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Capital Gearing Trust

Overview



Capital Gearing Trust Overview

Investment Objective



- The Company's objective is to preserve and grow shareholders' real wealth over time
- The Company seeks cost-effective, long-term absolute returns via a global portfolio of equities, bonds and commodities
- It follows a simple, low-cost approach, no gearing, no short selling
- The Trust is actively managed, without reference to a benchmark

Fees and Structure



- Size: £822m
- Management Fee: 0.41%¹ | Ongoing Charge Figure: 0.55%
- FTSE 250 Listed Investment Trust with a 43-year track record
- Discount Control Mechanism: The Company aims to purchase or issue shares to ensure that, under normal market conditions, the share price closely tracks the underlying Net Asset Value per share

Investor Profile



The fund has a broad range of investors who typically exhibit the following characteristics:

- A long-term investment horizon
- An aversion to significant short-term losses
- A desire to generate returns that outpace inflation over the long term
- A focus on GBP-denominated returns

^{1.} Tiered fee structure, marginal rate is 0.3% above £500m



Overview

CG Asset Management Overview

2001 Founded	Founded in 2001 by Peter Spiller, former Chief Investment Officer and Chief Strategist of Cazenove	
£2.4bn	£2.4bn in assets under management	
2 Strategies	Manages two strategies, absolute return and real return, across six funds	
12 Employees	Team of 12, based in London	
286x Return	Low-cost offering, with fee reductions regularly reviewed	
2 Down Years	Capital Gearing Trust ("CGT") has returned 286x since 1982, with only two down years	



Overview

CGAM in partnership with our clients

What makes us different? What does that mean for our clients? The client comes first The firm's founding Don't be greedy principles 3. Have fun In turn these principles mean that: We have and will close funds to protect investors We continuously strive to lower fees, even on closed funds We have **low staff turnover Employee owned** Majority owned by an Employee Ownership Trust, which means we will remain independent All portfolio managers are significant shareholders in CGAM The right incentives



• Our interests are directly aligned with those of our clients

Overview

Funds Summary

Strategy	Fund	ISIN	Launched	AUM ⁶	Dealing Frequency ²	AMC Fee	TER
Absolute Return Long only investments in a portfolio of bonds equities and commodities	Capital Gearing Trust	GB0001738615	1982¹	£822m	Listed	0.41%³	0.55%
	CG Absolute Return (EUR Hedged, USD Hedged available)	IE00BYQ69B30	2016	£663m	Daily	0.35%	0.47%
	Capital Gearing Portfolio (P,V shares)	IE00BG5Q6F12	2001	£223m	Daily	0.75%	0.87%
	CG Real Return Fund (GBP Hedged available)	IE0034304117	2004	£216m	Daily	0.30% / 0.20% ⁴	0.41%
Real Return Long only investments in inflation-linked	CG Dollar Fund (GBP Hedged, EUR Hedged and USD Unhedged available)	IE00B41GP767	2009	£428m	Daily	0.25% / 0.15% ⁵	0.37%
bonds	CG UK Index-Linked Bond Fund	IE000ZSVG218	2023	£21m	Daily	0.15%	0.31%

¹Peter Spiller began managing Capital Gearing Trust in 1982; ²Capital Gearing Trust is an Investment Trust listed on the London Stock Exchange, all other funds are Open Ended UCITS domiciled in Dublin; ³Tiered fee structure, marginal rate is 0.3% above £500m; ⁴0.3% below £500m, 0.2% above; ⁵0.25% below £1bn, 0.15% above; ⁶ As of 30th September 2025



CGAM Team

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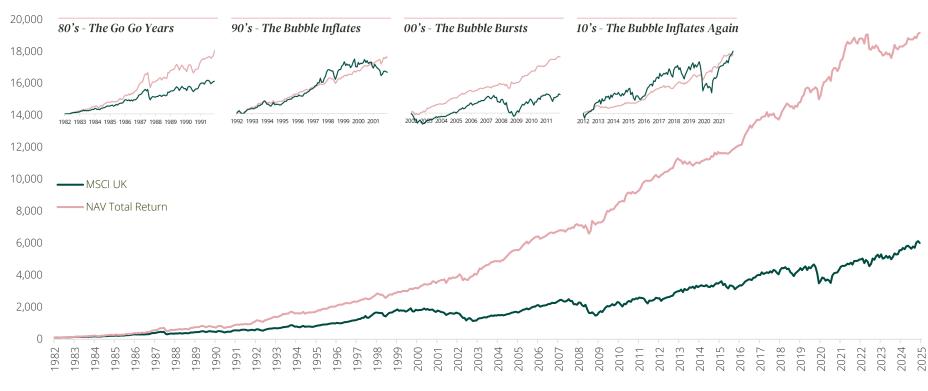


