

## ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

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# GUARDIAN CANADIAN FOCUSED EQUITY FUND

DECEMBER 31, 2022

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## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION OF FUND PERFORMANCE

### Investment Objective and Strategies

The primary objective of Guardian Canadian Focused Equity Fund (the “Fund”) is to achieve long-term growth of capital, primarily through investment in a concentrated portfolio of common shares or other equity-related investment issued by Canadian companies. The Manager uses a fundamental bottom-up approach to security analysis to identify companies that have the potential for significant long-term capital growth based on specific quality drivers and invest in the securities of those which can be obtained at a reasonable price.

### Risk

The risks associated with investing in the Fund remain as discussed in the prospectus. The Fund may be suitable for investors with a medium tolerance for risk, particularly those who seek Canadian equity exposure for their portfolio and have a medium to long-term investment horizon.

### Results of Operations

*(This commentary is based on the performance of Series I units of the Fund. Returns for other Series of units may vary, largely due to differences in fees and expenses. Please refer to the Past Performance section for specific Series level performance details.)*

The Fund’s net asset value decreased by 25% to \$40.8 million at December 31, 2022 from \$54.5 million at December 31, 2021. Of this change, a decrease of \$3.2 million was due to investment performance and a decrease of \$10.5 million was attributable to net redemptions.

Series I units of the Fund posted a return of -4.7% for the year. The Fund’s benchmark, the S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index returned -5.8% for the same period. The Fund’s return is after the deduction of fees and expenses, where applicable for the Series, unlike the benchmark’s return.

A strong start and end to the year in the Canadian equity

markets salvaged the year’s negative performance overall, as investors became increasingly concerned about a possible economic recession driven by central banks aggressively hiking interest rates throughout the year to combat high inflation. Previous monetary and fiscal policies during the pandemic, high energy prices and supply chain problems have been the key drivers of rising inflation. The ongoing war in Ukraine has also weighed on investor sentiment and contributed to higher inflation by adding to the already substantial supply chain problems. The S&P/TSX Composite Index delivered a total return of -5.8%; however, Canada handily outperformed US and global markets. Energy stocks were the best performing sector by far, while Consumer Staples also managed to deliver positive returns during the year. Health Care and Information Technology were the worst performing sectors during 2022.

Central banks in Canada and the US became more aggressive in their fight against inflation by raising interest rates seven times (400 bps and 425 bps respectively) during 2022. Bond yields also increased materially, with the 10-year Canada bond yield rising 187 bps to finish at 3.298%. Within Energy, oil prices ended the year at US\$80 per barrel, after breaching US\$120 per barrel a few times during the year.

The Fund outperformed the benchmark over the period, due to positive stock selection, which was partially offset by negative sector allocation. An overweight allocation to Information Technology, due to positive stock selection, was a contributing factor to performance. An underweight allocation to the Financials sector also contributed to performance, due to positive stock selection. An underweight allocation to the Energy sector had a negative impact on performance, due to negative sector allocation which was partially offset by stock selection. An overweight to Consumer Discretionary, due mainly to negative stock selection, also had a negative impact.

The Fund’s position in Element Fleet provided a positive contribution to performance, as the company has started to see vehicle originations improve gradually as carmakers increase vehicle production. At the same time, the company has continued to show very strong growth in its services business (providing services such as fuel purchasing, telematics, and

collision repair coordination to its customers), which provides a further growth lever for the business. Element has strong growth visibility due to its large backlog, which will drive higher growth and margins despite the uncertain economic backdrop.

The Fund's position in Open Text detracted from overall performance during the year. While Open Text delivered a solid earnings result in early August, shares dropped significantly after announcing the acquisition of Micro Focus, a UK-based software firm. The initial selloff reflects the large size of the acquisition, and investor skepticism that Open Text can improve performance at Micro Focus, which has been experiencing declining revenues. Open Text has a track record of integrating acquisitions and improving performance at acquired companies, which indicates a significant value creation opportunity in due course. OTEX shares now trade at attractive valuation levels, reflecting the increased risk profile due to elevated leverage and the soft economic backdrop.

