to trough over any period.
Monthly volatility (annualised)	Also known as standard deviation. This measures the amount of variation or difference in the monthly returns on an investment. The larger the annualised monthly volatility, the more the monthly returns are likely to vary from the average monthly return (i.e. the more volatile the investment).
Percentage of positive rolling 12 months	The percentage of months, since inception, that the Fund has shown a positive return over a rolling 12-month period.
Sharpe ratio	The Sharpe ratio is used to measure how well the return of an asset compensates the investor for the risk taken. The higher the Sharpe ratio the better the Fund's historical risk-adjusted performance has been. This is calculated by taking the difference between the Fund's annualised return and the risk-free (cash) rate, divided by the standard deviation of the Fund's returns. This is calculated over a 3-year period.
Sortino ratio	This is calculated by taking the difference between the Fund's annualised return and the risk-free (cash) rate, divided by the downside deviation of the Fund's returns i.e. the "bad" volatility. A high Sortino ratio indicates a low risk of large losses occurring in the Fund. This is calculated over a 3-year period.
Unit Classes	M&G's funds are offered in different unit classes to allow different types of investors (individuals and institutions) to invest in the same fund. Different investment minimums and fees apply to different unit classes. A Class: for individuals only. B & D Class: retirement funds and other large institutional investors only. X Class: the special fee class that was made available to investors that were invested in the Dividend Income Feeder Fund. T Class: for investors in tra-free unit trusts. F Class: for Discretionary Fund Managers.

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<sup>3</sup> If the income earned in the form of dividends and interest exceeds the total expenses, the Fund will make a distribution (cpu = cents per unit).