## U.S. Equity Growth Fund

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Marketing Communication

### **Fund Objective and Proposition**

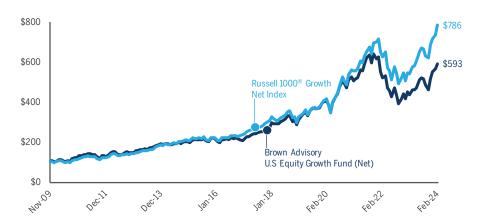
The Brown Advisory U.S. Equity Growth Fund aims to achieve capital appreciation by investing in medium to large cap U.S. Equities. We invest in a concentrated portfolio of proven business models where we have high conviction that the companies can produce a 14% or better earnings-per-share growth rate over a full market cycle. We have an investment process and valuation discipline that seek to identify outcomes that are skewed heavily in our favor. The Fund uses a bottom-up, research- intensive process to build a concentrated portfolio of industry-leading companies with a history of strong, sustainable revenue, cash flow, and earnings growth. Our strategy is based on a unique firm culture and philosophy, which support a shared belief that low-turnover, concentrated portfolios derived from sound fundamental research can generate attractive out performance.

#### **Fund Performance**

#### **CUMULATIVE GROWTH OF \$100**

(net of fees) from inception to 29 February 2024

Past performance does not predict future returns.



This performance is additional to, and should be read in conjunction with, the calendar year performance data below. Past performance may not be a reliable guide to future performance and investors may not get back the amount invested. All investments involve risk. The value of the investment and the income from it will vary. There is no guarantee that the initial investment will be returned.

### PORTFOLIO MANAGER



## Kenneth Stuzin, CFA ■ Investment experience since 1986

Joined Brown Advisory 1996

FUND FACTS					
Benchmark	Russell 1000® Growth Net Index <sup>1</sup>				
Structure	UCITS (Ireland)				
Base Currency	USD				
Launch Date	2 November 2009				
Fund Size	USD 830 million				
Holdings	Typically 30-35				
Dealing	Daily				
Administrator	Brown Brothers Harriman (Ireland)				
Administrator Contact	Tel +353 1603 6490				
Settlement	T+2				
Minimum Investment (Relevant Currency)	A: 5,000 B: 10,000,000				
Registered for Sale <sup>2</sup>	AUT, BEL, CHE, DEU, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, IRL, ITA, LUX, NOR, PRT, SGP, SWE				
Eligibility (U.K.)	ISA and SIPP				
SFDR Classification	Article 8				

CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (% net of fees)	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
U.S. Equity Growth Fund B USD (02-Nov-2009)	33.3	-33.8	18.7	32.2	40.1	4.8	30.1	-3.4	6.5	5.9	28.6	15.5
Russell 1000 Growth Net Index (USD)	42.3	-29.3	27.3	38.1	35.9	-1.5	30.2	7.1	5.7	13.1	33.5	15.3

ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (as of 02/29/2024)	1 MO	3 MO	YTD	1YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	ITD
U.S. Equity Growth Fund B USD (02-Nov-2009)	4.7	15.0	6.9	36.3	4.5	12.4	11.8	13.6
Russell 1000 Growth Net Index (USD)	6.8	14.3	9.4	45.6	12.2	18.4	15.2	15.9

Source: Brown Brothers Harriman. This performance is additional to, and should be read in conjunction with, the calendar year performance data above. Performance over 1 year is annualised. Past performance may not be a reliable guide to future performance and investors may not get back the amount invested. All investments involve risk. The value of the investment and the income from it will vary. There is no guarantee that the initial investment will be returned.

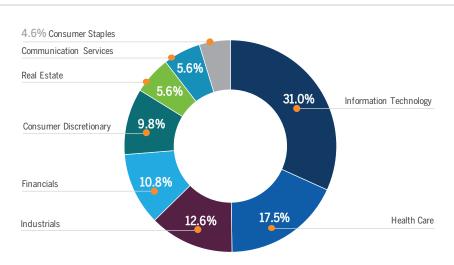
<sup>1</sup>The Fund uses the Russell 1000 Growth Index as a Comparator Benchmark to compare performance. The Russell 1000 Growth Index represents the large-cap segment of the U.S. equity markets and includes those Russell 1000® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. The Fund is actively managed and is not constrained by any benchmark.

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FEBRUARY 2024: MONTHLY FUND FACTSHEET

### Sector Weights



TOP 10 EQUITY HOLDINGS	
Security	%
NVIDIA Corporation	5.4
Intuit Inc.	4.8
Amazon.com, Inc.	4.8
Costco Wholesale Corporation	4.6
Microsoft Corporation	4.6
ServiceNow, Inc.	4.5
Intuitive Surgical, Inc.	4.4
Uber Technologies, Inc.	4.1
Mastercard Incorporated Class A	4.0
Alphabet Inc. Class C	3.9
Total	45.1

Source: FactSet. Top 10 holdings and sector breakdown includes cash and cash equivalents, which was 2.6% and is subject to change. Cash value not displayed. Numbers may not total 100% due to rounding. Holdings shown are for informational purposes only and are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any security.

MARKET CAP COMPOSITION		
	U.S. Equity Growth Fund (%)	Russell 1000 Growth Index (%)
< \$10 billion	3.5	1.5
\$10 – 50 billion	13.8	10.4
\$50 – 100 billion	22.1	9.1
> \$100 billion	58.0	79.1

Source: Factset. Numbers may not total 100% due to rounding.

SHARE CLASS INFORMATION				
	ISIN	Ticker	OCF <sup>3</sup> (%)	AMC (%)
Dollar A Class	IE00B0PVD642	BRAUSEA	1.60	1.50
Dollar B Class (Acc.)	IE00B8FXN005	BRAUSBA	0.85	0.75

 $For information on additional share \ classes, please \ visit www.brownadvisory.com/intl/kiid-library \ or \ contact \ us.$ 

### **INVESTMENT ENQUIRIES**

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<sup>3</sup>OCFs are the actual OCFs as of 29 February, 2024. The maximum OCF of A share classes is 1.75%, and B share classes is 1.00%. The ongoing charges figure (OCF) is based on expenses, excluding transaction costs. The charges include the costs of marketing and distribution For more information about charges, please see the Fund's prospectus, available at www.brownadvisory.com.

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