As of 9/30/2023



# Navigator Global Balanced 40-60 Hedged-MF

# Tactically Navigate the Markets with an Active Global Approach

The world's financial markets offer a variety of growth opportunities, but they also present a number of unique challenges and risks. Clark Capital believes investors may benefit from a dynamic asset allocation that actively pursues opportunities while guarding against undue risk. A strategic hedge is added for volatility management.

### Participate in Global Equity Trends

Allocate to areas of the equity markets that are outperforming their peers.

Grounded in a quantitatively-based relative strength research process, the strategy seeks to exploit leading global trends and move away from lagging trends in:

- 1) style boxes and factors
- 2) industry sectors/sub-groups
- 3) international countries/regions

## **Utilize a Flexible Bond Approach**

Seek higher returns with the option to shift to safer fixed income sectors.

The strategy has the ability to shift out of lower quality areas when needed and invest in high quality debt and/or cash. Its asset allocation policy rotates among:

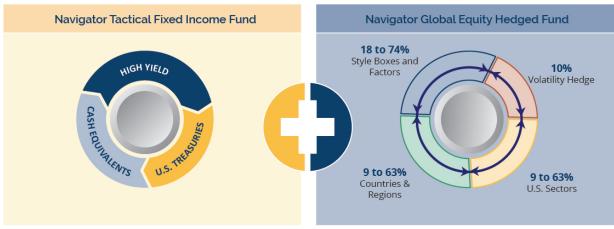
- 1) low quality debt
- 2) short-term U.S. Treasuries
- 3) high quality debt

### Obtain Low Volatility Equity Exposure

Attempt to stabilize client portfolios by constraining losses.

Help clients remain committed to longterm goals by seeking to constrain losses to acceptable levels. When the hedge is incorporated into a client's overall portfolio, the protection is always in place. As a result, the portfolio is always guarded from unexpected, potentially catastrophic declines.

The strategy is available in four equity/fixed income allocations: 80/20, 60/40, 40/60, 20/80. While the underlying equity and fixed income holdings are actively managed, the overall asset allocation will be rebalanced as needed to maintain the proper risk profile.



This strategy provides tactical exposure to the fixed income markets and seeks to deliver total return with a secondary goal of income.

The investment process utilizes a disciplined, quantitative analysis of relative strength across three subsets of the global equity markets. A volatility hedge is incorporated to provide downside protection.

#### **Holdings**

NAVIGATOR TACTICAL FIXED INCOME I	57.49%
NAVIGATOR EQUITY HEDGED I	42.51%

Top holdings (by portfolio weight) only shown above. This is not a recommendation to buy or sell a particular security. Please see attached disclosures. A complete list of holdings is available upon request.

Performance (as of 9/30/2023)		Portfolio	Portfolio				
	el 101111a11ce (as of 9/30/2023)	(Gross)*	(Net of 3.0%)**	Benchmark			
	MTD	-1.15	-1.40	-1.73			
	3 Months	-1.70	-2.44	-0.41			
	YTD	6.22	3.87	6.16			
	1 Year	10.05	6.82	11.04			
	3 Year	2.99	-0.05	3.82			
	5 Year	3.33	0.28	3.86			
	7 Year	4.19	1.12	4.86			
	10 Year	4.13	1.05	4.73			
	Since Inception (As of 5/1/2011)	3.82	0.75	4.85			
	Cumulative Return	59.18	9.75	79.96			
Risk Measures							
	Standard Deviation	6.61	6.61	8.12			
	Beta	0.73	0.73	1.00			
	Alpha	0.03	-2 93	0.00			

0.46

79.96

0.01

79.96

0.51

100.00

## **Calendar Year Performance**

**Sharpe Ratio** 

R Squared

2022	-12.11	-14.74	-11.02
2021	7.71	4.54	9.30
2020	14.17	10.83	8.44
2019	8.97	5.77	16.05
2018	-3.75	-6.61	-5.02
2017	8.25	5.07	11.29
2016	13.06	9.75	11.87
2015	-2.53	-5.42	-3.62
2014	1.15	-1.84	2.59
2013	7.59	4.42	11.25
2012	6.77	3.62	13.68

<sup>\*</sup>Gross returns do not include the deduction of transaction costs, and are shown as supplemental information.

The benchmark is the 20% MSCI ACWI & 20% HFRX Equity Hedge Fund & 60% BBgBarc US Corporate High Yield. The risk statistics are calculated against it.

Past performance not indicative of future results. Please see attached disclosures.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The net 3.00% performance is shown because 3.00% is the generally assumed highest model wrap fee.

