



# Caldwell Investment Management Ltd.

*Independent Investment Managers*

## **Semi-Annual Management Report of Fund Performance**

For the Period Ended June 30, 2021

# **Caldwell Canadian Value Momentum Fund**

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Securityholders may also contact us by using one of these methods to request a copy of the investment fund's proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosure.



## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

### Investment Objective

The fundamental investment objective of the Fund is to generate capital growth by investing in a concentrated basket of Canadian equities which show the highest potential for capital gains over a moderate holding period.

The investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of unitholders at a meeting called for that purpose.

### Results of Operations

The Caldwell Canadian Value Momentum Fund ("CVM") gained 19.3% in the first six months of 2021 versus a gain of 17.3% for the S&P/TSX Composite TR Index ("Index"). Energy was the strongest performer in the Index driven by higher commodity pricing. While the Fund held only a slight overweight to the sector, the underlying holdings added significant value, namely Paramount Resources (tsx:POU) and NuVista Energy (tsx:NVA). Other top contributors to the Fund's performance were Converge Technology Solutions Corp. ("tsx:CTS") and TFI International Inc. (tsx:TFII). Strong demand for CTS's solutions and an active acquisition strategy within a fragmented market have driven a positive re-rating in the share price. A large, underserved market and a strong M&A pipeline also contribute to a long growth runway. TFII continues to benefit from elevated freight rates as a result of a tight trucking market and integration of the recently acquired UPS freight business is contributing to earnings quicker than expected. Strong gains from these companies were offset by losses in Cargojet Inc. (tsx:CJT), Ag Growth International Inc. ("tsx:AFN"), Viemed Healthcare, Inc. (tsx:VMD) and Xebec Adsorption Inc. (tsx:XBC). Note that the CVM had no exposure to Shopify (tsx:SHOP), which was a significant positive contributor to the Index's performance. The CVM is also a 100% Canadian equity strategy with no exposure to the U.S. market.

### Recent Developments

The CVM continues to align the portfolio to reflect what we view as the most attractive positive rerating opportunities in the Canadian market. To that end, two stocks were added to the portfolio in June: Victoria Gold ("tsx:VGCX") and Tourmaline ("tsx:TOU"). VGCX is a gold producer with a long reserve-life, open pit mine located in Canada's Yukon. We see upside in shares as the company moves towards current design capacity of 200,000 oz/year and outlines low-risk growth plans to 250,000 oz/year. There is also upside from additional analyst coverage as it becomes a mid-size producing company in a low risk jurisdiction. TOU is a natural gas producer consolidating assets in the North Montney. Its latest acquisition of Black Swan Energy (\$1.1 billion) is immediately accretive on a free cash flow per share basis and comes alongside a guidance and dividend increase.



A relatively high percentage (high-teens to low-20s) of the Fund's assets were held in cash throughout the first half which was a notable drag on performance. The CVM has generated substantial value to investors over its long-term history driven by the combination of strong company-specific catalysts and a concentrated portfolio. We continue to look forward to strong results as we progress through 2021 and beyond.

### **Independent Review Committee**

Under the provisions of National Instrument 81-107 – *Independent Review Committee for Investment Funds* (NI 81-107"), which came into force on November 1, 2006, it is required that all publicly offered investment funds, such as the Fund, establish an independent review committee ("IRC") to whom the manager is to refer all potential conflict of interest matters in order to obtain a recommendation or approval, as applicable. NI 81-107 further mandates that the IRC be composed of at least three independent members and requires that they conduct assessments and regularly report to the Manager and unitholders in respect of its duties.

The current members of the Manager's IRC are Supriya Kapoor, Ann Y. M. Harris and Jerry Beniuk, all of whom were originally appointed on December 1, 2019.

