This document contains key information you should know about the North Growth Canadian Equity Fund. You can find more detailed information in the fund's simplified prospectus. Ask your representative for a copy, contact North Growth Management Ltd. at (604) 688-5440 or info@northgrowth.com, or visit <a href="https://www.northgrowth.com">www.northgrowth.com</a>.

Before you invest in any fund, consider how the fund would work with your other investments and your tolerance for risk.

# QUICK FACTS

Fund Code: CAD NGM272 Fund Manager: North Growth Management Ltd.

Date Series Started: June 15, 2012 Portfolio Manager: North Growth Management Ltd.; Erica Lau, Alex Joshi,

Jorge Marques

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Total Value on May 31, 2023: \$66.66 million Distributions: Annually, in December, if any. Automatic reinvestment in

additional units, unless otherwise instructed.

Management Expense Ratio (MER): 1.00% Minimum Investment: \$500

# WHAT DOES THE FUND INVEST IN?

The Canadian Equity Fund invests primarily in equity securities of Canadian based corporations. They can be of any size and from any industry other than tobacco and pure play fossil fuel. The manager's core investment philosophy is "growth at a reasonable price".

The charts below give you a snapshot of the fund's investments on May 31, 2023. The fund's investments will change.

	Top 10 investments May 31, 2023		
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1.	ATS Corporation	7.17	
2.	TFI International Inc.	6.58	
2. 3.	Leon's Furniture Ltd.	5.89	
4.	Aritzia Inc.	5.73	
4. 5.	Calian Group Ltd.	5.61	
6.	CAE Inc.	4.48	
7.	Bombardier Inc., Class B	4.33	
8.	Open Text Corporation	3.92	
9.	Canadian Solar Inc.	3.82	

Total percentage of top 10 investments: 51.30%
Total number of investments: 32

# Investment mix

May 31, 2023

	70
Consumer Discretionary	18.78
Industrials	18.01
Technology	11.15
Healthcare	10.35
Transportation	8.29
Capital Goods	7.17
Clean Energy	6.60
Communications & Media	2.96
Utilities	1.86
Consumer Staples	0.73
Cash and Other Net Assets	14.10

# **HOW RISKY IS IT?**

Profound Medical Corp.

The value of the fund can go down as well as up. You could lose money.

One way to gauge risk is to look at how much the fund's returns change over time. This is called "volatility".

In general, funds with higher volatility will have returns that change more over time. They typically have a greater chance of losing money and may have a greater chance of higher returns. Funds with lower volatility tend to have returns that change less over time. They typically have lower returns and may have a lower chance of losing money.

#### Risk Rating

The manager, North Growth Management Ltd., has rated the volatility of this fund as **medium to high.** 

This rating is based on how much the fund's returns have changed from year to year. It doesn't tell you how volatile the fund will be in the future. The rating can change over time. A fund with a low risk rating can still lose money.

Low	Low to Medium	Medium	Medium to High	High
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For more information about the risk rating and specific risks that can affect the fund's returns, see the *What is a Mutual Fund and What are the Risks of Investing in a Mutual Fund?* section of the fund's simplified prospectus.

#### No Guarantees

Like most mutual funds, this fund doesn't have any guarantees. You may not get back the amount of money you invest.

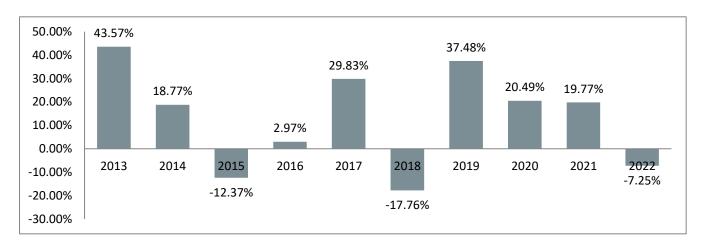


# **HOW HAS THE FUND PERFORMED?**

This section tells you how Series D units of the fund have performed over the past ten calendar years. Returns are after expenses have been deducted. These expenses reduce the returns of the series.

## Year-by-Year Returns

This chart shows how Series D units of the fund performed in each of the past ten calendar years. Series D units of the fund decreased in value in three of the ten years. The range of returns and change from year to year can help you assess how risky the fund has been in the past. It does not tell you how the fund will perform in the future.



