

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The Coronation Granite Hedge Fund is managed as a long/short fixed income fund, investing in a diversified portfolio of securities, including derivative instruments, bonds and cash. The Coronation Granite Hedge Fund makes use of six core and distinct fixed income strategies, namely: Directional View Taking, Yield Curve Positioning, Corporate Credit Opportunities, Arbitrage Strategies, Quantitative and Relative Value Trades in the pursuit of producing consistent absolute returns independent of general market direction.

The fund is expected to have low volatility with a very low correlation to the All Bond Index (ALBI). Investment decisions are driven by fundamental proprietary in-house research. The fund's target return is cash plus 3%. The objective is to achieve this return with low risk, providing attractive risk-adjusted returns through a low fund standard deviation.

The fund may make use of derivative instruments for efficient portfolio management purposes.

## INVESTMENT PARAMETERS

The Coronation Granite Hedge Fund may invest in international investments. The fund may use leverage but such leverage shall be limited to 5 (five) times. The fund is precluded from raising any debt funding over and above that achieved in terms of the long/short process. Value at risk is monitored on a daily basis and is subject to an internal limit of 6% at a 95% confidence level, and 10% at a 99% level. The maximum modified duration of the fund may not exceed that of the ALBI. The portfolio will have maximum credit exposure limits with reference to credit classification bands, determined in accordance with the fund's Credit Exposure Guidelines. Limits per issuer within each credit classification band exist and are monitored on a daily basis. No writing of uncovered options will be permitted. The fund employs stop-loss strategies to facilitate capital preservation. The intention is to invest the majority of the fund in liquid tradable securities that are listed on BESA or the JSE. The fund may invest in unlisted vehicles, in particular money market investment and exposure to small capitalisation shares may be achieved in this way. Investment in derivatives is permitted for efficient investment management of the fund.

## FUND RETURNS

	Fund*	ALBI	Cash**
Since inception (cumulative)	717.1%	740.0%	349.6%
Since inception p.a.	9.6%	9.7%	6.8%
Latest 10 year p.a.	8.7%	9.4%	6.1%
Latest 5 year p.a.	9.1%	11.3%	6.0%
Latest 3 year p.a.	11.0%	13.6%	7.5%
Latest 1 year p.a.	11.5%	15.1%	7.4%
Year to date	7.2%	10.4%	4.8%
Month	1.0%	0.8%	0.6%

\*Fund Returns since inception to 30 September 2023 are for the A class (the most expensive fee class prior to the A class being closed on 30 September 2023) and was calculated net of fees and net of fund expenses. Fund Returns from 1 October 2023 to date are for the Z class. Fund Returns for the Z class are calculated net of fund expenses and gross of investment management and performance fees. Investment management and performance fees are individually agreed with each Qualified Investor prior to investment and are levied outside of the fund. Each Qualified Investor receives a monthly report indicating performance net of their individual fees and expenses.

\*\*South Africa Rand Overnight Deposit Rate.

## PERFORMANCE &amp; RISK STATISTICS (Since inception)

	Fund*	ALBI	Cash**
Average Annual Return	9.4%	9.4%	6.7%
Highest Annual Return	17.3%	26.1%	12.3%
Lowest Annual Return	4.1%	(5.6)%	3.3%
Annualised Standard Deviation	1.8%	7.3%	0.6%
Downside Deviation	1.3%	5.2%	
Maximum Drawdown	(1.5)%	(9.8)%	
Sharpe Ratio	1.57	0.40	
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% Positive Months	97.5%	70.5%	100.0%
Correlation (ALBI)	0.17		
99% Value at Risk (P&L %)	(0.3)%		

