

NORTH GROWTH U.S. EQUITY ADVISOR FUND

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

During the six-month interim period ended June 30, 2025, the value of the Series F and Series A units of the Fund rose 3.74% and 3.58%, respectively, in U.S. dollars. The difference in performance between the Series F and Series A units is mostly attributed to the 0.30% per annum trailing commission paid on the Series A units. Both series of the Fund underperformed the S&P 500 Index which increased 6.20% over the same period. In Canadian dollar terms, the Series F and Series A units of the Fund declined-1.64% and-1.79%, respectively, versus the total return for the S&P 500 Index of 0.70%.

The first half of the year was marked by significant market volatility. The S&P 500 initially rallied, driven by optimism over the new administration's anticipated deregulation and spending cuts. However, this positive trend reversed sharply following the announcement of a rigorous trade policy in April. The market then recovered as the administration extended trade policy decision deadlines, leading to another shift in investor sentiment.

This constant policy back-and-forth has created a climate of uncertainty, causing businesses to be cautious with major decisions. Amid this volatility, the market's performance has been largely sustained by the "Al trade," with strong gains from companies like Nvidia, AMD, and Microsoft. Investors have sought out what they perceive as a strong secular growth driver for the economy.

Capitalizing on market volatility and idiosyncratic opportunity, the Manager took opportunities to adjust the weightings of the portfolio constituents and upgrade the quality of the portfolio holdings. The manager initiated positions in AutoZone and IQVIA and eliminated positions in Charles River. Within the Fund, the Manager reduced its holdings most significantly in Tapestry, and Jabil due to strong stock price performance.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

The Fund continues to focus on identifying stocks that meet its "Growth at a Reasonable Price" investment philosophy. A result of the widening rift between the returns of a select few of the S&P 500 names and much of the U.S. stock market, the thinning of U.S. equity market breadth has given rise to numerous attractive investment opportunities.

The Manager remains focused on stock selection and active management. It is an encouraging environment for stock pickers as high-quality, reasonably priced shares are available amid such market concentration. As market leadership alternates between large-cap and small-cap stocks, we believe the Fund is well-positioned to outperform in a broad market recovery.

In June, to better align with the commonly adopted naming convention for mutual fund series that pay a trailing commission, the letter designation of the Series D units of the Fund was changed from "D" to "A".

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

North Growth Management Ltd. is the manager and portfolio advisor of the Fund. It provides investment and portfolio management services to the Fund and is responsible for the overall operations of the Fund. The Fund pays the Manager for services provided (see *Management Fee*).

During the interim period ended June 30, 2025, the Manager neither purchased nor redeemed any units of the Fund (2024 – neither purchased nor redeemed any units of the Fund).

On June 30, 2025, the Manager and its affiliates and their officers and directors and their spouses beneficially owned 3.29% (December 31, 2024 - 3.40%) of the outstanding units of the Fund.

On June 30, 2024, the Fund carried an outstanding balance payable to the Manager for management fees in the amount of \$34,962 (December 31, 2024 - \$38,065).

Financial Highlights

For the interim period ended June 30, 2025, and comparative years ended December 31, 2020 through 2024

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 past five years.

SERIES F - NET ASSETS PER UNIT

Not Accets Par Unit1	June 30		De	ecember 31		
Net Assets Per Unit ¹	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$53.89	\$40.63	\$36.32	\$44.67	\$40.39	\$36.58
Increase from operations:	Increase from operations:					
Total revenue	0.23	0.65	0.50	0.34	0.34	0.42
Total expenses	(0.18)	(0.34)	(0.29)	(0.28)	(0.33)	(0.29)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	1.73	6.39	7.50	(0.89)	4.65	10.41
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(2.75)	7.15	(0.24)	(7.77)	2.37	(1.05)
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	(0.98)	13.88	7.53	(8.02)	7.06	9.44
Distributions:						
From income	-	(0.31)	(0.27)	(80.0)	(0.03)	(0.16)
From capital gains	-	-	(2.07)	-	(2.86)	(5.94)
Total Distributions ³	-	(0.31)	(2.34)	(80.0)	(2.89)	(6.10)
Net assets at end of period shown	\$53.00	\$53.89	\$40.63	\$36.32	\$44.67	\$40.39

- 1. This information is derived from the Fund's unaudited interim and audited annual financial statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements differs from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes due to the timing of unitholder transactions during the period. An explanation of these differences can be found in the notes to the financial statements. Due to potential rounding differences, the sum of the individual components of the disclosed information does not necessarily amount to the "Net Assets at end of period shown" balance.
- 2. Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.
- 3. Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

