



# Matthews Asia

## RATINGS

Overall Morningstar Rating™ **★★★**

## FUND FACTS (USD)

Total Fund Assets	\$205.4 million
Benchmark	MSCI China Small Cap Index
Management Fee	1.50%
Minimum Initial Investment	\$1,000/€1,000
Minimum Subsequent Investment	\$100/€100
Fund Domicile	Luxembourg
Available Share Classes	A, I
Base Currency	USD
Additional Dealing Currencies	EUR
Net Asset Value	
A Acc (USD)	\$19.05
A Acc (EUR)	€5.23

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT\*

<b>Winnie Chwang</b> Lead Manager	<b>Andrew Mattock, CFA</b> Lead Manager
<b>Hardy Zhu</b> Co-Manager	<b>Sherwood Zhang, CFA</b> Co-Manager

\*Effective April 29, 2024

## KEY RISKS

The value of an investment in the Fund can go down as well as up and possible loss of principal is a risk of investing. Investments in international, emerging and frontier market securities may involve risks such as social and political instability, market illiquidity, exchange-rate fluctuations, a high level of volatility and limited regulation, which may adversely affect the value of the Fund's assets. Investing in Chinese securities involve risks. Heightened risks related to the regulatory environment and the potential actions by the Chinese government could negatively impact performance. The Fund invests in holdings denominated in foreign currency, and is exposed to the risk that the value of the foreign currency will increase or decrease. The Fund invests primarily in equity securities, which may result in increased volatility. Investments in a single-country fund may be subject to a higher degree of market risk than diversified funds because of concentration in a specific country. The Fund invests in smaller companies, which are more volatile and less liquid than larger companies. Pandemics and other public health emergencies can result in market volatility and disruption. These and other risks associated with investing in the Fund can be found in the Prospectus.

## MATTHEWS ASIA

Matthews Asia believes in the long-term growth of Asia, one of the world's fastest-growing regions. Since 1991, we have focused our efforts and expertise in these countries, investing through a variety of market environments. Matthews Asia employs a bottom-up, fundamental investment philosophy with a focus on long-term investment performance. As of 31 March 2024, Matthews Asia had US\$8.4 billion in assets under management.

# China Small Companies Fund

Matthews Asia Funds

## Class A Shares

31 March 2024

## Investment Objective

Long-term capital appreciation.

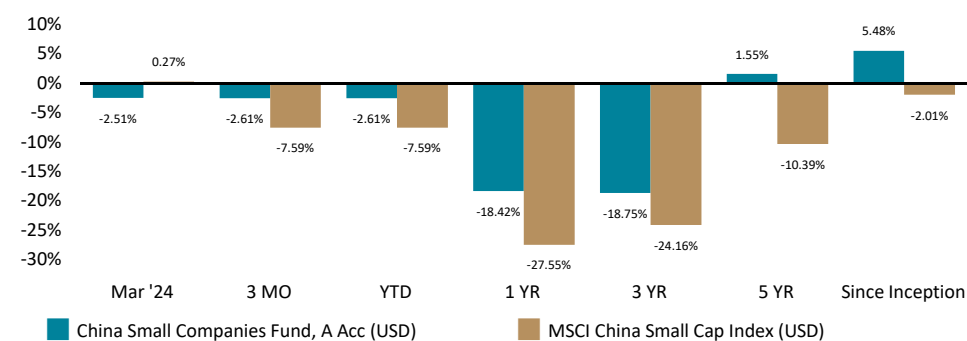
## Sustainability

The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics according to Article 8 of SFDR. Furthermore, the Fund uses both activity- and norm-based exclusions. Information relating to the environmental and social characteristics of this Fund is available in the prospectus on our website.

## Available Share Classes

Share Class	ISIN	SEDOL	CUSIP
A Acc (USD)	LU0721876364	B6T1MX2	L6263Q645
A Acc (EUR)	LU2353186104	BMD1ZB9	L6258V245

## Performance as of 31 March 2024<sup>†</sup>



China Small Companies Fund	Mar '24	3 MO	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	Since Inception	Inception
A Acc (USD)	-2.51%	-2.61%	-2.61%	-18.42%	-18.75%	1.55%	5.48%	29 Feb 2012
A Acc (EUR)	-2.43%	-0.57%	-0.57%	-18.03%	n.a.	n.a.	-21.27%	15 Jul 2021
MSCI China Small Cap Index (USD)	0.27%	-7.59%	-7.59%	-27.55%	-24.16%	-10.39%	-2.01% <sup>1</sup>	n.a.