The Fund added SNC-Lavalin to its portfolio, as SNC is undergoing a transformation toward a pure-play engineering and design consulting business (higher margin, capital-light, less lumpy), whereas, historically, it has faced issues with what are called Lump-Sum-Turn-Key (LSTK) projects that are bid at a specific cost, with any overruns being the responsibility of SNC. (An example of this is the Toronto-based Eglinton Crosstown LRT.) The Fund added TMX Group, a position owned in the past and which is a high-quality defensive growth business with high margins and barriers to entry. The company continues to transition its business toward high-recurring revenue information services and analytics, which earn margins above the company average. TMX's quasi-monopolistic advantages in key trading markets and products as the dominant incumbent where liquidity is of paramount importance. TMX's business has shown resilience in up and down markets, making it an attractive and diversifying defensive growth exposure for the portfolio. The Fund also added a position in Nuvei, which is gaining market share in the global payments industry, driven by a unique go-to-market strategy supported by its flexible technology platform. Despite very strong cash profitability, Nuvei's stock has been trading like an unprofitable tech stock. The current high free cash-flow yield and strong growth

outlook provide a compelling entry point.

The Fund sold its position in Cameco, one of the world's largest uranium producers, which is focused on both mining as well as refining, conversion and fuel manufacturing services. The Russia/Ukraine war has heightened risk levels on nuclear power and increased the risks of an accident occurring. Cameco was trimmed and later exited in the first quarter of 2022, based on valuation and re-deployed to securities with more attractive long-term growth prospects. The Fund sold its position in Bausch Health. The patent challenge against the company's largest drug introduced new risks that led us to sell the stock. While it is likely that Bausch will win the case, the binary risk associated with the patent challenge led us to exit the position. The Fund's position in West Fraser was exited in the due to worries about rapidly deteriorating fundamentals. The shares have performed well and we are now entering a period of weakening housing starts and lower building product prices. Although West Fraser is well positioned and will continue to generate robust free cash-flow, the capital was recycled into higher conviction positions in the Fund's portfolio.

The Fund also sold its position in Brookfield Asset Management (BAM), post the spin-out of from Brookfield Corporation (BN), but maintained the position in BN. While BAM is a high-quality growth business, the steeply discounted valuation of BN implies higher future returns. The Fund swapped its position in Agnico Eagle Mines for Wheaton Precious Metals. Wheaton is less impacted by inflationary pressures as it is a streamer/royalty company, not a direct operator. Agnico estimates are being de-rated by analysts as guidance is expected to experience downward revisions post-closing of the merger with Kirkland Lake Gold. Agnico has risks currently, which we wish to avoid in the Fund, hence the preference for Wheaton's business model and fundamental outlook.

The Fund had no exposure to Communications Services, Real Estate or Utilities sectors during the year. The Fund was overweight in Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology sectors, and underweight the Energy sector during the year.

The Manager integrates ESG considerations into its investment analysis and stewardship activities with

the objective of enhancing long-term investment performance. Active engagement and proxy voting are a core part of the Manager's stewardship approach, and the Fund's investment team participates in these activities in a manner suitable to the asset class and Fund. Our investment teams focus on ESG and other issues which they believe could be financially material and/or impact the long-term sustainability of the company. The consideration of ESG issues is one of a number of elements in the portfolio construction process and, may or may not have a material influence on portfolio composition at any given time. For more information, the Manager posts its annual proxy voting activities and an annual Responsible Investing report on its website:

<https://www.guardiancapital.com/investmentsolutions/>

## Recent Developments

Although COVID-19 impacts are fading in many pAs has been the case for some time, global policymakers continue to "talk tough" even as the impacts of their aggressive tightening moves are felt with a lag. While near-term inflation has clearly peaked, it is still unclear how far inflation will fall and how fast. As the US dollar and bond yields decline alongside inflation, financial conditions should ease at the margin, but earnings are expected to face headwinds as nominal growth slows. Whether or not the US and Canadian economies fall into recession has yet to unfold, but caution is warranted as policymakers seem determined to bring down inflation, even if it means intentionally leading the economy into recession.

