

# **Hextone Total Return Fund**



### ANNUAL SHAREHOLDER REPORT

Class C – HTRFX

September 30, 2022

This annual shareholder report contains important information about the Hextone Total Return Fund for the period of October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2022. You can find additional information about the Fund at www.hextone.com/fund/total-return. You can also request this information by contacting us at 1-800-353-0103. *This report describes changes to the Fund that occurred during the reporting period.* 

# What were the Fund costs for the past year?

(based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

Class Name	Costs of a \$10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment*
Class C	\$51.39	0.50%

\* [A footnote in this section is only allowed under certain circumstances.]

# How did the Fund perform last year and what affected its performance?

For the 12-month period ended September 30, 2022, the Fund underperformed its benchmark, the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. The Fund invests all of its assets in Master Total Return Portfolio (the "Master Portfolio").

## WHAT FACTORS INFLUENCED PERFORMANCE

Exposure to credit-sensitive sectors weighed on the Master Portfolio's performance relative to the benchmark over the period, most notably U.S. high yield corporate bonds and Asian corporate bonds. Exposure to securitized assets also detracted from performance.

Positive contributions to relative performance were led by active positioning with respect to duration and corresponding interest rate sensitivity as Treasury yields moved higher over the 2nd and 3rd quarter of 2022. Absolute return and macro strategies also contributed to performance over the period.

# **POSITIONING**

We tactically added duration on the front-end of the yield curve given more attractive yield levels. We increased our allocation to US IG Credit, while trimming our positions in Non-US Sovereign Debt, Agency Mortgages, and Structured Products.

# **PERFORMANCE**

The Fund posted positive returns for the reported period as rate volatility begins to moderate, markets decipher a softer CPI report, and central banks eased their hawkish rhetoric.

# **Top Contributors**

- ↑ US IG Credit
- Duration Positioning (Sensitivity to interest rates)
- ↑ Structured Products

## **Top Detractors**

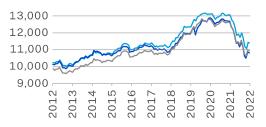
- ↓ High Yield Credit
- ↓ Macro Strategies

# How did the Fund perform over the past 10 years?\*

The \$10,000 chart reflects a hypothetical \$10,000 investment in the class of shares noted and assumes the maximum sales charge, reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Fund expenses, including 12b-1 fees, management fees and other expenses were deducted. Performance for other share classes will vary.

#### **CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE**

September 30, 2012, through September 30, 2022. Initial Investment of \$10,000



- Total Return Fund (\$) BBG U.S. Aggregate Index (\$)\*
- Secondary Benchmark (\$)†
- \* Bloomberg Index Services Ltd. The market index is unmanaged and, therefore, has no expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in an index.
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# ANNUAL AVERAGE TOTAL RETURN

	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year
With sales charge	-17.49	-1.12	0.79
Without sales charge	-16.67	-1.12	0.79
BBG U.S. Aggregate Index	-14.60	-0.27	0.89
Secondary Benchmark	-13.12	-0.21	0.87

Visit www.hextone.com or the Hextone app for more recent performance information

\* The Fund's past performance is not a good predictor of the Fund's future performance. The returns do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or redemption of Fund shares.



### Key Fund Statistics (as of September 30, 2022)

Fund Size (Millions)	\$16,674.6M	Total Advisory Fee	\$18,169M
Number of Holdings	4,682	<b>Annual Portfolio Turnover</b>	289%

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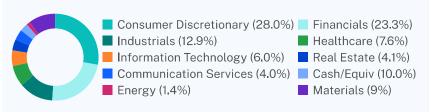
# What did the Fund invest in?

(as of September 30, 2022)

Top Sectors	(%)†	Credit Ratings Breakdown*	(%)†
Agency Residential Mtgs.	30.2	Cash	1.5
US Investment Grade Credit	22.1	Derivatives	-0.7
Non-US Sovereign	8.5	AAA Rated	47.9
US Treasuries	7.8	AA Rated	3.0
CLO Securities	7.6	A Rated	11.2
Non-Agency Mtgs.	6.9	BBB Rated	18.6
Commercial Mtgs.	5.7	BB Rated	2.8
Bank Loans	3.5	B Rated	3.2
US High Yield Credit	3.3	CCC Rated	0.6
Non-US Credit	3.0	CC Rated	0.5

<sup>†</sup> Expressed as a percentage of net asset.

## Sector Breakdown (% of net assets)



\* Credit quality ratings shown above reflect the highest rating assigned by either S&P Global Ratings or Moody's if ratings differ. These rating agencies are independent, nationally recognized statistical rating organizations and are widely used. Investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BBB/Baa or higher. Below investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BB/Ba or lower.

# How has the Fund changed?

This is a summary of certain changes [and planned changes] to the Fund since October 1, 2021. For more complete information, you may review the Fund's next prospectus, which we expect to be available by Janaury 31, 2023 at www.hextone.com/fund/total-return or upon request at 1-800-353-0103 or prospectus@hextone.com.

# Changes to the Fund's Principal Investment Strategy.

Effective April 30, 2022, the fund changed it's Principal Investment Strategy. Going forward, the Fund will track a new bond fund index and seek to realize total return that exceeds the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggressive Bond Index.

## Change to the Fund's Expense Cap.

Effective January 1, 2023, Hextone, LLC (the "Adviser"), the investment adviser to the Hextone Small Cap Value Fund (the "Fund") agreed to modify the Fund's expense limitation arrangement. The Board of Trustees of the Trust (the "Board") approved a revised Expense Limitation Agreement between the Adviser and the Trust, which lowers the Fund's expense cap from 0.50% to 0.35%.

## **Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants**

This is to inform you that the former accountant was dismissed as of June 30, 2022, due to [lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua].

### Householding

To reduce Fund expenses, only one copy of most shareholder documents may be mailed to shareholders with multiple accounts at the same address (Householding). If you would prefer that your Hextone Fund documents not be householded, please contact Hextone Fund at 1-800-353-0103, or contact your financial intermediary. Your instructions will typically be effective within 30 days of receipt by Hextone Fund or your financial intermediary.

For additional information about the Fund; including its prospectus, financial information, holdings and proxy information, scan the OR code or visit www.hextone.com/fund/total-return

