

# Hardman Johnston International Growth Fund

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## Prospectus

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a series of Manager Directed Portfolios (the "Trust")

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# **Summary Section**

#### **Investment Objective**

The Hardman Johnston International Growth Fund (the "Fund") seeks long-term capital appreciation.

#### Fees and Expenses of the Fund

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy, hold, and sell shares of the Fund. You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the table and Example below.

<b>Annual Fund Operating Expenses</b> (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)	Institutional Shares	Retail Shares
Management Fees	1.00%	1.00%
Distribution and/or Service(12b-1) Fees	None	0.25%
Other Expenses	0.82%	0.82%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	1.82%	2.07%
Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement	-0.82%	-0.82%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.25%</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between Dakota Investments LLC (the "Advisor"), the Fund's investment adviser, and the Fund, the Advisor has agreed to waive its management fees and/or reimburse Fund expenses to ensure that Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (excluding any front-end or contingent deferred loads, Rule 12b-1 plan fees, shareholder servicing plan fees, taxes, leverage (*i.e.*, any expenses incurred in connection with borrowings made by the Fund), interest (including interest incurred in connection with bank and custody overdrafts), brokerage commissions and other transactional expenses, expenses incurred in connection with any merger or reorganization, dividends or interest on short positions, acquired fund fees and expenses ("AFFE") or extraordinary expenses such as litigation (collectively, "Excludable Expenses")) do not exceed 1.00% of the Fund's average daily net assets, through at least February 28, 2025, unless terminated sooner by, or with the consent of, the Trust's Board of Trustees (the "Board of Trustees" or the "Board"). To the extent the Fund incurs Excludable Expenses, Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement will exceed 1.00%. The Advisor may request recoupment of previously waived fees and paid expenses from the Fund for up to three years from the date such fees and expenses were waived or paid, if such reimbursement will not cause the Fund's total expense ratio to exceed the lesser of: (1) the expense limitation in place at the time of the recoupment.

#### Example

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund's operating expenses remain the same. The fee waiver/expense reimbursement agreement discussed above is reflected only through February 28, 2025. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions, your costs would be:

Share Class	<u>One Year</u>	<b>Three Years</b>	<u>Five Years</u>	<u>Ten Years</u>
Institutional Shares	\$102	\$493	\$909	\$2,070
Retail Shares	\$127	\$570	\$1,038	\$2,335

#### **Portfolio Turnover**

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or "turns over" its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in the

Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses or in the Example, affect the Fund's performance. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 2023, the Fund's portfolio turnover rate was 59% of the average value of its portfolio.

#### **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing primarily in a select portfolio of equity securities of established companies that are domiciled in various countries throughout the world, excluding the U.S. The Fund typically invests in securities of issuers from at least six or more non-U.S. countries and at least eight industries. The Fund holds a maximum of 25% of its net assets of companies in any single industry. The Fund generally maintains a focused portfolio of approximately 20 to 30 holdings. To mitigate risk, positions have a maximum weighting of 8.5% for any single security. The countries within the MSCI ACWI ex USA Index (the "Index") in which the Fund will invest will be determined by the Fund's sub-advisor, Hardman Johnston Global Advisors LLC ("Hardman Johnston" or the "Sub-Advisor").

Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in equity securities, without regard to market capitalization. The Fund's investments will generally consist of common stocks traded on a public securities exchange or market organized and regulated pursuant to the laws of the jurisdiction of such exchange. The Fund may also invest in American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") (including unsponsored ADRs), Global Depositary Receipts, ("GDRs"), European Depositary Receipts ("EDRs"), and International Depositary Receipts ("IDRs").

The Fund may invest in securities of companies located or operating within developed markets, as well as emerging markets. Emerging markets are those countries (1) included in emerging market or equivalent classifications by the United Nations (and its agencies); (2) having per capita income in the low to middle ranges, as determined by the World Bank; or (3) designated by the Index. The Fund's maximum exposure to emerging markets is expected to be 10% above the Index's weight. The Fund may also invest in pre-emerging markets, also known as frontier markets.

#### **Principal Risks**

Before investing in the Fund, you should carefully consider your own investment goals, the amount of time you are willing to leave your money invested, and the amount of risk you are willing to take. Remember, in addition to possibly not achieving your investment goals, you could lose all or a portion of your investment in the Fund over long or even short periods of time. The principal risks of investing in the Fund are:

General Market Risk; Recent Market Events. The market value of a security may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. These fluctuations may cause a security to be worth less than the price originally paid for it, or less than it was worth at an earlier time. Market risk may affect a single issuer, industry, sector of the economy or the market as a whole. U.S. and international markets have experienced volatility in recent months and years due to a number of economic, political and global macro factors, including rising inflation, problems in the banking sector, wars between Russia and Ukraine and in the Middle East and the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) global pandemic. Uncertainties regarding interest rate levels, political events, conflicts in Europe and in the Middle East, trade tensions and the possibility of a national or global recession have also contributed to market volatility.

Global economies and financial markets are increasingly interconnected, which increases the possibility that conditions in one country or region might adversely impact issuers in a different country or region. Continuing market volatility as a result of recent market conditions or other events may have adverse effects on the Fund's returns. The Advisor and Sub-Advisor will monitor developments and seek to manage the Fund in a manner consistent with achieving the

Fund's investment objective, but there can be no assurance that they will be successful in doing so.

- *Management Risk.* There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective. The success of the Fund is significantly dependent on the expertise of the Sub-Advisor. The Sub-Advisor's past performance cannot be considered as an indication of the future results of the Sub-Advisor or the Fund.
- *Equity Risk.* Common stocks and other equity securities generally increase or decrease in value based on the earnings of a company and on general industry and market conditions. As the Fund invests a significant amount of its assets in common stocks and other equity securities it is likely to have greater fluctuations in share price than a fund that invests a significant portion of its assets in fixed income securities.
- *Foreign Securities Risk.* A change in value of a foreign currency against the U.S. dollar will result in a change in the U.S. dollar value of securities denominated in that foreign currency. Additionally, the value of foreign investments may be affected by exchange control regulations, expropriation or nationalization of a company's assets, foreign taxes, higher transaction and other costs, delays in settlement of transactions, changes in economic or monetary policy in the U.S. or abroad, or other political and economic factors. Income and dividends earned on foreign investments may be subject to foreign withholding taxes.
- *Emerging and Frontier Markets Risk.* Countries in emerging markets are generally more volatile and can have relatively unstable governments, social and legal systems that do not protect shareholders, economies based on only a few industries, and securities markets that trade a small number of issues. Frontier market countries generally have smaller economies and even less developed capital markets than emerging markets. As a result, the risks of investing in emerging markets are magnified in frontier markets, and include potential for extreme price volatility and illiquidity; government ownership or control of parts of the private sector and of certain companies; trade barriers, exchange controls, managed adjustments in relative currency values and other protectionist measures; and relatively new and unsettled securities laws.
- *Foreign Currency Risk.* The Fund may invest in securities or other instruments denominated in non-U.S. currencies. Such investments involve currency risks, including unfavorable currency exchange rate developments and political or governmental intervention in currency trading or valuation. These risks are higher in emerging and frontier markets.
- *Depositary Receipts Risk.* The Fund may invest its assets in securities of foreign issuers in the form of ADRs, EDRs, GDRs and IDRs, which are securities representing securities of foreign issuers. The risk of such depositary receipts includes many of the risks associated with investing directly in foreign securities, such as currency rate fluctuations and political and economic instability.
- *Large Capitalization Risk.* Larger, more established companies may be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges such as changes in technology and consumer tastes. Larger companies also may not be able to attain the high growth rates of successful smaller companies.
- *Medium and Small Capitalization Risk.* Investing in medium and small capitalization companies may involve special risks because those companies may have narrower product lines, more limited financial resources, fewer experienced managers, dependence on a few key employees, and a more limited trading market for their stocks, as compared with larger companies. Securities of medium and smaller capitalization issuers may be subject to greater price volatility and may decline more significantly in market downturns than securities of larger companies.

- *Non-Diversification Risk.* Because the Fund is "non-diversified," it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in the securities of a single issuer. As a result, a decline in the value of an investment in a single issuer could cause the Fund's overall value to decline to a greater degree than if the Fund held a more diversified portfolio.
- *Operational Risk.* Operational risks include human error, changes in personnel, system changes, faults in communication, and failures in systems, technology, or processes. Various operational events or circumstances are outside the Advisor's or Sub-Advisor's control, including instances at third parties. The Fund, the Advisor and the Sub-Advisor seek to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures. However, these measures do not address every possible risk and may be inadequate to address these risks.
- *Liquidity Risk.* Certain securities may be difficult or impossible to sell at the time and the price that the Fund would like. Securities of small-cap companies may trade less frequently and in smaller volumes than more widely held securities. The values of these securities may fluctuate more sharply than those of other securities, and the Fund may experience some difficulty in establishing or closing out positions in these securities at prevailing market prices.
- *Valuation Risk.* The sale price the Fund could receive for any particular portfolio investment may differ from the Fund's valuation of the investment, particularly for securities that trade in thin or volatile markets or that are valued using a fair value methodology.
- *Cybersecurity Risk.* The Fund, the Advisor, and the Sub-Advisor are susceptible to operational, information security, and related cybersecurity risks. Cyber incidents affecting the Fund or its service providers may cause disruptions and impact business operations, potentially resulting in financial losses, interference with the Fund's ability to calculate its net asset value ("NAV"), impediments to trading, the inability of shareholders to transact business, violations of applicable privacy and other laws, regulatory fines, penalties, reputational damage, reimbursement or other compensation costs, or additional compliance costs.

#### Performance

From February 14, 2018 (the Fund's inception) to December 31, 2019, the Fund was managed by Redwood Investments LLC, the previous sub-advisor to the Fund. Hardman Johnston became the Fund's sub-advisor effective January 1, 2020.

