

This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

## Rathbone Strategic Bond Fund (I-class)

Fund Manager: Rathbone Unit Trust Management Limited

Accumulation units ISIN: GB00B6ZS2486

Income units ISIN: GB00B6ZS1L87

### Objectives and investment policy

We aim to deliver a greater total return than the Investment Association (IA) Sterling Strategic Bond sector, after fees, over any rolling five-year period. Total return means the return we receive from the value of our investments increasing (capital growth) plus the income we receive from our investments (interest payments). We use the IA Sterling Strategic Bond sector as a target for our fund's return because we aim to achieve a better return than the average of funds that are similar to ours.

We aim to deliver this return with a lower volatility than the IA Sterling Strategic Bond sector. As an indication, the value of our fund should be expected to fluctuate less than the sector. Because we measure volatility over a five-year period, some falls may be larger or smaller over shorter periods of time. We aim to limit the amount of volatility risk our fund can take because we want our investors to understand the risk they are taking compared to funds similar to ours.

We will invest in a mixture of government and corporate bonds, with no restriction on their credit quality. Up to 10% of the fund can be invested directly in contingent convertible bonds. These specialist bonds, typically issued by banks and insurers, are forcibly replaced with shares if the issuer experiences heavy losses. We also use a mixture of specialist funds and direct investment in bonds, with no limits on either. We do, however, have restrictions on how much of our fund can be invested in different types of bonds. These limits are reviewed annually or in response to changes in the market.

Bond types	Min	Base	Max
<b>Government bonds (AAA-C)</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>90%</b>
UK government bonds	2.5%	12.5%	22.5%
UK inflation-linked government bonds	2.5%	12.5%	22.5%
Global developed government bonds excluding UK	0%	10%	20%
Global emerging government bonds	0%	15%	25%
<b>Investment grade corporate bonds (AAA to BBB-)</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>55%</b>
UK corporate bonds	15%	25%	35%
Global corporate bonds	0%	10%	20%
<b>High yield corporate bonds (BB+ to C)</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>35%</b>
Global high yield bonds	5%	15%	25%
Distressed debt	0%	0%	10%

During extreme market conditions we may invest solely in UK government bonds to protect your investment.

At least 80% of the portfolio will be invested in sterling bonds or in overseas assets whose value we have hedged back to sterling. Hedging means we buy a financial instrument to swap the value of these assets into sterling to protect our investment from changes in the price of foreign currencies.

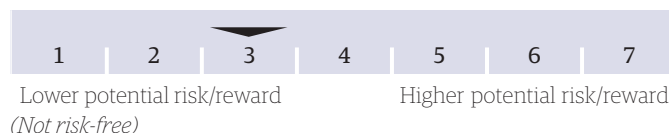
We actively manage our fund, which means we can choose what we invest in as long as it's in line with the investment objective and policy. Because of this, our fund's performance can diverge significantly from its benchmarks over shorter periods of time and therefore isn't appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within five years.

Our fund is designed for investors with a basic knowledge of bonds who seek income and growth. You should intend to invest for longer than five years, understand the risks of our fund and have the ability to bear a capital loss.

You can buy and sell units on each business day of the fund between 9am and 5pm.

The fund offers accumulation units (units in which any income payable by the fund is reinvested) and income units (units in which any income received in the fund will be paid to the unitholder).

### Risk and reward profile



This indicator is a measure of the fund's past volatility (the extent and rapidity of up-and-down movements of the value of an investment). It may not be a reliable indication of the fund's future risk. The risk category shown is not a target or a guarantee and may change over time.

The risk indicator for this fund reflects the following:

- As an asset class, bonds have greater risk than money market instruments, but less risk than shares.

The value of investments in the fund and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may not get back your original investment when you sell your units.

During unusual market conditions, the risks normally experienced by the fund may increase significantly, and in addition, the fund may be subject to the following risks:

**Counterparty risk:** A company that we deal with may renege on its obligations, costing you money.

**Currency risk:** We own assets valued in a currency other than sterling and can, from time to time, protect some or all of them using hedging techniques. While we're hedged, changes in the price of foreign currencies can result in you missing out on a potential gain, but also protects you from potential losses.

**Credit risk:** Bonds that we own can become more or less creditworthy and will fluctuate in value resulting in gains or losses. Bonds that we own may fail to meet their legal obligations, such as missing an interest payment. This is known as a 'default' and will result in a loss.

