

Scotia Wealth Pools

Scotia Wealth Canadian Small Cap Pool

Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

For the year ended December 31, 2023

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Securityholders may also contact us using one of these methods to request a copy of the investment fund's interim financial statements, proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record or quarterly portfolio disclosure.

1832 Asset Management L.P. is the manager (the "Manager") of the fund. In this document, "we", "us", "our" and the "Manager" refer to 1832 Asset Management L.P. and the "Fund" refers to Scotia Wealth Canadian Small Cap Pool.

The term "net asset value" or "net asset value per unit" in this document refers to the net asset value determined in accordance with Part 14 of National Instrument 81-106 – Investment Fund Continuous Disclosure ("National Instrument 81-106"); while the term "net assets" or "net assets per unit" refers to total equity or net assets attributable to unitholders of the Fund as determined in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards.

Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain portions of this report, including, but not limited to, "Recent Developments", may contain forward-looking statements about the Fund and the underlying funds, as applicable, including statements with respect to strategies, risks, expected performance events and conditions. Forward-looking statements include statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as "expects", "anticipates", "intends", "plans", "believes", "estimates", "projects" and similar forward-looking expressions or negative versions thereof.

In addition, any statement that may be made concerning future performance, strategies or prospects and possible future action by the Fund is also a forward-looking statement. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and projections about future general economic, political and relevant market factors, such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity and capital markets, and the general business environment, in each case assuming no changes to applicable tax or other laws or government regulation. Expectations and projections about future events are inherently subject to, among other things, risks and uncertainties, some of which may be unforeseeable. Accordingly, current assumptions concerning future economic and other factors may prove to be incorrect at a future date.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or events could differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements made by the Fund. Any number of important factors could contribute to these digressions, including, but not limited to, general economic, political and market factors in North America and internationally, such as interest and foreign exchange rates, global equity and capital markets, business competition, technological change, changes in government relations, unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings and catastrophic events. We stress that the above mentioned list of important factors is not exhaustive. Some of these risks, uncertainties and other factors are described in the Fund's simplified prospectus, under the heading "Risk Factors".

We encourage you to consider these and other factors carefully before making any investment decisions. Forward-looking statements should not be unduly relied upon. Further, you should be aware of the fact that the Fund has no specific intention of updating any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, prior to the release of the next management report of fund performance, and that the forward-looking statements speak only to the date of this management report of fund performance.

Investment Objective and Strategies

The Fund's investment objective is to achieve superior long-term returns through capital growth by investing primarily in stocks of small and medium capitalization Canadian corporations.

The Fund uses a growth-oriented investment style that is moderated by price sensitivity (growth at a reasonable price) to achieve its investment objectives.

The Fund may invest up to 15% of its assets in cash and cash equivalents.

The Fund can invest up to 10% of its assets in foreign securities.

Risk

The risks associated with investing in the Fund are as described in the simplified prospectus. There were no material changes to the Fund over its last completed financial year that affected the overall level of risk of the Fund.

Results of Operations

For the year ended at December 31, 2023 (the "period"), the Pinnacle Series units of the Fund generated a total return of 23.3%. Fund returns are reported net of all management fees and expenses for all series, unlike the returns of the Fund's benchmark, which is based on the performance of an index that does not pay

fees or incur expenses. Returns for other series of the Fund will be similar to Pinnacle Series with any difference in performance being primarily due to different management fees, operating expenses and other expenses that are applicable to that particular series. Please see the “Past Performance” section for the performance of the Fund’s other series.

The Fund’s broad-based benchmark, the S&P/TSX Small Cap Index returned 2.1% during the same period. In accordance with National Instrument 81-106, we have included a comparison to this broad-based index to help you understand the Fund’s performance relative to the general performance of the market.