Finn *Chief Morale Officer*



Since 1982 the CGT share price total return has been >286x1

NAV Total Return History (Rebased) Mar 1982 to Mar 2025



CGTTR 45% 49% 29% 35% 47% 3% 30% 2% 19% 18% 30% 18% 5% 20% 13% 17% 4% 10% 11% 10% 3% 22% 15% 15% 5% 7% 0% 18% 8% 10% 11% (2)% 5% 3% 13% 0% 8% 1% 14% 11% (4)% 2% 4%

¹ Share price terms, assumes all dividends reinvested over the period specified Source: Northern Trust, Morningstar

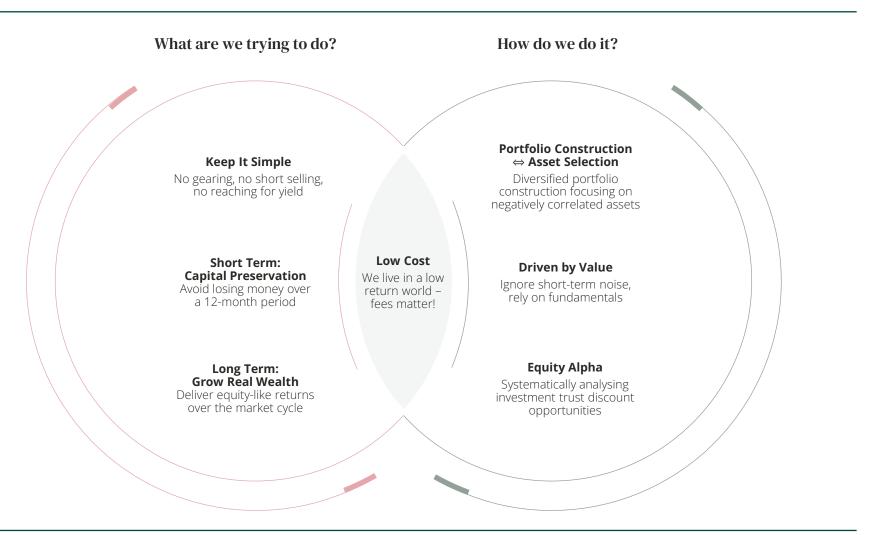


Investment Process

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Principles





5 inputs drive our asset allocation, underpinned by a focus on duration

Valuations

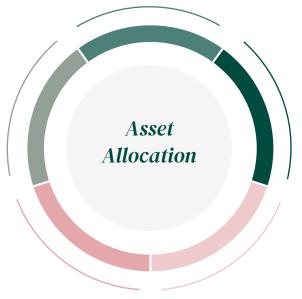
All major asset classes
Absolute / Relative / Relative to own history

Investor Behaviour

Degree of risk taking / speculative behaviours

Monetary Environment

Degree to which monetary backdrop is supportive of or threatening to asset prices



