Kardinia Long Short Fund

Performance Report 31 July 2026

Net client returns (after fees and expenses)

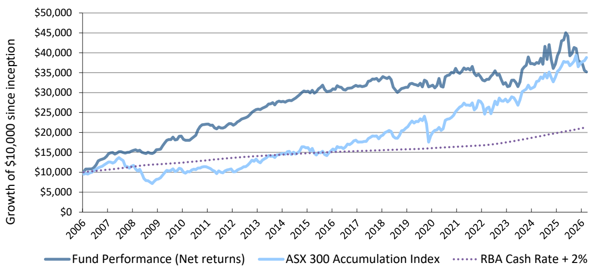
	1 mth	6 mth	1 year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a.	Since inception[3] p.a.
Fund[1]	(1.02%)	(14.88%)	(18.21%)	2.10%	(0.07%)	6.41%[4]
Benchmark[2]	0.54%	3.09%	6.04%	6.29%	5.28%	3.81%

1. Performance results are net of all transaction costs, investment management and performance fees and all other costs incurred by the Fund. Performance is the total return of the fund (assuming re-investment of distributions) and is quoted based on hard-close unit prices, without including the impact of buy/sell spreads. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Returns greater than one year are annualised.
2. The benchmark is the RBA cash rate plus 2%. Prior to 2 December 2019 it was the RBA cash rate. Returns greater than one year are annualised.
3. Inception date of Fund is 1 May 2006.The Fund was launched by another trustee and the performance data also relates to this strategy. Bennelong Funds Management Ltd assumed responsibility on 16 Aug 2011 and ceased responsibility on 8 May 2023. Equity Trustees Ltd assumed responsibility on 8 May 2023.
4. Performance data from inception includes performance of the monthly series from 2006-2011, on the basis that both series invest in the same underlying portfolio, and their performance was mirrored from the inception of the daily series in 2011 to July 2026. Performance data from 2006 – 2011 indicates how the daily series would have performed over that period, as it would have been exposed to the same underlying investments and investment strategy.

The Fund at a glance

Fund facts	
Strategy	Long-short Australian equity
Investment objective	To achieve consistent positive returns through an investment cycle, with an overarching philosophy of capital protection
Inception date[3]	1 May 2006
Unit price: daily series	0.8374
Unit price: monthly series	1.0311
Fund managers	Kristiaan Rehder, CFA® Stuart Larke, CFA®
Investment specialist	Mark Burgess, CFA®
Annualised return	6.67%
Total return since inception	269.62%
Annualised standard deviation	9.97%
Sharpe Ratio (RFR=RBA cash)	0.29
Percentage of positive months since inception	63.79%

Historical performance[2]



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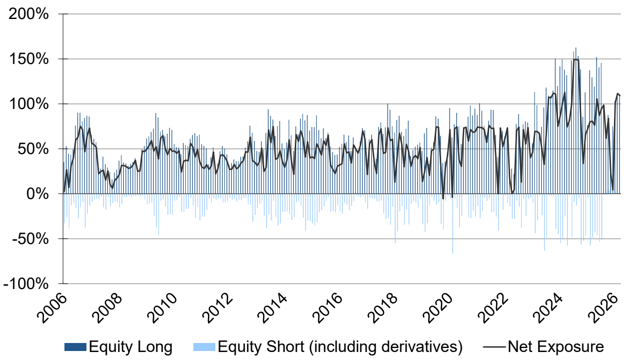
Largest holdings

Holdings	Sector
BHP Group	Materials
Commonwealth Bank	Financials
Macquarie Group	Financials
Sigma Healthcare	Health Care
Rio Tinto	Materials
Wesfarmers	Consumer Discretionary
James Hardie	Materials
Goodman Group	Real Estate
ANZ	Financials
Life 360	Information Technology

Portfolio exposure analysis



Market and Fund commentary

The Kardinia Long Short Fund returned -1.02% in July, versus the ASX300 Accumulation Index which rose 2.13%, driven largely by a broad rotation into the major banks. Rate expectations were volatile through the month. Strong June jobs data and hawkish RBA minutes mid-month briefly repriced the odds of a further hike, before sentiment settled into a more constructive tone by month-end. Gold miners and select resources names also contributed due to firmer commodity prices.

Key contributors and detractors for the month:

Positive contributors	Negative contributors
Commonwealth Bank	Zip Co
National Australia Bank	Short Book
Westpac	Lynas Rare Earths

The major banks (ANZ +6%, CBA +8%, NAB +9%, WBC +8%) rallied in July as investors rotated into defensive, dividend-paying financials on softening rate expectations and stable earnings outlooks, with no single bank-specific catalyst behind the move. NAB led the group as the cheapest of the four on a relative multiple basis.

Sigma (+7%) benefited from continued market focus on the strength and scale of its Chemist Warehouse pharmacy network, with several brokers reiterating buy calls through the month. The stock's move also came against a backdrop of ongoing regulatory debate around pharmacy reform, which investors appear to be looking through for now.

Zip Co (-21%) gave back some of its earlier 2026 gains, with the pullback attributed largely to profit-taking after a strong run rather than any confirmed company announcement. The stock remains one of the more volatile, higher-beta names on the ASX, and its month-on-month swings have been common through 2026.

The Short Book detracted from performance given the rise in the market, as a broad rally across cyclicals and financials worked against short positions. Rising risk appetite through July made it a difficult month for the book to generate offsetting alpha.

Lynas Rare Earths (-22%) fell after its June-quarter update showed record revenue and pricing more than offset by an NdPr production miss linked to water-plant and ore-quality issues at Mt Weld.