For several months of the period, uneven macroeconomic data and mixed signals from both the Bank of Canada and U.S. Federal Reserve Board (“Fed”) led to elevated equity market volatility. In November, however, the Fed held its federal funds rate steady at its second straight meeting, while signalling the potential end of its cycle of policy rate increases and even potential rate decreases in 2024. As a result, equity markets sharply rebounded. Abating inflationary pressures, a persistently robust labour market, better-than-expected corporate earnings and resilient economic data further supported this rebound into the end of the year. Overall, Canadian and global stocks across the market-capitalization spectrum, including small-cap stocks, rose during the period on improving investor sentiment.

The Fund outperformed the broad-based benchmark as a result of stock selection in the Financials, Real Estate and Industrials sectors.

The Fund’s overweight exposure to the Information Technology sector and underweight exposure to the Energy sector also contributed to performance. Top individual contributors to performance included Colliers International Group Inc., MDA Ltd. and Lumine Group Inc. Colliers is a global provider of commercial real estate-oriented professional and investment management services. Its shares benefited from positive investor sentiment toward commercial real estate in anticipation of lower interest rates. MDA is a technology and service provider to the growing global space industry, with a focus on robotics, satellite systems and geo-intelligence. The company reported solid revenue and earnings growth and raised its full-year guidance. In addition, MDA was awarded a multi-billion-dollar contract for the construction of 200 low-earth orbit satellites. Lumine Group is a leading global provider of vertical market software and platforms for communications and media clients. Its quarterly results exceeded expectations. The company also benefited from its announced acquisition of the messaging and network division of Synchronoss Technologies Inc. and its carveout of the device and service management division of Nokia OYJ.

Stock selection in the Information Technology sector and an overweight position and stock selection in the Consumer Discretionary sector detracted from performance. Overweight exposure to the Real Estate sector and underweight exposure to Health Care also detracted from performance. Top individual detractors included Aritzia Inc., Tucows Inc. and GDI Integrated Facility Services Inc. Aritzia is a vertically integrated, omnichannel design house offering affordable luxury. The company struggled

with sluggish sales growth following a period of record growth during the pandemic. Tucows is a group of three complementary businesses that connect people to internet access through communication services technology, domain services and fibre-optic internet infrastructure. The company’s valuation contracted substantially as a result of rising interest rates, which impacted the perceived value of its capital-expenditure-heavy fibre-optic internet infrastructure business. GDI offers janitorial, HVAC, energy efficiency and disaster recovery services to customers in North America. Its valuation was pushed to multi-year lows as a result of high debt levels, stemming from a large investment in working capital to fund growth over the past two years. This also resulted in a lower capacity to benefit from mergers-and-acquisitions growth in the short term.

During the period, Canada Goose Holdings Inc., Lumine Group, AG Growth International Inc., Jamieson Wellness Inc., Mattr Corp., AutoCanada Inc. and Adentra Inc. were added to the Fund.

Existing positions in Trisura Group Ltd., Pet Valu Holdings Ltd., Altus Group Ltd., Aritzia and MDA were increased at prices considered to be attractive given the growth potential for these companies.

CAE Inc., Toromont Industries Ltd., Real Matters Inc., Stella-Jones Inc., Uni-Select Inc., Boyd Group Services Inc. and Stantec Inc. were exited to fund the new holdings noted above. In addition, ATS Corp., Topicus.com Inc., Richelieu Hardware Ltd. and Computer Modelling Group Ltd. were trimmed on valuation and position weight considerations.

The Fund’s net asset value decreased to \$75.5 million at December 31, 2023, from \$81.1 million at December 31, 2022. This change was composed of net redemptions of \$21.1 million, cash distributions of \$25,535 and investment performance of \$15.5 million. The investment performance of the Fund includes income and expenses which vary year over year. The Fund’s income and expenses changed compared to the previous year mainly as a result of fluctuations in average net assets, portfolio activity and changes in the Fund’s income earning investments.

Certain series of the Fund, as applicable, may make distributions at a rate determined by the Manager from time to time. If the aggregate amount of distributions in such series exceeds the portion of net income and net realized capital gains allocated to such series, the excess will constitute a return of capital. The Manager does not believe that the return of capital distributions made by such series of the Fund have a meaningful impact on the Fund’s ability to implement its investment strategy or to fulfill its investment objective.

