Guinness China A Share

Investment Commentary – November 2025

RISK

This is a marketing communication. Please refer to the prospectus, supplement and KID/KIID for the Fund, which contain detailed information on its characteristics and objectives, before making any final investment decisions.

The Fund is an equity fund. Investors should be willing and able to accept the risks associated with equity investing. The value of an investment and the income from it can fall as well as rise as a result of market and currency movements, and you may not get back the amount originally invested. The Fund invests only in stocks of companies that are based in, or with significant business activities in, China; it is therefore susceptible to the performance of that region. In addition, at least 80% of the assets will be in China A shares, which have a greater participation by retail investors than other markets, so their performance may be more volatile. Further details on the risk factors are included in the Fund's documentation, available on our website.

Past performance does not predict future returns.

ABOUT THE STRATEGY

Launch	09.03.2023
Index	MSCI China A Onshore Index
Sector	IA China / Greater China
Managers	Sharukh Malik Edmund Harriss
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OBJECTIVE

The Fund invests in high-quality, profitable companies exposed to the structural growth themes we have identified in the China A-share market. These themes are built upon changes we have seen in incomes, demographics, production advances and the application of technology in consumer, industrial and infrastructure settings. The Fund is actively managed and uses the MSCI China A Onshore Index as a comparator benchmark only.

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SUMMARY

In October, the Guinness China A Share Fund (Y class, GBP) rose by 3.4%, while the benchmark, the MSCI China A Onshore Net Return Index, rose by 2.2%. Therefore, the Fund outperformed the benchmark by 1.2 percentage points.

Contributors to relative performance were stock selection in the Information Technology, Consumer Discretionary and Industrials sectors. Detractors were stock selection in the Materials and Communication Services sectors.

Analysis continued overleaf

MACRO REVIEW

(Performance data in USD terms unless otherwise stated)

Macroeconomics

The government announced CNY 500bn ($70bn assuming USDCNY 7.12) of stimulus for investments in infrastructure and emerging industries.

Macro data for September was on the weaker side. Negative data points were:

- Fixed asset investment fell 6.8%, split into a 1.9% drop for the manufacturing sector, a 4.6% drop in infrastructure and a 21% drop in real estate. The anti-involution policy, which aims to cut overcapacity in specific sectors and reduce producer price inflation, is likely to have an impact on capex.
- Retail sales grew by 3.0% which we consider weak.

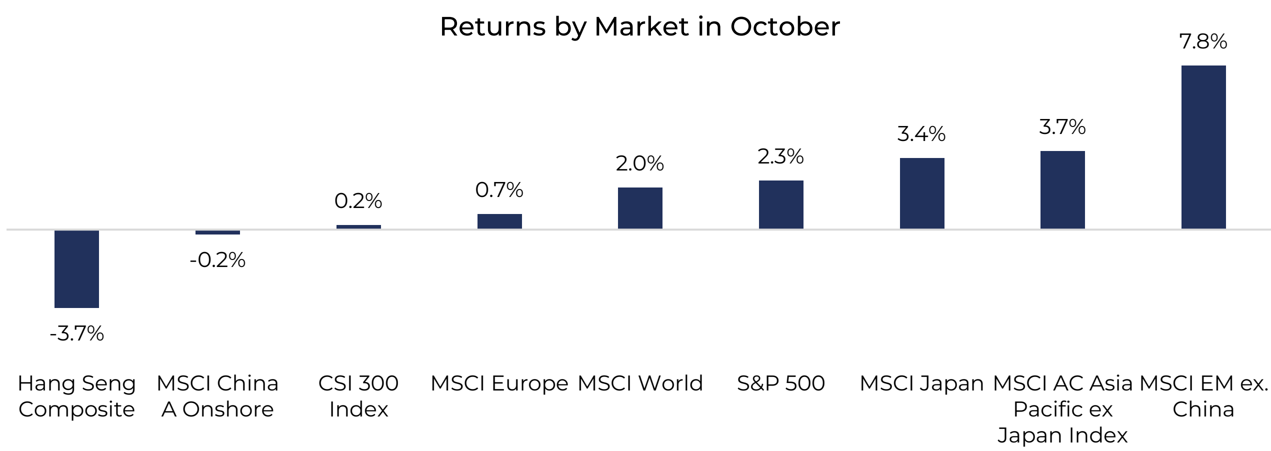
Positive data points were:

- Exports grew by 8.0% while imports grew by 7.0%, which was the fastest rate in 17 months.
- Producer price deflation narrowed, from 2.3% in September to 2.9% in August.
- Policymakers are now formulating the 15th Five-Year Plan (FYP), which sets economic goals for the next five years. In its recommendations for the FYP, developing the "industrial system" has overtaken scientific and technological innovation as the first task. Advanced manufacturing is to power this industrial system, with continued focus on R&D and innovation. This also has the benefit of reducing China's reliance on the US. The plan is to call for a notable increase in the share of household consumption in GDP, although this has been called for some time, and specific policies are required for us to believe this goal can be achieved.

