

# S&P Dividend Aristocrats Select 25 Strategy Portfolio, Series 40

# **Investment Objective**

The S&P Dividend Aristocrats Select 25 Strategy Portfolio, Series 40 (Trust) seeks attractive total return through capital appreciation and dividend income.

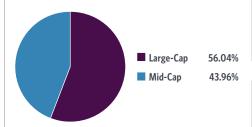
### **Key Considerations**

- Dividend Growth: The Index is comprised of companies within the S&P 500® that have followed a managed dividend policy of consistently increasing dividends every year for at least 25 years.
- Attractive Income Potential: The Trust seeks to provide an element of income and financial stability in a time of market uncertainty by selecting companies with a steady track record of dividend growth.
- Buffer Against Volatility: Stocks that can grow dividends historically tend to provide greater returns than the broader market during periods of elevated volatility.\*\*
- \* Morningstar, 6.30.2025. \*\* Bloomberg, 5.31.2005-6.30.2025. Past performance does not guarantee future results. There is no guarantee that these trends and projections will continue or come to fruition and they are subject to change.

#### **PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION**

Breakdown and weightings are as of 7.28.2025 and subject to change.

#### **CAPITALIZATION BREAKDOWN**



#### **STYLE BREAKDOWN**



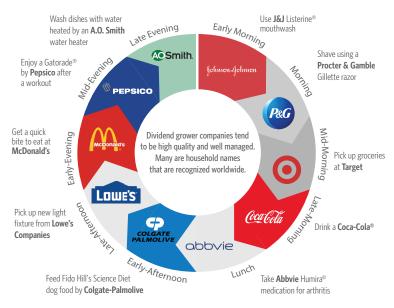
#### 25 Years of Dividend Growth with Aristocrat Stocks

Dividend Aristocrats are a distinct group of dividend-paying stocks that have increased their payouts at least once a year for 25 consecutive years or more. Historically, companies that have consistently grown their dividends provide competitive returns with less risk compared to the broader market.\*

To provide efficient exposure to these dividend growth leaders, Guggenheim Funds Distributors, LLC created the S&P Dividend Aristocrats Select 25 Strategy Portfolio, which seeks to identify companies in the S&P 500° Dividend Aristocrats° Index (the Index) that possess an attractive balance of dividend growth and capital appreciation potential. The Trust utilizes a comprehensive quantitative and qualitative methodology to construct a diversified portfolio of high quality companies that have the potential to offer attractive total returns through their management teams' dedication to delivering growing dividends and shareholder value.

# A Day in the Life with Dividend Grower Aristocrat Stocks

The graphic below details how a typical consumer might interact with many of the holdings in the S&P Dividend Aristocrats Select 25 Strategy Portfolio, Series 40 over the course of a day.



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#### **PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS**

Holdings, breakdown, and weightings are as of 7.28.2025 and subject to change.

Symbol	Company Name
Consumer	Discretionary (7.96%)
LOW	Lowe's Companies, Inc.
MCD	McDonald's Corporation
Consumer	Staples (35.99%)
BF/B	Brown-Forman Corporation
CLX	Clorox Company
КО	Coca-Cola Company
CL	Colgate-Palmolive Company
KMB	Kimberly-Clark Corporation
PEP	PepsiCo, Inc.
PG	Procter & Gamble Company
SYY	Sysco Corporation
TGT	Target Corporation
Financials	(8.03%)
ERIE	Erie Indemnity Company
TROW	T Rowe Price Group, Inc.

Symbol	Company Name
Health Car	re (12.01%)
ABT	Abbott Laboratories
ABBV	AbbVie, Inc.
JNJ	Johnson & Johnson
Industrials	s (32.01%)
AOS	A O Smith Corporation
CAT	Caterpillar, Inc.
CHRW	CH Robinson Worldwide, Inc.
CTAS	Cintas Corporation
EXPD	Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.
FAST	Fastenal Company
ITW	Illinois Tool Works, Inc.
GWW	WW Grainger, Inc.
Materials	(4.00%)
AMCR	Amcor PLC

# A Legacy of Growing Dividends

To become an S&P 500 Dividend Aristocrat, a company must have raised their dividend consistently year in and year out for at least 25 years. Out of all the companies in the S&P 500, only 66 companies attained this rank, as of 12.31.2024. The table below shows the number of years each company in Guggenheim's S&P Dividend Aristocrats Select 25 Portfolio, Series 40 has increased their dividends—the stocks selected for the portfolio have an average of 45 consecutive years of dividend growth.



Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices, January 2025. Historical dividend growth not recorded by S&P before 1962; companies with 60 years may have longer records.

# **Security Selection**

The Trust's portfolio was constructed and the securities were selected on July 22, 2025 (the "Security Selection Date") using the following security selection rules:

- 1. Initial Universe: Begin with the Index as of the Security Selection Date.
- 2. **Define Sub-Universe:** Reduce the initial universe of securities to a sub-universe by excluding securities priced lower than \$5 per share.
- 3. Rank on Fundamentals: Rank the remaining universe of securities from highest to lowest by the factors listed below. Each ranking is determined as of the Security Selection Date using the most recently reported information from S&P Compustat. Every company identified in the sub-universe is given a separate score for each of the three following financial metrics. A score of 1 is given for the lowest scoring company in each financial metric, a score of 2 is given to the next highest scoring company and this continues until each company is scored.
  - Return on assets as provided by S&P Compustat and calculated as the latest four quarters of reported income divided by the most recent reported total assets.
  - Return on equity as provided by S&P Compustat and calculated as the latest four quarters of reported income divided by the most recent reported common equity.
  - Dividend yield as provided by S&P Compustat and calculated as the total of all regular dividends paid over the prior twelve months divided by the company's stock price as of the most recent month end.

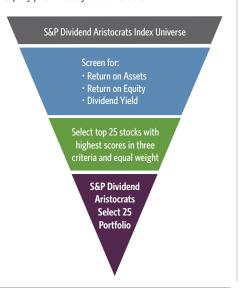
The three scores for each company are then added together to create the final composite score for the company. For example, if Company A scores a 2, 15 and 25, respectively, on the above metrics, it will have a composite score of 42. If two or more final composite company scores tie, the company with the highest dividend yield score, as defined above, will outrank the lower yielding company.

4. **Selection**: Select the top 25 securities with the highest composite score from the criteria above and apply an equal weight to each security.

Due to the fluctuating nature of security prices, the weighting of an individual security or sector in the Trust portfolio may change after the Security Selection Date.

# Not All Dividend Aristocrats Strategies Are Built the Same

Guggenheim's proprietary fundamental screen seeks to enhance total return potential by identifying companies with management teams committed to delivering attractive dividends and shareholder value. The screening process considers dividend yield, which should drive higher total returns, as well as return on assets and return on equity, which measure how effectively management utilizes the company's assets and the equity provided by shareholders.



#### **ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS<sup>1</sup>**

Hypothetical Strategy vs. S&P 500® Index.

2000+     14.19%     -9.10%       2001+     8.39%     -11.89%       2002     -6.11%     -22.10%       2003     14.06%     28.68%
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<b>2004</b> 9.77% 10.88%
2005 -0.96% 4.91%
<b>2006</b> 20.06% 15.79%
<b>2007</b> 3.65% 5.49%
<b>2008+</b> -15.31% -37.00%
<b>2009</b> 15.30% 26.47%
<b>2010</b> 16.97% 15.06%
<b>2011</b> 8.47% 2.63%
<b>2012</b> 16.67% 16.00%
<b>2013</b> 29.82% 32.39%
<b>2014</b> 13.53% 13.68%
<b>2015</b> -3.23% 1.37%
<b>2016</b> 8.07% 11.96%
<b>2017</b> 22.95% 21.82%
<b>2018</b> -6.51% -4.39%
<b>2019</b> 29.44% 31.48%
<b>2020</b> 6.52% 18.39%
<b>2021</b> 21.10% 28.68%
<b>2022</b> -9.59% -18.13%
<b>2023</b> 8.64% 26.26%
<b>2024</b> 0.00% 25.00%
<b>2025</b> (through 6.30.2025) -2.12% 6.20%

¹Annual total returns are calculated using closing prices beginning 12.31 the previous year and ending 12.31 the stated year, for the noted one year period, except that for 2025. Total return measures change in the value of an investment assuming reinvestment of all dividends and capital gains. These hypothetical results represent past performance of the strategy and not the actual Trust. Past performance does not guarantee future results. There can be no assurance that the Trust will achieve better performance than the S&P 500® Index or over any investment period in the Trust.

