



- Finding alpha in a low growth world
- Low growth
- Headwinds
- Get active (supplementing your equity portfolio)
- Achieving your desired / expected returns
- Getting real
- Expectation adjustment
- Protection against downside & Reducing portfolio volatility
- Diversification









What is "alpha"?

Returns of an investment relative to a benchmark/index









How do assets behave in a low growth environment?

- Low growth Increase in demand for safe assets as governments try to stimulate growth (fixed vs floating)
 - Weak economies require low interest rates to avoid debt deflation.
 - most developed nations are keeping their interest rates as low as possible to stimulate growth
 - Once artificial demand is removed, yields have only one direction to go...
 - The low GDP growth forecast, high GDP volatility means capital returns from equities are going to be much lower than before

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What's the drag in SA? (challenge to the South African investor)

- Headwinds
- Weak investor sentiment
- Growth for 2019 is now projected at 0.8% (half a percentage point lower than April's forecast and unchanged from 2018)
- September saw the second consecutive sharp decline in factory activity and South Africa's largest in a decade.
- Eskom
- Falling tax revenue
- Policy uncertainty
- Rising debt



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Finding Alpha

Invest accordingly (there's no lack of opportunity)

• There's a new playbook • Don't expect double digit returns from "buy and hold"

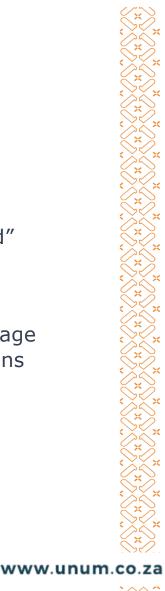


- The influence of policy makers on asset prices has increased
- Risk on & risk off sentiment changes more rapidly
- Diversify across tradable instruments to take advantage of short term sentiment. (Derivatives, Futures, options etc)
- An increase in volatility provides opportunity











Achieving your desired/expected return

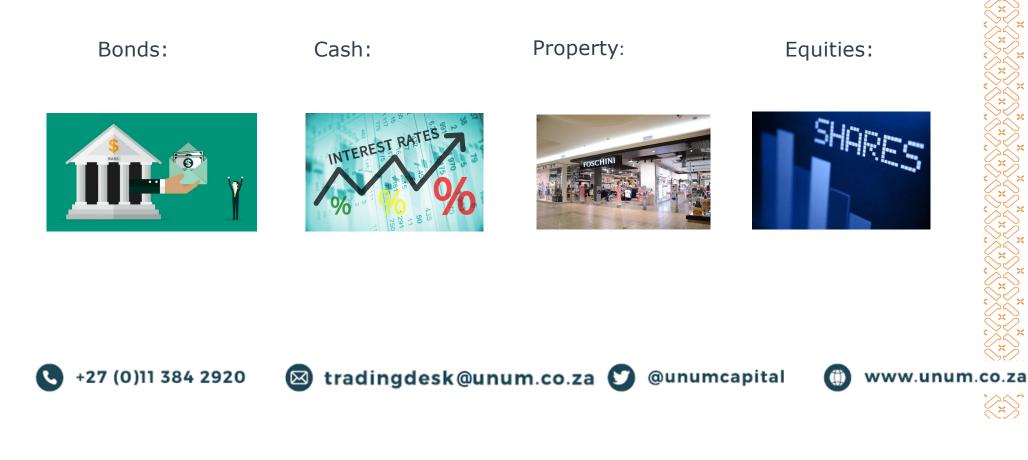
• Expectations

- Be realistic
- Understand how much risk you are prepared to take on
- Your first target is to beat the price of money











Bonds:



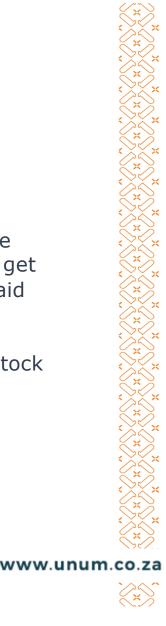
Pay interest at what is called the coupon rate for the period. If you hold the bond for the full period, you get your capital back plus interest (which is normally paid every six months).

- low correlation to equities (protection against a stock market crash)
- They tend to be less risky than equities
- They provide capital growth and interest returns
- Affected by interest rates
- Difficult to understand



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Cash (interest bearing): Money in an interest-earning bank account.



- Lowest risk •
- It provides the lowest returns of the four asset classes ٠
- Unlikely to beat inflation (over the long term) ٠
- Easy to access (liquid) ٠











Property:



You can buy and own property, including residential, commercial and industrial property, directly, or you can invest in stock-market-listed property stocks and ETFs

Listed property;

- low correlation to equities but tend to correlate with bonds because of the effect of interest-rates
- Likely to beat inflation over the long term
- Offer an income in the form of regular distributions of the rental income the (often linked to inflation)



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Equities:



Make capital gains from an increase in the value of a company and therefore its share price, and you share in the dividends.

