

Full Alpha Architect *Model portfolios*

As of 12/31/2023 unless otherwise indicated



For investors seeking to go all in

We built Alpha Architect's Full Alpha Architect model portfolios for investors seeking to put our research-backed strategies into action.

In our view, this model may be suitable as a standalone model or as a component part of a larger asset allocation.

Whether you're an experienced investor or just starting out, you know that the right partner can be the difference-maker to achieving your goals.

Built on Alpha Architect's decades of rigorous academic research, our model portfolios aim to simplify portfolio management so you can spend less time tinkering with funds and **more time on what matters to you.**

To learn more about each fund, visit etfsite.alphaarchitect.com.

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Equities

The equity portion of the model seeks to combine Alpha Architect's concentrated value and momentum factor ETFs with our innovative Value Momentum Trend strategy to produce a suite of portfolios featuring robust factor exposure at what we believe to be a reasonable cost.

- We seek to capture the value premium via the <u>Alpha Architect US Quantitative Value</u> (QVAL)¹ and <u>International Quantitative Value</u> (IVAL)¹ ETFs. These funds seek to build a portfolio of the 50-100 cheapest, highest quality stocks in their respective universes. Value determined using EBIT/TEV, an enterprise multiple. Quality determined by financial strength score.
- We seek to capture the momentum premium via the <u>Alpha Architect US Quantitative Momentum</u> (QMOM)¹ and <u>International Quantitative Momentum</u> (IMOM)¹ ETFs. These funds seek to build a portfolio of the 50-100 strongest momentum stocks in their respective universes. Momentum determined using 12-2 momentum score, an academic measure of momentum. Momentum "quality" measured using frog-in-the-pan, an academically-backed volatility measure.
- We seek to provide risk-managed exposure to the value and momentum premiums via the <u>Alpha Architect Value</u> <u>Momentum Trend</u> (VMOT)¹. The Fund deploys our Robust Asset Allocation trend-following methodology to tilt the portfolio toward the factors (value or momentum) and geographies (US or developed international) exhibiting positive trends and seek to reduce risk through a short hedge sized based on changing market conditions.

¹QVAL, IVAL, QMOM, IMOM and VMOT are affiliated funds in the EA Series Trust. Both affiliated and non-affiliated funds have been selected based on the criteria described above. Non-affiliated funds may be replaced with other affiliated funds at any time.



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Diversifiers

We built the diversifier sleeve to produce potentially positive returns in specific equity market conditions - specifically, periods of elevated volatility, short, sharp drawdowns, and prolonged drawdowns.

- The <u>Alpha Architect 1-3 Month Box ETF</u> (BOXX)¹ seeks play the role of a stable cash allocation. BOXX seeks to have a similar risk profile as Treasury Bills with similar or potentially more tax-efficient returns.
- The <u>Alpha Architect High Inflation & Deflation ETF</u> (HIDE)¹ seeks to provide a source of uncorrelated returns whether inflation is rising or falling by dynamically allocating to US Treasury bonds, commodities, or REITs as market conditions change. While past performance does not guarantee future results, these assets have exhibited attractive returns throughout different inflation regimes, historically.
- The <u>Alpha Architect Tail Risk ETF</u> (CAOS)¹ seeks to provide positive total returns during short, sharp US equity drawdowns. Generally, these are periods when US stocks (as represented by a major index) decline by 20% or more from their peak equity within 60 days or less. During typical market conditions, when US stocks are often rising, CAOS seeks to provide a similar return profile as intermediate US Treasuries.

