

## Gold and Precious Metals Limited

March 31, 2021

Shares	
Ticker	ASA
Net assets	\$438 million
NAV	\$22.61
Share price	\$19.95
Discount	11.76%

### **Management since April, 2019**

Adviser	Merk Investments
Portfolio Manager	Peter Maletis
CIO	Axel Merk

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#### **Dividends**

Distributions	Semi-annual
11/25/20	\$.01
05/22/20	\$.01
11/27/19	\$.01
05/24/19	\$.01

## **Statistics**

Beta <sup>1</sup>	1.03
R-squared <sup>2</sup>	0.90

Source: Bloomberg. Beta measures the Company's market-related risk over a three-year period relative to its benchmark, the NYSE Arca Gold Miners Total Return Index. A beta lower than 1 indicates historically lower volatility than the index; greater than 1 indicates higher volatility.

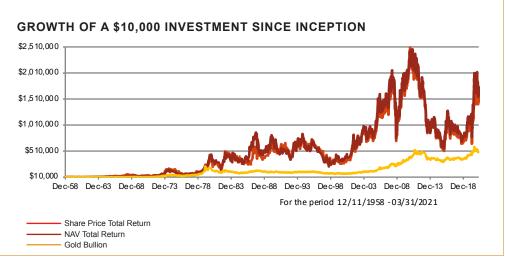
Established in 1958, ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited is a closed-end precious metals and mining fund (NYSE: ASA) registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and domiciled in Bermuda. The Company is one of the oldest investment management firms focused on the precious metals 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.

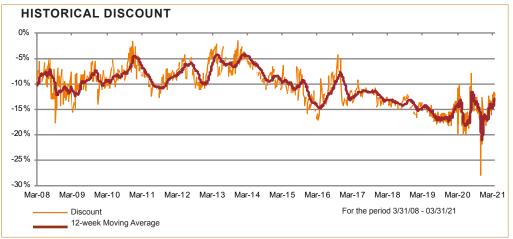
#### PERFORMANCE AS OF MARCH 31, 2021

Average Annual Total Returns

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	Inception
NAV	90.2%	23.6%	13.5%	-3.5%	0.8%	8.5%
Share Price	93.7%	24.4%	14.6%	-3.9%	0.7%	8.4%

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.





All performance information reflects past performance and is presented on a total return basis. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Current performance may differ from that shown. The Company concentrates in the gold and precious minerals sector. This sector may be more volatile than other industries and may be affected by movements in commodity prices triggered by international monetary and political developments. The Company is a non-diversified fund and, as such, may invest in fewer investments. ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited may invest in smaller-sized companies that may be more volatile and less liquid than larger, more-established companies. Investments in foreign securities, especially those in the emerging markets, may involve increased risk as well as exposure to currency fluctuations. Shares of closed-end funds frequently trade at a discount. This document may contain statements regarding plans and expectations for the future that constitute forward-looking statements within the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements. This document does not constitute an offer to sell or solicitation of an offer to buy any securities.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;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.



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In April of 2019, shareholders approved Merk Investments LLC ("Merk") as advisor to ASA. As a firm, Merk brings a long history of portfolio management of registered investment companies, and research that includes primary research on central banks and their impact on the price of gold. Portfolio Manager Peter Maletis joined Merk after 8 years at Franklin Templeton, where he was precious metals analyst. He spent much of his time at Franklin meeting with the management of gold companies from around the world as well as on due diligence site visits, where he developed an intimate understanding of the many companies in the precious metals sector. It is with that background that Peter is influencing changes to the ASA portfolio, also leveraging on the resources made available by Merk.