Core Macroeconomic Beliefs

Guiding long-term asset allocation

Business Cycle

Responding to changing inflation and growth environment

Duration

Keep duration short where values are poor and vice versa

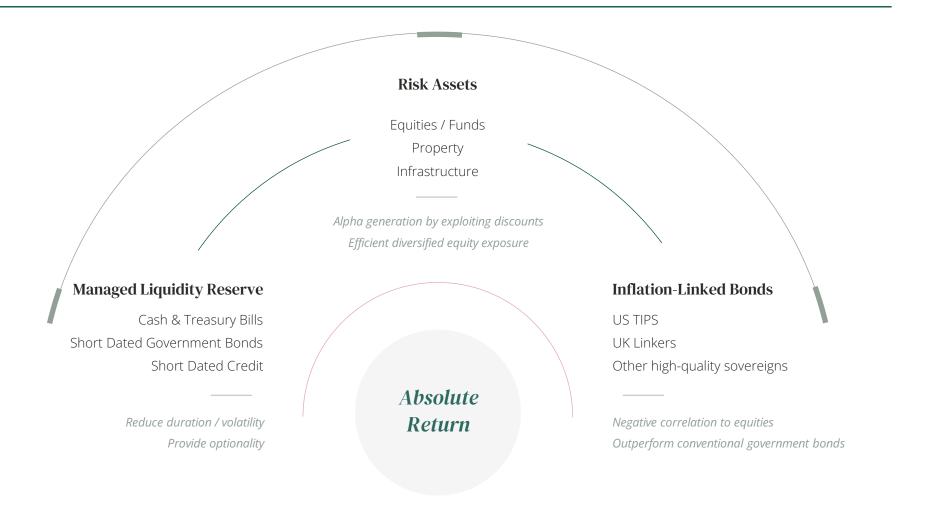


Dynamic asset allocation that responds to the business cycle





3 Core Asset Allocation Pillars





Investment Process

Inflation-Linked bonds are a fundamental component of our asset allocation

Protection against financial repression

Only asset that we believe is likely to deliver protection

Negative correlation with risk assets

Particularly overseas against sterling denominated risk assets

Historic outperformance vs nominal bonds

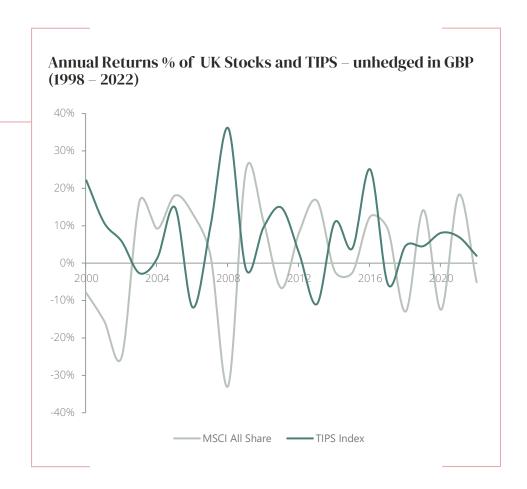
Such outperformance is likely to persist into the future

Inflation poses the greatest risk to investor wealth

Against which equities are only a partial hedge

Significant risk of inflation persistence

The historical record does not support a swift return to the target





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Positioning and Returns

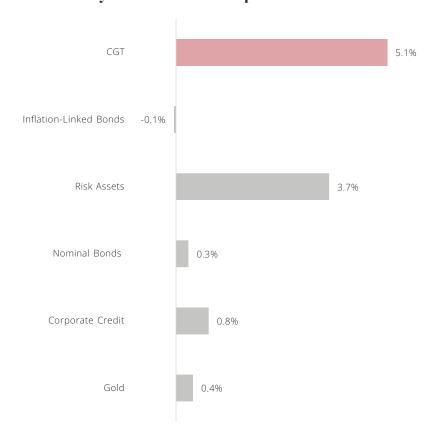


Positioning is defensive, with a focus on inflation protection

CGT Asset Allocation September 2025



Contribution by Asset Class LTM September 2025

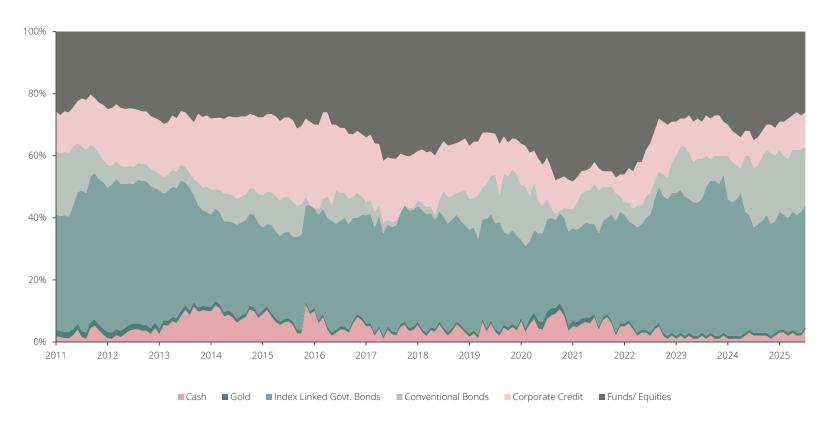


NAV performance net of fees Source: CGAM, Bloomberg Finance L.P., Northern Trust



Changes to asset allocation tend to be modest over the short term but can be fundamental over the long term

