

Sterling Blue Chip

April 2024

Zurich fund information (as at 31/03/2024)

Launch date	11/10/2008
Current bid	GBP 8.922
Fund size(m)	GBP 63.47 (as at 28/03/2024)
FE sector	Mixed Investment 40%-85% Shares
ZIL fund management charge*	0.00%
Fund currency	GBP
Fund manager	Alex Lyle
Investment house	Columbia Threadneedle Investments
Annual management charge*	0.35%
Crown rating†	👑👑👑👑👑

Top ten holdings (as at 31/12/2023)

Government Of United Kingdom 4.125% 29-jan-2027	4.7%
Government Of United Kingdom 0.875% 31-jul-2033	3.6%
Government Of United Kingdom 0.5% 31-jan-2029	3.4%
Government Of United Kingdom 4.25% 07-dec-2049	2.8%
AstraZeneca PLC	2.5%
Government Of United Kingdom 0.375% 22-oct-2026	2.4%
Shell Plc	2.4%
Government Of United Kingdom 3.5% 22-jan-2045	2.2%
Government Of United Kingdom 0.25% 31-jan-2025	2.2%
Government Of United Kingdom 1.25% 22-oct-2041	2.1%

Source: Columbia Threadneedle Investments

* Please note, this charge is deducted daily before calculating the unit price. This does not include any product charges. For further information on product charges, please refer to the relevant policy terms and conditions.

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Fund objective

The Sterling Blue Chip fund aims to provide the potential for medium-to-long-term growth and invests in equities and a proportion of fixed-interest securities. The risk profile of this investment choice is the middle of the five managed funds.

Fund information

This investment choice is a portfolio internally managed by Zurich on a discretionary basis. The investment policy is overseen by Columbia Threadneedle Investments according to investment mandates set and controlled by Zurich.

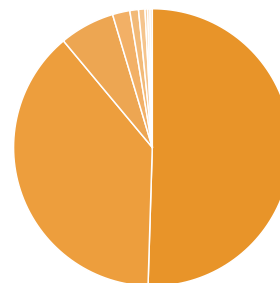
Fund commentary (as at 31/12/2023)

A large element of the portfolio is invested in UK equities and bonds, with an emphasis on the former. UK equities gained in Q3, but UK government bonds (gilts) posted a negative return. In August, the Bank of England raised the base rate by 0.25% to 5.25% but left it unchanged in September. This was the first time the BoE had paused since it began the current cycle of rate hikes. In the near term, the bank expects a further significant fall in headline inflation. Within the fund, we reduced the UK exposure via equities, gilts and investment-grade corporate bonds. We also trimmed a global equity fund. Conversely, we added slightly to equities in the US and Europe ex UK.

Source: Columbia Threadneedle Investments

Assets (as at 31/12/2023)

UK Equity	50.5%
Sterling Bond	38.5%
North American Equity	6.4%
Global Equity	2.0%
Europe ex UK Equity	1.0%
Japan Equity	0.8%
Cash	0.3%
Emerging Market Bond	0.3%
Far East ex Japan Equity	0.3%



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Cumulative performance (as at 31/03/2024)

	1 mth	3 mths	6 mths	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
% growth	3.70%	1.81%	8.26%	5.85%	1.72%	13.38%	57.25%	206.29%
Sector	2.39%	4.30%	10.82%	10.71%	3.73%	21.85%	45.80%	369.15%
Quartile	1	4	4	4	3	3	2	-
Rank	21/432	381/441	346/440	372/433	233/414	246/360	79/227	-

3 year statistical fund data (as at 31/03/2024)

Monthly volatility	3.05%
Best 3 month return	7.81%
Worst 3 month return	-8.53%

Source: FE, figures to 31/03/2024, bid to bid gross in GBP. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Discrete performance (as at 31/03/2024)

	Mar 19 -Mar 20	Mar 20 -Mar 21	Mar 21 -Mar 22	Mar 22 -Mar 23	Mar 23 -Mar 24
% growth	-7.1%	20.0%	0.4%	-4.3%	5.8%
Sector	-9.0%	29.1%	1.2%	-7.4%	10.7%
Quartile	2	4	3	1	4
Rank	116/360	350/392	247/414	80/419	372/433

Source: FE, figures to 31/03/2024, bid to bid gross in GBP. Percentage growth figures are for discrete years, for example Mar 19-Mar 20 equals 31/03/2019 to 31/03/2020. Quartile and rank are based on the FE sector category as highlighted on page 1. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Fund performance vs benchmark and/or sector, 5 years/since inception



Source: FE as at 31/03/2024, bid to bid gross in GBP. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

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