Ariel investments





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Firm Facts

- Founded in **1983** by John W. Rogers, Jr.
- Headquartered in Chicago, with offices in New York, San Francisco and Sydney
- AUD \$23.0 billion in Assets Under Management*
- **95.6%** owned by employees and board members

Our Patient Investment Philosophy

Active Patience

We take the long-term view.

Independent Thinking

We invest to our convictions, not to benchmarks.

Focused Expertise We specialize in bottom-up, fundamental research.

Bold Teamwork

We work collaboratively with a shared commitment to excellence.

Our Value Approach

- Prioritize research using fundamental, quantitative, and country analysis.
- Seeks to own mispriced companies with discernable investment catalysts, offering attractive long-term earnings power.
- Strives to deliver favorable upside and downside participation.
- Aims to build concentrated, high conviction portfolios.



Ariel Global

Summary (Australia)

| OBJECTIVE | Long-term Capital Appreciation |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| INVESTMENT STYLE | Global All Cap Intrinsic Value |
| INDEX | MSCI ACWI Net Index |
| INCEPTION DATE | December 31, 2011 |
| TOTAL STRATEGY ASSETS | AUD \$3.2 billion |

| Performance ¹ (% in | Annualized | | | | | | |
|---|------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------------------|
| | QTR | YTD | 1-Year | 3-Year | 5-Year | 10-Year | Since Inception |
| Gross of Fees | 12.01 | 12.01 | 19.55 | 13.87 | 10.97 | 11.68 | 13.87 |
| Net of Fees | 11.79 | 11.79 | 18.60 | 12.97 | 10.09 | 10.79 | 12.93 |
| MSCI ACWI Net Index (AUD) ² | 13.16 | 13.16 | 26.49 | 12.62 | 12.81 | 12.54 | 14.40 |
| MSCI ACWI Value Net Index (AUD) ² | 11.76 | 11.76 | 21.15 | 12.31 | 9.48 | 9.76 | 12.08 |

Statistics³ Standard Tracking Information Upside Downside Beta Deviation Error Ratio Capture Capture Ariel Global 84.76 9.40 0.75 5.90 -0.09 67.38 MSCI ACWI Net Index 10.35

Since Inception through March 31, 2024.

*Assets under management include AUD \$2.26 billion for Ariel Alternatives, a subsidiary of Ariel Investments, which reflects aggregate commitments and excludes fund specific leverage. Total strategy assets include all accounts and investment funds employing the strategy. All other information presented is for the Ariel Global Composite and its representative account. ¹Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Performance results may be preliminary, are net of transaction costs and reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. Net performance has been reduced by the amount of the highest fee charged to any client in the Ariel Global Composite during the performance period. Actual fees may vary depending on, among other things, the applicable fee schedule and portfolio size. Fee information is available upon request and may also be found in Ariel Investments LLC's Form ADV, Part 2. Returns are calculated in Australian dollars. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investments in non-U.S. securities may underperform and may be more volatile than comparable U.S. stocks because of the risks involving non-U.S. economies, markets, political systems, regulatory standards, currencies and taxes. The use of currency derivatives and exchange-traded funds (ETFs) may increase investment losses and expenses, and create more volatility. Investments in emerging markets present additional risks, such as difficulties in selling on a timely basis and at an acceptable price. The intrinsic value of the stocks in which the portfolio invests may never be recognized by the broader market. The portfolio is often concentrated in fewer sectors than its benchmarks, and its performance may suffer if these sectors underperform the overall stock market. Investing in equity stocks is risky and subject to the volatility of the markets. ²The MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) Index is an equity index of large and mid-cap representation across 23 Developed Markets (DM) and 24 Emerging Markets (EM) countries. Inception of this benchmark was January 1, 2001. The MSCI ACWI Value Index captures large and mid-cap securities exhibiting overall value style characteristics across 23 Developed Markets countries and 24 Emerging Markets (EM) countries. Inception date of this benchmark was December 8, 1997. All MSCI Index net returns reflect the reinvestment of income and other earnings, including the dividends net of the maximum withholding tax applicable to non-resident institutional investors that do not benefit from double taxation treaties. MSCI uses the maximum tax rate applicable to institutional investors, as determined by the company's country of incorporation. MSCI makes no express or implied warranties or representations and shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to any MSCI data contained herein. The MSCI data may not be further redistributed or used to create indices or financial products. This report is not approved or produced by MSCI. ³Definitions for the metrics below are detailed on page 2 under the section entitled Quantitative Measures.

