

Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

December 31, 2023

Beutel Goodman Total World Equity Fund

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Management Discussion of Fund Performance

Investment Objectives and Strategies

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation primarily through investments in common shares and other equity securities of issuers in Canada and abroad.

The Fund seeks to make investments in issuers that are undervalued in relation to the business value of the issuer. If financial results fall short of expectations, the intrinsic value of the underlying assets of the issuer should provide downside protection.

A significant portion of the Fund's assets will be invested in common shares or other equity securities of Canadian issuers. However, the proportion of the Fund's assets invested in Canadian issuers compared to non-Canadian issuers will vary based on the adviser's outlook for the capital markets. Currently, the Fund does not expect to invest more than 49% of its assets in securities of non-Canadian issuers.

Risk

There were no significant changes to the investment objectives or strategies that affected the Fund's overall level of risk during the year. The risks of investing in this Fund and the suitability of the Fund for investors remain as discussed in the Prospectus.

Results of Operations

Over the 12-month period ended December 31, 2023, Beutel Goodman Total World Equity Fund (the "Fund"), Class B returned 7.64% versus 15.37% for the Fund's benchmark, the 50% S&P/TSX Composite Index, 25% MSCI EAFE Index (C\$) and 25% S&P 500 Index (C\$). Unlike the benchmark, the Fund's return is net of fees and expenses paid by the Fund. Please refer to the "Annual Compound Returns" in the Past Performance section for the returns of all classes of the Fund. Detailed performance is provided under the heading "Past Performance" in this report.

Inflation and the response of central banks were the primary drivers of market performance in 2023. Toward the end of the year, with inflation trending downwards, the U.S. Federal Reserve indicated that it was considering rate cuts in the near future, which led to a strong rally in stocks and bonds. The period was also notable for the banking crisis in March and April of 2023 with the collapse of Silicon Valley Bank, Signature Bank and First Republic in the U.S, as well as Swiss banking giant Credit Suisse. This saw heightened volatility in markets as the stability of the global banking system was called into question. Amid this upheaval, regulators in the U.S. and Europe were quick to respond with measures designed to protect the banking system in their respective jurisdictions, containing the crisis.

Key Contributors to Performance

- The top-performing sectors during the period relative to the benchmark were Energy, Materials and Utilities.
 - A combination of both stock selection and an underweight position in the Energy and Utilities sectors, areas of relative weakness in the benchmark, contributed to the Fund's relative performance.
 - An underweight position in the Materials sectors, areas of relative weakness in the benchmark, contributed to the Fund's relative performance.
- Over the period, the largest individual contributors to Fund performance included Ampol Ltd., Tempur Sealy International Inc., Qualcomm Inc., dormakaba Holding AG and Comcast Corp.

Kev Detractors from Performance

- From a sector perspective, the Fund's holdings in the Information Technology, Consumer Staples and Consumer Discretionary sectors were the largest detractors from the Fund's relative performance over the period.
 - A combination of both stock selection and an underweight position in the Information Technology sector, an area of relative strength in the benchmark, detracted from the Fund's relative performance.
 - A combination of both stock selection and an overweight position in the Consumer Staples sector, an area of relative weakness in the benchmark, detracted from the Fund's relative performance.
 - Stock selection in the Consumer Discretionary sector detracted from the Fund's relative performance.
- Over the period, the largest individual detractors from Fund performance included Campbell Soup Co., MillerKnoll Inc., Harley-Davidson Inc., Kellanova and Saputo Inc.

Portfolio Activity

- The portfolio management team (the "team") employs a stock selection process that is based on identifying securities trading at a significant discount to their business value. The Fund's sector and stock weights are outcomes of the team's investment decisions based on bottom-up fundamentals and business quality. As a by-product of the team's bottomup investment process, market performance and general management activity, the following changes occurred in the Fund's portfolio during the reporting period:
 - The Fund's Information Technology, Energy, Health Care, Financials, Real Estate, Consumer Staples and Materials sector weightings increased over the period because of relative performance and the team's buy/sell activities.
 - The Fund's Industrials, Consumer Discretionary, Communication Services and Utilities sector weightings decreased over the period because of relative performance and the team's buy/sell activities.

