



Best 10-Year Fund in the Alternative Credit Focus Funds category

Winner 2025  
United States



## Navigator® Tactical Fixed Income Fund

Class I: NTBIX | Class A: NTBAX | Class C: NTBCX

### Morningstar Rating As of 03/31/2025

Overall Rating ★★★★★

Time Period	# of Stars	# of Funds
3 Year	★★★★	260
5 Year	★★★★★	238
10 Year	★★★★★	167

I-Share ratings based on risk-adjusted returns among U.S. Fund Non-traditional Bonds as of 03/31/2025. Morningstar ratings do not account for sales charges and may vary among share classes. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

## Navigate Fixed Income with a Tactical Approach

The Navigator® Tactical Fixed Income Fund seeks to identify opportunities across the fixed income spectrum and allocate to the leading sector(s). It strives to maximize total return while minimizing overall risk.

### Deliver Total Return

The Fund's investment objective is to seek total return with a secondary goal of current income.



The Fund's investment selection is primarily driven by a modeling process which measures the relative strength or momentum of various asset classes against one another. Specifically, using this momentum-based strategy, the Fund will tactically shift its asset class exposure across high yield, treasuries, and cash.

### Reduce Portfolio Risk

The Fund's investment selection is primarily driven by a modeling process which measures the relative strength or momentum of the markets for various fixed income sectors against one another. Using this momentum-based strategy, the Fund will tactically shift its exposure across three fixed income sectors: high yield; U.S. treasuries; and cash.

### Take a Tactical Approach

When the high yield sector is favored, the Fund will normally use derivatives, or a combination of derivatives and direct investments, in an attempt to create an investment return that approximates the Fund's primary benchmark index, currently the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield index.

### Navigator® Tactical Fixed Income Fund Class I Performance

Inception Date: 3/27/2014

	1Q	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	SI*	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Tactical Fixed Income Fund   NTBIX	0.85	6.26	4.08	5.33	5.01	4.51	7.55	10.56	-8.72	4.26	8.95	7.82
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield	1.00	7.69	4.98	7.29	5.01	4.74	8.19	13.44	-11.19	5.28	7.11	14.32
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond	2.78	4.88	0.52	-0.40	1.46	1.82	1.25	5.53	-13.01	-1.54	7.51	8.72

\*Since Inception

	Recent Quarter-End Asset Class Exposure
03/31/2025	100% High Yield
12/31/2024	100% High Yield
9/30/2024	100% High Yield
6/30/2024	100% High Yield

	Std Dev	Beta	Alpha	Sharpe Ratio
Tactical Fixed Income Fund   NTBIX	4.75	0.50	1.19	0.58
Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield	7.33	1.00	0.00	0.43
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond	4.88	0.33	-0.86	0.03

*The performance data quoted here represents past performance. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted above. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Total return is calculated assuming reinvestment of all dividends. Total returns would have been lower had the Adviser, the Distributor, the Administrator, and Custodian not waived or reimbursed a portion of their fees. For more performance numbers current to the most recent month-end please call 1-800-766-2264.*

Under normal conditions, the Fund expects to invest in securities and derivatives to replicate exposure to the three asset classes: high yield, treasuries, and cash. For more information about the Fund's use of derivatives, please see the end disclosures.

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It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The Morningstar Rating does not include any adjustment for sales loads. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a managed product is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its

three-, five-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics.

Morningstar Rating is for the I share class only; other classes may have different performance characteristics.

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# Navigator® Tactical Fixed Income Fund

## About Clark Capital

Founded in 1986, Clark Capital Management Group, Inc. is an independent employee owned investment advisory firm, managing over \$40.8B\* in client assets and based in Philadelphia, PA. Clark Capital is focused on innovative risk management strategies, with a goal of successful capital preservation. \*As of 03/31/2025

Since 2005, Clark Capital has provided a flexible and opportunistic fixed income strategy through the Navigator Fixed Income Total Return Strategy. The strategy has been consistently ranked at the top of its Morningstar peer group and delivers risk management with a goal of total return.

The Navigator Tactical Fixed Income Fund offers the same philosophy, approach and process as the Navigator Fixed Income Total Return SMA within a 40 Act Fund.