CGT Asset Allocation – 2011 to 2025



Source: CGAM, Bloomberg Finance L.P., Northern Trust.



Both equity and bond portfolios have contributed to outperformance

CGT Risk Assets Returns Performance to September 2025¹

200 180 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 20 2025 CGT Risk Assets MSCI UK All Share Investment Trusts

CGT Bonds Only Returns Performance to September 2025¹

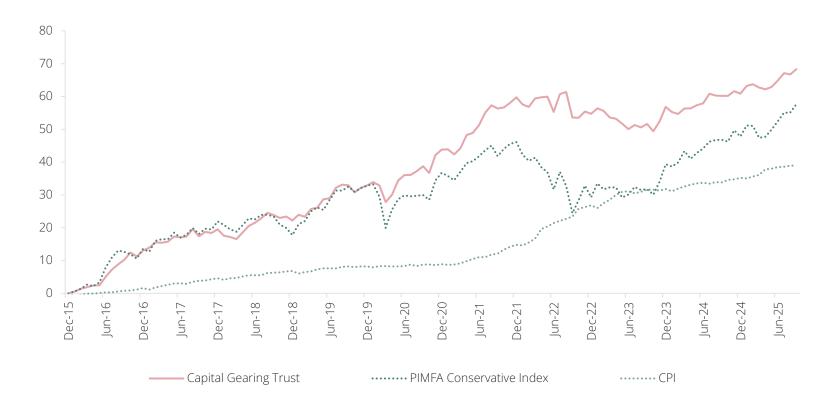


1.Risk Assets include equities, property, alternatives and gold. Bonds include credit and sovereign bonds (excluding T-Bills and cash), start period reflects the longest period available for CGT under Bloomberg AIM Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P., Northern Trust



CGT has outperformed comparators on an absolute and risk adjusted basis

CGT vs. Comparators: Total Returns to September 2025¹

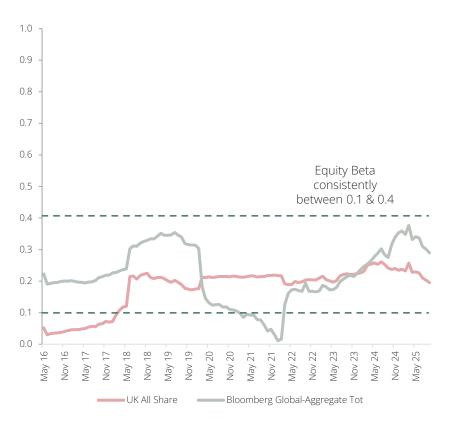


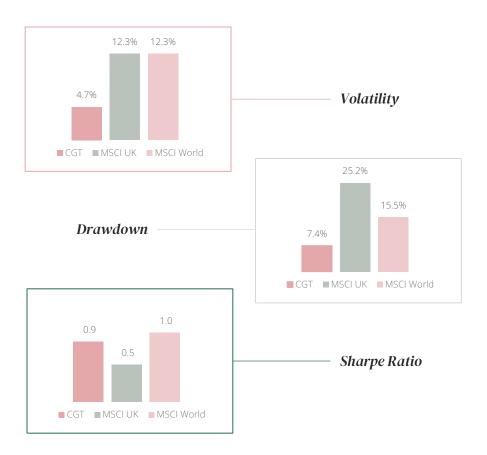
1.The MSCI PIMFA (Private Investor Conservative Index) aims to represent the investment strategy of a UK private client adopting a conservative approach to their investments



Returns have come with low volatility, and low correlation to equity & bond markets, and excellent risk adjusted performance

