

# **Royce Small-Cap Total Return Fund**

Domestic stock fund | Investment Class

## **Fund facts**

| *Risk level | I |               |      | Total net | Expense ratio  | Ticker | Turnover | Inception | Fund   |
|-------------|---|---------------|------|-----------|----------------|--------|----------|-----------|--------|
| Low ←       |   | $\rightarrow$ | High | assets    | as of 09/30/24 | symbol | rate     | date      | number |
| 1 2         | 3 | 4             | 5    | \$628 MM  | 1.26%          | RYTRX  | 65.00%   | 12/15/93  | 2557   |

134

4.22

-7.19

-7.47

25.86

31.74

## Investment objective

The investment seeks long-term growth of capital and current income.

#### Investment strategy

Normally, the fund invests at least 65% of its net assets in dividend-paying equity securities. In addition, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets in equity securities of small-cap companies, under normal circumstances. Although the fund normally focuses on securities of U.S. companies, it may invest up to 25% of its net assets (measured at the time of investment) in securities of companies headquartered in foreign countries.

#### **General note**

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# Benchmark

Russell 2000 Value TR USD

#### **Annual returns**

| _ |      |      |      |      |      |      | _    |      |      |      |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
|   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|   | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |

-12.46

-12.86

23.45

22.39

3.82

4.63

13.65

7.84

#### **Total returns**

Benchmark

Fund

Periods ended September 30, 2024

25.78

28.27

-13.25

-14.48

24.07

14.65

|           | Quarter | Year to date | One year | Three years | Five years | Ten years |
|-----------|---------|--------------|----------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| Fund      | 4.29%   | 5.70%        | 19.86%   | 6.73%       | 9.67%      | 8.44%     |
| Benchmark | 10.15%  | 9.22%        | 25.88%   | 3.77%       | 9.29%      | 8.22%     |

The performance data shown represent past performance, which is not a guarantee of future results. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate, so investors' shares, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data cited. For performance data current to the most recent month-end, visit our website at vanguard.com/performance.

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<sup>t</sup>Morningstar Risk evaluates a mutual fund's downside volatility relative to that of other funds in its Morningstar Category. It is an assessment of the variations in a fund's monthly returns, with an emphasis on downside variations, in comparison with the mutual funds in its Morningstar Category. In each Morningstar Category, the 10% of funds with the lowest measured risk are described as Low Risk (LOW), the next 22.5% Below Average (-AVG), the middle 35% Average (AVG), the next 22.5% Above Average (+AVG), and the top 10% High (HIGH). Morningstar Risk is measured for up to three time periods (three-, five-, and 10 years). These separate measures are then weighted and averaged to produce an overall measure for the mutual fund. Funds with less than three years of performance history are not rated.

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### **Ten largest holdings**

| 1 | International General Insurance Holdings Ltd Ordin |  |
|---|--|--|
|   |  |  |

- 2 Kyndryl Holdings Inc Ordinary Shares
- 3 Academy Sports and Outdoors Inc Ordinary Shares
- 4 Kulicke & Soffa Industries Inc
- 5 Assured Guaranty Ltd
- 6 Barrett Business Services Inc
- 7 Healthcare Services Group Inc
- 8 Air Lease Corp Class A
- 9 Advance Auto Parts Inc
- 10 The Hackett Group Inc

Top 10 as % of total net assets 27.0%

#### Sector Diversification



| <ul> <li>Financial Services</li> </ul> | 36.2% |
|--|-------|
| Technology                             | 16.0  |
| Industrials                            | 15.3  |
| Consumer Cyclical                      | 10.8  |
| <ul> <li>Basic Materials</li> </ul>    | 6.0   |
| Communication Services                 | 5.8   |

| Energy                        | 4.6 |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Healthcare                    | 4.2 |
| Real Estate                   | 1.2 |
| Consumer Defensive            | 0.0 |
| <ul> <li>Utilities</li> </ul> | 0.0 |

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#### Risk terms

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Not FDIC Insured: The investment is not a deposit or obligation of, or guaranteed or endorsed by, any bank and is not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve Board, or any other U.S. governmental agency.

Equity Securities: The value of equity securities, which include common, preferred, and convertible preferred stocks, will fluctuate based on changes in their issuers financial conditions, as well as overall market and economic conditions, and can decline in the event of deteriorating issuer, market, or economic conditions.

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Portfolio Diversification: Investments that concentrate their assets in a relatively small number of issuers, or in the securities of issuers in a particular market, industry, sector, country, or asset class, may be subject to greater risk of loss than is a more widely diversified investment.

Small Cap: Concentrating assets in small-capitalization stocks may subject the portfolio to the risk that those stocks underperform other capitalizations or the market as a whole. Smaller, less-seasoned companies may be subject to increased liquidity risk compared with mid- and large-cap companies and may experience greater price volatility than do those securities because of limited product lines, management experience, market share, or financial resources, among other factors.

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