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**PenderFund Capital Management Ltd.**

**SIMPLIFIED PROSPECTUS**

for

**Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund**

**Offering Class A, Class B, Class F, Class G, Class I, Class N and Class O Units**

and

**Pender Canadian Opportunities Fund**

**Pender North American Small Cap Fund**

**Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund**

**Pender Value Fund**

**Offering Class A, Class D, Class F, Class H, Class I and Class O Units**

and

**Pender Corporate Bond Fund**

**Pender US All Cap Equity Fund**

**Offering Class A, Class A (US\$), Class D, Class F, Class F (US\$),  
Class H, Class I and Class O Units**

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# PART A – GENERAL DISCLOSURE

## Introduction

This simplified prospectus contains selected important information to help you make an informed investment decision and to help you understand your rights as an investor in the Funds. Throughout this document:

- *We, us, the Manager or Pender* refers to PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., the Manager of the Funds.
- *You* refers to you, as an investor in one or more of the Funds.
- *Dealer* refers to both the dealer and the representative registered in your jurisdiction who advises you on your investment.
- *Funds or Pender Funds* refers to all of Pender Canadian Opportunities Fund, Pender Corporate Bond Fund, Pender North American Small Cap Fund, Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund, Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund, Pender US All Cap Equity Fund and Pender Value Fund and *Fund* refers to any one of the Funds or a specific Fund, as the context requires.
- *Unitholders* means the holders of a class of units of a Fund.

Unless otherwise noted, all currency amounts in this simplified prospectus are stated in Canadian dollars.

This simplified prospectus contains information about the Funds and the risks of investing in mutual funds generally, as well as the name of the firm responsible for management of the Funds.

This simplified prospectus is divided into two parts. *Part A – General Disclosure* from pages 1 to 22, contains general information applicable to the Funds. *Part B – Specific Information about the Mutual Funds Described in this Document* from pages 23 to 54, contains specific information about each of the Funds described in this simplified prospectus.

Additional information about the Funds is available in the following documents:

- the most recently filed Annual Information Form (AIF) of the Funds;
- the most recently filed Fund Facts for each class of the Funds;
- the most recently filed annual financial statements of the Funds;
- any interim financial statements filed after the annual financial statements of the Funds referred to above;
- the most recently filed annual management report of fund performance of the Funds; and
- any interim management report of fund performance of the Funds filed after the annual management report of fund performance.

These documents are incorporated by reference into this simplified prospectus, which means that legally they form part of this document just as if printed as part of this document.

You may obtain a free copy of these documents, at your request, and at no cost, by calling toll-free **1-866-377-4743** or by sending us an e-mail at **info@penderfund.com** or from your Dealer. These documents and other information about the Funds are available on our website at **www.penderfund.com** or on the SEDAR website at **www.sedar.com**.

# What is a Mutual Fund and What are the Risks of Investing in a Mutual Fund?

## What is a mutual fund?

A mutual fund is a pool of money contributed by people with similar investment objectives. People who contribute money become unitholders of the mutual fund. Unitholders share the mutual fund's income, expenses, and any gains and losses the mutual fund makes on its investment portfolio, generally in proportion to the number of units they own. The value of an investment in a mutual fund is realized by redeeming the units held. Where a mutual fund issues more than one class of units, the unitholders share in the mutual fund's income, expenses and any gains and losses allocated to the particular class of units held by the unitholder in proportion to the units they own as of that date.

In Canada, a mutual fund can be established either as a mutual fund trust or as a mutual fund corporation. Each Fund described in this simplified prospectus is established as a mutual fund trust.

## What are the general risks of investing in a mutual fund?

Mutual funds may own different types of investments depending on their investment objectives. The value of these investments will change from day to day, reflecting changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, economic conditions, and market and corporate news. As a result, the value of a mutual fund's units may go up or down, and the value of your investment in a mutual fund may be more or less when you redeem it than when you originally purchased it.

The full amount of your investment in the Funds is not guaranteed. Unlike bank accounts or GICs, mutual fund units are not covered by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government deposit insurer.

Under exceptional circumstances, a mutual fund may suspend redemptions. See "*Redemptions*".

## Different kinds of mutual funds have different kinds of risks

A mutual fund may own securities of different types, depending on the mutual fund's investment objectives.

Different investments have different types of investment risks. Mutual funds also have different kinds of risks, depending on the investments they make. Below is a summary of the various types of investment risks that may be applicable to mutual funds generally, including the Funds. Part B of this document will describe the specific and most relevant risks that apply to each of the Funds.

Individuals have different risk tolerances. You need to take into account your own risk tolerance as well as the amount of risk suitable for your investment goals.

### ***Asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities risk***

Asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities are typically securities which give the holder an interest in a group of secured corporate loans or real estate mortgages. The value of these securities is sensitive to the value of the underlying group of loans or mortgages, which value changes with the market's perception of the creditworthiness of underlying borrowers, either generally across the entire economy or specifically in respect of the particular group of borrowers involved, in the value of the underlying assets or property, or in interest rate applicable to the loans or mortgages. As these factors change the value of such securities (and the net asset value of a mutual fund if it is invested in such securities) may be affected. With respect to creditworthiness and changes in interest rates see "*Credit risk*" and "*Interest rate risk*".

## ***Business risk***

There can be no guarantee against losses resulting from an investment in units of a mutual fund and there can be no assurance that a mutual fund's investment approach will be successful or that its investment objectives will be attained. A mutual fund can realize substantial losses rather than gains, from some or all of its investments within its investment portfolio. Income trusts or companies that pay a significant amount of their income as dividends may have difficulty in maintaining their distribution of income or dividends and consequently the income to the mutual fund and the price of their securities may decline.

## ***Class risk***

A mutual fund may offer more than one class of units. Each class typically has its own fees and expenses, which an investment fund manager tracks separately. If the expenses of one class cannot be paid using that class' proportionate share of the mutual fund's assets, the mutual fund will be required to pay these expenses out of the other classes' proportionate share of the mutual fund's assets. This could lower the investment return of the other classes.

## ***Concentration risk***

There are risks associated with any mutual fund that concentrates its investments in a particular company or a few companies. Concentrating investments allows the fund to focus on a particular company's potential, but it also means that the value of the fund tends to be more volatile than the value of a more diversified fund because a concentrated fund's value is affected more by the performance of the companies in which it has concentrated its investments.

## ***Credit risk***

Credit risk is the possibility that an issuer of a bond or other fixed income investment may not be able to pay interest or to repay the principal at maturity. The risk of this occurring is greater with some companies than with others. For example, the risk of default is generally low for government and high quality corporate securities. Where the risk is considered greater, the interest rate that must be paid by the company on its fixed income securities is generally higher than for a company where the risk is considered to be lower.

The value of fixed income and debt securities depends, in part, on the perceived ability of the government or company that issued the securities to pay the interest and to repay the original investments. Securities issued by those governments or companies that have low credit ratings are considered to have a higher credit risk than securities issued by those that have high credit ratings. Over time, the credit ratings of governments and companies can also change and a downgrading of an issuer's credit rating typically results in a decrease of the value of the issuer's fixed income securities.

## ***Currency risk***

The value of investments denominated in a currency other than Canadian dollars is affected by changes in the value of the Canadian dollar in relation to the value of the currency in which the investment is denominated. When the value of the Canadian dollar falls in relation to foreign currencies, then the value of foreign investments rises. When the value of the Canadian dollar rises, the value of foreign investments falls. A mutual fund may convert its Canadian dollars to foreign currency to buy a foreign security and when it sells the foreign security, may convert the foreign currency to Canadian dollars. As a result, if the value of the Canadian dollar has risen and the market value of the security stayed the same, the fund will lose money on that investment.

## ***Cyber security risk***

The information and technology systems of the Manager and the fund administrator may be vulnerable to damage or interruption from computer viruses, network failures, computer and telecommunication failures, infiltration by unauthorized persons and security breaches, usage errors by their respective professionals, power outages and catastrophic events such as fires, tornadoes, floods, hurricanes and earthquakes. Although the Manager has

implemented, and the fund administrator may maintain, various measures to manage risks relating to these types of events, if these systems are compromised, become inoperable for extended periods of time or cease to function properly, the Manager and/or the fund administrator may have to make a significant investment to fix or replace them. The failure of these systems and/or of disaster recovery plans for any reason could cause significant interruptions in the Manager's, the Funds' and the fund administrator's operations and result in a failure to maintain the security, confidentiality or privacy of sensitive data, including personal information relating to investors (and the beneficial owners of investors). Such a failure could harm the Manager's and/or the fund administrator's reputation, subject any such entity and their respective affiliates to legal claims and otherwise affect their business and financial performance.

### ***Derivative risk***

A derivative is a contract or security whose value and cash flow pattern is derived from another underlying security, such as a stock or bond, or from an economic indicator such as an interest rate or stock market index. For example, two of the most common derivatives are forward contracts and options, which are described below.

A forward contract is an agreement to buy and sell currency, commodities or securities at an agreed price for future delivery.

An option gives the buyer the right, but not the obligation, to buy or sell the currency, commodities or securities at an agreed price within a certain period of time.

Mutual funds may use derivatives to limit potential losses associated with currencies, stock markets and interest rates. This process is called hedging. Mutual funds may also use derivatives for non-hedging purposes – to reduce transaction costs, achieve greater liquidity, create effective exposure to international financial markets or increase speed and flexibility in making portfolio changes. Although derivatives are often used by mutual funds to reduce risk, they have their own kinds of risk including the following:

- The use of derivatives for hedging may not be effective;
- Some derivatives, such as call options, may limit a mutual fund's potential for gain;
- The cost of entering into and maintaining derivative contracts may reduce a mutual fund's total return to investors;
- The price of a derivative may not accurately reflect the value of the underlying currency or security;
- There is no guarantee that a market will exist when a mutual fund wants to buy or sell the derivative contract. This could prevent the mutual fund from realizing a profit or limiting its losses;
- If the other party (the counterparty) to a derivative contract is unable to meet its obligations, a mutual fund may not realize the benefit intended to be secured by the investment and the mutual fund may experience a loss; and
- Stock exchanges may set daily trading limits on derivatives. This could prevent a mutual fund from closing a contract.

### ***Equity risk***

Companies issue equities, or stocks, to help finance their operations and future growth. Mutual funds that purchase equities become part owners in these companies. The price of a stock is influenced by the company's performance outlook, market activity and the larger economic picture. When the economy is expanding, the outlook for many companies will generally be good and the value of their stocks should rise. The opposite may also be true. Usually, the greater the potential reward, the greater the risk.

For small companies, start-ups, resource companies and companies in emerging sectors, the risks and potential rewards are usually greater. The share price of such companies is often more volatile than the share price of larger, more established companies. Some of the products and services offered by technology companies, for example, can become obsolete as science and technology advance. Certain convertible securities may also be subject to interest rate risk.

### ***Fixed income risk***

Fixed income securities are subject to risks resulting from changes in interest rates and from credit risk. See "*Interest rate risk*" and "*Credit risk*".

### ***Foreign market risk***

The value of foreign investments may be affected by factors not typically associated with investments in Canada. For example, there may be less information about foreign companies, lower standards of government supervision and regulation, and different accounting and financial reporting standards in foreign financial markets. In addition, foreign investments sometimes cannot be sold as quickly or as easily as similar investments in Canada. Political, social and economic developments can also negatively affect the value of foreign investments. Investments in foreign markets may be subject to changes in currency exchange rates or exchange restrictions, the imposition of taxes or the expropriation of assets, all of which can affect the value of these investments.

### ***Fund-on-Fund risk***

Some funds invest in other mutual funds (called "Underlying Funds"). A change in the investment objective strategy or holdings in one mutual fund may have an impact on the performance or management of the other fund. For example, if the top fund makes a significant investment or divestment in an Underlying Fund, the underlying fund may have to alter its portfolio significantly which may affect the net asset value, performance or diversification of the Underlying Fund. Although a fund-on-fund strategy may appear as a more passive investment strategy for a top fund, a change in the investment objective, strategy or holdings in an underlying fund may necessitate that an investment fund manager of the top fund to engage in a rebalancing or reallocation of that fund, which could have an effect on its performance, diversification or give rise to a taxable gain or loss. If the Underlying Funds do not perform as expected, a loss may be incurred by the top fund.

### ***Income trust risk***

Income trusts have risks that are similar to equity risk described above. In addition, where a claim is made against certain income trusts that cannot be paid using the trust's assets, trust investors, including a mutual fund, may potentially be held liable for any outstanding obligations.

### ***Interest rate risk***

The values of fixed income securities, such as bonds, debentures or mortgages, are affected by interest rates. When interest rates fall, bond prices rise. That is because existing bonds pay higher rates than newly issued ones, and so are worth more. When interest rates rise, bond prices fall, and so will the unit value of mutual funds that hold them. In addition, if interest rates are low, an issuer of a fixed income security may decide to prepay principal and the funds may have to reinvest this money in securities that have lower interest rates. The income earned by a mutual fund and the income paid by mutual funds to unitholders may also be affected by changes in interest rates. The value of equities is also influenced by interest rates in a similar manner as fixed income securities, but for different reasons. As interest rates fall the lower available return on fixed income securities tends to cause investors to migrate to equity securities. Reduced interest rates also allow companies to obtain financing at a lower cost, which can positively impact earnings. The opposite consequences tend to occur as interest rates rise.



### ***Lack of separate counsel risk***

Counsel for the Funds in connection with this offering is also counsel to Pender. The Unitholders, as a group, have not been represented by separate counsel and counsel for the Funds and Pender does not purport to have acted for the Unitholders or to have conducted any investigation or review on their behalf.

### ***Liquidity risk***

Liquidity risk is the possibility that investments in a fund cannot be readily converted into cash when required. An investment fund manager may invest in small and medium-sized companies whose securities typically trade in much lower volumes than larger companies. In such cases, if an investment fund manager needs or wants to sell such securities promptly, the manager may not be able to on a timely basis. As a result, in order to sell this type of holding, a fund may need to discount the securities from recent prices or dispose of the securities over a long period of time. Accordingly, the value of such securities is subject to greater fluctuation since they may not trade on a regular basis.

### ***Market risk***

The value of most investments, in particular equity securities, is affected by changes in general market conditions. These changes may be caused by corporate developments, general market sentiment, changes in interest rates, changes in the level of inflation, and other political and economic developments.

### ***No assurance of return risk***

Although Pender will use its best efforts to achieve superior rates of return for each Fund, no assurance can be given in this regard. An investment in units should be considered as speculative and investors must be able to bear the risk of a complete loss of their investment.

### ***Portfolio manager risk***

All mutual funds are dependent on their portfolio management team to select individual securities and are therefore subject to the risk that poor security selection will cause a fund to underperform relative to other funds with similar investment objectives.