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#### 20% MSCI ACWI Navigator Global Balanced 40-60 Hedged-MF Composite

& 20% HFRX

Composite Inception and Creation Date: 5/1/2011

**Annualized Since Inception** 

**Cumulative Since Inception** 

**Equity Hedge** Fund & 60%

	<u>Note A:</u> Pure Gross Total Return	Net of 3.0%	BBgBarc US Corporate High Yield	Internal Dispersion	Number of Portfolios	Composite Assets (in Millions)	Wrap Fee	Total Firm Assets (in Millions)
1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022	-12.11%	-14.74%	-11.02%	0.06%	21	\$1.892	100%	\$21,935.0
1/1/2021 to 12/31/2021	7.71%	4.54%	9.30%	0.06%	23	\$2.685	100%	\$22,847.4
1/1/2020 to 12/31/2020	14.17%	10.83%	8.44%	0.34%	26	\$2.980	100%	\$17,305.2
1/1/2019 to 12/31/2019	8.98%	5.77%	16.05%	0.06%	36	\$4.336	100%	\$14,519.0
1/1/2018 to 12/31/2018	-3.75%	-6.61%	-5.02%	0.09%	42	\$4.831	100%	\$10,563.7
1/1/2017 to 12/31/2017	8.25%	5.07%	11.29%	0.07%	56	\$6.503	100%	\$7,088.8
1/1/2016 to 12/31/2016	13.06%	9.75%	11.87%	0.10%	63	\$6.838	100%	\$4,159.8
1/1/2015 to 12/31/2015	-2.53%	-5.42%	-3.62%	0.03%	79	\$9.785	100%	\$2,308.7
1/1/2014 to 12/31/2014	1.15%	-1.84%	2.59%	0.07%	107	\$12.137	100%	\$2,082.3
1/1/2013 to 12/31/2013	7.59%	4.42%	11.25%	0.05%	138	\$18.184	100%	\$1,966.6
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Note A: Pure gross-of-fees performance returns are presented as supplemental information and do not reflect the deduction of any trading costs, fees, or expenses. Therefore, returns will be reduced by advisory and other expenses.

3.53%

49.87%

0.47%

5.66%

\*Internal dispersion is not presented for periods of less than a full year, or for annual periods that include less than 5 accounts for the full year.

Internal dispersion is calculated using the equal-weighted standard deviation of annual pure gross account returns for those accounts included in the composite for the entire year. Prior to 2020, dispersion was calculated using the equal-weighted average deviation of annual pure gross account returns for those accounts included in the composite for the entire year.

4.63%

69.51%

#### GIPS® Composite Report (as of 12/31/2022)

#### 3-Year Annualized Ex-post Standard Deviation

Year	Composite	Benchmark
2022	9.67	11.79
2021	7.93	10.11
2020	8.18	10.68
2019	4.35	5.44
2018	4.51	5.58
2017	4.13	6.01
2016	4.86	6.42
2015	4.86	6.02
2014	5.15	5.37

The 3-year annualized ex-post standard deviation measures the variability of the composite's pure gross returns and benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

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Composite Description: The Navigator Global Balanced 40/60 Hedged composite consists of portfolios with a 40% allocation to equity and 60% fixed income. The composite provides targeted exposure to the U.S. equity market coupled with targeted international exposure and an actively managed fixed income component seeking to lower risk and reduce composite volatility. The equity allocation invests in the Navigator Equity Hedged Fund which invests in exchange-traded funds in U.S. equity styles, market capitalizations and styles, and sectors and industry groups and international countries and regions and also incorporates the Navigator Sentry Strategy which utilizes an allocation to volatility to hedge the portfolio in an attempt to mitigate downside risk. The fixed income allocation utilizes the Navigator Fixed Income Total Return strategy. The fixed income allocation has an unconstrained allocation policy targeting high yield corporate, investment grade corporate, government, government agency and treasury fixed income sectors. The composite seeks to provide growth of capital.

The strategy utilizes an allocation to volatility to hedge the equity portion of the portfolio in an attempt to limit risk. From inception through mid-December 2011 the strategy's performance reflects the use of only S&P 500 Index put options for the volatility allocation. In mid-December 2011, the strategy expanded the universe of investments to include volatility exchange-traded products (ETFs and ETNs) that are based upon the S&P 500 volatility short-term and mid-term futures indexes, as well as S&P 500 Index put options. Since mid-December 2011, the strategy has utilized only volatility exchange-traded products to hedge the portfolio. In the future, the strategy may use only these products, S&P 500 Index put options, or both within our sole discretion.

