### **Key information**

as of 31 July, 2022

Total Net Assets (mm)	£147.15
Total Net Asset Value per Share	130.19 p
Share Price	117 p
Discount of Share Price of NAV	-10.13%
Bloomberg Ticker	NAVF LN

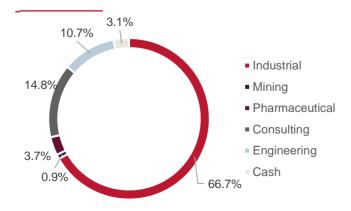
#### Performance

Performance	Since	
Total Return	Month	Inception
NAVF Share Price	11.96%	+17%
NAVF Net Asset Value	7.57%	+30.2%

#### Portfolio characteristics

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Equity Investments	96.91%
Price / Book	123.44%
Price / Earnings	12.4x
EV / EBITDA	4.6x
Net Cash / Market Cap	26.56%
Adjusted Cash / Market Cap	40.34%
Net Working Capital / Market Cap	55.37%

#### Sector breakdown





#### **About NAVF**

Nippon Active Value Fund ("NAVF") is an Investment Trust listed on the Specialist Fund Segment of the London Stock Exchange. The investment advisor of the Fund is Rising Sun Management Limited.

NAVF is targeting attractive levels of capital growth for shareholders from the active management of a focused portfolio of quoted small cap Japanese equity investments.

The investment advisor, Rising Sun Management Limited, targets companies which are attractive, undervalued and have a substantial proportion of their market capitalisation held in cash and/or listed securities and/or realisable assets.

# Top 10 holdings as a percentage of net assets as of 31 July, 2022

1	MITSUBOSHI BELTING LTD	(Industrial)	17.5%
2	INTAGE HOLDINGS	(Consulting)	13.2%
3	IHARA SCIENCE CORP	(Industrial)	8.9%
4	EBARA JITSUGYO	(Engineering)	8.4%
5	NIPPON FINE CHEM	(Industrial)	6.6%
6	TEIKOKU ELECTRIC	(Industrial)	4.8%
7	MEISEI INDUSTRIAL CO LTD	(Industrial)	4.4%
8	NIHON DENKEI CO	(Industrial)	4.2%
9	ISHIHARA CHEMICAL	(Industrial)	4.0%
10	VITAL KSK HD	(Pharmaceutical)	3.7%

## Monthly Market Commentary

Paul ffolkes Davis, Chairman of Rising Sun Management, recently spoke to The Armchair Trader podcast hosted by Stuart Fieldhouse about Nippon Active Value Fund's approach to activism in Japan. He explains that unlike UK and US based companies, small and mid-cap Japanese companies are often under-researched. Additionally, Tokyo-based analysts provide NAVF with a hands-on presence, and a thorough understanding of the corporate governance landscape in Japan. This interview follows on from RSM's recent video for the AGM.

July has seen the start of a cautious recovery in stockmarkets, and, most importantly, the slight reversal of Yen weakness versus other currencies, including sterling. These general developments, coupled with several notable successes, with portfolio companies engaging with NAVF's AGM proposals (albeit after the fact), has led to a marked improvement in the Fund's performance. In particular, Mitsuboshi Belting, Chiyoda Integre and Teikoku Electric have all announced 100% payout ratios. The good news has continued into the August results season and will be the subject of comment next month.

Video media can be found on NAVF's website here.



## Important notice

Nippon Active Value Fund ("NAVF") is an investment trust, listed on the London Stock Exchange in the United Kingdom, and advised by Rising Sun Management Limited. The value of its shares, and any income from them, can fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount invested.

The specific risks associated with the NAVF include:

NAVF invests in overseas securities. Changes in the rates of exchange may also cause the value of your investment (and any income it may pay) to go down or up.

NAVF can borrow money to make further investments (sometimes known as "gearing" or "leverage"). The risk is that when this money is repaid by NAVF, the value of the investments may not be enough to cover the borrowing and interest costs, and NAVF will make a loss. If NAVF's investments fall in value, any invested borrowings will increase the amount of this loss.

NAVF can buy back its own shares. The risks from borrowing, referred to above, are increased when a trust buys back its own shares.

Market values for securities which have become difficult to trade may not be readily available and there can be no assurance that any value assigned to such securities will accurately reflect the price NAVF might receive upon their sale.

NAVF can make use of derivatives which may impact on its performance.

Investment in smaller companies is generally considered higher risk as changes in their share prices may be greater

and the shares may be harder to sell. Smaller companies may do less well in periods of unfavourable economic conditions.

NAVF's exposure to a single market and currency may increase risk.

The aim of NAVF is to achieve capital growth. It does not target a specific yield and might not pay a dividend every year.

NAVF is listed on the London Stock Exchange and is not authorised or regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

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