- Colliers International Group Inc. and TGS ASA were new additions to the Fund. Some of the more significant additions in existing holdings included eBay Inc., Amgen Inc., Kellanova and Campbell Soup Co.
- The Fund's position in TELUS Corp., MillerKnoll Inc., Parker-Hannifin Corp., Tempur Sealy International Inc., dormakaba Holding AG, IMI plc and Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. were liquidated. Some of the more significant trims in existing holdings included Smiths Group plc, Brookfield Corporation and Carlsberg A/S.
- Kellogg Company (parent) spun out its cereal business into a separate entity, WK Kellogg, listed under the ticker KLG. The parent was renamed Kellanova, listed under the ticker K.
- At period-end, there were 61 holdings in the Fund, down from 65 at the beginning of the period.
- The Fund's level of cash and cash equivalents decreased from the beginning
 of the period.

Recent Developments

In March, Sara Shahram, CFA joined the company as Vice President, Canadian Equities. There has been no impact on the Fund as a result of this change, nor does Beutel Goodman expect there to be.

During the review period, Independent Review Committee (IRC) member Gary Brent retired and was replaced by John Smeeton.

Value stocks lagged their Growth counterparts for much of 2023, which has been the case for most of the last 15 years. The combination of extreme divergence of a handful of stocks compared to the broader markets and some contradictory macroeconomic signals continue to cause market volatility.

U.S. equity concentration is now at its highest level in over five decades, with the top seven stocks in the S&P 500 representing a combined 28.2% of the entire index. "The Magnificent Seven" (Alphabet, Amazon, Apple, Meta, Microsoft, NVIDIA, and Tesla) collectively returned 76.3% in 2023, compared to 13.8% for the rest of the index. The Magnificent Seven are trading at close to 29x forward earnings, compared to 18x forward earnings for the rest of the index. Notwithstanding the fact that this spread could widen further, such disparity in valuations leaves growth stocks vulnerable should a market correction occur, as happened in late 2022 when many high-multiple stocks saw large price declines.

The Canadian economy is facing potential headwinds heading into 2024, with consumer confidence declining and vulnerabilities in Canada's housing market a concern. Inflation is less of a worry than this time last year, however, with the rate hiking cycle of central banks having the desired effect of cooling price increases.

Related Party Transactions

Beutel, Goodman & Company Ltd. ("BG") is the Manager, Trustee and Portfolio Advisor to this Fund. The Fund pays a management fee to BG as compensation for its services. The Fund pays a fixed administration fee to BG, which in turn pays certain operating expenses of the Fund. BG as trustee of the Fund earns a fee which is paid by the Manager from the fixed administration fee paid by the Fund.

The Fund did not rely on any recommendation or approval of its Independent Review Committee to proceed with any transaction involving related parties because it did not conduct any related party transactions, except for certain inter-fund trades and the management and administrative fees as described above, as approved by the Independent Review Committee by standing instructions, and subject to regulatory requirements.

Management Fees: As Manager, BG is paid a management fee from each class of the Fund based on the average daily net asset value of the particular class. The fee is payable monthly, in arrears, and is calculated at the annualized rate specified for each class of the Fund as set out in the table below. Management fees for Class I units are negotiated and paid directly by the investor, not by the Fund, and, therefore, are not listed.

As a Percentage of Management Fees

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	Maximum Annual Management Fee Rate %	Dealer Compensation %	General Administration, Investment Advice and Profit %
Class B	1.85	54	46
Class D	1.25	20	80
Class F	0.90	0	100

Administration Fee: The Manager receives a fixed administration fee to pay certain operating expenses of the Fund. These expenses include audit and legal fees; custodian and transfer agent fees; costs attributable to the issue, redemption and change of units, including the cost of the security holder record-keeping system; expenses incurred in respect of preparing and distributing all regulatory reports; fund accounting and valuation costs; independent review committee fees and filing fees, including those incurred by us. The administration fee may vary by class of units and by Fund.

BG, as trustee of the Fund, earns a fee which is paid by the Manager from the administration fee paid by the Fund.

Financial Highlights

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 5 years ended December 31. This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements and is provided for each class of units.