The bar chart and performance table below illustrate the risks and volatility of an investment in the Fund by showing changes in the performance of the Fund from year to year and by showing how the Fund's average annual returns for the one year, five year, and since inception periods compared with those of the Index, which is a broad measure of market performance. The Fund's past performance, both before and after taxes, does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. Updated performance information is also available on the Fund's website at www.hardmanjohnstonfunds.com.

#### Institutional Shares\* Calendar Year Returns as of December 31



\*The returns shown in the bar chart are for Institutional Shares. The performance of the Retail Shares will differ due to differences in expenses.

During the period of time shown in the bar chart, the highest return for a calendar quarter was 27.59% for the quarter ended June 30, 2020, and the lowest return for a calendar quarter was -23.26% for the quarter ended March 31, 2020.

#### **Average Annual Total Returns**

(For the periods ended December 31, 2023)

	1 Year	5 Years	Since Inception
Institutional Shares			
Return Before Taxes	4.95%	6.09%	2.47%
Return After Taxes on Distributions	4.95%	5.97%	2.37%
Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares	2.93%	4.96%	2.07%
Retail Shares			
Return Before Taxes	4.78%	6.05%	2.40%
MSCI ACWI ex USA Net Index (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses, or taxes)	15.62%	7.08%	3.32%

Institutional Shares of the Fund commenced operations on February 14, 2018. Retail Shares of the Fund commenced operations on September 17, 2018. Performance shown for Retail Shares prior to inception (September 17, 2018) reflects the performance of Institutional Shares, and does not include expenses of the Retail Shares, which are higher than those of the Institutional Shares. The performance of the Retail Shares will differ from that of Institutional Shares due to differences in expenses.

After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown, and after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who are exempt from tax or hold their Fund shares through tax-deferred or other tax-advantaged arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts ("IRAs"). In certain cases, the figure representing "Return After Taxes on Distributions and Sale of Fund Shares" may be higher than the other return figures for the same period. A higher after-tax return results when a capital loss occurs upon redemption and provides an assumed tax deduction that benefits the investor. The after-tax returns are shown for Institutional Shares only and after-tax returns for Retail Shares will vary.

#### Management

**Investment Adviser and Sub-Advisor.** Dakota Investments LLC is the Fund's investment adviser. Hardman Johnston Global Advisors LLC is the Fund's sub-advisor.

**Portfolio Manager.** Cassandra A. Hardman, CFA, Chief Investment Officer and Chief Executive Officer of the Sub-Advisor, is primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund and has served as the Fund's Lead Portfolio Manager since January 1, 2020.

#### **Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares**

You may purchase or redeem Fund shares on any business day by written request via mail to: Dakota Funds, c/o U.S. Bank Global Fund Services, P.O. Box 701, Milwaukee, WI 53201-0701, by telephone at 1-833-627-6668, by wire transfer or through a financial intermediary. Investors who wish to purchase or redeem Fund shares through a financial intermediary should contact the intermediary directly. The minimum initial and subsequent investment amounts are shown below.

Share Purchase Amounts	<b>Institutional Shares</b>	<u>Retail Shares</u>
Minimum Initial Investment – All Accounts	\$100,000	\$3,000
Minimum Subsequent Investment – All Accounts	None	None

#### **Tax Information**

The Fund's distributions will be taxed as ordinary income or capital gains, unless you are investing through a tax-deferred or other tax-advantaged arrangement, such as a 401(k) plan or an IRA. You may be taxed later upon withdrawal of monies from tax-deferred arrangements.

#### Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries

If you purchase Fund shares through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the Fund, the Advisor and their related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of Fund shares and related services. These payments may create conflicts of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the Fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information.

## **Investment Objectives**

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.

*Change in Investment Objective*. The Fund's investment objective may be changed without the approval of the Fund's shareholders upon 60 days' prior written notice to shareholders. However, the Fund will not make any change in its investment policy of investing at least 80% of its net assets in investments suggested by the Fund's name without first changing the Fund's name and providing shareholders with at least 60 days' prior written notice.

## **Principal Investment Strategies**

The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing primarily in a select portfolio of equity securities of established companies domiciled in various countries throughout the world, excluding the U.S. The Fund typically invests in securities of issuers from at least six or more non-U.S. countries and in at least eight industries. The Fund holds a maximum of 25% of its net assets of companies in any single industry. The Fund generally maintains a focused portfolio of approximately 20 to 30 holdings. To mitigate risk, positions have a maximum weighting of 8.5% for any single security. The countries within the Index in which the Fund will invest will be determined by Hardman Johnston.

The Fund is "non-diversified," meaning that it may invest a greater percentage of its assets in a smaller number of companies than a diversified mutual fund.

Hardman Johnston looks for securities of companies it believes will increase in value over time. Hardman Johnston's investment philosophy is based on two key tenets: (1) earnings growth of a company drives its securities performance over time, and (2) there are short term inefficiencies in the market that create attractive opportunities to buy the securities of one or more companies.

Hardman Johnston's investment process involves four steps: idea generation, fundamental research, portfolio construction, and portfolio management. In the idea generation process, Hardman Johnston uses a proprietary screen and ranking system that distills the potential universe of international companies into a pool of companies in which the Fund may invest. The screen is run regularly and eliminates companies that Hardman Johnston expects to have less than 10% annual earnings growth over the next three to five years, based on estimates used by Hardman Johnston.

Hardman Johnston's ranking system then ranks the remaining companies using an analysis of growth and value factors based on the companies' fundamental financial characteristics. Hardman Johnston then selects certain companies ranked in the top 25% and performs in-depth fundamental research on those companies using the following criteria: (1) sustainable growth (*i.e.*, minimum of 10% earnings per share growth per annum over the next three to five years, high barriers to entry and market leadership, innovation/research and development, a sensible business plan, and/or secular tailwinds); (2) quality (*i.e.*, strong management, balance sheet strength, brand loyalty across products and services, and/or strong or improving business practices); and (3) attractive valuation (*i.e.*, attractive valuation relative to the company's growth and consideration of a company's price-earnings ratio, price/earnings to growth ratio, price-to-cash flow ratio, enterprise value to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization ratio, and discounted cash flow).

As part of its research, Hardman Johnston considers a company's environmental, social and governance ("ESG") characteristics as part of its overall analysis of the company's fundamental financial characteristics and reviews a variety of sources to inform its opinion of a company's overall attractiveness (*e.g.*, public company filings; reports from Glass Lewis & Co., the vendor engaged by Hardman Johnston to assist with proxy voting; ESG data aggregators; and publications from various academic and financial institutions).

The Fund's Lead Portfolio Manager is responsible for selecting securities and makes the final determination on all purchases and sales for the Fund. The Fund's Lead Portfolio Manager determines which companies' securities to purchase, while taking into account the number of industries and countries in which the Fund invests, as well as the size of a single position. Hardman Johnston also monitors the securities held by the Fund to determine whether its investment thesis and growth estimates remain appropriate. Hardman Johnston may sell securities held by the Fund if Hardman Johnston believes that a company's fundamental financial characteristics are deteriorating, if a company's earnings growth slows below Hardman Johnston's expectations, if a company falls in the bottom 25% in Hardman Johnston's ranking system, or if an investment position in a company becomes larger than desired as a result of market appreciation.

Under normal market conditions, the Fund will invest at least 80% of its net assets (plus any borrowings for investment purposes) in equity securities, without regard to market capitalization. The Fund's investments will generally consist of common stocks traded on a public securities exchange or market organized and regulated pursuant to the laws of the jurisdiction of such exchange. The Fund may also invest in ADRs (including unsponsored ADRs), GDRs, EDRs, and IDRs. The Fund may invest in securities of companies located or operating within developed markets, emerging markets, and frontier markets. The Fund's maximum exposure to emerging markets is expected to be 10% above the Index's weight.

The Fund may invest up to 100% of its net assets in cash, cash equivalents, time deposits, and highquality, short-term debt securities, money market mutual funds and money market instruments for temporary defensive purposes.

#### Additional Information About the Fund's Principal Investment Strategies

*Investments in Equity Securities.* The Fund may invest in companies of any market capitalization. Common stock represents a proportionate share of the ownership of a company and its value is based on the success of the company's business, any income paid to stockholders, the value of its assets, and general market conditions.

Investments in Securities of Foreign Issuers, Emerging Markets and Frontier Markets. In considering whether to invest in the securities of a foreign issuer, the Sub-Advisor considers such factors as the characteristics of the particular company, differences between economic trends and the performance of securities markets within the United States and those within other countries, and also factors relating to the general economic, governmental and social conditions of the country or countries where the company is located. The Fund may invest in securities of issuers located in emerging and frontier markets.

*Temporary Strategies; Cash or Similar Investments.* For temporary defensive purposes, in an attempt to respond to adverse market, economic, political, or other conditions, the Sub-Advisor may invest up to 100% of the Fund's total assets in high-quality, short-term debt securities and money market instruments. These short-term debt securities and money market instruments include shares of other mutual funds, commercial paper, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, U.S. Government securities and repurchase agreements. Taking a temporary defensive position may result in the Fund not achieving its investment objective. Furthermore, to the extent that the Fund invests in money market mutual funds for its cash position, there will be some duplication of expenses because the Fund would bear its pro rata portion of such money market funds' management fees and operational expenses.

#### Principal Risks of Investing in the Fund

Before investing in the Fund, you should carefully consider your own investment goals, the amount of time you are willing to leave your money invested, and the amount of risk you are willing to take. Remember, in addition to possibly not achieving your investment goals, **you could lose all or a portion of your investment in the Fund**. The following principal risks are applicable to investments in the Fund:

*General Market Risk; Recent Market Events.* The market value of a security may move up or down, sometimes rapidly and unpredictably. These fluctuations may cause a security to be worth less than the price originally paid for it, or less than it was worth at an earlier time. Market risk may affect a single issuer, industry, sector of the economy or the market as a whole. U.S. and international markets have experienced volatility in recent months and years due to a number of economic, political and global macro factors, including rising inflation, problems in the banking sector, wars between Russia and Ukraine and in the Middle East and the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) global pandemic. Uncertainties regarding interest rate levels, political events, conflicts in Europe and in the Middle East, trade tensions and the possibility of a national or global recession have also contributed to market volatility.

