

## Gold and Precious Metals Limited

May 31, 2019

COMPANY FACTS				
Ticker	ASA			
Incorporated	June 12, 1958			
Net assets	\$227 million			
Shares outstanding	19.3 million			
NAV	\$11.76			
Beta <sup>1</sup>	0.93			
R-squared <sup>2</sup>	0.86			
Distributions	Semi-annual			

- Source: Bloomberg. Beta measures the Company's market-related risk over a three-year period relative to the FTSE Gold Mines Total Return Index. A beta lower than 1 indicates historically lower volatility than the index; greater than 1 indicates higher volatility.
- <sup>2</sup> Source: Bloomberg. R-squared is a measure of the percentage of a company's share price movement that can be attributed to its benchmark index. It can range from 0 and 1; 1 indicates a perfect correlation.

#### **COMPANY MANAGEMENT**

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Portfolio Manager

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#### PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION

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Mining Companies	82.6%
Development Companies	9.6%
Royalty Companies	5.0%
Exploration Companies	1.3%
Net Cash or Equivalent	1.5%
Holdings are subject to change. Due to round total 100%.	ding, may not

Established in 1958, ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited is a closed-end precious metals and mining fund (NYSE: ASA) registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and domiciled in Bermuda. The Company is one of the oldest investment management firms focused on the precious metals and mining industry. ASA employs bottom-up fundamental analysis and relies on detailed primary research including meetings with company executives, site visits to key operating assets, and proprietary financial analysis in making its investment decisions.

## PERFORMANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2019

Average Annual Total Returns

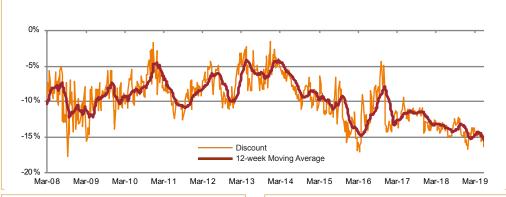
	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	Inception
NAV	-2.8%	-4.2%	-2.9%	-6.6%	0.1%	7.6%
Share Price	-4.7%	-5.3%	-5.1%	-7.3%	-0.2%	7.4%

Includes the reinvestment of dividends. Inception is from December 11, 1958, the date on which the Company's shares were listed for trading on the NYSE.

## **GROWTH OF A \$10,000 INVESTMENT SINCE INCEPTION**



## HISTORICAL DISCOUNT



# COUNTRY ALLOCATION

Canada	56.3%
Australia	17.2%
South Africa	9.1%
United States	7.0%
Cayman Islands	3.3%
Peru	3.0%
Mexico	1.7%
Channel Islands	0.9%
Net Cash or Equivalent	1.5%
Based on the country of domicile. Holdings are change. Due to rounding, may not total 100%.	

TOP 10 COMPANIES	
Agnico Eagle Mines Limited	8.2%
Newcrest Mining Limited	7.6%
Barrick Gold Corporation	7.1%
Newmont Mining Corporation	5.8%
AngloGold Ashanti Limited	5.3%
B2Gold Corp.	3.6%
Gold Fields Limited	3.3%
Alacer Gold Corporation	3.3%
Endeavour Mining Corporation	3.2%
Alamos Gold Inc.	3.2%

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