

BAFE

Brown Advisory Flexible Equity ETF

Fund Description

BAFE actively selects a concentrated portfolio of US based equity securities of mid- and large-cap companies, diversified across the economy. Flexibility in the name indicates the strategy is not constrained to a specific size or style. The fund aims to beat its benchmark over the long-term.

FactSet Analyst Report

BAFE is actively managed, to invest in US equity securities across various capitalization companies with strong or improving long-term characteristics and favorable pricing. The fund targets companies with competitive advantages, capable management, and positive industry dynamics. Investments include domestic and foreign common/preferred stock, convertible debt, ADRs, REITs, other ETFs, and BDCs, with up to 15% in foreign securities including emerging markets. The adviser employs a flexible equity philosophy, balancing growth and value styles while focusing on long-term attractive businesses at bargain prices. This involves a detailed analysis of market position, financial strength, and management effectiveness. The portfolio typically consists of 30 to 50 issuers, with an average holding period of one to five years. The portfolio tends to underperform during market declines but tends to rebound more quickly when the market turns positive. The fund has been available for decades in a mutual fund or separately managed account and has experienced low turnover.