

Yarra Global Share Fund

Net returns as at 31 January 2026

	1 month %	3 months %	1 year %	3 years % p.a.	5 years % p.a.	10 years % p.a.	Since inception* % p.a.
Yarra Global Share Fund#	-5.04	-8.76	-4.60	14.22	9.84	12.72	8.64
MSCI All Countries World Index [†]	-1.99	-2.79	8.51	19.27	13.99	12.83	8.09
Excess Return [‡]	-3.05	-5.97	-13.11	-5.04	-4.15	-0.11	0.55

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* Inception date of Yarra Global Share Fund: November 1995.

The Fund gains exposure to global equities by investing in the Amova AM Global Equity Fund (Underlying Fund) (a sub-fund of the Amova AM Global Umbrella Fund which is an open ended investment company registered under Luxembourg law as a societe d'investissement, a capital variable).

[†] Benchmark: MSCI All Countries World Index (with net dividends reinvested) expressed in Australian Dollars (unhedged).

[‡] Excess return: The excess return figures shown represent the difference between the Fund's return and the benchmark.

Portfolio review

The Fund returned -5.04% (after fees) in January, to underperform the Index return of -1.99% by 305 basis points (bps).

Key contributors to performance:

- **ASM International** shares performed well after reporting a strong fourth quarter 2025, with results surpassing prior guidance and prompting a higher first quarter 2026 outlook, reinforcing confidence that it will be a key beneficiary of AI-driven semiconductor capex, particularly at leading-edge nodes. The rally was further supported by multiple broker upgrades and target price increases, citing rising ALD intensity at 2nm/GAA and improving visibility from customers such as TSMC.
- **Curtiss-Wright Corporation's** shares strengthened on the back of continued earnings momentum, with recent results beating expectations and management raising full-year guidance under its "Pivot to Growth" strategy. Investors also responded positively to robust defence demand, strong order intake and margin expansion, reinforcing confidence in earnings durability ahead of its February results.
- **Sandvik AB** shares traded up after publishing solid full-year results, highlighted by double-digit organic order growth and resilient margins despite currency headwinds. The market focused on strength in Mining and Rock Solutions and improving short-cycle demand in Machining, while analysts lifted 2026 profit expectations and price targets following the report.
- **Hitachi, Ltd.** shares rose sharply after the company announced a ¥100 billion share buyback, reinforcing its commitment to shareholder returns, alongside better-than-expected third quarter results. The stock was also supported by investor optimism around Hitachi's ongoing pivot toward digital systems, energy and

AI-enabled infrastructure.

- **Bio-Techne Corporation's** shares were up reflecting a re-rating after earlier weakness, as investors focused on margin expansion, cost discipline and portfolio simplification following the divestiture of Exosome Diagnostics. Signs of stabilisation in US academic demand, strength from large pharma customers and improving profitability in Diagnostics and Spatial Biology helped restore confidence in medium-term earnings resilience.

Key detractors from performance

- **Sony Group Corporation** shares struggled amid concerns over a weaker near-term outlook for its gaming division which will have margin headwinds on the back of sharp rises in DRAM prices. DRAM accounts for 20% of a play station, albeit the division isn't a significant profit centre. We believe the market is ignoring the opportunity in its more profitable CMOS chip by bucketing the company as an AI loser.
- **HDFC Bank Limited** shares traded down as investors focused on more exciting emerging markets that are benefiting from improving growth back drop in either IT hardware, precious metals or energy markets. Despite solid third quarter earnings, the market remained cautious on near-term growth normalisation following the HDFC merger, leading to continued selling pressure.
- **Microsoft Corporation** shares were sold off following its late-January earnings, despite beating headline revenue and EPS expectations, as investors reacted negatively to record AI-related capex and slowing Azure growth. The scale of spending raised concerns about near-term returns and margin dilution, while slowing Azure growth suggests Microsoft is losing share.
- **Trip.com Group** shares fell sharply after China's State Administration for Market Regulation launched an antitrust investigation into alleged monopolistic practices. The

probe introduced material regulatory and legal uncertainty, overwhelming otherwise strong travel demand.

- **Netflix, Inc.** shares declined despite solid fourth quarter results, as investor attention continued to focus on uncertainty around its proposed all-cash acquisition of Warner Bros. Discovery assets. Concerns over regulatory risk potential slowing growth for 2026 also outweighed strong immediate subscriber and advertising momentum.

Market review

January was volatile for financial markets, amid heightened geopolitical tensions, even as investors' appetite for risk increased. While President Trump invaded Venezuela, threatened Greenland and Iran, and slapped further tariffs on anyone in his way, precious metals surged and equities embraced a Goldilocks environment of falling interest rates and accelerating growth.