Global economies and financial markets are increasingly interconnected, which increases the possibility that conditions in one country or region might adversely impact issuers in a different country or region. In particular, a rise in protectionist trade policies, slowing global economic growth, risks associated with epidemic and pandemic diseases, risks surrounding the uncertainty of the UK's economy, the risk of trade disputes, and the possibility of changes to some international trade agreements, could affect the economies of many nations, including the United States, in ways that cannot necessarily be foreseen at the present time. Continuing market volatility as a result of recent market conditions or other events may have adverse effects on your account. The Advisor and Sub-Advisor will monitor developments and seek to manage the Fund in a manner consistent with achieving the Fund's investment objective, but there can be no assurance that it will be successful in doing so.

*Management Risk.* There can be no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective. The success of the Fund is significantly dependent on the expertise of the Sub-Advisor. The Sub-Advisor's past performance cannot be considered as an indication of the future results of the Sub-Advisor or the Fund.

*Equity Market Risk.* The Fund's equity investments may involve substantial risks and may be subject to wide and sudden fluctuations in market value, with a resulting fluctuation in the amount of profits and losses. Equity prices are directly affected by issuer-specific events, as well as general market conditions. Equity investments are subordinate to the claims of an issuer's creditors and, to the extent such securities are common securities, preferred stockholders. Dividends customarily paid to equity holders can be suspended or cancelled at any time. In addition, in many countries, investing in common stocks is subject to heightened regulatory and self-regulatory scrutiny as compared to investing in debt or other financial instruments. For the foregoing reasons, investments in equity securities can be highly speculative and carry a substantial risk of loss of principal.

*Foreign Securities Risk.* Foreign securities investments present a number of economic, financial and political considerations not typically associated with investments in domestic securities that could unfavorably affect your account's performance. Currency exchange rates and regulations may cause fluctuation in the value of foreign securities. The Fund's income from foreign issuers may be subject to non-U.S. withholding taxes. The Fund may also be subject to taxes on trading profits or on transfer of securities in some countries. The costs of buying and selling foreign securities, including brokerage, tax and custody costs are generally higher than those for domestic transactions. Foreign securities are subject to different regulatory environments than in the United States and, compared to the United States, there may be a lack of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards, less volume and liquidity and more volatility, less public information, and less regulation of foreign issuers. Countries have been known to expropriate or nationalize assets, and foreign investments may be subject to political, financial or social instability or adverse diplomatic developments. There may be difficulties in obtaining service of process on foreign issuers and difficulties in enforcing judgments with respect to claims under U.S. securities laws against such issuers. Favorable or unfavorable differences between U.S. and foreign economies could affect foreign securities values. The U.S. Government has, in the past, discouraged

certain foreign investments by U.S. investors through taxation or other restrictions and it is possible that such restrictions could be imposed again.

*Emerging and Frontier Markets Risk.* In addition to developed markets, the Fund may invest in emerging and frontier markets. In addition to the risks of foreign securities in general, countries in emerging and frontier markets are generally more volatile and can have relatively unstable governments, social and legal systems that do not protect shareholders, economies based on only a few industries and securities markets that trade a small number of issues. Taxation, restrictions on foreign investment and on currency convertibility and repatriation, currency fluctuations and other developments in laws and regulations of emerging and frontier markets could result in loss to the Fund. Frontier market countries generally have smaller economies and even less developed capital markets than emerging markets. As a result, the risks of investing in emerging markets are magnified in frontier markets, and include potential for extreme price volatility and illiquidity; government ownership or control of parts of the private sector and of certain companies; trade barriers, exchange controls, managed adjustments in relative currency values and other protectionist measures; and relatively new and unsettled securities laws.

In considering whether to invest in the securities of a foreign company, the Sub-Advisor may consider such factors as the characteristics of the particular company, differences between economic trends and the performance of securities markets within the U.S. and those within other countries, and also factors relating to the general economic, governmental and social conditions of the country or countries where the company is located. The extent to which the Fund will be invested in foreign companies and countries and depositary receipts will fluctuate from time to time, depending on the Sub-Advisor's assessment of prevailing market, economic and other conditions.

*Foreign Currency Risk.* The Fund may invest in securities or other instruments denominated in non-U.S. currencies. Such investments involve currency risks, including unfavorable currency exchange rate developments and political or governmental intervention in currency trading or valuation. These risks are higher in emerging markets. Because the Fund will determine its net asset value ("NAV") in U.S. dollars, with respect to trading on non-U.S. markets, it is subject to the risk of fluctuation in the exchange rate between the local currency and dollars and to the possibility of exchange controls.

Depositary Receipts Risk. The Fund may invest in ADRs, EDRs, GDRs and IDRs, which are securities representing securities of foreign issuers. Generally, ADRs are denominated in U.S. dollars and are designed for use in the U.S. securities markets. EDRs and GDRs represent a bank certificate issued in more than one country for shares in a foreign company. An IDR is issued by a depository bank representing ownership of stock of a foreign company held by the bank in trust. Depositary receipts are receipts typically issued by a U.S. bank or trust company evidencing ownership of the underlying securities issued by a foreign corporation. The Fund intends to purchase "sponsored" ADRs, which are ADRs that are issued jointly by the issuer of the underlying security and a depository. Depositary receipts may result in a withholding tax by the foreign country of source which will have the effect of reducing the income distributable to shareholders. For purposes of the Fund's investment policies, depositary receipts are deemed to have the same classification as the underlying securities they represent. For example, a depositary receipt representing ownership of common stock will be treated as common stock.

*Large Capitalization Risk.* Larger, more established companies may be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges such as changes in technology and consumer tastes. Larger capitalization companies also may not be able to attain the high growth rates of successful smaller companies. If valuations of large capitalization companies appear to be greatly out of proportion to the valuations of small or medium capitalization companies, investors may migrate to the stocks of small and medium-sized capitalization companies.

*Medium and Small Capitalization Risk.* Investing in medium and small capitalization companies may involve special risks because those companies may have narrower product lines, more limited financial resources, fewer experienced managers, dependence on a few key employees, and a more limited trading

market for their stocks, as compared with larger companies. In addition, securities of these companies are subject to the risk that, during certain periods, the liquidity of particular issuers or industries will shrink or disappear with little forewarning as a result of adverse economic or market conditions, or adverse investor perceptions, whether or not accurate. Securities of medium and smaller capitalization issuers may therefore be subject to greater price volatility and may decline more significantly in market downturns than securities of larger capitalization companies. Smaller and medium capitalization issuers may also require substantial additional capital to support their operations, to finance expansion or to maintain their competitive position, and may have substantial borrowings or may otherwise have a weak financial condition, and may be susceptible to bankruptcy. Transaction costs for these investments are often higher than those of larger capitalization companies. There is typically less publicly available information about medium and small capitalization companies.

*Non-Diversified Fund Risk.* The Fund is "non-diversified" and therefore is not required to meet certain diversification requirements under federal securities laws. The Fund may invest a greater percentage of its assets in the securities of a single issuer. However, a decline in the value of an investment in a single issuer could cause the Fund's overall value to decline to a greater degree than if the Fund held a more diversified portfolio.

*Operational Risk.* Operational risks include human error, changes in personnel, system changes, faults in communication, and failures in systems, technology, or processes. Various operational events or circumstances are outside the Advisor's or Sub-Advisor's control, including instances at third parties. The Fund, the Advisor, and the Sub-Advisor seek to reduce these operational risks through controls and procedures. However, these measures do not address every possible risk and may be inadequate to address these risks.

*Liquidity Risk.* Liquidity risk results when the market for a particular security or type of security or other investment is relatively illiquid, making it difficult, or even impossible, for the Fund to sell the security or other investment at the price at which the Fund has valued the security. Illiquidity may result from political, economic or issuer specific events, imbalances in supply and demand, changes in a specific market's size or structure, or general market disruptions. Securities or other investments with reduced liquidity may involve greater risk than securities with more liquid markets. From time to time trading opportunities may be more limited for a particular security or type of instrument in which the Fund may invest, making it more difficult to sell an investment at a favorable price or time or in response to a specific economic event. Consequently, the Fund may have to accept a lower price to sell an investment, sell other securities to raise cash or give up an investment opportunity, any of which could have a negative effect on its performance. Infrequent trading may also lead to an increase in a security's price volatility.

*Valuation Risk.* The sale price the Fund could receive for any particular portfolio investment may differ from the Fund's valuation of the investment, particularly for securities that trade in thin or volatile markets or that are valued using a fair value methodology. Investors who purchase or redeem Fund shares on days when the Fund is holding fair-valued securities may receive fewer or more shares or lower or higher redemption proceeds than they would have received if the Fund had not fair-valued the security or had used a different valuation methodology.

*Cybersecurity Risk.* The Fund, the Advisor, and the Sub-Advisor are each subject to risks associated with a breach in its cybersecurity. Cybersecurity is a generic term used to describe the technology, processes, and practices designed to protect networks, systems, computers, programs, and data from hacking by other computer users, other unauthorized access, and the resulting damage and disruption of hardware and software systems, loss or corruption of data, as well as misappropriation of confidential information. Cyber incidents affecting the Fund or its service providers may cause disruptions and impact business operations, potentially resulting in financial losses, interference with the Fund's ability to calculate its NAV, impediments to trading, the inability of shareholders to transact business, violations of applicable

privacy and other laws, regulatory fines, penalties, reputational damage, reimbursement or other compensation costs, or additional compliance costs. Similar adverse consequences could result from cyber incidents affecting issuers of securities in which the Fund invests, counterparties with which the Fund engages in transactions, governmental and other regulatory authorities, exchange and other financial market operators, banks, brokers, dealers, insurance companies and other financial institutions (including financial intermediaries and service providers for shareholders), and other parties. In addition, substantial costs may be incurred in order to prevent any cyber incidents in the future. While the Fund's service providers have established business continuity plans in the event of, and risk management systems to prevent, such cyber incidents, there are inherent limitations in such plans and systems, including the possibility that certain risks have not been identified. Furthermore, the Fund cannot control the cyber security plans and systems put in place by its service providers or any other third parties whose operations may affect the Fund or its shareholders. As a result, the Fund and its shareholders could be negatively impacted.

