

# JPMorgan Japan Small Cap Growth & Income plc

## Fund overview

<b>ISIN</b> GB0003165817	<b>Sedol</b> 0316581	<b>Bloomberg</b> JSGI LN	<b>Reuters</b> JSGI.L
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**Objective:** To produce long-term capital growth through investment in small and medium-sized Japanese companies. Investment is permitted in Japanese quoted companies, other than the largest 200, measured by market capitalisation, emphasising capital growth rather than income. The Company has the ability to use borrowing to gear the portfolio and its current policy is to operate within the range of 5% net cash to 15% geared in normal market conditions. The Company pays quarterly dividends without compromising on the objective of achieving capital growth, funded from dividends from investment holdings and capital reserves, equivalent to 1% of its net asset value, set on the last business day of each financial quarter.

<b>Portfolio manager(s)</b> Miyako Urabe (2022) Xuming Tao (2022) Naohiro Ozawa (2018)	<b>Company assets</b> £208.2m	<b>Potential gearing range</b> -10% to 25%
<b>Company Broker(s)</b> Cavendish	<b>Dividends paid</b> February, June, August and November	<b>Actual gearing</b> 5.1%
<b>Benchmark</b> MSCI JAPAN SMALL CAP Net Return in GBP	<b>Share price</b> 297.0p	<b>Company fees &amp; expenses</b> <b>Ongoing Charges</b> 1.19%
	<b>NAV</b> 332.1p	<b>Annual management fee</b> 1.00% on Net Assets up to £150m and 0.75% on Net Assets above £150m
	<b>Company launch</b> 11 Apr 2000	<b>Performance fee</b> No
	<b>Discount(-)/ Premium</b> -10.6%	

## ESG information

### ESG approach - Integrated

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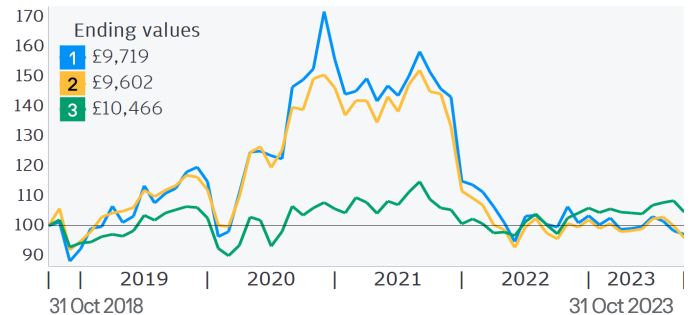
## Company ratings *As at 31 October 2023*

Morningstar Category™ Japan Small/Mid-Cap Equity

## Performance

- 1 Share Price
- 2 Net asset value
- 3 Benchmark: MSCI JAPAN SMALL CAP Net Return in GBP

### GROWTH OF £ 10,000 *Calendar years*



### Quarterly rolling 12-month performance (%)

*As at end of September 2023*

	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023
1	-4.74	32.06	8.09	-36.56	-2.14
2	-2.55	24.86	8.78	-35.77	2.43
3	-3.55	2.22	7.60	-12.50	8.02

### Calendar Year Performance (%)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1	40.31	3.54	32.61	9.42	44.70	-21.31	35.79	43.45	-16.63	-29.48
2	36.01	8.20	25.53	19.32	34.17	-17.61	26.59	29.38	-11.49	-25.29
3	21.44	5.36	19.15	29.13	22.26	-12.46	14.19	1.59	-2.28	-0.97

### Cumulative performance (%)

	Cumulative				Annualised		
	1 month	3 months	1 year	YTD	3 years	5 years	10 years
1	-1.15	-5.80	-2.41	-3.77	-13.25	-0.57	6.71
2	-4.05	-6.26	0.33	-3.57	-11.59	-0.81	6.17
3	-3.54	-2.13	7.55	0.28	0.34	0.91	6.57

### Performance Disclosures

**Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current and future results.**

### ESG

For more information on our approach to sustainable investing at J.P.

Morgan Asset Management please visit

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**YIELD AND DIVIDEND HISTORY**Prospective dividend yield: **4.8%**Total dividend for last financial year: **14.20p** Financial year end: **31 March**

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total dividend per share (p)	18.00	17.70	21.90	20.30	14.20

**Portfolio analysis**

Measurement	3 years	5 years
Correlation	0.82	0.87
Alpha (%)	-0.97	-0.09
Beta	1.43	1.27
Annualised volatility (%)	16.72	18.84
Sharpe ratio	-0.69	0.02
Tracking error (%)	10.48	10.06
Information ratio	-1.11	-0.07

