# SMALL CAP EQUITY FUND CLASS I: ARSBX

As of September 30, 2021

## **Fund Profile**

Ticker:	ARSBX				
Inception Date:	October 30, 2015				
Assets:	\$205.5 million				
Benchmark:	Russell 2000 Index				
Benchmark:	Russell 2000 Value Index				
Minimum Purchase Amounts					
Initial:	\$2,500				

Subsequent:	\$100 or more
Expense Ratio	
Gross:	1.13%
Net:	0.90%

## **Investment Team**

## **Portfolio Managers**



Dave Adams, CFA Industry Experience 31 Yrs



Jack McPherson, CFA Industry Experience 33 Yrs

## **Research Team**

- Dave Adams, CFA
- Mark Babka, CFA
- Todd Grady

## **Investment Information**

### **Fund Description**

- Investment objective is to seek long-term capital appreciation
- Diversified, quality-oriented portfolios managed with a long-term time horizon
- Contrarian approach seeks to identify companies with low market expectations and a high probability of fundamental improvement that are trading with attractive upside potential and seeking limited downside risk
- Portfolios consist of companies that we believe can create shareholder value and possess quality
  management teams, attractive industry dynamics and have shown strong or improving financials
- Fundamental, bottom-up approach to security selection, typically investing in stocks within the market capitalization range of the Russell 2000 Index at the time of purchase

#### **Experienced Team**

The research team consists of six individuals averaging over 20 years of industry experience. The portfolio managers have managed the strategy since inception in 2002.

With equity ownership distributed broadly among the team, the firm's ownership structure is intended to provide organizational stability and align employee interests with those of clients.

# Performance

## Long-Term Approach

Our process is based on in-depth company research and incorporates a long-term perspective with the goal of participating in the long-term appreciation and growth of each investment.

We conduct bottom-up, fundamental research to identify what we believe to be quality-oriented businesses trading at meaningful discounts to intrinsic value.

## **Depth of Research**

We believe the overall depth and quality of information gathered throughout our research process leads to a more robust platform upon which analysts can better assess business fundamentals and valuation.

The team typically holds 400 to 600 company meetings annually, which are vital to the understanding of company management styles and longterm business dynamics.

Trailing (%)	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	Since Inception <sup>1</sup>	
ARSBX Class I	-2.48	13.17	46.68	6.22	11.38	10.35	
Russell 2000 Index	-4.36	12.41	47.68	10.53	13.44	12.93	
Russell 2000 Value Index	-2.98	22.92	63.92	8.58	11.02	11.43	
Calendar Year (%)	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015 <sup>2</sup>	
ARSBX Class I	9.31	22.59	-12.29	17.87	18.31	-3.43	
Russell 2000 Index	19.96	25.53	-11.01	14.65	21.31	-1.93	
Russell 2000 Value Index	4.63	22.39	-12.86	7.84	31.74	-2.58	

<sup>1</sup>The Aristotle Small Cap Equity Fund has an inception date of October 30, 2015.

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<sup>2</sup>2015 is a partial year period of two months, representing data from October 30, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

Performance results greater than one year are annualized. The Fund returns will fluctuate over long and short-term periods. Performance data quoted here represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance information quoted. To obtain performance information current to the most recent month-end, please call (844) 274-7868. The Fund's advisor has contractually agreed to waive certain fees and/or absorb expenses through April 30, 2022, to the extent that the total annual operating expenses do not exceed 0.90% of average daily net assets of the Fund. The Fund's advisor may seek reimbursement from the Fund for waived fees and/or expenses paid for three years from the date of the waiver or payment. A redemption fee of 1.00% will be imposed on redemptions of shares within 30 days of purchase.

This material must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus. An investor should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses carefully before investing or sending money. This and other important information about the Funds can be found in the fund's prospectus. To obtain more information, please call (844) 274-7868 or visit www.aristotlefunds.com. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.



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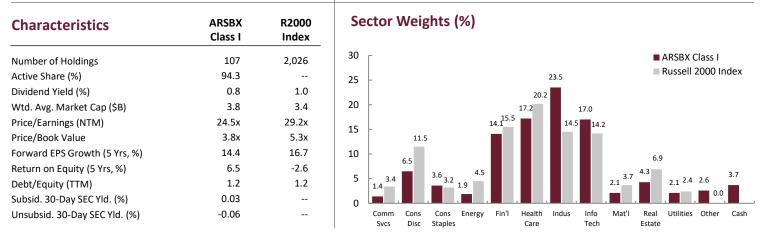
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# Top Ten Holdings (%)

ModivCare	2.32
Merit Medical Systems	2.21
Charles River Laboratories	2.05
Acadia Healthcare	2.00
ASGN	1.98
CAI International	1.98
Customers Bancorp	1.75
Itron	1.72
MACOM Technology Solutions	1.58
Carter's	1.50
Total	19.09

# Market Cap Breakdown (%)





Sources: SS&C Advent, FactSet, Russell Investments, eVestment Top Ten Holdings and Market Cap Breakdown weights are based on the total Fund, excluding cash. Holdings and allocations will change due to ongoing management of the Fund. References to specific securities or sectors should not be construed as recommendations. Holdings are available within the last 12 months. An investment in the Fund is subject to risks, and you could lose money on your investment in the Fund. The principal risks of investing in the Fund, subject to risks, and you could lose money on your investment in the Fund. The principal risks of investing in the fund is subject to risks, and you could lose money on your investment in the Fund. The principal risks of investing in the fund is subject to risks, and you could lose money on your investment in the Fund. The principal risks of investing in the fund, please reference the prospectus. The Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index measures the performance of the small cap companies located in the United States that also exhibit a value probability. The volatility (beta) of the Fund may be greater or less than that of the benchmarks. It is not possible to invest directly in these indices. Active Share is a measure of the percentage of stock holdings in a manager's portfolio that differ from the benchmark index. It is not possible to invest value weights in the portfolio or index. Price to Earnings is the ratio of a firm's dividend seach year relative to its share price. Weighted Average Market Capitalization is a dollar-value measurement of the size of a firm's dividend seach year relative to the ther dividing the unrent of a differ form the benchmark in a portfolio or index. In such a weighting scheme, an average figure is derived from the market capitalizations of each company (their market prices multiple by the number of shares outstanding) multiplied by their weights in the portfolio or index. Price to Earnings is the ratio of a firm's closing stock by the latest quarter's book value per share. Price to

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