## DIGITAL ASSET FUND

AN INSTITUTIONAL APPROACH TO DIGITAL ASSET MARKETS

## **December 2023 Newsletter**

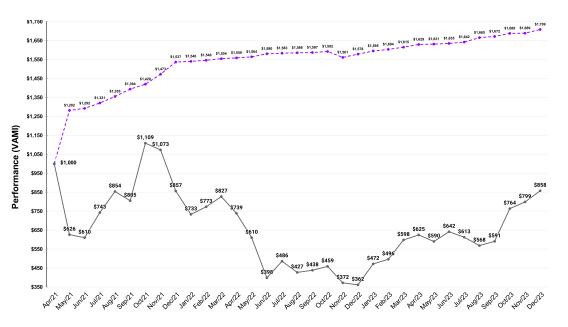
December continued where November left off with solid gains for both BTC (+12%) and ETH (+10%). Bitcoin posted its best year since 2020 with a 156% gain (subscribe to our BTC tracker <a href="here">here</a>). The seemingly inevitable approval of the Bitcoin Spot ETF, by the US SEC, was again the major focus of investors with January deadlines looming. There was a significant move in various alt coins over the month with the most notable Solana, having a 65% gain, to top off a big year.

The end of 2023 also marks 32 months of performance **without** a solitary negative month, excluding the month FTX collapsed. Also excluding the incredible +28% in May 2021, the fund exhibits a market leading Sharpe of 2.6. The FTX exposure at the time was just 13%, of which we expect to get back over 75%. Subscribe to the market neutral Digital Opportunities fund here.

## Key market observations from the trading desk

Volatility increased and basis (the spread between spot and futures) widened, indicating more leverage being added into the crypto markets, to levels we haven't seen since late 2021. Conventionally this has been a good trading environment for the strategy and December and January to a larger extent have proved this again. CME yields rose sharply early in December as CTA and BTC Futures Funds acquired futures contracts. Over the course of the month crypto native exchanges followed suit bringing their yields inline with the CME. We remain confident the existing trading environment will be conducive to a more profitable return profile in 2024 than we've seen in the last few years.

## **Performance Chart**



• Digital Opportunities Class • Bitcoin Index Class

#### **Performance overview**

+1.16%

Digital Opportunities Class

Style: Market-Neutral/Arbitrage Funds under Management: \$16.24m

1 month +1.16% Ave monthly return +1.79% 3 months +2.21% % positive months 97% 6 months +4.50% Best month +28.17% +70.85% Sharpe Ratio(30 mths) Since inception 2.65

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2021	-	-	-	-	+28.16	+0.83	+2.19	+2.62	+2.86	+1.85	+3.72	+4.36	+53.68
2022	+0.23	+0.38	+0.53	+0.28	+0.35	+1.03	+0.19	+0.15	+0.08	+0.35	-1.96	+1.10	+2.71
2023	+1.05	+0.54	+0.71	+0.90	+0.11	+0.23	+0.44	+1.42	+0.37	+0.97	+0.06	+1.16	+8.24

Please Note: All performance figures are net of fees and relate to the Lead series. Investors who held units in the Digital Opportunities Class as at the 1st of November 2022 had exposure to FTX. As a result, 12.96% of assets in the Digital Opportunities Class were segregated and placed in a separate unit class. As these assets are frozen and their realisation is uncertain in both amount and time, no impairment is reflected in the performance figures above. It should be noted that performance fees are still being charged by the manager with respect to the Digital Opportunities class. Investors will receive an emailed statement directly from Ascent Fund Services with their unit holdings and valuations.



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#### **Fund Characteristics**

- > Australian based Investment manager
- > Australian unit trust
- > Australian Dollar denominated units
- > Two separate unit classes

## **Digital Opportunities Class**

- > Uncorrelated to traditional markets
- > Market neutral approach
- > Absolute return focused

## **Bitcoin Index Class**

- > Bitcoin tracker
- > Enhanced yield
- > Directional, long only exposure

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Style: Long only Bitcoin Tracker Funds under Management: \$0.84m

1 month +7.41% 3 months +45.09% 6 months +33.69% Since inception -14.23%

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2021	-	-	-	-	-37.37	-2.55	+21.69	+14.98	-5.71	+37.73	-3.23	-20.19	-14.34
2022	-14.39	+5.41	+7.02	-10.71	-17.37	-34.73	+22.04	-12.14	+2.65	+4.69	-18.94	-2.80	-57.78
2023	+30.49	+5.19	+20.51	+4.44	-5.54%	+8.70	-4.51	-7.20	+3.98	+29.20	+4.55	+7.41	+137.15



## **Fund Terms**

	<b>Digital Opportunities Class</b>	Bitcoin Index Class	
Minimum	AUD 100,000	AUD 100,000	CONTACT
Applications	Monthly	Monthly	
Redemptions	Monthly (45 days notice)	Monthly	
Lock up period	90 Days	None	Clint Maddock
Management Fee	2% plus GST	2% plus GST	
Performance Fee	25% plus GST	None	info@dafm.io
Highwater mark	Yes	N/A	

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