Geopolitics

The US and China reached a trade truce as Xi and Trump met in person. China will pause export controls on rare earths for one year, while the US will not extend its Entity List to subsidiaries of listed companies. The US reduced fentanyl-related tariffs from 20% to 10% and will not impose port fees on Chinese ships for one year. China is also to buy soybeans from the US, and a formalised deal is expected to be signed soon.

MARKET COMMENTARY



Data from 30/09/25 to 31/10/25, returns in USD, source: Bloomberg, Guinness Global Investors calculations

After a very strong run in the third quarter, Chinese markets gave back some of their gains in October. Onshore markets, as measured by the MSCI China A Onshore Index, fell by 0.2%. This was ahead of offshore markets, as measured by the Hang Seng Composite Index, which fell by 3.7%. The losses in offshore markets were primarily due to Tencent, Alibaba, and Xiaomi. The weakness in China overall was likely driven by concerns over rising tensions with the US, especially as China introduced restrictions on rare earth exports. With the truce announced at the end of the month, markets experienced a slight recovery.

ATTRIBUTION

In October, the Guinness China A Share Fund (Y class, USD) rose by 0.9%, while the benchmark, the MSCI China A Onshore Index, fell by 0.2%. Therefore, the Fund outperformed by 1.1%.

In October, relative to the MSCI China A Onshore Index, areas which helped the Fund's performance were:

- Stock selection in the Information Technology sector, driven by Shengyi Technology and the following names not held: Hygon Information Technology, Naura Technology and Omnivision.
- Stock selection in the Consumer Discretionary sector, driven by China Tourism Group Duty Free and Guangzhou Restaurant Group, Haier Smart Home and Midea Group.
- Stock selection in the Industrials sector, driven by Himile Mechanical and Hongfa Technology.

In October, areas which detracted from the Fund's relative performance were:

- Stock selection in the Materials sector, driven by Shanghai Putailai New Energy and not holding the following names: Aluminium Corp of China, CMOC Group and Zijin Mining.
- Stock selection in the Communication Services sector, driven by G-Bits Network Technology.

Portfolio Managers
Sharukh Malik
Edmund Harriss

GUINNESS CHINA A SHARE FUND - FUND FACTS

Fund size	$1.1m
Fund launch	09.03.2023
OCF	0.89%
Benchmark	MSCI China A Onshore TR

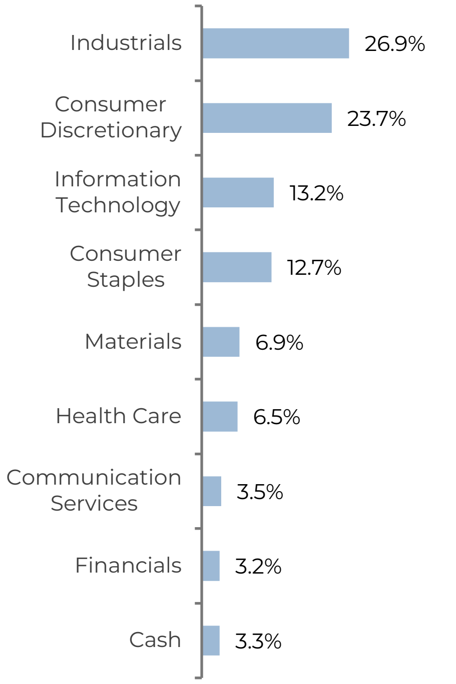
GUINNESS CHINA A SHARE FUND - PORTFOLIO

Top 10 holdings

Shandong Himile MS&T	3.8%
Hongfa Technology	3.7%
China Tourism Group Duty Free	3.6%
Shanghai Putailai New Energy	3.6%
G-bits Network Technology Xiam	3.5%
Shengyi Technology	3.5%
Guangzhou Restaurant Group	3.5%
Haier Smart Home	3.4%
Midea Group	3.4%
Suofeiya Home Collection	3.4%

Top 10 holdings	35.5%
Number of holdings	30

Sector



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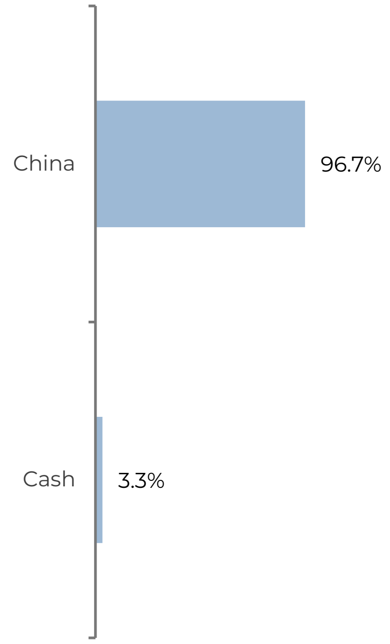

