KIPLING STRATEGIC INCOME FUND



Key Benefits

- To provide a steady income stream through fixed income investing
- Capital preservation while mitigating risk exposure from both an interest rate risk and credit risk perspective
- Diversified portfolio of bonds by sector, issuer and maturity

Highlights for the Month

- Bond markets in Canada continued to see volatility because of global concerns: US/China trade wars heated back up with exchanges of tariffs between the two countries, Hong Kong protests, Brexit (no deal exit) and slowing global growth in general. As a result the risk-off trade was on for August: the Canadian yield curve was lower anywhere between 14bps to 31bps. As corporate spreads widened anywhere between 12bps to 17bps across tenors and rating categories.
- The bond universe returned +188bps on the month, while the corporate bond index returned +121bps. The best performing segment was long government bonds (+482bps), while the worse performing segment was short corporate bonds (+51bps). Canadian High Yield returned only +25bps and the BMO Laddered Preferred ETF returned -543bps as stock markets in general had a negative month.
- We underperformed our benchmark for the month as we posted returns of +18bps and +23bps for Series A and M, respectively, while our benchmark returned +131bps. Not surprisingly, things that lagged in the portfolio for the month were high yield bonds, preferred share holdings and our interest rate hedges. The rest of the portfolio performed as expected.
- The portfolio's duration was a tad shorter at 2.1 years vs. 2.2 years at the end of July as purchase yield was higher at 4.23% vs. 4.15%.

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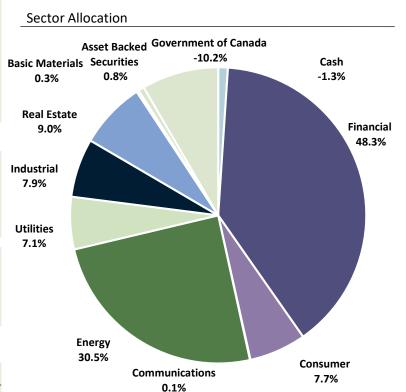


Fund Facts	
Asset Type	Fixed Income
Inception	August 5, 2016
NAV(\$) A/M Series	\$10.22 / \$10.29
Distribution (\$)	\$0.35/annum
Distribution Frequency	Monthly

\$150,000
\$5,000
Weekly
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Portfolio Metrics	
# of Holdings	87
Duration (Years)	2.14
Purchase Yield (%)	4.24%

Top 10 Holdings	Weight
Enbridge Inc. Commercial Paper 12/06/2019	6.4%
First National Financial 4.01% 04/09/2020	5.4%
Enercare Solutions Inc. 3.38% 02/21/2022	5.1%
MCAP Commercial LP 4.151% 06/17/2024	4.3%
Gibson Energy 5.375% 07/15/2022	4.1%
H&R Reit 2.923% 05/06/2022	3.7%
Coast Capital Savings Floater 02/28/2020	3.7%
Brookfield Property Finance ULC 4.3% 03/01/2024	3.3%
First Capital Realty Inc 3.604% 05/06/2026	3.3%
Empire Life Insurance 3.383% 12/16/2026	3.2%



As of 08/30/2019	
AAA	-7.7%
AA	0.5%
Α	9.6%
BBB	74.8%
BB and lower	20.2%

3.9%

-1.3%

Asset Type Allocation (%)

Not Rated

Credit Quality Allocation (%)

As of 08/30/2019	
Investment Grade Corporate Bonds	75.5%
High-Yield Bonds	19.1%
Convertible Bonds	3.4%
Preferred Shares	3.3%
Cash	-1.3%

	NAV	1mth	3mth	6mth	YTD	1yr	2yr	3yr	2018	2017	Inception** (Annualized)
A Series (CAD)	\$10.22	0.18%	1.31%	3.15%	4.88%	4.69%	4.11%	4.44%	2.01%	4.19%	4.46% (Aug 5, 2016)
M Series (CAD)	\$10.29	0.23%	1.45%	3.45%	5.30%	5.31%	4.74%	5.06%	2.63%	4.79%	5.07% (Aug 5, 2016)
Benchmark		1.31%	2.08%	5.02%	6.80%	7.42%	4.05%	2.48%	1.06%	1.47%	2.51%

Data shown is as of August 30, 2019. Pricing from SVC/PC Bond, Statpro, and IDC. Duration and credit ratings are from Bloomberg.

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