SERIES F - RATIOS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

Potios and Cumplemental Data	June 30	December 31				
Ratios and Supplemental Data	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total net asset value (000's) ⁴	\$55,494	\$55,737	\$47,062	\$63,644	\$74,594	\$57,220
Number of units outstanding (000's) ⁴	1,047	1,034	1,158	1,752	1,670	1,417
Management expense ratio ⁵	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions ⁶	0.72%	0.74%	0.74%	0.73%	0.73%	0.74%
Trading expense ratio ⁷	0.02%	0.03%	0.07%	0.06%	0.06%	0.09%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁸	16.63%	16.21%	40.14%	50.88%	24.52%	25.66%
Net asset value per unit	\$53.00	\$53.89	\$40.63	\$36.32	\$44.67	\$40.39

- 4. This information is provided as at June 30th for the interim period shown and December 31st of the comparative years shown.
- 5. Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.
- 6. The Manager pays all fees related to the IRC; the Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions represents what the MER would be if the Fund paid the IRC fees.
- 7. The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.
- 8. The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

SERIES A (FORMERLY SERIES D) – NET ASSETS PER UNIT

Not Acces Day Unit1	June 30		De	ecember 31		
Net Assets Per Unit ¹	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Net Assets, beginning of period	\$54.01	\$40.74	\$36.47	\$44.93	\$40.53	\$36.70
Increase from operations:						
Total revenue	0.23	0.65	0.50	0.31	0.34	0.42
Total expenses	(0.25)	(0.49)	(0.42)	(0.40)	(0.46)	(0.40)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	1.73	6.39	7.50	(0.89)	4.65	10.41
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	(2.75)	7.15	(0.24)	(7.77)	2.37	(1.05)
Total increase (decrease) from operations ²	(1.06)	13.46	6.70	(13.35)	6.80	9.67
Distributions:						
From income	-	(0.17)	(0.25)	-	-	(0.04)
From capital gains	-	-	(2.07)	-	(2.65)	(5.94)
Total Distributions ³	-	(0.17)	(2.32)	-	(2.65)	(5.98)
Net assets at end of period shown	\$53.04	\$54.01	\$40.74	\$36.47	\$44.93	\$40.53

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Ratios and Supplemental Data	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
Total net asset value (000's) ⁴	\$7,788	\$7,699	\$5,747	\$5,655	\$16,248	\$11,778
Number of units outstanding (000's) ⁴	147	143	141	155	362	291
Management expense ratio ⁵	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Management expense ratio before waivers and absorptions ⁶	1.05%	1.04%	1.04%	1.03%	1.03%	1.04%
Trading expense ratio ⁷	0.02%	0.03%	0.07%	0.06%	0.06%	0.09%
Portfolio turnover rate ⁸	16.63%	16.21%	40.14%	50.88%	24.52%	25.66%
Net asset value per unit	\$53.04	\$54.01	\$40.74	\$36.47	\$44.93	\$40.53

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MANAGEMENT FEE

North Growth Management Ltd. is the trustee, fund accountant, transfer agent, portfolio advisor and manager of the Fund and receives a management fee from the Fund for these services. The Fund has two series: Series A (formerly Series D) and Series F. The management fee for both series is 0.70% of assets under management, calculated daily and paid monthly, based on the daily net asset value of each series.

The Manager pays all operating costs of the Fund from its management fee, except for brokerage fees, any taxes payable, interest charges, if any, and trailer fees. It is not reimbursed for these costs.

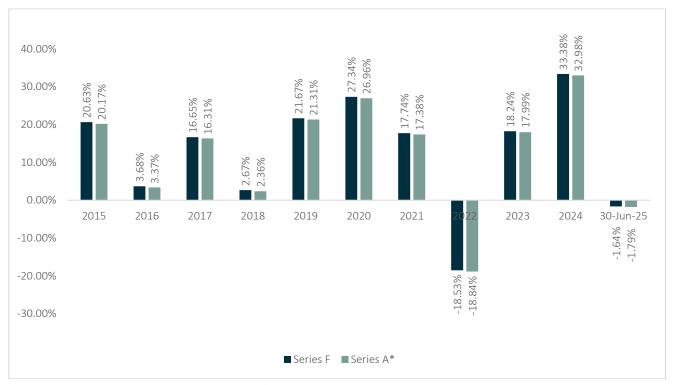
The Fund is distributed by registered dealers. Series A units pay a trailing commission of 0.30%. Series F units do not pay a trailing commission and are available through discount brokers and dealers who are generally compensated by their clients on a fee-for-service basis.