| Characteristics | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Ariel Global | MSCI ACWI Net Index | | | | | | | |
| Number of Holdings | 51.00 | 2,841.00 | | | | | | | |
| Return on Equity (%) | 19.97 | 23.49 | | | | | | | |
| Net Debt/Equity | 0.47 | 0.47 | | | | | | | |
| Dividend Yield | 3.01 | 1.87 | | | | | | | |
| Turnover (%) | 39.39 | _ | | | | | | | |
| Active Share (%) | 91.93 | - | | | | | | | |

| Sector Weightings ¹ (%) | | | Top Country Exposure ² (%) | | | | Top 10 Positions ³ (%) | | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----|--|------------------|--|--|
| | Ending Weight | MSCI ACWI Net Index | | Ending Weight | MSCI ACWI Net Index | | | Ending Weight | | |
| Information Technology | 25.57 | 23.68 | United States | 35.91 | 63.82 | 1 | Microsoft Corporation | 7.03 | | |
| Health Care | 19.09 | 11.14 | France | 10.10 | 2.84 | 2 | Check Point Software Technologies, Ltd. | 4.90 | | |
| Financials | 18.38 | 16.06 | Japan | 7.47 | 5.52 | 3 | Michelin (CGDE) | 4.77 | | |
| Consumer Discretionary | 16.13 | 10.90 | Germany | 6.76 | 2.04 | 4 | DaVita, Inc. | 3.96 | | |
| Communication Services | 8.02 | 7.56 | Israel | 4.90 | 0.17 | 5 | Verizon Communications, Inc. | 3.44 | | |
| Industrials | 6.90 | 10.80 | China | 4.39 | 2.51 | 6 | Baidu, Inc. ADR | 3.22 | | |
| Utilities | 3.45 | 2.46 | South Korea | 4.26 | 1.28 | 7 | NetApp, Inc. | 3.21 | | |
| Other | 1.09 | 0.00 | United Kingdom | 3.38 | 3.41 | 8 | Subaru Corporation | 3.15 | | |
| Consumer Staples | 0.50 | 6.43 | Taiwan | 3.17 | 1.76 | 9 | Sanofi | 3.02 | | |
| Energy | 0.00 | 4.55 | Belgium | 3.01 | 0.22 | 10 | KBC Group NV | 3.01 | | |
| Materials | 0.00 | 4.23 | EM Exposure | 17.11 | 9.98 | Tot | • | 39.71 | | |
| Real Estate | 0.00 | 2.20 | | | | 100 | | 00.71 | | |
| Cash | 0.87 | 0.00 | | | | | | | | |

Contributors and Detractors³(%)

| | | Average | Total | Currency | Total |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| Top Five Relative Contributors | GICS Sector | Weight | Return | Effect | Effect |
| DaVita, Inc. | Health Care | 3.78 | 37.83 | 0.05 | 0.84 |
| Daimler Truck Holding AG | Industrials | 1.21 | 44.11 | 0.00 | 0.53 |
| NetApp, Inc. | Information Technology | 4.12 | 25.04 | 0.05 | 0.52 |
| Subaru Corporation | Consumer Discretionary | 3.05 | 31.44 | -0.19 | 0.49 |
| GSK plc | Health Care | 3.41 | 23.28 | 0.03 | 0.39 |
| Bottom Five Relative Detractors | | | | | |
| Baidu, Inc. | Communication Services | 3.83 | -7.54 | 0.05 | -0.95 |
| Intel Corporation | Information Technology | 3.12 | -7.88 | 0.04 | -0.69 |
| Endesa SA | Utilities | 3.04 | -4.92 | -0.04 | -0.66 |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc. | Health Care | 2.79 | -4.74 | 0.04 | -0.51 |
| Bandai Namco Holdings, Inc. | Consumer Discretionary | 1.20 | -7.99 | -0.04 | -0.35 |