Financial Highlights per unit Class B Units

(for the years ended December 31)

\$	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net assets, beginning of year	14.04	14.97	13.76	13.64	11.92
Increase (decrease) from operations					
Total revenue	0.49	0.43	0.39	0.52	0.43
Total expenses	(0.37)	(0.37)	(0.38)	(0.34)	(0.32)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.41	0.56	1.11	0.11	0.21
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.56	(1.00)	0.78	(0.14)	1.55
Total increase (decrease) from operations (1)	1.09	(0.38)	1.90	0.15	1.87
Distributions to unitholders per unit:					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.05	-	-	0.04	0.01
From dividends	0.13	0.06	-	0.08	0.10
From capital gains	0.01	0.47	0.80	0.22	_
From return of capital	_	-	-	_	_
Total annual distributions (2)	0.19	0.53	0.80	0.34	0.11
Net assets, end of year (3)	14.92	14.04	14.97	13.76	13.64

Ratios and Supplemental Data Class B Units

(for the years ended December 31)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total net asset value (\$) (000's)(4)	2,198	2,037	2,137	1,505	1,708
Number of outstanding units (000's) (4)	147	145	143	109	125
Management expense ratio (5)	2.20%	2.21%	2.20%	2.20%	2.19%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (6)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Portfolio turnover rate (7)	22%	33%	39%	39%	35%
Trading expense ratio (%) (8)	0.04%	0.09%	0.10%	0.09%	0.07%
Net asset value per unit, end of year	14.92	14.04	14.97	13.76	13.64

Financial Highlights per unit Class D Units

(for the years ended December 31)

\$	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net assets, beginning of year	16.89	17.80	16.30	16.14	14.09
Increase (decrease) from operations					
Total revenue	0.58	0.50	0.47	0.65	0.51
Total expenses	(0.32)	(0.32)	(0.32)	(0.29)	(0.28)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.48	0.83	1.34	0.10	0.26
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.62	(1.52)	1.12	(0.39)	1.83
Total increase (decrease) from operations (1)	1.36	(0.51)	2.61	0.07	2.32
Distributions to unitholders per unit:					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.08	-	_	0.08	0.02
From dividends	0.24	-	0.06	0.16	0.22
From capital gains	0.02	0.56	0.96	0.27	_
From return of capital	_	-	_	-	_
Total annual distributions (2)	0.34	0.56	1.02	0.51	0.24
Net assets, end of year (3)	17.96	16.89	17.80	16.30	16.14

Ratios and Supplemental Data Class D Units

(for the years ended December 31)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total net asset value (\$) (000's) (4)	313	311	1,392	1,449	1,971
Number of outstanding units (000's) (4)	17	18	78	89	122
Management expense ratio (5)	1.52%	1.49%	1.50%	1.50%	1.49%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions ⁽⁶⁾	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Portfolio turnover rate (7)	22%	33%	39%	39%	35%
Trading expense ratio (%) (8)	0.04%	0.09%	0.10%	0.09%	0.07%
Net asset value per unit, end of year	17.96	16.89	17.80	16.30	16.14

Financial Highlights

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Financial Highlights per unit Class F Units

(for the years ended December 31)

\$	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net assets, beginning of year	13.90	14.84	13.63	13.57	11.87
Increase (decrease) from operations					
Total revenue	0.49	0.43	0.39	0.48	0.42
Total expenses	(0.21)	(0.21)	(0.22)	(0.19)	(0.18)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.39	0.55	1.10	0.19	0.23
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.46	(0.99)	0.78	0.72	1.58
Total increase (decrease) from operations (1)	1.13	(0.22)	2.05	1.20	2.05
Distributions to unitholders per unit:					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.08	0.02	_	0.11	0.02
From dividends	0.23	0.21	0.16	0.22	0.26
From capital gains	0.01	0.47	0.80	0.22	_
From return of capital	_	-	_	-	_
Total annual distributions (2)	0.32	0.70	0.96	0.55	0.28
Net assets, end of year (3)	14.79	13.90	14.84	13.63	13.57

Ratios and Supplemental Data Class F Units

(for the years ended December 31)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total net asset value (\$) (000's)(4)	9,372	9,446	7,861	4,493	2,219
Number of outstanding units (000's) (4)	634	679	530	330	164
Management expense ratio (5)	1.12%	1.12%	1.12%	1.10%	1.09%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (6)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Portfolio turnover rate (7)	22%	33%	39%	39%	35%
Trading expense ratio (%) (8)	0.04%	0.09%	0.10%	0.09%	0.07%
Net asset value per unit, end of year	14.79	13.90	14.84	13.63	13.57