# **Best and Worst 3-Month Returns**

This table shows the best and worst returns for Series D units of the fund in a 3-month period over the past ten calendar years. The best and worst 3-month returns could be higher or lower in the future. Consider how much of a loss you could afford to take in a short period of time.

	Return	3 months ending	If you invested \$1,000 at the beginning of the period
Best return	27.99%	January 31, 2021	Your investment would rise to \$1,279.90
Worst return	-21.54%	December 31, 2018	Your investment would drop to \$784.60

# Average Return

On May 31, 2023, a person who invested \$1,000 in Series D units of the fund ten years earlier had \$2,604.35. This works out to an annual compound return of 10.04%.

# WHO IS THIS FUND FOR?

#### Investors who:

- are looking for a long term investment with a horizon of at least 5 years
- want to invest in a broad range of Canadian companies
- are looking for a tobacco and fossil fuel free investment
- can handle the ups and downs of the stock market

Don't buy this fund if you need a steady source of income from your investment.

# A WORD ABOUT TAX

In general, you'll have to pay income tax on any money you make on a fund. How much you pay depends on the tax laws where you live and whether or not you hold the fund in a registered plan such as a Registered Retirement Savings Plan or a Tax Free Savings Account.

Keep in mind that if you hold your fund in a non-registered account, fund distributions are included in your taxable income, whether you get them in cash or have them reinvested.



## **HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?**

The following tables show the fees and expenses you could pay to buy, own and sell Series D units of the fund. The fees and expenses - including any commissions - can vary among series of a fund and among funds. Higher commissions can influence representatives to recommend one investment over another. Ask about other funds and investments that may be suitable for you at a lower cost.

#### 1. Sales Charges

North Growth Management Ltd. does not apply a sales charge to this fund. Your representative's firm may charge a sales charge that is generally from nil to 2%.

#### 2. Fund Expenses

You don't pay these expenses directly. They affect you because they reduce the fund's returns

As of December 31, 2022, the fund's Series D expenses were 1.06% of its value. This equals \$10.60 for every \$1,000 invested.

Annual rate (as a % of the fund's value)

0.06% **1.06**%

Management	Expense	Ratio	(MER)
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These are the fund's trading costs.

**Fund Expenses** 

This is the total of the fund's management fee (including the trailing commission) and operating expenses.

North Growth Management Ltd. waived some of the fund's expenses. If it had not done so, the MER would have been higher.

1.00%

Trading Expense Ratio (TER)

# WHAT IF I CHANGE MY MIND?

Under securities law in some provinces and territories, you have the right to:

- withdraw from an agreement to buy mutual fund units within two business days after you receive a simplified prospectus or Fund Facts document, or
- cancel your purchase within 48 hours after you receive confirmation of the purchase

In some provinces and territories, you also have the right to cancel a purchase, or in some jurisdictions, claim damages, if the simplified prospectus, Fund Facts document or financial statements contain a misrepresentation. You must act within the same time limit set by the securities law in your province or territory.

For more information, see the securities law of your province or territory or ask a lawyer.

# More About the Trailing Commission

The trailing commission is an ongoing commission. It is paid for as long as you own the fund. It is for the services and advice your representative and their firm provide you.

North Growth Management Ltd. pays the trailing commission to your representative's firm. It is paid from the fund's management fee and is based on the value of your investment.

The trailing commission on Series D units of the fund is up to 0.30% of the value of your investment each year. This equals \$3 each year for every \$1,000 invested.

#### 3. Other fees

You may have to pay other fees when you buy, hold, sell or switch units of the fund.

Fee	What you pay
Short term trading fee	Up to 2% of the value of units if you sell or switch within 30 days of buying them o previously switching into a fund. This fee goes to the fund.
Switch fee	North Growth Management Ltd. does not charge a switch fee. Your representative may charge you a fee for this service.
Redemption fee	North Growth Management Ltd. does not charge a redemption fee. Your representative may charge you a fee for this service.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact **North Growth Management Ltd.** or your representative for a copy of the fund's simplified prospectus and other disclosure documents. These documents and the Fund Facts make up the fund's legal documents.

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