Fee Schedule: The maximum total wrap fee is 3.00%. The total wrap fee includes all charges for trading costs, portfolio management, custody, and other administrative fees. Actual fees may differ from the fees used in this presentation depending upon account size, investments, and agreement with the client.

Custom Benchmark Description: The benchmark consists of 20% MSCI ACWI & 20% HFRX Equity Hedge Fund & 60% BBgBarc US Corporate High Yield rebalanced annually. MSCI ACWI is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets. The MSCI ACWI consists of 46 country indexes comprising 23 developed and 23 emerging market country indexes. The HFRX Equity Hedge Index encompasses various equity hedge strategies that combine core long holdings of equities with short sales of stock, stock indices, related derivatives, or other financial instruments related to the equity markets. The BBgBarc U.S. Corporate High-Yield Index covers the U.S. dollar-denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bond market. Securities are classified as high-yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch, and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below. Benchmark returns are net of withholding taxes. Index returns reflect the reinvestment of income and other earnings, are provided to represent the investment environment shown, and are not covered by the report of independent verifiers.

The volatility (beta) of the Composite may be greater or less than its respective benchmarks. It is not possible to invest in these indices.

# **Statistic Descriptions**

Standard Deviation: A statistical measure of dispersion about an average which depicts how widely the returns varied over a certain period of time.

3-Year Standard Deviation: The 3-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36-month period.

Beta: A measure of systematic risk with respect to a benchmark. Systematic risk is the tendency of the value of the composite and the value of the benchmark to move together. Beta measures the sensitivity of the composite's excess return (total return minus the risk-free return) with respect to the benchmark's excess return that results from their systematic co-movement. It is the ratio of what the excess return of the composite would be to the excess return of the benchmark if there were no composite-specific sources of return. If beta is greater than one, movements in value of the composite that are associated with movements in the value of the benchmark tend to be amplified. If beta is one, they tend to be dampened. If such movements tend to be in opposite directions, beta is negative. Beta is measured as the slope of the regression of the excess return on the composite as the dependent variable and the excess return on the benchmark as the independent variable.

The beta of the market is 1.00 by definition. Morningstar calculates beta by comparing a portfolio's excess return over T-bills to the benchmark's excess return over T-bills, so a beta of 1.10 shows that the portfolio has performed 10% better than its benchmark in up markets and 10% worse in down markets, assuming all other factors remain constant. Conversely, a beta of 0.85 indicates that the portfolio's excess return is expected to perform 15% worse than the benchmark's excess return during up markets and 15% better during down markets.

Alpha: A measure of the difference between a portfolio's actual returns and its expected performance, given its level of risk as measured by beta. A positive alpha figure indicates the portfolio has performed better than its beta would predict. In contrast, a negative alpha indicates the portfolio has underperformed, given the expectations established by beta. Alpha is calculated by taking the excess average monthly return of the investment over the risk free rate and subtracting beta times the excess average monthly return of the benchmark over the risk free rate.

Sharpe Ratio: A risk-adjusted measure developed by Nobel Laureate William Sharpe. It is calculated by using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the Sharpe Ratio, the better the composite's historical risk-adjusted performance. The Sharpe ratio is calculated for the past 36-month period by dividing a composite's annualized excess returns by the standard deviation of a composite's annualized excess returns. Since this ratio uses standard deviation as its risk measure, it is most appropriately applied when analyzing a composite that is an investor's sole holding. The Sharpe Ratio can be used to compare two composites directly as to how much risk a composite had to bear to earn excess return over the risk-free rate.

R-Squared: Reflects the percentage of a portfolio's movements that can be explained by movements in its benchmark.

Downside Capture Ratio: Measures a manager's performance in down-markets. A down-market is defined as those periods (months or quarters) in which market return is less than 0. In essence, it tells you what percentage of the down-market was captured by the manager. For example, if the ratio is 110%, the manager has captured 110% of the down-market and therefore underperformed the market on the downside.

Upside Capture Ratio: Measures a manager's performance in up markets relative to the market (benchmark) itself. It is calculated by taking the security's upside capture return and dividing it by the benchmark's upside capture return.

Bull Beta: A measure of the sensitivity of a composite's return to positive changes in its benchmark's return.

Bear Beta: A measure of the sensitivity of a composite's return to negative changes in its benchmark's return.

Best Month: The highest monthly return of the investment since its inception or for as long as data is available.

Worst Month: The lowest monthly return of the investment since its inception or for as long as data is available.

Maximum Gain: The peak to trough incline during a specific record period of an investment or composite. It is usually quoted as the percentage between the peak to the trough.

Maximum Drawdown: The peak to trough decline during a specific record period of an investment or composite. It is usually quoted as the percentage between the peak to the trough.