Overall rating out of 1,542 Large Growth funds as of



#### Fourth Quarter 2015

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## **Objective**

Capital appreciation

## Strategy

The Parnassus Endeavor Fund invests with low turnover and high conviction in approximately 30 holdings. The Fund focuses on identifying companies with:

- Wide moats or strong competitive advantages that protect market share and profitability
- . Quality management teams that will act in the best interest of shareholders
- Favorable three-year investment horizon

The Fund invests in large-capitalization companies that represent Parnassus' clearest expression of ESG investing: portfolio companies must offer outstanding workplaces, and must not be engaged in the production, manufacturing, or refining of fossil fuels. This focus provides investors with significant exposure to technology companies, many of which are leaders in offering positive and innovative workplaces. The Fund should outperform when the technology sector outperforms the broader equity market.

## **ESG Integration**

At Parnassus Investments, the investment team follows a responsible investment approach to understand the full impact of a company. The investment team carefully considers a company's environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors. By incorporating ESG factors into the fundamental investment process, the investment team often identifies risks and opportunities that the market may have ignored and could impact the performance of investments.

For each fund with at least a three-year history, Morningstar calculates a Morningstar Rating  $^{\text{IM}}$  based on a Morningstar risk-adjusted return measure that accounts for variation in a fund's monthly performance (including the effects of sales charges, loads, and redemption fees, unless otherwise indicated), placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of funds in each 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. (Each share stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. [Lach share class is counted as a fraction of one fund within this scale and is rated separately which may cause slight variations in the distribution percentages.] The Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup> for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five-, and ten-year lif applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. The Fund was rated against the following numbers of U.S. - domiciled Large Growth funds over the following time periods: 1,542 in the last 3 years, 1,326 in the last 5 years and 933 in the last 10 years. With respect to these Large Growth funds,

#### Total % Returns

As of 12/31/2015	3 Months	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception 4/29/05	Since Inception 4/30/15	Gross Expense Ratio <sup>(a)</sup>	Net Expense Ratio <sup>(a)</sup>
Parnassus Endeavor Fund Investor Shares	6.45	3.25	3.25	17.08	14.01	11.61	11.21	NA	1.02	0.95
Parnassus Endeavor Fund Institutional Shares	6.47	3.38	3.38	17.12	14.04	11.62	NA	-0.22	0.87	0.83
S&P 500 Index	7.04	1.39	1.39	15.12	12.55	7.30	7.87	NA	NA	NA

All returns greater than one year are annualized.

🕪 As described in the Fund's current prospectus dated May 1, 2015, Parnassus Investments has contractually agreed to limit total operating expenses to 0.95% of net assets for the Parnassus Endeavor Fund—Investor Shares and 0.83 for the Parnassus Endeavor Fund—Institutional Shares. This agreement will not be terminated prior to May 1, 2016, and may be continued indefinitely by the Adviser on a year-to-year basis. Performance shown prior to April 30, 2015 (the inception of the Institutional Shares), reflects the performance of the Parnassus Endeavor Fund—Investor Shares and includes expenses that are not applicable to and are higher than those of the Institutional Shares. The performance of the Institutional Shares differs from that shown for the Investor Shares to the extent that the classes do not have the same expenses.

#### **Annual % Returns** Parnassus Endeavor - Investor Shares S&P 500 Index 62.13 80% 26.47 60% 32.38 40% -1.62 13.68 15.08 20% 5.49 2.09 0% -20% -40% 2006 2007 2008 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014

## Ten Largest Holdings<sup>2</sup>

Total	48.1%
Autodesk Inc.	
Cummins Inc.	1 20/
Deere & Co.	4.4%
Intel Corp	4.7%
International Business Machines Corp	4.8%
American Express Co.	4.8%
Ciena Corp.	4.8%
Whole Foods Market Inc.	5.1%
SanDisk Corp.	5.5%
Applied Materials Inc.	5.6%

the Fund received a Morningstar Rating of 4, 4 and 5 stars for the 3-, 5- and 10-year periods, respectively. Other classes may have different performance characteristics. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

<sup>1</sup>The chart shows the growth of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment since inception date and does not reflect the deduction of taxes a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the redemption of fund shares.

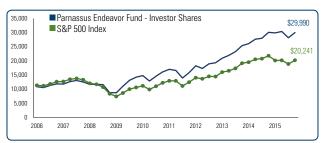
<sup>2</sup>Percent based on total net assets as of date indicated.

<sup>3</sup>Excluding cash and cash equivalents.

Performance data quoted represents past performance and are no guarantee of future returns. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted, and most recent month end performance is available on the Parnassus website (www.parnassus.com). Investment return and principal will fluctuate, so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original principal cost. The S&P 500 Index is a widely recognized index of common stock prices.

