

	Month (%)	Quarter (%)	FYTD (%)	1 Year (%)	2 Years (% p.a.)	Since inception [^] (% p.a.)	Since Inception [^] Cumulative (%)
Perennial Strategic Natural Resources Trust (Net)	5.7	9.4	16.8	5.2	12.8	38.3	150.7
Benchmark (Absolute return of +6.50% p.a.)	0.5	1.6	3.7	6.5	6.5	6.5	19.5
Value Added	5.2	7.8	13.1	-1.3	6.3	31.8	131.2

[^] Since inception: April 2020. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Overview

The Trust returned 5.7% in January (net of all fees), enjoying the tail winds of the China reopening trade in January.

Despite a continued trickle of weak and backward looking Chinese economic data, the market's conviction in a strong stimulus-driven uptick in China's economy over the coming months has been priced in. We do see a bit of short-term risk of sharply higher commodity prices vs near term China demand data. However, once expectations marked to market on the pace of China's recovery, the realities of tepid supply, improving demand and depleted metal inventories should sustain higher metal prices for some time.

Adding to the positive pricing outlook is a constant stream of production disappointments, particularly in copper. Production from Chile (the world's largest copper producer) dropped to the lowest level in 11 years in 2022 with the nation's production outlook subsequently lowered. Elsewhere, the world's 9th largest copper mine, Las Bambas (2% global supply), was put on care and maintenance due to ongoing protests. This is a classic example of the decarbonisation paradox, the world needs more metal, but it's getting harder to produce.

Perennial Strategic Natural Resources Trust

The aim of the Trust is to grow the value of your investment over the long term by investing in a portfolio of listed and unlisted companies exposed to commodity production.

Portfolio Managers Sam Berridge and Ewan Galloway	Trust FUM AUD \$15.0 million
Distribution Frequency Annual	Minimum Initial Investment¹ \$25,000
Trust Inception Date April 2020	Fees 1.20% p.a. + Performance fee

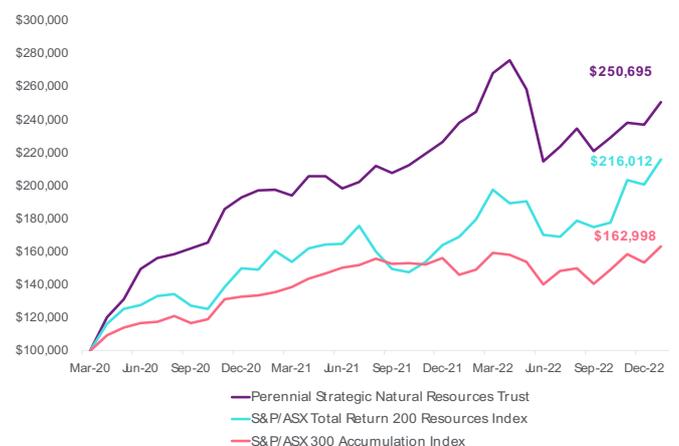
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¹ Perennial Strategic Natural Resources Trust is open to wholesale investors only.

Top 5 Positions	Trust (%)
GenusPlus	5.6
Baraja	5.2
Red Earth Energy Storage	4.8
Emesent	4.7
SciDev	3.8

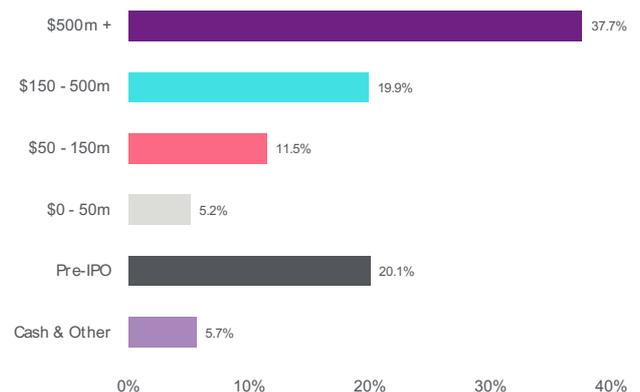
Source: Perennial Value Management as at 31 January 2023
The above figures are forecasts only. While due care has been used in the preparation of forecast information, actual outcomes may vary in a materially positive or negative manner.

