# **Barings European Growth Trust**

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### **FUND FACTS**

NAV (£m) 52.2

Inception Date
June 30, 1983

**Domiciled** UK, UK-UCITS Fund

Dealing Frequency
Daily

Management Company
Baring Fund Managers Limited

Investment Manager
Baring Asset Management
Limited

Share Classes GBP

Distribution Frequency Annual

> Base Currency GBP

Benchmark<sup>1</sup>
MSCI Europe ex UK Total Net
Return

SFDR Classification Article 8

PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Paul Morgan, CFA 29 years of experience

### MARCH 2025 / FACTSHEET



#### **KEY RISK**

During exceptional market conditions there may be insufficient buyers and sellers to allow the Fund to buy and sell investments, which could affect the Fund's ability to meet investors' redemption requests. Losses may occur if an organisation through which we buy an asset fails to meet its obligations. Custody of assets involves a risk of loss if a custodian becomes insolvent or breaches duties of care. Fund investments in derivatives are sensitive to changes in the value of the underlying asset on which they are based and their use may result in losses greater than the amount originally invested. Fund investments in overseas assets may lose value due to movements in foreign exchange rates. Fund investments in equities may be subject to significant fluctuations in value. The Fund can hold smaller company shares which can be more difficult to buy and sell and more volatile than those of larger companies. Region specific funds have a narrower focus than those which invest broadly across markets and are therefore more risky. Further information on the Fund's risks can be found in the offering (constitutional) documents.

# **OBJECTIVE\*\***

To provide a total return, including both capital growth and dividend income (after fees have been deducted), in excess of the MSCI Europe ex UK (Total Net Return) Index over a rolling five year period by investing in equity and equity related securities in Europe excluding the United Kingdom.

### STRATEGY & MARKETING OPPORTUNITY

The investment team builds a focused, high conviction portfolio of carefully selected investments with the aim of producing superior risk-adjusted returns.

- European Equities trade at a significant discount to global peers, particularly relative to the U.S.
- Europe is fertile ground for stock-pickers due to its highly diversified, liquid equity market presenting
  opportunities for investors.

| FUND PERFORMANCE (%) | Class A GBP Inc<br>(Gross of Fees) | Class A GBP Inc<br>(Net of Fees) | Benchmark <sup>1</sup> |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Year to Date         | 3.43                               | 3.02                             | 7.43                   |
| 1 Year               | -1.92                              | -3.48                            | 2.51                   |
| 3 Years              | 5.59                               | 3.90                             | 7.85                   |
| 5 Years              | 12.47                              | 10.64                            | 12.05                  |
| 10 Years             | 7.76                               | 6.01                             | 7.46                   |
| Since Inception      | 12.76                              | 10.93                            | 10.16                  |

| ROLLING 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE (%) | Class A GBP Inc<br>(Gross of Fees) | Class A GBP Inc<br>(Net of Fees) | Benchmark <sup>1</sup> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 03/31/2024 - 03/31/2025          | -1.92                              | -3.48                            | 2.51                   |
| 03/31/2023 - 03/31/2024          | 12.69                              | 10.89                            | 12.65                  |
| 03/31/2022 - 03/31/2023          | 6.52                               | 4.80                             | 8.62                   |
| 03/31/2021 - 03/31/2022          | 11.11                              | 9.27                             | 5.45                   |
| 03/31/2020 - 03/31/2021          | 37.54                              | 35.28                            | 33.51                  |

PAST PERFORMANCE DOES NOT PREDICT FUTURE RETURNS. An investment entails a risk of loss. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. If you are investing in a different currency to the base currency of the fund, your returns may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations. An investment style bias can impact the performance of the Fund, relative to its benchmark in a positive or negative way. When one style is in favour another may be out of favour for short or long periods. The Fund's investment approach as part of its investment strategy is Growth at Reasonable Price, performance relative to the benchmark may suffer in market conditions where a growth style is out of favour. The Benchmark is used for risk management and performance comparison purposes. The investment manager has complete discretion in making investments and is not constrained by the Benchmark.

Source: Morningstar/Barings: Performance figures are shown in GBP on a NAV per unit basis, with gross income reinvested.