At the company level, falling inflation and slowing growth are introducing crosscurrents. Falling inflation is simultaneously a headwind for revenue growth and a welcome relief from escalating input costs. Meanwhile, slowing growth and easing supply chain pressure are leading to higher inventories, which may lead to further price declines. While companies held in the Fund's portfolio exhibit strong market positions and pricing power, the short-term impacts from the crosscurrents mentioned above are uncertain, which has led to valuation compression in many areas of the market. Over time, the Manager expects higher-quality companies to overcome these headwinds, making current valuations particularly attractive for long-term investors.

Economic headwinds are expected to affect all holdings to various degrees, however, we believe that as labour markets and supply chains continue to normalize, multiple companies in the portfolio will benefit, irrespective of the economic outlook.

## Related Party Transactions

Guardian Capital LP, the Manager of the Fund, is considered to be a "related party" of the Fund. The Manager is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Fund and also acts as the portfolio manager, managing the investment portfolio of the Fund. These services are in the normal course of operations and the Fund pays a management fee to the Manager for these services, as detailed in the Management Fees section below. The Manager also receives an Administration Fee from the Fund, amounting to 0.18% of the average daily net asset value of the Fund, in return for the payment by the Manager of all the variable operating expenses of the Fund. The Independent Review Committee ("IRC") has approved the Manager's Policy for this item and the Manager relies on this approval as a standing instruction from the IRC. The Manager received the Administration Fee and paid Fund expenses in accordance with this Policy during the period. The Manager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Guardian Capital Group Limited, a publicly traded firm listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The Fund may invest some of its available short-term cash in units of Guardian Canadian Short-Term Investment Fund, another investment fund managed by Guardian Capital LP and a related issuer, which invests its assets in high-quality short-term fixed-income securities. As at December 31, 2022, the Fund had invested \$747,768 or 1.8% of its net assets, in units of the Guardian Canadian Short-Term Investment Fund. With respect to investments in related issuers, the Manager has relied on the approval that it has received from the IRC. The approval requires the Manager to comply with its current policy and procedures regarding investments in related issuers and to report periodically to the IRC. The Manager will not duplicate management fees paid to an underlying fund that is a related issuer.

## Management Fees

No management fees are payable or collected for Series I units of the Fund. Series A and Series F units are subject to management fees which are based on a percentage of the average Series NAV during each month, calculated and accrued daily, and payable monthly. The Series A management fee is 1.50% per annum. The Series F management fee is 0.50% per annum. The table below provides a breakdown of services received in consideration of the management fees, as a percentage of the management fees, for the period.

	Series I	Series A	Series F
Investment management and other general administration	n/a	33.3%	100.0%
Trailer Commission	n/a	66.7%	n/a