### **Forward-looking Statements**

Certain statements included in this report may constitute forward-looking statements, including those identified by the expressions "believe", "anticipate", "expect" or similar expressions to the extent they relate to the Fund, its Manager or its portfolio manager. Such forward-looking statements are not historical facts but reflect the Fund's, the Manager's or the portfolio manager's current expectations regarding future results or events. Such forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from current expectations. Readers are cautioned to consider these and other factors carefully when making decisions with respect to the Fund and not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Unless required by applicable law, the Fund does not undertake any obligation to update publicly or to revise any of such forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference in this report include statements with respect to:

- Interest rates
- Change in accounting policy

### **Related Party Transactions**

#### *Manager and Portfolio Adviser*

The Manager is a wholly owned subsidiary of Caldwell Financial Ltd. The Manager is also the portfolio adviser of the Fund. The Manager is responsible for the Fund's day-to-day operations, provides investment advice and portfolio management services to the Fund and appoints



distributors for the Fund. For its administrative services, trustee fees, asset allocation, security selection, ongoing monitoring and related services, the Manager is entitled to receive an annual management fee equal to 1.50% and 1.00% for Series A and Series F units, respectively. The Series I management fee is negotiated and paid directly by each investor to the Manager, and will not exceed 0.50%. Such fees are calculated daily and paid monthly. Since inception of the Fund, the Manager has waived a portion of the fee of each Series, but may cease this practice at any time in its discretion.

#### *Trustee*

The trustee of the Fund is Caldwell Investment Management Ltd.

#### *Principal Distributor*

Caldwell Securities Ltd. is related to the Manager in that both are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Caldwell Financial Ltd. Caldwell Securities Ltd. markets units of the Fund directly to the public and receives sales commissions and trailer fees based on the total value of their clients' holdings in the Fund on the same basis as other dealers that distribute units to the public.

#### *Brokerage Arrangements*

The purchase and sale of portfolio securities is arranged by the Manager through registered brokers or dealers. The Manager has a regulatory obligation to make reasonable efforts to achieve best execution of those portfolio trades when acting for the Fund. Best execution refers to the most advantageous execution terms reasonably available under the circumstances.

The Manager may choose to execute a portion of the Fund's portfolio transactions with Caldwell Securities Ltd., an affiliate of the Manager. The Manager applies its best execution policy in respect of both affiliated and non-affiliated dealers. Specifically, any trade allocation to an affiliated dealer is based on an assessment of the same best execution criteria.

Because Caldwell Securities Ltd. is an affiliate of the Manager and the interrelationship of their businesses, a conflict of interest exists that has the potential of influencing the Manager's choice of Caldwell Securities Ltd. to execute Fund portfolio transactions. The Manager addresses this conflict of interest by applying its best execution policy and by following best execution standing instructions issued by the Fund's independent review committee.

The Fund pays Caldwell Securities Ltd. an annual brokerage fee of 0.50% of the net asset value as compensation for portfolio transactions executed by Caldwell Securities Ltd. Portfolio transactions executed by brokers other than Caldwell Securities Ltd. will be subject to those broker's customary commissions, taxes and fees.

To date in 2021, the Fund has paid \$335,039 in brokerage fees to Caldwell Securities Ltd. and for the similar period in 2020, the Fund paid \$122,769.



## Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five years. This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements.

The Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV), per Series A\* Unit, as at June 30, 2021 (unaudited) and December 31 of previous years:

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Net Assets, beginning of year	17.31	15.62	13.58	14.45	13.48
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total Revenue	0.07	0.16	0.14	0.16	0.24
Total Expenses	(0.30)	(0.42)	(0.33)	(0.32)	(0.53)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	2.37	0.73	0.40	(0.58)	1.40
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.30	1.33	1.83	(0.27)	0.65
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>3.43</b>	<b>1.81</b>	<b>2.04</b>	<b>(1.01)</b>	<b>1.76</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From Income (excluding dividends)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
From Dividends	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
From Capital Gains	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.89)
Return of Capital	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Annual Distributions <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(0.89)</b>
<b>Net Assets at June 30 and December 31 of year shown</b>	<b>20.64</b>	<b>17.31</b>	<b>15.62</b>	<b>13.58</b>	<b>14.45</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Net asset value and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.