#### **Portfolio Holdings Information**

A description of the Fund's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of the Fund's portfolio holdings is available in the Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"). Disclosure of the Fund's holdings is required to be made quarterly within 60 days of the end of each fiscal quarter in the annual and semi-annual reports to Fund shareholders and in other regulatory filings. The annual and semi-annual reports to Fund shareholders are available free of charge by contacting the Fund, c/o U.S. Bank Global Fund Services, P.O. Box 701, Milwaukee, WI 53201-0701 or calling 1-833-627-6668, or by visiting the Fund's website at www.hardmanjohnstonfunds.com.

#### Voluntary Fee Waivers and/or Expense Reimbursements

Service providers to the Fund may, from time to time, voluntarily waive all or a portion of any fees to which they are entitled and/or reimburse certain expenses as they may determine from time to time. The Fund's service providers may discontinue or modify these voluntary actions at any time without notice. The Fund's performance will reflect the voluntary waiver of fees and/or the reimbursement of expenses, if any. Without these waivers and/or expense reimbursements, performance would be less favorable.

# Management of the Fund

#### **Investment Adviser**

Dakota Investments LLC, located at 925 W. Lancaster Avenue, Suite 220, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010, is a SEC-registered investment advisory firm formed in 2017. The Advisor has provided investment services to the Fund since 2018. As of the date of this Prospectus, the Advisor's only client is the Fund.

Pursuant to an investment advisory agreement between the Trust, on behalf of the Fund, and the Advisor, and subject to general oversight by the Board of Trustees, the Advisor manages and supervises the investment operations and business affairs of the Fund. The Advisor evaluates and selects the Sub-Advisor, and oversees the implementation of the Fund's investment program by the Sub-Advisor, subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees. The Advisor also furnishes the Fund with office space and certain administrative services and provides personnel needed to fulfill its obligations under the investment advisory agreement. The Fund compensates the Advisor for its services at the annual rate of 1.00% of its average daily net assets. For the fiscal year ended October 31, 2023, the Advisor received, after waivers and reimbursements, an advisory fee of 0.19% of the average daily net assets of the Fund.

*Fund Expenses.* The Fund is responsible for its own operating expenses. However, pursuant to an operating expense limitation agreement between the Advisor and the Fund, the Advisor has agreed to waive its management fees and/or reimburse expenses to ensure that the total amount of the Fund's operating expenses (excluding Excludable Expenses) does not exceed 1.00% of the Fund's average daily net assets. To the extent the Fund incurs Excludable Expenses, Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses

After Fee Waiver and/or Expense Reimbursement will exceed the applicable expense limitation. The Advisor may request recoupment of previously waived fees and paid expenses from the Fund for up to three years from the date such fees and expenses were waived or paid, subject to the operating expense limitation agreement, if such reimbursement will not cause the Fund's total expense ratio to exceed the lesser of: (1) the expense limitation in place at the time of the waiver and/or expense payment; or (2) the expense limitation in place at the time of the recoupment. The Fund must pay its current ordinary operating expenses before the Advisor is entitled to any recoupment of management fees and/or expenses. This operating expense limitation agreement is in effect through at least February 28, 2025, and may be terminated only by, or with the consent of, the Board of Trustees.

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board of Trustees' approval of the investment advisory agreement between the Advisor and the Trust, on behalf of the Fund is available in the Fund's <u>semi-annual report</u> to shareholders for the period ended April 30, 2023.

The Fund, as a series of the Trust, does not hold itself out as related to any other series of the Trust for purposes of investment and investor services, nor does it share the same investment adviser with any other series of the Trust.

#### Sub-Advisor

Hardman Johnston, the Fund's sub-advisor, is an independent, global equity boutique seeking to invest in high-quality growth companies at value prices. The firm was founded by Richard Johnston in 1985 and has provided investment services to clients for over three decades. Cassandra A. Hardman, CFA, Chief Investment Officer and Chief Executive Officer, joined the firm in 1997. Hardman Johnston is 100% employee-owned and Ms. Hardman is the majority owner. Hardman Johnston is located at 300 Atlantic Street, Suite 601, Stamford, Connecticut 06901.

Subject to supervision by the Advisor and the oversight of the Board of Trustees, the Sub-Advisor manages the investment program for the Fund, including the purchase, retention and disposition of investments in the Fund's portfolio, in accordance with the Fund's investment objective, policies and restrictions. The Advisor has ultimate responsibility to oversee the Sub-Advisor and recommend to the Board its hiring, termination, and replacement. In this capacity, the Advisor, among other things: (i) monitors the compliance of the Sub-Advisor with the investment objective and related policies of the Fund; (ii) reviews the performance of the Sub-Advisor; and (iii) reports periodically on the Sub-Advisor's performance to the Board. The Sub-Advisor is paid a sub-advisory fee by the Advisor for its services as sub-advisor to the Fund.

A discussion regarding the basis for the Board of Trustees' approval of the investment sub-advisory agreement between the Sub-Advisor and the Advisor is available in the Fund's <u>semi-annual report</u> to shareholders for the period ended April 30, 2023.

#### **Portfolio Manager**

The Fund is managed by Cassandra A. Hardman, CFA, Lead Portfolio Manager. Ms. Hardman is responsible for the day-to-day portfolio management of the Fund, according to the investment strategies and policies described in this Prospectus. James G. Pontone and Henry Woo, CFA, members of Hardman Johnston's International and Global investment teams, support Ms. Hardman in her role as Lead Portfolio Manager for the Fund.

*Cassandra A. Hardman, CFA*, is Chief Investment Officer and Chief Executive Officer of Hardman Johnston. Ms. Hardman is the Lead Portfolio Manager of the Fund. Prior to joining the firm in 1997, Ms. Hardman was Managing Director and Principal at PCM International, Inc., an affiliate of Prudential Financial. She has spent her entire career focused on international equity markets and managing separate and commingled institutional accounts. Ms. Hardman has a BA in Economics and an MBA in Finance from Rutgers University, and is a member of the CFA Society New York. Ms. Hardman is a shareholder in the firm.

*James G. Pontone* is a portfolio manager for Hardman Johnston, and he joined the firm in 2011. He is a member of the International and Global Investment teams and is responsible for covering global energy and financials. Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Pontone was a Principal and Senior Portfolio Manager at the Winchester Group. Prior to that, he was a Senior Portfolio Manager at Ark Asset Management for fourteen years. Mr. Pontone also held various positions at Morgan Stanley Asset Management, Mitchell Hutchins, and on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Mr. Pontone has a BA from Skidmore College and an MBA in Finance from New York University Stern School of Business. Mr. Pontone is a shareholder in the firm.

*Henry Woo, CFA* is the Director of Research and a portfolio manager for Hardman Johnston. Mr. Woo joined Hardman Johnston in 2007 and is responsible for the firm's research function. In addition, Mr. Woo is a member of the International and Global Investment teams and is responsible for covering global communication services. Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Woo was an equity research analyst on both the buy-side and sell-side at First Republic Investment Management, Citigroup Asset Management, and Bank of America Securities, after spending twelve years in the technology and telecommunications industry, with responsibilities in engineering, marketing, and management. Mr. Woo earned an SB in Computer Science and Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, an MSE in Computer Information Science from the University of Pennsylvania, and an MBA from Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He is a member of the CFA Society New York. Mr. Woo is a shareholder in the firm.

The SAI provides additional information about the Portfolio Manager's compensation, other accounts managed and ownership of the Fund's securities.

# **Shareholder Information**

#### **Pricing of Shares**

The price of the Fund's shares is based on its NAV. The NAV per share of the Fund is determined as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("Exchange") (generally 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time) ("Market Close") on each day that the Exchange is open for business (each, a "Business Day"). The NAV is calculated by adding the value of all securities and other assets in the Fund, deducting its liabilities, and dividing the balance by the number of outstanding shares in the Fund. The price at which a purchase or redemption is effected is based on the next calculation of NAV after the order is received by an authorized financial institution or U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, the Fund's transfer agent (the "Transfer Agent"), and under no circumstances will any order be accepted for purchase or redemption after the NAV calculation. Shares will only be priced on Business Days. In addition, foreign securities held by the Fund may trade on weekends or other days when the Fund does not calculate NAV. As a result, the market value of these investments may change on days when shares of the Fund cannot be bought or sold. Any order received after the close of trading on the Exchange will be processed at the NAV as determined as of the close of trading on the next day the Exchange is open. In addition, a foreign exchange may not value its listed securities at the same time that the Fund calculates its NAV.

The Fund values its assets based on current market values when such values are available. These prices normally are supplied by an independent pricing service. Equity securities held by the Fund which are listed on a national securities exchange, except those traded on the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. ("NASDAQ"), and for which market quotations are available, are valued at the last quoted sale price on the exchange on which the security is principally traded. Securities traded on NASDAQ are valued in accordance with the NASDAQ Official Closing Price, which may not be the last sale price.

Pricing services may use various valuation methodologies including matrix pricing and other analytical pricing models as well as market transactions and dealer quotations. The Board has appointed the Advisor as its designee (the "Valuation Designee") for all fair value determinations and responsibilities for the

Fund, subject to oversight by the Board. Assets and securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued in good faith in accordance with the Valuation Designee's procedures.

When the Fund uses fair value pricing to determine its NAV, securities will not be priced on the basis of quotations from the primary market in which they are traded, but rather may be priced by another method that the Valuation Designee believes accurately reflects fair value. The Fund's policy is intended to result in a calculation of the Fund's NAV that fairly reflects security values as of the time of pricing. However, fair values determined pursuant to the Valuation Designee's procedures may not accurately reflect the price that the Fund could obtain for a security if it were to dispose of that security as of the time of pricing.

