# INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

**AS OF 3Q24** 

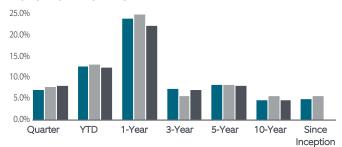
#### **Investment Objective**

The Fund seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation. Any income received is incidental to this objective. **Investment Approach** 

The Fund seeks to efficiently deliver excess returns by investing in a diverse portfolio of non-U.S. companies. The Fund employs a multi-factor investment process using value, quality and momentum to select securities and construct a portfolio with the potential to provide excess return to

#### **INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE** % — AS OF 9/30/24

- Northern Funds International Equity Fund
- MSCI World ex USA Index<sup>1</sup>
- Morningstar Category Avg Foreign Large Value



				Average Annual Returns			
■ Fund	7.18	12.54	23.93	7.36	8.20	4.62	4.93
■ Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	7.76	13.10	24.98	5.65	8.36	5.68	5.59
■ Morningstar	8.17	12.49	22.23	7.12	8.05	4.69	_

Performance quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than that shown here. Performance data current to the most recent month end is available by calling 800-595-9111.

In the absence of applicable expense reimbursements and fee waivers, fund performance and returns since inception and dividends would have been reduced. Total return is based on net change in NAV assuming reinvestment of distributions.

Please see following pages for calendar year returns, index definitions and investment terms.

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The Gross and Net Expense Ratios are as of the most recent prospectus. The Net Expense Ratio includes contractual expense reimbursements by the advisor through at least July 31, 2025. Please read the current prospectus for more complete information on fees and expenses.

FUND		
CHARACTERISTICS	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Number of Holdings	214	817
Weighted Average Market Cap (\$M)	65,521.0	93,258.4
Return on Equity (%)	17.2	15.0
Trailing 12-month Price-to-Earnings Ratio	13.7	17.2
Price-to-Book Ratio	1.7	1.9
Annual Portfolio Turnover as of 3/31/24 (%)	47.2	

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RISK CHARACTERISTICS (3 YR)	Fund
Beta	1.01
Information Ratio	0.55
Upside Capture Ratio	104.44
Downside Capture Ratio	97.39

Above risk characteristics are based on 3-year time period.

NOT FDIC INSURED	MAY LOSE VALUE	NO BANK GUARANTEE	

## INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS %
International Equity Fund
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Morningstar Foreign Large Value

2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
18.95	-11.80	15.13	1.64	16.59	-15.10	22.90	3.90	-5.96	-7.08
17.94	-14.29	12.62	7.59	22.49	-14.09	24.21	2.75	-3.04	-4.32
17.51	-9.09	11.83	0.88	17.80	-15.44	22.08	3.34	-3.10	-6.32

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TOP HOLDINGS %	Fund
Novartis AG	2.2
Shell Plc	1.7
Roche Holding Ltd Dividend Right Cert.	1.6
ABB Ltd.	1.4
Itochu Corporation	1.4
GSK plc	1.4
Manulife Financial Corporation	1.4
ANZ Group Holdings Ltd.	1.3
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria, S.A.	1.3
KDDI Corporation	1.2

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Refer to Northern Trust's website for more information on the Portfolio Management Team managing this fund.

#### **DISCLOSURE**

All data is as of date indicated and subject to change.

<sup>1</sup> MSCI World ex US Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets, excluding the United States. The index is calculated net of foreign tax withholdings. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

#### SECTOR

ALLOCATION %	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Financials	22.8	22.4
Industrials	16.7	16.8
Health Care	11.8	11.8
Consumer Discretionary	10.5	10.2
Information Technology	9.2	8.8
Consumer Staples	8.0	8.3
Materials	6.9	7.3
Energy	4.7	5.1
Communication Services	3.7	4.0
Utilities	3.2	3.3
Real Estate	2.4	2.0

#### TOP REGIONS/

COUNTRIES %	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>
Japan	19.9	19.9
United Kingdom	13.4	13.2
Canada	10.4	10.9
France	9.2	10.1
Switzerland	8.2	8.8
Germany	6.7	8.0
Australia	5.7	6.9
Spain	3.5	2.5
Netherlands	3.4	4.3
Denmark	3.0	3.0

ASSET	ALLO	CATION %	
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	- Tulia
Stocks	98.5
Cash	1.5





### INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

#### **DEFINITIONS AND RISKS**

Beta: Beta represents the systematic risk of a portfolio and measures its sensitivity to a benchmark.

Characteristics: Benchmark and Fund analytics have been calculated using a third party vended model. All material has been obtained from sources believed to be reliable, but the accuracy, completeness and interpretation cannot be guaranteed. Information contained herein is current as of the date appearing in this material only and is subject to change without notice. Certain benchmark calculations may not match the published benchmark characteristics.

Down Market Capture: A measure of a manager's performance in down markets relative to the market.

**Information Ratio:** A measure of risk-adjusted relative return.

**Price-to-Book Ratio:** A ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. It is calculated by dividing the current price of the stock by the latest quarter's book value per share.

**Return on Equity:** Amount of net income returned as a percentage of shareholders equity.

**Trailing 12-month Price-to-Earnings Ratio:** The sum of a company's price-to-earnings. Calculated by taking the current stock price and dividing it by the current earnings per share for the past 12 months.

Up Market Capture: A measure of a manager's performance in up markets relative to the market.

**Derivatives Risk:** The risk that derivatives may pose risks in addition to and greater than those associated with investing directly in securities, currencies and other instruments, may be illiquid or less liquid, more volatile, more difficult to value and leveraged so that small changes in the value of the underlying instrument may produce disproportionate losses to the Fund. Derivatives are also subject to counterparty risk, which is the risk that the other party to the transaction will not perform its contractual obligations. The use of derivatives is a highly specialized activity that involves investment techniques and risks different from those associated with investments in more traditional securities and instruments.

**Equity Risk:** Equity securities (stocks) are more volatile and carry more risk than other forms of investments, including investments in high-grade fixed-income securities. The net asset value per share of this Fund will fluctuate as the value of the securities in the portfolio changes.

Foreign Securities Risk: The risk that investing in foreign (non-U.S.) securities may result in the Fund experiencing more rapid and extreme changes in value than a fund that invests exclusively in securities of U.S. companies, due to less liquid markets, and adverse economic, political, diplomatic, financial, and regulatory factors. Foreign governments may impose limitations on foreigners' ownership of interests in local issuers, restrictions on the ability to repatriate assets, and may also impose taxes. Any of these events could cause the value of the Fund's investments to decline.

**Geographic Risk:** The risk that if the Fund invests a significant portion of its total assets in certain issuers within the same country or geographic region, an adverse economic, business or political development affecting that country or region may affect the value of the Fund's investments more, and the Fund's investments may be more volatile, than if its investments were not so concentrated in such country or region.

**Investment Style Risk:** Value stocks are those that are undervalued in comparison to their peers due to adverse business developments or other factors. Value investing carries the risk that the market will not recognize a security's inherent value for a long time, or that a stock judged to be undervalued by a fund's adviser may actually be appropriately priced or overvalued. Value oriented funds will typically underperform when growth investing is in favor.

**Sector Risk:** The risk that companies in similar businesses may be similarly affected by particular economic or market events, which may, in certain circumstances, cause the value of securities of all companies in a particular sector of the market to decrease.





Please carefully read the prospectus and summary prospectus and consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of Northern Funds carefully before investing. Call 800-595-9111 to obtain a prospectus and summary prospectus, which contain this and other information about the funds.

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