There was no let-up for quality investors, as value stocks continued to dominate. Rising gold and copper prices helped drive commodity companies, while the energy sector, despite depressed crude prices, also perked up. What has become increasingly obvious is that there are AI winners and AI losers. Those addressing the many bottlenecks to scaling AI are experiencing a boom. Several of our top performers for the month do just that: Curtiss-Wright supplies reactor coolant pumps for nuclear power; Hitachi supplies transformers and HVDC equipment for the grid and Amphenol provides critical components for data centres. Recent investments in global mining equipment supplier Sandvik and semiconductor technology supplier ASM International also featured among the top performers. However, the market has become so lopsided that this exposure alone was not enough.

More broadly, the market appears to be applying a "sell first, ask questions later" approach to anything perceived to be under pressure from AI. The most direct target has been the software sector, where we are underweight, with limited exposure through names such as Synopsys and Microsoft. However, IT services company Genpact and financial software company Toast, which sit within the Industrials and Financial Services sectors respectively, also underperformed.

There is also growing scepticism about returns for the hyperscalers. Microsoft's heavy capital expenditure, combined with its exposure to software and OpenAI, has come under scrutiny, leading to its reclassification by the market from an AI winner to an AI loser. Sony Group also underperformed, as DRAM prices rose and investors questioned the company's ability to pass on higher costs, while overlooking the potential upside from accelerating growth in CMOS sensors, a significantly more profitable segment of the business.

Most non-US regions outperformed, partly due to the continued weakness of the US Dollar. Emerging markets led the way, gaining 9%, followed by Japan's TOPIX, which rose 5%. The best-performing sectors were Materials and Energy, while several defensive sectors, including Real Estate, Consumer Staples and Utilities, also outperformed.

Information Technology and Consumer Discretionary were the weakest sectors over the month.

In summary, there was relatively little company-specific news flow during the month, with market performance largely driven by style factors, for example, value outperformed growth by 5% over the period.

Country / regional exposure

	Fund %	Benchmark %
Asia Pacific ex China & Japan	7.38	8.55
Canada	0.00	2.98
China	4.05	3.09
Emerging Europe, Middle East, Africa	0.00	1.65
Europe ex UK	17.70	11.49
Japan	6.59	5.03
Latin America	0.00	0.90
United Kingdom	2.19	3.34
United States	58.32	62.96
Cash	3.77	0.00

Sector exposure

	Fund %	Benchmark %
Communication Services	3.48	8.96
Consumer Discretionary	15.20	9.99
Consumer Staples	4.78	5.19
Energy	0.00	3.69
Financials	21.07	17.29
Health Care	15.03	8.88
Industrials	12.69	11.10
Information Technology	21.93	26.68
Materials	2.04	3.89
Real Estate	0.00	1.77
Utilities	0.00	2.57
Cash	3.77	0.00

Top 10 holdings (underlying Fund)

	Portfolio %	Benchmark %	Country
NVIDIA Corp	7.40	4.85	United States
Microsoft Corp	5.49	3.17	United States
Amazon.com	5.42	2.40	United States
Broadcom Inc.	3.30	1.55	United States
CaixaBank SA	2.89	0.05	Spain
Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.	2.73	0.11	Italy
DBS Group Holdings	2.62	0.10	Singapore
Sony Group Corp	2.51	0.14	Japan
HDFC Bank Limited	2.46	0.12	India
Coca-Cola Europacific Partners plc	2.45	0.02	Netherlands

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Income and growth

	1 year %	3 years % p.a.	5 years % p.a.	10 years % p.a.
Growth return	-4.60	14.22	9.84	12.64
Distribution return	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08

Fund growth return is the change in redemption prices over the period. Fund distribution return equals total Fund return minus Fund growth total return. Total Fund returns are post fees, pre tax using redemption prices and assume reinvestment of distributions.

Features

Investment objective	The Fund aims to achieve capital growth over the long term, with total returns (before fees) 3% above the MSCI All Countries World ex-Australia Index (with net dividends re-invested) expressed in Australian Dollars (unhedged) over rolling three-year periods.		
Recommended investment time frame	5+ years		
Fund inception	November 1995		
Fund size	A\$323 mn as at 31 January 2026		
APIR code	SUN0031AU		
Estimated management cost	0.99% p.a.		
Buy/sell spread	+/- 0.15%		
Platform availability	AMP North	Macquarie Wrap	
	Asgard	MLC Navigator	
	BT Panorama	Netwealth	
	Hub24	Praemium	
	IOOF Wrap		

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