

AB Sustainable Adventurous Data as at 31 May 2025

Investment Objectives

The portfolio aims to provide capital growth over the medium to long term, keeping within the prescribed volatility limits whilst investing, where appropriate, in low cost ETFs or Index funds, physically invested and with a low tracking error.

AB Sustainable Adventurous invests a minimum core of 80% in funds that are sustainable and contribute positively to either the environment or society, and that provide solutions to global issues. The sustainable models are aligned to the core model's risk first asset allocation, utilising both thoroughly researched active and passive instruments, whilst remaining a cost-effective solution to responsible investing.

_	Key Facts								
า	Launch Date	01 March 2021							
Х	Base Currency	Pound Sterling							
١,	Benchmark	IA Flexible Investment							
	Model Portfolio Service Charge (No VAT Charged)	0.25%							
	Underlying Fund Costs	0.50%							
	Total Portfolio Cost	0.75%							

Investment Growth

Time Period: 01/03/2021 to 31/05/2025 30.0% 22.5% 15.0% 7.5% 0.0% -7.5% 05/2021 11/2021 05/2022 11/2022 05/2023 11/2023 05/2024 11/2024 05/2025

AB Sustainable Adventurous 13.92% —IA Flexible Investment 18.47%

Performance Summary

As at 31 May 2025	3 Month	6 Month	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception	YTD	2024	2023	2022	2021
AB Sustainable Adventurous	-1.13	-0.73	4.24	12.73	32.91	13.92	0.74	7.75	7.48	-13.58	12.19
IA Flexible Investment	-1.49	-0.48	4.59	14.47	35.34	18.47	0.49	9.16	7.31	-9.13	11.38

Performance data should be reviewed alongside the important risk information on page 2.

The portfolio launched on 01 March 2021. Performance data prior to this date is for illustration purposes only and is backed tested performance using the asset allocation of the portfolio.

Top Holdings Portfolio Date: 31/05/2025							
Vanguard ESG Dev Eurp Idx £ Acc	14.88%						
Vanguard ESG Em Mkts All Cp Eq Idx £ Acc	11.21%						
iShares PacexJpnEqESGScrn&OptdIdxUKDAcc£	8.44%						
Brown Advisory US Sust Gr GBP B Inc	8.07%						
L&G Cash Trust I Acc	7.57%						
Royal London Sustainable Leaders C Acc	6.69%						
Janus Henderson Global Sust Eq I Acc	6.28%						
Liontrust Sust Fut Glbl Gr 2 Net Acc	6.12%						
CT Responsible UK Equity 2 Acc	5.56%						
M&G Global Listed Infras GBP I Acc	3.69%						

Asset Allocation Portfolio Date: 31/05/2025 % Global Equity Large Cap 15.39 Europe Equity Large Cap 14.88 UK Equity Large Cap 12.26 Global Emerging Markets Equity 11.21 Asia ex-Japan Equity 8.44 US Equity Large Cap Growth 8.07 Sterling Money Market 7.57 Infrastructure Sector Equity 3.69 Japan Equity 3.49 Sterling Fixed Income 3.25 Other 11.76



Source: Morningstar Direct



Manager Commentary

2025 has been far from normal, with markets rattled by Trump Administration rhetoric. Amid the noise, we've stayed anchored to our forward-looking process — our guide through ongoing volatility and uncertainty.

With Donald Trump back in the White House, erratic policy shifts and intraday reversals have challenged even the most seasoned portfolio managers. Slower population growth, driven by immigration policy, poses a structural drag on long-term growth. The reconciliation bill offers a short-lived boost in 2026 but dampens growth thereafter. Tariffs—now imposed on steel and aluminium—add further uncertainty. While deregulation could offer some upside, current policies will expand deficits and with it debt burden.

However, May brought encouraging results, particularly following a sharp 21.5% equity sell-off that left nearly all USD assets—except gold—marked down. Markets rebounded after Trump postponed sweeping tariffs, including a 50% duty on EU imports, to July 2025. This decision triggered a late-month rally, easing trade concerns.

The S&P 500 gained 9.6%, led by technology and healthcare earnings, while the Nasdaq rose 10.2% on strength in semiconductors and quantum computing. Biotech, fintech, and Ethereum-related optimism also supported gains. Volatility persisted amid legal challenges to tariff powers and mixed Fed signals. Bond yields climbed globally, spurred by fiscal measures and military spending. The dollar fell over 8% YTD, its sharpest drop since 2008, as Trump pursues a "weaker but still formidable" greenback. Consumer sentiment recovered, buoyed by equities, crypto gains, and improved GDP forecasts.

In the UK, the government is reportedly reconsidering its fiscal rules, despite earlier assurances to the contrary. Debt remains elevated, and growth strategies have yet to deliver following this year's tax increases. GDP is projected to rise by just 0.8% in 2025. Inflation eased to 2.3%, aided by lower energy costs and a firmer pound. The labour market stayed tight, with wages outpacing inflation. The FTSE 100 rose 3.4%, driven by energy and financials.

Japan's economy continues to struggle, contracting 0.2% in Q1, with full-year growth revised to just 0.7%, hurt by U.S. tariffs on car exports. Inflation hit 3.5%, while real wages fell and consumer spending stalled. Bond yields spiked, causing paper losses for insurers. Despite this, the Nikkei rose 1.2%, aided by defensive sectors and a weaker yen. Our reduced Japan exposure proved timely. In China, modest equity gains followed easing measures, though structural challenges persist.

At a portfolio level, the Sustainable Adventurous model benefited from its US equity exposure. Of its top holdings, the highest returning fund was the Brown Advisory US Sustainable Growth fund. One of the fund's largest holdings is Gallagher, which has grown to be one of the leading insurance brokerage, risk management, and human capital consultant companies in the world. Gallagher supports businesses to grow, communities to thrive, and people to prosper by serving their clients with custom solutions that will protect them and their futures. Gallagher maintain strong ESG goals, and part of these include, introducing a Women's Development programme and a reverse mentoring scheme focused on race and ethnicity in the UK broking division. Gallagher are also assisting their clients improve their environmental impact, by helping them navigate complex risks and progress their low-carbon transition plans, as well as enabling them to become more climate resilient.

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