<sup>(2)</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

\* Series A units were designated as Series O units prior to July 19, 2019.



The Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV), per Series F Unit, as at June 30, 2021 (unaudited) and December 31 of previous years:

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Net Assets, beginning of year	20.20	18.21	15.74	16.67	15.31
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total Revenue	0.08	0.19	0.16	0.19	0.24
Total Expenses	(0.31)	(0.48)	(0.28)	(0.27)	(0.71)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	2.76	0.92	0.45	(0.73)	1.52
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.56	1.43	2.21	(0.56)	1.48
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>4.09</b>	<b>2.05</b>	<b>2.54</b>	<b>(1.38)</b>	<b>2.53</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From Income (excluding dividends)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
From Dividends	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
From Capital Gains	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.63)
Return of Capital	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.03)
<b>Total Annual Distributions <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(0.66)</b>
<b>Net Assets at June 30 and December 31 of year shown</b>	<b>24.14</b>	<b>20.20</b>	<b>18.21</b>	<b>15.74</b>	<b>16.67</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Net asset value and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.

<sup>(2)</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund.



The Fund's Net Asset Value (NAV), per Series I\* Unit, as at June 30, 2021 (unaudited) and December 31 of previous years:

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Net Assets, beginning of year	20.19	0
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>		
Total Revenue	0.08	0.09
Total Expenses	(0.12)	(0.08)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	2.81	0.98
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.36	0.59
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>4.12</b>	<b>1.58</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>		
From Income (excluding dividends)	0.00	0.00
From Dividends	0.00	0.00
From Capital Gains	0.00	0.00
Return of Capital	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Annual Distributions <sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Assets at June 30 and December 31 of year shown</b>	<b>24.32</b>	<b>20.19</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Net asset value and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period.

<sup>(2)</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund.

\* Series I units commenced on July 30, 2020.

### Ratios and Supplemental Data - Series A\*

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Net asset value (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	54,923	30,700	19,630	16,657	11,595
Number of units outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	2,660,514	1,773,615	1,256,679	1,226,779	802,402
Management expense ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	2.07%	2.14%	1.61%	1.65%	3.72%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	2.07%	2.21%	1.71%	1.73%	4.07%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(3)</sup>	87.54%	213.89%	74.76%	161.77%	136.17%
Trading Expense ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	0.59%	0.64%	0.56%	0.58%	0.52%



### Ratios and Supplemental Data - Series F

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Net asset value (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	104,976	54,791	33,831	32,206	15,860
Number of units outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	4,348,311	2,712,628	1,857,538	2,046,514	951,655
Management expense ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	1.60%	2.10%	1.04%	1.05%	4.03%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	1.60%	2.17%	1.14%	1.14%	4.24%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(3)</sup>	87.57%	213.89%	74.76%	161.77%	136.17%
Trading Expense ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	0.59%	0.64%	0.56%	0.58%	0.52%

### Ratios and Supplemental Data - Series I\*\*

	2021	2020
Net asset value (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	19,378	16,092
Number of units outstanding <sup>(1)</sup>	796,939	796,939
Management expense ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	0.43%	0.18%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions	0.43%	0.18%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(3)</sup>	87.57%	213.89%
Trading Expense ratio <sup>(4)</sup>	0.59%	0.64%

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is provided as at June 30, 2021 (unaudited) and December 31 of previous years.

<sup>(2)</sup> Management expense ratio is based on total expenses for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period.

<sup>(3)</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio adviser manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

<sup>(4)</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net assets during the period.

\* Series A units were designated as Series O units prior to July 19, 2019.

\*\* Series I units commenced on July 30, 2020.