- Historically offer best returns of the four asset classes
- Increasing income stream-dividends go up over time
- Protect against inflation
- They are volatile
- No guarantees











Bonds:





Listed property:



Equities:



40 %

60 %



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Bonds: Cash:



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NewFunds ILBI ETF (NFILBI)

Ashburton inflation ETF (ASHINF)

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Listed property:



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Liquidity

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Here's where seek alpha

Protection against downside & Reducing

Diversify (stock selection)

Equities:

60 %

portfolio volatility

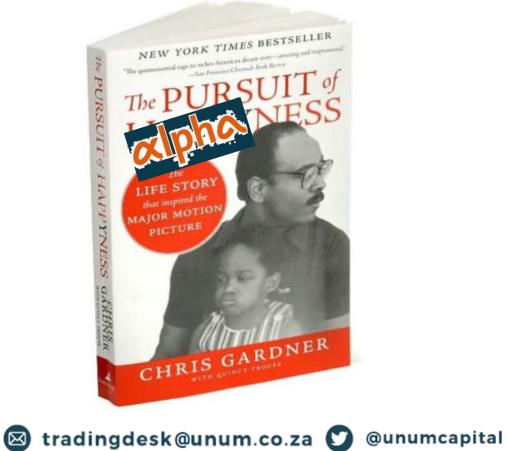






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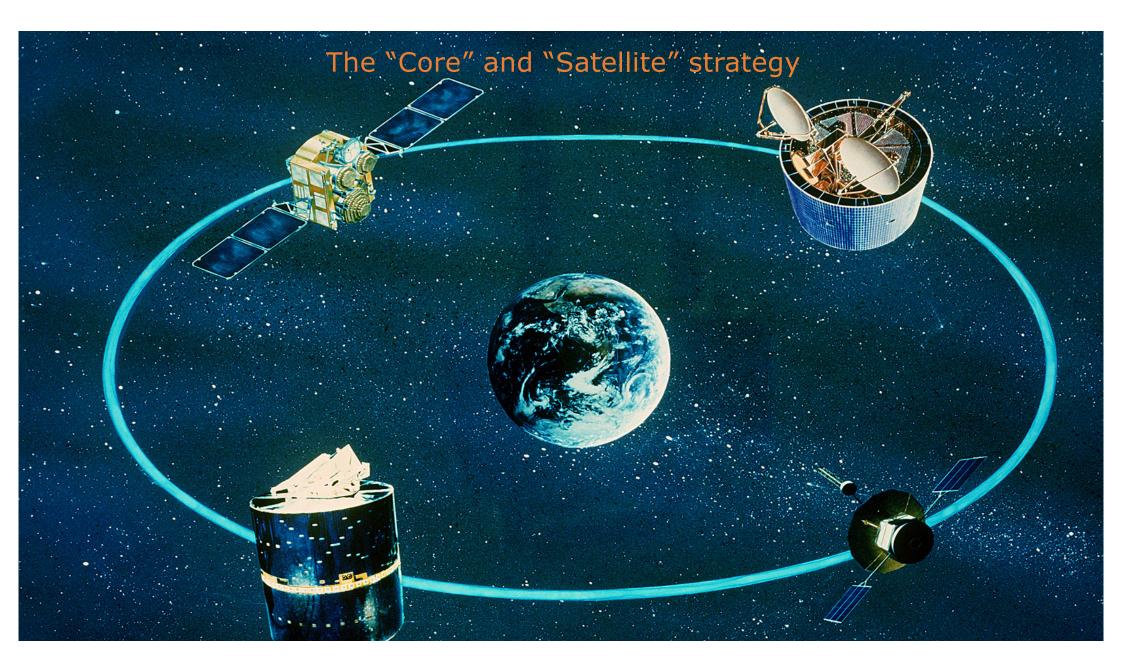
Finding alpha in a low growth world















The core of the portfolio consists of exchange traded funds (ETFs) or collective investments which tracks a market or an index.