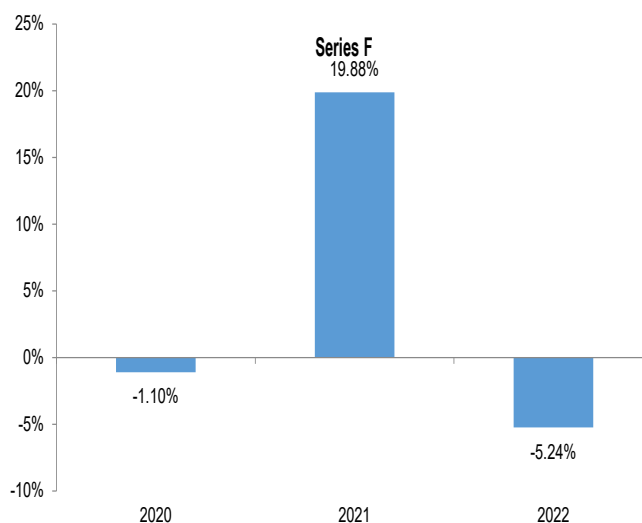
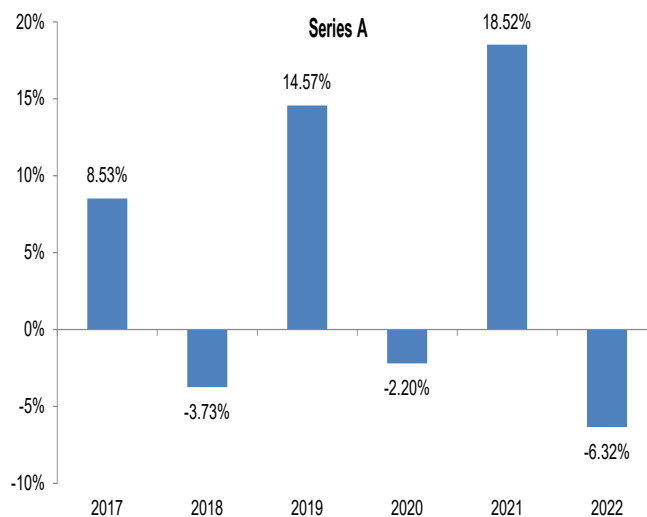
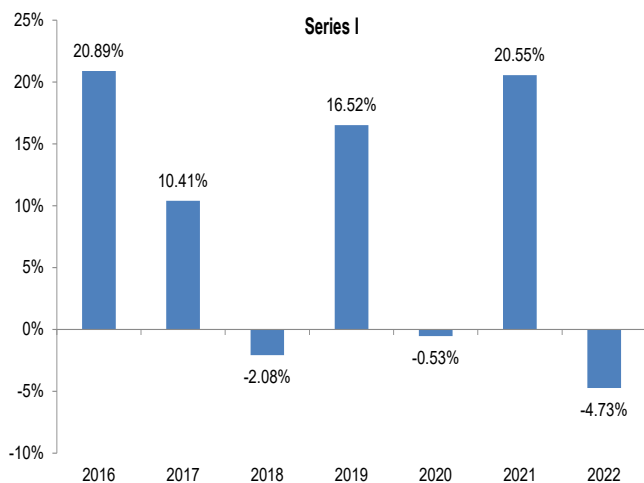
## Past Performance

The performance information shown below assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the Fund. This performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. Past performance of the Fund does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future.

The performance shown for Series I below includes results prior to April 22, 2016 when the Fund was not a reporting issuer. Had the Fund been subject to the additional regulatory requirements applicable to a reporting issuer during such period, the expenses of the Series I units of the Fund would likely have been higher. The financial statements for the period when the Fund was not a reporting issuer, are available on the Manager's website at [www.guardiancapital.com](http://www.guardiancapital.com) or upon request.

## Year-by-Year Returns

The bar charts show the Fund's performance for the period from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, and annual performance for each of the prior years shown, and illustrates how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. The chart shows in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of that financial year.





## Annual Compound Returns

The table below shows the historical compound returns of the Fund's Series I, Series A and Series F units for the periods indicated, as at December 31, 2022. The returns of a broad based market index are also shown.

	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Since Inception*
Series I (%)	-4.73	4.54	5.44	n/a	8.34
S&P/TSX Capped Composite (%)	-5.84	7.54	6.85	n/a	9.18

\* Inception date - December 15, 2015.

	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Since Inception*
Series A (%)	-6.32	2.78	3.67	n/a	5.90
S&P/TSX Capped Composite (%)	-5.84	7.54	6.85	n/a	8.33

\* Inception date - April 22, 2016.

	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	Since Inception*
Series F (%)	-5.24	3.96	n/a	n/a	4.25
S&P/TSX Capped Composite (%)	-5.84	7.54	n/a	n/a	8.16

\* Inception date - May 14, 2019.

The S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index is designed to be a broad measure of the largest companies listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, with the relative weighting of each stock capped at 10%.