Outlook & Positioning

During the month, we kept the Fund's net exposure relatively steady at 109.3%.

Kardinia maintains high conviction in our core long positions, weighted toward businesses with strong balance sheets and resilient earnings. During July, net exposure was held broadly steady as we assessed a market that continued to move higher on improving sentiment without a material change in the underlying macroeconomic picture. While geopolitical tensions between the US and Iran have shown signs of easing in recent months, we did not see sufficient new evidence during the period to warrant a meaningful increase in risk.

The portfolio remains tilted toward offshore earners, where we see the most attractive risk-adjusted opportunities at the current point in the cycle.

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Fund performance[4]

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2026	3.73%	-0.64%	-7.21%	-1.34%	-0.89%	-4.55%	-1.02%						-11.65%
2025	9.78%	-8.89%	-5.91%	3.11%	5.67%	2.98%	6.30%	0.52%	4.16%	-1.70%	-11.33%	1.53%	4.01%
2024	1.80%	1.18%	5.72%	-4.36%	0.07%	-0.62%	1.35%	-0.52%	3.41%	-3.91%	12.13%	-7.96%	7.07%
2023	0.66%	-3.91%	-3.41%	1.19%	-3.11%	0.52%	4.57%	0.11%	-1.81%	-3.17%	3.68%	9.54%	4.09%
2022	-4.80%	-1.72%	1.17%	-1.93%	-2.43%	-0.55%	1.15%	0.05%	2.30%	1.47%	2.50%	-3.10%	-6.01%
2021	0.32%	1.86%	-0.36%	3.26%	-2.64%	-0.90%	1.60%	2.35%	-1.08%	0.79%	-1.20%	2.58%	6.58%
2020	5.40%	-0.86%	-4.32%	0.63%	0.73%	-2.15%	1.90%	5.63%	-5.88%	-0.70%	8.21%	1.07%	9.13%
2019	1.66%	1.55%	0.46%	0.55%	-0.03%	2.82%	0.42%	-0.83%	-0.35%	-0.73%	2.04%	-2.84%	4.68%
2018	-0.16%	0.56%	-1.90%	1.56%	1.78%	-0.77%	-0.68%	1.08%	-1.93%	-5.71%	-2.18%	-2.02%	-10.12%
2017	0.12%	0.25%	1.04%	0.89%	-0.75%	0.48%	-0.65%	0.34%	0.66%	3.18%	0.35%	1.43%	7.53%
2016	-3.42%	-1.78%	0.30%	0.52%	1.60%	-0.47%	2.95%	-1.02%	-0.22%	-1.85%	-0.37%	1.45%	-2.44%
2015	1.44%	1.90%	1.24%	-0.59%	0.41%	-1.49%	2.20%	-2.27%	1.14%	2.45%	1.16%	1.74%	9.60%
2014	-2.12%	2.69%	0.87%	-0.63%	0.36%	-0.66%	1.07%	0.56%	-0.31%	1.22%	1.13%	1.53%	5.77%
2013	2.21%	2.36%	1.42%	1.34%	0.40%	-0.46%	1.31%	0.96%	0.93%	2.17%	0.15%	1.11%	14.76%
2012	1.08%	2.30%	1.82%	0.04%	-1.79%	1.38%	2.30%	1.38%	1.85%	0.68%	0.71%	1.07%	13.52%
2011	4.25%	2.13%	0.23%	0.37%	0.11%	-1.41%	0.31%	-3.23%	-1.19%	2.31%	-1.16%	-0.13%	2.42%
2010	-3.82%	0.66%	4.36%	0.36%	-4.38%	-1.33%	0.03%	0.09%	2.49%	2.19%	2.02%	6.84%	9.33%
2009	-1.46%	-0.68%	1.79%	4.56%	0.34%	0.54%	5.31%	4.41%	3.86%	1.21%	-0.28%	3.59%	25.47%
2008	-1.00%	1.12%	0.17%	1.93%	1.33%	0.87%	-1.72%	1.02%	-3.20%	-1.29%	-0.81%	2.04%	0.30%
2007	2.04%	1.28%	1.45%	3.74%	4.95%	1.21%	0.65%	-2.62%	1.76%	2.36%	-0.02%	-1.34%	16.36%
2006					1.53%	6.54%	-0.06%	0.32%	-0.22%	3.65%	5.50%	8.72%	28.67%

4. To June 2026, performance data is historical data based on the main series using a monthly unit pricing methodology. From July 2026 onward, performance data refers to the daily series, as the main series is not open to new investors. Performance data from 2006 is included on the basis that both series invest in the same underlying portfolio, and their performance was mirrored from the inception of the daily series in 2011 to July 2026 (where performance of the two series diverges due to the application of the sell spread after the redemption of a significant portion of units in the monthly series). Performance data from 2006 - 2011, whilst not explicitly referring to the daily series, indicates how the daily series would have performed over that period, as it would have been exposed to the same underlying investments and investment strategy. For further information on unit price methodology, please refer to the PDS which is available on the Kardinia website: www.kardinia.com.au. If you are invested in the daily series, please contact Client Services on +61 2 7201 9015 or via email SSG.AUS@apexfs.com to request your performance history. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

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The Fund is open to investors directly via the PDS (available on our website), or the following platforms.

BT (Panorama)

CFS Edge (Super and Pension, IDPS)

Dash

Hub 24 (Super, IDPS)

Macquarie Wrap (IDPS)

Mason Stevens

Netwealth (Super Service, Wrap Service, IDPS)

Praemium (Spectrum IDPS, Powerwrap SmartWrap)

Get in touch

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