

Purpose

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

Product

BlackRock Sustainable American Income Trust plc (the "Fund"), **Ordinary Shares** (the "Shares"), ISIN: **GB00B7WOXJ61**, is manufactured by BlackRock Fund Managers Limited (the "Manager"). The Manager is authorised in the UK and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA"). More information is available at www.blackrock.com or by calling **020 7743 3000**. This document is dated 01 January 2023.

What is this product?

Type: The Fund is a closed-ended investment company, incorporated as a public limited company in England and Wales. The Fund's Shares are listed and traded on the London Stock Exchange.

Term: The Fund does not have a fixed term of existence, or maturity period, but in certain circumstances it may be wound up by the directors and shareholders of the Fund, subject to compliance with the Fund's articles of association and applicable laws. The Fund may not be unilaterally terminated by the Manager.

Objectives

- The Fund aims to maximise the return on your investment through a combination of long term capital growth and income on the Fund's assets in a manner consistent with the principles of sustainable investing adopted by the Fund.
- The Fund will seek to achieve its objective by investing primarily in the equity securities (e.g. shares) of large and medium capitalisation companies listed on a stock exchange in North America (meaning Bermuda, Canada, Greenland, Saint Pierre and Miquelon and United States of America, as defined by the United Nation's publication "Standard Country or Area Codes for Statistical Use") or otherwise having a certain level of business in or operational connection with North America (as previously defined). Market capitalisation is the share price of the company multiplied by the number of shares in issue. The Fund will also have the ability to invest in equity securities of companies listed on other stock exchanges and/or companies located outside of North America.
- The Manager will take into account certain environmental, social and governance (ESG) characteristics when selecting the securities to be held directly by the Fund. In doing so, it will apply BlackRock EMEA Baseline Screens, whereby the Manager will seek to limit and/or exclude direct investment (as applicable) in issuers which, in the opinion of the Manager, have exposure to, or ties with, certain sectors. For further details please refer to the BlackRock website at www.blackrock.com/baselinescreens
- The Manager seeks to deliver a superior ESG outcome versus the Reference Index (the Russell 1000 Value Index or such other index as may be agreed by the Fund and the Manager to be appropriate from time to time) by aiming for the Fund's portfolio to achieve: (i) a better ESG score than the Reference Index; and (ii) a lower carbon emissions intensity score than the Reference Index. However, there can be no guarantee that these aims will be achieved.
- The Fund may also invest in equity-related (ER) securities (such as depositary receipts which are investments issued by financial institutions which give exposure to underlying securities), other funds, fixed income securities (such as bonds), money market instruments (MMIs) (i.e. debt securities with short term maturities), convertible securities (fixed income securities that can be exchanged for shares on or before maturity) and preference shares (shares which give their holders an entitlement to a fixed dividend but which do not usually carry voting rights). The fixed income securities and MMIs may be issued by governments, government agencies, companies and supranationals. The Fund may invest in the full range of fixed income securities which may include investments with a relatively low credit rating or which are unrated.
- The Manager may use derivatives (i.e. investments the prices of which are based on one or more underlying assets) to help achieve the Fund's investment objective. These may include call options whereby the buyer has the right, but not the obligation, to buy a specified quantity of a security at a specified price within a fixed period of time. The use of derivatives is expected to be limited.
- The Fund may borrow to purchase assets for the Fund. The Fund may, via derivatives and borrowing, generate varying amounts of market leverage (i.e. where the Fund gains market exposure in excess of the value of its assets). This will magnify any gains or losses made by the Fund.
- The Manager has discretion to select the Fund's investments.
- The Fund's full investment objective and policy is set out in the current AIFMD Fund Disclosures document, which can be found at www.blackrock.com/uk/individual/products/investment-trusts/our-range
- The return on your investment in the Fund is directly related to the prevailing market price of the Fund's Shares and may not reflect the value of the underlying assets of the Fund at the point of sale less costs (see "What are the costs?" below). Shares of the Fund are bought and sold on the secondary market. Typically, at any given time on any given day the price you pay for a Share will be higher than the price at which you can sell it.
- The price of equity securities fluctuates daily and may be influenced by factors affecting the performance of the individual companies issuing the equities, as well as market factors (e.g. supply and demand), and broader economic and political developments which in turn may affect the value of your investment.
- The price of a derivative changes on a daily basis depending on the value of the underlying reference asset(s) which in turn may affect the value of your investment. A change in the value of underlying reference assets can have a greater impact on the value of derivatives than if the assets were held directly since derivatives can be more sensitive to changes in the value of underlying reference assets.
- The Shares carry the right to receive dividends declared by the Fund.
- The relationship between the return on your investment, how it is impacted and the period for which you hold your investment is considered below under "How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?"
- The Shares are denominated in Sterling, the Fund's base currency.