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the periods indicated. The information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (Series I)

	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2022	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2021	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2020	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2019	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2018
Net Assets per unit, Beginning of Period <sup>[1]</sup>	\$14.86	\$12.58	\$12.81	\$11.89	\$12.55
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations per unit: <sup>[1]</sup></b>					
Total revenue	0.31	0.26	0.21	0.29	0.27
Total expenses	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.04)
Realized gains (losses)	1.05	1.75	(1.72)	0.90	0.28
Unrealized gains (losses)	(2.29)	0.57	1.39	0.69	(1.03)
Total increase (decrease) from operations per unit	(0.97)	2.54	(0.16)	1.84	(0.52)
Distributions per unit from: <sup>[1][2]</sup>					
Income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
Canadian dividends	(0.30)	(0.30)	(0.17)	(0.23)	(0.18)
Foreign dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Capital gains	-	-	-	(0.81)	(0.22)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total Distributions per unit	(0.30)	(0.30)	(0.17)	(1.04)	(0.40)
Net Assets per unit, End of Period <sup>[1]</sup>	\$13.86	\$14.86	\$12.58	\$12.81	\$11.89

<sup>[1]</sup> Net assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.

<sup>[2]</sup> Substantially all distributions were reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

### Ratios and Supplemental Data (Series I)

	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2022	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2021	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2020	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2019	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2018
Total net asset value (000's) <sup>[1]</sup>	\$39,643	\$53,631	\$61,213	\$56,007	\$36,523
Number of units outstanding <sup>[1]</sup>	2,861,028	3,608,104	4,866,900	4,370,578	3,072,679
Management expense ratio <sup>[2]</sup>	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.21%	0.20%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.21%	0.20%
Trading expense ratio <sup>[3]</sup>	0.09%	0.10%	0.17%	0.06%	0.10%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>[4]</sup>	44.23%	54.52%	117.53%	58.45%	66.27%
Net asset value per unit <sup>[1]</sup>	\$13.86	\$14.86	\$12.58	\$12.81	\$11.89

<sup>[1]</sup> This information is provided as at the end of each period indicated.

<sup>[2]</sup> The management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding commissions, other portfolio transaction costs and withholding taxes) of the Fund and its proportionate share of the total expenses of the Underlying Funds, where applicable, for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.

<sup>[3]</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs of the Fund and its proportionate share of the Underlying Funds' portfolio transaction costs, where applicable, expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value for the period.

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### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (Series A)

	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2022	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2021	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2020	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2019	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2018
Net Assets per unit, Beginning of Period <sup>[1]</sup>	\$13.74	\$11.62	\$11.88	\$11.09	\$11.73
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations per unit: <sup>[1]</sup></b>					
Total revenue	0.12	0.24	0.19	0.28	0.25
Total expenses	(0.25)	(0.36)	(0.36)	(0.30)	(0.33)
Realized gains (losses)	0.44	1.62	(1.51)	0.93	0.26
Unrealized gains (losses)	(1.18)	0.72	2.10	(0.61)	(0.62)
Total increase (decrease) from operations per unit	(0.87)	2.22	0.42	0.30	(0.44)
Distributions per unit from: <sup>[1][2]</sup>					
Income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
Canadian dividends	(0.05)	(0.03)	-	(0.08)	-
Foreign dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Capital gains	-	-	-	(0.74)	(0.20)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
Total Distributions per unit	(0.05)	(0.03)	0.00	(0.82)	(0.20)
Net Assets per unit, End of Period <sup>[1]</sup>	\$12.82	\$13.74	\$11.62	\$11.88	\$11.09

<sup>[1]</sup> Net assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.