## **Management Fees**

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Distribution	20%
Management and Portfolio Adviser Services	80%
Waivers and Absorption of Fund Expenses	0%

## **Past Performance**

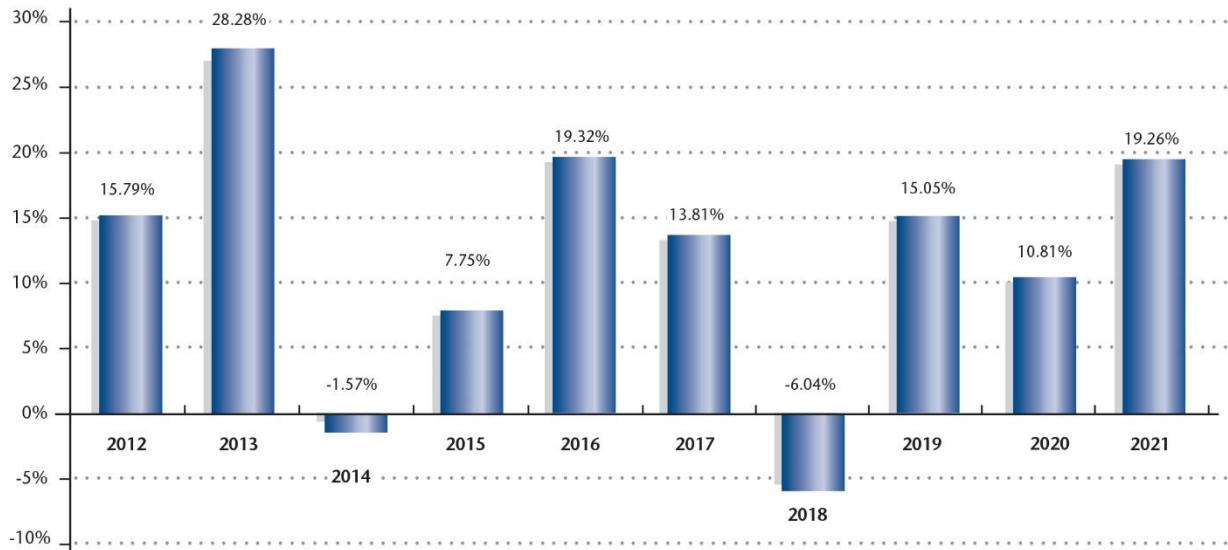
The following charts shows how the Fund has performed in the past, and can help you understand the risks of investing in the Fund. These returns include the reinvestment of all distributions and would be lower if they did not. They don't include deduction of sales, switch, redemption, or other optional charges (which distributors may charge) or income taxes payable, and would be lower if they did. The Fund's past performance is no guarantee of how it will perform in the future.

## **Year-by-Year Returns**

The bar charts show how the Fund's annual past performance has varied from year to year for each of the years shown. It shows in percentage terms how an investment made on January 1 would have increased or decreased by December 31 for that year.



