

## I-class shares

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# Rathbone High Quality Bond Fund

## Investment objective

We aim to preserve your capital and pay an income by delivering a greater total return than the Bank of England's Base Rate + 0.5%, after fees, over any rolling three-year period. There is no guarantee that this investment objective will be achieved over three years, or any other time period. Total return means the return we receive from the value of our investments increasing (capital growth) plus the income we receive from our investments (interest payments). We use the Bank of England's Base Rate + 0.5% as a target for our fund's return because we aim to provide a return in excess of what you would receive in a UK savings account.

This is an investment product, not a cash savings account. Your capital is at risk.

## Investment strategy

When picking our investments, there are three assessments we make. First, we look at the economic environment to determine which industries we want to own and the duration of our investments. Then we use the Four C approach to evaluate creditworthiness. We assess:

**Character:** Whether a company's managers have integrity and competence

**Capacity:** Ensuring a company isn't over-borrowing and has the cash to pay its debts

**Collateral:** Are there assets backing the loan, which reduces the risk of a loan

**Covenants:** These loan agreements set out the terms of the bond and restrictions on the company

## Fund facts

<b>Authorised Corporate Director (Manager)</b> Rathbones Asset Management Limited
<b>Depository</b> NatWest Trustee and Depository Services
<b>Product Type</b> Single-priced, Open-Ended Investment Company (OEIC)
<b>Date launched/launch price</b> 16 November 2018/100p (fund) 23 July 2019/100p (share class)
<b>Size of fund</b> Mid-market: £152.55m
<b>Share price</b> Income (Inc): 88.64p Accumulation (Acc): 103.34p
<b>Historical distribution yield*</b> 3.90%
<b>Average yield to maturity</b> 4.55%
<b>Modified duration</b> 2.42 years
<b>Total no. of holdings</b> 72
<b>Initial charge</b> None
<b>Ongoing charges figure* (OCF) as at 30.04.2024</b> Inc: 0.40%/Acc: 0.40%
<b>Minimum initial investment</b> £1,000
<b>Minimum additional investments</b> £500

## Distributions per share

	Ex div	Payment
Annual	01 May	30 Jun
Interim	01 Aug	30 Sep
Interim	01 Nov	31 Dec
Interim	01 Feb	31 Mar
Year end 30 April		

## Maturity distribution

Data as at 30.09.24	% in fund
0-3 Years	48.76
3-5 Years	34.96
5-10 Years	13.11
Cash	3.17

## Fund ratings

Morningstar Medalist Rating Data Coverage Percent 93  
Morningstar Medalist Rating Analyst Driven Percent 10

## Dealing/valuation

Forward daily: 9.00am-5.00pm  
Valuation point: 12.00 midday  
Dealing/valuation: 0330 123 3810  
Information line: 020 7399 0399

### Fund codes

Sedol (Inc): BD5DN49  
Sedol (Acc): BD5DN50  
ISIN (Inc): GB00BD5DN492  
ISIN (Acc): GB00BD5DN500

## Product availability

For Investment Advisers, third party availability – all major platforms.

For more information, please see our 'Fund Centre' page on the 'How to Invest' section of our website rathbonesam.com

## Manager ratings



Stuart Chilvers



Bryn Jones

## Management



**Stuart Chilvers**  
Fund Manager

Stuart is lead fund manager of the Rathbone High Quality Bond Fund and co-manager of the Rathbone Greenbank Global Sustainable Bond Fund. He assists head of fixed income Bryn Jones in managing the Rathbone Ethical Bond and Rathbone Strategic Bond funds. Joining Rathbones in September 2017, Stuart was made fund manager in January 2022. He is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charterholder.



**Bryn Jones**  
Head of Fixed Income

Bryn is head of fixed income at Rathbones and lead manages the Rathbone Ethical Bond, Rathbone Strategic Bond and Rathbone Greenbank Global Sustainable Bond funds. He joined Rathbones in November 2004 from Merrill Lynch Investment Managers. A member of the Rathbone Strategic Asset Allocation Committee, non-executive chairman of Rathbones' Fixed Income Committee and an adviser to the Rathbones Banking Committee, Bryn also sits on the Investment Association's Fixed Income Committee.

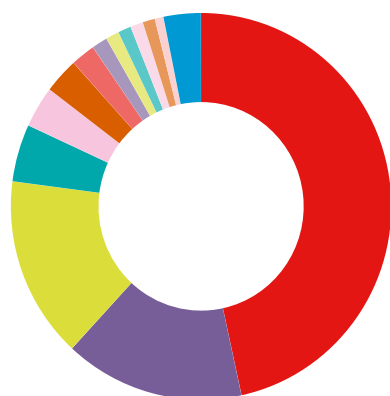


**Christie Goncalves**  
Assistant Fund Manager

Christie is assistant fund manager in the fixed income team. Christie joined Rathbones in January 2024, arriving with 15 years of experience in fixed income markets, most recently at Vanguard. She has an honours degree in Investment Management from the University of Pretoria (cum laude), is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charterholder and holds the Financial Risk Manager qualification.