Recent Developments

There have been no recent developments that have affected, or are likely to materially affect the Fund.

Related Party Transactions

The Manager is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Bank of Nova Scotia (“Scotiabank”). Scotiabank also owns, directly or indirectly, 100% of Scotia Securities Inc., a mutual fund dealer, and Scotia

Capital Inc. (which includes ScotiaMcLeod and Scotia iTRADE), an investment dealer.

The Manager, on behalf of the Fund, may enter into transactions or arrangements with other members of Scotiabank or certain other companies that are related or connected to the Manager (each a “related party”). All transactions between the Fund and the related parties are in the normal course of business and are carried out at arm’s length terms.

The purpose of this section is to provide a brief description of any transaction involving the Fund and a related party.

Management Fees

The Manager is responsible for the day-to-day management and operations of the Fund. Certain series of the Fund pay the Manager a management fee for its services as described in the “Management Fee” section later in this document. The management fee is an annualized rate based on the net asset value of each series of the Fund, accrued daily and paid monthly.

Fixed Administration Fees and Fund Costs

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund, other than Fund Costs, in exchange for the payment by the Fund of a fixed rate administration fee (the “Fixed Administration Fee”) to the Manager with respect to each series of the Fund. The expenses charged to the Fund in respect of the Fixed Administration Fee are disclosed in the Fund’s financial statements. The Fixed Administration Fee is equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of a series, calculated and paid in the same manner as the management fees for the Fund. Further details about the Fixed Administration Fee can be found in the Fund’s most recent simplified prospectus.

In addition, each series of the Fund is responsible for its proportionate share of certain operating expenses (“Fund Costs”). Further details about Fund Costs can be found in the Fund’s most recent simplified prospectus.

The Manager, at its sole discretion, may waive or absorb a portion of a series’ expenses. These waivers or absorptions may be terminated at any time without notice.

Related Brokerage Commissions

From time to time, the Fund may enter into portfolio securities transactions with Scotia Capital Inc. or other related dealers in whom Scotiabank has a significant interest (a “Related Broker”). These Related Brokers may earn commission or spreads on such transactions, which are made on terms and conditions that are comparable to transactions made with non-related brokers.

During the period, the Fund paid \$7,881 in commissions to Related Brokers.

Other Fees

The Manager, or its affiliates, may earn fees and spreads in connection with various services provided to, or transactions with, the Fund, such as banking, custody, brokerage, foreign exchange or derivatives transactions. The Manager, or its affiliates, may earn

a foreign exchange spread when unitholders switch between series of funds denominated in different currencies.

Independent Review Committee

The Manager has established an independent review committee (the “IRC”) in accordance with National Instrument 81-107 – Independent Review Committee for Investment Funds (“NI 81-107”) with a mandate to review and provide recommendations or approval, as required, on conflict of interest matters referred to it by the Manager on behalf of the Fund. The IRC is responsible for overseeing the Manager’s decisions in situations where the Manager is faced with any present or perceived conflicts of interest, all in accordance with NI 81-107.

The IRC may also approve certain mergers between the Fund and other funds, and any change of the auditor of the Fund. Subject to any corporate and securities law requirements, no securityholder approval will be obtained in such circumstances, but you will be sent a written notice at least 60 days before the effective date of any such transaction or change of auditor. In certain circumstances, securityholder approval may be required to approve certain mergers.

The IRC has four members, Stephen J. Griggs (Chair), Steven Donald, Heather A. T. Hunter and Jennifer L. Witterick, each of whom is independent of the Manager.

The IRC prepares and files a report to the securityholders each fiscal year that describes the IRC and its activities for securityholders as well as contains a complete list of the standing instructions. These standing instructions enable the Manager to act in a particular conflict of interest matter on a continuing basis provided the Manager complies with its policies and procedures established to address that conflict of interest matter and reports periodically to the IRC on the matter. This report to the securityholders is available on the Manager’s website or, at no cost, by contacting the Manager.

