



# Matthews Asia

## RATINGS & AWARDS\*

Best Equity Fund House  
Best Asia Pacific Equity  
Fund



## FUND FACTS (USD)

Total Fund Assets‡	\$83.1 million
Benchmark	MSCI All Country Asia ex Japan Index
Management Fee	1.25%
Minimum Initial Investment	\$1,000/€500
Minimum Subsequent Investment	\$100/€50
Fund Domicile	Luxembourg
Available Share Classes	A, I
Base Currency	USD
Additional Dealing Currencies	GBP
Net Asset Value‡	
A Acc (USD)	\$19.67

Source:

‡ Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

<b>Sean Taylor</b> Lead Manager	<b>Inbok Song</b> Lead Manager
<b>Jeremy Sutch, CFA</b> Co-Manager	<b>Sherwood Zhang, CFA</b> Co-Manager
<b>Sojung Park</b> Co-Manager	<b>Lau Cecilia</b> Co-Manager

## MATTHEWS ASIA

Matthews Asia believes in the long-term growth of Asia, one of the world's fastest-growing regions. Since 1991, we have focused our efforts and expertise in these countries, investing through a variety of market environments. Matthews Asia employs a bottom-up, fundamental investment philosophy with a focus on long-term investment performance. As of 30 September 2024, Matthews Asia had US\$8.3 billion in assets under management.

The investment policy of the Fund was changed on 15 December 2021. The performance prior to this date was achieved under circumstances that no longer apply.

**All performance quoted represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results.** Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with market conditions so that when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than the original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than performance shown. Investors investing in Funds denominated in non-USD should be aware of the risk of currency exchange fluctuations that may cause a loss of principal.

Performance details provided are based on a NAV-to-NAV basis with any dividends reinvested, and are net of management fees and other expenses. Performance data has been calculated in the respective currencies stated above, including ongoing charges and excluding any subscription fee and redemption fee you might have to pay. Source: Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A.

# Asia ex Japan Total Return Equity Fund

Effective 17 February 2023, the Fund was renamed from the Asia ex Japan Dividend Fund to the Asia ex Japan Total Return Equity Fund.

## Class A Shares

Matthews Asia Funds

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## Investment Objective

Seeks total return through capital appreciation and current income.

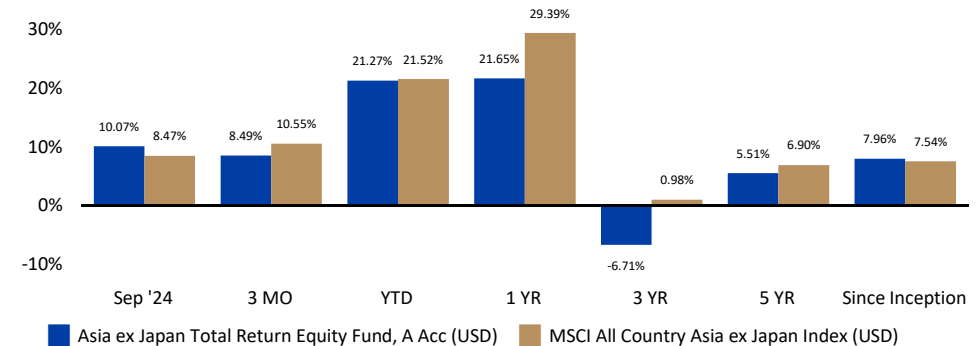
## Sustainability

The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics according to Article 8 of SFDR. Furthermore, the Fund uses both activity- and norm-based exclusions. Information relating to the environmental and social characteristics of this Fund is available in the prospectus on our website.

