

Baron Partners Fund

Retail Shares (BPTRX) and Institutional Shares (BPTIX)



BAMCO, Inc., Registered Investment Adviser

Investment Principles

- Long-term perspective allows us to think like an owner of a business
- Independent and exhaustive research is essential to understanding the long-term fundamental growth prospects of a business
- We seek appropriately capitalized open-ended growth opportunities, exceptional leadership, and sustainable competitive advantages
- Purchase price and risk management are integral to our investment process

Investment Strategy

This is a focused Fund that invests mainly in U.S. companies of any size with significant growth potential. A substantial percentage of the Fund's assets are in its top 10 holdings. It also uses leverage. Non-diversified.

Portfolio Managers

Ron Baron is Baron Capital's founder, CEO, and CIO, and he has 49 years of research and investment experience.

Michael Baron joined Baron in 2004 as a research analyst and was named co-portfolio manager in 2018. He has 16 years of research experience. In 2017, he was named assistant portfolio manager of Baron WealthBuilder Fund.

Please visit our website for details on their experience and education.

Portfolio Facts and Characteristics

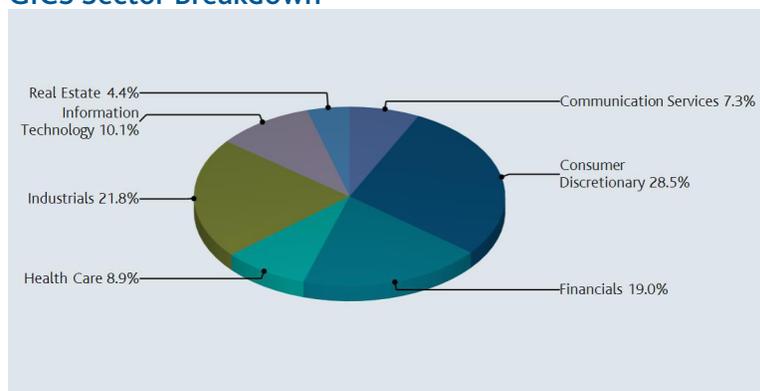
Inception Date	January 31, 1992
Net Assets	\$2.27 billion
# of Equity Securities / % of Net Assets	29 / 128.4%
Turnover (3 Year Average)	15.85%
Active Share	95.3%
Median Market Cap†	\$11.75 billion
Weighted Average Market Cap†	\$18.62 billion
Retail Shares	
CUSIP	06828M108
Expense Ratio (As of FYE 12/31/2018)*	2.03%
Institutional Shares	
CUSIP	06828M405
Expense Ratio (As of FYE 12/31/2018)*	1.77%

*The Expense Ratio includes 0.71% of interest expense.

†Source: FactSet PA and BAMCO.

R6 Shares are also available for this Fund.

GICS Sector Breakdown^{1,2}



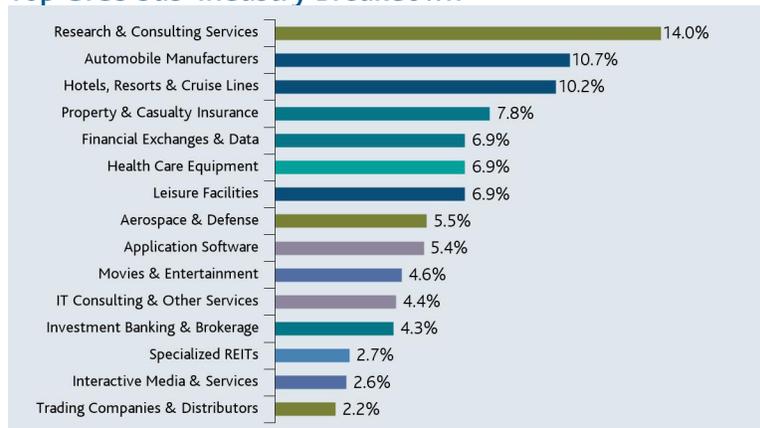
Performance Based Characteristics - Retail Shares³

	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Std. Dev. (%) - Annualized	16.25	17.16	18.39	24.01
Sharpe Ratio	0.99	0.53	0.95	0.43
Alpha (%) - Annualized	1.33	-1.97	-1.23	3.37
Beta	1.06	1.14	1.11	1.04
R-Squared (%)	75.79	77.60	84.52	69.99
Tracking Error (%)	8.04	8.33	7.44	13.17
Information Ratio	0.26	-0.13	0.03	0.22
Upside Capture (%)	119.68	114.73	111.01	116.01
Downside Capture (%)	127.89	134.36	122.20	109.72

Top 10 Holdings²

Company	% of Total Investments
CoStar Group, Inc.	14.0
Tesla, Inc.	10.7
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	7.8
IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	6.9
Vail Resorts, Inc.	6.9
FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	6.6
Hyatt Hotels Corp.	6.5
Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	4.8
Gartner, Inc.	4.4
The Charles Schwab Corp.	4.3
Total	72.9
Long Equity Exposure (% of Net Assets)	128.4
Cash & Equivalents (% of Net Assets)	-28.4

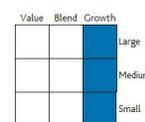
Top GICS Sub-Industry Breakdown^{1,2}



Colors of Sub-Industry bars correspond to sector chart above.

Risks

Specific risks associated with non-diversification and leverage include increased volatility of the Fund's returns and exposure of the Fund to greater risk of loss in any given period. The Fund invests in companies of all sizes, including small and medium sized companies whose securities may be thinly traded and more difficult to sell during market downturns.