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Standardized returns as of 12/31/2023

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|----------------|-------------------|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|------|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| | Ticker | Inception Date | NAV | Mkt. | NAV | Mkt. | NAV | Mkt. | NAV | Mkt. | NAV | Mkt. | NAV | Mkt. |
| VALUE | QVAL ³ | 10/21/2014 | 28.16% | 28.37% | 28.16% | 28.37% | 14.99% | 15.02% | 12.04% | 12.20% | | | 7.09% | 7.11% |
| VAL | IVAL ³ | 12/16/2014 | 20.12 | 20.57 | 20.12 | 20.57 | 2.80 | 2.63 | 4.42 | 4.53 | | | 3.45 | 3.42 |
| MOMENTUM | QMOM ³ | 12/1/2015 | 9.45 | 9.50 | 9.45 | 9.50 | -0.78 | -0.77 | 15.15 | 15.23 | | | 9.35 | 9.37 |
| | IMOM ³ | 12/22/2015 | 9.16 | 9.10 | 9.16 | 9.10 | -5.53 | -5.46 | 5.05 | 5.13 | | | 2.53 | 2.52 |
| EQUITY ALT. | VMOT ³ | 5/3/2017 | -0.30 | -0.66 | -0.30 | -0.66 | -1.39 | -1.47 | 0.97 | 0.93 | | | 0.50 | 0.49 |
| ERS | BOXX ³ | 12/28/2022 | 4.99 | 5.04 | 4.99 | 5.04 | | | | | | | 4.97 | 5.09 |
| DIVERSIFIERS | CAOS ³ | 8/14/2013 | 13.30 | 13.29 | 13.30 | 13.29 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 4.79 | 4.79 | 2.91 | 2.91 | 3.39 | 3.39 |
| | HIDE ³ | 11/16/2022 | 2.65 | 2.46 | 2.65 | 2.46 | | | | - | | | 2.07 | 1.98 |

³Affiliated fund in the EA Series Trust. Source: Alpha Architect, YCharts. *Investing involves risk, including the potential for loss of principal. Past performance does not guarantee future results.* Returns are annualized total returns, except for those periods of less than one year, which are cumulative. The performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. For performance data current to the most recent month end, please call (215) 882-9983 or visit www.alphaarchitect.com/funds. Market price returns are based upon the closing composite market price and do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. A fund's NAV is the sum of all assets less any liabilities, divided by the number of shares outstanding. Investing involves risk, including the loss of principal.



Target allocations as of 12/31/2023

| | | Ticker | Prospectus Expense Ratio | 0/100 | 10/90 | 20/80 | 30/70 | 40/60 | 50/50 | 60/40 | 70/30 | 80/20 | 90/10 | 100/0 |
|---|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | VALUE | QVAL ³ | 0.29% | 0.00% | 2.60% | 5.20% | 7.80% | 10.40% | 13.00% | 15.60% | 18.20% | 20.80% | 23.40% | 26.00% |
| | VAL | IVAL ³ | 0.39% | 0.00% | 2.60% | 5.20% | 7.80% | 10.40% | 13.00% | 15.60% | 18.20% | 20.80% | 23.40% | 26.00% |
| | NTUM | QMOM ³ | 0.29% | 0.00% | 1.40% | 2.80% | 4.20% | 5.60% | 7.00% | 8.40% | 9.80% | 11.20% | 12.60% | 14.00% |
| | MOMENTUM | IMOM ³ | 0.39% | 0.00% | 1.40% | 2.80% | 4.20% | 5.60% | 7.00% | 8.40% | 9.80% | 11.20% | 12.60% | 14.00% |
| | y alt. | VM0T ³ | 1.38% | 0.00% | 2.00% | 4.00% | 6.00% | 8.00% | 10.00% | 12.00% | 14.00% | 16.00% | 18.00% | 20.00% |
| | ERS | BOXX ³ | 0.19% | 5.00% | 4.50% | 4.00% | 3.50% | 3.00% | 2.50% | 2.00% | 1.50% | 1.00% | 0.50% | 0.00% |
| | DIVERSIFIERS | CAOS ³ | 0.63% | 25.00% | 22.50% | 20.00% | 17.50% | 15.00% | 12.50% | 10.00% | 7.50% | 5.00% | 2.50% | 0.00% |
| | DIV | HIDE ³ | 0.29% | 70.00% | 63.00% | 56.00% | 49.00% | 42.00% | 35.00% | 28.00% | 21.00% | 14.00% | 7.00% | 0.00% |
| _ | | Weighte | ed expense ratio | 0.37% | 0.37% | 0.38% | 0.38% | 0.39% | 0.39% | 0.39% | 0.40% | 0.40% | 0.41% | 0.41% |