Growth of \$100,000 Since Inception

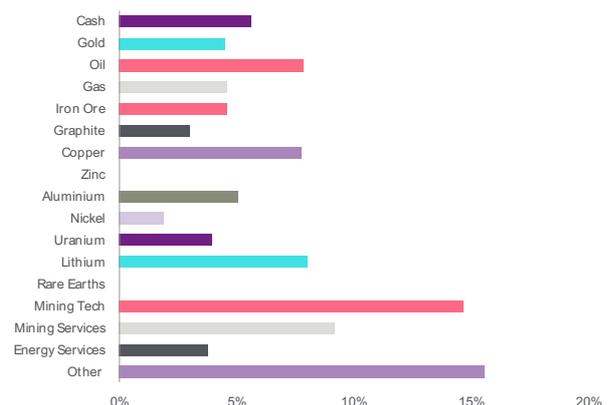


Performance shown net of fees with distributions reinvested. Does not take into account any taxes payable by an investor. Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance.

Market Capitalisation Exposure



Sector Exposure



Trust Review

Strong gains were enjoyed across a number of stocks and sectors during the month, including energy

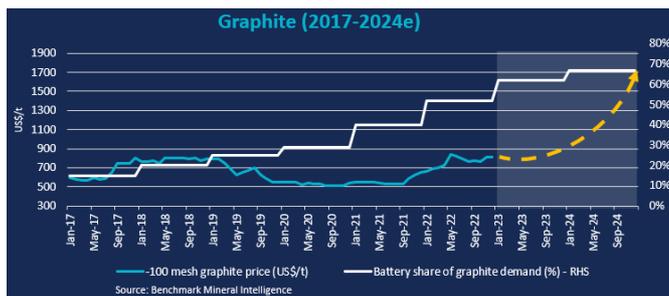
- Specialist chemicals company **SciDev**, up 9.3% announced a three year supply agreement to mineral sands producer, **Iluka**. SciDev's chemical products will be used to treat mine site tailings to maximise water recovery.
- Uranium producer, **Cameco**, up 21.3% following a 23.6% bounce in the uranium price and a tightening market outlook.
- Copper producer, **Sandfire**, up 14.9%, reported improved production from Matsu and is on schedule for first production from Motheo in the June quarter.
- **Capstone Copper**, up 32.2% on the copper price increasing 10.9% and a positive quarterly with confirmation that the Mantoverde Development Project remains on budget and schedule to be completed by year end 2023
- **South32**, up 13.5% due to price strength across its commodity suite and a strong quarterly with production results and costs beating market expectations
- Our position in **Aluminium**, rallied 9.4% in the month on improving Chinese demand. From time to time, we will take direct metal exposure when equity exposures come with cost inflation or other operational concerns.

Looking forward in 2023 we're warming up to graphite as a commodity exposure. The wave of rallying battery-metal prices started with the smallest commodity market, where battery demand had the biggest impact and continued up the tonnage spectrum from there.

Cobalt, which is a tiny commodity in market terms, having an annual supply and demand of around 80kt p.a. back in 2016, was the first metal to move. As battery demand ticked over 50% of total cobalt demand, prices spiked rallying 350% over 2016 - 2017.

Next was lithium, slightly larger than the cobalt market at ~250kt pa in 2019, as battery demand ticked over 50% of total lithium demand in late 2020, prices took off over the next two years rallying 1,300%.

Turning to graphite, which is slightly larger again at 1.2Mtpa. According to Benchmark Mineral Intelligence battery demand reached 52% of total graphite demand in 2022 and will continue to increase share to roughly 60% by the end of 2023. This is likely to offset any demand weakness from other sectors and tip the market into a deficit.



Source: Benchmark Mineral Intelligence

The Trust finished the month with 43 positions and cash of 5.7%.

Global, Currency & Commodities (%)

S&P 500	+6.2
Nikkei 225	+4.7
FTSE 100	+4.3
Shanghai Composite	+5.4
RBA Cash Rate	3.1
AUD / USD	70.5c
Iron Ore	+9.7
Oil	-1.7
Gold	+5.7
Copper	+10.9



Portfolio Managers: Ewan Galloway (left) and Sam Berridge (right)

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