### ***Portfolio turnover risk***

The operation of the Funds may result in a high annual portfolio turnover rate. The Funds have not placed any limit on the rate of portfolio turnover and portfolio securities may be sold without regard to the time they have been held when, in the opinion of the Manager, investment considerations warrant such action. A high rate of portfolio turnover involves correspondingly greater expenses than a lower rate (e.g., greater transaction costs such as brokerage fees). The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate in a year, the greater the chance that a distribution from the Funds must be included in computing your income tax for tax purposes for that year.

### ***Potential conflicts of interest risk***

Each Fund may be subject to various conflicts of interest due to the fact that Pender is engaged in a wide variety of management, advisory and other business activities. Pender's investment decisions for each Fund will be made independently of those made for the other Funds and other clients of Pender and independently of its own investments. However, on occasion, Pender may make the same investment for a Fund and one or more of the other Funds or its other clients. Where the particular Fund and one or more of the other Funds or clients of Pender are engaged in the purchase or sale of the same security, the transaction will be effected on an equitable basis. Pender will allocate opportunities to make and dispose of investments equitably among clients with similar investment objectives having regard to whether the security is currently held in any of the relevant investment portfolios, the relative size and rate of growth of the particular Fund and the other Funds or clients under common management and such other factors as Pender considers relevant in the circumstances.

### ***Private company risk***

There are risks associated with investing in private company securities. There is typically much less available information concerning private companies than for public companies. The valuation of private company securities is also more subjective and very illiquid as there are no established markets for the securities of these companies. As a result, in order to sell this type of holding, a fund may need to discount the securities from recent prices or dispose of the securities over a long period of time.

### ***Redemption risk***

If unitholders of a mutual fund redeem units representing a large portion of the outstanding units of the fund, the fund may be required to sell significant investments from the fund's investment portfolio earlier than it might otherwise choose. These liquidations may cause the mutual fund to incur losses if the fund is required to sell investments at unfavourable prices and could substantially reduce the value of the fund if numerous redemptions are made at the same time. Such asset liquidation may also trigger tax consequences, such as the characterization of certain profits as ordinary income or losses rather than as capital gains or capital losses.

### ***Regulatory risk***

Some industries, such as financial services, health care, telecommunications and resources, are heavily regulated and may receive government funding. Investments in these sectors may be substantially affected by changes in government policy, such as increased regulation, ownership restrictions, deregulation or reduced government funding. The value of a mutual fund that buys these investments may rise and fall substantially due to changes in these factors.

### ***Securities lending risk***

Mutual funds may engage in securities lending transactions in order to earn additional income. Securities lending involves lending securities held by a mutual fund to qualified borrowers who have posted collateral. In lending its securities, a mutual fund is subject to the risk that the borrower may not fulfill its obligations, leaving the mutual fund holding collateral worth less than the securities it has lent, resulting in a loss to the mutual fund.

For any mutual fund that engages in securities lending transactions, the investment manager of the fund reduces the risk to the funds by requiring the other party to put up collateral with a value of which must be at least 102% of the market value of the security loaned. The value of the collateral is checked and reset daily. A mutual fund cannot lend more than 50% of the total value of its assets through securities lending or repurchase transactions.

### ***Short selling risk***

A short sale by a mutual fund involves borrowing securities from a lender which are then sold in the open market. At a future date, the securities are repurchased by the mutual fund and returned to the lender. While the securities are borrowed, the proceeds from the sale are deposited with the lender and the mutual fund pays interest to the lender. If the value of the securities declines between the time that the mutual fund borrows the securities and the time it repurchases and returns the securities to the lender, the mutual fund realizes a profit on the difference (less any interest the mutual fund is required to pay the lender). Short selling involves risk. There is no assurance that securities will decline in value during the period of the short sale and resulting in a profit for a mutual fund. Securities sold short may instead appreciate in value resulting in a loss for a mutual fund. Unlike a purchase of a share where the maximum amount of the loss is the amount invested, the size of the loss in respect of a short sale is not limited as there is no limit on the amount a security sold short may increase in value. A mutual fund may experience difficulties repurchasing and returning the borrowed securities if a liquid market for the securities does not exist. The lender may also recall borrowed securities at any time. The lender from whom a mutual fund has borrowed securities may go bankrupt and a mutual fund may lose the collateral it has deposited with the lender.

### ***Small company risk***

The investment risk associated with small companies may be higher than that associated with larger, more established companies due to various factors, which may include the greater business risks associated with the small size, relative inexperience of the company, limited product lines, distribution channels, financial and managerial resources. Further, there is typically less publicly available information concerning smaller companies than for larger, more established ones. The securities of small companies are often traded on junior markets such as the TSX Venture Exchange or over-the-counter markets and may not be traded in the volumes typical of trading on a major stock exchange and therefore there is greater liquidity risk – see "*Liquidity Risk*" above. The prices of this type of security may be more volatile than those of larger companies.

### ***Style risk***

Each mutual fund is managed in accordance with a particular investment style. Focusing primarily on one particular investment style (e.g., value-oriented) to the exclusion of others may create risk in certain circumstances.

### ***Tax loss restriction event risk***

If a fund experiences a "loss restriction event" (i) the fund will be deemed to have a year-end for tax purposes (which could result in the fund being subject to tax unless it distributes its income and capital gains prior to such year-end), and (ii) the fund will become subject to the loss restriction rules generally applicable to corporations that experience an acquisition of control, including a deemed realization of any unrealized capital losses and restrictions on their ability to carry forward losses. Generally, a fund will be subject to a loss restriction event when a person becomes a "majority-interest beneficiary" of the fund, or a group of persons becomes a "majority-interest group of beneficiaries" of the fund, as those terms are defined in the affiliated persons rules contained in the Income Tax Act (Canada) (the "Tax Act"), with appropriate modifications. Generally, a majority-interest beneficiary of a fund will be a beneficiary who, together with the beneficial interests of persons and partnerships with whom the beneficiary is affiliated, has a beneficial interest in the fund that has a fair market value that is greater than 50% of the fair market value of all the interests in the income or capital, respectively, in the fund. Generally, a person is deemed not to become a majority-interest group of beneficiaries, of a fund if the fund meets certain investment requirements and qualifies as an "investment fund" as defined in the Tax Act.

### ***Taxation policy risk***

The value of investments and the proceeds from investments are affected significantly by the taxation laws and policies applicable to the investment. Taxation laws are set by government, are subject to change from time to time without notice and such changes are beyond the control of an investment fund manager.

## Organization and Management of the Pender Funds

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### MANAGER

PenderFund Capital Management Ltd.  
1640 – 1066 West Hastings St.  
Vancouver, BC V6E 3X1

The Manager is responsible for the overall business and operations of the Funds. The Manager engages arm's length third parties to perform certain services on behalf of the Funds as outlined in the table below.

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### TRUSTEE

PenderFund Capital Management Ltd.  
Vancouver, BC

The Funds are organized as trusts. When you invest in units of a Fund, you are buying units of a trust. The Trustee is the legal owner of the securities acquired by the Funds and holds them on behalf of Unitholders.

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### REGISTRAR AND TRANSFER AGENT

CIBC Mellon Trust Company  
Toronto, ON

The registrar and transfer agent keeps track of the owners of units of the Funds, processes purchases and redemption orders and issues investor account statements and annual tax reporting information.

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### PORTFOLIO ADVISOR

You will find this information in the Fund Details section of each Fund in Part B of this simplified prospectus.

The portfolio advisor of each Fund manages the investment portfolio or a component of the investment portfolio of the Fund, provides analysis and makes decisions relating to the investment of the assets of the Fund.

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### CUSTODIAN

CIBC Mellon Trust Company  
Toronto, ON

The custodian ensures that the assets of the Funds are safely held.

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### AUDITORS

KPMG LLP  
Vancouver, BC

The auditors perform the required audit of the annual financial statements of the Funds.

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## Formation and History of Manager

The Manager was incorporated under the *Company Act* (British Columbia) (replaced by the *Business Corporations Act* (British Columbia)) on November 18, 2002 under the name 658761 B.C. Ltd. The Manager changed its name to PenderFund Capital Management Ltd. in April 2003.

The Manager may start other mutual funds, investment funds or venture funds in the future. For more information about the Manager, see "*Responsibility for Fund Operations*" in the Funds' AIF.

The Funds may invest in securities of other mutual funds, including mutual funds also managed by the Manager. The proportions and types of mutual funds held by a Fund will vary according to the risk and investment objective of the Fund. Pursuant to the requirements of applicable securities legislation, the Funds will not exercise their vote on any of the securities it holds in mutual funds managed by us or any of our affiliates and associates. However, we may, in our sole discretion, arrange for you to vote your share of those securities of the mutual funds. To the extent that a Fund invests in other mutual funds, the Fund has the same risks as those mutual funds.

## **Independent Review Committee**

The Funds have an independent review committee (“IRC”) which oversees all decisions involving an actual or perceived conflict of interest faced by the Manager in the operation of the Funds. The IRC is responsible for reviewing and providing input on the Manager’s written policies and procedures which deal with conflict of interest matters for the Manager and reviewing such conflict of interest matters.

The IRC is currently made up of Kerry Ho (Chair), John Webster and Robin Mahood.

The IRC prepares, at least annually, a report of its activities for security holders which is available on **www.penderfund.com** or, at a Unitholder’s request at no cost, by contacting the Manager by telephone toll free at **1-866-377-4743** or by email at **info@penderfund.com**

Additional information about the IRC is available in the Funds’ AIF.

## Purchases, Switches and Redemptions

### Description of Units

The Funds are authorized to have an unlimited number of classes of units and may issue an unlimited number of units of each class. The classes authorized by each Fund are set forth under the heading “*Fund Details*” of each Fund in Part B of this document.

This simplified prospectus only qualifies the distribution of each of the units of the Funds set forth on the cover of this document.

Without your consent or notice to you, the Manager may establish additional classes of units of the Funds and may determine the rights as between those classes. The principal differences between the classes of units of each of the Funds relate to the management fees payable to Pender. These are described under “*Dealer Compensation*” and under “*Fees and Expenses*”.

All units of the Funds are entitled to participate in the Funds’ assets on liquidation on a class basis. All classes of units are issued as fully paid and non-assessable and are redeemable at their net asset value at the time of redemption.

### **Class A / Class A (US\$) / Class B Units**

Class A and Class B units are available to all investors. Class A (US\$) units are denominated in US dollars and are also available to all investors.

### **Class F / Class F (US\$) / Class G Units**

Class F and Class G units are for investors who are participants in a fee-for-service or wrap account program sponsored by certain registered dealers. Class F and Class G units can be purchased under this simplified prospectus only through your investment advisor who has obtained the consent of Pender to offer Class F and Class G units. Class F (US\$) units are denominated in US dollars and are also available to the above investors.

If Pender is notified that you no longer meet the eligibility criteria, we will sell or reclassify your Class F units in accordance with the instructions from your investment advisor. In the absence of instructions, we may automatically sell your Class F or Class G units or reclassify them to Class A or Class B units. There may be tax implications arising from any sale. See “*Income Tax Considerations for Investors*” for more details.

Pender charges a lower management fee on the Class F units because our distribution and servicing costs are reduced for that class. The management fees relating to a class of units of the Funds are described under the Fund profiles contained under “*Specific Information About the Mutual Funds Described in this Document*”.

### **Class D Units**

Class D units are for investors who purchase units through a discount brokerage program sponsored by certain registered dealers.

Pender charges a lower management fee on the Class D units because our distribution and servicing costs are reduced for that class. The management fees relating to a class of units of the Funds are described under the Fund profiles contained under “*Specific Information About the Mutual Funds Described in this Document*”.

### **Class H Units**

Class H units are available to all investors, subject to certain minimum initial and purchase requirements, which can be found under the “*Purchases*” section.

Pender charges a lower management fee on the Class H units because our distribution and servicing costs are reduced for that class. The management fees relating to a class of units of the Funds are described under the Fund profiles contained under “*Specific Information About the Mutual Funds Described in this Document*”.

### **Class I Units**

Class I units are for investors who are participants in a fee-for-service or wrap account program sponsored by certain registered dealers, subject to certain minimum initial and purchase requirements, which can be found under the “*Purchases*” section. Class I units can be purchased under this simplified prospectus only through your investment advisor who has obtained the consent of Pender to offer Class I units.

If Pender is notified that you no longer meet the eligibility criteria, we will sell or reclassify your Class I units in accordance with the instructions from your investment advisor. In the absence of instructions, we may automatically sell your Class I units or reclassify them to Class F units. There may be tax implications arising from any sale. See “*Income Tax Considerations for Investors*” for more details.

Pender charges a lower management fee on the Class I units because our distribution and servicing costs are reduced for that class. The management fees relating to a class of units of the Funds are described under the Fund profiles contained under “*Specific Information About the Mutual Funds Described in this Document*”.

### **Class N and O Units**

Class N and O units are available to institutional investors and other qualified investors and are not sold to the general public.

### **The Price of a Unit**

The price per unit of the Funds will be the net asset value per unit of that class of units. The net asset value per unit of each class of unit of each Fund is determined on a daily or weekly basis, as the case may be, as indicated in the following table:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Valuation Frequency</b>
Pender Canadian Opportunities Fund	Weekly
Pender Corporate Bond Fund	Daily
Pender North American Small Cap Fund	Weekly
Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund	Weekly
Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund	Daily
Pender US All Cap Equity Fund	Weekly
Pender Value Fund	Daily

Any Fund that is valued weekly will be valued daily once it engages in short-selling or specified derivatives as part of its investment strategy. The Fund is valued only on a day that the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) is open for trading or such other time as the Manager determines appropriate (“Valuation Date”). On each Valuation Date we calculate a separate net asset value per unit for each class of units of a Fund based on the market value of the class' proportionate share of the net assets of a Fund, less any liabilities specific to that class of units, divided by the total number of units of that class held by Unitholders. The net asset value per unit will fluctuate with the value of a Fund's investments.

If a Fund receives your order for the purchase or redemption of units before 4:00 p.m. ET on the Valuation Date and all required monies and documents are received in good order, the order will be processed at the applicable

net asset value per unit on that date. Otherwise, the order will be processed at the applicable net asset value per unit on the next Valuation Date. If the TSX closes earlier than 4:00 p.m. ET, we may impose an earlier deadline at our discretion.

## Purchases

You may only buy Class A, Class A (US\$), Class B and Class H units via the front end load sales charge method. Class A (US\$) units are denominated in US dollars.

There is no sales charge on the purchase or redemption of Class D or Class O units.

Class F, Class F (US\$), Class G and Class I units can be purchased under this simplified prospectus only through your investment advisor who has obtained the consent of Pender to offer these classes. Additionally, there are no sales charges on the purchase or redemption of these classes. Class F (US\$) units are denominated in US dollars.

