

# VILLERE BALANCED FUND | VILLX

as of December 31, 2023

# VILLERE & C<sup>o</sup>

SELECTIVE INVESTING SINCE 1911

## OBJECTIVE

The Villere Balanced Fund seeks to achieve long-term capital growth consistent with preservation of capital and balanced by current income.

## INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Our investment philosophy is built on our core belief that growth can and should be achieved at a reasonable price. We:

- Manage a high conviction, concentrated equity portfolio of Villere's 20-30 best ideas
- Employ a bottom-up research process to identify mispriced securities and unique opportunities
- Seek long-term relative outperformance through active management and selective investing
- Invest with a bias toward small- and mid-sized companies
- Have a long-term investment time horizon—low turnover
- Use a 20-50% fixed income allocation to balance the risk in the Fund

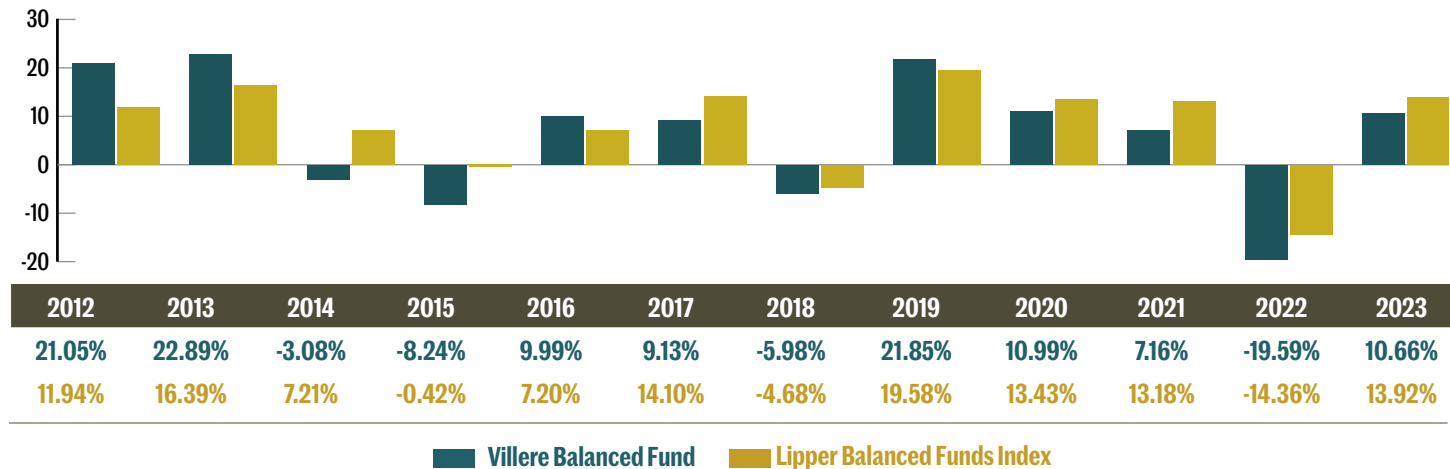
## PERFORMANCE (%)

INCEPTION 09/30/1999

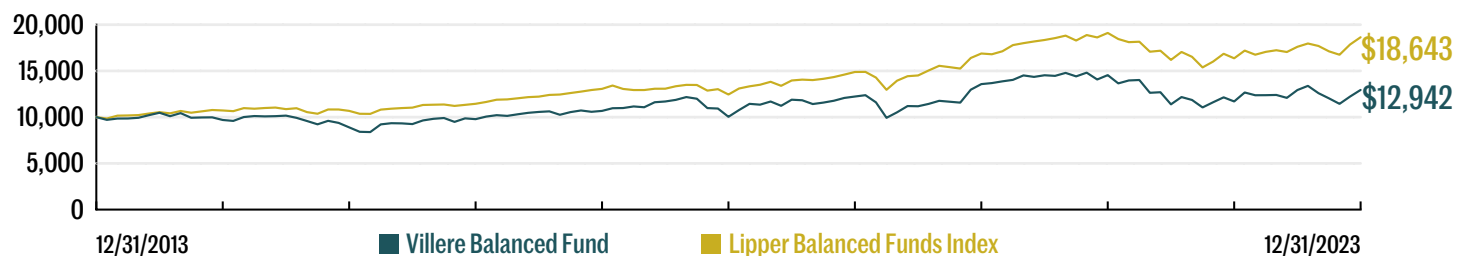
12/31/23	Total Return			Average Annual Total Return					Cumulative	
	Quarter	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	Since Inception	Since Inception	
Villere Balanced Fund	7.56	10.66	10.66	-1.58	5.22	2.61	8.36	6.63	374.79	
Lipper Balanced Funds Index	8.92	13.92	13.92	3.36	8.42	6.43	8.45	5.73	286.24	
S&P 500® Index	11.69	26.29	26.29	10.00	15.69	12.03	13.97	7.57	486.95	
Bloomberg Int. Govt/Credit Bond Index	4.56	5.24	5.24	-1.63	1.59	1.72	2.46	3.74	143.56	

