

# POLARIS

## GLOBAL VALUE FUND

**Total Net Assets** \$409 Million  
**Nasdaq Symbol** PGVFX  
**CUSIP** 349903484  
**Inception Date** 7/31/89  
**Expense Ratio (Gross)** 1.22%  
**Expense Ratio (Net)** 0.99%

The Fund's annual operating expense ratio has been reduced to 0.99% through April 30, 2025 due to the Adviser's contractual agreement to waive its fee and/or reimburse expenses to limit Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses.

### Risk Measures

PGVFX vs. MSCI World Index

Treynor Measure	7.87
Beta	0.95
Alpha	1.29
Sharpe Ratio	0.45

Data since inception of the Polaris Global Value Fund has been used in calculating the above numbers.

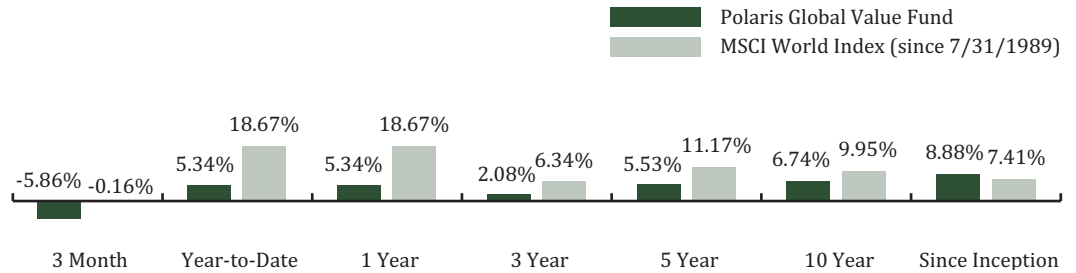
### Calendar Year Performance

As of December 31, (Total Return)

Year	PGVFX	MSCI World
2024	5.34%	18.67%
2023	14.77%	23.79%
2022	-12.01%	-18.14%
2021	15.39%	21.82%
2020	6.65%	15.90%
2019	22.79%	27.67%
2018	-12.66%	-8.71%
2017	20.61%	22.40%
2016	11.67%	7.51%
2015	1.55%	-0.87%
2014	3.68%	4.94%
2013	36.94%	26.68%
2012	21.00%	15.83%
2011	-8.16%	-5.54%
2010	20.64%	11.76%
2009	35.46%	29.99%
2008	-46.19%	-40.71%
2007	-3.97%	9.04%
2006	24.57%	20.07%
2005	10.52%	9.49%
2004	23.63%	14.72%
2003	47.06%	33.11%
2002	3.82%	-19.89%
2001	2.21%	-16.82%
2000	-5.82%	-13.18%
1999	16.50%	24.93%
1998	-8.85%	24.34%
1997	34.55%	15.76%
1996	23.34%	13.48%
1995	31.82%	20.72%
1994	-2.78%	5.08%
1993	25.70%	22.50%
1992	9.78%	-5.23%
1991	17.18%	18.28%
1990	-11.74%	-17.02%

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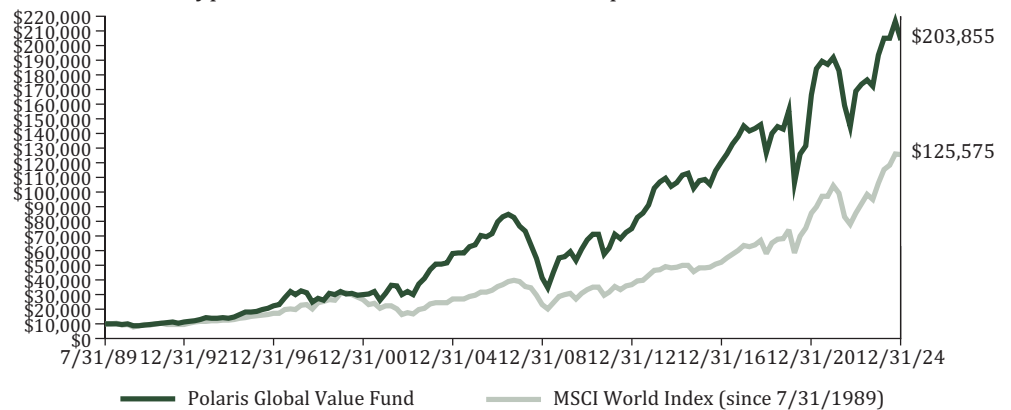
### PERFORMANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024 (Total Return)



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### HYPOTHETICAL GROWTH OF \$10,000 7/31/89-12/31/24

Growth of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment compared to the MSCI World Index



Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Short-term performance, in particular, is not a good indication of the Fund's future performance, and an investment should not be made based solely on returns. Because of ongoing market volatility, Fund performance may be subject to substantial short-term changes.