Share Class	Ticker	CUSIP	Minimum Investment
A share	NTBAX	66538B594	\$5,000
C share	NTBCX	66538B586	\$5,000
I share	NTBIX	66538B578	\$25,000

Under normal conditions, the Fund expects to invest in securities and derivatives. When the high yield asset class is favored, the Fund will normally use a combination of securities and derivatives designed to create an investment return that tracks the return of the Fund's primary benchmark index, currently the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield index. When the treasury asset class is favored, the Fund will normally sell and/or hedge its high yield exposure and increase the Fund's exposure to treasuries through securities and derivatives. When the cash asset class is favored, the Fund will normally sell and/or hedge its high yield and/or treasury exposure and increase the Fund's exposure to cash equivalents through securities and derivatives.

Due to the structure of the derivatives the Fund expects to use, the Fund will hold a portion of its assets in highly liquid securities as collateral and still have excess cash to invest regardless of whether the favored asset class is high yield, treasuries or cash (or a combination of these asset classes). The Fund will normally invest this excess cash in a mix of investment grade corporate bonds, treasury bills, notes, municipal bonds and other instruments to seek to obtain additional return. As a result, when the high yield asset class is favored, a portion of the Fund's assets will be invested in non-high yield investments. Similarly, when the treasury asset class is favored, the Fund will hold a portion of its assets in non-treasury investments, and when the cash asset class is favored, the fund will hold a portion of its assets in non-cash investments. Please see the "Principal Investment Strategies" section of the Fund's Prospectus for more information on the types of investments normally used by the Fund.

Important risk information. An investment in the Fund(s) is subject to risks, and you could lose money on your investment in the Fund(s). There can be no assurance that the Fund(s) will achieve its investment objective. Your investment in the Fund(s) is not a deposit in a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or any other government agency. The Fund(s) also has specific principal risks, which are described below. More detailed information regarding these risks can be found in the Fund's prospectus. The principal risks of investing in the Navigator Tactical Fixed Income Fund include: Interest Rate Risk, High-Yield Bond Risk, Derivatives Risk, Credit Risk, Fixed Income Risk, Small and Mid-sized Company Risk, and Portfolio Selection Risk. Interest Rate Risk — The value of the Fund may fluctuate based on changes in interest rates and market conditions. As interest rates rise, the value of income producing instruments may decrease. This risk increases as the term of the note increases. High-Yield Bond Risk — Lower-quality bonds, known as high-yield bonds or "junk bonds," present a significant risk for loss of principal and interest. These bonds offer the potential for higher return, but also involve greater risk than bonds of higher quality, including an increased possibility that the bond's issuer, obligor or guarantor may not be able to make its payments of interest and principal (credit quality risk). Derivatives Risk — The Fund may execute an investment strategy or hedge by enter-

## Investment Team

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## Fund Information

Inception date: 3/27/14  
Fund AUM: \$6.660 Billion  
Transfer Agent: Ultimus Fund Solutions LLC.  
Distributor: Northern Lights Distributors, LLC.  
Custodian: BNY Mellon  
Registered in all 50 States and DC & PR.  
NSCC Participant Number: 5394 (Levels 0-4)

Share Class	Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses		Annual Trail (12-b1)
	What You Pay Now		
A share	1.34%	1.32%	0.25%
C share	2.09%	2.07%	1.00%
I share	1.09%	1.07%	none

ing into derivative contracts such as futures, options and swaps, which can be riskier than traditional investments because they may involve leverage, be illiquid, suffer counterparty default and limit gains. Credit Risk — The issuer of a fixed income security may not be able to make interest or principal payments when due.

Generally, the lower the credit rating of a security, the greater the risk is that the issuer will default on its obligation. The Fund invests in exchange traded funds (ETFs) and performance is subject to underlying investment weightings which will vary. ETFs are subject to expenses, which will be indirectly paid by the fund. The cost of investing in a Fund that invests in ETFs will generally be higher than the cost of investing in a Fund that invests directly in individual stocks and bonds. Exchange traded notes (ETNs) are unsecured obligation of the issuer and are not secured debt. ETNs are riskier than ordinary unsecured debt securities and have no principal protection. ETNs include limited portfolio diversification, trade price fluctuations, uncertain principal repayment, and illiquidity. Investing in the ETNs is not equivalent to investing directly in an index or in any particular index components. The investor fee will reduce the amount of your return at maturity or on redemption, and as a result you may receive less than the principal amount of your investment at maturity or upon redemption of your ETNs even if the level of the relevant index has increased or decreased (as may be applicable to the particular series of ETNs). An investment in an ETNs may not be suitable for all investors.