The compensation and other reasonable expenses of the IRC will be paid out of the assets of the Fund as well as out of the assets of the other investment funds for which the IRC may act as the independent review committee. Each member of the IRC receives an annual retainer of \$62,000 (\$77,000 for the Chair), plus expenses for each meeting. The fees and expenses, plus associated legal costs, are allocated among all of the funds managed by the Manager for which the IRC acts as the independent review committee in a manner that is considered by the Manager to be fair and reasonable. The main component of compensation is an annual retainer fee. Expenses of the IRC may include premiums for insurance coverage, travel expenses and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses.

The Manager, in respect of the Fund, received the following standing instructions from the IRC with respect to related party transactions:

- Paying brokerage commissions and spreads to a related party for effecting security transactions on an agency and principal basis on behalf of the Fund;
- Purchases or sales of securities of an issuer from or to another investment fund managed by the Manager;

- Investments in the securities of issuers for which a related underwriter acted as an underwriter during the distribution of such securities and the 60-day period following the completion of such distribution;
- Executing foreign exchange transactions with a related party on behalf of the Fund;
- Purchases of securities of a related party;
- Entering into over-the-counter derivatives on behalf of the Fund with a related party;
- Outsourcing products and services to related parties which can be charged to the Fund;
- Acquisition of prohibited securities as defined by securities regulations;
- Trading in mortgages with a related party;

- Entering into a designated broker agreement with a related party; and
- Entering into a prime broker agreement with a related party.

The Manager is required to advise the IRC of any breach of a condition of the standing instructions. The standing instructions require, among other things, that the investment decision in respect to a related party transaction: (a) is made by the Manager free from any influence by an entity related to the Manager and without taking into account any consideration to any associate or affiliate of the Manager; (b) represents the business judgment of the Manager uninfluenced by considerations other than the best interests of the Fund; and (c) is made in compliance with the Manager's written policies and procedures. Transactions made by the Manager under the standing instructions are subsequently reviewed by the IRC to monitor compliance.

The Manager, in respect of the Fund, relied on IRC standing instructions regarding related party transactions during the period.

Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about each series of the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the periods indicated. The information on the following tables is based on prescribed regulations and as a result, is not expected to add across due to the increase (decrease) in net assets from operations being based on average units outstanding during the period and all other numbers being based on actual units outstanding at the relevant point in time. Footnotes for the tables are found at the end of the Financial Highlights section.