Source: FactSet. ¹Holdings categorized according to the MSCI Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS). Holdings not classified by GICS categorized according to FactSet. Cash weight includes any currency forwards in the portfolio, net unrealized gain/loss. ³Holdings categorized according to MSCI Country and at the discretion of the Advisor. ³Holdings of the same issuer aggregated and if held as depositary receipts it is not so specified. The portfolio's Top 10 Positions ranked by issuer Ending Weight. Contributors and Detractors ranked by issuer Total Effect (%). Total Effect (%) represents the opportunity cost of the investment decisions in a portfolio relative to the overall benchmark. Holdings of the same issuer are aggregated and may include depositary receipts. The holdings shown do not represent all of the securities purchased, sold or recommended for investors. **Quantitative Measures: Standard Deviation** is a statistical measure of the volatility of the portfolio's returns. **Beta** measures the portfolio's risk relative to the benchmark. **Tracking Error** is an active risk measure that represents the standard deviation of the excess returns between the portfolio's total assets one inception. **Information Ratio** is the ratio of annualized residual return to residual risk. **Upside / Downside Capture** is the measure of the portfolio's performance in both holding relative to the portfolio's total assets over the period. Return **on Equity** is a profitability measure that represents return on average total equity for the period. Holdings are summarized at the portfolio's total assets over the period. Return **on Equity** is a profitability measure that represents reture of actal equity for the period. Holdings are summarized at the portfolio level using weighted average. **Dividend Yield** is the aggregate weighted average of the portfolio's equity holdings and their respective dividend yield. Dividend Yield shown does not represent any actual yield of the strategy, does not in any any are period; the eme

Our Performance Attribution

For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2024

| | Ariel Global (%) | | | MSCI ACWI Net Index (%) | | | Attribution (%) | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| GICS Sector | Average Weight | Total Return | Contribution to Return | Average Weight | Total Return | Contribution to Return | Allocation Effect (Local) | Selection Effect (Local) | Implicit Currency Effect | Explicit Currency Effect | Total Effect |
| Currency Forward | 0.17 | 0.67 | 0.42 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.41 | 0.41 |
| Consumer Discretionary | 14.47 | 12.84 | 1.90 | 10.91 | 10.77 | 1.17 | -0.02 | 0.80 | -0.45 | 0.00 | 0.33 |
| Materials | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.22 | 6.57 | 0.25 | 0.26 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.30 |
| Consumer Staples | 2.84 | 7.45 | 0.28 | 6.60 | 7.35 | 0.51 | 0.23 | 0.04 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.26 |
| Industrials | 4.35 | 17.79 | 0.86 | 10.64 | 14.08 | 1.48 | -0.05 | 0.25 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.25 |
| Real Estate | 0.26 | -1.09 | 0.01 | 2.25 | 3.63 | 0.08 | 0.18 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.20 |
| Health Care | 18.03 | 12.45 | 2.26 | 11.35 | 11.96 | 1.40 | -0.07 | 0.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Funds | 0.32 | 2.62 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Energy | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.45 | 14.43 | 0.63 | -0.04 | 0.00 | -0.01 | 0.00 | -0.05 |
| Cash | 0.77 | 5.55 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.06 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | -0.05 |
| Financials | 17.42 | 13.80 | 2.36 | 15.88 | 14.30 | 2.24 | 0.03 | -0.09 | -0.01 | 0.00 | -0.07 |
| Utilities | 4.82 | -2.99 | -0.16 | 2.49 | 6.14 | 0.15 | -0.24 | -0.36 | -0.05 | 0.00 | -0.66 |
| Information Technology | 26.74 | 13.65 | 3.63 | 23.66 | 17.20 | 4.00 | 0.19 | -0.97 | -0.02 | 0.00 | -0.81 |
| Communication Services | 9.81 | 3.34 | 0.33 | 7.55 | 16.50 | 1.24 | 0.09 | -1.41 | 0.03 | 0.00 | -1.29 |
| Total | 100.00 | 11.98 | 11.98 | 100.00 | 13.16 | 13.16 | 0.48 | -1.68 | -0.41 | 0.41 | -1.19 |

Source: FactSet. Total Return (%) does not represent the performance of the Composite for the period. The portfolio holdings are of a representative account and not reflective of the portfolio holdings of the Composite, of clients as a whole, or of the strategy. The representative account was selected because it has no client-imposed restrictions and minimal planned contributions and withdrawals. The portfolio holdings would differ from those of another client account if different client-imposed restrictions were applied, and also may vary from other differences such as cash flow. Holdings are categorized according to the MSCI Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS). Holdings not classified by GICS are categorized according to FactSet. The portfolio return for each category reflects the percentage returns of the stocks in each category.

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