Gross Expense Ratio: 1.04% Net Expense Ratio: 1.00%\*

## CALENDAR YEAR RETURNS



## GROWTH OF \$10,000 INVESTMENT OVER 10 YEARS



This chart illustrates the performance of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment made 10 years ago. Assumes reinvestment of capital gains and dividends, but does not reflect the effect of any applicable sales charges or redemption fees. This chart is not intended to imply any future performance and represents past performance.

Performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Fund performance current to the most recent month-end may be lower or higher than the performance quoted and can be obtained by calling 866.209.1129.

\*Manager has contractually agreed to limit the expense ratio to 0.99% through 12/31/24. Net expense ratio is what the investor would pay.

## FUND CHARACTERISTICS

Total Net Assets	\$129.0M
<b>STOCK PORTFOLIO</b>	
Number of Holdings	36
Wtd. Avg. Market Cap	121.2B
Median Market Cap	20.6B
Price/Earnings (P/E) Ratio	18.8X
Turnover Ratio	17.8%
<b>BOND PORTFOLIO</b>	
Average Duration	3.57Y

## PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION

● Stocks 73.4%  
● Bonds 19.7%  
● Cash 6.9%



All data is as of 12/31/2023.

## SECTOR ALLOCATION

Health Care	22.2%
Financials	20.1%
Consumer Discretionary	16.6%
Industrials	9.6%
Consumer Staples	7.7%
Information Technology	7.0%
Materials	6.0%
Utilities	5.5%
Energy	3.2%
Communication Services	2.1%
Real Estate	0.0%

## TOP 10 EQUITY HOLDINGS

J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.	4.6%
Pool Corp.	4.4%
Palomar Holdings, Inc.	4.0%
Teleflex, Inc.	3.9%
Euronet Worldwide, Inc.	3.8%
On Holding AG	3.2%
Stryker Corp.	3.1%
Monster Beverage Corp.	3.1%
Ligand Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	3.1%
Option Care Health, Inc.	2.7%

## ABOUT VILLERE & COMPANY

Villere & Co. is a registered investment adviser and manages \$1.6 billion in equity and fixed income strategies for high net-worth individuals, multi-generational families, and institutional clients through customized managed accounts and mutual funds. From its headquarters in New Orleans, four generations of the Villere family have continuously served clients since 1911.



## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT TEAM

Pictured from left

### ST. DENIS "SANDY" VILLERE III

Partner & Portfolio Manager

26 years of industry experience

Joined firm in 1999

### LAMAR VILLERE, CFA

Partner & Portfolio Manager

26 years of industry experience

Joined firm in 2013

### ST. DENIS "SANDY" VILLERE II

Partner & Portfolio Manager

64 years of industry experience

Joined firm in 1960

### GEORGE YOUNG

Partner & Portfolio Manager

40 years of industry experience

Joined firm in 1986

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Portfolio allocations, sector allocations, and holdings are subject to changes and are not recommendations to buy or sell any security.

**P/E Ratio** is the weighted average of the price/earnings ratios of the equities held by the Fund. P/E ratio is a company's current stock price divided by its estimated next 12-months' earnings per share. **Market Cap** is the market price of an entire company, calculated by multiplying the number of shares outstanding by the price per share. **Turnover Ratio** is a measure of the fund's trading activity that is computed by taking the lesser of purchases or sales (excluding all securities with maturities of less than one year) and dividing by average monthly assets. **Average Duration** is a commonly used measure of the potential volatility of the price of a debt security, or the aggregate market value of a portfolio of debt securities, prior to maturity. Securities with a longer duration generally have more volatile prices than securities of comparable quality with a shorter duration. **Lipper Balanced Funds Index** is an equity weighted performance index of the largest qualifying funds in the Lipper Category. **S&P 500** is an unmanaged index which is widely regarded as the standard for measuring large-cap U.S. stock market performance. The stock index does not incur expenses and is not available for investment. **Bloomberg US Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index** measures the performance of U.S. Dollar denominated U.S. Treasuries, government-related and investment grade U.S. corporate securities that have a remaining maturity of greater than one year and less than ten years. One cannot invest directly in an index.

**Mutual fund investing involves risk; principal loss is possible. Investments in smaller and medium sized companies involve additional risks such as limited liquidity and greater volatility. Investments in debt securities typically decrease in value when interest rates rise. This risk is usually greater for longer-term debt securities. Investments in lower rated and non-rated securities present a great risk of loss to principal and interest than higher rated securities.**