## Rolling 12 Month Returns (For the period ended 31 March 2024)

China Small Companies Fund	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
A Acc (USD)	-18.42%	-15.21%	-22.44%	61.12%	24.94%
A Acc (EUR)	-18.03%	-13.43%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
MSCI China Small Cap Index (USD)	-27.55%	-13.78%	-30.18%	64.63%	-19.51%

<sup>†</sup> All returns over 1 year are annualised

<sup>1</sup> Index calculated from 29 February 2012

**All performance quoted represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results.** Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with market conditions so that when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than the original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than performance shown. Investors investing in Funds denominated in non-local currency should be aware of the risk of currency exchange fluctuations that may cause a loss of principal.

Performance details provided are based on a NAV-to-NAV basis with any dividends reinvested, and are net of management fees and other expenses. Source: Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A.

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31 March 2024

## TOP TEN HOLDINGS<sup>2</sup>

	Sector	% of Net Assets
Samsonite International SA	Consumer Discretionary	4.9%
Yangzijiang Shipbuilding Holdings, Ltd.	Industrials	4.9%
KE Holdings, Inc.	Real Estate	4.0%
Anhui Yingjia Distillery Co., Ltd.	Consumer Staples	3.9%
Kanzhun, Ltd.	Communication Services	3.8%
Tongcheng Travel Holdings, Ltd.	Consumer Discretionary	3.5%
ENN Natural Gas Co., Ltd.	Utilities	3.4%
ACM Research, Inc.	Information Technology	3.3%
Alchip Technologies, Ltd.	Information Technology	3.3%
Jason Furniture Hangzhou Co., Ltd.	Consumer Discretionary	3.2%
<b>% OF ASSETS IN TOP TEN</b>		<b>38.2%</b>

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman (Luxembourg) S.C.A.

## SECTOR ALLOCATION (%)<sup>3</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
Consumer Discretionary	21.3	11.6	9.7
Industrials	19.0	13.0	6.0
Information Technology	13.9	9.9	4.0
Consumer Staples	9.4	6.6	2.8
Health Care	9.0	22.2	-13.2
Communication Services	8.1	8.7	-0.6
Real Estate	7.0	7.9	-0.9
Utilities	3.4	3.8	-0.4
Materials	2.8	10.3	-7.5
Financials	2.4	4.5	-2.1
Energy	2.1	1.5	0.6
Cash and Other Assets, Less Liabilities	1.7	0.0	1.7

Sector data based on MSCI's revised Global Industry Classification Standards. For more details, visit [www.msci.com](http://www.msci.com).

Source: FactSet Research Systems

## MARKET CAP EXPOSURE (%)<sup>3,4</sup>

	Fund	Benchmark	Difference
Mega Cap (over \$25B)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Large Cap (\$10B-\$25B)	7.0	0.0	7.0
Mid Cap (\$3B-\$10B)	59.0	2.8	56.2
Small Cap (under \$3B)	32.4	97.2	-64.8
Cash and Other Assets, Less Liabilities	1.7	0.0	1.7

Source: FactSet Research Systems

## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Benchmark
Number of Positions	46	241
Weighted Avg. Market Cap (in billions)	\$5.1	\$1.4
Active Share <sup>5</sup>	95.0	n.a.
P/E Using FY1 Estimates <sup>6</sup>	13.3x	7.4x
P/E Using FY2 Estimates <sup>6</sup>	11.4x	6.4x
Price/Cash Flow <sup>7</sup>	11.4	4.1
Price/Book <sup>8</sup>	2.5	0.6
Return on Equity <sup>9</sup>	16.0	5.1
EPS Growth (3 Years) <sup>10</sup>	24.1%	7.1%

Source: FactSet Research Systems

## CHINA EXPOSURE (%)<sup>3,11</sup>

Hong Kong Listed Companies	42.1
Mainland China Listed Companies	24.2
ADR/GDR	10.1
Other	22.0
Cash and Other Assets, Less Liabilities	1.7