## Annual Growth of \$10,000<sup>1</sup>

12/31/2015.





An individual cannot invest directly in an index. An index reflects no deductions for fees, expenses or taxes. Returns shown for the fund do not reflect the declaration of taxes a shareholder would pay on the fund distributions or the redemption of fund shares.

The Parnassus Funds are underwritten and distributed by Parnassus Funds Distributor, a subsidiary of Parnassus Investments and a FINRA member.

Before investing, an investor should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the fund and should carefully read the prospectus or summary prospectus, which contain this information. A prospectus or summary prospectus can be obtained on the website, www. parnassus.com, or by calling (800) 999-3505.

# Parnassus Endeavor Fund<sup>™</sup>

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## **Portfolio Manager**

#### Jerome L. Dodson

- President, Portfolio Manager
- With firm since 1984
- Investment industry since 1976
- Portfolio Manager since 2005
- M.B.A., Harvard Business School 1971
- B.S., Political Science, University of California, Berkeley 1965

#### Firm Overview

Parnassus Investments® is an independent and employee-owned investment management company based in San Francisco, CA. Founded in 1984, the firm seeks to invest in businesses that have increasingly relevant products or services, sustainable competitive advantages, quality management teams and ethical business practices. We believe the most attractive opportunities for investments are when companies with good business fundamentals become temporarily undervalued due to market sentiment.

Total Assets Under Management: \$15.6 billion

<b>Fund Characteristics</b>	Fund	S&P 500 Index
Ave Weighted Mkt Cap (\$Bn)	\$69.3	\$139.5
P/E Ratio	17.8x	19.5x
P/B Ratio	3.3x	2.5x
Number of Holdings	28	504
Portfolio Turnover (2015 Annual)	63.2%	-

Average Weighted Market Cap is the average capitalization of all stocks in the portfolio, weighted by each holding's size in the portfolio. Price/Earnings (P/E) Ratio is a ratio of a stock's current price to its per-share earnings over the past 12 months (or "trailing" 12 months). Price/Book (P/B) Ratio is the ratio of a stock's latest closing price divided by its book value per share.

<b>Fund Facts</b>	Investor Shares	Institutional Shares		
Ticker	PARWX	PFPWX		
CUSIP	701765869	701765406		
Minimum Investment	\$2,000	\$100,000		
Gross Expense Ratio	1.02%	0.87%		
Net Expense Ratio	0.95%	0.83%		
Inception Date	4/29/2005	4/30/2015		
Distribution Frequency	Annually			
Total Net Assets	\$1,372.6MM			

Expenses based on total net assets, net of reimbursement.

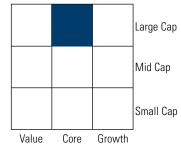
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Fund Statistics (5 Year)	Investor Shares	S&P 500 Index
Alpha	1.01%	-
Beta	1.03	1.00
R-Squared	0.90	1.00
Sharpe Ratio	1.11	1.08
Standard Deviation	12.70%	11.70%
Downside Risk	7.13%	6.53%
Tracking Error	3.97%	-
Active Share	92.17%	-

#### **Style**

Parnassus Funds' equity style box is based on the portfolio's overall targeted capitalization range and relative valuation.

Lipper Category: Multi-Cap Core



Alpha is a measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis. Alpha takes the volatility (price risk) of a mutual fund and compares its risk-adjusted performance to a benchmark index. The excess return of the fund relative to the return of the benchmark index is a fund's alpha. Beta is a measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a portfolio in comparison to the market as a whole. A beta of 1.00 means that the share price moves exactly in line with the market. A beta over 1.00 suggests that the share price will typically be more volatile than the market, and conversely, a beta below 1.00 indicates that the share price will typically be less volatile than the market. R-Squared is a measurement of how closely the portfolio's performance correlates with the performance of a benchmark index such as the S&P 500 Index. Standard Deviation is a calculation used to measure variability (risk) of a portfolio's performance. Sharpe Ratio is a ratio used to measure risk-adjusted performance. It is calculated by subtracting the risk-free rate from the rate of return for a portfolio and dividing the result by the standard deviation of the portfolio

returns. **Downside Risk** is a statistical measurement of a portfolio's dispersion below the mean return of a benchmark. **Tracking Error** is the standard deviation of the difference between the portfolio return and the desired investment benchmark return. **Active Share** measures the percentage amount your portfolio differs from a passive benchmark.

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Risks: The Fund's share price may change daily based on the value of its security holdings. Stock markets can be volatile, and stock values fluctuate in response to the asset levels of individual companies and in response to general U.S. and international market and economic conditions. In addition to large-cap companies, the Fund may invest in small-and/or mid-cap companies, which can be more volatile than large-cap firms. Security holdings in the fund can vary significantly from broad market indexes

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