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MRCH – Merchants Trust

599.00p ↑ 2.00 +0.34%

EMS: 1k

Financials · Balanced · Mid Cap · n/a

Market Cap

Enterprise Value

Revenue

Position in Market

£843.64m

£910.42m

£87.68m

– / 1,779

Quality

Value

Momentum

StockRank™

1m 3m YTD **1y** 3y All

Momentum

Relative Strength (%)	
1m	+1.29%
3m	+2.79%
6m	+1.85%
1y	+0.667%
Volume Change (%)	
10d / 3m	-1.58%
Price vs... (%)	
52w High	-0.716%
50d MA	+4.55%
200d MA	+8.10%

Growth & Value

Trailing 12m		Industry	Market
PE Ratio (ttm)	9.4		
PEG Ratio (ttm)	n/a		
EPS Growth (ttm)	-56.8%		
Dividend Yield (ttm)	4.59%		
Valuation (ttm)		Industry	Market
Price to Book Value	1.11		
Price to Tang. Book	1.11		
Price to Free Cashflow	n/a		
Price to Sales	9.62		
EV to EBITDA	11.35		

Shareholder Activity

	Buy / Hold / Sell
Institutions	
Directors	
Community	

Guru Screens

Merchants Trust didn't qualify for any screens.

Quality

	Industry	Market
Return on Capital	9.7%	
Return on Equity	11.2%	
Operating Margin	91.51%	

Financial Summary

Year End 31st Jan		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	TTM	2023E	2024E	CAGR / Avg
Total Revenue	£m	85.7	87.2	-22.1	117	-61.8	190	87.7			17.2%
Operating Profit	£m	73.2	74.8	-31.9	96.4	-68.2	183	80.2			20.1%
Net Profit	£m	73.2	74.8	-31.9	96.4	-68.3	182	79.6			20.0%
EPS Reported	p	67.3	68.8	-29.4	87.6	-57.9	147	63.4			16.9%
EPS Normalised	p	67.3	68.8	-29.4	87.6	-57.9	147	63.5	0.000	0.000	16.9%
EPS Growth	%		+2.16					-56.8			
PE Ratio	x						4.07	9.41			
PEG											
Profitability											
Operating Margin	%	85.4	85.8	144	82.3	110	96.4	91.5			101%
ROA	%		11.0	-4.72	14.1	-9.99	24.5	9.49			
ROCE	%	11.8	10.6	-4.96	14.0	-11.0	22.7	9.67			7.19%
ROE	%		13.1	-5.67	16.7	-11.6	28.2	11.2			8.14%
Cashflow											
Op. Cashflow ps	p	40.1	37.9	34.3	30.2	-2.72	11.2	-14.9			-22.5%
Capex ps	p	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000			
Free Cashflow ps	p	40.1	37.9	34.3	30.2	-2.72	11.2	-14.9			-22.5%
Dividends Ex-date: 2 Feb / Paid: 15 Mar											
Dividend ps	p	24.2	31.4	19.4	27.1	27.2	27.3	27.4	0.000	0.000	2.44%
Dividend Growth	%	+0.833	+29.8	-38.2	+39.7	+0.369	+0.368	+0.366			
Dividend Yield	%						4.57	4.59	0.000	0.000	
Dividend Cover	x	2.78	2.19	-1.51	3.23	-2.13	5.38	2.31			
Balance Sheet											
Cash etc	£m	14.5	20.1	23.0	10.5	6.62	18.6	18.6			5.16%

Health Trend (F-Score)

2/9



Bankruptcy Risk (Z2-Score)

14.04



Earnings Manipulation Risk (M-Score)

Low

Other Ratios

Leverage (ttm)	Total	- Intang	+ Pension
Gross Gearing %	8.8	8.8	8.8
Net Gearing %	6.32	6.32	6.3
Cash / Assets %	2.21		2.2
Liquidity (ttm)			
Curr. Ratio			0.00
Quick Ratio			0.00
Interest Cov.			n/a
Efficiency (ttm)			
Asset Turnover			0.10
Recs Turnover			38.78
Stock Turnover			n/a

Working Capital	£m	-22.1	18.6	22.1	-15.3	-16.8	-9.09	-11.8		
Net Debt	£m	95.6	90.4	87.3	82.6	86.5	74.2	48.2		
Net Fixed Assets	£m	643	685	622	704	638	815	841		4.84%
Book Value	£m	545	593	534	623	555	739	763		6.27%
Average Shares	m	109	109	109	110	118	124	127		3%
Book Value ps	p	502	546	491	552	459	579	565		2.90%

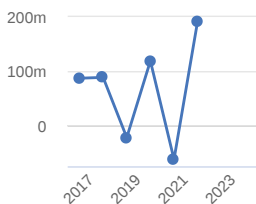
FINANCIAL BRIEF: For the six months ended 31 July 2022, Merchants Trust plc revenues decreased 95% to £4.8M. Net income... [See more](#)