<sup>[2]</sup> Substantially all distributions were reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

### Ratios and Supplemental Data (Series A)

	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2022	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2021	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2020	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2019	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2018
Total net asset value (000's) <sup>[1]</sup>	\$367	\$339	\$303	\$170	\$12
Number of units outstanding <sup>[1]</sup>	28,653	24,674	26,048	14,342	1,074
Management expense ratio <sup>[2]</sup>	1.89%	1.90%	1.90%	1.90%	1.91%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	1.89%	1.90%	1.90%	1.90%	1.91%
Trading expense ratio <sup>[3]</sup>	0.09%	0.10%	0.17%	0.06%	0.10%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>[4]</sup>	44.23%	54.52%	117.53%	58.45%	66.27%
Net asset value per unit <sup>[1]</sup>	\$12.82	\$13.74	\$11.62	\$11.88	\$11.09

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### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (Series F)

	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2022	12 months ended June 30, 2021	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2020	Period from Apr. 18 to Dec. 31, 2019
Net Assets per unit, Beginning of Period <sup>[1]</sup>	\$10.80	\$9.19	\$9.39	\$10.00
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations per unit: <sup>[1]</sup></b>				
Total revenue	0.10	0.22	0.15	0.16
Total expenses	(0.08)	(0.12)	(0.12)	(0.07)
Realized gains (losses)	0.38	1.62	(1.15)	0.52
Unrealized gains (losses)	(0.97)	(0.18)	1.00	(0.16)
Total increase (decrease) from operations per unit	(0.57)	1.54	(0.12)	0.45
Distributions per unit from: <sup>[1][2]</sup>				
Income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-
Canadian dividends	(0.18)	(0.22)	(0.10)	(0.14)
Foreign dividends	-	-	-	-
Capital gains	-	-	-	(0.59)
Return of capital	-	-	-	-
Total Distributions per unit	(0.18)	(0.22)	(0.10)	(0.73)
Net Assets per unit, End of Period <sup>[1]</sup>	\$10.06	\$10.80	\$9.19	\$9.39

<sup>[1]</sup> Net assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.

<sup>[2]</sup> Substantially all distributions were reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

### Ratios and Supplemental Data (Series F)

	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2022	12 months ended June 30, 2021	12 months ended Dec. 31, 2020	Period from Apr. 18 to Dec. 31, 2019
Total net asset value (000's) <sup>[1]</sup>	\$817	\$509	\$160	\$109
Number of units outstanding <sup>[1]</sup>	81,259	47,117	17,433	11,653
Management expense ratio <sup>[2]</sup>	0.74%	0.77%	0.77%	0.77%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions	0.74%	0.77%	0.77%	0.77%
Trading expense ratio <sup>[3]</sup>	0.09%	0.10%	0.17%	0.06%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>[4]</sup>	44.23%	54.52%	117.53%	58.45%
Net asset value per unit <sup>[1]</sup>	\$10.06	\$10.80	\$9.19	\$9.39

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## SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

As at December 31, 2022

Portfolio Allocation	% of Net Asset Value	Top 25 Holdings	% of Net Asset Value
Consumer discretionary	13.4%	Royal Bank of Canada	7.0%
Consumer staples	4.6%	Suncor Energy Inc.	6.4%
Energy	10.4%	Wheaton Precious Metals Corporation	6.1%
Financials	29.2%	Element Fleet Management Corporation	5.4%
Health care	10.6%	SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.	5.3%
Information technology	18.4%	Finning International Inc.	5.3%
Materials	11.4%	CCL Industries Inc., Class 'B'	5.3%
Short-term securities	1.8%	CGI Inc., Class 'A'	5.0%
Other Assets (Liabilities)	0.2%	Open Text Corporation	5.0%
		Restaurant Brands International Inc.	4.7%
		Maple Leaf Foods Inc.	4.6%
		Manulife Financial Corporation	4.5%
		Spin Master Corporation	4.4%
		Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited	4.4%
		Nuvei Corporation	4.3%
		Gildan Activewear Inc.	4.3%
		Brookfield Corporation	4.2%
		Celestica Inc.	4.1%
		Canadian Natural Resources Limited	4.0%
		TMX Group Limited	3.7%
		Guardian Canadian Short-Term Investment Fund, Series I	1.8%
		<b>Top 25 Holdings as a percentage of net asset value</b>	<b>99.8%</b>
		<b>Total Net Asset Value</b>	<b>\$40,827,773</b>

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund. A quarterly update is available. If the Fund has invested in other investment funds, the prospectus and other information about the underlying investment funds are available on the internet via [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

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