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Model returns as of 12/31/2023

| Model | Common Incept. Date | 1 Yr. Total Return | Annualized 3 Yr. Total Return | Annualized 5 Yr. Total Return | Total Return Since Common Incept. | Tracking Error %* | Weighted Avg. Expense Ratio |
|-------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| 100/0 | 5/2/2017 | 13.81% | 3.29% | 9.39% | 6.71% | 7.66% | 0.41% |
| 90/10 | 12/27/2022 | 12.97% | | | 12.97% | 8.05% | 0.41% |
| 80/20 | 12/27/2022 | 12.14% | | | 12.14% | 7.35% | 0.40% |
| 70/30 | 12/27/2022 | 11.30% | | | 11.30% | 6.78% | 0.40% |
| 60/40 | 12/27/2022 | 10.46% | | | 10.46% | 6.35% | 0.39% |
| 50/50 | 12/27/2022 | 9.62% | | | 9.62% | 6.08% | 0.39% |
| 40/60 | 12/27/2022 | 8.78% | | | 8.78% | 6.00% | 0.39% |
| 30/70 | 12/27/2022 | 7.95% | | | 7.95% | 6.10% | 0.38% |
| 20/80 | 12/27/2022 | 7.11% | | | 7.11% | 6.36% | 0.38% |
| 10/90 | 12/27/2022 | 6.15% | | | 6.15% | 6.96% | 0.37% |
| 0/100 | 12/27/2022 | 5.43% | | | 5.43% | 7.29% | 0.37% |

Source: Alpha Architect, YCharts. Monthly returns. *Investing involves risk, including the potential for loss of principal. Past performance does not guarantee future results.* Returns are annualized total returns, except for those periods of less than one year, which are cumulative. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. *Tracking Error measures the degree that an investment's returns deviate from a given benchmark. Tracking error is frequently calculated as the standard deviation of the difference in the return of the security and the benchmark. Higher tracking error implies greater deviation. Each model's tracking error is calculated against a benchmark composed of the Global Large-Stock Blend category and the Intermediate Core Bond Category in the given percentage. For example, "60/40" benchmark is composed of 60% of the Global Large-Stock Blend category. You cannot invest directly in a category average or index. Models are rebalanced annually in December.



| FACTOR | CHARACTERISTIC | AA 100/0 Model | BENCHMARK* |
|------------|---------------------|----------------|------------|
| Size | Market Cap | \$46,241 | \$285,051 |
| Value | P/E Ratio | 9.40 | 15.36 |
| Value | EBIT/TEV | 17.42% | 5.29% |
| Value | Book/Price | 59.05% | 39.09% |
| Value | EPS | 12.02% | 4.39% |
| Value | Cashflow/Price | 17.39% | 9.15% |
| Value | Dividend Yield | 2.67% | 2.09% |
| Value | Shareholder Yield | 36.90% | 17.91% |
| Quality | Return on Assets | 10.38% | 8.14% |
| Quality | Return on Equity | 21.41% | 12.37% |
| Momentum | Momentum Score 2-12 | 42.06% | 21.44% |
| Volatility | Beta | 1.07 | |

100/0 model equity characteristics

As of 12/31/2023

Source: Alpha Architect, FactSet. Characteristics data as of 1/2/2024, effective 12/31/2023. *Investing involves risk, including the potential for loss of principal. Past performance does not guarantee future results.* Fundamental data is believed to be accurate but is not guaranteed. Portfolio holdings are subject to change. *Benchmark represented by the Global Large-Stock Blend category, which is represented by portfolios that primarily invest in a variety of international stocks and typically skew towards large caps that are fairly representative of the global stock market in size, growth rates, and price. Categories determined by YCharts. You cannot directly invest in an index or category. Characteristic definitions available in the <u>disclosures section</u>.