Units of the Funds are distributed by authorized registered Dealers. You may purchase units by sending the purchase amount to your Dealer. The price of a unit of a Fund is the applicable net asset value per unit next determined after receipt by the Fund of an order to purchase. On the same day your order is received, your Dealer will forward the order to the Fund's head office by telecommunications facility, courier, facsimile or priority post without cost to you. Certificates will not be issued for units purchased.

Class A (US\$) and Class F (US\$) units of the Pender Corporate Bond Fund hedges against changes in the Canadian currency relative to the US currency and the remaining classes of the Pender Corporate Bond Fund hedges against changes in the US currency relative to the Canadian currency. In doing so, the Pender Corporate Bond Fund attempts to reduce the impact of fluctuations between the Canadian and US currencies on the fund's performance. These classes will be substantially hedged using derivative instruments such as foreign currency forward contracts although there may be circumstances, from time to time, in which the Fund may not be able to fully hedge its Canadian or US dollar exposure, as the case may be, in respect of these classes

Your initial investment in any class of units, other than Class H, Class I, and Class O units of the Funds, must be at least \$5,000. After your initial investment, you can make further investments of at least \$100 per investment. With respect to Class H and Class I units, your initial investment must be at least \$100,000 and your subsequent purchases must be a minimum of \$1,000. With respect to Class O units, minimum initial investment amounts are to be negotiated between the Unitholder and the Manager. We will determine, and from time to time may change, the minimum amounts for initial and subsequent investments in any class.

If we do not receive payment within three business days of processing your purchase order for units of a Fund, we must redeem your units on the next business day. If the proceeds are greater than the payment you owe, the Fund will keep the difference, if the proceeds are less than the payment you owe, we will pay the difference to the Fund on your behalf and collect this amount from your Dealer who may collect the amount from you.

We may reject your purchase order within one business day of receiving it. Any monies sent with your order will be returned immediately without interest.

## Changing Classes

You may change between classes of units of the same Fund if you are eligible. A class change is called a "conversion". You may convert units of one class into units of another class of the same Fund. When you convert units between classes, the value of your investment will not change (except in respect of any fees you pay to convert), but the number of units you hold may change. This is because each class of units may have a different unit price. When changing classes, a short-term trading fee may apply if the units are changed within 30 days from the date of purchase. See "*Fees and Expenses*" regarding short-term trading charges. Your Dealer may charge you a fee for doing a change. See "*Fees and Expenses*" regarding switch fees. In general, a conversion between classes in the same Fund is not considered a sale for tax purposes, so no capital gain or loss will result. However, any redemption of units to pay for a change fee charged by your Dealer will be considered a sale for tax purposes. For a further discussion of the tax consequences, see "*Income Tax Considerations for Investors*".



You may change Class A, Class B or Class H units into Class F, Class G or Class I units, respectively, of the same Fund if you are an eligible investor for the class of units into which you are changing. See “*Class F / Class F (US\$) / Class G Units*”.

If you cease to be eligible to hold units of a particular class, we may change your units into a different class after giving you 30 days’ prior notice, unless you notify us during the notice period and we agree that you are once again eligible to hold that class of units. Your Dealer may charge you a fee for changing classes.

## Switches

You can redeem all or a portion of your units of one Fund to buy units of another Fund, as long as you meet the minimum initial investment requirement. This is called a switch. Depending on the class of units and the purchase option you are switching from and to, and the length of time you have owned the units, your switch will affect the fees you pay and the compensation your Dealer receives, including the following:

- A short-term trading fee may apply if the units are switched within 30 days from the date of purchase. See “*Fees and Expenses*” regarding short-term trading charges.
- Your Dealer may charge you a fee for doing a switch. See “*Fees and Expenses*” regarding switch fees.
- Depending on the Fund, class of unit and purchase option you switch between, your Dealer may be paid a higher or lower trailing commission. See “*Dealer Compensation*”.

When we receive your order to switch, we will redeem your units in the original Fund and use the proceeds to buy units of the same class of the new Fund.

## Redemptions

You can redeem your units for cash at any time, subject to certain specific Fund redemption restrictions and suspensions of redemption rights described below. Your Dealer will forward your redemption order to us on the same day the Dealer receives it from you.

The Fund will redeem units for the Redemption Price, which is equal to the total of the net asset value per class as at the end of the Valuation Date which falls on or occurs immediately after the date on which a fully completed Redemption Request is received by the Fund (with any Redemption Request received after 4:00 p.m. ET on a Valuation Date being deemed, for such purpose, to be received on the following Valuation Date).

If you originally purchased Class A (US\$) or Class F (US\$) units of the Funds in US dollars, we will pay you in US dollars. Redemptions of all remaining Funds will be paid in Canadian dollars.

For wire order redemptions requested via wire order, if we do not receive all the documentation we need from you to complete the redemption order within ten business days, we must repurchase your units. If the purchase price is less than the redemption price for the units, the Fund keeps the difference. If the purchase price is greater than the redemption price for the units, your Dealer will be responsible for paying this difference and the associated costs. Your Dealer may require you to reimburse the amount paid. If at any time you request a partial redemption of your units so that the aggregate net asset value of your units of a Fund would be less than \$5,000, we may require that all such units of the Fund be redeemed after we provide you with at least 30 days’ written notice.

Under certain circumstances, your right to redeem may be suspended in accordance with securities legislation. For example, your right to redeem units of a Fund may be suspended if trading is suspended on stock exchanges on which over 50% of the investments of the Fund trade. We may also suspend your right to redeem units of a Fund – with the consent of applicable securities regulatory authorities – if we cannot determine the value of the net assets of the Fund.

## Pre-Authorized Chequing Plan (“PAC”)

You can purchase units of a Fund by making regular investments through a PAC.

Your initial investment in any class of units, other than Class H and Class I units of the Funds, must be at least \$5,000. With respect to Class H and Class I units, your initial investment must be at least \$100,000.

After your initial investment, you can make further investments via a PAC on a regular basis of at least \$100 per investment.

We will determine, and from time to time may change, the minimum amounts for initial and subsequent investments in any class. You can invest semi-monthly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually. We may stop your PAC if a payment is not made when due. We may change or discontinue this service at any time.

When you enroll in a PAC, your Dealer will send you the current simplified prospectus and any amendments that have been made. Subject to regulatory approval, you will not be sent a copy of any subsequent simplified prospectus renewals (and any amendments to that simplified prospectus) unless you request that it be sent to you at the time you enroll in a PAC or subsequently request it from your Dealer. You can obtain copies of these documents from your dealer or by calling us toll free at **1-866-377-4743** or sending us an e-mail at **info@penderfund.com**. The documents can also be found on our website at [www.penderfund.com](http://www.penderfund.com) or on the SEDAR website at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

You may exercise your statutory right to withdraw from the initial purchase under the PAC. This right does not apply in respect of any subsequent purchase under the plan, but you continue to have all other statutory rights under securities law, including rights arising from any misrepresentations that may have been made, irrespective of whether you request or receive a copy of subsequent simplified prospectus renewals. See “*What are Your Legal Rights*”.

## Short-Term Trading

The interests of Unitholders and the Funds’ ability to manage its investments may be adversely affected by inappropriate or excessive short-term trading because, among other things, these types of trading activities can dilute the value of fund securities, can interfere with the efficient management of the Funds’ portfolios and can result in increased brokerage and administrative costs.

If you redeem units of a Fund within 30 days of buying them, we may reduce the amount otherwise payable to you on the redemption by imposing a short-term trading fee to be retained by the Fund. See “*Fees and Expenses*” regarding short-term trading charges. We may also restrict purchases if you engage in such short-term trading.

## Automatic Reinvestment of Distributions

Except as described under the subheading “*Distribution Policy*” contained in a particular Fund profile under “*Specific Information About the Mutual Funds Described in this Document*”, unless you indicate that you would like to receive your distribution in cash, we will automatically reinvest your distributions in additional units of the same class at the next net asset value per unit of that class calculated on the date of distribution.

## Information You Will Receive

When you make your initial purchase, you will receive a confirmation indicating the purchase price per unit and the number and class of units you purchased. Similarly, at the time of any additional purchase and change of class or redemption of units you will receive a confirmation giving details of the transaction and a summary of the units you hold. If you make your initial purchase from a Dealer, you will receive the above information from your Dealer directly. Upon your request, you will also receive in respect of a Fund, audited annual financial statements, unaudited interim financial statements, the annual management report of fund performance and the interim management report of fund performance.

## Fees and Expenses

The table below lists the fees and expenses that you may have to pay if you invest in a Fund. You may have to pay some of these fees and expenses directly. A Fund may have to pay some of these fees and expenses, which will therefore reduce the value of your investment in that Fund. The consent of Unitholders will be obtained if (i) any change is made in the basis of the calculation of a fee or expense charged to a Fund or a class of a Fund, or directly to you by us or a Fund in connection with the holding of units of a Fund, in a way that could result in an increase in charges to a Fund or the classes or you or (ii) a fee or expense is introduced which is charged to a Fund or a class, or directly to you by us or a Fund in connection with the holding of units of a Fund, that would result in an increase in charges to a Fund, a class or you, unless the change is a result of a change made by a third party at arm's length to the Fund or unless applicable securities laws do not require the consent of Unitholders to be obtained. In that case, Unitholders will be sent a written notice at least 60 days before the effective date of the change, if required under applicable securities laws.

If a Fund holds units of another mutual fund:

- there are fees and expenses payable by the other mutual fund in addition to the fees and expenses payable by the Fund;
- no management fees or administration fees are payable by the Fund that, to a reasonable person, would duplicate a fee payable by the other mutual fund for the same service;
- no sales fees or redemption fees are payable by the Fund in relation to its purchases or redemptions of the securities of the other mutual fund if the other mutual fund is managed by Pender; and
- no sales fees or redemption fees are payable by the Fund in relation to its purchases or redemptions of securities of the other mutual fund that, to a reasonable person, would duplicate a fee payable by an investor in the Fund.

### Fees and Expenses Payable by the Mutual Fund

#### Management Fees

The management fees vary by class. See the Management Fee information for each Fund under "*Fund Details*" in respect of each Fund set forth in Part B of this document. The management fees charged to the Funds by the Manager are intended to cover, among other things, investment management costs, including any portfolio advisory fees, as well as distribution, marketing and promotion of the Funds. The management fee is based on the net asset value of each Fund class, calculated daily or weekly, as the case may be, and payable monthly. Class F units have a lower management fee due to lower servicing costs incurred by the Manager. Management fees are subject to applicable taxes; including GST or HST. The Manager, at its discretion, may reduce or waive management fees.

#### Performance Fees

A performance fee applies to Class B and Class G of the Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund. The Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund will pay to the Manager a performance fee in relation to Class B and Class G Units that is equal to 20% of the amount by which the total return of the class of Units exceeds the total percentage increase or decrease of the Fund's benchmark, for the period since the performance fee was last paid, subject to a relative high water mark (as described below). The Fund's benchmark is the S&P/TSX Composite Index (or its successor indices, as applicable).

The benchmark was selected because we believe that it best reflects the investment objective of the Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund and provides for the fairest measurement possible. Performance fees will be calculated and accrued weekly, and such accrued fees will be paid by the Fund at the end of each year. The Manager has reserved the right to change the period for which any performance fee may be paid by a Fund.

Performance fees are subject to applicable taxes; including GST or HST. The Manager, at its discretion, may reduce or waive performance fees.

## Operating Expenses

Each Fund will be charged an administration fee equal to 0.50% of its net asset value. In exchange for the fee, the Manager will pay for the operating costs of each Fund (including administrative and operating expenses, registrar and transfer agency fees, custody fees, unitholder servicing costs, costs of prospectus and reports, regulatory fees and audit and legal fees) other than taxes, brokerage commissions, transaction costs and IRC fees. The Manager will reimburse each Fund for the IRC fees. The Chair of the IRC receives an annual retainer of \$5,000 and a fee of \$750 for each meeting the Chair attends. With the exception of the Chair, each member of the IRC receives an annual retainer of \$4,000 and a fee of \$500 for each meeting that the member attends. The IRC is also reimbursed for certain out-of-pocket costs associated with the performance of their duties. The Manager, at its discretion, may reduce or waive administration fees.

## Fee Distribution

From time to time the Manager may offer a reduced management fee or performance fee to select investors. The Manager negotiates a separate agreement with each investor which discloses the basis (such as size of holdings or competitive rates charged in the industry) on which the fee reduction is calculated. The fees for these select investors are the same as other Unitholders in the same class, but these investors receive a distribution (a "Fee Distribution") equal to the amount of the fee reduction. Fee Distributions are reinvested in additional units on behalf of those select investors unless otherwise negotiated.

## Fees and Expenses Paid Directly by You

### Front End Sales Charge

For Class A, Class A (US\$), Class B and Class H units, your Dealer may charge a maximum commission of 5% (\$50 on a \$1,000 investment). There are no front end sales charges on the purchases of Class F, Class F (US\$), Class G or Class I units. Instead, you may pay a fee directly to your Dealer under its "fee for service" or "wrap account" program.

### Switch Fee

Your Dealer may charge you up to 2% of the net asset value of the units you switch to a different Fund or different class of the same Fund.

### Short-Term Trading Fee

Up to 2% of the net asset value of the units you redeem if you switch or redeem within 30 days of purchase of units of a Fund. The short-term trading fee will be retained by the Fund.

### Bank Charges

You will be charged any amounts levied by a bank or other financial institution for any of your cheques that are dishonoured and returned to a Fund or for any charge related to electronic fund transfers.

## Impact of Sales Charges

### Class A / Class A (US\$) / Class B / Class H Units

The following table shows the amount of fees that you would have to pay under the front end load option available to you if you made an investment of \$1,000 in Class A, Class A (US\$), Class B or Class H units and you held that investment for one, three, five or ten years and redeemed immediately before the end of that period.

	At Time of Purchase	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Class A / Class A (US\$) / Class B / Class H Units (Maximum 5% commission)	\$50	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

## Class D / Class F / Class F (US\$) / Class G / Class I / Class O Units

There are no sales charges on the purchase of Class D or Class O units. There are also no sales charges on the purchase of Class F, Class F (US\$), Class G or Class I units – instead you pay a fee directly to your Dealer under its “fee for service” or “wrap account” program.

## Dealer Compensation

### Sales Commissions

You may purchase Class A, Class A (US\$), Class B or Class H units under the front end sales charge method. Your Dealer is entitled to receive from you a negotiable sales commission of up to 5% (or up to \$50 per \$1,000) of the net asset value of the units purchased, as described in the previous section. The commission is deducted from your gross investment amount and the remainder is used to purchase units at the applicable net asset value per unit.