**Derivatives risk:** Sometimes we use financial contracts to reduce risk. There is a chance that these derivatives won't work in the way we intended, which could result in unexpected gains or losses.

**Liquidity risk:** Some assets held in this fund can be hard to sell, especially in times of market stress. This could mean that if we had a lot of money redeemed from our fund in a short period of time, we might not be able to meet our obligations. In this circumstance, we are able to suspend our fund until we could find a buyer for these assets. This would result in you being unable to access your money.

**Management risk:** People make the investment decisions for our fund. If they make unfavourable decisions, you could lose money.

**Operational risk:** We rely on complex systems to ensure that trades are completed, our fund's assets are accounted for and that you can buy or sell our fund. If our systems fail, you could be inconvenienced or lose money.

**Interest rate risk:** Most bonds pay us a fixed amount over an agreed period of time. If interest rates rise these bonds become less valuable and we may be locked into an unfavourable investment. If interest rates fall these bonds become more valuable.

## Charges for this fund

The fund manager receives an annual fee, which is included in the ongoing charges shown below. Ongoing charges are the same for all investors in the same class. The charges shown below are based on actual fees and expenses for the year ending 30 June 2021.

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest:

Entry charge	none
Exit charge	none

### Charges taken from the fund over a year:

Ongoing charges	0.80% (Acc units); 0.80% (Inc units)
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### Charges taken from the fund under specific conditions:

Performance fee	none
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For more information about charges, please see the "Charges" section of the fund's Prospectus, available by calling the Information Line or emailing [rutm@rathbones.com](mailto:rutm@rathbones.com).

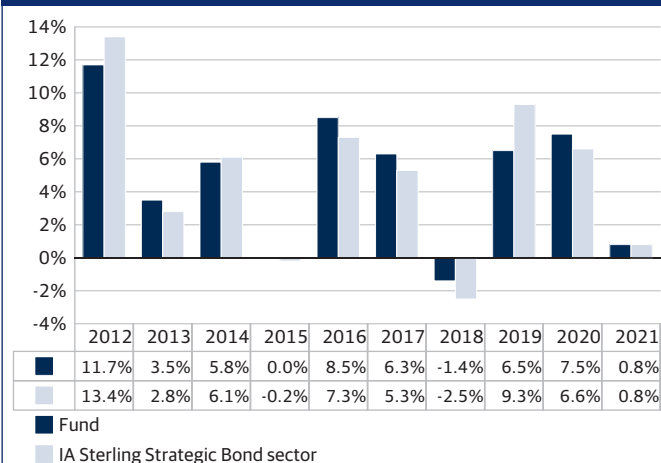
## Past performance

Basis of performance: Price performance based upon bid to bid prior to 21 January 2019 and single price (mid) thereafter.

Past performance is reported on a full calendar year basis.

Fund inception: 3 October 2011.

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Source: FE fundinfo and Rathbones

Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance.

## Practical information

**Trustee:** NatWest Trustee and Depositary Services

**Additional information:** This Key Investor Information Document (KIID) may not contain all the information you need. For additional information on the fund (including the Supplementary Information Document), and units/shares on other funds, or to obtain a free copy of the fund's Prospectus or the annual and semi-annual unitholder reports, call the Information Line or write to the registered office, at the address below. Alternatively, visit [rathbonefunds.com](http://rathbonefunds.com). The Prospectus and unitholder reports are in English.

For fund performance and most recent unit price, go to [rathbonefunds.com](http://rathbonefunds.com).

The up-to-date remuneration policy of the fund manager, including, but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, the identity of persons responsible for awarding the remuneration and benefits, including the composition of the remuneration committee, is available free of charge upon request at the fund manager's registered office. A summary thereof is available on [rathbonefunds.com/literature-item/remuneration-policy](http://rathbonefunds.com/literature-item/remuneration-policy).

**Tax:** Investors should note that the tax legislation that applies to the fund may have an impact on the personal tax position of their investment in the fund.

Contact your adviser to discuss tax treatment and the suitability of this investment.

**Notices:** Rathbone Unit Trust Management Limited may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the Prospectus for the fund. The assets of each of our funds are segregated, meaning that each fund is insulated from any losses or claims associated with other funds.

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