## Sector asset allocation

Data as at 30.09.24



- Banks: 46.60%
- Development bank: 15.27%
- Insurance: 15.21%
- Commercial services: 4.80%
- Savings and loans: 3.46%
- Auto manufacturers: 2.97%
- Real estate: 2.07%
- Machinery, construction & mining: 1.34%
- Electric: 1.13%
- Food: 1.11%
- Machinery, diversified: 1.09%
- Telecoms: 1.04%
- Transportation: 0.74%
- Cash: 3.17%

## I-class fund performance

Data as at 30.09.24

	1 year	3 years	5 years
Rathbone High Quality Bond Fund	7.72%	0.58%	2.90%
Bank of England Base Rate +0.5%	5.76%	11.99%	13.67%

Discrete performance, to previous quarter. 12 months ending:

	Sep 24	Sep 23	Sep 22	Sep 21	Sep 20
Rathbone High Quality Bond Fund	7.72%	7.94%	-13.50%	0.35%	1.94%
Bank of England Base Rate +0.5%	5.76%	4.55%	1.28%	0.60%	0.89%

Rathbone High Quality Bond Fund

Turnover<sup>†</sup>  
99.26%

I-class units launched on 23 July 2019.

Data using prices as at 30.09.2024. Performance is a combination of I-class units and S-class units (where I-class was unavailable). Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance. The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may not get back your original investment.

## 10 largest holdings

Data as at 30.09.24

	%
European Investment Bank 0.0% 07/12/2028	3.28
Asian Development Bank 5.125% 24/10/2028	2.46
KFW 0.75% 07/12/2027	2.37
DNB Bank 2.625% 10/06/2025	2.25
KFW 4.875% 10/10/2028	2.23
New York Life Global Funding 4.95% 07/12/2029	2.20
Bank of Montreal 5.125% 10/10/2028	2.19
Motability Operations 1.75% 03/07/2029	2.15
NatWest Markets 6.375% 08/11/2027	2.13
Clydesdale Bank 3.75% 22/08/2028	2.10

## Credit quality distribution

Data as at 30.09.24**	%
AAA	26.58
AA	5.52
AA-	18.36
A+	14.80
A	14.81
A-	12.47
BBB+	4.29
Cash	3.17

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## You should know

### Important information

Copies of the Prospectus, the Key Investor Information Document (KIID), the Supplementary Information Document (SID), and application forms may be obtained, free of charge, from Rathbones Asset Management Limited.

Details of tax levels and reliefs may change in the future. The value of any tax relief depends on individual circumstances. If you have doubts about your tax position, or the suitability of this investment, you should seek professional advice.

Interest rate fluctuations are likely to affect the capital value of investments within bond funds. When long term interest rates rise the capital value of units is likely to fall and vice versa. The effect will be more apparent on funds that invest significantly in long-dated securities. The value of capital and income will fluctuate as interest rates and credit ratings of the issuing companies change.

To meet the investment objective, the fund may also invest, at the Manager's discretion, in other transferable securities, money market instruments, warrants, cash and near cash, deposits and units in collective investment schemes. Use may be made of stocklending, borrowing, cash holdings, hedging and other investment techniques permitted by the FCA Rules.

The annual management charge and other income expenses are paid out of the fund's capital.

### Information notes

If you require clarity on any of the terms used in this factsheet then please refer to our Supplementary Information Document for further explanation.

Rathbones Asset Management has achieved a Bronze Rating in the Bonds – Sterling Corporate Bond sector by Citywire for their rolling risk-adjusted performance, across all management teams in the sector, over the period 31.07.2021-31.07.2024.

<sup>^</sup>The ongoing charges figure (OCF) includes the Annual Management Charge and all appropriate costs that may be deducted from the fund's assets, in line with current regulatory and industry guidance. Where appropriate, the OCF may include a synthetic element relating to the costs incurred in underlying collective investment undertakings, where permitted by the Prospectus. The OCF is included in the Annual or Interim report and are calculated biannually.

Source and Copyright Citywire: Bryn Jones is A rated by Citywire for his three year risk adjusted performance for the period 30.09.2021-30.09.2024.

Source and Copyright Citywire: Stuart Chilvers is A rated by Citywire for his three year risk adjusted performance for the period 30.09.2021-30.09.2024.

Source performance data FE fundinfo, mid to mid, net income reinvested. This is net of expenses and tax. Data using prices as at 30.09.2024. I-class units/shares were launched on 23 July 2019. Performance is a combination of I-class units and S-class units (where S-class was unavailable). <sup>†</sup>Turnover is calculated on a 1 year rolling basis.

<sup>\*</sup>The historic distribution yield reflects the annualised income net of the expenses in the fund (calculated in accordance with the relevant accounting standards) as a percentage of the mid-market unit price of the fund as at the date shown. It is based on a snapshot of the portfolio on that day. It does not include any initial charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Credit quality distribution ratings from various sources.