### Trailing Commissions

The Manager makes payments to your Dealer to assist in providing you with continuing advice and service. Annual trailing commissions payable on Class A, Class A (US\$), Class D and Class H units of the Funds, payable on a quarterly basis, are set out in the table below. We also pay the same trailing commissions to discount brokers for securities you purchase through your discount brokerage account. No trailing commissions are paid in respect of Class F, Class F (US\$), Class I, and Class O units.

Trailing Commissions Paid by Manager	Class A / Class A (US\$) / Class B	Class D	Class H
Pender Canadian Opportunities Fund	1.00%	0.25%	0.85%
Pender Corporate Bond Fund	0.80%	0.25%	0.65%
Pender North American Small Cap Fund	1.00%	0.25%	0.85%
Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund	1.00%	-	-
Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund	1.00%	0.25%	0.85%
Pender US All Cap Equity Fund	1.00%	0.25%	0.85%
Pender Value Fund	1.00%	0.25%	0.85%

The Manager may pay a portion of its Management Fee to a Dealer as additional compensation at the Manager's discretion. The Manager expects that your Dealer will pay a portion of the trailing commission to your advisor for the services and advice they provide to you.

### Other Kinds of Dealer Compensation

We may assist Dealers with certain of their direct costs associated with marketing the Funds and providing educational investor conferences and seminars about the Funds. We may also pay Dealers a portion of the costs of educational conferences, seminars or courses that provide information about financial planning, investing in securities, mutual fund industry matters or mutual funds generally. We may provide Dealers with marketing materials about the Funds and other investment literature. We may provide Dealers non-monetary benefits of a promotional nature and of minimal value and we may engage in business promotion activities that result in Dealers receiving non-monetary benefits. We review the assistance we will provide under these programs on an individual basis. For the year ended December 31, 2017, approximately 34% of the management fees paid by the Funds to the Manager were used, in part, to pay trailing commissions, marketing costs and other associated distribution costs relating to the sale of units of the Funds.

Subject to compliance with securities regulatory authorities' mutual fund sales practice rules, we may change the terms and conditions of these trailing commissions and programs, or may stop them, at any time.

## **Equity Interests of Members of the Organization of the Funds**

The Manager does not hold any ownership interest in any Dealer that sells the Funds' units.

## **Income Tax Considerations for Investors**

**This section provides a general summary of the federal income tax considerations applicable to the Funds and to an investor who is an individual (other than a trust), is resident in Canada, deals at arm's length with the Funds, and holds units as capital property. This summary is not exhaustive of all tax considerations and is not intended to be legal advice or tax advice. We have tried to make this discussion easy to understand. As a result, we cannot be technically precise, or cover all the tax consequences that may apply. You should consult your own tax advisor about your personal circumstances when you consider purchasing, switching or redeeming securities of a Fund.**

The summary is based on the current provisions of the Tax Act, regulations under the Tax Act, the proposals for specific amendments to the Tax Act, the regulations that have been publicly announced by the Minister of Finance (Canada) before the date hereof and our understanding of the current published administrative practices and assessing policies of the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). Except for the foregoing, this summary does not take into account or anticipate any change in law, whether by legislative, regulatory, administrative or judicial action. Furthermore, this summary does not take into account provincial, territorial, or foreign income tax legislation or considerations.

This summary assumes that you are an individual resident in Canada and that you hold units of a Fund as capital property for the purposes of the Tax Act. This summary also assumes that each of the Funds is, and will continue to be, at all material times, a mutual fund trust or a registered investment for the purposes of the Tax Act. This summary also assumes that none of the Funds is or will become a specified investment flow-through trust ("SIFT trust"). Investors should seek independent advice regarding the tax consequences of investing in units, based on the investors' own particular circumstances.

### **Taxation of the Funds**

Each of the Funds is qualified as a "mutual fund trust" or a "registered investment" under the Tax Act and intends to maintain such status. None of the Funds is a SIFT trust for purposes of the Tax Act. This summary is based on the assumption that each of the Funds will qualify as a mutual fund trust under the Tax Act at all material times. If a Fund were not to so qualify, the income tax consequences would differ materially from those described below.

For any Funds that cease to be a mutual fund trust for purposes of the Tax Act, the Fund may be subject to different tax consequences than described below including being subject to Part XII.2 tax, alternative minimum tax and penalty tax if it holds any investments that are not qualified investments for Registered Retirement Savings Plans (RRSP), Registered Retirement Income Funds (RRIF), Deferred Profit Sharing Plans (DPSP), Registered Disability Savings Plans (RDSP), Registered Education Saving Plans (RESP) and Tax Free Savings Accounts (TFSA) ("Registered Plans"). Investors should seek independent advice regarding the tax consequences of investing in units, based on the investors' own particular circumstances.

All of a Fund's deductible expenses, including expenses common to all classes of a Fund and management fees and other expenses specific to a particular class of a Fund, will be taken into account in determining the income or loss of a Fund as a whole.

### **For Units Not Held in a Registered Plan**

If you hold units of a Fund outside of a Registered Plan, you will be required to include in computing your income for tax purposes the amount (computed in Canadian dollars) of the Fund's net income and the taxable portion of the net capital gains paid or payable to you by the Fund in the year (including by way of Fee Distributions),

whether you receive these distributions in cash or they are reinvested in additional units. Provided the appropriate designations are made by the Fund, distributions of net taxable capital gains and taxable dividends (including eligible dividends) on shares of taxable Canadian corporations held by the Fund will effectively retain their character and be treated as such in your hands. Taxable dividends received from Canadian corporations are subject to a gross-up and credit regime the effect of which is to make them subject to lower tax rates than ordinary income. Taxable dividends that are eligible dividends are subject to an enhanced regime and thus lower tax rates. Generally, gains from cash settled derivative transactions entered into for non-hedging purposes will be treated as ordinary income rather than capital gains.

To the extent that the distributions (including by way of Fee Distributions) paid to you by a Fund in any year exceed your share of the net income and net realized capital gains of the Fund allocated to you for that year, those distributions (except to the extent that they are proceeds of disposition) will be a return of capital and will not be taxable to you but will reduce the adjusted cost base of your units of the Fund.

You will be taxed on distributions of income and capital gains from a Fund, even if the income and capital gains accrued to the Fund or were realized by the Fund before you acquired the units and were reflected in the purchase price of the units. In many cases, the most significant distributions of income and capital gains of a Fund occur in December. However, distributions (including Fee Distributions) can be made at any time in the year at the discretion of the Manager.

Certain of the Funds may invest in debt or shares of foreign corporations. Interest income and dividends paid to a Fund by a foreign corporation may be subject to a withholding tax payable to a foreign government. To the extent that the Fund so designates in accordance with the Tax Act, you will be deemed to have received income from the foreign country and, for the purpose of computing foreign tax credits, be deemed to have paid a portion of the taxes withheld as foreign taxes paid to that country. You will be required to include in your income the foreign source income gross of withholding taxes. Foreign source income is taxed as regular income for the purposes of the Tax Act. The Canadian tax payable by you on such foreign source income may be reduced by a foreign credit in respect of the foreign taxes deemed paid on that income. Capital gains on the sale of foreign securities will generally not be subject to withholding taxes.

As part of their investment strategy, certain of the Funds may invest in US corporate bonds. Under the US – Canada tax treaty, interest paid on such bonds will not be subject to withholding taxes. Capital gains from the sale of US securities will also generally not be subject to withholding taxes while US earned dividends are subject to a 15% withholding tax.

The Funds may invest in units of mutual funds, income trusts and other trusts. Net income and taxable capital gains that are allocated to the Funds by these investments will be included in computing the net income and taxable capital gains of the Funds, which in turn will be allocated to unitholders in the manner set out above.

If a Fund is subject to a “loss restriction event” as the result of a person becoming a “majority-interest beneficiary” or a group of persons becoming a “majority interest group of beneficiaries” of the Fund (as those terms are defined in the Tax Act) it will have a deemed year-end for tax purposes and may make a distribution of net taxable income and net capital gains for the shortened year. If it has net accrued or realized losses at that time, certain of its accrued and realized losses may be extinguished, which could have a negative impact on the value of units of the Fund at that time.

If you dispose of a unit (including a switch of a unit of one Fund for a unit of another Fund), whether by redemption or otherwise, a capital gain (or a capital loss) will be realized to the extent that the proceeds of disposition, less any costs of disposition, are greater (or less) than the adjusted cost base to you of the unit. One-half of a capital gain (or a capital loss) is generally included in determining your taxable capital gain (or allowable capital loss). A change of units of a class of a Fund into units of a different class of the Fund is generally not considered to be a sale for tax purposes, so no capital gain or loss will result. To the extent a change in units results in a disposition of the original units then either a capital gain or a capital loss will be realized or suffered.

In general, the aggregate adjusted cost base of your units of a particular class of a Fund equals:

- your initial investment in the class (including any sales charges paid)

- **plus** the cost of any additional investments in the class (including any sales charges paid)
- **plus** the adjusted cost base of any units of other classes of the Fund that were changed into units of the particular class of the Fund
- **plus** reinvested distributions
- **minus** the capital returned in any distributions
- **minus** the adjusted cost base to you, at the time of any previous redemptions, of the units redeemed at that time
- **minus** the adjusted cost base to you, at the time any units of the particular class of the Fund were changed into units of other classes of the Fund, of the units so converted.

The adjusted cost base to you of a unit at a particular time will generally be the average adjusted cost base to you of all units of that class of that Fund at that time. If the adjusted cost base of your units is reduced to less than zero, you will be deemed to have realized a capital gain equal to, and the adjusted cost base to you of your units will be increased by, such negative amount.

For units of the Pender Corporate Bond Fund and the Pender US All Cap Equity Fund that are denominated in US dollars, the initial investment and the cost of any additional investments should be determined in Canadian dollars, based on the applicable exchange rate at the time the investment was made. Similarly, the proceeds of disposition of a unit of the Pender Corporate Bond Fund or Pender US All Cap Equity Fund that is denominated in US dollars should be determined in Canadian dollars based on the applicable exchange rate at the time of the disposition.

Under the alternative minimum tax provisions of the Tax Act, an individual may be required to pay a minimum tax computed by reference to the individual's "adjusted taxable income" for that year. In computing adjusted taxable income, an individual must generally include all taxable dividends (without application of the gross-up and credit treatment normally applied to such dividends) and 80% of capital gains. Whether and to what extent the tax liability of a Unitholder may be increased by the alternative minimum tax will depend on the amount of the Unitholder's income, the sources from which it is derived, and the nature and amount of any deductions claimed. Any additional tax payable by a Unitholder for a year which results from the application of the minimum tax provisions may generally be carried forward and applied by the Unitholder against his or her Part I tax otherwise payable in any of the seven immediately following taxation years.

We will generally issue a tax statement to you each year identifying the distributions made to you in the previous year. You should keep detailed records of the purchase costs, sales charges and distributions related to your units as this is the only way to accurately calculate the adjusted cost base of those units. Determination of adjusted cost base can involve complex issues and we recommend that you obtain legal and/or tax advice to assist you with those calculations.

## **For Units Held in a Registered Plan**

Each of the Funds qualifies as a "mutual fund trust" or a "registered investment" for purposes of the Tax Act and intends to remain so qualified. Accordingly, units of the Funds are qualified investments under the Tax Act for Registered Plans. If units of a Fund are held in a Registered Plan, distributions from the Fund and capital gains from a disposition of the units will generally not be subject to tax under the Tax Act until withdrawals are made from the plan. Withdrawals from TFSA are generally not subject to tax.

Notwithstanding that units of the Funds may, at a particular time, be qualified investments for a trust governed by a RDSP, RESP, RRSP, RRIF or TFSA, the holder of the TFSA or the annuitant of the RDSP, RESP, RRSP or RRIF, as the case may be (such holder or annuitant being a "Controlling Individual" of the RDSP, RESP, TFSA, RRSP or RRIF), will be subject to a penalty tax with respect to units held in the RDSP, RESP, TFSA, RRSP or RRIF if such units are "prohibited investments" for the RDSP, RESP, TFSA, RRSP or RRIF within the meaning of the Tax Act. Provided that the Controlling Individual of a RDSP, RESP, TFSA, RRSP or RRIF does not hold a



“significant interest” (as defined in the Tax Act) in a Fund and provided that such holder deals at arm's length with the Fund for the purposes of the Tax Act, units of the Fund will not be “prohibited investments” for the RDSP, RESP, TFSA, RRSP or RRIF. In general terms, a Controlling Individual of a RDSP, RESP, TFSA, RRSP or RRIF will have a significant interest in a Fund if the Controlling Individual, together with any other persons and partnerships with which the Controlling Individual does not deal at arm's length, hold, directly or indirectly through one or more trusts (including Registered Plans), 10% or more of the value of the outstanding units of the Fund. You should consult with your own tax advisor as to whether units of the Fund would be a prohibited investment if held in your RDSP, RESP, TFSA, RRSP or RRIF, having regard to your own particular circumstances.

## **Information Exchange**

Pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Enhanced Exchange of Tax Information under the Canada-U.S. Tax Convention entered into between Canada and the United States (the “IGA”), and related Canadian legislation, the Funds and the Manager are required to report certain information with respect to unitholders who are U.S. residents and U.S. citizens (including U.S. citizens who are residents or citizens of Canada), and certain other “U.S. Persons” as defined under the IGA (excluding registered plans such as RRSPs), to the CRA. The CRA will then exchange the information with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service pursuant to the provisions of the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Treaty.

Pursuant to the implementation of the Common Reporting Standard developed by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development which commenced on July 1, 2017, the Funds and the Manager may be required to report certain information with respect to unitholders who are resident in one of the participating approximately 90 jurisdictions to the CRA. The CRA will then exchange this information with each participating jurisdiction pursuant to the provisions under Part XIX of the Tax Act.

## **What are your Legal Rights?**

Securities legislation in some provinces and territories gives you the right to withdraw from an agreement to buy mutual funds within two business days of receiving the simplified prospectus or fund facts, or to cancel your purchase within 48 hours of receiving confirmation of your order.

Securities legislation of some provinces and territories also allows you to cancel an agreement to buy mutual fund units and to get your money back, or to make a claim for damages, if the simplified prospectus, annual information form, fund facts, management report of fund performance or financial statements misrepresent any facts about the Funds. These rights must usually be exercised within certain time limits.

For more information, refer to securities legislation of your province or territory or consult your lawyer.

## **PART B – SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE MUTUAL FUNDS DESCRIBED IN THIS DOCUMENT**

### **General Information**

The following explanations are provided to help you more easily understand the specific information about the Funds.

#### **Derivatives Trading**

The Pender Corporate Bond Fund and Pender Value Fund may use derivatives as part of their respective investment strategies. The Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund will not directly engage in derivatives; however, as part of its investment strategy, the Fund invests in units of mutual funds which may engage in derivatives as part of their strategies. All remaining Funds will not use derivatives as part of their investment strategies. Derivatives will be used in compliance with all applicable securities legislation and regulation and as disclosed in the Simplified Prospectus.