Source: FactSet Research Systems

- Holdings may combine more than one security from the same issuer and related depositary receipts.
- Percentage values in data are rounded to the nearest tenth of one percent; the values may not sum to 100% due to rounding. Percentage values may be derived from different data sources and may not be consistent with other Fund literature.
- Equity market cap of issuer. The Portfolio's market cap exposure breakdown presented is used for comparison purposes and the definition of the capitalization breakdown is from MSCI. The Fund defines Small Companies as companies with market capitalization no higher than the greater of US\$5 billion or the market capitalization of the largest company included in the Fund's primary benchmark, the MSCI China Small Cap Index.
- Active Share is calculated by taking the absolute value of the difference between portfolio holdings and benchmark weights, summing all of these differences, and dividing by two. The calculation will result in an active share number between 0%, which indicates the portfolio perfectly replicates the benchmark, and 100%, which indicates there is no overlap whatsoever between the portfolio and the index. Active Share was calculated including cash held in the Fund.
- The P/E Ratio is the share price of a stock as of the report date, divided by the forecasted earnings per share for a 12-month period (FY1) or a 24-month period (FY2). For the Fund, this is the weighted harmonic average estimated P/E ratio of all the underlying stocks in the Fund, excluding negative earners. There is no guarantee that the composition of the Fund will remain unchanged, or that forecasted earnings of a stock will be realized. Information provided is for illustrative purposes only.
- A measure of the market's expectations of a firm's future financial health. Because this measure deals with cash flow, the effects of depreciation and other non-cash factors are removed. Similar to price/earnings ratio, this measure provides an indication of relative value.
- Price-to-Book Ratio (P/B Ratio) is used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. It is calculated by dividing the current closing price of the stock by the latest quarter's book value per share. A lower P/B ratio could mean that the stock is undervalued.
- Return on Equity (ROE) is the amount of net income returned as a percentage of shareholders equity. Return on equity measures a corporation's profitability by revealing how much profit a company generates with the money shareholders have invested, and is calculated as net income divided by shareholder's equity.
- Earnings Per Share (EPS) is the amount of annual profit (after tax and all other expenses) attributable to each share in a company. EPS is calculated by dividing profit by the average number of shares in a company. Earnings growth is not a measure of a fund's future performance.
- Mainland China listed Companies** include A Shares and B Shares. **A Shares** are Mainland Chinese companies incorporated in China and listed on the Shanghai or Shenzhen exchanges, available mostly to local Chinese investors and qualified institutional investors. **B Shares** are mainland Chinese companies listed on the Shanghai and Shenzhen stock exchanges, available to both Chinese and non-Chinese investors. **ADRs** are American Depositary Receipts and **GDRs** are Global Depositary Receipts. **Hong Kong Listed Companies** include SAR (Hong Kong) companies, China-affiliated corporations, and H Shares. SAR companies are companies that conduct business in Hong Kong and/or mainland China. China-affiliated corporations [CAC], also known as "Red Chips," are mainland China companies with partial state ownership listed in Hong Kong, and incorporated in Hong Kong. H Shares are mainland Chinese companies listed on the Hong Kong exchange but incorporated in mainland China. **Other** represents Chinese companies listed in other countries or non-China companies with a majority of revenue coming from China such as Japan, Singapore, Taiwan and the United States or other non-China companies.
- Controversial weapons include companies with involvement in the following: anti-personnel mines; biological and chemical weapons; cluster weapons; depleted uranium; nuclear weapons and white phosphorus. A company is excluded if it is directly involved in the production, selling and/or distribution of (parts of) controversial weapons and this involvement concerns the core weapon system, or components/services of the core weapon system that are tailor-made and essential for the lethal use of the weapon. Sourced from Sustainalytics, ISS and MSCI.
- This represents companies that generate more than 5% of revenue from tobacco manufacturing exposure to or production or that generate more than 50% of revenue from tobacco retail. Sourced from Sustainalytics.
- This represents companies that have been assessed as failing to comply with the 10 United Nations Global Compact Principles by ISS-ESG Norms-Based-Research. Different ESG research providers may come to different conclusions on the severity of the violation.
- The factor identifies the normalized portfolio's total weighted average (scope 1 + scope 2) carbon emissions intensity, using the most recently available data (emissions data from 2020, 2021). Carbon intensity represents the issuer's total carbon emissions per EUR million of revenue (tCO2e divided by EUR million in revenue). Sourced from ISS ESG. Where not covered by external data providers, we have tried to source these data points.
- Represents the weighted average ratio of female board members in investee companies.

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