Prices of foreign securities or other assets quoted in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at current rates. If a significant event occurs in a foreign market after the close of the exchange that may affect a security's value, such security may be valued at its fair value pursuant to the procedures discussed above. The Fund has retained a pricing service to assist in valuing foreign securities in order to adjust for possible changes in value that may occur between the close of the foreign exchange and the time at which the Fund calculates its NAV. The fair value pricing service may employ quantitative models in determining fair value.

#### **Description of Share Classes**

The Fund offers Institutional Shares and Retail Shares. The different classes represent investments in the same portfolio of securities, but the classes are subject to different expenses and distribution arrangements and may have different share prices as outlined below. You should always discuss the suitability of your investment with your broker-dealer or financial adviser.

*Institutional Shares*. Institutional Shares pay lower annual expenses than the Fund's Retail Shares. Institutional Shares are offered without sales charges, and are not subject to Rule 12b-1 distribution or shareholder servicing fees. Institutional Shares are offered only to institutional investors or through certain financial intermediary accounts or retirement plans, subject to the investment minimum for opening accounts. Institutional Shares are available to the following:

- institutional investors;
- IRAs;
- certain financial institutions, endowments, foundations, government entities or corporations investing on their own behalf;
- existing Institutional class shareholders;
- Trustees of the Trust, former trustees of the Trust, employees of affiliates of the Fund and the Advisor or Sub-Advisor and other individuals who are affiliated with the Fund (this also applies to any spouse, parents, children, siblings, grandparents, grandchildren and in-laws of those mentioned) and Advisor or Sub-Advisor affiliate employee benefit plans; and
- wrap fee programs of certain broker-dealers (please consult your financial representative to determine if your wrap fee program is subject to additional or different conditions or fees).

*Retail Shares*. Retail Shares are sold without sales charges, and are subject to a Rule 12b-1 distribution and shareholder servicing fee of 0.25% of the average daily net assets of the Fund attributable to Retail Shares, computed on an annual basis (discussed below in the section entitled "Distribution and Shareholder Servicing (Rule 12b-1) Plan – Retail Shares"). The Rule 12b-1 distribution fee compensates your financial intermediary for providing distribution services.

*Conversions Between Share Classes.* You may convert shares of one share class of the Fund for a different share class of the Fund if you meet the minimum initial investment, eligibility criteria and other requirements for investment in the share class you are converting into at the time of the conversion. Share class conversions are based on the relevant NAVs of the applicable share classes at the time of the conversion, and no charge is imposed. A conversion from one class to another within the Fund will

generally not be a taxable transaction. To obtain more information about share class conversions, or to place conversion orders, contact the Transfer Agent, or, if your shares are held in an account with a financial intermediary, contact the financial intermediary directly. Your financial intermediary may impose conditions on such transactions in addition to those disclosed in this Prospectus, or may not permit share class conversions. The Fund reserves the right to modify or eliminate the share class conversion feature.

#### **Purchase of Shares**

The Fund's shares are offered on a continuous basis and are sold without any sales charges. You may purchase shares as specified below. Minimum amounts for investment in the Fund are shown below. The Fund reserves the right to change the criteria for eligible investors and investment minimums.

Share Purchase Amounts	<b>Institutional Shares</b>	<u>Retail Shares</u>
Minimum Initial Investment – All Accounts	\$100,000	\$3,000
Minimum Subsequent Investment – All Accounts	None	None

Shares of the Fund have not been registered for sale outside of the United States. The Fund generally does not sell shares to investors residing outside the United States, even if they are United States citizens or lawful permanent residents, except to investors with United States military APO or FPO addresses.

**By Mail:** You may purchase shares by sending a check in U.S. dollars drawn on a U.S. bank payable to the Hardman Johnston International Growth Fund, indicating the name and share class of the Fund you are purchasing, and the dollar amount to be purchased, along with a completed application. If a subsequent investment is being made, write your account number on the check and send it together with the Invest by Mail form from your most recent confirmation statement received from the Transfer Agent. If you do not have the Invest by Mail form, include the Fund name, your name, address, and account number on a separate piece of paper along with your check. The Fund will not accept payment in cash or money orders. The Fund does not accept post-dated checks or any conditional order or payment. To prevent check fraud, the Fund will not accept third party checks, Treasury checks, credit card checks, traveler's checks or starter checks for the purchase of shares. Send the check and account application to:

#### **Regular mail:**

Dakota Funds c/o U.S. Bank Global Fund Services P. O. Box 701 Milwaukee, WI 53201-0701

#### **Overnight mail:**

Dakota Funds c/o U.S. Bank Global Fund Services 615 East Michigan Street, 3rd Floor Milwaukee, WI 53202

The Fund does not consider the U.S. Postal Service or other independent delivery services to be its agent. Therefore, deposit in the mail or with such services, or receipt at the Transfer Agent's post office box, of purchase orders does not constitute receipt by the Transfer Agent. Receipt of purchase orders is based on when the order is received at the Transfer Agent's offices. Purchase orders must be received prior to Market Close to be eligible for same day pricing.

**By Wire**: If you are making your first investment in the Fund by wire, before you wire funds the Transfer Agent must have a completed account application. You may mail or deliver overnight your account application to the Transfer Agent at the addresses provided under "By Mail" above. Upon receipt of your completed account application, the Transfer Agent will establish an account for you. The account number assigned will be required as part of the instruction that should be provided to your bank to send the wire.

Your bank must include the name of the Fund, the account number, and your name so that monies can be correctly applied.

Before sending funds for initial or subsequent investment by wire, please contact the Transfer Agent to advise them of your intent to wire funds. This will ensure prompt and accurate credit upon receipt of your wire. Wired funds must be received prior to Market Close to be eligible for same day pricing. The Fund and U.S. Bank, N.A. are not responsible for the consequences of delays resulting from the banking or Federal Reserve wire system, or from incomplete wiring instructions. Your bank should transmit funds by wire to:

Wire to:	U.S. Bank N.A.
ABA Number:	075000022
Credit:	U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC
Account:	112-952-137
Further Credit:	Dakota Funds
	(name of Fund you are investing in)
	(Shareholder Name/Account Registration)
	(Shareholder Account Number)

**By Telephone:** Investors may purchase additional shares of the Fund by calling, toll-free, 1-833-627-6668. If you did not decline this option on your account application, and your account has been open for at least 7 business days, telephone orders in any amount will be accepted via electronic funds transfer from your bank account through the Automated Clearing House ("ACH") network. You must have banking information established on your account prior to making a purchase. If your order is received prior to Market Close, your shares will be purchased at the NAV calculated on the day your order is placed.

Purchase orders by telephone must be received by or prior to Market Close. During periods of high market activity, shareholders may encounter higher than usual call waits. Please allow sufficient time to place your telephone transaction.

**Automatic Investment Plan:** Once your account has been opened you may make additional purchases of the Fund at regular intervals through the Automatic Investment Plan ("AIP"). The AIP provides a convenient method to have monies deducted from your financial institution account for investment into the Fund on a monthly, quarterly, or semi-annual basis. In order to participate in the AIP, each purchase must be in the amount of \$100 or more, and your financial institution must be a member of the ACH network. To begin participating in the AIP, please complete the AIP section on the account application or call the Transfer Agent at 1-833-627-6668 for instructions. Any request to change or terminate your AIP should be submitted to the Transfer Agent at least five days prior to the effective date.

Additional Information Regarding Purchases: Purchase orders received by the Transfer Agent in good order before Market Close will be priced at the NAV that is determined as of Market Close. Purchase orders received in good order after Market Close will be priced as of the close of regular trading on the following Business Day. "Good order" means that the purchase request includes all accurate required information. Purchase requests not in good order may be rejected.

Any purchase order may be rejected if the Fund determines that accepting the order would not be in the best interest of the Fund or its shareholders. The Fund reserves the right to reject any account application. The Transfer Agent will charge a \$25 fee against a shareholder's account, in addition to any loss sustained by the Fund, for any check or other method of payment that is returned. It is the policy of the Fund not to accept applications under certain circumstances or in amounts considered disadvantageous to shareholders. The Fund reserves the right to suspend the offering of shares.

#### **Redemption of Shares**

You may sell (redeem) your shares on any Business Day. Redemptions are effected at the NAV next determined after the Transfer Agent or authorized financial intermediary has received your redemption request. The Fund's name, the share class name, your account number, the number of shares or dollar amount you would like redeemed and the signatures of all shareholders whose names appear on the account registration should accompany any redemption requests. You may elect to have redemption proceeds paid by check, by wire (for amounts of \$1,000 or more) or by electronic funds transfer via ACH. Proceeds will be sent to the address or bank account on record. For payment through the ACH network, your bank must be an ACH member and your bank account information must be maintained on your Fund account. If you purchased your shares through a financial intermediary (as discussed under "Purchasing and Redeeming Shares Through a Financial Intermediary," below) you should contact the financial intermediary for information relating to redemptions.

The Fund typically expects to pay redemption proceeds on the next Business Day after the redemption request is received in good order and prior to Market Close, regardless of whether the redemption proceeds are sent via check, wire, or ACH transfer. "Good order" means your redemption request includes: (1) the name of the Fund, (2) the number of shares or dollar amount to be redeemed, (3) the account number and (4) signatures of all shareholders whose names appear on the account registration with a signature guarantee, if applicable. If the Fund has sold securities to generate cash to meet your redemption request, the redemption proceeds may be postponed until the first Business Day after the Fund receives the sales proceeds. Under unusual circumstances, the Fund may suspend redemptions, or postpone payment for up to seven days, as permitted by federal securities law. The Fund typically expects to meet redemption requests by paying out proceeds from cash or cash equivalent portfolio holdings, or by selling portfolio holdings if consistent with the management of the Fund. The Fund may also temporarily borrow from banks to meet redemption requests. The Fund reserves the right to redeem inkind as described under "In-Kind Redemptions," below. Redemptions in-kind are typically used to meet redemption requests that represent a large percentage of the Fund's net assets in order to minimize the effect of large redemptions on the Fund and its remaining shareholders. Redemptions in-kind may be used regularly, and may also be used in stressed market conditions. If shares to be redeemed represent a recent investment made by check or ACH transfer, the Fund reserves the right to not make the redemption proceeds available until it has reasonable grounds to believe that the check or ACH transfer has been collected (which may take up to 10 calendar days). Shareholders can avoid this delay by utilizing the wire purchase option.