Oversight of derivatives trading is undertaken by the Manager. The written policies and procedures relating to the use of these derivatives are developed with the custodian of the Funds and are reviewed annually by the Manager.

Derivatives transactions on behalf of the Pender Corporate Bond Fund and Pender Value Fund may be initiated only by the Portfolio Advisor responsible for the funds' investments. The Portfolio Advisor ensures that the individuals who make decisions with respect to derivatives transactions have the necessary proficiency and experience to use derivatives. As in the case of other portfolio transactions, all derivatives transactions made on behalf of the funds must be recorded on a timely basis and promptly reflected in the Funds' portfolio management records. Derivative positions are monitored to ensure compliance with all regulatory requirements, including cash cover requirements.

#### **Securities Lending Arrangements**

On June 9, 2017, the Manager entered into a securities lending agreement with CIBC Mellon Global Securities Services Company, CIBC Mellon Trust Company, The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation in order to engage in securities lending transactions to earn additional income for the Funds. The Funds may enter into additional agreements in the future only as permitted under securities law.

The risks associated with these transactions will be managed by requiring that the Funds enter into such transactions with well-established Canadian and foreign brokers, dealers and institutions. Each day, the Funds will determine the market value of both the securities loaned under a securities lending transaction or sold under a repurchase transaction and the cash or collateral held for such transactions. If on any day the market value of the cash or collateral is less than 102% of the market value of the security sold (for a repurchase transaction), cash loaned (for a reverse repurchase transaction) or security loaned (for a securities lending transaction) on the next day the counterparty will be required to provide additional cash or collateral to the Funds to make up the shortfall. The Fund cannot lend more than 50% of the total value of its assets through securities lending or repurchase transactions.

Pender will review at least annually the policies and procedures described above to ensure that the risks associated with securities lending, repurchase and reverse repurchase transactions are being properly managed.

## Short Selling Risk Management

The Pender Corporate Bond Fund, Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund and Pender Value Fund may engage in short selling as part of their investment strategies. The Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund will not directly engage in short selling; however, as part of its investment strategy, the Fund invests in units of mutual funds which may engage in short selling as part of their strategies. All remaining Funds will not engage in short selling as part of their investment strategies. Short selling will be engaged in compliance with all applicable securities legislation and regulation and as disclosed in the Simplified Prospectus. Short selling will be used by the Funds only as a complement to each Fund's current primary discipline of buying securities with the expectation that they will appreciate in market value.

Short selling involves borrowing securities from a lender which are then sold in the open market (or "sold short"). At a later date, the same number of securities are repurchased by the Funds and returned to the lender. In the interim, the proceeds from the first sale are deposited with the lender and the Funds pay interest to the lender. If the value of the securities declines between the time that the Funds borrow the securities and the time the funds repurchase and return the securities, the Funds make a profit for the difference (less any interest the funds are required to pay to the lender). In this way, the Funds have more opportunities for gains when markets are generally volatile or declining.

The Pender Corporate Bond Fund, Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund and Pender Value Fund will engage in short selling only within certain controls and limitations. Securities will be sold short only for cash and the Funds will receive the cash proceeds within normal trading settlement periods for the market in which the short sale is made. All short sales will be effected only through market facilities through which those securities are normally bought and sold.

The Funds may short sell equity securities, index participation units, corporate debentures, corporate bonds, government bonds and other fixed and floating-rate income securities that are traded in a liquid market. If the security sold short is an equity security, the security must be listed for trading on a stock exchange and the issuer of the security has a market capitalization of not less than \$100 million at the time the short sale is made.

At the time securities of a particular issuer are sold short by a Fund, the aggregate market value of all securities of that issuer sold short will not exceed 5% of the net assets of the Fund. The aggregate market value of all securities sold short by a Fund may not exceed 20% of the Fund's net assets.

The Funds may deposit assets with lenders in accordance with industry practice in relation to its obligations arising under short sale transactions. The Funds will also hold cash cover (as defined in NI 81-102) in an amount, including the Funds' assets deposited with lenders, that is at least 150% of the aggregate market value of all securities it sold short on a daily marked-to-market basis. No proceeds from short sales will be used by the Funds to purchase long positions other than cash cover.

Where a short sale is effected in Canada, every dealer that holds the Funds' assets as security in connection with a short sale must be a registered dealer and a member of a self-regulatory organization that is a participating member of the Canadian Investor Protection Fund. Where a short sale is effected outside of Canada, every dealer that holds the Funds' assets as security in connection with a short sale must be a member of a stock exchange (and, as a result, be subject to regulatory audits) and have a net worth in excess of the equivalent of \$50 million determined from its most recent audited financial statements. The aggregate assets deposited by the Funds with any single dealer as security in connection with short sales will not exceed 10% of each Fund's total net assets, taken at market value as at the time of the deposit.

The Portfolio Advisor of each Fund must maintain appropriate internal controls regarding its short sales, including written policies and procedures, risk management controls and proper books and records. Any short sale by the Funds is subject to compliance with the investment objectives of each Fund. The Portfolio Advisor will review open short positions not less than once every week. The Manager is responsible for setting and reviewing such policies and procedures annually. The Trustee has delegated responsibility for setting and reviewing such procedures to the Manager and is not involved in the risk management process.

## Investment Risk Classification Methodology

We assign an investment risk level to each of the Funds as an additional guide to help you decide whether a Fund is right for you. The investment risk level of the Funds is required to be determined in accordance with a standardized risk classification methodology that is based on each Fund's historical volatility as measured by the 10-year standard deviation of the returns of the Fund, assuming the reinvestment of all income and capital gains distributions in additional units of the Fund. However, you should be aware that other types of risk, both measurable and non-measurable may exist. It is also important to note that a Fund's historical volatility may not be indicative of its future volatility.

Using this methodology, we assign each Fund an investment risk level in one of the following categories: low, low to medium, medium, medium to high, or high risk. However, we may increase the investment risk level of a Fund determined by reference to the Fund's standard deviation if we believe that doing so is reasonable in the circumstances by taking into account other qualitative factors including, but not limited to, economic climate, portfolio management styles, sector concentration and types of investments made by a Fund and the liquidity of those investments.

For the Funds that have less than a 10-year performance history, the standardized methodology requires the use of the standard deviation of a reference mutual fund or reference index that reasonably approximates or, for a newly established fund, is reasonably expected to approximate, the standard deviation of the Fund. The reference mutual fund or reference index used to determine the risk rating of a Fund is specified in Part B for such Fund under the section "*Who should invest in this Fund?*"

The investment risk level assigned to a Fund is based on the standard deviation ranges set out in NI 81-102 *Investment Funds* and reproduced below:

Standard Deviation Range (%)	Investment Risk Level
0 to less than 6	Low
6 to less than 11	Low to Medium
11 to less than 16	Medium
16 to less than 20	Medium to High
20 or greater	High

The investment risk level of each Fund is reviewed at least annually and anytime we determine that the current investment risk level is no longer reasonable in the circumstances.

A copy of the standardized risk classification methodology that we use to identify the investment risk level of the Funds is available on request and at no cost, by calling 1-888-390-3333, by emailing [global\\_asset\\_management@hsbc.ca](mailto:global_asset_management@hsbc.ca), or by writing to us at the address of our head office in Vancouver, British Columbia, on the back cover of this document.

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## Fund Details

Fund type	Canadian Equity Fund
Investment risk level	Medium
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Composite Index
Start date	Class A Units: November 24, 2010 Class D Units: June 30, 2015 Class F Units: November 24, 2010 Class H Units: June 30, 2016 Class I Units: June 30, 2016 Class O Units: December 31, 2015
Securities offered	Class A Units Class D Units Class F Units Class H Units Class I Units Class O Units
Management fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Class A Units: 1.85% Class D Units: 1.10% Class F Units: 0.85% Class H Units: 1.55% Class I Units: 0.70% Class O Units: Negotiable
Eligible for Registered Plans?	The Units are eligible investments for Registered Plans
Portfolio advisor	PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., Vancouver B.C.

## What does the Fund invest in?

### *Investment Objectives*

The objective of the Pender Canadian Opportunities Fund is to achieve long-term growth of its investment portfolio value by investing primarily in Canadian common shares, preferred shares, income trust units and exchange traded funds which track sector or broad market indices. The Fund may also invest a portion of its investment portfolio in securities outside of Canada. It is designed to provide reasonable growth over the long-term, while being sufficiently diversified to mitigate volatility.

The fundamental investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of the Independent Review Committee and a simple majority of the Unitholders of all classes of Units of the Fund at a meeting called for that purpose.

### *Investment Strategies*

The Portfolio Advisor generally selects equity holdings based on several qualitative criteria, such as identifiable secure market niches with significant barriers to entry and high quality management who are focused on creating value for shareholders. The Pender Canadian Opportunities Fund's investment portfolio is principally comprised

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of the securities of mature companies that the Portfolio Advisor believes will be able to sustain and grow cash flow over the long-term. The investment portfolio may also contain securities of companies that have a high potential for growth.

The Fund invests in Canadian and foreign securities; up to 30% of the Fund may be invested in foreign securities.

The Portfolio Advisor evaluates each investment as a business. If that business is not run by management whose interests are aligned with shareholders, or if it does not generate a true investment return through cash flow and dividends, it is typically not a candidate for the Fund. The Portfolio Advisor examines each potential investment for success in light of current economic and market conditions, its industry position, its current financial position, its growth potential, earnings estimates and the quality of its management.

## ***Assets of the Fund***

Over time, the assets of the Fund are expected to be, or could be, comprised of the following securities:

### ***Marketable Securities***

The Fund will invest primarily in common shares, preferred shares and debentures in Canadian businesses that are consistent with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies. The Fund may also invest in publicly-traded units of investment trusts, including but not limited to, mutual fund trusts and real estate investment trusts, warrants, share purchase rights, convertible securities and exchange traded funds which track sector or broad market indices. Most of these securities will pay a dividend or other forms of income.

### ***Mutual Funds***

The Fund may execute its investment strategy, in part, by investing in units of Funds also managed by Pender with target percentages to be determined from time to time by the Manager.

### ***Securities Lending***

In order to earn additional income, the Fund engages in securities lending transactions. "*Securities Lending Arrangements*" in Part B of this document for more information.

### ***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

The Fund may hold significant cash and cash equivalents pending investment when the Portfolio Advisor considers it desirable as a result of market conditions.

## **What are the Risks of Investing in the Fund?**

The Fund is subject to the following key risks as described in Part A of this document:

- Business risk
- Class risk
- Concentration risk
- Credit risk
- Cyber security risk
- Foreign market risk
- Fund-on-fund risk
- Interest rate risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Portfolio manager risk
- Regulatory risk
- Securities lending risk
- Style risk

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- Tax loss restriction event risk
- Taxation policy risk

As part of its investment strategy, the Fund may invest in units of Funds also managed by the Manager. During the 12 month period immediately preceding the date of this document, the Fund did not invest in units of Pender Mutual Funds. See the “*Fund on Fund Risk*” section for more information.

## Who should invest in this Fund?

This Fund is suitable for investors who want to maximize the long-term potential growth of their capital.

Investors in this Fund should have a long-term investment time horizon and a medium tolerance for investment risk. This Fund is not suitable for those with a low or high tolerance for risk in their returns or for those who have a short or medium time horizon for their investment.

Because this Fund has less than a 10-year performance history, a reference index that reasonably approximates the standard deviation of the Fund has been used to approximate the returns for the purposes of determining the investment risk level, as described in Investment risk classification and methodology.

Reference Index	Description
S&P/TSX Composite Index	The S&P/Toronto Stock Exchange Composite Index is a capitalization-weighted index designed to measure market activity of stocks listed on the TSX.

## Distribution Policy

The Fund distributes its net investment income and its net realized capital gains annually in December of each year. Distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund at no charge or, upon request, paid out in cash to the Unitholder.

## Fund Expenses Borne Indirectly by Investors

The Management Expense Ratio (MER) is the cost of managing and operating the fund, expressed as a percentage of the net asset value of each class of the Fund. The Fund pays management fees and operating expenses as described under “*Fees and Expenses*” of this simplified prospectus. This means that Unitholders indirectly pay for these expenses through lower returns. Please see “*Fees and Expenses Paid Directly by You*” about items not included in the calculation of the MER.

The table below is intended to help you compare the cumulative cost of investing in this Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. This example assumes that: (i) you invest \$1,000 in units of the Fund for the time periods indicated; (ii) your investment has an annual 5% return; and (iii) the Fund’s MER for the units during the 10-year period is the unit class management fee plus an administration fee of 0.50%. Management fees for Class O units are negotiated between the Unitholder and the Manager and paid outside of the Fund.

Class of Units	MER	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
Class A	2.35%	\$24.68	\$75.92	\$129.78	\$276.86
Class D	1.60%	\$16.80	\$52.09	\$89.77	\$195.46
Class F	1.35%	\$14.18	\$44.07	\$76.14	\$166.93
Class H	2.05%	\$21.53	\$66.43	\$113.93	\$245.04
Class I	1.20%	\$12.60	\$39.23	\$67.89	\$149.47

# Pender Corporate Bond Fund

## Fund Details

Fund type	Corporate Fixed Income Securities
Investment risk level	Class A, Class D, Class F, Class H, Class I and Class O: Low Class A(US\$) and Class F(US\$): Low to Medium
Benchmark	FTSE / TMX Universe Bond Index
Start date	Class A Units: June 1, 2009 Class A (US\$) Units: August 30, 2013 Class D Units: June 30, 2015 Class F Units: June 1, 2009 Class F (US\$) Units: August 30, 2013 Class H Units: June 19, 2012 Class I Units: June 30, 2014 Class O Units: November 24, 2010
Securities offered	Class A Units Class A (US\$) Units Class D Units Class F Units Class F (US\$) Units Class H Units Class I Units Class O Units
Management fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Class A Units: 1.45% Class A (US\$) Units: 1.45% Class D Units: 0.90% Class F Units: 0.65% Class F (US\$) Units: 0.65% Class H Units: 1.15% Class I Units: 0.50% Class O Units: Negotiable
Eligible for Registered Plans?	The Units are eligible investments for Registered Plans
Portfolio advisor	PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., Vancouver B.C.

## What does the Fund invest in?

### *Investment Objectives*

Pender Corporate Bond Fund invests in investment and non-investment grade fixed income securities issued by North American corporations. This, however, does not preclude the Fund from making equity investments when the Portfolio Advisor deems the risk/reward trade off to be in the investors' favour. The Fund's objective is to preserve capital and generate returns through current income and capital appreciation.



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The fundamental investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of the Independent Review Committee and a simple majority of the Unitholders of all classes of Units of the Fund at a meeting called for that purpose.

