

GLOBAL EQUITY FUND IN A NUTSHELL

LOW-COST ACTIVE EQUITIES

The fund seeks to provide an increase in the value of investments over the long term (more than 5 years).

- **Active difference** – The fund brings together two very different management teams, each drawing on a powerful, deep-rooted investment culture, ensuring investors benefit from true diversity of thought.
- **Cross-cycle performance** – Combining different approaches to growth and value aim to help the fund deliver a consistent level of performance across varying market cycles.
- **Breadth and balance** – The fund's balance of complementary ways of investing produces a diversified portfolio across a wide range of countries and sectors, helping investors to benefit from a variety of sources of return.

The fund is managed by two investment firms. Baillie Gifford in Edinburgh seek to identify market leading companies with above average cash flow and earnings growth. Wellington Management focus on out of favour companies that are deeply undervalued relative to peers and history.

Key attributes



Low cost: 0.48% versus a peer group average of 1.17%*.



Diversified investment styles: Combining growth and value approaches.



Investment talent: Managed by Baillie Gifford and Wellington Investment Management.

* Source: Morningstar. Peer group average OCF for IA Sector = Global as at 6 January 2021.

Please read the risk factors section in the prospectus, available on our website.

About Vanguard

Vanguard has been helping to bring value to investors since 1975, growing into one of the world's largest fund managers along the way. What sets us apart?

- **Client focus** – Vanguard in the US is ultimately owned by its investors. This unique mutual structure aligns our interests with those of our clients.
- **Low-cost investing** – Providing low-cost investments isn't a pricing strategy for us. It's how we do business.
- **Stability and experience** – Our clients benefit from the expertise we've gained over more than 45 years.

Vanguard low-cost active

Active managers aim to deliver excess returns relative to their benchmarks that outweigh the fund's charges. We've made it easier for this equation to work by pricing our active funds competitively.

We leverage our scale and deep capabilities to identify and access both internal and external investment talent globally that might otherwise be out of reach to the average UK investor – all at low cost and with the added benefit of Vanguard's robust oversight and due diligence.

Our active range is founded on three core principles:

- An ongoing commitment to driving down costs
- Unique access to a vast talent pool – both internal and external
- Designed for the long term with clients in mind

Vanguard has a deep history of active management, having managed active funds since our beginning in 1975. Today, Vanguard is one of the largest active managers in the world.

About the managers

Baillie Gifford

Baillie Gifford is one of the UK's largest private investment managers. The firm was founded in 1908 in Edinburgh where it is headquartered to this day. The firm is a private partnership wholly owned by the current partners who all work full time in the business. The partnership structure affords the company significant stability and independence, which means they focus on the best interests of their clients.

Vanguard has been using Baillie Gifford as a sub-adviser since 2003.

Wellington Management Company

Wellington Management traces their roots back to 1928, when Walter Morgan, a Philadelphia-based accountant, established the first balanced mutual fund in the United States. Despite the great market crash of 1929, Mr Morgan established Wellington Management as an innovator and leader in investment management.

Today, Wellington Management has a significant presence and long-term track record in nearly all sectors of the global securities markets. Still, their history is perhaps best defined not by the number of years they've been in existence, but rather by their focus on stability and growth to help meet the evolving needs of their clients.

Vanguard's relationship with Wellington is inextricably linked and traces its roots back to Vanguard's inception in 1975.

Investment risk information

The value of investments, and the income from them, may fall or rise and investors may get back less than they invested.

Some funds invest in emerging markets which can be more volatile than more established markets. As a result the value of your investment may rise or fall.

Investments in smaller companies may be more volatile than investments in well-established blue chip companies.

The Fund may use derivatives in order to reduce risk or cost and/or generate extra income or growth. The use of derivatives could increase or reduce exposure to underlying assets and result in greater fluctuations of the Fund's net asset value. A derivative is a financial contract whose value is based on the value of a financial asset (such as a share, bond, or currency) or a market index.

Some funds invest in securities which are denominated in different currencies. Movements in currency exchange rates can affect the return of investments.

For further information on risks please see the "Risk Factors" section of the prospectus on our website at <https://global.vanguard.com>.

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For further information on the fund's investment policy, please refer to the Key Investor Information Document ("KIID"). The KIID for this fund is available, alongside the prospectus via Vanguard's website <https://global.vanguard.com/>.

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