### PERFORMANCE COMMENTARY

Positive absolute performance in an overweight financial sector provided ballast in an otherwise underwhelming quarter, where both the Polaris Global Value Fund and the MSCI World Index benchmark suffered declines across most sectors and countries.

Consumer spending kept pace in the fourth quarter, although lower-income consumers felt a greater pinch from the still-high interest rates. This played out in Sally Beauty Holdings and U.S. footwear manufacturer Crocs Inc. One sector standout was Sony Group Corp., as the company gained more than 10% on the back of solid gaming and music revenues.

The Fund outperformed the benchmark in the health care sector; but it was a hollow win in an industry that was largely negative on the back of rising medical care costs and lower Medicaid margins. Health insurer losses were partially offset by strong biopharmaceutical gains from Jazz Pharmaceuticals and Gilead Sciences.

Information technology results were skewed by geopolitical concerns. South Korea's SK Hynix and Samsung Electronics declined on the concerns that the incoming U.S. administration may impose semiconductor chip trade restrictions. In December, the President of South Korea declared martial law. Investors sold off the South Korean market, which has begun to rebound in early 2025.

U.S. financials anticipated a less regulatory-restrictive operating environment in 2025. This, along with a higher-for-longer interest rate environment and improved economic growth outlook, spurred on banks during the quarter. In fact, all of the U.S. regional and commercial banks in the Fund portfolio posted absolute positive gains. The Fund outperformed the benchmark in real estate and materials, the latter of which was led by Canadian methanol producer Methanex Corp. and Irish paper packaging supplier Smurfit Westrock.

During the quarter, we exited Antofagasta, Daito Trust and Bellway PLC at a healthy profit. Capital was redeployed to purchase LATAM Airlines Group, Sanofi SA, Chailease Holding and Vipshop Holdings.

Inflation, interest rates and tariffs mean 2025 is shaping up to be an interesting year for the global economy. Growth is expected to remain at a stable 3.2%, according to the International Monetary Fund, but may be stymied by the slowdown in interest rate cuts. Why? Inflation pushed up in the U.S., U.K. and Eurozone in November. We do believe the "higher-for-longer" stance cuts the right balance in the economy, and may favor value stocks.

## Performance Analysis

### By Company

#### Contributors

Williams Cos., Inc.  
SLM Corp.  
Methanex Corp.  
Webster Financial Corp.  
Cullen/Frost Bankers, Inc.

#### Detractors

Shinhan Financial Group Co., Ltd.  
LG Electronics, Inc.  
Elevance Health, Inc.  
Crocs, Inc.  
Barry Callebaut AG

### By Sector

#### Contributors

Financials

#### Detractors

Consumer Discretionary  
Health Care  
Information Technology  
Industrials  
Consumer Staples

### Minimum Investments

Standard Account	\$2,500
IRA Accounts	\$2,000
Accounts with Systematic Investment Plans	\$2,000

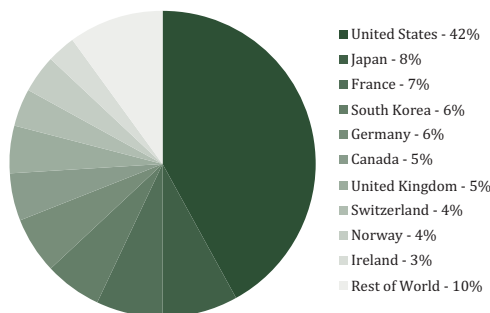
### Portfolio Management

The Fund is managed by a team of ten investment professionals led by Bernard R. Horn, Jr., President of Polaris Capital Management, LLC