Sharpe Ratio & Volatility (%) vs. Major Indices

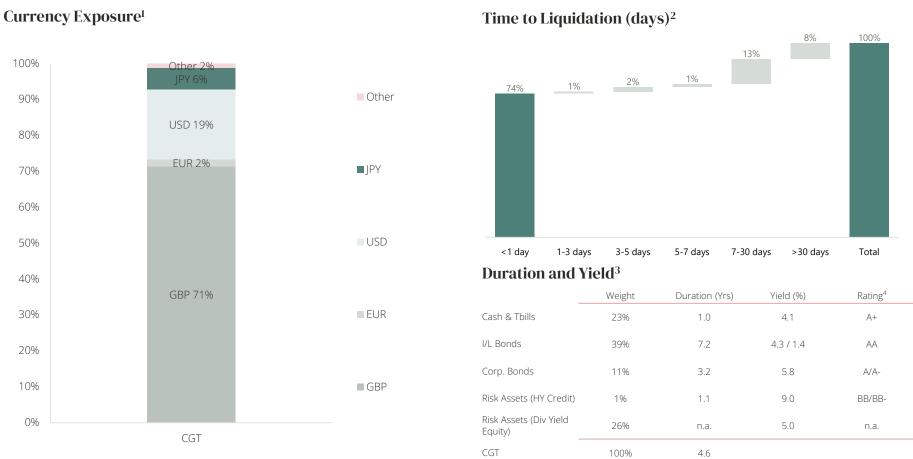




For comparability, the start period is taken from inception of the CG Absolute Return Fund. Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P, risk statistics per Bloomberg standard definitions.



Duration, currency and liquidity are actively managed



[.] Currency exposure is estimated using Bloomberg,

Duration refers to Option Adjusted Duration, Yield refers to the nominal yield to maturity for fixed income with real yield also shown for infflation-linked bonds. For equities, yield refers to dividend yield. Cash & Tbills includes bank deposits, hedged and unhedged government instruments. We display the 6-month UK Treasury Bill yield as a conservative representation of the yield on the underlying holdings in this bucket.

Ratings are sourced from Bloomberg and Moody's.



[.] Assumes 25% average daily volume participation rate

Top Equity and Bond Holdings

Top 10 Equity Holdings

Top 10 Bond Holdings

Asset	Weight	Asset	Weight
North Atlantic Small Companies	2.1%	UKTI 0.125% 10/08/31	6.2%
Vanguard FTSE 100 ETF	1.9%	JGB 0.60% 01/01/27	5.5%
International Public Partnership	1.4%	UKTI 0.75% 22/11/33	3.8%
HICL Infrastructure	1.3%	US I/L 1.75% 15/01/34	3.4%
Vanguard FTSE 250 ETF	1.2%	UKTI 1.25% 22/11/32	2.7%
JPMorgan Japan ETF	1.2%	US I/L 1.375% 15/07/33	2.6%
3I Infrastructure	1.2%	JTDB 0.00% 20/11/25	2.4%
BH Macro	1.1%	JGB 0.70% 01/02/27	2.4%
Blackrock Energy	1.0%	UKTI 0.125% 22/03/29	2.4%
Smithson Investment Trust	1.0%	US I/L 0.625% 15/01/26	2.4%
	13.3%		33.9%

Source: CGAM, Northern Trust.



Current Focus Areas









Real Interest Rates

Developed market issuers offering risk free returns ahead of inflation

US TIPS and UK inflationlinked bonds offer attractive real yields

Japanese Equities

The Yen offers exceptional value, making Japanese corporates highly competitive and driving strong earnings growth

Investment Trusts

The average discounts have widened to levels last seen since the financial crisis, and there is scope for active engagement with boards

Infrastructure

Defensively positioned infrastructure assets with inflation linked cashflows are offering attractive real returns



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Considerations Within Our Investment Approach



Investment Approach

The moral principles underpinning our investment approach

Be honest

No greenwashing, no PR-led initiatives, no jargon. We believe in an accurate presentation of our activities not a marketing campaign.

One firm, one rule

Our standards apply to all the funds we advise. We do not have ethical and by implication unethical funds

Ethics, not mathematics

There is no formula that can be applied in a uniform way to every situation. We emphasise judgement over simplistic third party ESG scoring systems.

