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# Pendal Sustainable Conservative Fund

ARSN: 090 651 924

### About the Fund

The Pendal Sustainable Conservative Fund (**Fund**) is an actively-managed diversified portfolio that invests in Australian and international shares, Australian and international property securities, Australian and international fixed interest, cash and Alternative investments. Investments are selected based on a range of sustainable, ethical and financial criteria.

# **Investment Return Objective**

The Fund aims to provide a real return over inflation over the medium term to meet the objectives of conservative investors including tax exempt entities whilst screening for investments which meet the Fund's sustainable guidelines. The suggested investment timeframe is three years or more.

# **Description of Fund**

This Fund is designed for investors who want the potential for long term capital growth and income, diversification across a broad range of asset classes and exposure to companies and issuers (within the Australian and international shares, Australian and international fixed interest and part of the Alternative investments components of the Fund) that demonstrate leading environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG) and ethical practices while avoiding exposure to companies and issuers with material involvement in activities we consider to negatively impact the environment or society and are prepared to accept some variability of returns.

The Fund may also use derivatives. The Fund has a higher weighting towards defensive assets, such as fixed interest and cash.

Sustainable and ethical investment practices are incorporated into the Australian and international shares, Australian and international fixed interest and part of the Alternative investments components of the Fund. All other investments by the Fund are not assessed for sustainable and ethical investment practices. We actively seek exposure to securities and industries that demonstrate leading ESG and ethical practices and exclude companies not meeting the investable criteria

The sustainability and ethical criteria employed includes factors such as:

• environmental issues

· corporate governance

· social practices

· ethical practices

The Fund applies exclusionary screens, which may be applied differently across the asset classes of the Fund. For more information on how these exclusions are applied go to section 5 of the 'Product Disclosure Statement' at www.pendalgroup.com/PendalSustainableConservativeFund-PDS.

Pendal actively engages with the management of the companies and issuers we invest in to manage risk, effect change and realise potential value over the long term.

The underlying investments in the Fund are primarily managed by specialist teams within Perpetual Group, including Pendal for alternatives, fixed interest and Australian equities, and a range of specialist managers within the Group for international equities. In respect of global listed property, we have outsourced to a specialist global property manager, AEW. The Perpetual Multi-Asset team also manages an active asset allocation process designed to increase portfolio returns within a defined risk budget.

# **Factsheet**

Multi-Asset Strategies

31 March 2024

#### **Performance**

(%)	Total F	Benchmark	
	(post-fee)	(pre-fee)	Return
1 month	1.35	1.41	1.70
3 months	2.00	2.18	3.29
6 months	7.42	7.79	8.63
1 year	5.08	5.82	8.59
2 years (p.a)	1.44	2.15	3.39
3 years (p.a)	1.99	2.70	2.53
5 years (p.a)	2.58	3.32	3.16
Since Inception (p.a)	6.58	7.62	-

Source: Pendal as at 31 March 2024

"Post fee" returns assume reinvestment of distributions and is calculated using exit prices. "Pre-fee" returns exclude the effects of management costs and any taxes. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualised. Fund inception: September 1989.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

### Asset allocation (as at 31 March 2024)

Australian shares	8.8%
International shares	12.8%
Australian property securities	2.1%
International property securities	2.1%
Australian fixed interest	23.0%
International fixed interest	25.8%
Alternative investments	13.9%
Cash	11.4%

# **Investment Guidelines**

Asset allocation	*Neutral	Ranges		Sustainable assessments	
ranges (%)	position	Min	Max	and screens applied	
Australian shares	9	0	20	Yes	
International shares	12	0	20	Yes	
Australian fixed interest	23	10	40	Yes	
International fixed interest	26	10	40	Yes	
Australian property securities	2	0	10	-	
International property securities	2	0	10	-	
Alternative investments	14	0	20	Yes	
Cash	12	0	40	-	
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<sup>\*</sup>Neutral positions effective from 20 December 2023.



The Pendal Sustainable Conservative Fund has been certified by the Responsible Investment Association Australasia according to the strict operational and disclosure practices required under the Responsible Investment Certification Program. See <a href="www.responsiblereturns.com.au">www.responsiblereturns.com.au</a> for details.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The asset allocation neutral position, asset allocation ranges and the benchmark have changed over time. As it is historical information, the Fund performance reflects the asset allocation neutral positions and ranges that have applied over time. The benchmark performance shown is that of the combined benchmarks that the Fund has aimed to exceed over time.

#### **Benchmark**

The benchmark for the Fund is created from a range of published indices. The benchmark is based on the asset allocation neutral position and the index returns for each asset class. Details of the particular market indices used for the Fund's benchmark can be found at <a href="http://www.pendalgroup.com/Pendal-Sustainable-Conservative-Fund">http://www.pendalgroup.com/Pendal-Sustainable-Conservative-Fund</a>.

#### **Investment Team**

The Fund is managed by Perpetual's Multi-Asset Strategies Team. The team has a diverse skill set, with deep experience in asset allocation and portfolio construction; and draws on the broader resources of Perpetual Group's other specialist teams around the world. During March 2024 the prior responsible investment management team, being the Pendal Multi-Asset Investments Team, merged with the Perpetual Multi-Asset Team.

# **Other Information**

Fund size (as at 31 March 2024)	\$276 million			
Date of inception	September 1989			
Minimum investment	\$25,000			
Buy-sell spread <sup>2</sup> For the Fund's current buy-sell spread information, visit <a href="https://www.pendalgroup.com">www.pendalgroup.com</a>				
Distribution frequency	Quarterly			
APIR code	RFA0811AU			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The buy-sell spread represents a contribution to the transaction costs incurred by the Fund, when the Fund is purchasing and selling assets. The buy-sell spread is generally incurred whenever you invest or withdraw funds, and may vary from time to time without potice.

#### Fees and costs

You should refer to the latest Product Disclosure Statement for full details of the ongoing fees and costs that you may be charged.

Management fee <sup>3</sup> 0.70	)% pa	
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is the fee we charge for managing the assets and overseeing the operations of the Fund. The management fee is deducted from the Fund's assets and reflected in its unit price.

#### **Risks**

An investment in the Fund involves risk, including:

- Market risk The risk associated with factors that can influence the direction and volatility of an overall market, as opposed to security-specific risks. These factors can affect one country or a number of countries.
- > Interest rate risk: The risk associated with adverse changes in asset prices as a result of interest rate movements.
- International investments risk The risk arising from political and economic uncertainties, interest rate movements and differences in regulatory supervision associated with international investments.
- Currency risk Currency exchange rate fluctuation risk arising from investing across multiple countries.
- Credit risk The risk of an issuing entity defaulting on its obligation to pay interest/principal when due.
- Liquidity risk The risk that an asset may not be converted to cash in a timely manner.
- Counterparty risk The risk of another party to a transaction failing to meet its obligations.

Please read the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement (**PDS**) for a detailed explanation of each of these risks.

# For more information please call **1300 346 821**, contact your key account manager or visit **pendalgroup.com**



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If market movements, cash flows or changes in the nature of an investment (e.g. a change in credit rating) cause the Fund to exceed any of the investment ranges or limits specified, this will be rectified by PFSL as soon as reasonably practicable after becoming aware of it. If PFSL does so, it will have no other obligations in relation to these circumstances. The procedures, investment ranges, benchmarks and limits specified are accurate as at the date of this factsheet and PFSL reserves the right to vary these from time to time.