Standard Deviation (Std Dev): A statistical measure of performance fluctuations—generally the higher the standard deviation, the greater the expected volatility of returns. Standard deviation, a historical measure, cannot be used to predict fund performance.

Beta: Measures a fund's sensitivity to market movements by comparing a fund's excess return (over a benchmark) to the market's excess return. By definition, the beta of the market is 1.00. For example, a beta that is lower than 1.00 would normally indicate that a fund's excess return is expected to be above the market's excess return in a down year and below in an up year. However, beta is a measure of historical volatility and cannot predict a fund's actual volatility.

Derivative: A derivative is a contract whose value is derived from, or dependent on, another asset, a group of assets, or a benchmark. These contracts are agreements between two parties, and their value changes based on the underlying asset's performance.

Alpha: A measure of the difference between a portfolio's actual returns and its expected performance, given its level of risk as measured by beta. A positive alpha figure indicates the portfolio has performed better than its beta would predict. In contrast, a negative alpha indicates the portfolio has underperformed, given the expectations established by beta. Alpha is calculated by taking the excess average monthly return of the investment over the risk free rate and subtracting beta times the excess average monthly return of the benchmark over the risk free rate.

Date	Distribution NAV	Distribution Total
03/31/2025	9.85	0.0938
12/31/2024	9.96	0.2117
9/30/2024	10.05	0.1539
6/30/2024	9.79	0.1461
3/31/2024	9.85	0.1124
12/31/2023	9.75	0.1710

Sharpe Ratio: A risk-adjusted measure developed by Nobel Laureate William Sharpe. It is calculated by using standard deviation and excess return to determine reward per unit of risk. The higher the Sharpe Ratio, the better the composite's historical risk-adjusted performance. The Sharpe ratio is calculated for the past 36-month period by dividing a composite's annualized excess returns by the standard deviation of a composite's annualized excess returns. Since this ratio uses standard deviation as its risk measure, it is most appropriately applied when analyzing a composite that is an investor's sole holding. The Sharpe Ratio can be used to compare two composites directly on how much risk a composite had to bear to earn excess return over the risk-free rate.

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The Fund's primary benchmark is the Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Index. The Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Index measures the market of USD-denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bonds. Securities are classified as high yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch, and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below, excluding emerging market debt. The Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High-Yield Index was created in 1986, with history backfilled to July 1, 1983, and rolls up into the Bloomberg U.S. Universal and Global High-Yield Indices. The Fund's secondary benchmark is the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. The Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index covers investment grade bonds being traded in United States. It is an unmanaged market value-weighted index for U.S. dollar denominated investment-grade fixed-rate debt issues, including government, corporate, asset-backed, and mortgage-backed securities with maturities of at least one year. The Bloomberg US Aggregate Index was created in 1986 with history backfilled to January 1, 1976. You cannot invest directly in an index and unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges.

The Adviser has contractually agreed to reduce its fees and to reimburse expenses for the Navigator Tactical Fixed Income Fund at least until February 28, 2026.

In 2025, Clark Capital Management Group Inc. was awarded the Best Fund over 10 Years for Navigator Tactical Fixed Income Fund; I Shares in the Alternative Credit Focus Funds category. The Refinitiv Lipper Awards, formerly known as the Thomson Reuters Lipper Fund Awards, granted annually, highlight funds and fund companies that have excelled in delivering consistently strong risk-adjusted performance relative to their peers. The Lipper Fund Awards are based on the Lipper Leader for Consistent Return rating, which is a risk-adjusted performance measure calculated over 36, 60 and 120 months. The fund with the highest Lipper Leader for Consistent Return (Effective Return) value in each eligible classification wins the Lipper Fund Award. For more information, see [www.lipperfundawards.com](http://www.lipperfundawards.com) Although Lipper makes reasonable efforts to ensure the accuracy and reliability of the data contained herein, the accuracy is not guaranteed by Lipper. Awards and rankings are only one form of performance measurement. Clark Capital was not financially compensated for this award.

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