## Key investor information



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.

# American Franchise Fund

A sub-fund of Ninety One Global Strategy Fund ("Ninety One GSF") managed by Ninety One Luxembourg S.A. Class I Income shares in US dollars ISIN: LU0345774805

#### Objectives and investment policy

The Fund aims to provide capital growth (i.e. to grow the value of your investment) with the opportunity for income over the long-term.

The Fund invests primarily in the shares of US companies or companies which carry out a large proportion of their business activities in the US.

The Fund focuses investment on companies deemed by the Investment Manager to be of high quality i.e. companies which have provided sustainably high levels of return on invested capital and free cash flow (a company's cash earnings after its capital expenditures have been accounted for), typically those associated with global brands or franchises. The Fund has full discretion in its choice of companies either by size or industry.

The Fund may invest in other assets such as cash, other funds and derivatives.

The Fund promotes environmental and social characteristics in line with Article 8 of the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR).

The Fund will not invest in certain sectors or investments. Over time, the Investment Manager may, in accordance with the Fund's investment policy, apply additional exclusions to be disclosed on the website, as they are implemented.

Derivatives (financial contracts whose value is linked to the price of an underlying asset) may be used for efficient portfolio management purposes e.g. with the aim of either managing the Fund risks or reducing the costs of managing the Fund.

The Fund is actively managed. This means the Investment Manager is free to select investments with the aim of achieving the Fund's objectives.

The S&P 500 Net Return Index is used for performance comparison. The Fund does not seek to replicate the index. It will generally hold assets that are components of the index, but not in the same proportions, and it is allowed to hold assets which are not components of the index. The assets of the Fund therefore may be very different from the index.

Any income due from your investment is paid out to you.

You can typically buy or sell shares in the Fund on any business day.

Recommendation: this Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within 5 years.

#### Risk and reward profile



This indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time. The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.

The value of your investment and any income from it can fall as well as rise and you are not certain of making profits; losses may be made.

Environmental, social or governance related risk events or factors, if they occur, could cause a negative impact on the value of the investments made by the Fund.

The Fund appears towards the higher end of the Risk and Reward Indicator scale. This is because the Fund invests in the shares of companies, whose values tend to fluctuate widely.

### Risks that may not be fully captured by the Risk and Reward Indicator:

Concentrated portfolio: The portfolio invests in a relatively small number of individual holdings. This may mean wider fluctuations in value than more broadly invested portfolios.

Derivatives: The use of derivatives is not intended to increase the overall level of risk. However, the use of derivatives may still lead to large changes in value and includes the potential for large financial loss. A counterparty to a derivative transaction may fail to meet its obligations which may also lead to a financial loss.

Equity investment: The value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. insolvency), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

Geographic / Sector: Investments may be primarily concentrated in specific countries, geographical regions and/or industry sectors. This may mean that, in certain market conditions, the value of the portfolio may decrease whilst more broadly-invested portfolios might grow.

The full list of Fund risks are contained in the appendices of the Ninety One GSF prospectus.

#### Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

The entry charge shown is the most you might pay, in some cases you might pay less.

You can find out actual entry charges from your financial adviser.

The ongoing charges figure is based on last year's expenses for the year ending 31 December 2021. The figure excludes any performance fee and portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry or exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling units in another fund. Ongoing charges may vary from year to year.

For more information about charges, please see Appendix 1 of the Ninety One GSF prospectus.

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

| Charges taken from the fund over a year  |       |  |
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| This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested. |       |  |
| Exit charge  | None  |  |
| Entry charge   | 5.00% |  |
|  |       |  |

| Ongoing charge  | 0.98% |  |
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| Charges taken from the fund under certain specific conditions |       |  |
| Performance fee   | None  |  |
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### Past Performance

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of your investment and income from it may go down as well as up and you may not get back the amount you invested.

The Fund does not track an index, any index shown is for illustrative purposes only.

The past performance shown in the chart takes account of all charges except the Fund's entry charge and the past performance is calculated in US Dollars.

The Fund was launched on 26 November 1990 and this share class on 29 June 2007.

- Class I Income shares in US dollars
- S&P 500 Net Return (S&P 500 Total Return pre 01/01/1999)



#### **Practical Information**

The Fund's depositary is State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch. The latest published prices for shares in the Fund are available on www.ninetyone.com. Other share classes are available for this Fund as described in the Ninety One GSF prospectus. Luxembourg tax legislation may have an impact on your personal tax position.

The Fund is a sub-fund of Ninety One GSF. You may switch between other Ninety One GSF sub-funds or share classes of the same sub-fund at no extra charge (unless the other share class has a higher entry charge, in which case the difference may be payable). Details on switching are contained in section 5 of the Ninety One GSF prospectus. The assets of the Fund are ring-fenced and cannot be used to pay the debts of other Ninety One GSF sub-funds.

Ninety One Luxembourg S.A. 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 Ninety One GSF prospectus.

Details of the Remuneration Policy relating to Ninety One Luxembourg S.A., including, but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the persons responsible for awarding remuneration and benefits, are available at

www.ninetyone.com/remuneration. A paper copy will be made available free of charge on request to the Global Distributor at the address below.

English language copies of the Ninety One GSF prospectus and its latest annual and semiannual reports may be obtained free of charge from Ninety One Guernsey Limited c/o RBC Investor Services Bank S.A.14, Porte de France L-4360 Esch-sur-Alzette Luxembourg.

This Fund is authorised in Luxembourg and supervised by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF).

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