Primary Commodity	% of NAV
Gold	82.3%
Silver	12.6%
Diversified Miners	3.4%
Platinum & Palladium	1.1%
Net Liquid Assets	0.5%
Туре	% of NAV
Mining Companies	50.4%
Exploration Companies	31.6%
Development Companies	17.4%
Net Liquid Assets	0.5%
Royalty Companies	0.2%
Stage of Development	% of NAV
Exploration Companies	31.6%
Production < 500k ounces	18.4%
Development Companies	17.4%
Production >1mm ounces	16.8%
Production 500k - 1mm ounces	15.2%
Net Liquid Assets	0.5%
Royalty Companies	0.2%
Country of Incorporation	% of NAV
Canada	73.8%
Australia	12.8%
South Africa	8.4%
Cayman Islands	4.6%
Net Liquid Assets	0.5%
United States	0.0%
Type of Security	% of NAV
Equity Securities	95.8%
Warrants	3.7%
Net Liquid Assets	0.5%
Contingent Value Securities	0.0%
Capitalization	% of NAV
Market Cap < \$2bn	70.1%
Market Cap \$2bn - \$10bn	21.9%
Market Cap >\$10bn	7.6%
Net Liquid Assets	0.5%
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Holdings		of NAV
Orla Mining Ltd	OLA CN	7.0%
Endeavour Mining Anglogold Ashant - Adr	EDV CT ANG SJ	4.6% 4.0%
SSR Mining Inc	SSRM	3.8%
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	AEM	3.3%
Calibre Mining Corp	CXBSR CN	3.3%
Gold Fields Ltd-Adr	GFI	3.3%
Barrick Gold Corp	GOLD	3.2%
Liberty Gold Corp-Plc	LGD CN	2.7%
Alamos Gold Inc	AGI	2.5%
Discovery Metals Corp-Plc	DSV CN	2.4%
Prime Mining Americas Gold & Silver Corp	PRYM CN USA	2.4% 2.4%
Emerald Resources	EMR AU	2.3%
Aya Gold & Silver Inc	AYA CN	2.2%
Perseus Mining Ltd	PRU AU	2.0%
Roxgold Inc	ROXG CN	2.0%
K92 Mining Inc	KNT CN	2.0%
B2Gold Corp	вто ст	2.0%
Integra Resources Corp	ITR CN	1.8%
G Mining Ventures Inc	GMIN CN	1.8%
Benchmark Metals Inc	BNCH CN	1.8%
Centerra Gold Inc Skeena Resources Ltd	CG CN SKE CN	1.8% 1.8%
Marathon Gold Corp	MOZ CN	1.4%
Golden Star Resources Ltd	GSS	1.2%
Gogold Resources Inc	GGD CN	1.2%
Bellevue Gold Ltd	BGL AU	1.2%
Probe Metals Inc	PRB CN	1.2%
Millennial Silver	XXX CN	1.1%
Sibanye Stillwater- Adr	SSW SJ	1.1%
Auteco Minerals Ltd	AUT AU	1.1%
Westgold Resources Ltd	WGX AU	1.0%
O3 Mining Inc Benchmark Metals Inc Wrnt	OIII CN BNCH CN	1.0% 1.0%
Adventus Mining Corp	ADZN CN	1.0%
Silver Tiger Metals	SLVR CN	1.0%
Torex Gold Resources	TXG CN	1.0%
Roscan Gold Corp	ROS CN	0.9%
Bunker Hill Mining Corp	BNKR CN	0.9%
Geopacific Resources Ltd	GPR AU	0.9%
Pure Gold Mining Inc	PGM CN	0.9%
Adriatic Metals Plc	ADT AU	0.9%
Sable Resources Ltd	SAE CN	0.9%
Osino Resources Corvus Gold Inc	OSI CN KOR CN	0.8% 0.8%
Dacian Gold Ltd	DCN AU	0.8%
Predictive Discovery	PDI AU	0.7%
Highgold Mining Inc	HIGH CN	0.6%
Euro Sun Mining Inc	ESM CN	0.6%
Westhaven Gold Corp	WHN CN	0.5%
Pantoro Ltd	PNR AU	0.5%
Andean Precious Metals	APM CN	0.5%
Net Cash Or Equivalent	Cash	0.5%
Castile Resources Aya Gold & Silver Inc Wrnt	CST AU AYA CN	0.5% 0.4%
Discovery Metals Corp Plc Wrnt	DSV CN	0.4%
Alicanto Minerals Ltd	AQI AU	0.4%
Newcore Gold Ltd	NCAU CN	0.4%
Thesis Gold Inc	TAU CN	0.4%
Mawson Resources Ltd	MAW CN	0.4%
Talisker Resources Ltd	TSK CN	0.4%
Desert Gold Ventures Inc	DAU CN	0.4%
Torex Gold Res	TXG CT PRYM CN	0.4%
Prime Mining Wrnt	PRYM CN PRX AU	0.4%
Prodigy Gold NI Pure Gold Mining Inc Wrnt	PGM CN	0.3%
Cygnus Gold Ltd	CY5 AU	0.2%
Huntsman Exploration	HMAN CN	0.2%
Marathon Gold Corp Wrnt	MOZ CN	0.2%
G Mining Ventures Wrnt	GMIN CN	0.2%
Thesis Gold Inc Wrnt	TAU CN	0.2%
Maverix Metals Inc Wmt	MMX CN	0.2%
Probe Metals Inc Wrnt	PRB CN	0.1%
Liberty Gold Corp-Plc Wrnt	LGD CN	0.1%
Sable Resources Ltd Wrnt Royal Road Minerals	SAE CN RYR CN	0.1% 0.1%
Bunker Hill Mining Corp Wrnt	BNKR	0.1%
Pan American Silver Cvr	PAAS	0.0%
Osino Resources Corp Wrnt	OSI CN	0.0%
Euro Sun Mining Inc Wrnt	ESM CN	0.0%
Silver Tiger Metals Wrnt	SLVR CN	0.0%
O3 Mining Inc Wrnt	OIII CN	0.0%
Huntsman Exploration Wrnt	HMAN CN	0.0%
Westhaven Gold Corp Wrnt	WHN CN	0.0%
Dundee Precious Metals Wrnt	DPM CN	0.0%
Desert Gold Ventures Inc Wmt	DAU CN MAW CN	0.0%
Mawson Resources Wrnt Talisker Resources Ltd Wrnt	TSK CN	0.0%
Bonterra Resources Wrnt	BTR CN	0.0%
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