The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾

For the period ended	Increase (decrease) from operations:						Distributions:					Net Assets, end of period ⁽¹⁾
	Net Assets, beginning of period	Total revenue	Total expenses	Realized gains (losses) for the period	Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	Total increase (decrease) from operations ⁽²⁾	From net investment income (excluding dividends)	From dividends	From capital gains	Return of capital	Total distributions ⁽³⁾	
Pinnacle Series												
Dec. 31, 2023	32.00	0.48	(0.14)	4.95	2.05	7.34	–	(0.41)	(3.63)	–	(4.04)	35.31
Dec. 31, 2022	42.68	0.48	(0.13)	3.89	(11.52)	(7.28)	–	(0.38)	(3.32)	–	(3.70)	32.00
Dec. 31, 2021	37.87	0.64	(0.22)	30.09	(20.01)	10.50	–	(0.56)	(3.59)	–	(4.15)	42.68
Dec. 31, 2020	34.56	0.49	(0.12)	(2.09)	2.17	0.45	–	(0.46)	–	–	(0.46)	37.87
Dec. 31, 2019	31.36	0.57	(0.11)	(0.40)	3.73	3.79	–	(0.60)	–	–	(0.60)	34.56
Series F												
Dec. 31, 2023	32.96	0.50	(0.50)	4.79	2.38	7.17	–	(0.06)	(3.70)	–	(3.76)	36.38
Dec. 31, 2022	43.65	0.50	(0.50)	4.07	(11.12)	(7.05)	–	–	(3.21)	–	(3.21)	32.96
Dec. 31, 2021	38.81	0.67	(0.68)	30.87	(22.10)	8.76	–	(0.24)	(3.63)	–	(3.87)	43.65
Dec. 31, 2020	35.50	0.51	(0.41)	(1.87)	5.46	3.69	–	(0.17)	–	–	(0.17)	38.81
Dec. 31, 2019	32.16	0.58	(0.45)	(0.39)	3.82	3.56	–	(0.20)	–	–	(0.20)	35.50
Series I												
Dec. 31, 2023	33.56	0.49	(0.09)	5.55	1.84	7.79	–	(0.52)	(3.80)	–	(4.32)	37.03
Dec. 31, 2022	44.60	0.50	(0.06)	3.99	(12.14)	(7.71)	–	(0.47)	(3.36)	–	(3.83)	33.56
Dec. 31, 2021	39.17	0.52	(0.09)	37.93	(17.85)	20.51	–	(0.23)	(3.69)	–	(3.92)	44.60
Dec. 31, 2020	35.76	0.52	(0.05)	(1.91)	5.30	3.86	–	(0.57)	–	–	(0.57)	39.17
Dec. 31, 2019	32.44	0.59	(0.04)	(0.39)	3.67	3.83	–	(0.69)	–	–	(0.69)	35.76
Series M												
Dec. 31, 2023	8.98	0.13	(0.09)	1.41	0.53	1.98	–	(0.06)	(1.01)	–	(1.07)	9.91
Dec. 31, 2022	11.91	0.13	(0.08)	1.04	(3.38)	(2.29)	–	(0.05)	(0.89)	–	(0.94)	8.98
Dec. 31, 2021	10.58	0.19	(0.12)	8.31	(6.01)	2.37	–	(0.12)	(0.99)	–	(1.11)	11.91
Dec. 31, 2020	9.67	0.14	(0.06)	(0.48)	1.56	1.16	–	(0.10)	–	–	(0.10)	10.58
Dec. 31, 2019	8.74	0.15	(0.07)	(0.18)	1.14	1.04	–	(0.08)	–	–	(0.08)	9.67

(1) This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements may differ from the net asset value per unit. An explanation of these differences can be found in note 2 of the Fund's financial statements. The net asset value per unit at the end of the period is disclosed in Ratios and Supplemental Data.

(2) Net assets per unit and distributions per unit are based on the actual number of units outstanding for the relevant series at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) in net assets from operations per unit is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the period.

(3) Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

Ratios and Supplemental Data

As at	Total net asset value (000's) (\$) ⁽¹⁾	Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	Management expense ratio ("MER") (%) ⁽²⁾	MER before waivers or absorptions (%) ⁽²⁾	Trading expense ratio ("TER") (%) ⁽³⁾	Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾
Pinnacle Series							
Dec. 31, 2023	34,924	989,169	0.25	0.25	0.16	62.79	35.31
Dec. 31, 2022	36,738	1,148,045	0.24	0.24	0.13	48.21	32.00
Dec. 31, 2021	50,974	1,194,292	0.24	0.24	0.23	30.56	42.68
Dec. 31, 2020	72,811	1,922,536	0.24	0.24	0.11	31.83	37.87
Dec. 31, 2019	118,535	3,429,402	0.24	0.24	0.08	14.49	34.56
Series F							
Dec. 31, 2023	8,858	243,529	1.24	1.24	0.16	62.79	36.38
Dec. 31, 2022	7,099	215,390	1.24	1.24	0.13	48.21	32.96
Dec. 31, 2021	7,319	167,690	1.24	1.24	0.23	30.56	43.65
Dec. 31, 2020	5,923	152,632	1.24	1.24	0.11	31.83	38.81
Dec. 31, 2019	4,388	123,594	1.23	1.23	0.08	14.49	35.50
Series I							
Dec. 31, 2023	166	4,477	0.04	0.04	0.16	62.79	37.03
Dec. 31, 2022	262	7,798	0.03	0.03	0.13	48.21	33.56
Dec. 31, 2021	391	8,761	0.03	0.03	0.23	30.56	44.60
Dec. 31, 2020	393,857	10,054,980	0.03	0.03	0.11	31.83	39.17
Dec. 31, 2019	375,528	10,500,701	0.03	0.03	0.08	14.49	35.76
Series M							
Dec. 31, 2023	31,529	3,181,021	0.72	0.94	0.16	62.79	9.91
Dec. 31, 2022	37,017	4,124,278	0.71	0.93	0.13	48.21	8.98
Dec. 31, 2021	55,950	4,698,402	0.71	0.93	0.23	30.56	11.91
Dec. 31, 2020	39,186	3,705,031	0.72	0.94	0.11	31.83	10.58
Dec. 31, 2019	30,047	3,107,586	0.71	0.71	0.08	14.49	9.67

(1) This information is provided as at the period end of the years shown.

