

# Gold and Precious Metals Limited

August 31, 2023

ASA
\$339 million
\$17.58
\$14.88
15.36%

#### Management

Adviser	Merk Investments
Portfolio Managers	Peter Maletis
	James Holman
CIO	Axel Merk

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#### **Dividends**

Distributions	Semi-annual
05/18/23	\$.01
11/23/22	\$.01
05/19/22	\$.01
11/21/21	\$.01

### **Statistics**

Beta <sup>1</sup>	0.91
R-squared <sup>2</sup>	0.78

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.

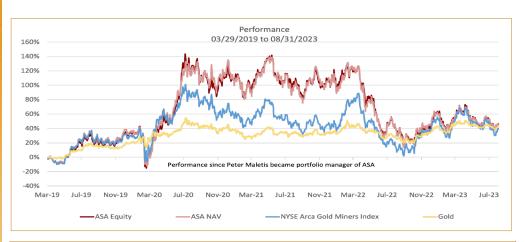
Established in 1958, ASA Gold and Precious Metals Limited is a closed-end precious metals and mining fund (NYSE: ASA) registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and domiciled in Bermuda. The Company is one of the oldest investment management firms focused on the precious metals 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 AUGUST 31, 2023

Average Annual Total Returns

	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	Inception
NAV	6.9%	-13.3%	11.9%	1.7%	-1.3%	7.8%
Share Price	6.5%	-13.8%	11.1%	0.7%	-1.5%	7.6%

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-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.

Certain Tax Information: ASA is a "passive foreign investment company" for United States federal income tax purposes. As a result, United States shareholders holding shares in taxable accounts are encouraged to consult their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of their investment in the Company's common shares.

<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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**Primary Commodity** % of NAV Gold 80.8% **Diversified Miners** 14.7% Silver 3.2% Net Liquid Assets 0.8% Platinum & Palladium 0.5% % of NAV Type Mining Companies 55.8% 31.0% **Exploration Companies Development Companies** 12.4% 0.8% Net Liquid Assets Royalty Companies 0.0% Stage of Development % of NAV 31.0% **Exploration Companies** Production < 500k ounces 24.6% Production 500k - 1mm ounces 19.5% **Development Companies** 12.4% Production >1mm ounces 11.6% Net Liquid Assets 0.8% 0.0% Royalty Companies **Country of Incorporation** % of NAV Canada 68.8% 21.0% Australia 5.0% Cayman Islands South Africa 4.3% 0.8% Net Liquid Assets 0.0% **United States** % of NAV Type of Security **Equity Securities** 97.7% Convertible 0.9% Net Liquid Assets 0.8% Warrants 0.5% Capitalization % of NAV Market Cap < \$2bn 73.3% Market Cap \$2bn - \$10bn 18.2% Market Cap >\$10bn 7.7%

Net Liquid Assets

On April 12, 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.

