



# Platypus Australian Equities Fund



*The Platypus Australian Equities Fund is a high conviction Australian equities growth portfolio with an enviable record of performance. It aims to deliver strong returns over the medium to long term by identifying high quality Australian companies with strong earnings growth prospects.*

## Why choose the Platypus Australian Equities Fund?



### Consistent approach

- True to label growth style manager.
- All cap exposure.
- Exposure to small cap opportunities.
- Experienced investment team with diverse backgrounds.



### Disciplined process

- An investment process that has outperformed since inception.
- Index agnostic high conviction portfolio of 20 to 40 stocks
- An active engagement agenda to drive change across holdings, with a responsible investment lens<sup>1</sup>.



### Enviably performance

- 17-year track record of outperforming<sup>2</sup>.

1. More information about Platypus's approach to responsible investing can be found at [platypusassetmanagement.com.au/responsible-investing/](https://platypusassetmanagement.com.au/responsible-investing/).

2 Source – Lonsec iRate. Generated June 2023. Total Returns are calculated after fees and expenses and assume the reinvestment of distributions. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Inception date for performance calculations is 30 April 2006.

## Fund objective

The Platypus Australian Equities Fund aims to outperform the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index (before fees and expenses) over a rolling three-year rolling period.

## Investment philosophy

Our focus is to generate superior risk adjusted returns for investors. We believe that the risk-return offered by the Australian equity market can be improved by utilising skilfully applied active management.

Our fundamental belief is that companies should exhibit a track record of earnings and preferably dividend growth to be considered an investment proposition. We believe that share price performance over the medium to long-term is driven by consistent earnings growth; hence this is our primary focus.

We approach portfolio construction with an index agnostic attitude. We are far from index huggers.

## A strong, stable team



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With Platypus since 2008



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Portfolio Manager

With Platypus since 2008

## Fund Facts

<b>APIR code</b>	Wholesale AUS0030AU.
<b>Cash</b>	Typically < 5%. May be increased in periods of market volatility.
<b>No. of stocks</b>	20-40 (average 30).
<b>Buy/Sell spread</b>	0.20%/0.20%.
<b>Strategy inception</b>	01/01/1999.
<b>Fund inception</b>	30/04/2006.

<b>Management costs – Wholesale units value</b>	Management fee of 0.76% p.a. of the Fund gross asset value. Subject to performance fee and recoverable expenses. Consult PDS for more information.
<b>Ex 100 Index stocks</b>	An average 22.48% since inception.
<b>Distributions</b>	Half yearly.
<b>Tracking error</b>	Not targeted. Historically ex post tracking error ranges between 6%-10%.

## About Platypus Asset Management

Platypus Asset Management is a specialist true to label Australian equities growth manager.

The company has been operating since 1998. In 2006, Platypus formed a 50% joint venture partnership with Australian Unity. In January 2022 Australian Unity assumed 100% ownership of Platypus Asset Management.

## About Australian Unity

Australian Unity is Australia's first member-owned wellbeing company.

Being a member-owned company, also called a mutual, gives Australian Unity greater flexibility to invest into the services and solutions that matter most to its members, customers, and the Australian community. Australian Unity's ambition is to be Australia's most trusted wellbeing company, offering national healthcare, financial services and retirement living solutions and providing services to around 1,000,000 Australians, including 300,000 members nationwide. Its wealth offering incorporates a comprehensive range of products including:

- Investment education and funeral bonds
- Mortgage funds
- Fixed interest and cash funds
- Diversified funds
- Property funds
- Australian and international shares

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