Don't disinvest, engage

When investors have the influence to effect change, it is most valuable to encourage positive transition rather than engage in blanket disinvestment.

Targeted

As a small firm, we must focus our efforts where they will have the most influence, rather than taking a generalist approach.

Governance

Investors have multiple direct mechanisms to influence governance, so we primarily focus on governance even when the ultimate objective consists of other priorities.

Integration, not separation

The entire team is collectively responsible for stewardship activities, with the ultimate responsibility lying with the chief executive. We do not have a standalone responsible investment team.

Act, with humility

Every action results in both intended and unintended consequences. Reflect deeply on the risk that good intentions can lead to unintended negative outcomes.



Considerations for individual asset classes

1. Direct Government Securities

The majority of the assets held by the funds are invested in direct holdings of securities issues by governments including bonds, bills and cash.

When investing, we consider indices compiled by a range of NGOs and require sovereigns, at a minimum, to achieve strong rankings in at least four out of five of these criteria. In addition to using third party indices, we also overlay our own subjective assessments which typically leads to material additional exclusions.

As we manage funds that invest exclusively in US and UK bonds respectively these jurisdictions will always be included but other sovereigns are subject to these exclusion criteria.

Index	Criteria
World Bank governance effectiveness index	Top quartile
World press freedom index	Good or satisfactory
Global freedom score	Free rating
UN human development index	Very high human development rank
Net zero by 2020 statement	Statement of intent by 2050 or earlier

2. Direct Corporate Credit and Preference Shares

The funds hold small quantities of direct credit and preference share holdings issues by corporate issuers. Given our small participation in the market and therefore limited influence, our primary approach is to exclude corporate issuers who are primarily engaged in the following activities:

Exclusion Area	Exclusion sub-Area	Threshold 0%	
Controversial weapons	Anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons		
Tobacco	Manufacture or marketing	<5%	
Thermal Coal	Coal mining or coal-based energy production	<5%	
Oil sands or arctic drilling	Production	<5%	
Gambling	Services	<5%	
Adult entertainment	Production or broadcasting	<5%	
Firearms	Manufacture	<5%	
Predatory lending	Services	<5%	



Considerations for individual asset classes

3. Listed Closed-Ended Funds, Investment Trust, REITs and Property Companies

CGAM has a long history of active engagement in the London market for listed closed ended funds and other collective investment companies including REITs. In this priority area for engagement, we seek to achieve positive transition so do not employ systematic exclusions.

Listed investment companies are fundamentally different to operating companies and typically have the following features:

- They hold a broad portfolio of securities on behalf of their shareholders;
- External investment managers rather than executive management teams;
- No employees or customers; and
- Have a board of directors to represent shareholder interests and concerns.

Given the prominent role that directors play in investment companies, CGAM frequently undertakes activities that aim to influence boards and ultimately improve governance. The techniques employed vary based on the specific scenario but include those listed here (see box).

As well as engagement in the sector, CGAM places particular importance on providing primary capital to high impact investment companies and a number of our holdings have a positive environmental or social focus. In our assessment, by providing primary capital, via IPO sponsorship or follow on fund raisings, investors have a greater impact than by simply trading securities in the secondary market.

Activist Engagement Technique	Frequency of Employment
Management Engagement	Continuous
Board Engagement	Continuous
Shareholder co-ordination	Frequent
Voting against significant resolutions	Frequent
Raising ESG matters in fund reporting	Frequent
Amplification through press engagement	Periodic
Replacing directors to improve governance	Periodic
Publishing open letters	Periodic
Publishing research incorporating ESG views	Periodic
Threatening to requisitioning meetings	Periodic

4. Exchange Traded Funds ('ETFs')

Funds advised by CGAM hold relatively small quantities of exchange traded funds. ETFs are listed collective funds which typically track an index and provide low cost, efficient access to a broad portfolios of securities. CGAM does engage directly with our approved panel of ETF providers to encourage improved stewardship standards. However our capacity for effective engagement is limited, we therefore consider exclusions where there are suitable ETFs available. Typically this is via ESG screened ETFs which is a dynamic and growing sector. The programme of identifying and conducting due diligence on these products is ongoing.



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