Parnassus Core Equity Fund

Third Quarter 2019

Strategy

The Parnassus Core Equity Fund invests with low turnover and high conviction in approximately 40 holdings. The Fund focuses on identifying companies with:

- Wide moats or strong competitive advantages that protect market share and profitability
- Relevancy over the long term, which provides a compounding growth component
- Quality management teams that will act in the best interests of shareholders
- Favorable three-year investment horizon

The Fund strives to outperform the S&P 500 Index on a risk-adjusted basis with a high active share. The Fund avoids investing in companies engaged in the extraction, exploration, production or refining of fossil fuels and attempts to shield investors from losses during bear markets, while offering significant upside participation during bull markets.

Total Returns (%)\(^1\)

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Annual Returns (%)

- PRBLX
- S&P 500 Index

Investor Shares PRBLX

Morningstar Ratings™

- Overall Rating™**: ★★☆☆☆
- Analyst Rating™**: Silver
- Sustainability Rating™**: ★★★★★

*Overall rating out of 1,222 Large Blend funds as of 09/30/2019. **Sustainability Rating out of 1,904 US Equity Large Blend funds as of 08/31/2019. Based on 97% of AUM.

Ten Largest Holdings\(^2\)

- Microsoft Corp. 6.1%
- The Walt Disney Co. 4.6%
- Danaher Corp. 3.5%
- Mastercard Inc. CL A 3.5%
- American Express Co. 3.3%
- Costco Wholesale Corp. 3.3%
- Verisk Analytics Inc. 3.2%
- The Clorox Company 3.1%
- Linde plc 3.0%
- Waste Management Inc. 3.0%

Total 36.6%

Sector Weighting\(^2\)

- PRBLX
- S&P 500 Index

- Information Technology 24% 22%
- Industrials 15% 9%
- Consumer Staples 14% 8%
- Health Care 14% 14%
- Financials 10% 13%
- Communication Services 7% 10%
- Materials 5% 2%
- Real Estate 5% 3%
- Consumer Discretionary 4% 10%
- Energy 0% 5%
- Utilities 0% 4%
- Short-Term Investments 2% 0%

\(^1\)All returns greater than one year are annualized. \(^2\)Percent based on total net assets as of 9/30/19.

Risks: The Fund’s share price may change daily based on the value of its security holdings. Stock markets can be volatile, and stock values fluctuate in response to the asset levels of individual companies and in response to general U.S. and international market and economic conditions. In addition to large-cap companies, the Fund may invest in small- and/or mid-cap companies, which can be more volatile than large-cap firms. Security holdings in the fund can vary significantly from broad market indexes.

Prior to March 31, 1998, the Parnassus Core Equity Fund was a balanced fund. Returns shown for the fund do not reflect the declaration of taxes a shareholder would pay on the fund distributions or the redemption of fund shares. The Standard & Poor’s 500 Composite Stock Price Index (the S&P 500 Index) and the Russell 1000 Index are widely recognized indexes of common stock prices. An individual cannot invest directly in an index. An index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes, dividends or the redemption of fund shares. The Standard & Poor’s 500 Composite Stock Price Index (the S&P 500 Index) and the Russell 1000 Index are widely recognized indexes of common stock prices. An individual cannot invest directly in an index. An index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses, or taxes. The S&P 500 Index is a product of S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC and/or its affiliates and has been licensed for use by Parnassus Investments. Copyright © 2019 by S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a subsidiary of McGraw-Hill Financial, Inc., and/or its affiliates. All rights reserved. Redistribution, reproduction and/or photocopying in whole or in part are prohibited without written permission of S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC. More information on any of S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC’s indices please visit www.spdji.com. S&P® and Dow Jones® are registered trademarks ofStandard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC and Dow Jones & Company, Inc., respectively.

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PRBLX – Annual Growth of $10,000 as of Dec. 31, 2018

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$131,745.99

Parnassus Overview

At Parnassus Investments, we invest responsibly to build wealth for our clients. We select businesses that we believe have increasingly relevant products or services, sustainable competitive advantages and quality management teams for our high-conviction portfolios. Every investment we make must meet rigorous fundamental and environmental, social and governance (ESG) criteria.

Meet the Portfolio Managers

**Todd A. Ahlsten**
Chief Investment Officer, Portfolio Manager
2001-Present

- 25 years in the industry
- With firm since 1995
- BS, Business Administration, University of California, Berkeley 1994

**Benjamin E. Allen**
Chief Executive Officer, Portfolio Manager
2012-Present

- 20 years in the industry
- With firm since 2005
- MBA, University of California, Berkeley 2005
- AB, Government, Georgetown University 1999

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1The chart shows the growth of a hypothetical $10,000 investment since inception and assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. It does not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the redemption of fund shares. The 30-Day SEC Yield is computed under an SEC standardized formula based on net income earned over the past 30 days. Average Weighted Market Cap is the average capitalization of all stocks in the portfolio, weighted by each holding’s size in the portfolio. Price/Earnings (P/E) Ratio is a ratio of a stock’s current price to its per-share earnings over the past 12 months. Price/Book (P/B) Ratio is the ratio of a stock’s most recent closing price divided by its book value per share. Alpha is a measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis. Beta measures the percentage amount your portfolio differs from a passive benchmark. 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The Parnassus Core Equity Fund – Institutional Share Class received a Morningstar rating of 5, 5 and 5 stars for the 3-, 5-, and 10-year periods, respectively. The Morningstar® Sustainability Rating is intended to measure how well the companies within a fund’s portfolio are managing their environmental, social, and governance (“ESG”) risks and opportunities relative to the fund’s Morningstar category peers. The Morningstar Sustainability Rating is assigned to all scored funds within Morningstar’s Category in which at least ten (10) funds receive a Portfolio Sustainability Score and is determined by each fund’s rank within the following distribution: High (highest 10%) • Average (next 22.5%) • Below Average (next 22.5%) • Low (lowest 10%). The Morningstar Sustainability Rating is depicted by globe icons where High equals 5 globes and Low equals 1 globe. Sustainalytics provides company-level analysis used in the calculation of Morningstar’s Sustainability Score. 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