1 - Industry sector or sub-industry group levels are provided from the Global Industry Classification Standard ("GICS"), developed and exclusively owned by MSCI, Inc. ("MSCI") and Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC ("S&P"). All GICS data is provided "as is" with no warranties. The Adviser may have reclassified/classified certain securities in or out of a sub-industry. Such reclassifications are not supported by S&P or MSCI.

2 - The Fund's top 10 holdings and the sector and sub-industry breakdowns are expressed as a percentage of the Fund's long positions. These percentages may change over time.

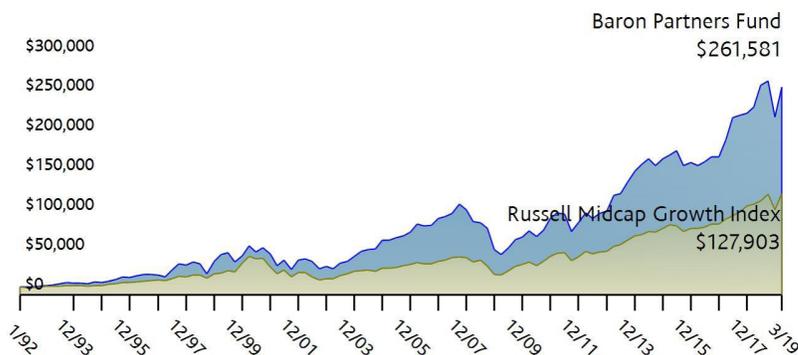
3 - Source: FactSet SPAR. Except for Standard Deviation and Sharpe Ratio, the performance based characteristics above were calculated relative to the Fund's benchmark.

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Comparison of Change in Value of \$10,000 Investment in Baron Partners Fund - Retail Shares vs. the Russell Midcap Growth Index as of March 31, 2019



Historical Performance (Calendar Year %)

Year	BPTRX	Russell Midcap Growth Index	S&P 500 Index
2005	14.37	12.10	4.91
2006	21.55	10.66	15.79
2007	11.34	11.43	5.49
2008	-46.67	-44.32	-37.00
2009	28.20	46.29	26.46
2010	31.52	26.38	15.06
2011	-5.74	-1.65	2.11
2012	16.40	15.81	16.00
2013	47.63	35.74	32.39
2014	10.26	11.90	13.69
2015	-2.71	-0.20	1.38
2016	4.04	7.33	11.96
2017	31.54	25.27	21.83
2018	-2.01	-4.75	-4.38

Performance as of March 31, 2019

	Total Return (%)				Annualized Returns (%)					Cumulative Returns (%)
	1st Q 2019	4th Q 2018	3rd Q 2018	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	Since Inception 1/31/1992	Since Inception 1/31/1992
BPTRX-Retail Shares	16.73	-16.76	2.06	16.73	10.59	17.19	9.77	17.85	12.77	2515.81
BPTIX-Institutional Shares	16.80	-16.72	2.14	16.80	10.88	17.49	10.06	18.15	12.87	2584.44
Russell Midcap Growth Index	19.62	-15.99	7.57	19.62	11.51	15.06	10.89	17.60	9.84	1179.03
S&P 500 Index	13.65	-13.52	7.71	13.65	9.50	13.51	10.91	15.92	9.59	1103.42
Morningstar Mid-Cap Growth Category Average	18.19	-17.57	6.48	18.19	8.04	14.18	8.99	15.70	N/A	N/A

Top Contributors/Detractors to Performance for the Quarter Ended March 31 2019⁵

BY SUB-INDUSTRIES¹

Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Research & Consulting Services	16.68	5.53
Hotels, Resorts & Cruise Lines	13.27	2.04
Property & Casualty Insurance	9.95	1.97
Financial Exchanges & Data	8.41	1.97
Health Care Equipment	8.62	1.71

Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Automobile Manufacturers	15.61	-2.82

BY HOLDINGS

Top Contributors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
CoStar Group, Inc.	16.68	5.53
Arch Capital Group Ltd.	9.95	1.97
FactSet Research Systems, Inc.	7.97	1.83
IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	8.62	1.71
Marriott Vacations Worldwide Corp.	3.52	1.08

Top Detractors	Average Weight(%)	Contribution(%)
Tesla, Inc.	15.61	-2.82
Interactive Brokers Group, Inc.	0.02	-0.01

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Footnotes continued from prior page.

5 - Source: FactSet PA.

Performance reflects the actual fees and expenses that were charged when the Fund was a partnership. The predecessor partnership charged a 20% performance fee after reaching a certain performance benchmark. If the annual returns for the Fund did not reflect the performance fees for the years the predecessor partnership charged a performance fee, the returns would be higher. The Fund's shareholders will not be charged a performance fee. The predecessor partnership's performance is only for periods before the Fund's registration statement was effective, which was April 30, 2003. During those periods, the predecessor partnership was not registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and was not subject to its requirements or the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code relating to registered investment companies, which, if it were, might have adversely affected its performance.

Performance for the Institutional Shares prior to 5/29/2009 is based on the performance of the Retail Shares, which have a distribution fee. The Institutional Shares do not have a distribution fee. If the annual returns for the Institutional Shares prior to 5/29/2009 did not reflect this fee, the returns would be higher.

The Fund may not achieve its objectives. Portfolio holdings may change over time.

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