### ***Investment Strategies***

The Fund employs a value-based fundamental research process. The Portfolio Advisor believes that private and public securities are priced inefficiently and, as a result, the price of any given security only occasionally coincides with its intrinsic value. The Portfolio Advisor attempts to identify and exploit these inaccuracies using internal analyses.

Those businesses whose securities the Portfolio Advisor discovers to be undervalued will be considered as investment candidates. In select situations the Portfolio Advisor may choose to short sell a security if, in the opinion of the Portfolio Advisor, the risk/reward of short selling that security is prudent. Short selling may be used for portfolio insurance, capital structure arbitrage, and/or intra-industry investing.

The Portfolio Advisor develops investment ideas through its own internal research and through its corporate relationships. Additionally, the Portfolio Advisor sources ideas from a variety of other external sources including participants in the investment community and industry publications. The Portfolio Advisor will always assess the impact of economic influences and industry trends on individual businesses.

On evaluating securities, the Portfolio Advisor employs a variety of valuation methodologies such as discounted free cash flow, net asset value, private market value, liquidation value and analysis of credit spreads relative to securities with comparable risk profiles. Consideration will be given to both contractual factors and business fundamental factors. Contractual factors may include seniority of claim, duration, call schedules, covenants and other specific language in loan agreements and bond indentures. Fundamental factors may include evaluating the issuer's competitive position, intangible assets such as brands and distribution networks, balance sheet strength, stability and growth of earnings, quality and depth of management and good corporate governance. The Fund invests in Canadian and foreign securities; up to 100% of the Fund may be invested in foreign securities.

The Portfolio Advisor may, in its discretion, invest the Fund's assets in or use derivative instruments from time to time as a means of hedging currency exposure and risk in the securities and businesses in which the Portfolio Advisor has invested to protect against losses. From time to time, the Portfolio Advisor may use derivative instruments for other purposes; see "*Derivatives*" below for more information.

The Portfolio Advisor believes that concentrating the portfolio in fewer companies affords the best opportunity to achieve its investment objectives of maximizing returns while preserving capital. The level of net exposure in the Fund's portfolio at any given time is a function of the Portfolio Advisor's ability to identify attractive investments.

### ***Assets of the Fund***

Over time, the assets of the Fund are expected to be, or could be, comprised of the following securities:

#### ***Debt Securities***

The Fund invests primarily in North America in investment grade and non-investment grade corporate debt and convertible debt in public companies.

#### ***Marketable Securities***

The Fund may also invest in common shares, preferred shares, publicly-traded units of investment trusts, including but not limited to, mutual fund trusts and real estate investment trusts, stock warrants and rights in businesses that are consistent with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies.

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## **Closed End Funds**

The Fund may also invest in credit-oriented closed end funds that trade on major North American stock exchanges. The Fund will invest not greater than 10% of its net assets (calculated at time of purchase) in closed end funds.

## **Short Selling**

The Fund has set a value limit on short selling of up to 20% of the Fund's net assets. In the event that the Fund engages in short selling, it will do so as a complement to the Fund's current primary discipline of buying securities with the expectation that they will appreciate in market value. For more information on short selling and the limits within which the Fund may engage in short selling, see the section "*Short Selling Risk Management*".

## **Derivatives**

Subject to the restriction described in the section entitled "*Derivatives Trading*", the Portfolio Advisor may, in its discretion, invest the Fund's assets in or use derivative instruments from time to time for hedging and non-hedging purposes. When derivatives are used for hedging purposes, they are used as a means of hedging currency exposure and risk in the securities and businesses in which the Portfolio Advisor has invested to protect against losses.

Where derivatives are used for non-hedging purposes, they are used either to substitute for direct investment or to generate income. The Portfolio Advisor may make use of clearing corporation options, futures contracts, listed warrants, options on futures, over-the-counter options, forward contracts, debt-like securities and listed warrants for hedging, and non-hedging purposes. Investing in and using derivative instruments are subject to certain risks. Further details on these risks are described below in the section entitled "*What are the risks of investing in the Fund?*"

Class A (US\$) and Class F (US\$) units of the Fund hedge against changes in the Canadian currency relative to the US currency and the remaining classes of the Fund hedge against changes in the US currency relative to the Canadian currency. In doing so, the Fund attempts to reduce the impact of fluctuations between the Canadian and US currencies on the Fund's performance. These classes will be substantially hedged using derivative instruments such as foreign currency forward contracts.

## **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Fund may hold significant cash and cash equivalents pending investment when the Portfolio Advisor considers it desirable as a result of market conditions.

## **Other Investments**

The Fund's investments may also include long or short positions in foreign common stocks, trust units, securities of private issuers, asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities, and other securities or financial instruments including those of investment companies. The Fund has set a value limit on asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities of less than 20% of the net assets of the Fund.

## **Securities Lending**

In order to earn additional income, the Fund engages in securities lending transactions. "*Securities Lending Arrangements*" in Part B of this document for more information.

## **What are the Risks of Investing in the Fund?**

The Fund is subject to the following key risks as described in Part A of this document:

- Asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities risk
- Business risk

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- Class risk
- Concentration risk
- Credit risk
- Currency risk
- Cyber security risk
- Derivative risk
- Foreign market risk
- Fixed income risk
- Fund-on-fund risk
- Income trust risk
- Interest rate risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Portfolio manager risk
- Regulatory risk
- Securities lending risk
- Short selling risk
- Style risk
- Tax loss restriction event risk
- Taxation policy risk

## Who Should Invest in this Fund?

This Fund is suitable for investors who want to maximize the long-term growth potential of their capital.

Investors in this Fund should have a long-term investment time horizon and a low to medium tolerance for investment risk. This Fund is not suitable for those with a high tolerance for risk in their returns or for those who have a short or medium time horizon for their investment.

Because this Fund has less than a 10-year performance history, a reference index that reasonably approximates the standard deviation of the Fund has been used to approximate the returns for the purposes of determining the investment risk level, as described in Investment risk classification and methodology. The reference index used is the FTSE TMX Universe Bond Index or, where unavailable, the iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond Index ETF.

Reference Index	Description
FTSE TMX Universe Bond Index	The FTSE TMX Canada Universe and Maple Bond Indexes comprise of a series of benchmarks which are designed to track the performance of the bonds denominated in Canadian Dollars (CAD). The indexes are designed to be a broad measure of the Canadian investment-grade fixed income market, covering government, quasi-government and corporate bonds. They are transparent indexes, and are designed to be replicable with individual security holdings and prices disclosed electronically each day. The index returns are calculated daily, and are weighted by market capitalisation, so that the return on a bond influences the return on the index in proportion to its market value.
iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond Index ETF	iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond Index ETF is an exchange-traded fund incorporated in Canada. The Fund seeks to replicate the performance of the FTSE TMX Canada Universe Bond Index. The Fund invests in investment-grade Government of Canada, provincial, corporate and municipal bonds issued domestically in Canada and denominated in Canadian dollars.

# Pender Corporate Bond Fund

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## Distribution Policy

The Fund distributes its net investment income monthly and its net realized capital gains annually in December of each year. Distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund at no charge or, upon request, paid out in cash to the Unitholder.

## Fund Expenses Borne Indirectly by Investors

The Management Expense Ratio (MER) is the cost of managing and operating the fund, expressed as a percentage of the net asset value of each class of the Fund. The Fund pays management fees and operating expenses as described under “*Fees and Expenses*” of this simplified prospectus. This means that Unitholders indirectly pay for these expenses through lower returns. Please see “*Fees and Expenses Paid Directly by You*” about items not included in the calculation of the MER.

The table below is intended to help you compare the cumulative cost of investing in this Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. This example assumes that: (i) you invest \$1,000 in units of the Fund for the time periods indicated; (ii) your investment has an annual 5% return; and (iii) the Fund’s MER for the units during the 10-year period is the unit class management fee plus an administration fee of 0.50%. Management fees for Class O units are negotiated between the Unitholder and the Manager and paid outside of the Fund.

<b>Class of Units</b>	<b>MER</b>	<b>1 year</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>5 years</b>	<b>10 years</b>
<b>Class A</b>	1.95%	\$20.48	\$63.26	\$108.60	\$234.21
<b>Class A (US\$)</b>	1.95%	\$20.48	\$63.26	\$108.60	\$234.21
<b>Class D</b>	1.40%	\$14.70	\$45.68	\$78.88	\$172.69
<b>Class F</b>	1.15%	\$12.08	\$37.62	\$65.13	\$143.59
<b>Class F (US\$)</b>	1.15%	\$12.08	\$37.62	\$65.13	\$143.59
<b>Class H</b>	1.65%	\$17.33	\$53.69	\$92.47	\$201.08
<b>Class I</b>	1.00%	\$10.50	\$32.76	\$56.81	\$125.77

## Pender North American Small Cap Fund

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### Fund Details

Fund type	North American Equities
Investment risk level	Medium
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Composite Index
Start date	Class A Units: June 25, 2018 Class D Units: June 25, 2018 Class F Units: June 25, 2018 Class H Units: June 25, 2018 Class I Units: June 25, 2018 Class O Units: June 25, 2018
Securities offered	Class A Units Class D Units Class F Units Class H Units Class I Units Class O Units
Management fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Class A Units: 1.90% Class D Units: 1.15% Class F Units: 0.90% Class H Units: 1.60% Class I Units: 0.75% Class O Units: Negotiable
Eligible for Registered Plans?	We anticipate that the Units will be eligible investments for Registered Plans
Portfolio advisor	PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., Vancouver B.C.

### What does the Fund invest in?

#### *Investment Objectives*

Pender North American Small Cap Fund will invest in a concentrated portfolio comprised primarily of well-managed businesses with strong competitive positions, which are overlooked by the market and have the potential for significant capital appreciation. These businesses will be primarily in North America with an emphasis on companies with a small market capitalization. The Fund may also invest in any securities regardless of market capitalization, sector or region, including foreign securities where opportunities warrant. In some situations, the Fund may invest directly in companies, through private placements or public offerings, or may acquire previously issued shares, either through the facilities of a stock exchange, quotation system, or by private arrangement.

The fundamental investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of the Independent Review Committee and a simple majority of the Unitholders of all classes of Units of the Fund at a meeting called for that purpose.

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## ***Investment Strategies***

Pender will examine each potential investment for success in light of current economic and market conditions, its industry position, its current financial position, its growth potential, earnings estimates and the quality of its management. Pender will focus on small cap companies that have potential for growth in over the long term and those whose shares trade at prices reflecting favourable valuations at a discount to their intrinsic value. The Fund will invest in North American and foreign securities; up to 100% of the Fund may be invested in foreign securities.

## ***Assets of the Fund***

Over time, the assets of the Fund are expected to be, or could be, comprised of the following securities:

### ***Marketable Securities***

The Fund will invest primarily in equity and fixed income securities issued by Canadian, US and foreign corporations that are consistent with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies. The Fund may also invest in publicly-traded units of investment trusts, including but not limited to, mutual fund trusts and real estate investment trusts. The Fund may also invest in convertible securities, index participation units, conventional warrants, or rights or special warrants.

### ***Mutual Funds***

The Fund may execute its investment strategy, in part, by investing in units of Funds also managed by Pender with target percentages to be determined from time to time by the Manager.

### ***Derivatives***

Subject to the restriction described in the section entitled "*Derivatives Trading*", Pender may, in its discretion, invest the Fund's assets in or use derivative instruments from time to time for hedging and non-hedging purposes. When derivatives are used for hedging purposes, they are used as a means of hedging currency exposure and risk in the securities and businesses in which Pender has invested to protect against losses.

Where derivatives are used for non-hedging purposes, they are used either to substitute for direct investment or to generate income. Pender may make use of clearing corporation options, futures contracts, listed warrants, options on futures, over-the-counter options, forward contracts, debt-like securities and listed warrants for hedging, and non-hedging purposes. Investing in and using derivative instruments are subject to certain risks. Further details on these risks are described below in the section entitled "*What are the risks of investing in the Fund?*"

### ***Short Selling***

The Fund has set a value limit on short selling of up to 20% of the Fund's net assets. In the event that the Fund engages in short selling, it will do so as a complement to the Fund's current primary discipline of buying securities with the expectation that they will appreciate in market value. For more information on short selling and the limits within which the Fund may engage in short selling, see the section "*Short Selling Risk Management*".

### ***Private Unlisted Investments***

The Fund may purchase interests in private unlisted investments but will limit the amount invested in private unlisted investments to a maximum of up to 10% of the net assets of the Fund.

### ***Risk Arbitrage***

The Fund may engage in risk arbitrage investing for up to 20% of the Fund's net assets. Risk arbitrage investing involves the pursuit of profits from an announced corporate event, such as the sale of a company, a merger, a

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recapitalization, a reorganization, a liquidation or a self-tender. The financial results from this type of investment approach depend more on corporate action than on overall stock market behaviour.

## **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Fund may hold significant cash and cash equivalents pending investment when the Portfolio Advisor considers it desirable as a result of market conditions.

## **Securities Lending**

In order to earn additional income, the Fund engages in securities lending transactions. "Securities Lending Arrangements" in Part B of this document for more information.

## **What are the Risks of Investing in the Fund?**

The Fund is subject to the following key risks as described in Part A of this document:

- Asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities risk
- Business risk
- Class risk
- Concentration risk
- Credit risk
- Derivative risk
- Currency risk
- Cyber security risk
- Fixed income risk
- Foreign market risk
- Fund-on-fund risk
- Income trust risk
- Interest rate risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Portfolio manager risk
- Redemption risk
- Regulatory risk
- Securities lending risk
- Short selling risk
- Style risk
- Small company risk
- Tax loss restriction event risk
- Taxation policy risk
- Private company risk

As part of its investment strategy, the Fund may invest in units of Funds also managed by the Manager. During the 12 month period immediately preceding the date of this document, the Fund did not invest in units of Pender Mutual Funds. See the "Fund-on-Fund Risk" section for more information.

## **Who should invest in this Fund?**

This Fund is suitable for investors who want to maximize the long-term potential growth of their capital.

Investors in this Fund should have a long-term investment time horizon and a medium tolerance for investment risk. This Fund is not suitable for those with a low or high tolerance for risk in their returns or for those who have a short or medium time horizon for their investment.

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Because this Fund has less than a 10-year performance history, a reference index that reasonably approximates the standard deviation of the Fund has been used to approximate the returns for the purposes of determining the investment risk level, as described in Investment risk classification and methodology.

Reference Index	Description
S&P/TSX Composite Index	The S&P/Toronto Stock Exchange Composite Index is a capitalization-weighted index designed to measure market activity of stocks listed on the TSX.

### Distribution Policy

The Fund distributes its net investment income and net realized capital gains annually in December which are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund at no charge or, upon request, paid out in cash to the Unitholder.