#### **AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS**

Hypothetical Strategy vs. S&P 500° Index through 12.31.2024.

Life of model (12.31.1999 - 12.31.2024)	8.41%	7.72%
10-Year	7.02%	13.09%
5-Year	4.85%	14.50%
3-Year	-0.60%	8.92%
1-Year	0.00%	25.00%

Source for all data is Guggenheim Funds Distributors, LLC unless otherwise stated.

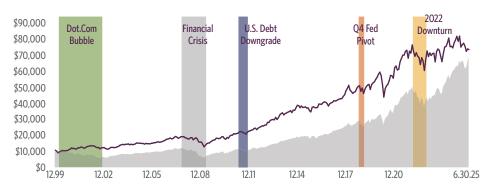
# Guggenheim's S&P Dividend Aristocrats Select 25 Strategy Portfolio

The growth of \$10,000 chart below shows how Guggenheim's S&P Dividend Aristocrats Select 25 Strategy Portfolio would have performed compared to the S&P 500® Index—including during the five largest S&P 500® Index downturns since the beginning of 2000. Over the long term, across both up and down markets, the hypothetical strategy displayed attractive returns. More importantly, the hypothetical strategy consistently outperformed the S&P 500® Index during each of the market drawdowns.

#### **GROWTH OF \$10,000**

Hypothetical Strategy vs. S&P 500® Index 12.31.1999-6.30.2025.





	Date Start <sup>3</sup>	Date Finish <sup>3</sup>	S&P 500® Index	Hypothetical Strategy	Hypothetical Strategy Excess Return
Dot.Com Bubble	3/24/00	10/9/02	-43.8%	21.6%	65.4%
Financial Crisis	10/9/07	3/9/09	-50.2%	-34.6%	15.5%
U.S. Debt Downgrade	4/29/11	10/3/11	-15.8%	-7.0%	8.8%
Q4 Fed Pivot	9/20/18	12/24/18	-13.5%	-9.5%	4.1%
2022 Downturn	1/4/22	10/12/22	-23.9%	-21.2%	2.7%
	Ave	rage	-29.4%	-10.1%	19.3%

<sup>3</sup>Performance for each downturn is calculated based on the nearest month start and month end for each date range. The COVID-19 downturn, which lasted from 2.19.2020 to 3.23.2020 and the 2025 downturn, which started 2.20.2025 and ended 4.8.2025, are not included in this table because the performance during the related month start and end dates did not rank as one of the top five largest S&P 500 downturns since 12.311999

All strategy performance is hypothetical (not any actual Trust) and reflects Trust sales charges and estimated expenses but not brokerage commissions on stocks or taxes. Hypothetical performance is based on the assumption that the portfolio reconstitution would have occurred annually. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Actual returns will vary from hypothetical strategy returns due to timing differences and because the Trust may not be invested equally in all stocks or be fully invested at all times. In any given year the strategy may lose money or underperform the Index. High returns are highly unusual and cannot be sustained. Investors should also be aware that these returns were primarily achieved during favorable market conditions. Growth of \$10,000 chart is based on monthly net returns for both the strategy and index.

# Historical Risk/Return Analysis<sup>4</sup>

Hypothetical Strategy vs. S&P 500® Index 12.31.1999-6.30.2025

Time Period	Hypothetical Strategy	S&P 500® Index
Standard Deviation	14.02%	15.29%
Return	8.15%	7.81%
Sharpe Ratio	0.46	0.40
Alpha	2.35%	0.00%
Beta	0.74	1.00
Up-market Capture Ratio	77.33%	100.00%
Down-market Capture Ratio	74.99%	100.00%

Index Return data and Risk Free Rates data are from Bloomberg. Guggenheim calculates numerical data illustrated from raw data received from partners. Calculations are based on annualized figures. See last page for definitions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>It is assumed that the investment is liquidated at the end of the time series shown here, resulting in application of relevant fees and charges.

