# Roytrin USD Income & Growth Fund

**December 31, 2024** 

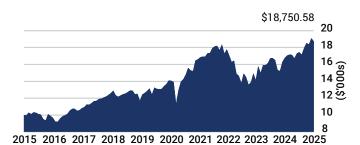




### **Investment Objective**

To maximise current income for investors and also provide for long-term capital appreciation consistent with reasonable protection of capital.

#### Growth of \$10,000



Note: Based on investment returns from Jan 02, 2015 to Jan 02, 2025

#### **Fund Performance**

Simple Returns	Average Annualised Returns				
1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	From Inception	
11.74%	1.75%	5.84%	6.48%	5.11%	

Note: As of Jan 02, 2025 (includes income distribution)

## **Top 10 Holdings**

Description	Coupon	<b>Maturity Date</b>	% of NAV
Cash	n/a	n/a	6.61%
Sea Limited			4.17%
Apple Inc.			4.08%
Microsoft Corporation			3.86%
Nvidia Corporation			3.72%
Amazon.com Inc.			3.49%
PayPal Holdings Inc.			3.02%
Alphabet Inc.			2.86%
Intuitive Surgical Inc.			2.32%
Netflix Inc.			2.10%

Note: For equity positions, both the Coupon and Maturity Date are blank.

### **Risk Level**

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	Low	Low to Medium	Medium	Medium to High	High

Note: For specific details on the risk of the fund, please review the Prospectus and Key Facts Statement.

#### **Fund Details**

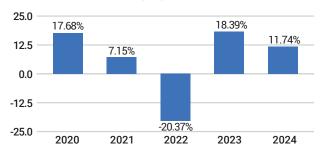
**Inception Date:** Total Net Asset Value (NAV): NAV per unit:

Management Expense Ratio:

March 06, 2002 US\$ 94.39 million US\$ 1.356

2.08% (as of Dec 31, 2023)

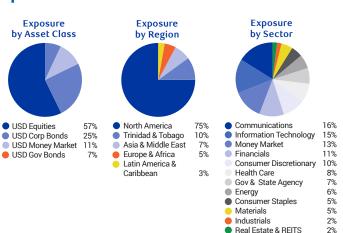
## Calendar Returns (%)



#### **Fixed Income Metrics**

Weighted Average Life	7.02
Weighted Average Duration	5.11
Weighted Average Yield	4.73%
Average Credit Rating	BBB+

#### **Exposure**



## **Market Update**

Data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) showed that the US economy delivered a strong finish to the year, having added approximately 256,000 jobs, sharply beating expectations for 153,000 and marking the largest increase since March 2024. November 2024's job gains were revised down by 15,000 to 212,000, while October 2024's gains were revised up by 7,000 to 43,000, bringing the three-month average payroll growth to just over 170,000. On the inflation front, recent data showed that the personal consumption expenditure price (PCE) index increased 0.3% month-over-month in December 2024, after a 0.2% rise in November. Service prices rose by 0.3%, while goods prices rose by 0.2%. The much-preferred core PCE index (which excludes food and energy), rose 0.2% in December. Food prices increased 0.2% and energy prices increased 2.7%. Annually, the PCE inflation rose to 2.6%, in line with forecasts and following an increase of 2.4% in November. The core inflation rate came in at 2.8%, matching forecasts and the same increase in November. The Fed has forecast only two rate cuts in 2025, down from the four it had projected in September. That reflected uncertainty on the economic impact of President Donald Trump's plans for tax cuts, broad tariffs on imports and an immigration crackdown, which economists view as inflationary.

U.S. equities delivered a solid performance in the final quarter of 2024. Consumer Discretionary, Communications, Financials and Information Technology were the best performing sectors with returns of 14.06%, 8.60%, 6.67% and 4.67%, respectively. Consumer Discretionary benefitted despite pressures from interest rates and inflation, as U.S. consumers generally kept spending in 2024 while Communications, which houses several of the Magnificent 7 stocks, benefitted from their continued outperformance. The Financials sector was driven by the performance of Banks which benefitted from easy comparables year-on-year especially with growth in net interest margin, loans and deposits. The Information Technology sector benefitted from the performance of companies such as Nvidia Corporation and Apple Inc.. The weight and performance of large-cap technology stocks and the frenzy surrounding how Artificial Intelligence (AI) will transform the economy, played an important role in driving US equities higher over 2024. The combination of AI trends, improving inflation metrics and the Fed's signal to rescind further rate increases going forward were all contributors to the burgeoning U.S. equity markets.



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The calculation of the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Fund is determined by the total assets attributable to the Fund minus the total liabilities attributable to the Fund. The NAV per unit for the Fund is determined by dividing the NAV for the Fund by the number of Units outstanding on the Valuation Day.

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