### Fund Expenses Borne Indirectly by Investors

The Management Expense Ratio (MER) is the cost of managing and operating the fund, expressed as a percentage of the net asset value of each class of the Fund. The Fund pays management fees and operating expenses as described under "*Fees and Expenses*" of this simplified prospectus. This means that Unitholders indirectly pay for these expenses through lower returns. Please see "*Fees and Expenses Paid Directly by You*" about items not included in the calculation of the MER.

Information regarding expenses of the Fund indirectly borne by investors cannot be provided at this time because the distribution of these classes will not start until June 25, 2018.



## Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund

### Fund Details

Fund type	Small Capitalization Equities
Investment risk level	Medium
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Composite Index
Start date	Class A Units: June 1, 2009 Class B Units: June 25, 2018 Class F Units: June 1, 2009 Class G Units: June 25, 2018 Class I Units: April 30, 2017 Class N Units: April 30, 2017 Class O Units: June 24, 2011
Securities offered	Class A Units Class B Units Class F Units Class G Units Class I Units Class N Units Class O Units
Management fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Class A Units: 2.00% Class B Units: 2.00% Class F Units: 1.00% Class G Units: 1.00% Class I Units: 0.85% Class N Units: 0.50% Class O Units: Negotiable
Performance fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Performance fees apply to Class B and Class G Units. Performance fees equal to 20% of the amount by which Class B and Class G Units outperform the Fund's benchmark, S&P/TSX Composite Index.
Eligible for Registered Plans?	The Units are eligible investments for Registered Plans
Portfolio advisor	PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., Vancouver B.C.

### What does the Fund invest in?

#### *Investment Objectives*

Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund invests in a concentrated portfolio of well-managed businesses, with strong competitive positions, which are overlooked by the market and have the potential for significant capital appreciation. These businesses may be in Canada, the United States or in other foreign jurisdictions with a primary emphasis on companies with a small market capitalization. The Fund may also invest in any securities regardless of market capitalization, sector or region, including foreign equities where opportunities warrant. In some situations, the Fund may invest directly in companies, through private placements or public offerings, or may acquire previously issued shares, either through the facilities of a stock exchange, quotation system, or by private arrangement.

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The fundamental investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of the Independent Review Committee and a simple majority of the Unitholders of all classes of Units of the Fund at a meeting called for that purpose.

## ***Investment Strategies***

Pender will examine each potential investment for success in light of current economic and market conditions, its industry position, its current financial position, its growth potential, earnings estimates and the quality of its management. Pender will focus on small and medium-sized businesses that have the potential for growth over the long term and whose shares trade at prices reflecting favourable valuations at a discount to their intrinsic value. The Fund invests in Canadian and foreign securities; up to 100% of the Fund may be invested in foreign securities.

## ***Assets of the Fund***

Over time, the assets of the Fund are expected to be, or could be, comprised of the following securities:

### ***Marketable Securities***

The Fund will invest primarily in common shares, preferred shares and debentures in businesses that are consistent with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies. The Fund may also invest in publicly-traded units of investment trusts, including but not limited to, mutual fund trusts and real estate investment trusts, convertible securities, index participation units, conventional warrants, or rights or special warrants.

### ***Mutual Funds***

The Fund may execute its investment strategy, in part, by investing in units of Funds also managed by Pender with target percentages to be determined from time to time by the Manager.

### ***Private Unlisted Investments***

The Fund may purchase interests in private unlisted investments but will limit the amount invested in private unlisted investments to a maximum of up to 20% of the net assets of the Fund.

### ***Risk Arbitrage***

The Fund may engage in risk arbitrage investing for up to 10% of the Fund's net assets. Risk arbitrage investing involves the pursuit of profits from an announced corporate event, such as the sale of a company, a merger, a recapitalization, a reorganization, a liquidation or a self-tender. The financial results from this type of investment approach depend more on corporate action than on overall stock market behaviour.

### ***Short Selling***

The Fund has set a value limit on short selling of up to 20% of the Fund's net assets. In the event that the Fund engages in short selling, it will do so as a complement to the Fund's current primary discipline of buying securities with the expectation that they will appreciate in market value. For more information on short selling and the limits within which the Fund may engage in short selling, see the section "*Short Selling Risk Management*".

### ***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

The Fund may hold significant cash and cash equivalents pending investment when the Portfolio Advisor considers it desirable as a result of market conditions.

### ***Securities Lending***

In order to earn additional income, the Fund engages in securities lending transactions. "*Securities Lending Arrangements*" in Part B of this document for more information.

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## What are the Risks of Investing in the Fund?

The Fund is subject to the following key risks as described in Part A of this document:

- Business risk
- Class risk
- Concentration risk
- Credit risk
- Currency risk
- Cyber security risk
- Fixed income risk
- Foreign market risk
- Fund-on-fund risk
- Income trust risk
- Interest rate risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Portfolio manager risk
- Private company risk
- Redemption risk
- Regulatory risk
- Securities lending risk
- Short selling risk
- Small company risk
- Style risk
- Tax loss restriction event risk
- Taxation policy risk

As part of its investment strategy, the Fund may invest in units of Funds also managed by the Manager. During the 12 month period immediately preceding the date of this document, the Fund did not invest in units of Pender Mutual Funds. See the “Fund-on-Fund Risk” section for more information

## Who should invest in this Fund?

This Fund is suitable for investors who want to maximize the long-term potential growth of their capital.

Investors in this Fund should have a long-term investment time horizon and a medium tolerance for investment risk. This Fund is not suitable for those with a low or high tolerance for risk in their returns or for those who have a short or medium time horizon for their investment.

Because this Fund has less than a 10-year performance history, a reference index that reasonably approximates the standard deviation of the Fund has been used to approximate the returns for the purposes of determining the investment risk level, as described in Investment risk classification and methodology.

Reference Index	Description
S&P/TSX Composite Index	The S&P/Toronto Stock Exchange Composite Index is a capitalization-weighted index designed to measure market activity of stocks listed on the TSX.

## Distribution Policy

The Fund distributes its net investment income and net realized capital gains annually in December which are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund at no charge or, upon request, paid out in cash to the Unitholder.

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## Fund Expenses Borne Indirectly by Investors

The Management Expense Ratio (MER) is the cost of managing and operating the fund, expressed as a percentage of the net asset value of each class of the Fund. The Fund pays management fees, performance fees and operating expenses as described under “*Fees and Expenses*” of this simplified prospectus. This means that Unitholders indirectly pay for these expenses through lower returns. Please see “*Fees and Expenses Paid Directly by You*” about items not included in the calculation of the MER.

The table below is intended to help you compare the cumulative cost of investing in this Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. This example assumes that: (i) you invest \$1,000 in units of the Fund for the time periods indicated; (ii) your investment has an annual 5% return; and (iii) the Fund's MER for the units during the 10-year period is the unit class management fee plus an administration fee of 0.50%. Management fees for Class O units are negotiated between the Unitholder and the Manager and paid outside of the Fund.

Information regarding expenses of Class B and Class G units of the Fund indirectly borne by investors cannot be provided at this time because the distribution of these classes will not start until June 25, 2018.

<b>Class of Units</b>	<b>MER</b>	<b>1 year</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>5 years</b>	<b>10 years</b>
<b>Class A Units</b>	2.50%	\$26.25	\$80.64	\$137.63	\$292.41
<b>Class F Units</b>	1.50%	\$15.75	\$48.89	\$84.33	\$184.13
<b>Class I Units</b>	1.35%	\$14.18	\$44.07	\$76.14	\$166.93
<b>Class N Units</b>	1.00%	\$10.50	\$32.76	\$56.81	\$125.77

## Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund

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### Fund Details

Fund type	Strategic Growth and Income Fund
Investment risk level	Medium
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Composite Index
Start date	Class A Units: November 24, 2010 Class D Units: June 30, 2015 Class F Units: November 24, 2010 Class H Units: June 30, 2017 Class I Units: June 30, 2017 Class O Units: December 31, 2015
Securities offered	Class A Units Class D Units Class F Units Class H Units Class I Units Class O Units
Management fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Class A Units: 1.75% Class D Units: 1.00% Class F Units: 0.75% Class H Units: 1.45% Class I Units: 0.60% Class O Units: Negotiable
Eligible for Registered Plans?	The Units are eligible investments for Registered Plans
Portfolio advisor	PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., Vancouver B.C.

### What does the Fund invest in?

#### *Investment Objectives*

The objective of the Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund is to generate long-term growth in value and income by investing in a diversified portfolio of Canadian and foreign equities, corporate bonds, Canadian and foreign government bonds, and exchange traded funds which track sector or broad market indices. It is designed to provide both moderate income and portfolio growth over the long-term, while being sufficiently diversified to mitigate volatility.

The fundamental investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of the Independent Review Committee and a simple majority of the Unitholders of all classes of Units of the Fund at a meeting called for that purpose.

# Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund

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## ***Investment Strategies***

### ***Asset Allocation***

The Manager intends to maintain a targeted allocation of 20% to 80% in Canadian and foreign equities, with the balance being in fixed income and cash. The Fund invests in Canadian and foreign securities; up to 100% of the Fund may be invested in foreign securities. As part of its asset allocation process, the Manager may invest in underlying funds that are aligned with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies. The Manager will rebalance the Fund's investment portfolio on a regular basis in order to maintain its asset allocation targets.

### ***Equity Strategy***

The Fund's equities are selected by the Manager and can include Canadian and foreign equities, preferred shares, income trust units, and index or sector proxies. Potential equity holdings will generally be selected based on several qualitative criteria, such as identifiable secure market niches with significant barriers to entry and high quality management who are focused on creating value for shareholders. The equity component of the Fund's investment portfolio is principally comprised of the securities of mature companies that the Manager believes will be able to sustain and grow cash flow over the long term.

We will examine each potential investment for success in light of current economic and market conditions, its industry position, its current financial position, its growth potential, earnings estimates and the quality of its management. Given the Fund's investment objectives and strategies, the Fund is not expected to have an active portfolio turnover rate.

A portion of the Fund may be invested in units of Funds also managed by the Manager with a focus on companies that have a high potential for growth over the long term and whose shares trade at prices reflecting favourable valuations at a discount to their intrinsic value.

### ***Fixed Income Strategy***

The Manager evaluates each corporate bond holding using a variety of methodologies such as discounted free cash flow, net asset value and private market value. Consideration will be given to both quantitative and qualitative factors including: competitive position, intangible assets such as brands and distribution networks, balance sheet strength, stability and growth of earnings, quality and depth of management and good corporate governance.

When selecting government-issued bonds, the Manager examines economic indicators like growth, inflation and monetary policy to provide a framework for selecting appropriate securities issued in Canada and the United States. The average term to maturity of the government bonds in the portfolio is based primarily on the Manager's outlook for interest rates.

The Manager employs a value-based fundamental research process, believing that private and public securities are priced inefficiently and, as a result, the price of any given security only occasionally coincides with its intrinsic value. The Manager will attempt to identify and exploit these inaccuracies using internal analyses.

The Fund may carry out its fixed income strategy by purchasing units of the Pender Corporate Bond Fund or units of other investment funds.

## ***Assets of the Fund***

Over time, the assets of the Fund are expected to be, or could be, comprised of the following securities:

### ***Marketable Securities***

The Fund invests primarily in common shares, preferred shares, government bonds, corporate bonds, term loans and units of investment funds also managed by the Manager. Furthermore, the Fund may also invest in publicly-traded units of investment trusts, including but not limited to, mutual fund trusts and real estate investment trusts,

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warrants, share purchase rights, convertible securities and exchange traded funds which track sector or broad market indices.

## **Mutual Funds**

The Fund may execute its investment strategy, in part, by investing in units of Funds also managed by Pender with target percentages to be determined from time to time by the Manager. The Fund may also invest in units of other mutual funds to achieve its investment objectives and strategies.

## **Derivatives**

The Fund will not directly invest in derivatives; however, the Fund may gain exposure to derivatives through its investment in Underlying Funds. To the extent permitted by Canadian securities legislation, the Underlying Funds may use derivatives to hedge against losses from movements in stock markets, currency rates or interest rates; gain indirect exposure to individual securities or markets instead of buying them directly; and/or seek to generate additional income.

## **Short Selling**

The Fund will not directly sell short any securities; however, the Fund may gain exposure to short selling through its investment in Underlying Funds. For more information on short selling and the limits within which the Fund may engage in short selling, see "*Short Selling Risk Management*" for more information.

## **Private Unlisted Investments**

The Fund will not directly invest in private unlisted investments; however, the Fund may gain exposure to private unlisted investments through its investment in Underlying Funds.

## **Risk Arbitrage**

The Fund will not directly engage in risk arbitrage; however, the Fund may engage in risk arbitrage through its investment in Underlying Funds.

## **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Fund may hold significant cash and cash equivalents pending investment when the Portfolio Advisor considers it desirable as a result of market conditions.

## **Securities Lending**

In order to earn additional income, the Fund engages in securities lending transactions. "*Securities Lending Arrangements*" in Part B of this document for more information.

## **What are the Risks of Investing in the Fund?**

The Fund is subject to the following key risks as described in Part A of this document:

- Asset-backed and mortgage-backed securities risk
- Business risk
- Class risk
- Concentration risk
- Credit risk
- Currency risk
- Cyber security risk
- Derivative risk
- Fixed income risk
- Foreign market risk

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- Fund-on-fund risk
- Income trust risk
- Interest rate risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Portfolio manager risk
- Private company risk
- Regulatory risk
- Securities lending risk
- Short selling risk
- Small company risk
- Style risk
- Tax loss restriction event risk
- Taxation policy risk

As part of its investment strategy, the Fund invests in units of Funds also managed by the Manager. During the 12 month period immediately preceding the date of this document, up to 33% of the Fund was invested in units of Pender Mutual Funds. See the “*Fund-on-Fund Risk*” section for more information.

### Who should invest in this Fund?

This Fund is suitable for investors who want to maximize the long-term potential growth of their capital.

Investors in this Fund should have a long-term investment time horizon and a medium tolerance for investment risk. This Fund is not suitable for those with a low or high tolerance for risk in their returns or for those who have a short or medium time horizon for their investment.

Because this Fund has less than a 10-year performance history, a reference index that reasonably approximates the standard deviation of the Fund has been used to approximate the returns for the purposes of determining the investment risk level, as described in Investment risk classification and methodology.

Reference Index	Description
S&P/TSX Composite Index	The S&P/Toronto Stock Exchange Composite Index is a capitalization-weighted index designed to measure market activity of stocks listed on the TSX.

### Distribution Policy

The Fund distributes its net investment income quarterly and its net realized capital gains annually in December of each year. Distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund at no charge or, upon request, paid out in cash to the Unitholder.