<sup>+</sup> These returns are the result of extraordinary market events and are not expected to be repeated.

# | Inception Date | 7.29.2025 | | Termination Date | 10.27.2026 | | Initial Offer Price | \$10.00 | | Number of Issues | 25 | | Historical Annual Dividend Distributions | 25th day of each month commencing on 8.25.2025, if any

#### **SALES CHARGES AND ESTIMATED EXPENSES**

The sales charges (S/C) and estimated expenses are based on a \$10 per unit offering price.

	Standard	Fee/Wrap <sup>6</sup>
Deferred S/C <sup>7</sup>	1.35%	-
Creation and Development (C&D) Fee	0.50%	0.50%
Total S/C	1.85%	0.50%
Estimated Organization Expenses <sup>8</sup>	0.18%	0.18%
Estimated Annual Fund Operating Expenses <sup>9</sup>	0.24%	0.24%

Cash	40178K404
Reinvest	40178K412
Fee/Cash	40178K420
Fee/Reinvest	40178K438
Ticker	CACTOX

The Historical Annual Dividend Distribution (HADD) is as of the day prior to trust deposit and subject to change. There is no guarantee the issuers of the securities included in the Trust will declare dividends or distributions in the future. The HADD of the securities included in the Trust is for illustrative purposes only and is not indicative of the Trust's distribution rate. The HADD is the weighted average of the trailing twelve-month distributions paid by the securities included in the portfolio and is reduced to account for the effects of fees and expenses, which will be incurred when investing in the Trust. The HADD will vary due to certain factors that may include, but are not limited to, a change in the dividends paid by issuers, a change in Trust expenses or the sale or maturity of securities in the portfolio. Fee/Wrap-based accounts will not be assessed the deferred sales charge for eligible purchases and must purchase units with a Fee-based CUSIP. For unit prices other than \$10, percentage of the C&D fee will vary. The deferred sales charge (DSC) is a fixed amount and will be deducted in monthly installments on the last business day commencing November 2025 and ending January 2026 or upon early redemption. For unit prices other than \$10, percentages of C&D fees, and DSCs will vary but in no event will the maximum sales charge (S.C) exceed the total S.C. Early redemption of units will still cause payment of the DSC. However, an initial sales charge, which is equal to the difference between the maximum S.C and the sum of any remaining deferred S.C charges and C&D, will be charged if the price paid for units exceeds \$10 per unit. Setstimated Organization Expenses are assessed on a fixed dollar amount per unit basis, therefore, actual organization costs may be more or less than estimates. For additional information on organizational costs and potential caps, please see the prospectus. Trust operating expenses include fees for administration, bookkeeping, the trustee, sponsor, and evaluator. This expens

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**Deviation** is a measure of historical volatility that indicates the degree to which an investment's returns fluctuate around its average return. Generally, a higher standard deviation indicates a more risky investment. **Sharpe Ratio** is a measure of reward per unit of risk. A higher Sharpe Ratio indicates outperformance on a historical risk-adjusted performance basis, while a lower Sharpe Ratio indicates underperformance on a historical risk-adjusted performance basis.

**Alpha** is a coefficient, which measures risk-adjusted performance,

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTIC DEFINITIONS: Standard

factoring in the risk due to the specific security, rather than the overall market. A high value for alpha implies that the stock or mutual fund has performed better than would have been expected given its beta (volatility). Beta is the measure of a portfolio's sensitivity to the Index. By definition, the beta of the Index is 1.00. Any portfolio with a higher beta is more volatile than the Index. Likewise, any portfolio with a lower beta will be less volatile than the Index in the stated period. The **Up-Market Capture Ratio** is a measure of a portfolio in up-markets relative to the Index during the same period. A ratio value of 115 indicates that the portfolio has outperformed the market index by 15% in periods when the Index has risen. The **Down-Market** Capture Ratio is the direct opposite of the up-market capture ratio, gauging performance of the portfolio relative to the Index in downmarkets. A ratio value of 80 would indicate the portfolio has declined only 80% as much as the declining overall market, indicating relative outperformance.

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