Intended retail investor: The Fund is intended for retail investors with the ability to bear losses up to the amount invested in the Fund.

Insurance benefits: The Fund does not offer any insurance benefits.

What are the risks and what could I get in return?

Risk Indicator



- The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay you.
- We have classified this product as 5 out of 7, which is a medium high risk class. This classification rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium high level, and poor market conditions could affect the value of your investment. This classification is not guaranteed and may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The lowest category does not mean risk free.
- **Be aware of currency risk.** If you receive payments in a currency that is different to the product's base currency, the final return you will get depends on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.
- Please refer to the product's Prospectus or AIFMD Disclosure for details of other materially relevant risks that may apply to this product.
- This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.
- If the product is not able to pay you what is owed, you could lose your entire investment.

Investment performance information

- The Fund invests primarily in a diversified portfolio of North American equity securities, with a focus on large-capitalisation and medium-capitalisation companies that pay and grow their dividends in a manner consistent with the principles of sustainable investing adopted by the Fund. Market capitalisation is the share price of the company multiplied by the number of shares in issue.
- The Fund's performance is compared with the Russell 1000 Value Index in GBP ("Index"). The Index is comprised of mega, large, mid, and small capitalisation companies listed in the US which may cause the overall performance of the Index as well as the Fund to be volatile.

What could affect my return positively?

- A positive return of the Fund may be achieved when equity markets are rising and the outlook for the US equity market is positive.

What could affect my return negatively?

- A negative return of the Fund may be achieved when equity markets are falling and the outlook for US equity markets is negative.
- Under severe market conditions, it is expected that negative returns will be experienced across most asset classes and the Fund is likely to experience losses. An investor seeking to sell their shares under such adverse conditions may experience a financial loss due to negative performance, share price volatility, trading costs, and potential lack of liquidity. The return on your investment in the Fund is directly related to the prevailing market price of the Fund's Shares and may not reflect the value of the underlying assets of the Fund at the point of sale.

What happens if BlackRock Fund Managers Limited is unable to pay out?

The Manager is not obliged to pay out the Shares in the Fund. The Fund is a closed-ended investment company and, as such, shareholders in the Fund have no right to have their shares redeemed or repurchased by the Fund. The Fund is required to pay out any surplus assets to shareholders on a winding up of the Fund, provided the Fund has satisfied all of its liabilities. As a shareholder of the Fund you would not be able to make a claim to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme about the Fund in the event that the Fund is unable to pay out.

What are the costs?

Presentation of costs

The Reduction in Yield (RIY) shows what impact the total costs you pay will have on the investment return you might get. The total costs take into account one-off, ongoing and incidental costs.

The amounts shown here are the cumulative costs of the product itself, for one or more different holding periods. The figures assume you invest GBP 10,000. The figures are estimates and may change in the future.

Costs over time

The person selling you or advising you about this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs, and show you the impact that all costs will have on your investment over time.

Investment GBP 10,000

Scenarios	If you cash in after 1 year	If you cash in after 3 years	If you cash in after 5 years
Total costs	167 GBP	639 GBP	1,332 GBP
Impact on return (RIY) per year	1.67%	1.69%	1.69%

Composition of Costs

The table below shows:

- the impact each year of the different types of costs on the investment return you might get at the end of the recommended holding period.
- the meaning of the different cost categories.

This table shows the impact on return per year

One-off costs	Entry costs	-	We do not charge an entry fee.*
	Exit costs	-	We do not charge an exit fee.*
Ongoing costs	Portfolio transaction costs	0.46 %	The impact of the costs of us buying and selling underlying investments for the product. The costs do not take into account any anti-dilution benefit.
	Other ongoing costs	1.23 %	The impact of the costs that we take each year for managing your investments. Any underlying product costs are included here with the exception of transaction costs which would be included above under 'Portfolio transaction costs'.**
Incidental costs	Performance fees	-	There is no performance fee for this product.
	Carried interests	-	There are no carried interests for this product.

* Please refer to the person selling you or advising you about this product for the actual charges.

** This figure is based on estimated costs, often referencing historic data, and therefore the actual costs paid by an investor may differ.

How long should I hold it and can I take money out early? Recommended Holding Period: 5 years

The recommended holding period (RHP) has been calculated in line with the investment strategy of the Fund and the time frame in which it is expected that it will be possible to achieve the investment objective of the Fund. Any investment should be considered against your specific investment needs and appetite for risk. BlackRock has not considered the suitability or appropriateness of this investment for your personal circumstances. If you are in any doubt about the suitability of the Fund to your needs you should seek appropriate professional advice. Details of dealing frequency can be found under "What is this product?". You may receive less than expected if you cash in earlier than the RHP. The RHP is an estimate and must not be taken as a guarantee or an indication of future performance, return or risk levels. Please see the "What are the costs?" section for details of any exit fees.

How can I complain?

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Other relevant information

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