- 1. The benchmark is MSCI Europe ex UK Total, Net Return Index.
- \*Morningstar Rating as of previous month end, please refer to page 3 for additional detail.
- \*\*There is however no guarantee that this objective will be achieved over any time period. The Trust is not constrained by the benchmark and can make investments in securities that are not included in the benchmark.

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### **EQUITY PLATFORM**<sup>1</sup>

Barings manages \$442+ billion of equities, fixed income, real estate and alternative assets globally

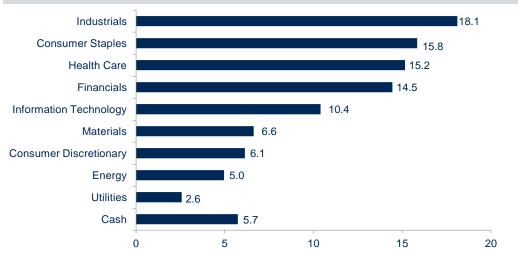
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- Global Equities
- Emerging Markets Equities
- Small-Cap Equities

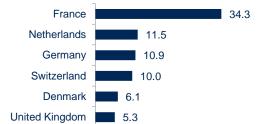
Equities investor base includes financial institutions, pensions, foundations and endowments and wholesale distributors

| CHARACTERISTICS <sup>2,3,4</sup> | BARINGS EUROPEAN GROWTH<br>TRUST |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Number Of Holdings               | 34                               |
| Active Share (%)                 | 74.42                            |
| Off Benchmark (%)                | 8.68                             |
| Tracking Error (%) (3Y Ann)      | 4.36                             |
| Information Ratio (3Y Ann)       | -0.50                            |
| Standard Deviation (3Y Ann)      | 12.15                            |
| Alpha (3Y Ann)                   | -1.39                            |
| Beta (3Y Ann)                    | 0.91                             |
| Av. Market Cap (GBPb)            | 87.01                            |

# TOP SECTOR WEIGHTING (% OF MV)3



| TOP HOLDINGS (% OF MV) <sup>3</sup> |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| AXA SA                              | 5.53 |
| ROCHE HOLDING AG                    | 5.52 |
| ASML HOLDING NV                     | 5.38 |
| NESTLE SA                           | 4.52 |
| SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SA               | 4.28 |
| AIR LIQUIDE SA                      | 4.26 |
| KBC GROUP NV                        | 3.69 |
| NOVO NORDISK A S                    | 3.59 |
| SANOFI SA                           | 3.58 |
| VINCI SA                            | 3.44 |
|                                     |      |



TOP COUNTRY WEIGHTING (% OF MV)3



- 1. Barings assets as of March 31, 2025.
- 2. Risk statistics are based on gross performance.
- 3. As of March 31, 2025.
- 4. Refer to glossary on our website for definitions of terms. Characteristics are subject to change...

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| FEE SCHEDULE    |                                |                               |                  |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
|                 | Min Investment                 | Management Fee (p.a.)         | OCF <sup>1</sup> |
| Class A GBP inc | Initial—£1K<br>Subsequent—£500 | Initial—5.00%<br>Annual—1.50% | 1.62%            |

Be aware of currency risk. If you are buying this product in a different currency to your local currency you will receive payments in a different currency, so the final return you will get will depend on the exchange rates between the two currencies.

1. The ongoing charges figures is based on the ongoing expenses chargeable to the respective unit class for the 12-month period ended 02/28/2025 expressed as a percentage of the average net asset value of the respective unit class for the same period. This figure may vary from year to year.

| CLASS A ACTIVE SHARE CLASSES |              |            |          |
|------------------------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| Name                         | ISIN         | Bloomberg  | Lipper   |
| GBP INC                      | GB0000804335 | BRGEGTI LN | 60008951 |

<sup>\*</sup>Please refer to prospectus for additional currency class information.

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Barings European Growth Trust A GBP Inc share class was rated against the following numbers of EAA Fund Europe ex-UK Equity investments over the following time periods: 548 investments in the last three years, 457 investments in the last five years, and 315 investments in the last ten years. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

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