(2) The management expense ratio is based on the total expenses (including sales tax, and excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) of each series of the Fund and a proportional share of underlying funds' expenses (mutual funds, ETFs and closed-end funds), where applicable, for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.

(3) The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs, short borrowing costs and interest on leverage of the Fund and the underlying funds, where applicable, expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value of the Fund during the period.

(4) 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 period. The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

Management Fees

The management fee is an annualized rate based on the net asset value of each series of the Fund, accrued daily and paid monthly. The management fees cover the costs of managing the Fund, arranging for investment analysis, recommendations and investment decision making for the Fund, arranging for distribution of the Fund, marketing and promotion of the Fund and providing or arranging for other services.

The breakdown of services received in consideration of management fees for each series, as a percentage of the management fees, are as follows:

	Management fees (%)	Dealer compensation (%)	Other [†] (%)
Pinnacle Series*	—	—	—
Series F	1.00	—	100.0
Series I*	—	—	—
Series M	0.70	—	100.0

* The management fee for this series is negotiated and paid directly by these unitholders and not by the Fund.

† Relates to all services provided by the Manager described above except dealer compensation.

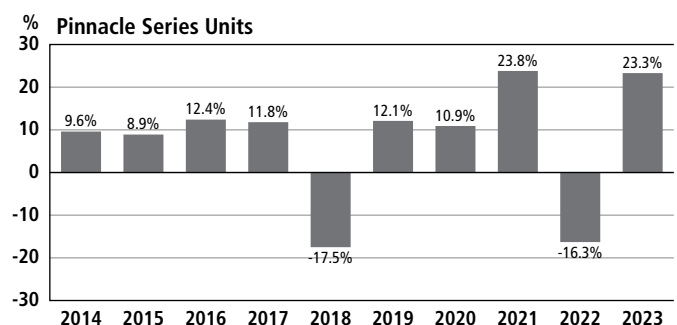
Past Performance

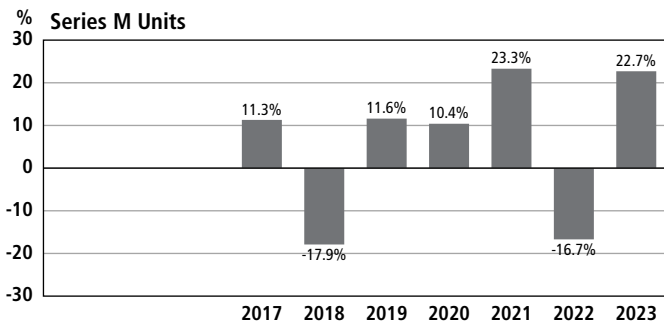
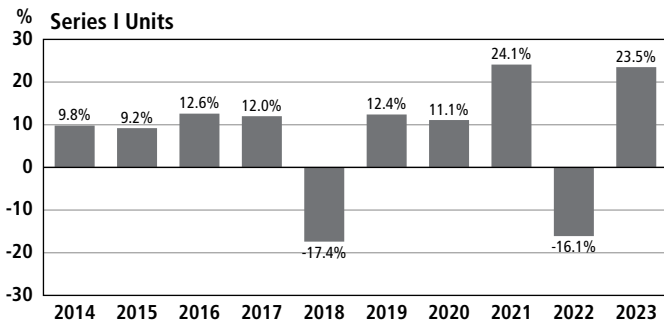
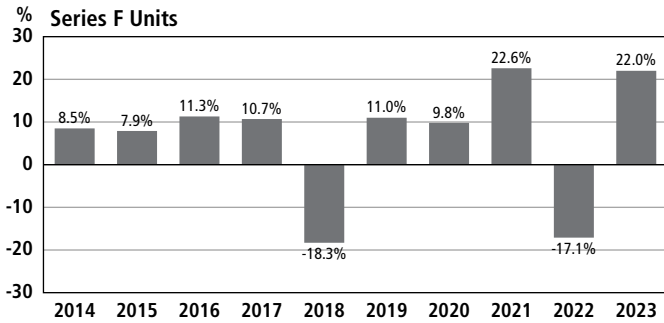
The following shows the past performance for each series and will not necessarily indicate how the Fund will perform in the