**By Mail**: If you redeem your shares by mail, you must submit written instructions which indicate the Fund's name and class you are redeeming shares from, your account number, the number of shares or dollar amount you would like redeemed and the signatures of all shareholders whose names appear on the account registration along with a signature guarantee, if applicable. Your redemption request should be sent to:

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**By Wire**: Wires are subject to a \$15 fee paid by you, but you do not incur any charge when proceeds are sent via the ACH system.

**By Telephone**: If you prefer to redeem your shares by telephone and you did not decline telephone options on your account application. You may then initiate a redemption of shares up to the amount of \$50,000 by calling the Transfer Agent at 1-833-627-6668. Adding telephone options to an existing account may require a signature guarantee or other acceptable form of authentication from a financial institution source.

Investors may have a check sent to the address of record, may wire proceeds to a shareholder's bank account of record, or proceeds may be sent via electronic funds transfer through the ACH network, also to the bank account of record.

Redemption requests must be received by or before the close of regular trading on the Exchange on any Business Day. During periods of high market activity, shareholders may encounter higher than usual call waits. Please allow sufficient time to place your telephone transaction. If you are unable to contact the Fund by telephone, you may mail your redemption request in writing to the address noted above. Once a telephone transaction has been accepted, it may not be canceled or modified after Market Close.

Before executing an instruction received by telephone, the Transfer Agent will use reasonable procedures to confirm that the telephone instructions are genuine. The telephone call may be recorded and the caller may be asked to verify certain personal identification information. If the Fund or its agents follow these procedures, they cannot be held liable for any loss, expense or cost arising out of any telephone redemption request that is reasonably believed to be genuine. This includes fraudulent or unauthorized requests. If an account has more than one owner or authorized person, the Fund will accept telephone instructions from any one owner or authorized person.

**Systematic Withdrawal Plan**: As another convenience, you may redeem your Fund shares through the Systematic Withdrawal Plan ("SWP"). Under the SWP, you may choose to receive a specified dollar amount, generated from the redemption of shares in your account, on a monthly, quarterly, or annual basis. In order to participate in the SWP, your account balance must be at least \$10,000 and each payment should be a minimum of \$100. If you elect this method of redemption, the Fund will send a check to your address of record, or will send the payment via electronic funds transfer through the ACH network directly to your bank account. The SWP may be terminated at any time by the Fund. You may also elect to terminate your participation in the SWP at any time by contacting the Transfer Agent at least 5 days prior to the next withdrawal. A withdrawal under the SWP involves a redemption of shares and may result in a gain or loss for federal income tax purposes. In addition, if the amount requested to be withdrawn exceeds the amount available in your Fund account, which includes any dividends credited to your account, the account will ultimately be depleted.

**In-Kind Redemptions:** The Fund reserves the right to honor redemption requests by making payment in whole or in part by a distribution of securities from the Fund's portfolio (a "redemption-in-kind"), and may do so in the form of pro-rata slices of the Fund's portfolio, individual securities or a representative basket of securities. Redemptions in-kind are taxable in the same manner to a redeeming shareholder as redemptions paid in cash for federal income tax purposes. Securities redeemed in-kind will be subject to market risk until they are sold. In addition, the sale of securities received in-kind may be subject to brokerage fees, and may give rise to taxable gains or losses.

**Retirement Accounts:** Shareholders who have an IRA or other retirement plan must indicate on their written redemption request whether or not to withhold federal income tax. Redemption requests failing to indicate an election not to have tax withheld will generally be subject to 10% withholding. Shares held in IRAs and other retirement accounts may be redeemed by telephone at 1-833-627-6668. You will be asked whether or not to withhold taxes from any distribution.

**Signature Guarantees**: A signature guarantee, from either a Medallion program member or a non-Medallion program member, is required in the following situations:

- If ownership is being changed on your account;
- When redemption proceeds are payable or sent to any person, address or bank account not on record;
- When a redemption is received by the Transfer Agent and the account address has been changed within the last 30 calendar days; or
- For all redemptions in excess of \$50,000 from any shareholder account.

The Fund may waive any of the above requirements in certain instances. In addition to the situations described above, the Fund and/or the Transfer Agent reserve the right to require a signature guarantee in other instances based on the circumstances relative to the particular situation.

Non-financial transactions, including establishing or modifying certain services on an account, may require a signature guarantee, signature verification from a Signature Validation Program member, or other acceptable form of authentication from a financial institution source.

Signature guarantees will generally be accepted from domestic banks, brokers, dealers, credit unions, national securities exchanges, registered securities associations, clearing agencies and savings associations, as well as from participants in the New York Stock Exchange Medallion Signature Program and the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program ("STAMP"). A notary public is not an acceptable signature guarantor.

#### Purchasing and Redeeming Shares Through a Financial Intermediary

You may purchase and redeem shares of the Fund through certain financial intermediaries (and their agents) that have made arrangements with the Fund to sell its shares and receive purchase and redemption orders on behalf of the Fund. When you place your purchase or redemption order with such a financial intermediary, your order is treated as if you had placed it directly with the Transfer Agent, and you will pay or receive the next NAV calculated by the Fund. Financial intermediaries may be authorized by the Distributor to designate other financial intermediaries to accept orders on the Fund's behalf. An order is deemed to be received when the Fund, a financial intermediary or, if applicable, a financial intermediary's authorized designee accepts the order. The financial intermediary holds your shares in an omnibus account in the financial intermediary may charge you a fee for handling your purchase and redemption orders. The financial intermediary is responsible for processing your order correctly and promptly, keeping you advised regarding the status of your individual account, confirming your transactions and ensuring that you receive copies of the Fund's Prospectus.

The Distributor, on behalf of the Fund, may enter into agreements with financial intermediaries that provide recordkeeping, transaction processing and other administrative services for customers who own Fund shares. The Advisor and/or its affiliates may pay financial intermediaries for such services. The fee charged by financial intermediaries may be based on the number of accounts or may be a percentage of the average value of accounts for which the financial intermediary provides services.

The Advisor has entered into an agreement with Dakota Funds Group for sales, marketing, and client service support. Dakota Funds Group is a marketing firm that specializes in raising capital for active boutique investment management firms and their strategies. The Advisor is under common ownership and control with Dakota Funds Group. Pursuant to the agreement, the Advisor will pay Dakota Funds Group a

percentage of the Advisor's gross management fee, net of fees paid to financial intermediaries, based on assets raised through Dakota clients in the Fund.

#### **Frequent Purchases and Redemptions**

The Fund is intended to be a long-term investment vehicle and is not designed to provide investors with a means of speculating on short-term market movements (market timing). "Market timing" generally refers to frequent or excessive trades into or out of a mutual fund in an effort to anticipate changes in market prices of its investment portfolio. Frequent purchases and redemptions of Fund shares can disrupt the management of the Fund, negatively affect the Fund's performance, and increase expenses for all of the Fund's shareholders. In particular, frequent trading can: (i) force the Fund's portfolio manager to hold larger cash positions than desired instead of fully investing the Fund, which can result in lost investment opportunities; (ii) cause unplanned and inopportune portfolio turnover in order to meet redemption requests; (iii) increase broker-dealer commissions and other transaction costs as well as administrative costs for the Fund; and (iv) trigger taxable gains for other shareholders. Also, some frequent traders engage in arbitrage strategies, by which these traders seek to exploit pricing anomalies that can occur when the Fund invests in securities that are thinly traded or are traded primarily in markets outside of the U.S. Frequent traders using arbitrage strategies can dilute the Fund's NAV for long-term shareholders.

# If you intend to trade frequently or use market timing investment strategies, you should not purchase shares of the Fund.

The Board has adopted policies and procedures with respect to frequent purchases and redemptions of Fund shares. The Fund's policy is intended to discourage excessive trading in the Fund's shares that may harm long-term investors and to make reasonable efforts to detect and deter excessive trading. The Fund reserves the right to reject any purchase request order at any time and for any reason, without prior written notice. The Fund may, in certain circumstances, reverse a transaction determined to be abusive. In applying these policies, the Fund considers the information available at the time and may consider trading activity in multiple accounts under common ownership, control, or influence.

When excessive or short-term trading is detected, the party involved may be banned from future trading in the Fund. Judgments related to the rejection of purchase and the banning of future trades are inherently subjective and involve some selectivity. The Fund will seek to make judgments and applications of the Fund's policy that are consistent with the interests of the Fund's shareholders.

There is no guarantee that the Fund or its agents will be able to detect market timing or abusive trading activity or the shareholders engaged in such activity, or, if it is detected, to prevent its recurrence.

In order for a financial intermediary to purchase shares of the Fund for an "omnibus" account, in nominee name or on behalf of another person, the Trust will enter into shareholder information agreements with such financial intermediary or its agent. These agreements require each financial intermediary to provide the Fund access, upon request, to information about underlying shareholder transaction activity in these accounts. If a shareholder information agreement has not been entered into by a financial intermediary, such financial intermediary will be prohibited from purchasing Fund shares for an "omnibus" account, in nominee name or on behalf of another person.