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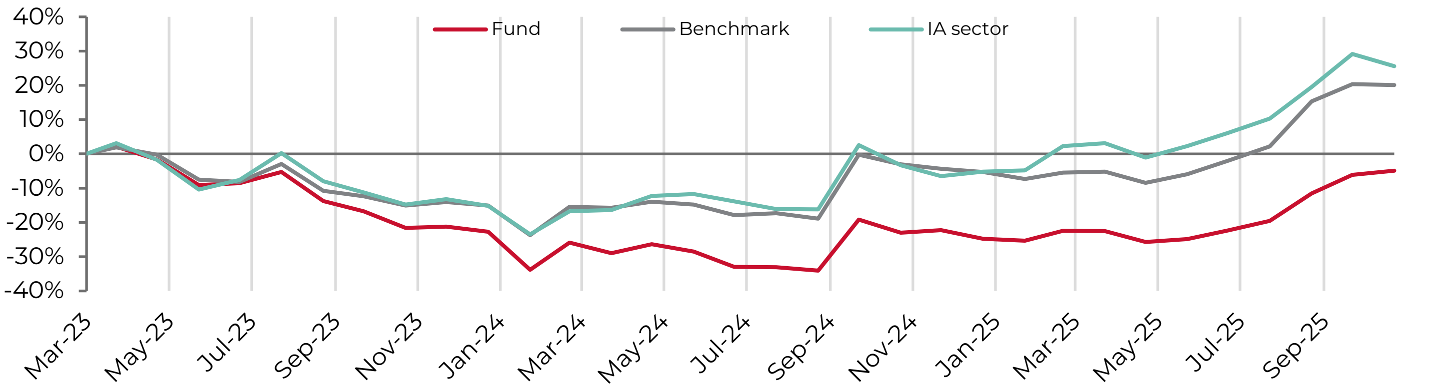
GUINNESS CHINA A SHARE FUND - CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE

(GBP)	1 Month	YTD	1 yr	3 yr	5 yr	10 yr
Fund	+3.4%	+20.6%	+20.8%	-	-	-
MSCI China A Onshore TR	+2.2%	+20.8%	+21.1%	-	-	-
IA China/Greater China TR	-0.3%	+26.3%	+27.1%	-	-	-
(USD)	**1 Month**	**YTD**	**1 yr**	**3 yr**	**5 yr**	**10 yr**
Fund	+0.9%	+26.5%	+23.5%	-	-	-
MSCI China A Onshore TR	-0.2%	+26.8%	+23.8%	-	-	-
IA China/Greater China TR	-2.7%	+32.5%	+29.9%	-	-	-
(EUR)	**1 Month**	**YTD**	**1 yr**	**3 yr**	**5 yr**	**10 yr**
Fund	+2.7%	+13.5%	+16.1%	-	-	-
MSCI China A Onshore TR	+1.6%	+13.7%	+16.4%	-	-	-
IA China/Greater China TR	-1.0%	+18.9%	+22.2%	-	-	-

GUINNESS CHINA A SHARE FUND - ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

(GBP)	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Fund	-1.0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI China A Onshore TR	+13.6%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IA China/Greater China TR	+13.8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(USD)	**2024**	**2023**	**2022**	**2021**	**2020**	**2019**	**2018**	**2017**	**2016**	**2015**
Fund	-2.7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI China A Onshore TR	+11.6%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IA China/Greater China TR	+11.8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(EUR)	**2024**	**2023**	**2022**	**2021**	**2020**	**2019**	**2018**	**2017**	**2016**	**2015**
Fund	+3.8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MSCI China A Onshore TR	+19.0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IA China/Greater China TR	+19.2%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

GUINNESS CHINA A SHARE FUND - PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH (USD)



Source: FE fundinfo net of fees to 31.10.25. Investors should note that fees and expenses are charged to the capital of the Fund. This reduces the return on your investment by an amount equivalent to the Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF). The OCF used for the Fund performance returns is 0.89%. which was the OCF over the calendar year 2024. Returns for share classes with a different OCF will vary accordingly. Transaction costs also apply and are incurred when a fund buys or sells holdings. The performance returns do not reflect any initial charge; any such charge will also reduce the return.

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• the Manager: Waystone Management Company (IE) Limited (Waystone IE) 2nd Floor 35 Shelbourne Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin D04 A4E0, Ireland; or,

• the Promoter and Investment Manager: Guinness Asset Management Ltd, 18 Smith Square, London SW1P 3HZ.

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