future. The information shown assumes that all distributions made by each series of the Fund in the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the relevant series. In addition, the information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance.

Year-By-Year Returns

The following charts show the performance for each series of the Fund and illustrate how performance has varied from year to year. The charts show, in percentage terms, how much an investment held on the first day of each calendar year would have increased or decreased by the last day of each calendar year for that series.





Annual Compound Returns

The annual compound returns table below compares each series of the Fund’s performance to one or more benchmarks. A benchmark is usually an index or a composite of more than one index. Fund returns are reported net of all management fees and expenses for all series, unlike the return of benchmarks which are based on the performance of an index that does not pay fees or incur expenses.

		One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years	Since Inception
Pinnacle Series	%	23.3	8.5	9.7	7.0	–
S&P/TSX Small Cap Index	%	2.1	2.3	5.9	1.4	–
Series F	%	22.0	7.5	8.6	5.9	–
S&P/TSX Small Cap Index	%	2.1	2.3	5.9	1.4	–
Series I	%	23.5	8.8	9.9	7.2	–
S&P/TSX Small Cap Index	%	2.1	2.3	5.9	1.4	–
Series M	%	22.7	8.0	9.2	–	5.8
S&P/TSX Small Cap Index	%	2.1	2.3	5.9	–	1.4

Index Descriptions

BMO Small Cap Blended Weighted Index – This index consists of stocks traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange in descending order of market capitalization below an upper maximum set by BMO.

A discussion of the performance of the Fund as compared to its benchmark(s) is found in the Results of Operations section of this report.

Summary of Investment Portfolio

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions. A quarterly portfolio update is available to the investor at no cost by calling 1-800-268-9269, or by visiting www.scotiafunds.com, 60 days after quarter end, except for December 31, which is the calendar year end, when they are available after 90 days.

By Industry	% of net asset value ⁽¹⁾
Industrials	28.9
Consumer Discretionary	20.0
Information Technology	16.8
Financials	12.3
Real Estate	9.0
Energy	6.6
Consumer Staples	2.4
Materials	2.3
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1.4
Health Care	0.2
Other Net Assets (Liabilities)	0.1

Top 25 Holdings

Issuer	% of net asset value ⁽¹⁾
MDA Ltd.	4.0
Logistec Corporation, Class B	4.0
Lumine Group Inc.	3.9
ShawCor Ltd.	3.6
TECSYS Inc.	3.3
Trisura Group Ltd.	3.3
GDI Integrated Facility Services Inc.	3.2
Sleep Country Canada Holdings Inc.	3.1
Ag Growth International Inc.	3.1
Pet Valu Holdings Ltd.	3.1
Colliers International Group Inc.	3.1
Altus Group Ltd.	3.0
Computer Modelling Group Ltd.	3.0
Mainstreet Equity Corporation	2.9
ATS Corporation	2.9
ADENTRA Inc.	2.8
Richelieu Hardware Ltd.	2.6
Sylogist Ltd.	2.6
Element Fleet Management Corporation	2.6
AutoCanada Inc.	2.6
Badger Infrastructure Solution Ltd.	2.6
Enghouse Systems Limited	2.6
EQB Inc.	2.5
Spin Master Corporation	2.5
Savaria Corporation	2.4

(1) Based on the net asset value, therefore, weightings presented in the Schedule of Investments may differ from the ones disclosed above.