## Risk Considerations

- Investment involves risk. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. It is possible to lose the principal capital of your investment.
- The Fund invests primarily in Asia ex Japan countries and markets. Investment in such emerging markets may involve increased risks such as liquidity risks, currency risks/control, political and economic uncertainties, legal and taxation risks, settlement risks, custody risk and the likelihood of a high degree of volatility.
- The Fund may also invest in frontier countries and markets which may involve additional risks and risks similar to investments in emerging countries and markets but to a greater extent.
- The Fund may, at its discretion, pay dividends out of the capital or effectively out of capital in respect of the distribution shares. Payment of dividends out of capital and/or effectively out of capital amounts to a return or withdrawal of part of an investor's original investment, or from any capital gains attributable to that original investment. Any distribution may result in an immediate reduction of the net asset value per share of the Fund.
- The Fund invests primarily in equity securities, which may result in increased volatility.
- The Fund may invest in smaller companies which are likely to carry higher risks than larger companies.
- The Fund may invest in financial derivative instruments ("FDIs"). Risk associated with FDIs include counterparty/credit risk, liquidity risk, valuation risk, volatility risk and over-the-counter transaction risk. Exposure to FDIs may lead to a high risk of significant loss by the Fund.
- The Fund may use hedging techniques to attempt to offset certain market risks but there is no guarantee that hedging techniques will fully and effectively achieve their desired result.
- Pandemics and other public health emergencies can result in market volatility and disruption.
- Investors should not invest in the Fund solely based on the information in this document.

## Performance as of 30 September 2024<sup>†</sup>



Asia ex Japan Total Return Equity Fund	Sep '24	3 MO	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	Since Inception	Inception
A Acc (USD)	10.07%	8.49%	21.27%	21.65%	-6.71%	5.51%	7.96%	30 Nov 2015
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Index (USD)	8.47%	10.55%	21.52%	29.39%	0.98%	6.90%	7.54% <sup>1</sup>	n.a.

## Annual Returns (For the Years Ended 31 December)

Asia ex Japan Total Return Equity Fund	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
A Acc (USD)	-9.49%	-26.71%	3.08%	50.79%	15.83%
MSCI AC Asia ex Japan Index (USD)	6.34%	-19.36%	-4.46%	25.36%	18.52%

<sup>†</sup> All returns over 1 year are annualised

<sup>1</sup> Index calculated from 30 November 2015

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## TOP TEN HOLDINGS<sup>2</sup>

	Country	% of Net Assets
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Taiwan	7.8%
Tencent Holdings, Ltd.	China/Hong Kong	5.3%
Alibaba Group Holding, Ltd.	China/Hong Kong	5.2%
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.	South Korea	3.2%
Meituan Class B	China/Hong Kong	2.9%
Ping An Insurance Group Co. of China, Ltd.	China/Hong Kong	2.9%
Trip.com Group, Ltd.	China/Hong Kong	2.7%
China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd.	China/Hong Kong	2.6%
HDFC Bank, Ltd.	India	2.5%
Reliance Industries, Ltd.	India	2.1%
<b>% OF ASSETS IN TOP TEN</b>		<b>37.2%</b>

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A.

## COUNTRY ALLOCATION (%)<sup>3</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
China/Hong Kong	38.4	36.5	1.9
India	20.6	22.2	-1.6
Taiwan	14.6	19.8	-5.2
South Korea	8.3	11.9	-3.6
Singapore	5.8	3.6	2.2
Vietnam	3.9	0.0	3.9
Indonesia	3.0	1.9	1.1
Malaysia	2.5	1.7	0.8
Thailand	2.0	1.7	0.3
Philippines	1.7	0.6	1.1
Macau	0.0	0.2	-0.2
Liabilities in Excess of Cash and Other Assets	-0.6	0.0	-0.6

Source: FactSet Research Systems

## SECTOR ALLOCATION (%)<sup>3</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
Financials	27.9	21.1	6.8
Consumer Discretionary	24.5	15.0	9.5
Information Technology	19.9	25.1	-5.2
Communication Services	11.9	10.1	1.8
Real Estate	3.8	2.4	1.4
Industrials	3.6	7.5	-3.9
Consumer Staples	3.4	4.3	-0.9
Energy	2.1	3.6	-1.5
Health Care	1.9	3.7	-1.8
Utilities	1.6	2.8	-1.2
Materials	0.0	4.5	-4.5
Liabilities in Excess of Cash and Other Assets	-0.6	0.0	-0.6

Sector data based on MSCI's revised Global Industry Classification Standards. For more details, visit [www.msci.com](http://www.msci.com).