### Fund Expenses Borne Indirectly by Investors

The Management Expense Ratio (MER) is the cost of managing and operating the fund, expressed as a percentage of the net asset value of each class of the Fund. The Fund pays management fees and operating expenses as described under “Fees and Expenses” of this simplified prospectus. This means that Unitholders indirectly pay for these expenses through lower returns. Please see “*Fees and Expenses Paid Directly by You*” about items not included in the calculation of the MER.

The table below is intended to help you compare the cumulative cost of investing in this Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. This example assumes that: (i) you invest \$1,000 in units of the Fund for the time periods indicated; (ii) your investment has an annual 5% return; and (iii) the Fund's MER for the units during the 10-year period is the unit class management fee plus an administration fee of 0.50%. Management fees for Class O units are negotiated between the Unitholder and the Manager and paid outside of the Fund.



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<b>Class of Units</b>	<b>MER</b>	<b>1 year</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>5 years</b>	<b>10 years</b>
<b>Class A</b>	2.25%	\$23.63	\$72.76	\$124.52	\$266.35
<b>Class D</b>	1.50%	\$15.75	\$48.89	\$84.33	\$184.13
<b>Class F</b>	1.25%	\$13.13	\$40.84	\$70.65	\$155.32
<b>Class H</b>	1.95%	\$20.48	\$63.26	\$108.60	\$234.21
<b>Class I</b>	1.10%	\$11.55	\$36.00	\$62.36	\$137.68

## Pender US All Cap Equity Fund

### Fund Details

Fund type	US Equity Fund
Investment risk level	Class A, Class D, Class F, Class H, Class I and Class O: Medium Class A(US\$) and Class F(US\$): Medium to High
Benchmark	S&P 500 Index
Start date	Class A Units: June 28, 2013 Class A (US\$) Units: August 30, 2013 Class D Units: June 30, 2015 Class F Units: June 28, 2013 Class F (US\$) Units: August 30, 2013 Class H Units: June 30, 2014 Class I Units: June 30, 2014 Class O Units: December 31, 2013
Securities offered	Class A Units Class A (US\$) Units Class D Units Class F Units Class F (US\$) Units Class H Units Class I Units Class O Units
Management fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Class A Units: 1.85% Class A (US\$) Units: 1.85% Class D Units: 1.10% Class F Units: 0.85% Class F (US\$) Units: 0.85% Class H Units: 1.55% Class I Units: 0.70% Class O Units: Negotiable
Benchmark	S&P 500 Index
Eligible for Registered Plans?	The Units are eligible investments for Registered Plans
Portfolio advisor	PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., Vancouver B.C.

### What does the Fund invest in?

#### *Investment Objectives*

The primary objective of the Pender US All Cap Equity Fund is to achieve capital growth over the long-term. The Fund also aims to provide moderate income to its unitholders, while being sufficiently diversified to mitigate volatility. The Fund will invest primarily in US securities but may also invest in Canadian and foreign securities.

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The fundamental investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of the Independent Review Committee and a simple majority of the Unitholders of all classes of Units of the Fund at a meeting called for that purpose.

## ***Investment Strategies***

Pender will examine each potential investment for success in light of current economic and market conditions, its industry position, its current financial position, its growth potential, earnings estimates and the quality of its management. Pender intends to achieve the Fund's investment objective by investing primarily in equity securities traded on the major US stock exchanges. The Fund may also invest in Canadian and foreign securities as well as fixed income securities; up to 100% of the Fund may be invested in foreign securities.

When possible, the Fund will invest in a portfolio of well-managed businesses, with strong competitive positions and have the potential for significant capital appreciation. For this category of investments, the Fund is expected to be a patient, long-term investor, aiming for lower portfolio turnover and higher tax efficiency. However, finding attractively priced securities in this category tends to be rare. As a result, the Fund will be opportunistic and also consider potential securities from the much larger universe of businesses that have more general economic characteristics when those securities trade at a substantial discount to Pender's estimate of the business's fair value. Turnover will be higher for this category of investments. Above all else, when evaluating potential investments the Fund's primary objective is to acquire more value than it is paying for.

## ***Assets of the Fund***

Over time, the assets of the Fund are expected to be, or could be, comprised of the following securities:

### ***Marketable Securities***

The Fund will invest primarily in equity securities traded on the major US stock exchanges that are consistent with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies. The Fund may also invest in publicly-traded units of investment trusts, including but not limited to, mutual fund trusts and real estate investment trusts, warrants, share purchase rights, convertible securities and exchange traded funds which track sector or broad market indices.

### ***Mutual Funds***

The Fund may execute its investment strategy, in part, by investing in units of Funds also managed by Pender with target percentages to be determined from time to time by the Manager.

### ***Risk Arbitrage***

The Fund may engage in risk arbitrage investing for up to 20% of the Fund's net assets. Risk arbitrage investing involves the pursuit of profits from an announced corporate event, such as the sale of a company, a merger, a recapitalization, a reorganization, a liquidation or a self-tender. The financial results from this type of investment approach depend more on corporate action than on overall stock market behaviour.

### ***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

The Fund may hold significant cash and cash equivalents pending investment when the Portfolio Advisor considers it desirable as a result of market conditions.

### ***Securities Lending***

In order to earn additional income, the Fund engages in securities lending transactions. "*Securities Lending Arrangements*" in Part B of this document for more information.

# Pender US All Cap Equity Fund

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## What are the Risks of Investing in the Fund?

The Fund is subject to the following key risks as described in Part A of this document:

- Business risk
- Class risk
- Concentration risk
- Credit risk
- Currency risk
- Cyber security risk
- Fixed income risk
- Foreign market risk
- Fund-on-fund risk
- Income trust risk
- Interest rate risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Portfolio manager risk
- Redemption risk
- Regulatory risk
- Securities lending risk
- Style risk
- Tax loss restriction event risk
- Taxation policy risk

As part of its investment strategy, the Fund may invest in units of Funds also managed by the Manager. During the 12 month period immediately preceding the date of this document, the Fund did not invest in units of Pender Mutual Funds. See the “Fund-on-Fund Risk” section for more information

During the 12-month period immediately preceding the date of this simplified prospectus, more than 10 percent of the net assets of the Fund were invested in common shares of a number of companies.

The following are the names of the issuers and the maximum percentage of the net assets of the Fund that securities of that issuer represented: Baidu, Inc.(10%), Colfax Corporation (11%), Platform Specialty Products Corporation (12%), and TripAdvisor, Inc. (11%).

The risks associated with the Fund’s investment in these companies include Concentration Risk, Liquidity Risk and Redemption Risk. The Manager mitigates these risks by investing in medium to large capitalization companies that typically experience lower price volatility and higher transaction volumes.

## Who should invest in this Fund?

This Fund is suitable for investors who want to maximize the long-term potential growth of their capital.

Investors in this Fund should have a long-term investment time horizon and a medium to high tolerance for investment risk. This Fund is not suitable for those with a low tolerance for risk in their returns or for those who have a short or medium time horizon for their investment.

Because this Fund has less than a 10-year performance history, a reference index that reasonably approximates the standard deviation of the Fund has been used to approximate the returns for the purposes of determining the investment risk level, as described in Investment risk classification and methodology.

## Pender US All Cap Equity Fund

Reference Index	Description
S&P 500 Index	Standard and Poor's 500 Index is a capitalization-weighted index of 500 stocks. The index is designed to measure performance of the broad domestic economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

### Distribution Policy

The Fund distributes its net investment income and its net realized capital gains annually in December of each year. Distributions are automatically reinvested in additional units of the Fund at no charge or, upon request, paid out in cash to the Unitholder.

### Fund Expenses Borne Indirectly by Investors

The Management Expense Ratio (MER) is the cost of managing and operating the fund, expressed as a percentage of the net asset value of each class of the Fund. The Fund pays management fees and operating expenses as described under "*Fees and Expenses*" of this simplified prospectus. This means that Unitholders indirectly pay for these expenses through lower returns. Please see "*Fees and Expenses Paid Directly by You*" about items not included in the calculation of the MER.

The table below is intended to help you compare the cumulative cost of investing in this Fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. This example assumes that: (i) you invest \$1,000 in units of the Fund for the time periods indicated; (ii) your investment has an annual 5% return; and (iii) the Fund's MER for the units during the 10-year period is the unit class management fee plus an administration fee of 0.50%. Management fees for Class O units are negotiated between the Unitholder and the Manager and paid outside of the Fund.

Class of Units	MER	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
Class A	2.35%	\$24.68	\$75.92	\$129.79	\$276.86
Class A (US\$)	2.35%	\$24.68	\$75.92	\$129.79	\$276.86
Class D	1.60%	\$16.80	\$52.09	\$89.77	\$195.46
Class F	1.35%	\$14.18	\$44.07	\$76.14	\$166.93
Class F (US\$)	1.35%	\$14.18	\$44.07	\$76.14	\$166.93
Class H	2.05%	\$21.53	\$66.43	\$113.93	\$245.04
Class I	1.20%	\$12.60	\$39.23	\$67.89	\$149.47

# Pender Value Fund

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## Fund Details

Fund type	Canadian and US Equity Fund
Investment risk level	Medium
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Composite Index
Start date	Class A Units: June 28, 2013 Class D Units: June 30, 2015 Class F Units: June 28, 2013 Class H Units: June 30, 2014 Class I Units: June 30, 2014 Class O Units: December 31, 2013
Securities offered	Class A Units Class D Units Class F Units Class H Units Class I Units Class O Units
Management fee (exclusive of GST/HST)	Class A Units: 1.90% Class D Units: 1.15% Class F Units: 0.90% Class H Units: 1.60% Class I Units: 0.75% Class O Units: Negotiable
Eligible for Registered Plans?	The Units are eligible investments for Registered Plans
Portfolio advisor	PenderFund Capital Management Ltd., Vancouver B.C.

## What does the Fund invest in?

### *Investment Objectives*

The primary objective of the Pender Value Fund is to achieve capital growth over the long-term, while being sufficiently diversified to mitigate volatility. The Fund will invest primarily in Canadian and US securities but may also invest in foreign securities. The Fund will focus on businesses that have the potential for growth over the long term and have securities that trade at favourable prices.

The fundamental investment objective of the Fund may only be changed with the approval of the Independent Review Committee and a simple majority of the Unitholders of all classes of Units of the Fund at a meeting called for that purpose.

### *Investment Strategies*

Pender aims to invest the Fund's net assets in a concentrated portfolio of well-managed businesses, with strong competitive positions that are overlooked by the market and which have the potential for significant capital appreciation. These businesses may be in Canada, the United States or in other foreign jurisdictions. The Fund may also invest in any securities regardless of market capitalization, sector or region, including foreign equities where opportunities warrant. In some situations, the Fund may invest directly in companies, through private

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placements or public offerings, or may acquire previously issued shares, either through the facilities of a stock exchange, quotation system, or by private arrangement.

Pender will examine each potential investment for success in light of current economic and market conditions, its industry position, its current financial position, its growth potential, earnings estimates and the quality of its management. The Fund invests in Canadian and foreign securities; up to 100% of the Fund may be invested in foreign securities.

### ***Assets of the Fund***

Over time, the assets of the Fund are expected to be, or could be, comprised of the following securities:

#### ***Marketable Securities***

The Fund will invest primarily in equity and fixed income securities issued by Canadian, US and foreign corporations that are consistent with the Fund's investment objectives and strategies. The Fund may also invest in publicly-traded units of investment trusts, including but not limited to, mutual fund trusts and real estate investment trusts. The Fund may also invest in convertible securities, index participation units, conventional warrants, or rights or special warrants.

#### ***Mutual Funds***

The Fund may execute its investment strategy, in part, by investing in units of Funds also managed by Pender with target percentages to be determined from time to time by the Manager. The Fund may also invest in units of other mutual funds to achieve its investment objectives and strategies.

#### ***Derivatives***

Subject to the restriction described in the section entitled "*Derivatives Trading*", Pender may, in its discretion, invest the Fund's assets in or use derivative instruments from time to time for hedging and non-hedging purposes. When derivatives are used for hedging purposes, they are used as a means of hedging currency exposure and risk in the securities and businesses in which Pender has invested to protect against losses.

Where derivatives are used for non-hedging purposes, they are used either to substitute for direct investment or to generate income. Pender may make use of clearing corporation options, futures contracts, listed warrants, options on futures, over-the-counter options, forward contracts, debt-like securities and listed warrants for hedging, and non-hedging purposes. Investing in and using derivative instruments are subject to certain risks. Further details on these risks are described below in the section entitled "*What are the risks of investing in the Fund?*"

#### ***Short Selling***

The Fund has set a value limit on short selling of up to 20% of the Fund's net assets. In the event that the Fund engages in short selling, it will do so as a complement to the Fund's current primary discipline of buying securities with the expectation that they will appreciate in market value. For more information on short selling and the limits within which the Fund may engage in short selling, see the section "*Short Selling Risk Management*".

#### ***Private Unlisted Investments***

The Fund may purchase interests in private unlisted investments but will limit the amount invested in private unlisted investments to a maximum of up to 10% of the net assets of the Fund.

#### ***Risk Arbitrage***

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## **What are the Risks of Investing in the Fund?**

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- Business risk
- Class risk
- Concentration risk
- Credit risk
- Derivative risk
- Currency risk
- Cyber security risk
- Fixed income risk
- Foreign market risk
- Fund-on-fund risk
- Income trust risk
- Interest rate risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk
- Portfolio manager risk
- Redemption risk
- Regulatory risk
- Securities lending risk
- Short selling risk
- Style risk
- Small company risk
- Tax loss restriction event risk
- Taxation policy risk
- Private company risk

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Reference Index	Description
S&P/TSX Composite Index	The S&P/Toronto Stock Exchange Composite Index is a capitalization-weighted index designed to measure market activity of stocks listed on the TSX.

### Distribution Policy

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Class D	1.65%	\$17.33	\$53.69	\$92.47	\$201.08
Class F	1.40%	\$14.70	\$45.68	\$78.88	\$172.69
Class H	2.10%	\$22.05	\$68.02	\$116.59	\$250.41
Class I	1.25%	\$13.13	\$40.84	\$70.65	\$155.32



**Pender Canadian Opportunities Fund**

**Pender Corporate Bond Fund**

**Pender North American Small Cap Fund**

**Pender Small Cap Opportunities Fund**

**Pender Strategic Growth and Income Fund**

**Pender US All Cap Equity Fund**

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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information about the Funds is available in the Funds' annual information form, fund facts, management reports of fund performance and financial statements. These documents are incorporated by reference into this simplified prospectus, which means that they form part of this document just as if they were printed as a part of this document.

You can get a copy of these documents, at your request or at no cost, by calling us toll free at **1-866-377-4743** or from your Dealer or by emailing us at **info@penderfund.com**.

These documents and other information about the Funds, such as information circulars and material contracts, are also available on the website of PenderFund Capital Management Ltd. at **www.penderfund.com** or at **www.sedar.com**.