Financial Highlights per unit Class I Units

(for the years ended December 31)

\$	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Net assets, beginning of year	17.79	18.97	17.40	17.26	15.08
Increase (decrease) from operations					
Total revenue	0.62	0.54	0.50	0.66	0.54
Total expenses	(80.0)	(0.09)	(80.0)	(0.09)	(0.06)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.52	0.73	1.43	0.17	0.27
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	0.66	(1.29)	1.13	0.23	1.86
Total increase (decrease) from operations (1)	1.72	(0.11)	2.98	0.97	2.61
Distributions to unitholders per unit:					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	0.16	0.04	_	0.18	0.03
From dividends	0.46	0.42	0.37	0.35	0.47
From capital gains	0.02	0.60	1.04	0.29	-
From return of capital	_	-	_	-	-
Total annual distributions (2)	0.64	1.06	1.41	0.82	0.50
Net assets, end of year (3)	18.90	17.79	18.97	17.40	17.26

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Class I Units

(for the years ended December 31)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total net asset value (\$) (000's)(4)	373	338	413	351	327
Number of outstanding units (000's) (4)	20	19	22	20	19
Management expense ratio (5)	0.11%	0.11%	0.11%	0.11%	0.11%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (6)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Portfolio turnover rate (7)	22%	33%	39%	39%	35%
Trading expense ratio (%) (8)	0.04%	0.09%	0.10%	0.09%	0.07%
Net asset value per unit, end of year	18.90	17.79	18.97	17.40	17.26

- (1) Net asset value per unit and distributions to unitholders per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding for the relevant class at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding for the relevant class over the fiscal year.
- (2) Distributions were paid in cash or automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund.
- (3) This is not a reconciliation of the beginning and ending net assets per unit.
- (4) This information is provided as at year end of the year shown.
- (5) Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated year and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the year.
- (6) The Manager may have waived or absorbed some of the fund expenses. If this had occurred, the management fee ratio before any such waiver or absorption is listed. The Manager may terminate the waiver or absorption at any time, at its discretion. It is not known when such waivers or absorptions will be terminated.
- (7) 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 fiscal 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 higher turnover rate and the performance of a Fund. Portfolio turnover rate equals the lesser of the costs of purchases and proceeds of sales of portfolio securities for the year divided by the average value of the portfolio securities of the Fund calculated on a monthly basis, excluding short-term securities.
- (8) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs disclosed in the Statements of Comprehensive Income expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value of the Fund during the year.

Past Performance

The performance returns below:

- are calculated as of December 31 in each year;
- assume all distributions made by the Fund are reinvested to purchase additional units; and
- show the returns of the particular class of the Fund after any applicable
 management fees and operating expenses have been deducted, but are
 not reduced by any redemption charges, optional charges or income
 taxes payable by you that would have reduced returns on performance.

Please remember that the past performance of the Fund is not an accurate prediction of future returns.

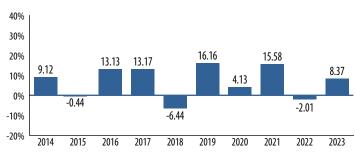
Year-by-Year Returns

The bar chart indicates the Fund's annual performance for each of the year's shown and illustrates how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. The bar chart shows in percentage terms how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year.

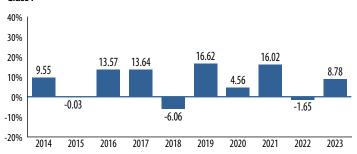
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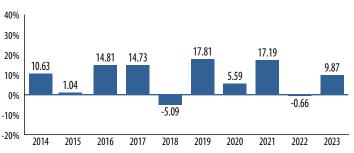
Class D



Class F



Class I



Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the Fund's historical annual compound total returns for each of the periods indicated ended on December 31, 2023, as compared to the performance of the both the Total World Equity Benchmark [comprised of S&P/TSX Composite Index (50%), the MSCI EAFE (C\$) Index (25%) and the S&P 500 (C\$) Index (25%) effective January 1, 2016] and respective indices. Prior to January 1, 2016, the Total World Equity Benchmark was comprised of S&P/TSX Composite Index (70%), the MSCI EAFE (C\$) Index (15%) and the S&P 500 (C\$) Index (15%).*

