

# Sentinel Growth Leaders Fund

A | BRFOX | 81728B304 C | SGLFX | 81728B403 I | SIGLX | 81728B783

## Manager Insights

as of 9/30/2011

### Fund Management

#### Elizabeth R. Bramwell, CFA

Portfolio Manager

- 5 years with Sentinel
- 44 years of investment experience

#### Kelli K. Hill

Portfolio Manager

- 27 years of investment experience

#### William H. Symon

Equity Analyst

- 5 years with Sentinel
- 18 years of investment experience

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Equity Analyst

- 5 years with Sentinel
- 18 years of investment experience

The Sentinel Growth Leaders Fund's portfolio declined -16.05% in the September quarter while the Russell 1000 Growth and S&P 500 indices declined -13.14% and -13.87%, respectively. Concerns about the financial and political future of the Eurozone, slowing global growth, expanding Federal deficits, downgrade of the credit rating of the U.S. government debt, weak housing and 9%+ unemployment weighed on equities in the quarter. Large-cap growth outperformed large-cap value in the quarter.\*

For the 12 months ended September 30, 2011, the Growth Leaders Fund's portfolio returned -1.73% while the Russell 1000 Growth and S&P 500 Indices appreciated 3.78% and 1.14%, respectively.\*

The consumer discretionary sector contributed positively to the Growth Leaders Fund's portfolio in the September quarter, but other sectors declined. The greatest sector declines in the portfolio were energy, industrials and materials. Some individual stocks contributed positive gains to the portfolio, especially Apple, Dollar Tree and SPDR Gold Trust. Stocks in the portfolio that declined the most included Schlumberger, Peabody Energy, Suncor and Freeport McMoran Copper & Gold.

We continue to look for very slow economic growth in the United States going forward, in part because of uncertainty about incremental taxes that are already legislated and uncertainty about regulations that are coming but are yet to be promulgated. A weak housing market and 9%+ unemployment also hurt. We look for slower growth in less developed emerging markets, but nevertheless growth, as infrastructure continues to be built out and immature consumer markets evolve.

With interest rates extraordinarily low, the dividend yield of 2% on the S&P 500 Index, for example, looks very attractive. Our particular focus is on high-quality companies with growing earnings, and dividends that we believe are likely to grow with earnings as well as from potentially higher dividend payouts. We continue to favor companies with a global presence that have pricing flexibility and access to the capital markets.

All class-specific data is for Class A shares as of September 30, 2011 unless otherwise noted. The composition of the Fund's holdings is subject to change. Data shown is historical performance for each share class and reflects reinvested distributions. Investment return and principal value will vary so that you may have a gain or loss when you sell shares. **Past performance does not guarantee future results; current performance may be higher or lower than data quoted.** For performance current to the most recent month-end, visit [www.sentinelinvestments.com](http://www.sentinelinvestments.com).

Large company stocks as a group could fall out of favor with the market and underperform investments that focus on small and mid-sized company stocks.

The Fund is non-diversified and will hold fewer securities than a diversified portfolio. The Fund may be more affected by the performance of a particular stock, either positively or negatively, than a more broadly diversified fund.

The Sentinel Growth Leaders Fund began operations on March 17, 2006. Performance prior to March 17, 2006 is based on the performance of its predecessor, the Bramwell Focus Fund, which began operations on October 31, 1999 and was offered without a sales charge.

\* Performance for Class A shares only at net asset value. Performance data shown does not include the effects of any sales charge. If it did, returns would be lower.

The Russell 1000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index that measures the performance of the large-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity universe. It includes those Russell 1000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values. An investment cannot be made directly in an index.

The Standard & Poor's 500 Index is an unmanaged index of 500 widely held U.S. equity securities chosen for market size, liquidity, and industry group representation. An investment cannot be made directly in an index.

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Sentinel Growth Leaders Fund Performance (as of 9/30/2011)			Cumulative Return YTD (%)	Average Annual Total Returns (%)				
				1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Class A <sup>1</sup>	BRFOX	Without Sales Charge	-11.89	-1.73	0.92	1.20	3.13	0.88
		With 5% Sales Charge	-16.31	-6.62	-0.80	0.16	2.59	0.45
Class C <sup>2</sup>	SGLFX	Without CDSC	-12.97	-3.07	-0.37	-0.43	1.74	-0.43
		With 1% CDSC	-13.84	-4.04	-0.37	-0.43	1.74	-0.43
Class I <sup>3</sup>	SIGLX	No Sales Charge	-11.86	-1.55	1.00	0.68	2.86	0.67
Russell 1000 Growth Index			-7.20	3.78	4.69	1.62	3.01	-1.46
S&P 500 Index			-8.68	1.14	1.23	-1.18	2.82	0.26

Fund inception date is 10/31/1999. Total annual operating expense ratios are A: 1.59%, C: 2.88%, I: 1.45%.\*

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1. Performance of Class A shares reflects the current maximum sales charge. Performance of Class A shares prior to their inception on March 17, 2006 does not reflect the higher 12b-1 fees in effect after that date. If it did, returns would be lower.
2. Performance of the Class C shares prior to their inception on March 17, 2006 is based on the performance of the Bramwell Focus Fund, but reflects the higher ongoing expenses of Class C shares.
3. Performance of the Class I shares from March 17, 2006 to their inception on August 27, 2007 is based on the performance of the Fund's Class A shares, restated to reflect that Class I shares are not subject to a sales charge. Performance of the Class I shares prior to March 17, 2006 is based on the performance of the Bramwell Focus Fund. Only eligible investors may purchase Class I shares, as described in the prospectus.

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Source: FactSet

\* Expense ratio data is sourced from the prospectus dated March 30, 2011.

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