

## **FUND FACTS**

Guardian U.S. Equity Fund Series I April 12, 2024

This document contains key information you should know about Series I Units of Guardian U.S. Equity Fund (the "Fund"). You can find more detailed information in the Fund's simplified prospectus. Ask your representative for a copy, contact Guardian Capital LP at 1 (866) 383-6546 or insights@guardiancapital.com or visit www.guardiancapital.com.

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

## **QUICK FACTS**

	Date series started:	March 30, 2011*	Fund manager:	Guardian Capital LP
	Total value on February 29, 2024:	\$3,126,679 (U.S. Dollars)**	Portfolio manager:	Guardian Capital LP
	Management expense ratio (MER):	0.21%	Sub-adviser:	Alta Capital Management, LLC
			Distributions:	Income and capital gains –
				Annually (December)
* Offered on private placement basis since November 28, 1995		Minimum investment:	\$500 initial	
	** Series I Units of the Fund are offered	d for purchase in U.S. dollars.		
	Please see the Fund's simplified prospect	us for further information. The		
Fund's assets, liabilities and net asset value are all calculated in U.S.				
	dollars.			

### WHAT DOES THE FUND INVEST IN?

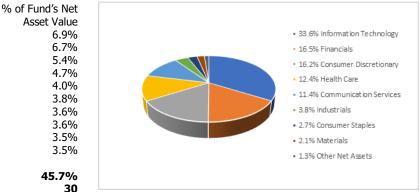
The primary objective of the Fund is the achievement of long-term growth of capital primarily through investment in equity and equity-related securities of issuers whose principal business operations are located in the United States.

The charts below give a snapshot of the Fund's investments on February 29, 2024. The Fund's investments will change.

#### Top 10 investments (February 29, 2024)

Total percentage of top 10 investments: Total number of investments:			45.7% 30	
	10.	Mastercard Incorporated, Class 'A'	3.5%	
	9.	Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.	3.5%	
	8.	Markel Group Inc.	3.6%	
	7.	Fiserv Inc.	3.6%	
	6.	Adobe Inc.	3.8%	
	5.	Accenture PLC, Class 'A'	4.0%	
	4.	The Home Depot Inc.	4.7%	
	3.	Apple Inc.	5.4%	
	2.	Microsoft Corporation	6.7%	
	1.	Alphabet Inc., Class 'A'	6.9%	
			Asset Value	
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## **HOW RISKY IS IT?**

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 a 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**

Guardian Capital LP 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 to Medium Medium High	

For more information about risk rating and specific risks that can affect the Fund's returns, see the "What are the risks of investing in the Fund?" section of the Fund's simplified prospectus.

#### **NO GUARANTEES**

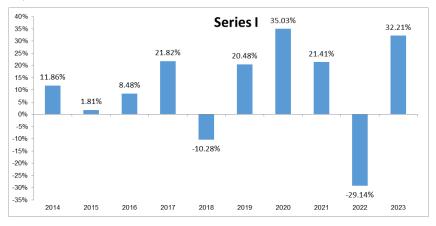
Like most mutual funds, this Fund doesn't have any guarantees. You may not get back the amount of money you invest.

## **HOW HAS THE FUND PERFORMED?**

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

#### Year-by-year returns

This chart shows how Series I Units of the Fund have performed in each of the past ten calendar years. The series dropped in value in two of the past ten calendar years. The range of returns and change from year to year can help you assess how risky the series has been in the past. It does not tell you how the series will perform in the future.



#### Best and worst 3-month returns

This table shows the best and worst returns for this series 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	24.15%	June 30, 2020	Your investment would rise to \$1,241.48
Worst return	-17.79%	June 30, 2022	Your investment would drop to \$822.08

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registered plan.

#### Average return

A person who invested \$1,000 in this series ten years ago now has USD\$937.00. This works out to an annual compound return of -0.65%.

## WHO IS THIS FUND FOR?

#### This Fund may be suitable for you if:

- You are looking for a core U.S. equity fund for your portfolio.
- You are seeking long-term capital growth from your investment.
  You are comfortable with medium to high investment risk.
  You plan to hold this investment for the medium to long term.
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  - If you hold your investment outside of a registered plan, you will receive a tax slip showing your share of the fund's earnings. You must include the amounts shown in your taxable income whether you get them in cash or have them reinvested. You must calculate your taxable capital gains from redemption.

In general, you'll have to pay tax on any money you make on a fund including your share of the fund's earnings and on taxable capital gains

from redeeming your investment. How much tax you pay depends on

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

The following tables show the fees and expenses you could pay to buy, own and sell Series I Units of this 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

No sales charges apply when you purchase Series I Units.

#### 2. Fund expenses

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

As at December 31, 2023, the Series I expenses of the Fund were 0.22% of its value. This equals USD\$2.20 for every USD\$1,000 invested.

**Guardian U.S. Equity Fund Series I** 

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	Annual rate (as a % of the series' value)		
<b>Management expense ratio (MER)</b> This is the total of the series' administration fee and other operating expenses. No management fee is payable by the investor or the Fund in respect of Series I Units. Instead, an investment advisory fee is negotiated and paid directly by each Series I investor. This investment advisory fee does not form a part of the MER.	0.21%		
Trading expense ratio (TER) These are the series' trading costs.	0.01%		
Fund expenses	0.22%		
More about the trailing commission			

No trailing commission is paid in respect of this series.

# 3. Other fees

You may have to pay other fees when you buy, hold, sell or switch Series I Units of the Fund.

Fee	What you pay		
Investment Advisory Fee Investors pay a negotiated invest that may be charged for this fee		ment advisory fee directly to us or our affiliates. The maximum percentage is 1.50%.	
Switch Fee         0-2% of the value of Series		nits you switch. This fee is charged by your representative's firm.	
Short-Term Trading Fee	2% of the current value of the Series I Units may be charged by us if you redeem or switch them within 45 days of purchase.		
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business days after you receive Facts document, or	buy mutual fund units within two a simplified prospectus or Fund 48 hours after you receive u also have the right to cancel a claim damages, if the simplified r financial statements contain a the time limit set by the securities	Contact Guardian Capital LP 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. Guardian Capital LP Commerce Court West, Suite 2700 P.O. Box 201, Toronto, Ontario M5L 1E8 Website: www.guardiancapital.com Email: Insights@guardiancapital.com Toll Free: 1 (866) 383-6546 To learn more about investing in mutual funds, see the brochure <b>Understanding mutual funds</b> , which is available on the website of the Canadian Securities Administrators at www.securities- administrators.ca. All trademarks, registered and unregistered, are owned by Guardian Capital Group Limited and are used under licence.	