

# U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund

Marketing Communication

## Fund Objective and Proposition

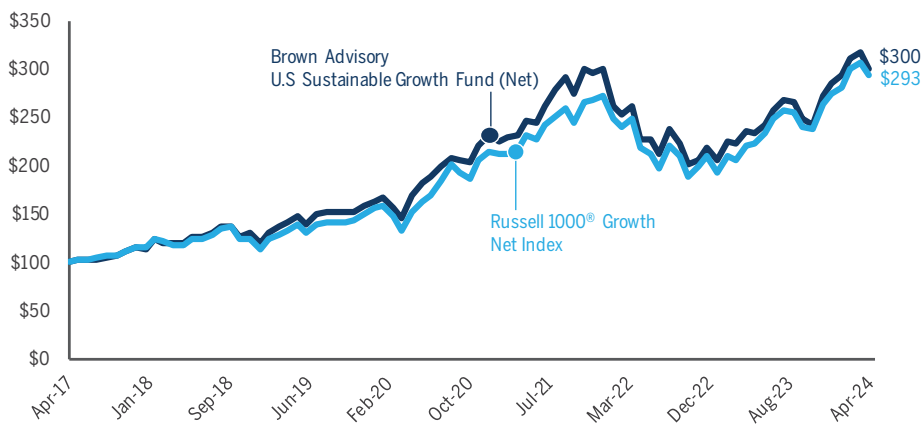
The Brown Advisory U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund aims to achieve capital growth. The portfolio managers seek competitive risk-adjusted returns over a full market cycle, through a concentrated portfolio of companies that we believe offer durable fundamental strengths, sustainable competitive advantages and compelling valuations.

We seek out companies with particular sustainability drivers we refer to as Sustainable Business Advantages, that directly benefit financial performance by specifically driving revenue growth, cost improvements and enhanced franchise value. We believe that the U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund has a distinct competitive advantage in the marketplace with an attractive long-term performance track record.

## Fund Performance

### CUMULATIVE GROWTH OF \$100 (net of fees) from inception to 30 April 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 MANAGERS



### Karina Funk, CFA

- Investment experience since 2003
- Joined Brown Advisory 2009



### David Powell, CFA

- Investment experience since 1997
- Joined Brown Advisory 1999

## FUND FACTS

Benchmark	Russell 1000® Growth Net Index <sup>1</sup>
Structure	UCITS (Ireland)
Base Currency	USD
Launch Date	3 April 2017
Fund Size	USD 5,019 million
Holdings	Typically 30-40
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 C: 5,000,000
Registered for Sale <sup>2</sup>	AUT, BEL, CHE, DEU, DNK, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, IRL, ITA, LUX, NLD, NOR, SGP, SWE
Eligibility (U.K.)	ISA and SIPP
SFDR Classification	Article 8

### CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS (% net of fees)

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund C USD (03 Apr 2017)	38.7	-31.3	29.9	41.9	35.7	4.9
Russell 1000 Growth Net Index (USD)	42.3	-29.3	27.3	38.1	35.9	-1.5



### ANNUALISED PERFORMANCE (as of 04/30/2024)

	1 MO	3 MO	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	ITD
U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund C USD (03 Apr 2017)	-5.5	1.7	4.8	28.2	6.7	15.0	17.4
Russell 1000 Growth Net Index (USD)	-4.3	4.0	6.6	31.5	8.2	16.1	16.8

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.