**Holdings**

Top 10	Sector	% of assets
Mitsubishi HC Capital	Financials	2.8
Nippon Sanso Holdings	Materials	2.6
MEC	Materials	2.5
Osaka Soda	Materials	2.4
Biprogy	Information Technology	2.3
Raito Kogyo	Industrials	2.3
Sanwa	Industrials	2.3
Sangetsu	Consumer Discretionary	2.3
Mitsui Chemicals	Materials	2.2
Nakanishi	Health Care	2.2

Sectors (%)	Compared to benchmark
Industrials	19.0 -5.1
Materials	17.7 +5.9
Information Technology	14.3 +2.1
Consumer Discretionary	9.6 -5.2
Consumer Staples	9.6 +1.0
Health Care	7.8 +2.3
Financials	6.7 -4.0
Real Estate	5.3 -2.4
Communication Services	4.5 +2.2
Utilities	1.4 0.0
Energy	0.0 -0.9
Cash	4.1 +4.1

## Key risks

Exchange rate movements between the pricing currency of the underlying overseas investments held by the Company and sterling (the base currency of the Company) can cause the Company's NAV (in sterling terms) to go up as well as down. For example, if sterling appreciates relative to Japanese yen, the value of the NAV in sterling terms will be negatively impacted; if sterling depreciates, the value of the NAV in sterling terms will be positively impacted.

External factors may cause an entire asset class to decline in value. Prices and values of all shares or all bonds could decline at the same time, or fluctuate in response to the performance of individual companies and general market conditions.

This Company may utilise gearing (borrowing) which will exaggerate market movements both up and down.

This Company invests in smaller companies which may increase its risk profile.

The share price may trade at a discount to the Net Asset Value of the Company.

The single market in which the Company primarily invests, in this case Japan, may be subject to particular political and economic risks and, as a result, the Company may be more volatile than more broadly diversified companies.

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### Performance information

Source: J.P. Morgan Asset Management/Morningstar. Net asset value performance data has been calculated on a NAV to NAV basis, including ongoing charges and any applicable fees, with any income reinvested, in GBP.

NAV is the cum income NAV with debt at fair value, diluted for treasury and/or subscription shares if applicable, with any income reinvested. Share price performance figures are calculated on a mid market basis in GBP with income reinvested on the ex-dividend date. The performance of the company's portfolio, or NAV performance, is not the same as share price performance and shareholders may not realise returns which are the same as NAV performance.

Indices do not include fees or operating expenses and you cannot invest in them.

**Prospective dividend yield** is for the investment trust's current financial year. It is indicative only and based on the latest month end mid-market price and the declared and net prospective dividends for the current financial year.

Prior to 01/04/21 the benchmark was S&P Japan Small Cap Net Return Index.

### Information Sources

Company information, including performance calculations and other data, is provided by J.P. Morgan Asset Management (the marketing

name for the asset management businesses of JPMorgan Chase & Co. and its affiliates worldwide).

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### Definitions

**Benchmark comparison** The benchmark is for comparative purposes only.

**Gearing** Investment Trusts may borrow to finance further investment (gearing). The use of gearing will increase the volatility of movements in the NAV per share. This means that a relatively small change, down or up, in the value of a trust's assets will result in a magnified fall or rise, in the same direction, of the investment trust's NAV per share.

**Discount/Premium** If the share price of an investment company is lower/higher than the NAV per share, the company is said to be trading at a discount/premium. The discount/premium is shown as a percentage of the NAV.

**NAV** The value of investment and cash, including current year revenue, less liabilities (prior charges such as loans, debenture stock and preference shares at fair value).

**Cash** A company's net exposure to cash / cash equivalents [includes investment in liquidity funds and treasury stocks if held] expressed as a percentage of shareholders funds after any offset against its gearing.

**Correlation** measures the strength and direction of the relationship between movements in fund and benchmark returns. A correlation of 1.00 indicates that fund and benchmark returns move in lockstep in the same direction.

**Alpha (%)** a measure of excess return generated by a manager compared to the benchmark. An alpha of 1.00 indicates that a fund has outperformed its benchmark by 1%.

**Beta** measures a fund's sensitivity to market movements (as represented by the fund's benchmark). A beta of 1.10 suggests the fund could perform 10% better than the benchmark in up markets and 10% worse in down markets, assuming all other factors remain constant. Usually the higher betas represent riskier investments.

**Annualised volatility (%)** measures the extent to which returns vary up and down over a given period.

**Sharpe ratio** performance of an investment adjusting for the amount of risk taken (compared a risk-free investment). The higher the Sharpe ratio the better the returns compared to the risk taken.

**Tracking error (%)** measures how much a fund's returns deviate from those of the benchmark. The lower the number the closer the fund's historic performance has followed its benchmark.

**Information ratio** measures if a manager is outperforming or underperforming the benchmark and accounts for the risk taken to achieve the returns. A manager who outperforms a benchmark by 2% p.a. will have a higher IR than a manager with the same outperformance but who takes more risk.