Class B

	10 Years (%)	5 Years (%)	3 Years (%)	Past Year (%)
Beutel Goodman Total World Equity Fund	6.11	7.47	6.32	7.64
Total World Equity Benchmark	8.57	11.33	9.00	15.37
S&P/TSX Composite Index	7.62	11.30	9.59	11.75
S&P 500 Index (C\$)	14.46	14.88	11.27	22.90
MSCI EAFE Index (C\$)	6.54	7.41	5.22	15.07

Class D

	10 Years (%)	5 Years (%)	3 Years (%)	Past Year (%)
Beutel Goodman Total World Equity Fund	6.81	8.22	7.07	8.37
Total World Equity Benchmark	8.57	11.33	9.00	15.37
S&P/TSX Composite Index	7.62	11.30	9.59	11.75
S&P 500 Index (C\$)	14.46	14.88	11.27	22.90
MSCI EAFE Index (C\$)	6.54	7.41	5.22	15.07

Class F

	10 Years (%)	5 Years (%)	3 Years (%)	Past Year (%)
Beutel Goodman Total World Equity Fund	7.23	8.64	7.47	8.78
Total World Equity Benchmark	8.57	11.33	9.00	15.37
S&P/TSX Composite Index	7.62	11.30	9.59	11.75
S&P 500 Index (C\$)	14.46	14.88	11.27	22.90
MSCI EAFE Index (C\$)	6.54	7.41	5.22	15.07

Class I

	10 Years (%)	5 Years (%)	3 Years (%)	Past Year (%)
Beutel Goodman Total World Equity Fund	8.32	9.73	8.55	9.87
Total World Equity Benchmark	8.57	11.33	9.00	15.37
S&P/TSX Composite Index	7.62	11.30	9.59	11.75
S&P 500 Index (C\$)	14.46	14.88	11.27	22.90
MSCI EAFE Index (C\$)	6.54	7.41	5.22	15.07

^{*} The S&P/TSX Composite Index is designed to represent the Canadian mid-large cap equity market. The S&P 500 Index (C\$) is designed to represent the U.S. equity market. The MSCI EAFE Index (C\$) is designed to reflect non-North American stock markets.

A discussion of the relative performance of the Fund is under the Results of Operations section of this report.

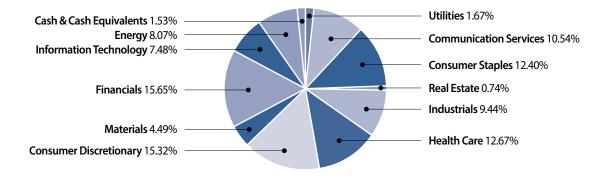
Summary of Investment Portfolio

The following information may change due to the ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund. More current information regarding the holdings of the Fund may be obtained on our website at www.beutelgoodman.com.

Summary of Top 25 Holdings

Issu	er Name	% of Net Assets	Issu	ier Name	% of Net Assets
1.	Royal Bank of Canada	3.68	14.	Gentex Corp.	2.15
2.	Ampol Ltd.	3.31	15.	Compagnie Générale des Établissements Michelin	2.14
3.	The Toronto-Dominion Bank	3.12	16.	Shionogi & Co., Ltd.	2.13
4.	Carlsberg AS	2.93	17.	Harley-Davidson Inc.	2.10
5.	QUALCOMM Inc.	2.59	18.	Roche Holding AG	2.10
6.	Comcast Corp., Class A	2.55	19.	Polaris Inc.	2.09
7.	Kellanova	2.38	20.	Koninklijke KPN NV	2.04
8.	Campbell Soup Co.	2.37	21.	Canadian National Railway Co.	1.95
9.	Amgen Inc.	2.31	22.	eBay Inc.	1.92
10.	Smith & Nephew PLC	2.24	23.	Bank of Montreal	1.90
11.	Cummins Inc.	2.23	24.	ITV PLC	1.86
12.	Akzo Nobel NV	2.19	25.	Manulife Financial Corp.	1.82
13.	GSK PLC	2.16			

Asset Mix





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