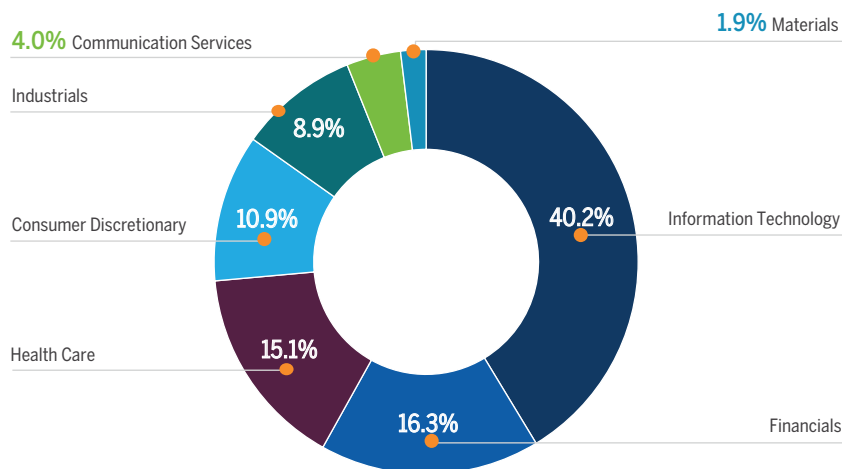
<sup>1</sup>The Fund uses the Russell 1000 Growth Index as a Comparator Benchmark to compare performance, which measures the performance of the large-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe. It includes those Russell 1000® Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted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

<sup>2</sup>The Fund will be available for subscription only in jurisdictions where they have been registered for distribution or may otherwise be lawfully privately placed. Only certain share classes may be registered or privately placed in some jurisdictions, please contact Brown Advisory for more information. Singapore-restricted scheme, please contact Brown Advisory for more information.

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APRIL 2024: MONTHLY FUND FACTSHEET

## Sector Weights



Source: FactSet. Top 10 holdings and sector breakdown includes cash and cash equivalents, which was 2.7% 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.

## TOP 10 EQUITY HOLDINGS

Security	%
NVIDIA Corporation	8.0
Microsoft Corporation	6.4
Amazon.com, Inc.	5.9
Intuit Inc.	4.6
Visa Inc. Class A	4.4
Alphabet Inc. Class A	4.0
ServiceNow, Inc.	3.8
Danaher Corporation	3.5
Progressive Corporation	3.0
Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc.	3.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>46.7</b>

## SCREENS

The Fund intends to invest in companies that promote environmental and social characteristics, as determined by Brown Advisory, and seeks to screen out particular companies and industries. In addition to our in house and qualitative sustainable investment research, we rely on a third-party provider to apply a rules-based screening process which seeks to identify companies that may have controversial business involvement, as determined by Brown Advisory. For example, the Fund seeks to exclude knowingly owning companies that may defy the United Nations Global Compact Principles and seeks to impose investment guide lines on possible business practices including, but not limited to, weapons, animal testing, fossil fuels, adult entertainment, alcohol, tobacco and gambling. The Fund is an Article 8 financial product for the purposes of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2019 on sustainability related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR).

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## MARKET CAP COMPOSITION

	U.S. Sustainable Growth Fund (%)	Russell 1000® Growth Index (%)
< \$10 billion	—	1.5
\$10 – 50 billion	23.1	10.8
\$50 – 100 billion	21.2	8.8
> \$100 billion	53.1	78.9

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

## SHARE CLASS INFORMATION

	ISIN	Ticker	OCF <sup>3</sup> (%)	AMC (%)
Dollar B Class Acc.	IE00BF1T6S03	BASGDBA	0.85	0.75
Dollar B Class Dist.	IE00BF1T6T10	BASGBUD	0.85	0.75

For information on additional share classes, please visit [www.brownadvisory.com/intl/kiid-library](http://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 30 April 2024. The maximum OCF of A share classes is 1.75%, B share classes is 1.00%, and C share classes is 0.75%. 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](http://www.brownadvisory.com).

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The KIIDs can be obtained from <https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/kiid-library> and are available in one of the official languages of each of the EU Member States into which the Fund has been notified for marketing under the Directive 2009/65/EC (the UCITS Directive). In addition, a summary of investor rights is available from <https://www.brownadvisory.com/intl/ucits-legal-document-library>. The summary is available in English. The Fund is currently notified for marketing into a number of EU Member States under the UCITS Directive. The Company can terminate such notifications for any share class and/or the Fund at any time using the process contained in Article 93a of the UCITS Directive. Certain share classes of the Fund will also be available for subscription in jurisdictions where the Fund may be lawfully privately placed. Please contact Brown Advisory for more information. Investors should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses of the Fund. This and other important information is contained in the Prospectus, the Supplement, and the applicable KIIDs. Read these documents carefully before you invest.

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