For the years ended December 31 and the semi-annual period ended June 30, 2021



Caldwell Canadian Value Momentum Fund - Series A

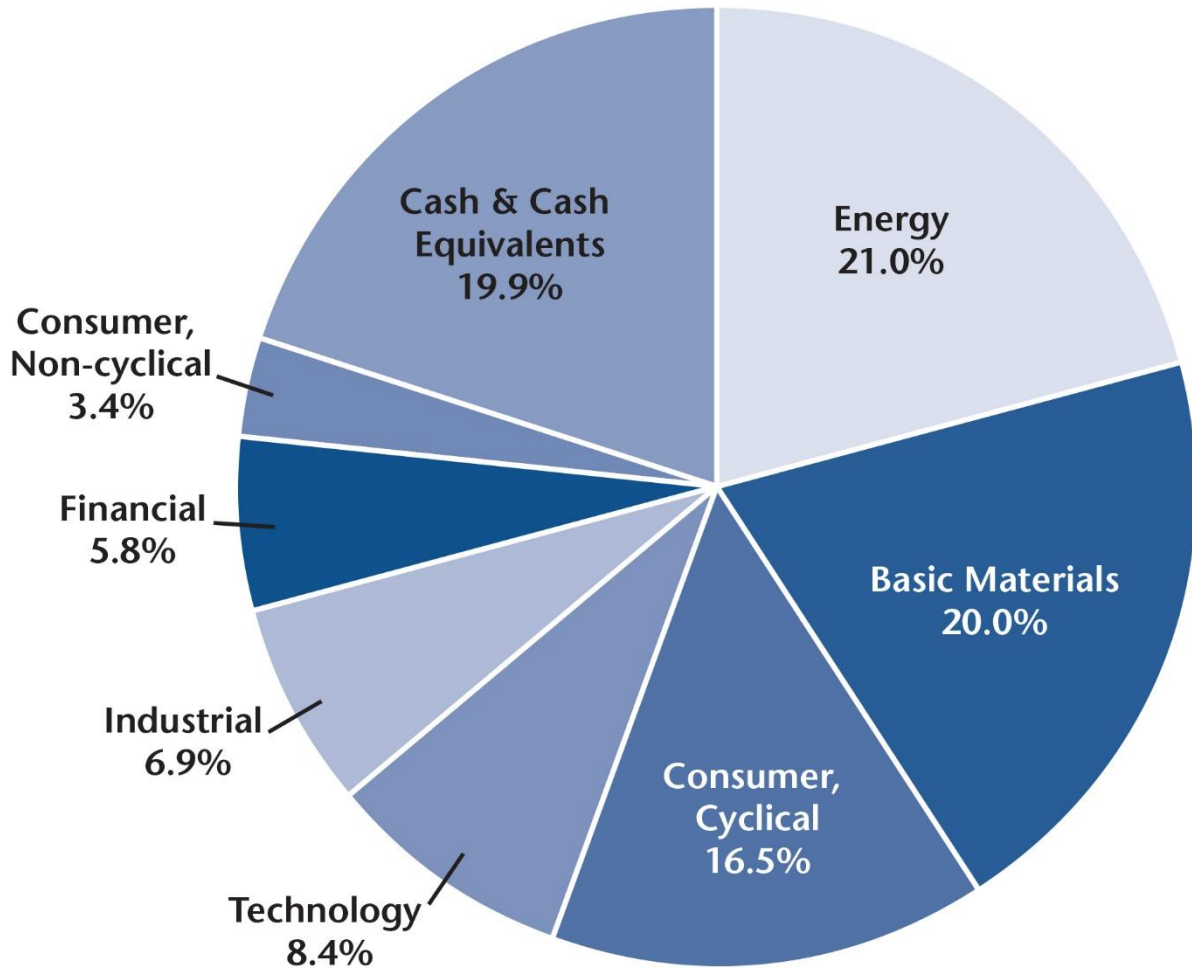


Caldwell Canadian Value Momentum Fund - Series F



## Summary of Investment Portfolio

Portfolio Breakdown as at June 30, 2021



## Caldwell Canadian Value Momentum Fund



## CALDWELL CANADIAN VALUE MOMENTUM FUND

### Summary of Investment Portfolio

#### Top 25 Holdings\*

As at June 30, 2021

<b>SECURITY</b>	<b>Percentage of Net Assets</b>
Cash & Cash Equivalents	19.88%
Converge Technology Solutions Corp.	6.62%
NuVista Energy Ltd	5.93%
FirstService Corp	5.79%
AutoCanada Inc.	5.46%
Karora Resources.	5.21%
Magna International	4.90%
Stelco Holdings Inc.	4.88%
Nutrien Ltd.	4.20%
Linamar Corp.	4.20%
Tourmaline Oil Corp.	4.15%
Ag Growth International Inc.	4.07%
Tamarack Valley Energy Ltd.	3.64%
The North West Co Inc.	3.43%
Paramount Resources Ltd.	3.35%
Victoria Gold Corp.	2.94%
Stella-Jones Inc.	2.80%
Major Drilling Group International Inc.	2.73%
Secure Energy Services Inc.	2.03%
Arc Resources Ltd.	2.02%
Dye & Durham Ltd.	1.77%

\*All holdings. Fund has less than 25 holdings.

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<b>Top 25 Holdings</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
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The summary of investment portfolio may change. A quarterly update is available at [www.caldwellinvestment.com](http://www.caldwellinvestment.com).