RIO PLATINUM ACCOUNT GBP

1 January 2025

MANAGER COMMENTS



RIO Platinum GBP fell 0.42% during December whilst in direct comparison the accounts benchmark, spot platinum, fell 2.39% in the same period. This investment is up 5.68% year to date whilst spot platinum has produced a loss of over 7% in the same period. At the start of the month, the account held 26.84% of its asset class in physical platinum; I increased the position to 48.61% on Monday the 30th when I acquired the metal at £731.26. Our analysts concur with me that we should see platinum rally back above £750 an ounce during January, and I look to take profits at £760.

The Market – Many analysts have commented that lower interest rates, falling real yields, and a weaker US dollar would make precious metals attractive investment opportunities. I expect the market's growing deficit to start to impact prices. Platinum's deficit grew by one million ounces this year; however, this is only one piece of a much bigger trend. The underlying fundamentals should offer support for prices, and as such, I am quietly confident that there will be further deficits in the platinum market. The repositioning and re-weighing of the account has RIO Platinum ideally placed.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

To provide a secure alternative to that offered by the lacklustre industry standard platinum bullion investment products or funds. The Platinum Account holds 100% of its Bullion assets in unencumbered and uncirculated Platinum bars, officially released by several government mints.

Platinum can be used within investment portfolios to protect global purchasing power, today this is very pertinent given that several governments are employing policies which ultimately target a devaluation of their individual currencies. As this global currency war has escalated there has been an increased risk of a currency debasement and the fact that platinum can offer protection from this event is very attractive in itself. Precious metals, including platinum, are often produced in emerging market countries, with demand coming principally from industrialised nations. The political and economic situation is, however, far less stable in many emerging market countries than in the developed world. They are generally much more susceptible to the risks of rapid political change and economic setbacks which affect precious metal prices and again provides scope for a strong upside.

INFORMATION

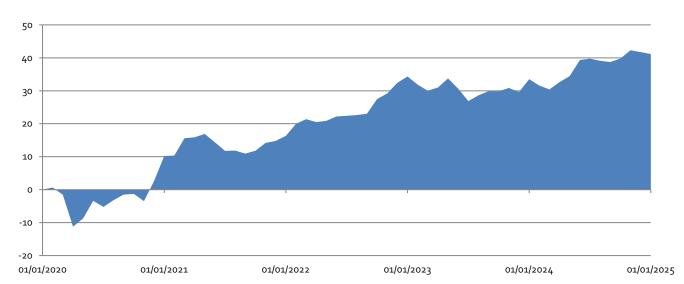
NAV	252.31
Launch Date	March 2016
Investment Manager	William Gray
Currency	GBP
Minimum Investment	30,000
Establishment Charge	500
Annual Management Fee	1.00%
Administration Fee	1.00%
Dealing Frequency	Monthly

INVESTMENT MANAGER

RIO's Investment Manager has vast experience having designed, launched and managed several Government licensed mutual funds over the past two decades. He has actively traded stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities with some degree of accuracy. He has a proven track record combined with all the advantages of an experienced multi asset fund manager.

PERFORMANCE	YTD	1m	6m	1Yr	2Yr	3Yr	5Yr	S/L
	5.68	-0.42	1.01	5.68	5.04	21.33	41.13	152.31

CUMMULATIVE PERFORMANCE (Five Years)

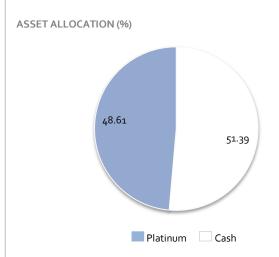


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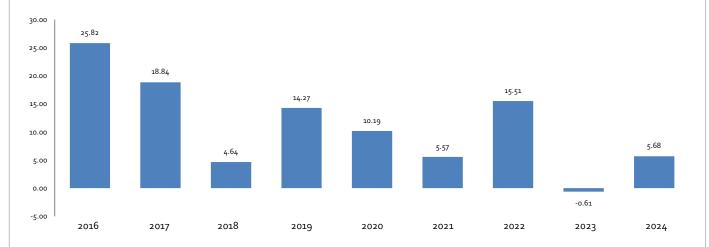


VOLATILITY & RISK (24 Months)	
Annualised Volatility	7.97%
Return for Period	5.04%
Best Monthly Return	3.62%
Worst Monthly Return	-2.90%
Risk / Reward Ratio	1.74:1

The risk/reward calculation is a division of net profit (the reward) by the price of your maximum risk. Any investor should determine their acceptable risk, but it is always best to be more conservative with risk than aggressive with reward.

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE FIGURES (%)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
January	2.31	1.60	0.91	0.62	0.15	3.15	-1.85	-1.45
February	4.10	0.36	2.94	-2.16	4.75	1.16	-1.42	-0.91
March	1.02	-2.66	-0.15	-9.83	0.27	-0.71	0.76	1.71
April	-1.63	0.51	2.69	2.81	0.85	0.30	2.11	1.37
May	2.24	3.10	-1.96	5.87	-2.13	1.09	-2.33	3.62
June	-0.68	-1.82	3.02	-1.90	-2.31	0.15	-2.90	0.28
July	1.53	-0.45	3.76	2.13	0.07	0.21	1.38	-0.42
August	5.96	-1.35	2.60	1.76	-0.81	0.32	0.97	-0.31
September	0.48	1.91	-1.21	-1.62	0.78	3.61	0.02	0.78
October	0.92	3.81	0.32	-2.23	2.13	1.33	0.73	1.80
November	1.17	-0.60	-2.65	6.26	0.51	2.48	-0.93	-0.41
December	0.24	0.35	3.40	7.42	1.34	1.49	3.01	-0.42

PERFORMANCE FOR CALENDER YEARS (%)



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