ASA LIMITED The Precious Metals Fund

Company Facts

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NYSE TICKER: "ASA"

ABOUT US:

The Company primarily invests in companies engaged in the exploration, mining and processing of gold and other precious minerals, such as platinum, palladium, silver and diamonds. The Company uses in-depth fundamental research to identify companies that are attractive based on fundamentals, valuation, timeliness, outlook and risk.

ASA Limited is an internally managed, closed-end, non-diversified investment company registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and listed on the New York Stock Exchange. The company is organized in Bermuda and is a passive foreign investment company for U.S. income tax purposes. ¹

COMPANY DATA: 2

Net Assets: \$661 million

Number of Holdings: 29

Inception: 09/23/1958

Beta^{2:} 0.80 R² 0.83

Distributions Semi annual

CUSIP G3156P103

MANAGEMENT:

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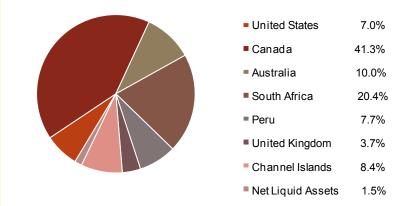
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Commodity Allocation^{3,4}



Country Allocation^{3,4,5}



Top 10 Investment Positions³

Newcrest Mining Ltd. ADRs	9.9%	Agnico Eagle Mines Limited	6.2%
Barrick Gold Corporation	9.5%	Impala Platinum Holdings Ltd	5.7%
Randgold Resources	8.4%	AngloGold Ashanti Limited	5.6%
Compania de Minas Buenaventura	7.7%	Anglo Platinum Limited	5.2%
Goldcorp	7.3%	Newmont Mining Corporation	4.8%

- Tax information is available on the Company's website and in the Company's periodic reports.
- 2. Source: Bloomberg, 10/31/2010. Beta measures the Company's market-related risk over a three-year period relative to the FTSE Gold Mines Index. A beta lower than 1 indicates historically lower volatility than the index; greater than 1 indicates higher volatility. 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. An R squared of 1 indicates a perfect correlation.
- 3. As of 10/31/2010. Holdings are subject to change.
- 4. Due to rounding, the percentages of portfolio holdings may not add up to 100%.
- 5. Based on the country of domicile.

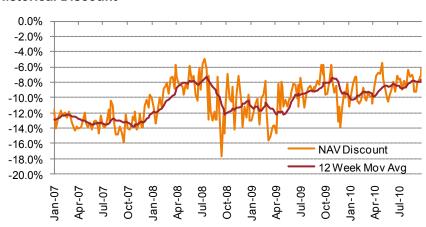


MARKET UPDATE

According to the World Gold Council:

- Gold jewelry demand totaled 408.7 tonnes in the second quarter of 2010, declining 5% from year-earlier levels.
- Demand for gold in industrial and dental applications exhibited signs of recovery by rising 14% YoY from the second quarter of 2009.
- The average gold price during the second quarter of 2010 was 30% above that of a year earlier.
- Global mine production is estimated to have increased 3% during the second quarter of 2010 versus the same period of 2009.
- Identifiable investment demand for gold more than doubled in the second quarter of 2010 as compared with 2009, largely due to increased demand for ETFs.
- The supply of gold in the second quarter of 2010 totaled 1,131.4 tonnes, a rise of 18% from the second quarter of 2009 due to rising output from the mining industry.
- The World Gold Council will release third quarter estimates mid-November 2010.

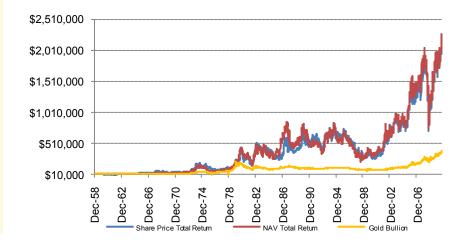
Historical Discount



Average Annual Returns (To October 31, 2010) 6

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	Year	Years	Years	Years	Years	Inception ⁷
NAV	34.4%	6.8%	17.7%	21.8%	10.6%	11.0%
Share Price	33.4%	10.7%	19.0%	24.1%	9.7%	11.0%

Growth of \$10,000 Since Inception7



Notes:

- 6. Including the reinvestment of dividends at prices obtained under the Company's dividend reinvestment plan.
- 7. Company inception is from September 23, 1958.

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