

American Franchise Fund

As at end February 2024



Ratings*

Morningstar: ★★★★★

Risk profile

Lower risk

Potentially lower rewards

Higher risk

Potentially higher rewards



Key facts

Fund manager: Paul Vincent
Fund size: USD 291.9m
Fund launch date: 11.26.90
Domicile: Luxembourg
Sector: Morningstar US Large-Cap Growth Equity
Benchmark: S&P 500 Net Return (S&P 500 Total Return pre 01/01/1999)
Pricing: 16:00 New York Time (forward pricing)
Ninety One ESG Classification*: Enhanced Integration
Ongoing Charge (I Inc USD): 0.97%

Objective and investment policy summary

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 equities (e.g. shares of companies) either listed and/or domiciled in the United States of America, or established outside of the United States of America but carrying out a significant portion of their business activities in the United States of America.
The Fund will be actively managed. The Investment Manager will have full discretion in its choice of companies either by size or industry.
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.

Calendar year performance (%)

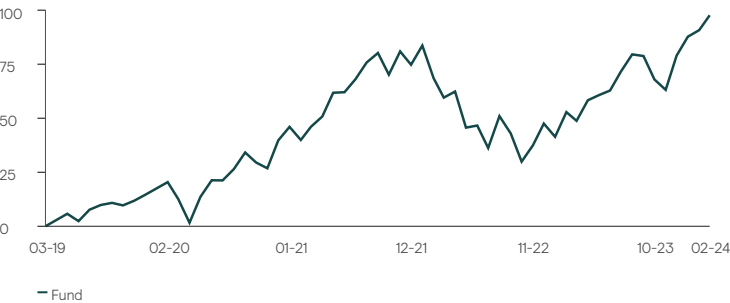
	YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Fund - I Inc USD	5.3	32.8	-23.0	25.8	24.3	32.3	1.2	20.3	20.2	-3.9	9.8
Benchmark USD	7.0	25.7	-18.5	28.2	17.8	30.7	-4.9	21.1	11.2	0.7	13.0

Monthly and annual average returns (%)

Class						Share class information						
	1 month	1 year	3 years	5 years	Perf. start or 10 years	Perf. start date	Yield (%) [§]	Adjusted yield (%) ^{§§}	Income payment dates	ISIN	CUSIP	Bloomberg
I Acc USD	3.6	32.8	-	-	7.3	06/18/2021	-	-	-	LU2342989097	L6771A173	NIOGIAA LX
I Inc USD	3.6	32.8	10.6	14.6	13.0	02/28/2014	0.00	-	Annually	LU0345774805	L54481871	INVAMEI LX
A Acc USD	3.5	31.6	9.6	13.5	11.9	02/28/2014	-	-	-	LU0345774391	L54481855	INGSAAA LX
A Inc USD	3.5	31.6	9.6	13.5	11.9	02/28/2014	0.00	-	Annually	LU0345774631	L54481830	GUIABCI LX
C Inc USD	3.5	30.6	8.7	12.7	11.1	02/28/2014	0.00	-	Annually	LU0345774714	L54481889	GUIWABI LX
Benchmark USD	5.3	29.8	11.4	14.2	12.1	02/28/2014	-	-	-	-	-	-

Past performance should not be taken as a guide to the future and there is no guarantee that this investment will make profits; losses may be made. If the currency of this share class differs from your domestic currency, your returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. Performance is net of fees. The Fund does not track an index, any index shown is for illustrative purposes only. Refer to page 2 for performance data source

Performance (%)



Risk statistics - I Inc USD

	3 years	5 years
Annualised alpha (%)	-1.0	0.9
Beta	1.1	1.0
Annualised information ratio	-0.1	0.1
Annualised tracking error (%)	5.3	5.6
Annualised volatility (%)	19.5	18.5

Glossary

For an explanation of statistical terms, please see:
www.ninetyone.com/glossary

*The overall rating for a fund, often called the 'star rating', is a third party rating derived from a quantitative methodology that rates funds based on an enhanced Morningstar™ Risk-Adjusted Return measure. 'Star ratings' run from 1 star (lowest) to 5 stars (highest) and are reviewed at the end of every calendar month. The various funds are ranked by their Morningstar™ Risk-Adjusted Return scores and relevant stars are assigned. It is important to note that individual shareclasses of each fund are evaluated separately and their ratings may differ depending on the launch date, fees and expenses relevant to the share class. In order to achieve a rating the share class of a fund must have a minimum three-year performance track record.
For a further explanation, please visit <https://www.morningstar.com/company/morningstar-ratings-faq>
[§]The Yield reflects distributions declared over the past 12 months as a percentage of the mid-market share price, as at the date shown.
^{§§}The Adjusted yield is calculated in the same way, however, as the charges of the share class are deducted from capital rather than income, it shows the level of yield had these charges been deducted from income. The effect of taking expenses from capital is to increase the income payable whilst reducing capital to an equivalent extent and may constrain future capital and income growth. Both yields do not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. The yield information has been calculated as at 02.29.24.

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Top holdings (%)

Microsoft Corp	9.2
Alphabet Inc	7.4
Autodesk Inc	4.3
Texas Instruments Inc	4.0
Intuit Inc	3.7
The Charles Schwab Corp	3.7
Monster Beverage Corp	3.6
Dolby Laboratories Inc	3.6
Automatic Data Processing Inc	3.5
Diageo Plc	3.1

Number of equity holdings: **31**

Sector analysis (%)

	Fund	Index
Information Technology	33.8	29.8
Health Care	21.0	12.5
Financials	14.0	13.0
Consumer Staples	9.2	6.0
Communication Services	7.4	8.9
Consumer Discretionary	4.6	10.6
Industrials	3.5	8.7
Real Estate	3.0	2.3
Energy		3.7
Materials		2.3
Other		2.1
Cash	3.5	0.0

The portfolio may change significantly over a short space of time.

**Funds that combine ESG integration with one or more binding ESG commitment e.g. exclusions, positive tilting. For further information, please see www.ninetyone.com/ESG-explained

General risks

The value of this investment, and any income generated from it, will be affected by changes in interest rates, general market conditions and other political, social and economic developments, as well as by specific matters relating to the assets in which they invest. The Fund's objectives will not necessarily be achieved and there is no guarantee that this investment will make a profit; losses may be made there is risk of loss of principal. This Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within the short to medium term. If the currency of the share class you invest in differs from your domestic currency, your returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. For Inc-2 and Inc-3 shares classes, expenses are charged to the capital account rather than to income, so capital will be reduced. This could constrain future capital and income growth. Income may be taxable.

Specific fund risks

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.

Important information

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