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Commodities' prices may be highly volatile. Prices may be affected by various economic, financial, social and political factors, which may be unpredictable and may have a significant impact on the prices of precious metals.

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Investing involves risk, including loss of principal.

Investment risk. When you sell your Shares of the Fund, they could be worth less than what you paid for them. The Fund could lose money due to short-term interest rate market movements and over longer periods during continued interest rate market movements. Therefore, you may lose money by investing in the Fund.



Quantitative security selection risk. The Adviser uses a quantitative model, and its processes could be adversely affected if erroneous or outdated data is utilized. In addition, securities selected using a quantitative model could perform differently from the financial markets as a whole as a result of the characteristics used in the analysis, the weight placed on each characteristic and changes in the characteristic's historical trends.

Small to mid-sized capitalization. The Funds may invest in small to mid-sized capitalization companies or a particular sector making the Fund more sensitive to changing market conditions. Smaller capitalization companies may be more volatile and less liquid than those of more established companies. Investments in foreign securities involve political, economic and currency risks, greater volatility and differences in accounting methods.

Fund-of-funds risks. Because the Funds may invest in other funds, the Funds' investment performance largely depends on the underlying Alpha Architect ETFs. An investor will indirectly bear the principal risks and its share of the fees and expenses of the underlying funds. Some of the underlying funds may be concentrated in a particular sector or invest in smaller to mid-sized capitalization companies making the Fund more sensitive to changing market conditions. Investments in foreign securities involve political, economic and currency risks, greater volatility and differences in accounting methods.

Momentum investing risk. Momentum investing is investing in or having exposure to securities with positive momentum entails investing in securities that have had above-average recent returns. These securities may be more volatile than a broad cross-section of securities. Returns on securities that have previously exhibited momentum may be less than returns on other styles of investing or the overall stock market. Momentum can turn quickly and cause significant variation from other types of investments, and stocks that previously exhibited high momentum may not experience continued positive momentum. In addition, there may be periods when the momentum style is out of favor, during which the investment performance of the Fund using a momentum strategy may suffer.

Value investing risk. Value investing is subject to the risk that intrinsic values of investments may not be recognized by the broad market or their prices may decline. Investments utilizing quantitative methods may perform differently than the market as a result of the characteristics and data used and changes in trends. Periodic reallocation could cause the Fund's market exposure to be affected by significant market movement or lag market direction after a reconstitution.

Hedging strategy risk. Hedging strategies could limit the Fund's gains in rising markets and may expose the Fund to costs to which it would otherwise not have been exposed. The Fund's use of hedging strategies based on mathematical models may not produce the desired result or risk that the Adviser is unable to trade certain derivatives effectively or in a timely manner. The use of derivatives in connection with the Fund's hedging strategies may expose the Fund to losses (some of which may be sudden and could amplify volatility) due to unexpected changes in the market that it would not have otherwise been exposed to if it had only invested directly in equity securities. When the Fund sells futures contracts or other securities short, the Fund is exposed to the risks associated with short sales, which involve certain risks and special considerations. Theoretically, losses from short sales are potentially unlimited.

Derivatives Risk. Derivatives are instruments, such as futures contracts, whose value is derived from that of other assets, rates, or indices. The use of derivatives for non-hedging purposes may be considered to carry more risk than other types of investments.

Commodity Risk. Investing in physical commodities is speculative and can be extremely volatile.

Real Estate Investment Risk. Companies in the real estate sector include companies that invest in real estate, such as real estate investment trusts (REITs) and real estate management and development companies.



Non-Diversification Risk. The Fund is non-diversified, meaning that it is permitted to invest a larger percentage of its assets in fewer issuers than diversified funds.

Selling or Writing Options Risk. Writing option contracts can result in losses that exceed the seller's initial investment and may lead to additional turnover and higher tax liability. The risk involved in writing a call option is that there could be an increase in the market value of the underlying or reference asset.