Holdings	Ticker % of	NAV
Orla Mining Ltd	OLA CN	8.7%
Emerald Resources	EMR AU	7.2%
G Mining Ventures Inc	GMIN CN	6.3%
Aya Gold & Silver Inc	AYA CN	5.2%
Endeavour Mining	EDV CT	5.0%
Predictive Discovery	PDI AU	3.9%
Calibre Mining Corp	CXBSR CN	3.8%
Alamos Gold Inc	AGI	3.8%
SSR Mining Inc	SSRM	3.5%
Barrick Gold Corp	GOLD	3.1%
Bellevue Gold Ltd	BGL AU	2.9%
Thesis Gold Inc	TAU CN	2.7%
Prime Mining Corp	PRYM CN	2.5%
Probe Gold Inc	PRB CN	2.4%
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	AEM	2.4%
Gold Fields Ltd-Adr	GFI	2.2%
Perseus Mining Ltd	PRU AU	2.0%
San Cristobal Mining	SANCRIST	1.8%
B2Gold Corp	BTO CT	1.8%
Delta Lithium Ltd	DLI AU	1.7%
Anglogold Ashant - Adr	ANG SJ	1.6%
Arizona Metals Corp	AMC CN	1.5%
Osino Resources	OSI CN	1.3%
Discovery Silver Corp	DSV CN	1.3%
Marathon Gold Corp	MOZ CN	1.1%
Integra Resources Corp	ITR CN	1.0%
Skeena Resources Ltd	SKE CN	1.0%
Gogold Resources Inc	GGD CN	0.9%
Liberty Gold Corp-Plc	LGD CN	0.9%
I-80 Gold Corp 8% Cvt	180 CN	0.9%
Net Cash Or Equivalent	Cash	0.8%
O3 Mining Inc	OIII CN	0.7%
Cygnus Gold Ltd	CY5 AU	0.7%
Silver Tiger Metals	SLVR CN	0.6%
Bunker Hill Mining Corp	BNKR CN	0.6%
Red Pine Exploration Inc	RPX CN	0.6%
Auteco Minerals Ltd	AUT AU	0.5%
Lotus Gold Corp	LOTU CN	0.5%
Americas Gold & Silver Corp	USA	0.5%
G2 Goldfields Inc	GTWO	0.5%
Nighthawk Gold Corp	NHK CN	0.5%
Sibanye Stillwater- Adr	SSW SJ	0.5%
Mawson Gold Ltd	MAW CN	0.4%
Atex Resources Inc	ATX CN	0.4%
Barton Gold Holdings	BGD AU	0.4%
Alicanto Minerals Ltd	AQI AU	0.4%
Sable Resources Ltd	SAE CN	0.4%
Pan Global Resources	PGZ CN	0.4%
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Adventus Mining Corp	ADZN CN	0.4%
Genesis Minerals Ltd	GMDAU	0.4%
Roscan Gold Corp	ROS CN	0.4%
Bendito Resources Inc	BEN CN	0.3%
Tdg Gold Corp	TDG CN	0.3%
Highgold Mining Inc	HIGH CN	0.3%
Delta Lithium Ltd Wmt	DLI AU	0.3%
Silver Mountain Resources Inc	AGMR CN	0.3%
Andean Precious Metals	APM CN	0.3%
Westhaven Gold Corp	WHN CN	0.3%
Max Resource Corp	MAX CN	0.3%
Emerita Resources	EMOT CN	0.2%
Lcl Resources Ltd	LCL CN	0.2%
Angel Wing Metals Inc	AWM CN	0.2%
Talisker Resources Ltd	TSK CN	0.2%
Castile Resources	CST AU	0.2%
Newcore Gold Ltd	NCAU CN	0.2%
American Pacific Mining	USGD CN	0.2%
Prodigy Gold NI	PRX AU	0.2%
Pantoro Ltd	PNR AU	0.2%
Lahontan Gold Corp	LAHO CN	0.1%
Prime Mining Wmt	PRYM CN	0.1%
Onyx Gold Corp	ONYX CN	0.1%
Bellavista Resources	BVRZZ AU	0.1%
Desert Gold Ventures Inc	DAU CN	0.1%
Geopacific Resources Ltd	GPR AU	0.1%
G Mining Ventures Wmt	GMIN CN	0.1%
Monarch Mining Corp	GBAR CN	0.0%
Pan American Silver Cvt	PAAS	0.0%
Atex Resources Inc Wrnt	ATX CN	0.0%
Marathon Gold Corp Wmt	MOZ CN	0.0%
Huntsman Exploration	HMAN CN	0.0%
Lotus Gold Corp Wrnt	LOTU CN	0.0%
Integra Resources Corp Wmt	ITR CN	0.0%
Thesis Gold Inc Wmt	TAU CN	0.0%
Sable Resources Ltd Wrnt	SAE CN	0.0%
Red Pine Exploration Inc Wmt	RPX CN	0.0%
Bunker Hill Mining Corp Wmt	BNKR	0.0%
Silver Mountain Resources Inc Wrnt	AGMR CN	0.0%
Monarch Mining Corp Wrnt	GBAR CN	0.0%
Lahontan Gold Corp Wmt	LAHO CN	0.0%
American Pacific Mining Wmt	USGD CN	0.0%
Gold Mountain Mining Wmt	GMTN CN	0.0%
Angel Wing Metals Inc Wrnt	AWM CN	0.0%
Nighthawk Gold Corp Wrnt	NHK CN	0.0%
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Desert Gold Ventures Inc Wmt	DAU CN	
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Warrants and Convertible Securities (annotated as Wrnt and Cvt, respectively) may not be publicly traded; ticker symbols referenced may refer to to issuer of the respective Warrant or Convertible Security. References to 0.0% of NAV are non-zero amounts rounded to 0.0%. Please see other side for additional important disclosure.

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