By so doing, the "meat" of your portfolio performs as the market or index which it tracks













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Companies who's sales are least affected in a downturn

Steady dividends

Operates overseas 🔺 or offshore exposure

future

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What we're looking for



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Avoid cyclical stocks



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The "core"



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What we're looking for Companies who's sales are least affected in a downturn Avoid cyclical stocks Steady dividends Consumers can afford to buy more of Operates overseas or offshore exposure during a booming economy Investments of the future Big ticket items • Houses ٠ loans . tradingdesk@unum.co.za 💟 @unumcapital www.unum.co.za

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Standard & Poors classify stocks into ten sectors. Two of the sectors, Consumer Staples and Utilities, are non-cyclical stocks, and the rest are cyclical. So it's impossible to avoid cyclical industries all together









What's the drag in SA? (the consumer challenge)

- Let me REMIND you Weak investor sentiment
 - Slowing growth
 - factory activity slowing most in a decade.
 - High unemployment
 - High interest rate
 - High cost of living
 - High indebtedness

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What do we want to track (ETFs)? What we're looking for Companies who's sales are least affected in a downturn void cyclical stocks Steady dividends Consumers can Operates overseas afford to buy more or offshore exposure of during a booming Investments of the economy future Big ticket items Houses loans

Banks are highly cyclical!

- They make money by borrowing and lending.
- Reduced ability to fund borrowings
- bank lending is slowing
- Delinquencies are rising











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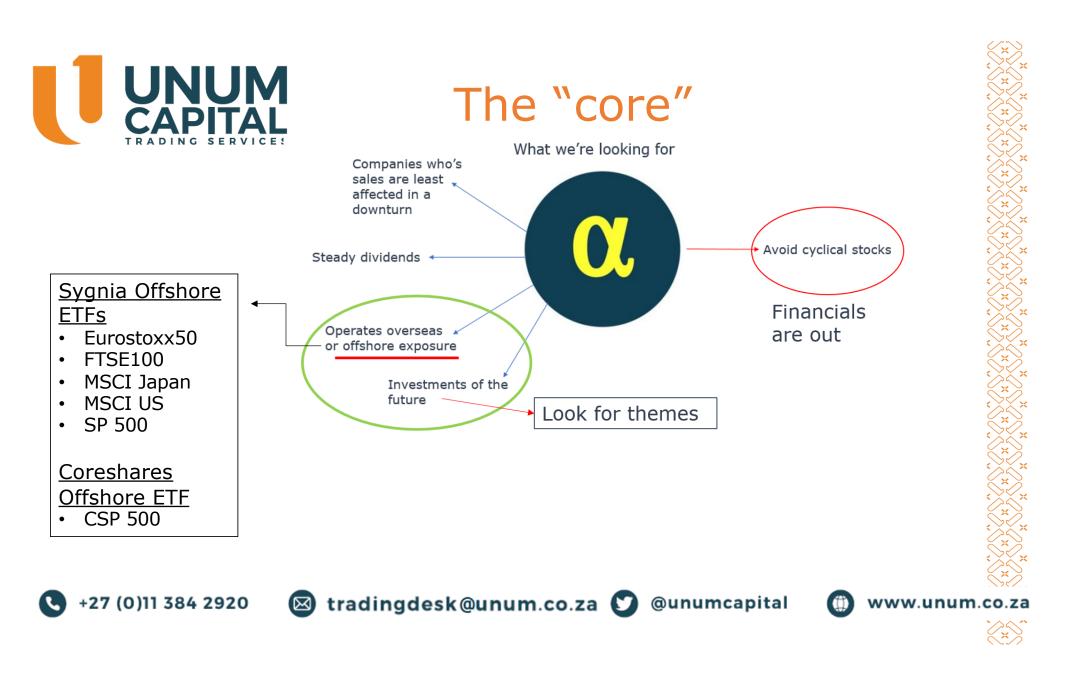
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Avoid cyclical stocks

Financials

are out







Thematic ETF



"The Fourth Industrial Revolution represents a fundamental change in the way we live, work and relate to one another. It is a new chapter in human development, enabled by extraordinary technology advances..."



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Thematic ETF







What my core looks like so Far



Local ETFs (stripped out Financials) Satrix Industrials Satrix Resources

Offshore ETFs Sygnia Eurostocks 50 Satrix Emerging markets

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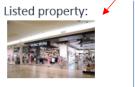
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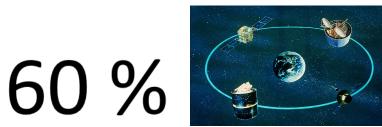


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Cash:







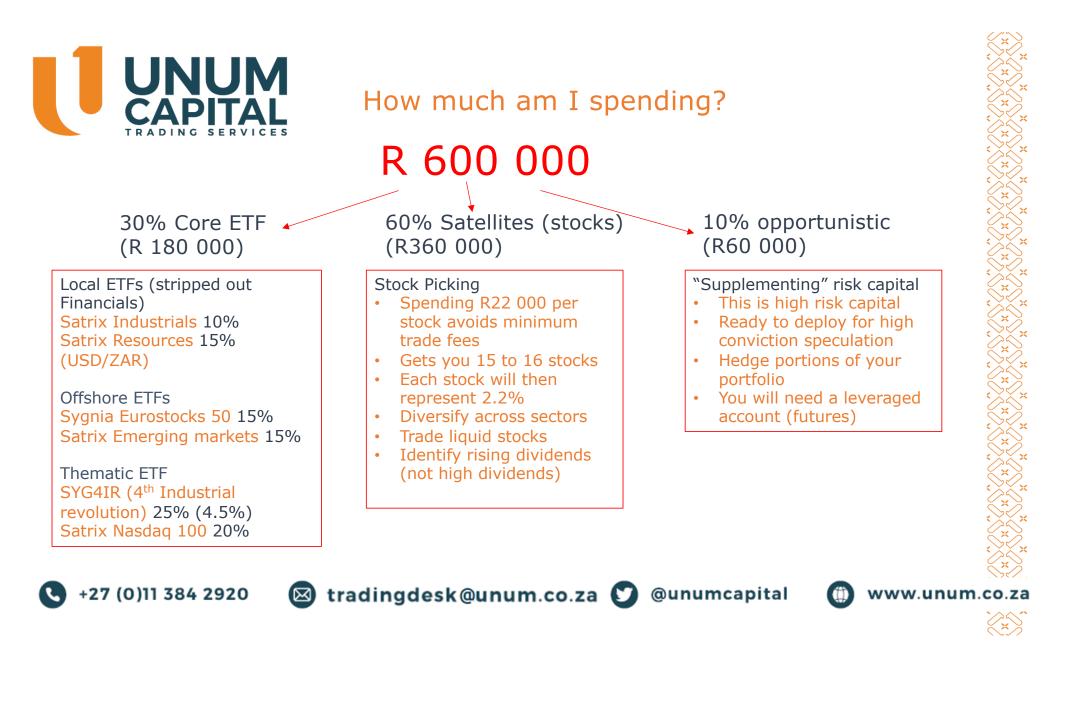
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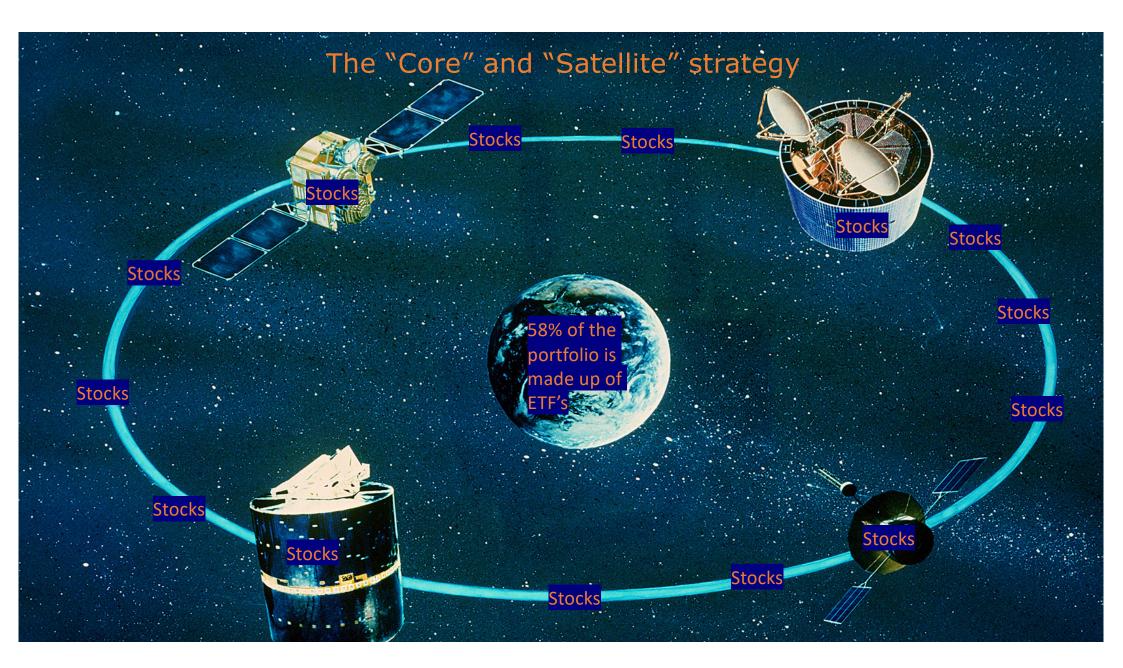




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Our game plan



Keep up with inflation and earn a yield



Here's where seek alpha

- Offshore exposure to boost returns
- Track major markets and sectors
- Hand pick stocks with growth and dividend potential
- Thematic exposure
- Ability to speculate and hedge
- Dampened downside SA risk
- We've thrown the net wider

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What we're trying to achieve?



- 1. Beat inflation
- Beat the returns a South African Investor 2. would get from the market



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