Buying or Purchasing Options Risk. If a call or put option is not sold when it has remaining value and if the market price of the underlying asset, in the case of a call option, remains less than or equal to the exercise price, or, in the case of a put option, remains equal to or greater than the exercise price, the buyer will lose its entire investment in the call or put option.

Box Spread Risk. A Box Spread is a synthetic bond created by combining different options trades that have offsetting spreads(e.g., purchases and sales on the same underlying instrument, such as an index or an ETF, but with different strike prices). If one or more of these individual option positions are modified or closed separately prior to the option contract's expiration, then the Box Spread may no longer effectively eliminate risk tied to the underlying asset's price movement.

FLEX Options Risk. FLEX Options are exchange-traded options contracts with uniquely customizable terms like exercise price, style, and expiration date. Due to their customization and potentially unique terms, FLEX Options may be less liquid than other securities, such as standard exchange listed options.

Counterparty Risk. Counterparty risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument held by the Fund or by a special purpose or structured vehicle invested in by the Fund may become insolvent or otherwise fail to perform its obligations, and the Fund may obtain no or limited recovery of its investment, and any recovery may be significantly delayed.

DEFINITIONS

Global Large-Stock Blend category is represented by portfolios that primarily invest in a variety of international stocks and typically skew towards large caps that are fairly representative of the global stock market in size, growth rates, and price. The category average represented herein consists of ETFs with a minimum five-year track record.

Intermediate Core Bond Category is represented by portfolios that invest primarily in investment-grade U.S. fixed-income issues including government, corporate, and securitized debt, and hold less than 5% in belowinvestment-grade exposures. Their durations (a measure of interest-rate sensitivity) typically range between 75% and 125% of the three-year average of the effective duration of the core bond index. The category average represented herein consists of ETFs with a minimum five-year track record.

Tracking Error measures the degree that an investment's returns deviate from a given benchmark. Tracking error is frequently calculated as the standard deviation of the difference in the return of the security and the benchmark. Higher tracking error implies greater deviation.

Market Cap is a measurement of business value based on share price and number of shares outstanding. It generally represents the market's view of a company's stock value and can be a determining factor in stock valuation.



DEFINITIONS

P/E Ratio measures how much an investor is willing to pay for one dollar of earnings. It is calculated by dividing the share price by the annual net income earned by the firm.

EBIT/TEV is a financial ratio that compares a company's earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) to its total enterprise value. It is used to measure the operating profitability of a company relative to its total value, and can provide insight into how efficiently a company is using its assets to generate profits.

Book/price compares a company's market value (its current stock price) to its book value, which is calculated by total assets minus intangible assets and liabilities.

Earnings/Share (EPS) is a financial metric that represents the portion of a company's earnings that is allocated to each outstanding share of its common stock. EPS is calculated by dividing a company's net income (profit) by the number of outstanding shares of its common stock.

Cash flow/yield compares free cash flow and market cap. It is a representation of the income (free cash flow) created by an investment.

Dividend/price is the sum of a company's annual dividends per share, divided by the current price per share.

Shareholder yield is a financial metric that measures the return generated for shareholders through dividends and stock buybacks, indicating how much cash a company is returning to its shareholders relative to its market value.

Return on Assets (ROA) measures the rate of return (after tax) being earned on all of the firm's assets regardless of financing structure (debt vs. equity). It is a measure of how efficiently the company is using all stakeholders' assets to earn returns.

Return on Equity (ROE) measures the rate of return on the money invested by common stock owners and retained by the company thanks to previous profitable years.

Momentum Score is a system that scores companies based on their one-year total returns, excluding the last month of returns. Those that had the greatest returns will have the highest momentum scores, and those with the lowest returns will have the lowest momentum score. Momentum is a characteristic of the security's underlying holdings and should not be construed as performance.

Beta measures a given investment's sensitivity to the movement of a defined benchmark. In CAPM, it is used to represent systematic risk.

Weighted average expense ratio calculates the average cost of investing in a portfolio of securities. It accounts for the expenses associated with each individual investment within the portfolio, and the weight of each investment relative to the total portfolio.

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