Past Performance

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund in the years shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Fund. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the future. The Fund's returns are after the deduction of fees and expenses, and the difference in returns between series of units is primarily due to the 0.30% per annum trailing commission on the Series A (formerly Series D) units. See *Financial Highlights* for the management expense ratio.

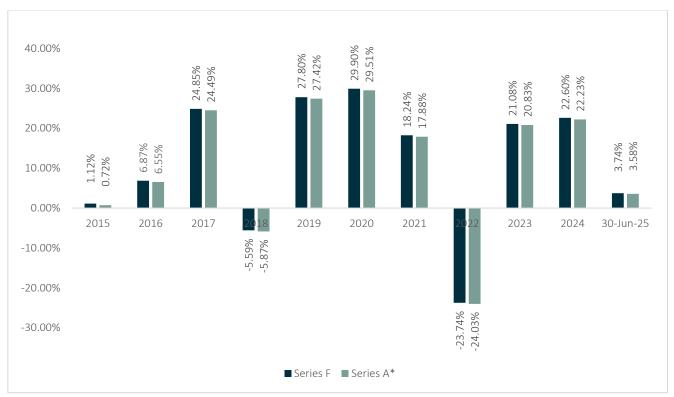
INTERIM AND YEAR-BY-YEAR RETURNS

The bar charts indicate the Fund's performance for the interim period and each of the years shown. The bar charts show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of the interim period and each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each period in Canadian dollars and in U.S. dollars.



Year-by-Year Returns Expressed in Canadian Dollars

^{*} Formerly Series D



Year-by-Year Returns Expressed in U.S. Dollars

^{*} Formerly Series D

Summary of Investment Portfolio

As at June 30, 2025

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund. It is updated quarterly, within 60 days of quarter end, and is available as indicated on the front cover of this report.

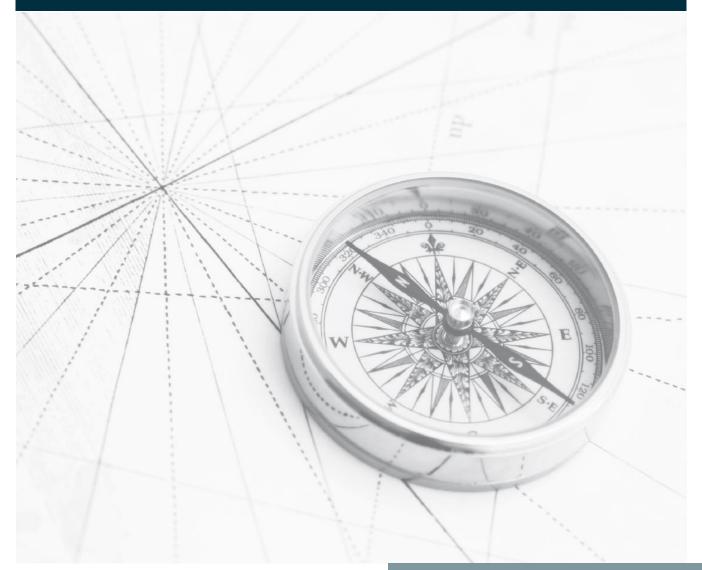
Top 25 Portfolio Holdings

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Ranking	Security	% of Net Assets
1	Jabil Inc.	7.94
2	Ciena Corp.	5.67
3	Applied Materials Inc.	4.57
4	Brinker International Inc.	3.97
5	Coherent Corp.	3.81
6	Lumentum Holdings Inc.	3.53
7	Motorola Solutions Inc.	3.47
8	Booking Holdings Inc.	3.37
9	Somnigroup International Inc.	2.96
10	Johnson Controls International plc	2.87
11	Nvidia Corp.	2.68
12	Qualcomm Inc.	2.32
13	Tapestry Inc.	2.21
14	Jacobs Solutions Inc.	2.08
15	Integer Holdings Corporation	2.06
16	Texas Instruments Inc.	2.05
17	HP Inc.	1.99
18	Electronic Arts Inc.	1.98
19	Global Payments Inc.	1.85
20	Ulta Beauty Inc.	1.85
21	NVR Inc.	1.83
22	Microsoft Corporation	1.76
23	Abercrombie & Fitch Co.	1.71
24	Watts Water Technologies Inc.	1.70
25	InMode Ltd.	1.63

Sector Allocation

Sector	% of Net Assets
Information Technology	41.54
Consumer Discretionary	22.31
Industrials	12.72
Health Care	10.04
Communication Services	3.10
Financials	1.85
Equities Total	91.56
Cash	8.44
Portfolio Total	100.00

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