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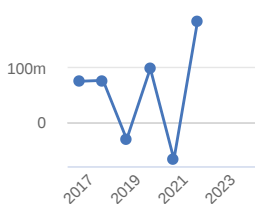
Latest interim period vs. prior period	Industry	Market
Sales Growth	-95.48%	
EPS Growth	-99.6%	
3yr Compound Annual Growth Rate	Industry	Market
Sales CAGR	n/a	
EPS CAGR	n/a	
DPS CAGR	12.06%	

Graphical History

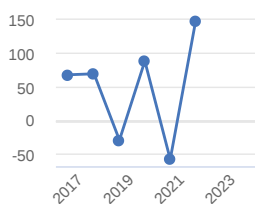
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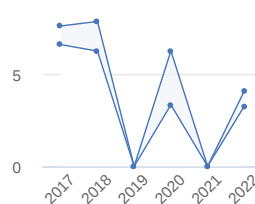
Net Income



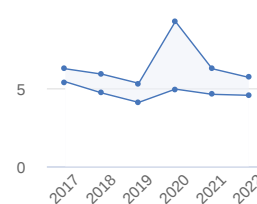
Normalised EPS



PE Ratio Range



Dividend Yield Range



Analyst Forecasts

Price Target: (0.00% below Price)	31st Jan 2023			31st Jan 2024		
Est. Long Term Growth Rate:	Net Profit (£)	EPS ()	DPS ()	Net Profit (£)	EPS ()	DPS ()
Consensus Estimate						
1m Change						
3m Change						

Analyst Consensus

0 brokers



EPS

Profile Summary

The Merchants Trust PLC is a United Kingdom-based investment company. The Company's investment objective is to provide an above average level of income and income growth together with long term capital growth through a policy of investing mainly in higher-yielding large United Kingdom companies. ... [Read more](#)

Directors

Kirsten Salt SEC

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Timon Drakesmith NID

Colin Clark NEC (62)

Karen Mckellar NID

Last Annual	Jan 31, 2022
Last Interim	Jul 31, 2022
Incorporated	Feb 16, 1889
Public Since	Jan 3, 1986
Ex-Dividend Date	Feb 2, 2023
Payment Date	Mar 15, 2023
No. of Employees	n/a
No. of Shareholders	n/a

Sector
Industry
Index

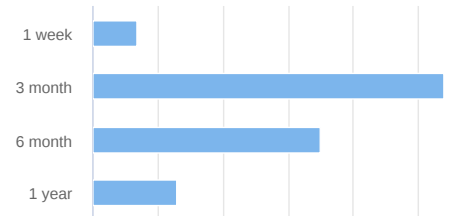
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LSE Main Market
Common Stock
141,312,887
127,724,962 (90.38%)
✓ ISAs ✓ SIPPs

Exchange
Asset Category
Shares in Issue
Free Float
Eligible for

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MRCH Share Price Performance

Share Price	Volume	Bid - Ask	Low - High	Spread
599.00p	232,486	599.00p - 600.00p	590.00p - 600.00p	34bps
Day's Change	Avg Volume	Open - Close	Range (12m)	Beta
↑ 2.00 +0.34%	220,004	592.00p - 599.00p	480.00p - 601.31p	1.334



Latest News for MRCH

Yesterday 4:32 pm

Announcement

Merchants Trust. - Block Listing - Allotment of New Shares

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Announcement

Merchants Trust. - Net Asset Value(s)

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Thu, Feb 2, 2023

Announcement

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Thu, Feb 2, 2023

Announcement

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Upcoming Events for MRCH

Wednesday, April 5th 2023

Full Year 2022 Merchants Trust PLC Earnings Release

Thursday, May 18th 2023

Merchants Trust PLC Annual Shareholders Meeting

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 - Proximity of current share price to the 52 week high ; 50 day vs 200 day moving averages ; 1 year Relative Strength of the share price vs the market ; 6 Month Relative Strength of the share price vs the market.
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 - EPS estimate upgrades within the last one month for next financial year ; EPS estimate upgrades within the last three months for this financial year ; EPS surprise percentage based on the latest reported financials ; Scaled earnings surprise based on the standard deviation of the original Consensus forecast ; Consensus broker recommendation upgrade over the last month
 - Each company in the market is ranked from 1 to 100 for each of these momentum ratios and a composite score is calculated as a weighted average of all valid values. The MomentumRank is then calculated between zero and 100 for this composite score, where 100 is best and zero is worst.
 - When a company has no broker coverage we cannot calculate earnings momentum. As a result the Momentum Rank is calculated using price momentum factors alone.