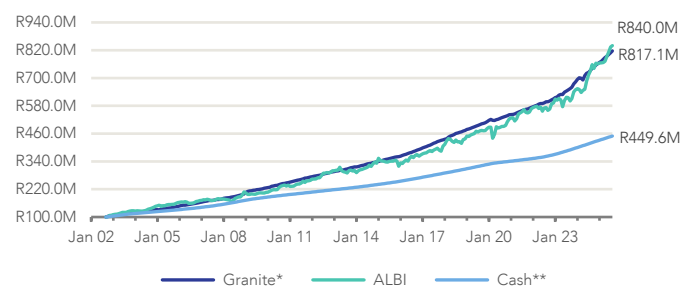
## GENERAL INFORMATION

<b>Investment Structure</b>	Limited liability en commandite partnership
<b>Disclosed Partner</b>	Coronation Management Company (RF) (Pty) Ltd
<b>Inception Date</b>	01 October 2002
<b>Hedge Fund CIS launch date</b>	01 October 2017
<b>Year End</b>	30 September
<b>Fund Category</b>	South African Fixed Income Hedge Fund
<b>Benchmark ±</b>	Cash
<b>Target Return</b>	Cash + 3%
<b>Annual Management &amp; Performance Fees</b>	Annual Management and Performance Fees are agreed and levied outside of the Fund.
<b>Total Expense Ratio (TER)†</b>	0.08% (excluding management and performance fees)
<b>Transaction Costs (TC)†</b>	0.02%
<b>Fund Size (R'Millions) ‡</b>	R233.85
<b>Fund Status</b>	Open
<b>NAV (per unit)</b>	110.76 cents
<b>Base Currency</b>	ZAR
<b>Dealing Frequency</b>	Monthly
<b>Income Distribution</b>	Annual (with all distributions reinvested)
<b>Minimum Investment</b>	R1 million
<b>Notice Period</b>	5 business days
<b>Investment Manager</b>	Coronation Alternative Investment Managers (Pty) Ltd (FSP 49893)
<b>Auditor</b>	KPMG Inc.
<b>Prime Brokers</b>	Absa Bank Ltd and FirstRand Bank Ltd
<b>Custodian</b>	Standard Chartered Bank
<b>Administrator</b>	JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., London Branch
<b>Transfer Agency</b>	Intembeko Investment Administrators
<b>Portfolio Managers</b>	Nishan Maharaj, Adrian van Pallander, and Seamus Vasey

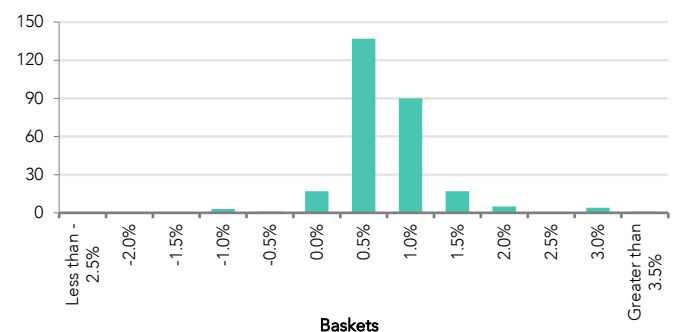
±The benchmark of the hedge fund has been included to align with industry standards.

†TER and TC data is provided for the 1 year ending 31 July 2025. TER excludes manufactured dividend expenses and scrip borrowing costs, in line with the revised ASISA TER Hedge Fund Disclosure Standard. ‡Fund assets under management as at 31 August 2025.

## GROWTH OF R100m INVESTMENT



## HISTOGRAM OF MONTHLY NET RETURNS



## PORTFOLIO LIQUIDITY

	Days to Trade
Long	7.6
Short	1.3

## INCOME DISTRIBUTIONS (cents per unit)

Declaration Date	Amount	Dividend	Interest
30-Sep-24	9.56	0.00	9.56

## STRATEGY STATISTICS

Number of long positions	55
Number of short positions	3

## MONTHLY COMMENTARY

The Fund returned 1.0%\* in August taking the one-year return to 11.5%. This places the Fund 4.1% ahead of cash over 12 months.

South African (SA) headline inflation ticked up to 3.5% y/y in July from 3.0% y/y in June, while core inflation marginally increased to 3.0% y/y from 2.9% y/y. The acceleration was driven by increases in food, energy, and administered prices. Vehicle prices were flat for the month of July, while broader transport costs fell. Base effects and lingering pressure on food prices are likely to see headline inflation drift towards 4.0% in the coming months. This will be a challenging trajectory for the South African Reserve Bank to navigate. However, rate cuts into the closing months of the year certainly can't be ruled out.

The global landscape remains uncertain; however, emerging markets have continued to outperform developed markets. SA government bonds have flourished as local anxiety has eased and expectations for a lower inflation target have bolstered prospects for a lower repo rate. They are now trading at or close to fair value, and to see a further rerating, one would need to see a significant change in fiscal prospects or monetary policy accommodation. Anchoring inflation at 3.0% will take longer, thus delaying any tailwinds for bonds from further policy easing and achieving substantial fiscal consolidation would require growth in excess of 3.0% p.a. Global bond flows have turned more supportive of emerging markets, given their relatively cleaner balance sheets, and could support further compression in bond yields, if that trend gains momentum.

August was actually a fairly one-sided month and hence had little to offer in tactical trading opportunities. SA yields, especially real rates, generally had a quick bullish start to the month, before swiftly falling into narrow, sideways ranges. Longer-dated yields had even less to provide than those rates more sensitive to monetary policy expectations. As such, movement in the Fund's active overlay was relatively subdued. But despite the past month of relative doldrums, there are plenty of interesting undercurrents within SA fixed income waters. Opportunities to take advantage of myopic monetary policy expectations and still elevated real yields remain appealing.

Within the offshore allocation, the Fund found more occasion to lighten up on credits here than accumulate. Valuations continue to prove demanding, even as corporate fundamental dataflow remains exceptionally rosy. The Fund is now significantly lighter on offshore exposure than it has been for quite some time.

\*The Fund return is net of expenses and gross of fees.

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