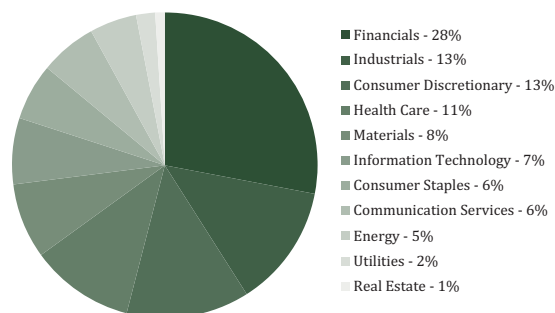
### Polaris Global Value Fund

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### Country Allocation



### Sector Allocation



### Top Equity Holdings

Allison Transmission Holdings, Inc.	2.1%	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	1.6%
Smurfit WestRock PLC	1.7%	Northern Trust Corp.	1.6%
United Therapeutics Corp.	1.6%	SLM Corp.	1.5%
Capital One Financial Corp.	1.6%	Methanex Corp.	1.5%
Cullen/Frost Bankers, Inc.	1.6%	The Carlyle Group, Inc.	1.5%

**THE POLARIS GLOBAL VALUE FUND** is a no-load mutual fund that seeks capital appreciation by investing in value stocks worldwide. The Fund is diversified across country, sector and market capitalization, and typically holds 65 to 100 stocks that meet Polaris' strict value criteria.

Polaris Capital Management, LLC (the "Adviser") uses proprietary investment technology combined with Graham & Dodd style fundamental research to identify potential investments. Filters are applied as part of the investment approach, which attempts to identify a list of companies with the most undervalued streams of sustainable free cash flow or assets worldwide. Polaris then conducts rigorous fundamental research on the companies identified in the screening process, subsequently making selections for Fund investment.

### THE INVESTMENT ADVISER

Polaris Capital Management, LLC is a global value equity manager that provides investment services for institutional and individual clients. Polaris' management believes worldwide markets are generally efficient over time, but investor behavior creates volatility that leads to inefficiency somewhere in the world. An integrated global investment strategy may be utilized to help exploit this inefficiency. Polaris believes investing in the most undervalued companies worldwide likely limits risk and has the potential for benchmark-beating returns.

Total return includes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. During the period some of the Fund's fees were waived or expenses reimbursed. In the absence of these waivers and reimbursements, performance figures would be lower. **The Fund invests in securities of foreign issuers, including issuers located in countries with emerging capital markets. Investments in such securities entail certain risks not associated with investments in domestic securities, such as volatility of currency exchange rates, and in some cases, political and economic instability and relatively illiquid markets. Options trading involves risk and is not suitable for all investors.** On June 1, 1998, a limited partnership managed by the Adviser reorganized into the Fund. The predecessor limited partnership maintained an investment objective and investment policies that were, in all material respects, equivalent to those of the Fund. The Fund's performance for periods before June 1, 1998, is that of the limited partnership and includes the expenses of the limited partnership. If the limited partnership's performance had been readjusted to reflect the first year expenses of the Fund, the Fund's performance for the periods prior to June 1, 1998, may have been lower. The limited partnership was not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("1940 Act") and was not subject to certain investment limitations, diversification requirements, and other restrictions imposed by the 1940 Act and the Internal Revenue Code, which, if applicable, may have adversely affected its performance.

The MSCI World Index, net dividends reinvested measures the performance of a diverse range of global stock markets in the United States, Canada, Europe, Australia, New Zealand and the Far East. The MSCI World Index is unmanaged and does include the reinvestment of dividends, net of withholding taxes. One cannot invest directly in an index or an average.

The Treynor Measure is a risk-adjusted measure of return that divides a portfolio's return in excess of the riskless return by its beta. Beta is the measure of a fund's relative volatility as compared to an index. A fund with a beta higher than 1 is expected to be more volatile than the applicable index. Alpha is the difference between a fund's actual returns and its expected performance given its level of risk as measured by beta. The Sharpe Ratio is a measure of the risk-adjusted return of an investment.

**Before investing you should carefully consider the Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. This and other information is in the prospectus, a copy of which may be obtained by calling (888) 263-5594. Please read the prospectus carefully before you invest. Foreside Fund Services, LLC, distributor.**