

# SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund

Monthly Factsheet - 28th February 2025

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Fund Name:	SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund		
Regulatory Status:	FCA Authorised		
Fund Size:	£117m		
Classification:	Non-Complex		
Sector:	IA Targeted Absolute Return Sector		
Share Classes:	Income & Accumulation		
Currencies:	GBP		
Share Class: GBP Accumulation (A) GBP Accumulation (C) GBP Income (A) GBP Income (C)	ISIN GB00BS6WQT61 GB00BS6WQX08 GB00BS6WQL85 GB00BS6WQW90	NAV 272.60 270.10 232.40 227.60	
Next Dividend Ex Date:	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2025		
Dividend Pay Dates:	March, June, September, December.		
Annual	Class A: 0.73% / OCF: 0.87%		
Management Charges:	Class C: 0.53% / OCF: 0.67%		
Target Fund	Capital preservation		
Objectives <sup>1</sup> :	Capital growth over the long term (>5 years)		
	Positive absolute returns in any market conditions over rolling three-year periods.		
Dealing Frequency:	Daily Liquidity		
Valuation Frequency:	Daily		
Transactions Costs:	0.01%		

Fund data is based upon the SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund C Accumulation Class (GBP).

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# **Investment Objective**

SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund (the "Fund" or "RMDCF") seeks to preserve capital whilst looking for capital growth opportunities over the long term (at least five years) and positive absolute returns in any market conditions over rolling three-year periods.

RM Funds seeks to achieve the investment objective by investing in transferable securities including investment trusts, structured notes, government securities, corporate and convertible bonds, preference shares and other collective investment schemes and exchange traded funds.

# **Monthly NAV Performance & Dividend**

The fund's total return for the month of January was -0.95% against a mixed backdrop: UK and European equities rose while US and Japanese equities and convertible bonds fell. Return over the last 3 years has been +4.53% net of fees.

# SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund - Accumulation "C" Class Share Price



Period shown from 1st March 2020 to 28<sup>th</sup>February 2025. Past performance figures are based on extended past performance data only, as defined under COBS 4.6.6R. Capital is at risk; returns are not guaranteed, and past performance is no guarantee of future performance.

SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund was launched on 31 October 2024. Consequently, there is no past performance data available. The SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund was launched solely for the purposes of receiving the assets of the SVS Brooks Macdonald Defensive Capital Fund by way of a scheme of arrangement that became effective on 31 October 2024. We have therefore set out the past performance of the SVS Brooks Macdonald Defensive Capital Fund as "simulated past performance" for the SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund.

## Portfolio positioning

The portfolio seeks to meet the investment objective by allocating across investments within three segments: Capital Preservation & Income, Capital Growth and Diversifiers.

**Capital Preservation & Income:** We are still able to find high yields with low risk in niche parts of this segment. Structured credit assets continued to perform well.

**Capital Growth:** Assets in this segment had a mixed month. E.g. our Emerging Markets equities and battery storage funds performed well, while US convertible bonds were weak.

**Diversifiers:** our idiosyncratic assets had a tricky month with Trump's tariff threats hurting both shipping and commodities.

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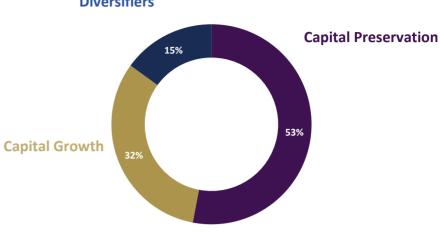
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# Allocation Split

## **Diversifiers**



<sup>1</sup>Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. Excludes cash and cash equivalents.

# **Market Commentary**

We have said for a while (too long really) that if the public markets don't value our assets, then the private markets will. The month saw bids for our holdings BBGI, Takeaway and a potential bid for the assets of Aberdeen Diversified Income and Growth. There were also substantial insider purchasers of our assets Taylor Maritime (\$1m) and RTW (\$25m). We also had JZCP announce a c.20% tender.

We added to our position in EJF 2025 ZDP's, yielding around 10% with little downside risk. We also started a position in SGL 2027 convertible bonds, issued by a global supplier of carbon fibre components. The bond yields 4% over government bonds, with effectively investment-grade financials.

The valuation extremes of Value vs Growth we had warned about at the start of the year continued to unwind, with a relative 3 percentage point move during February. Even so, relative valuation is still at the 72<sup>nd</sup> percentile since 2001. The DAX was up 13% on the year, vs the Nasdaq100 -1%: value is finally starting to come back into fashion!

## Top ten holdings – February 2025

Position	Sector	% of Fund
Topix call-spread (402%) (GS)	Capital Growth	5.7%
Pacira 0.75% Conv Bond 2025 (USD)	Capital Preservation	4.1%
Jet2 1.625% 2026 Conv Bond	Capital Preservation	2.9%
Innoviva 2.5% 2025 Conv Bond (USD)	Capital Growth	2.8%
Georgia Capital	Capital Growth	2.7%
Trainline 1% 2026 Conv Bond (GBP)	Capital Preservation	2.6%
Glencore 0% 2025 Conv Bond (USD)	Diversifier	2.5%
Riverstone Energy	Diversifier	2.3%
Care REIT	Capital Preservation	2.3%
Gore Street Energy Storage	Capital Growth	2.3%
Total		30%

# Performance - February 2025

	1-month	3-months	6-months	1year	3 years	5 years	10 years
SVS RM Defensive Capital <sup>1</sup>	(1.0%)	(1.1%)	0.1%	4.8%	4.5%	23.8%	46.0%
IA Targeted Absolute Return <sup>2, 3</sup>	0.3%	1.4%	2.5%	6.4%	11.9%	18.2%	25.2%
Relative Performance	(1.2%)	(2.4%)	(2.4%)	(1.5%)	(6.6%)	4.7%	16.6%

## Discrete yearly performance - February 2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
SVS RM Defensive Capital <sup>1</sup>	8.9%	8.7%	(1.8%)	1.5%	4.8%
IA Targeted Absolute Return <sup>2, 3</sup>	4.0%	1.6%	0.1%	5.0%	6.4%
Relative Performance	4.7%	7.0%	(1.8%)	(3.3%)	(1.5%)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Shareholders may compare the performance of the Sub-fund against the IA Targeted Absolute Return Sector. The ACD has selected this benchmark as it aligns with the Sub-fund's objective of achieving an absolute return, providing shareholders with a meaningful comparison to portfolios with a similar strategy. It is important to note that this benchmark is not a target for the Sub-fund, nor is the Sub-fund constrained by it.

Sector breakdown – February 2025				
	0.4%	Liquidity		
	2.0%	Other		
	3.6%	Fixed Return		
	4.2%	Structured Credit		
	5.7%	Other Structured Notes		
	9.4%	Specialist Lending		
	13.4%	Discounted assets		

















34.4% Real Assets

26.9%

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