

## QIS | Simplify Multi-QIS Alternative ETF

### Overview

**Simplify Multi-QIS Alternative ETF (QIS)** seeks to provide positive absolute returns and income by investing in a diversified portfolio of quantitative strategies chosen to offer an uncorrelated positive source of returns.

The fund focuses on opportunities beyond common beta exposures, ensuring that its performance remains independent of market factors such as equities, interest rates, and commodities.

QIS emphasizes comprehensive risk analysis and hedges against both the downside (negative tail risks) and upside (positive tail risks). This strategy prioritizes maximizing performance through strategic positioning and diversified risk allocation across a range of asset classes and return drivers.

### Key Points

- Exposure to 25+ quantitative investment strategies designed to capture proven market return premia
- Provides an independent source of uncorrelated returns to traditional market betas
- Daily liquidity investment with no lockups, incentive fees or K-1 tax forms

### Strategy Details

- The investment process begins by evaluating over 5,000 available quantitative strategies from leading banks and institutional asset managers and narrows down the list to identify themes across asset classes.
- Simplify's deep bench of investment professionals works with each third-party strategy provider to identify pure factor exposures within identified risk premia to distinguish portfolio components into two primary universes: Carry & Defensive.
- Carry strategies are designed to capitalize on structural and market inefficiencies, while Defensive strategies are designed to protect the portfolio during market downturns.
- From there, the team conducts extensive due diligence, both qualitative and quantitative, to evaluate and filter each portfolio's universe.
- A portfolio of 25 – 35 strategies is defined after applying rigorous statistical models.
- Finally, the portfolio is optimized for underlying risk assessments and cost-drivers.

### Portfolio Applications

- **Portfolio Diversifier:** Exposure to a distinct set of risk premia offering low correlations to the classic 60/40 portfolio make QIS a potentially powerful diversifier.
- **Absolute Returns:** The diversified portfolio of strategies seeks to provide an absolute return stream independent of asset class returns of the equity, fixed income and commodities markets.

**Details** | Ticker: QIS | Inception Date: 07/10/2023

As of 09/30/24

SEC 30-Day Yield	SEC 30-Day Yield Unsubsidized	Gross Expense Ratio	Exchange	CUSIP	Net Assets
2.88%	2.88%	1.00%	NYSE	82889N533	\$111,063,864

## Current Holdings as of 09/30/24\*

Position	Allocation
TREASURY BILL DN 1/25	41.86%
TREASURY BILL DN 10/24	33.82%
MQISBTRS	24.84%
TREASURY BILL DN 1/25	18.75%
BNPIDTRS	13.00%
GSISSTRS	9.58%
GSVLFTRS	8.12%
VMAQDSTRS	7.59%
VMACFTRS	7.58%
VMACBTRS	7.55%
Cash	0.29%

\*Holdings are subject to change without notice.

## Performance as of 09/30/24

	Cumulative Total Return				Annualized Total Return	
	3 mo	6 mo	YTD	Since Inception	1-Year	Since Inception
NAV	-2.25%	-1.95%	0.05%	2.42%	-0.14%	1.97%
Market Price	-2.21%	-2.14%	0.51%	2.48%	-1.08%	2.02%
ICE BofA US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index	1.37%	2.71%	4.03%	6.72%	5.46%	5.46%

The performance data quoted represents past performance and is no guarantee of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Investment returns and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. For performance data current to the most recent month-end please call (855) 772-8488 or go to <https://www.simplify.us/etfs>.

### DEFINITIONS:

**Market Price:** The current price at which shares are bought and sold. Market returns are based upon the last trade price.

**NAV:** The dollar value of a single share, based on the value of the underlying assets of the fund minus its liabilities, divided by the number of shares outstanding. Calculated at the end of each business day.

**Options:** An option is a contract that gives the buyer the right to either buy (in the case of a call option) or sell (in the case of a put option) an underlying asset at a pre-determined price ("strike") by a specific date ("expiry"). An "outright" is another name for a single option leg. A "spread" is when options are bought at one strike and an equal amount of options are sold at a different strike, all at the same expiry.

**SEC 30-Day Yield:** The yield is calculated with a standardized formula and represents net investment income earned by a fund over a 30-day period, expressed as an annual percentage rate based on the fund's share price. The yield includes the effect of any fee waivers and/or reimbursements. Without waivers, yields would be reduced. This is also referred to as the "standardized yield", "30-Day Yield" and "Current Yield". The unsubsidized SEC 30-Day Yield does not reflect the effect of any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements.

**Swap:** An agreement between two parties to exchange sequences of cash flows for a set period of time. Usually, at the time the contract is initiated, at least one of these series of cash flows is determined by a random or uncertain variable, such as an interest rate, foreign exchange rate, equity price, or commodity price.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

**Investors should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) before investing. To obtain an ETF's prospectus or Summary prospectus containing this and other important information, please call (855) 772-8488 or view or download a prospectus online. Please read the prospectus carefully before you invest.**

### **An investment in the fund involves risk, including possible loss of principal.**

The fund is actively-managed is subject to the risk that the strategy may not produce the intended results. The fund is new and has a limited operating history to evaluate.

The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. These risks include (i) the risk that the counterparty to a derivative transaction may not fulfill its contractual obligations; (ii) risk of mispricing or improper valuation; and (iii) the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset, rate, or index. Derivative prices are highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially during a short period of time. The use of leverage by the Fund, such as borrowing money to purchase securities or the use of options, will cause the Fund to incur additional expenses and magnify the Fund's gains or losses. The Fund's investment in fixed income securities is subject to credit risk (the debtor may default) and prepayment risk (an obligation paid early) which could cause its share price and total return to be reduced. Typically, as interest rates rise the value of bond prices will decline and the fund could lose value.

The Fund invests in ETFs (Exchange-Traded Funds) and is therefore subject to the same risks as the underlying securities in which the ETF invests as well as entails higher expenses than if invested into the underlying ETF directly.

While the option overlay is intended to improve the Fund's performance, there is no guarantee that it will do so. Utilizing an option overlay strategy involves the risk that as the buyer of a put or call option, the Fund risks losing the entire premium invested in the option if the Fund does not exercise the option. Also, securities and options traded in over-the-counter markets may trade less frequently and in limited volumes and thus exhibit more volatility and liquidity risk.

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