

# STANLIB S&P500 Index Feeder ETF

Fund Information as at 31 March 2018

## What is the fund's objective?

The objective of the STANLIB S&P500 Index Feeder ETF is to track the S&P500 index ("the Index") as closely as possible, in South African Rand.

## What does the fund invest in?

The fund is a feeder fund and as such it invests in the iShares Core S&P500 UCITS ETF. This underlying fund tracks the S&P500 Index and aims to replicate the performance of the Index. The S&P500 Index gives the performance of the top 500 leading US listed companies and captures approximately 80% coverage of available market capitalization. The Index is rebalanced quarterly.

The fund may also hold a small portion in cash instruments and listed derivatives to effect efficient portfolio management.

## What possible risks are associated with this fund?

Risks include general market conditions and market volatility, company specific risk, country specific risk, exchange rate risk, economic and political risk.

### Risk Rating

Conservative	Moderately conservative	Moderate	Moderately aggressive	Aggressive
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## Who should consider investing in this fund?

- Investors who seek broad exposure to US equities in South African Rand
- Individual investors who seek US equity exposure without foreign exchange tax clearance
- Investors who seek a low cost US equity fund
- Investors who seek a simple and transparent investment process that invests in liquid, listed securities
- Investors who seek equity market exposure that blends well with other investment strategies to reduce total costs and diversify risk
- Investors who are willing to take a longer term view as this fund is aggressively risk profiled and investors should expect some volatility in the shorter term

## What is the suggested investment period?

Five years or longer.

## What are the costs to invest in this fund?

Portfolio charges including VAT:

	Class A
Manager annual fee	0.19%
<b>Total Expense Ratio (TER)</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Transaction Costs (TC)</b>	<b>N/A</b>

Total Exchange Ratio and Transaction Costs will be published when the fund has reached one year post launch and the TER will include the TER of the underlying fund. The TER of the underlying fund (iShares Core S&P500 UCITS ETF) was 7bps as at March 2018.

## General fund information

	<b>Class A</b>
<b>Launch date:</b>	7 March 2018
<b>Portfolio Manager(s)</b>	Ryan Basdeo
<b>Portfolio Size (NAV)</b>	R 13.2 million
<b>ISIN Code:</b>	ZAE000255055
<b>JSE Code:</b>	ETF500
<b>Sector classification:</b>	Regional Equity - General
<b>Portfolio benchmark:</b>	S&P500 Index
<b>Distribution status:</b>	Accumulation
<b>Securities lending ratio:</b>	0%

## Performance (%)

Performance and tracking error data will be available when the fund has a 12 month track record.

## Who are the fund managers?

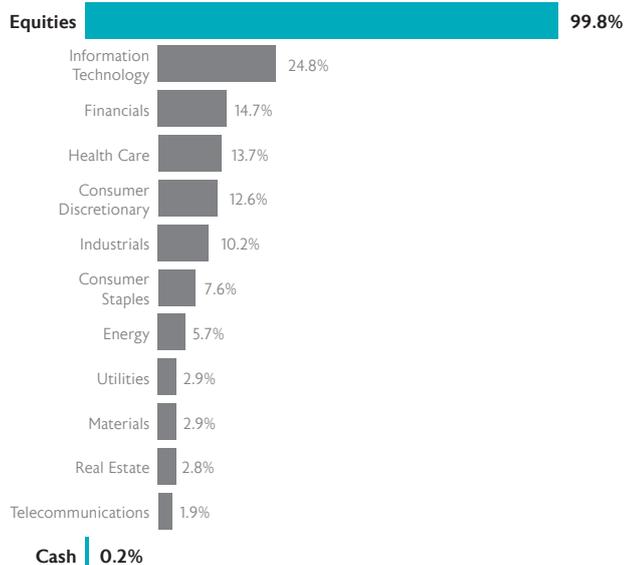
The fund is run by the STANLIB Index Investments team which specialises in the manufacture of index and factor products for individual and institutional investors. Investors who seek a simple, transparent and low-cost investment solution can invest in index products that meet their financial goals.



### Ryan Basdeo

Portfolio Manager  
BCom(Taxation), Registered Security Trader  
Industry experience: 11 years

## Sector allocation



## Top 10 holdings (% of underlying fund)

	Fund weight
Apple Inc	3.78
Microsoft Corp	3.12
Amazon Com Inc	2.58
Facebook Class A Inc	1.70
Berkshire Hathaway Inc Class B	1.70
JPMorgan Chase & Co	1.67
Johnson & Johnson	1.52
Exxon Mobil Corp	1.40
Alphabet Inc Class C	1.39
Alphabet Inc Class A	1.37

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## Fund review

The fund performed in line with the index and underlying fund since the inception date of 7 March 2018. Overall, the S&P500 declined during the quarter. The broader decline in risk appetite saw more defensive stocks outperform with the weakest performance attributable to telecoms and consumer staples. The index has delivered a return of 13.3% in US dollars terms for the 12 months ended 31 March 2018.

## Market overview

This year started off on a very positive mood driven by synchronised global growth forecasts and benefits of US tax cuts. However, towards the middle of the quarter, higher US wage numbers had triggered fears of inflation and faster than anticipated interest rate increases. The concerns about the path of US interest rates combined with growing tension in world trade between the US and China, fuelled an increase in global volatility leading to an equity sell off. This quarter delivered the worst equity market returns in eight years, with all major markets down. The MSCI World Index delivered -1.2%; S&P 500 Index -1.2%, FTSE 100 Index -8.0% and Nikkei Index -5.8%.

## Looking ahead

The short-term economic outlook remains positive on the back of a positive trend in global trade activity. Global leaders and policymakers' decisions will remain key drivers in ensuring geopolitical and protectionist threats do not undermine economic growth in the longer run. The fund remains positioned to deliver returns that are aligned to the S&P 500 Index.

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Performance is calculated for the portfolio. The individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestment and dividend withholding tax.

A feeder fund is a portfolio that invests in a single portfolio of a collective investment scheme, which levies its own charges and which could result in a higher fee structure for the feeder fund.

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