Source: FactSet Research Systems

## MARKET CAP EXPOSURE (%)<sup>3,4</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
Mega Cap (over \$25B)	73.7	63.8	9.9
Large Cap (\$10B-\$25B)	16.2	21.7	-5.5
Mid Cap (\$3B-\$10B)	6.4	14.3	-7.9
Small Cap (under \$3B)	4.3	0.2	4.1
Liabilities in Excess of Cash and Other Assets	-0.6	0.0	-0.6

Source: FactSet Research Systems

## DIVIDEND YIELD<sup>11</sup>

1.98%

Source: FactSet Research Systems, Bloomberg, Matthews Asia

## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Benchmark
Number of Positions	68	1,070
Weighted Avg. Market Cap (in billions)	\$163.4	\$170.6
Active Share <sup>5</sup>	61.9	n.a.
P/E Using FY1 Estimates <sup>6</sup>	14.6x	14.2x
P/E Using FY2 Estimates <sup>6</sup>	12.9x	12.7x
Price/Cash Flow <sup>7</sup>	11.6	9.5
Price/Book <sup>8</sup>	2.3	1.9
Return on Equity <sup>9</sup>	14.0	15.0
EPS Growth (3 Years) <sup>10</sup>	10.1%	12.9%

Source: FactSet Research Systems

- Holdings may combine more than one security from the same issuer and related depository receipts.
- Percentage values in data are rounded to the nearest tenth of one percent; the values may not sum to 100% due to rounding. Percentage values may be derived from different data sources and may not be consistent with other Fund literature.
- Equity market cap of issuer.
- Active Share is calculated by taking the absolute value of the difference between portfolio holdings and benchmark weights, summing all of these differences, and dividing by two. The calculation will result in an active share number between 0%, which indicates the portfolio perfectly replicates the benchmark, and 100%, which indicates there is no overlap whatsoever between the portfolio and the index. Active Share was calculated including cash held in the Fund.
- The P/E Ratio is the share price of a stock as of the report date, divided by the forecasted earnings per share for a 12-month period (FY1) or a 24-month period (FY2). For the Fund, this is the weighted harmonic average estimated P/E ratio of all the underlying stocks in the Fund, excluding negative earners. There is no guarantee that the composition of the Fund will remain unchanged, or that forecasted earnings of a stock will be realized. Information provided is for illustrative purposes only.
- A measure of the market's expectations of a firm's future financial health. Because this measure deals with cash flow, the effects of depreciation and other non-cash factors are removed. Similar to price/earnings ratio, this measure provides an indication of relative value.
- Price-to-Book Ratio (P/B Ratio) is used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. It is calculated by dividing the current closing price of the stock by the latest quarter's book value per share. A lower P/B ratio could mean that the stock is undervalued.
- Return on Equity (ROE) is the amount of net income returned as a percentage of shareholders equity. Return on equity measures a corporation's profitability by revealing how much profit a company generates with the money shareholders have invested, and is calculated as net income divided by shareholder's equity.
- Earnings Per Share (EPS) is the amount of annual profit (after tax and all other expenses) attributable to each share in a company. EPS is calculated by dividing profit by the average number of shares in a company. Earnings growth is not a measure of a fund's future performance.
- The Dividend Yield (trailing) is the weighted average sum of the dividends paid by each equity security held by the Fund over the last 12 months divided by the current price as of report date. The annualised dividend yield for the Fund is for the equity-only portion of the Fund and does not reflect the actual yield an investor in the Fund would receive. There can be no guarantee that companies that the Fund invests in, and which have historically paid dividends, will continue to pay them or to pay them at the current rate in the future. A positive distribution yield does not imply positive return, and past yields are no guarantee of future yields.

## Available Share Classes

Share Class	ISIN	SEDOL	CUSIP
A Acc (USD)	LU1311310541	BYRP997	L6258X126

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