The Fund's policies for deterring excessive trading in Fund shares are intended to be applied uniformly to all Fund shareholders to the extent practicable. Some intermediaries, however, maintain omnibus accounts in which they aggregate orders of multiple investors and forward the aggregated orders to the Fund. Because the Fund receives these orders on an aggregated basis and because these omnibus accounts may trade with numerous fund families with differing market timing policies, the Fund is substantially limited in its ability to identify or deter excessive traders or other abusive traders. The Fund will use its best efforts to obtain the cooperation of intermediaries to identify excessive traders and to prevent or limit abusive trading activity to the extent practicable. Nonetheless, the Fund's ability to identify and deter frequent purchases and redemptions of Fund shares through omnibus accounts is limited. The Fund's

success in accomplishing the objectives of the policies concerning excessive trading in Fund shares in this context depends significantly upon the cooperation of the intermediaries, which may have adopted their own policies regarding excessive trading which are different than those of the Fund. In some cases, the Fund may rely on the excessive trading policies of the financial intermediaries in lieu of applying the Fund's policies when the Fund believes that the policies are reasonably designed to prevent excessive trading practices that are detrimental to the Fund.

If a financial intermediary fails to enforce the Fund's policies with respect to market timing and other abusive trading activity, the Fund may take other actions, including terminating its relationship with such financial intermediary.

#### **Other Fund Policies**

**Small Accounts**: If the value of your account falls below the investment minimum, the Fund may ask you to increase your balance. If the account value is still below the investment minimum after 60 days, the Fund may redeem your shares, close your account, and send you the proceeds. The Fund will not close your account if it falls below the investment minimum solely as a result of a reduction in your account's market value.

**Customer Identification Program**: In compliance with the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001, please note that the Transfer Agent will verify certain information on your Account Application as part of the Fund's Anti-Money Laundering Program. As requested on the Application, you must supply your full name, date of birth, social security number and permanent street address. Permanent addresses containing only a P.O. Box will not be accepted. If you are opening an account in the name of a legal entity (*e.g.*, a partnership, business trust, limited liability company, corporation, etc.), you will be required to supply the identity of the beneficial owner or controlling person(s) of the legal entity prior to the opening of your account. Additional information may be required in certain circumstances. Applications without such information may not be accepted. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Fund reserves the right to: (i) place limits on transactions in an investor's account until the investor's identity is verified; (ii) refuse an investment in the Fund; or (iii) involuntarily redeem an investor's shares and close an account in the event that an investor's identity is not verified.

**Householding**: You may occasionally receive proxy statements and other regulatory documents for the Fund. In an effort to decrease costs and to reduce the volume of mail you receive, when possible, only one copy of these documents will be sent to shareholders who are part of the same family and share the same address. If you would like to discontinue householding for your accounts please call, toll-free, 1-833-627-6668 to request individual copies of these documents. Once the Fund receives notice to stop householding, we will begin sending individual copies thirty days after receiving your request. This policy does not apply to account statements.

Lost Shareholders: It is important that the Fund maintains a correct address for each shareholder. An incorrect address may cause a shareholder's account statements and other mailings to be returned to the Fund. Based upon statutory requirements for returned mail, the Fund will attempt to locate the shareholder or rightful owner of the account. If the Fund is unable to locate the shareholder, then it will determine whether the shareholder's account can legally be considered abandoned. Your mutual fund account may be transferred to your state of residence if no activity occurs within your account during the "inactivity period" specified in your state's abandoned property laws. The Fund is legally obligated to escheat (or transfer) abandoned property to the appropriate state's unclaimed property administrator in accordance with statutory requirements. The shareholder's last known address of record determines which state has jurisdiction. Shareholders with a state of residence in Texas have the ability to designate a representative to receive legislatively required unclaimed property due diligence notifications. Please contact the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts for further information.

# **Distribution of Fund Shares**

#### The Distributor

The Trust has entered into a Distribution Agreement with Vigilant Distributors, LLC, (the "Distributor"), located at Gateway Corporate Center Ste 216, 223 Wilmington West Chester Pike, Chadds Ford, PA 19317, pursuant to which the Distributor acts as the Fund's principal underwriter, provides certain administration services and promotes and arranges for the sale of Fund shares. The offering of Fund shares is continuous, and the Distributor distributes Fund shares on a best efforts basis. The Distributor is not obligated to sell any certain number of shares of the Fund. The Distributor is a registered broker-dealer and member of FINRA.

#### Distribution and Shareholder Servicing (Rule 12b-1) Plan – Retail Shares

The Fund has adopted a distribution and shareholder servicing plan pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Rule 12b-1 Plan") on behalf of its Retail Shares. Under the Rule 12b-1 Plan, Retail Shares pay the Distributor or other authorized recipients a Rule 12b-1 fee at an annual rate of 0.25% of their average daily net assets. The Distributor uses this Rule 12b-1 fee primarily to finance activities that promote the distribution and sale of Retail Shares. Such activities include, but are not necessarily limited to, compensating brokers, dealers, financial intermediaries and sales personnel for distribution and shareholder services, printing and mailing prospectuses to persons other than current shareholders, printing and mailing sales literature, and advertising. Because Rule 12b-1 fees are paid out of the Fund's assets on an ongoing basis, over time these fees will increase the cost of your investment in Retail Shares and may cost you more than paying other types of sales charges. The Distributor or the Fund may select financial institutions, such as banks, fiduciaries, custodians, investment advisers and broker-dealers, as agents to provide sales or administrative services for their clients or customers who beneficially own Retail Shares. Financial institutions will receive Rule 12b-1 fees from the Distributor based upon Retail Shares owned by their clients or customers. Institutional Shares of the Fund are not subject to the Rule 12b-1 Plan, and do not pay Rule 12b-1 fees.

#### **Payments to Financial Intermediaries**

The Advisor, out of its own resources and legitimate profits and without additional cost to the Fund or its shareholders, may provide cash payments to certain intermediaries, sometimes referred to as revenue sharing. The Advisor may make revenue sharing payments to intermediaries for shareholder services or distribution-related services, such as: marketing support; access to third party platforms; access to sales meetings, sales representatives and management representatives of the intermediary; and inclusion of the Fund on a sales list, including a preferred or select sales list, and in other sales programs. The Advisor may also pay cash compensation in the form of finder's fees that vary depending on the dollar amount of the shares sold. From time to time, and in accordance with applicable rules and regulations, the Advisor may also provide non-cash compensation to representatives of various intermediaries who sell Fund shares or provide services to Fund shareholders.

# **Distributions and Taxes**

#### Distributions

Distributions from the Fund's net investment income, if any, are declared and paid annually. Any net capital gain realized by the Fund also will be distributed annually.

Distributions are payable to shareholders as of the record date (including holders of shares being redeemed, but excluding holders of shares being purchased). All distributions will be reinvested in additional Fund shares, unless you choose one of the following options: (1) receive distributions of net capital gain in cash, while reinvesting net investment income distributions in additional Fund shares; (2) receive all distributions in cash; or (3) reinvest net capital gain distributions in additional Fund shares, while receiving distributions of net investment income in cash. The Fund's distributions, whether

received in cash or reinvested in additional shares of the Fund, may be subject to federal, state and local income tax.

If you wish to change your distribution option, write to or call the Transfer Agent in advance of the payment date of the distribution. However, any such change will be effective only as to distributions for which the record date is five or more calendar days after the Transfer Agent has received the request.

If you elect to receive distributions in cash and the U.S. Postal Service is unable to deliver your check, or if a check remains uncashed for six months, the Fund reserves the right to reinvest the distribution check in your account at the Fund's then current NAV per share and to reinvest all subsequent distributions.

#### **Federal Income Tax Consequences**

Changes in income tax laws, potentially with retroactive effect, could impact the Fund's investments or the tax consequences to you of investing in the Fund.

Distributions of the Fund's investment company taxable income (which includes, but is not limited to, interest, dividends, net short-term capital gain and net gain from foreign currency transactions), if any, are generally taxable to the Fund's shareholders as ordinary income. Although the Fund expects that most or all of its distributions of investment company taxable income will be taxed at the federal income tax rates applicable to ordinary income, for a non-corporate shareholder, to the extent that the Fund's distributions of investment company taxable income are attributable to and reported as "qualified dividend" income (generally, dividends received by the Fund from U.S. corporations, corporations incorporated in a possession of the U.S., and certain foreign corporations that are eligible for the benefits of a comprehensive tax treaty with the U.S.), such income may be subject to tax at the reduced federal income tax rates applicable to long-term capital gain, if certain holding period requirements have been satisfied by the shareholder. For a corporate shareholder, a portion of the Fund's distributions of investment company taxable income may qualify for the intercorporate dividends-received deduction to the extent the Fund receives dividends directly or indirectly from U.S. corporations, reports the amount distributed as eligible for the deduction and the corporate shareholder meets certain holding period requirements with respect to its shares. To the extent that the Fund's distributions of investment company taxable income are attributable to net short-term capital gain, such distributions will be treated as ordinary income and generally cannot be offset by a shareholder's capital losses from other investments.

Except in the case of certain exempt shareholders, if a shareholder does not furnish the Fund with its correct Taxpayer Identification Number and certain certifications or the Fund receives notification from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") requiring back-up withholding, the Fund is required by federal law to withhold federal income tax from the shareholder's distributions and redemption proceeds at a rate set under Section 3406 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for United States residents.

Distributions of the Fund's net capital gain (net long-term capital gain less net short-term capital loss) are generally taxable to the Fund's shareholders as long-term capital gain regardless of the length of time that a shareholder has owned Fund shares. Distributions of net capital gain are not eligible for qualified dividend income treatment or the dividends-received deduction referenced above.

You will be taxed in the same manner whether you receive your distributions (of investment company taxable income or net capital gain) in cash or reinvest them in additional Fund shares. Distributions are generally taxable when received. However, distributions declared in October, November or December to shareholders of record and paid the following January are taxable as if received on December 31.

In addition to the federal income tax, certain individuals, trusts and estates may be subject to a Net Investment Income ("NII") tax of 3.8%. The NII tax is imposed on the lesser of: (i) the taxpayer's investment income, net of deductions properly allocable to such income; or (ii) the amount by which the taxpayer's modified adjusted gross income exceeds certain thresholds (\$250,000 for married individuals filing jointly, \$200,000 for unmarried individuals and \$125,000 for married individuals filing separately). The Fund's distributions are includable in a shareholder's investment income for purposes of this NII tax.

In addition, any capital gain realized by a shareholder upon a sale or redemption of Fund shares is includable in such shareholder's investment income for purposes of this NII tax.

Shareholders that sell or redeem shares generally will have a capital gain or loss from the sale or redemption. The amount of the gain or loss and the applicable rate of federal income tax will depend generally upon the amount paid for the shares, the amount received from the sale or redemption (including in-kind redemptions) and how long the shares were held by a shareholder. Gain or loss realized upon a sale or redemption of Fund shares will generally be treated as a long-term capital gain or loss if the shares have been held for more than one year and, if held for one year or less, as short-term capital gain or loss. Any loss arising from the sale or redemption of shares held for six months or less, however, is treated as a long-term capital loss to the extent of any distributions of net capital gain received or deemed to be received with respect to such shares. In determining the holding period of such shares for this purpose, any period during which your risk of loss is offset by means of options, short sales or similar transactions is not counted. If you purchase Fund shares (through reinvestment of distributions or otherwise) within 30 days before or after selling or redeeming other Fund shares at a loss, all or part of that loss will not be deductible and will instead increase the basis of the new shares.

Some foreign governments levy withholding taxes against dividends and interest income. Although in some countries a portion of these taxes is recoverable, the non-recovered portion will reduce the return on the Fund's securities. If more than 50% of the value of the Fund's total assets at the close of its taxable year consists of stock and securities in foreign corporations, the Fund will be eligible to, and may, file an election with the IRS that would enable the Fund's shareholders, in effect, to receive the benefit of the foreign tax credit with respect to any income taxes paid by the Fund to foreign countries and U.S. possessions. If the Fund makes such an election, you will be notified. Please see the SAI for additional information regarding the foreign tax credit.

The Fund is required to report to certain shareholders and the IRS the adjusted cost basis of Fund shares acquired on or after January 1, 2012 when those shareholders subsequently sell or redeem those shares. The Fund will determine adjusted cost basis using the average cost method unless you elect in writing any alternate IRS-approved cost basis method. Please see the SAI for more information regarding cost basis reporting.

The federal income tax status of all distributions made by the Fund for the preceding year will be annually reported to shareholders. Distributions made by the Fund may also be subject to state and local taxes. Additional tax information may be found in the SAI.

This section is not intended to be a full discussion of federal income tax laws and the effect of such laws on you. There may be other federal, state, foreign or local tax considerations applicable to a particular investor. You are urged to consult your own tax advisor.

# **Financial Highlights**

The following financial highlights tables are intended to help you understand the financial performance information for Institutional Shares and Retail Shares of the Fund for the fiscal years shown. Certain information reflects financial results for a single Fund share. The total returns in the tables represent the rate that you would have earned or lost on an investment in the Fund (assuming you reinvested all dividends and distributions).

Information in the tables for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2023 has been audited by Cohen & Company, Ltd. ("Cohen"), the independent registered public accounting firm of the Fund. Information in the tables for prior fiscal years was audited by BBD, LLP. Cohen's report, along with the Fund's financial statements, is included in the Fund's 2023 <u>annual report</u> to shareholders, which is available, without charge, upon request.

## For a capital share outstanding throughout each year

Institutional Shares	Year Ended October 31, 2023	Year Ended October 31, 2022	Year Ended October 31, <u>2021</u>	Year Ended October 31, <u>2020</u>	Year Ended October 31, 2019
Net Asset Value – Beginning of Year	\$8.74	\$14.54	\$11.11	\$10.23	\$9.15
Income from Investment Operations:					
Net investment income/ $(loss)^1$	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.07)	(0.05)	0.09
Net realized and unrealized gain	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.07)	(0.00)	0.03
(loss) on investments	1.19	(5.62)	3.50	1.48	0.99
Total from investment operations	1.18	(5.65)	3.43	1.43	1.08
Less Distributions: Dividends from net investment					
income				(0.55)	
Distributions from net realized gains		(0.15)			
Total distributions		(0.15)		(0.55)	
Net Asset Value – End of Year	\$9.92	\$8.74	\$14.54	\$11.11	\$10.23
Total Return	13.50 %	(39.22)%	30.87 %	14.68 %	11.80 %
Ratios and Supplemental Data:					
Net assets, end of year (thousands)	\$45,631	\$45,252	\$64,979	\$17,329	\$7,069
Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets:					
Before reimbursements	1.82 %	1.74 %	1.88 %	6.48 %	4.57 %
After reimbursements	1.00 %	1.00 %	1.00 %	1.00 %	1.00 %
Ratio of net investment income/ (loss) to average net assets:					
Before reimbursements	(0.88)%	(1.02)%	(1.36)%	(5.94)%	(2.63)%
After reimbursements	(0.06)%	(0.28)%	(0.48)%	(0.46)%	0.94 %
Portfolio turnover rate	59 %	32 %	46 %	224 %	81 %
$^{1}$ The net investment income/(loss) ne	r share was calc	ulated using the	average shares	outstanding me	thod

<sup>1</sup> The net investment income/(loss) per share was calculated using the average shares outstanding method.

## For a capital share outstanding throughout each year

Retail Shares	Year Ended October 31, <u>2023</u>	Year Ended October 31, <u>2022</u>	Year Ended <u>October 31,</u> <u>2021</u>	Year Ended <u>October 31,</u> <u>2020</u>	Year Ended <u>October 31,</u> <u>2019</u>
Net Asset Value – Beginning of Year	\$9.22	\$15.38	\$11.79	\$10.20	\$9.15
Income from Investment Operations:					
Net investment income/(loss) <sup>1</sup>	(0.03)	(0.06)	(0.11)	(0.08)	0.07
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	1.26	(5.95)	3.70	1.67	0.98
Total from investment operations	1.23	(6.01)	3.59	1.59	1.05
Less Distributions: Dividends from net investment income Distributions from net realized gains Total distributions		<u>(0.15)</u> (0.15)			
Net Asset Value – End of Year	\$10.45	\$9.22	\$15.38	\$11.79	\$10.20
Total Return	13.34 %	(39.42)%	30.45 %	15.59 %	11.48 %
<b>Ratios and Supplemental Data:</b> Net assets, end of year (thousands)	\$1,241	\$581	\$761	\$327	\$2,479
Ratio of operating expenses to average net assets:					
Before reimbursements	2.07 %	1.99 %	2.18 %	7.30 %	4.88 %
After reimbursements	1.25 %	1.25 %	1.25 %	1.25 %	1.25 %
Ratio of net investment income to average net assets:					
Before reimbursements	(1.09)%	(1.27)%	(1.68)%	(6.84)%	(2.87)%
After reimbursements	(0.27)%	(0.53)%	(0.75)%	(0.79)%	0.76 %
Portfolio turnover rate	59 %	32 %	46 %	224 %	81 %

<sup>1</sup> The net investment income/(loss) per share was calculated using the average shares outstanding method.

# **PRIVACY NOTICE**

#### Notice of Privacy Policy & Practices

Protecting the privacy of Fund shareholders is important to us. The following is a description of the practices and policies through which we protect the privacy and security of your non-public personal information.

We collect non-public personal information about you from the following sources:

- information we receive about you on applications or other forms;
- information you give us orally; and
- information about your transactions with us or others.

The types of non-public personal information we collect and share can include:

- social security number;
- account balances;
- account transactions;
- transaction history;
- wire transfer instructions; and
- checking account information.

#### What Information We Disclose

We do not disclose any non-public personal information about our shareholders or former shareholders without the shareholder's authorization, except as permitted by law or in response to inquiries from governmental authorities. We may share information with affiliated parties and unaffiliated third parties with whom we have contracts for servicing the Fund. We will provide unaffiliated third parties with only the information necessary to carry out their assigned responsibility.

#### How We Protect Your Information

All shareholder records will be disposed of in accordance with applicable law. We maintain physical, electronic and procedural safeguards to protect your non-public personal information and require third parties to treat your non-public personal information with the same high degree of confidentiality.

In the event that you hold shares of the Fund through a financial intermediary, including, but not limited to, a broker-dealer, bank or trust company, the privacy policy of your financial intermediary would govern how your non-public personal information would be shared with unaffiliated third parties.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notice or our Privacy Policy, please contact us at 1-833-627-6668.

#### Effective January 1, 2023

#### **Investment Adviser**

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#### Sub-Advisor

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#### **Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

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#### Transfer Agent, Fund Accountant and Fund Administrator

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#### Distributor

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#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

You can find more information about the Fund in the following documents:

#### **Statement of Additional Information**

The SAI provides additional details about the investments and techniques of the Fund and certain other additional information. A current SAI is on file with the SEC and is incorporated into this Prospectus by reference. This means that the SAI is legally considered a part of this Prospectus even though it is not physically within this Prospectus.

#### **Annual and Semi-Annual Reports**

Additional information about the Fund's investments is available in the Fund's annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders and in Form N-CSR. In the <u>annual report</u> you will find a discussion of the market conditions and investment strategies that significantly affected the Fund's performance during the Fund's prior fiscal year. In Form N-CSR, you will find the Fund's annual and semi-annual financial statements.

The Fund's shareholder reports are made available on the website www.hardmanjohnstonfunds.com, and you will be notified and provided with a link each time a report is posted to the website. You may request to receive paper reports from the Fund or from your financial intermediary, free of charge, at any time. You may also request to receive documents through e-delivery.

You can obtain copies of these documents and request other information without charge, upon request, or ask questions about the Fund by contacting:

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The SAI, shareholder reports and other information about the Fund are also available:

- free of charge from the SEC's EDGAR database on the SEC's Internet website at http://www.sec.gov;
- free of charge from the Fund's Internet website at www.hardmanjohnstonfunds.com; or
- for a fee, by electronic request at the following e-mail address: publicinfo@sec.gov.