

# **Strategy Overview**

The Clough Hedged Equity ETF (the "ETF") seeks long-term capital appreciation while minimizing volatility. The ETF also strives to generate positive alpha via both the long and short portfolios over the course of an entire investment cycle.

#### Strategic View

#### Combined with Fundamental Selection

#### Offering Investors A High Conviction Portfolio

- Adviser has over 25 years of experience investing across market cycles
- Investment team averages over 30 years of indutry experience
- Research process seeks to identify attractive risk reward profiles at the security level
- The team applies fundamental research within a risk-
- management framework • The ETF generally invests in 30-50 long positions and
- 10-50 short positions
- The investment team may apply hedging strategies, such as futures and options, to attempt to reduce volatility

# Performance Summary

Trailing Return As Of 03/31/2025					
ETF Performance	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	Since Inception
Net Asset Value (NAV)	-0.04%	-0.04%	14.82%	5.17%	6.59%
Market Price	-0.25%	-0.25%	14.81%	5.16%	6.58%
Index Performance					
World All-Cap Index	-1.75%	-1.75%	2.71%	0.93%	4.69%
World All-Cap/ UST 0-1 Yr 50/50 Index	-0.40%	-0.40%	3.72%	2.67%	3.95%
UST 0-1 Year Index	0.95%	0.95%	4.54%	3.81%	2.61%
Peer Group Performance					
Morningstar Equity Hedged Category Average	-2.02%	-2.02%	5.05%	5.87%	6.58%
Morningstar Rating ™	-	-	-	***	-
ETF Rank Percentile*	-		2%	48%	45%
# of Investments in Category	-	-	157	142	112

#### ETF inception: 11/13/2020

Performance represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Investment returns and the 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. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Current performance as of the most recent month end is available by calling 855-393-0559. NAV returns are based on the ETF's net asset value, which represents the market value of the ETF's underlying investments minus liabilities divided by the ETF's outstanding shares. Market price returns are based upon the midpoint of the bid/ask spread at 4:00pm Eastern Time, when the NAV is normally calculated.

The Bloomberg World All-Cap Equal Weight TR Index ("World All-Cap Index") is an equal weighted equity benchmark that covers 99% market cap of the measured market. The Bloomberg World All-Cap Equal Weight/UST 0-1 Yr 50/50 Index ("World All-Cap/UST 0-1 Yr 50/50 Index") is a blend of 50% of the Bloomberg World All-Cap Equal Weight TR Index and 50% of the Bloomberg US Treasury 0-1 Year Maturity TR Index. The Bloomberg US Treasury 0-1 Year Maturity Index ("UST 0-1 Yr Index") is an index created by Bloomberg which functions as a cash proxy. Performance information for each listed index is for illustrative purposes only and does not represent actual fund performance. Indexes do not charge management fees or brokerage expenses, and no such fees or expenses were deducted from the performance shown. Indexes are unmanaged and an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

As of 12/31/2024, the primary benchmark of the ETF was updated to the World All-Cap Index from the UST 0-1 Yr Index.

Morningstar Category Averages are designed to represent the average return of funds within their category over time. Morningstar creates a category average daily total return index series, as well as monthly, quarterly, and annual averages of return and non-return data. Morningstar Category Averages are equal-weighted category returns. The calculation is simply the average of the returns for all the funds in a given category. \*The rank percentile is based on total return within a given category.

Top 5 Long Positions	
ConocoPhillips	3.29%
Expand Energy Corp	3.25%
Rollins Inc	2.74%
Philips Morris International Inc	2.59%
Estee Lauder Cos Inc	2.54%

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Top 5 Short Positions	
HCA Healthcare Inc	-1.49%
Discover Financial Services	-1.37%
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc	-1.37%
Tanger Inc	-1.36%
Booz Allen Hamilton Holding Corp	-1.35%

The ETF was rated 3 stars against 142 funds in the Equity Hedged Category based on the overall and three-year riskadjusted return ending 03/31/2025. Ratings are determined monthly and subject to change. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3-, 5- and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

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ETF Information	
Ticker	CBLS
CUSIP	210322806
Shares Outstanding	1,540,000
Inception	11/13/2020
Net Assets	\$40.26 million
Benchmark	Bloomberg World All-Cap Equal Weight TR Index
NAV	\$26.14
Premium/Discount to NAV	0.00%
Market Price	\$26.14

ETF Expenses	
Management Fee	1.35%
Other Expenses*	0.54%
Distribution and/or Service (12b-1) Fees	0.00%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses	0.01%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses	1.90%
*Other expenses include broker and interest espenses and are b	orne by the

ETF separately from the management fee.

Portfolio Characteristics*	
Number of Long Positions	38
Number of Short Positions	31
Long Exposure	80.92%
Short Exposure	-35.89%
Gross Exposure	116.81%
Net Exposure	45.02%

\*Calculated as a % of net assets and excludes cash positions.

# Portfolio Manager



Vince Lorusso President & CEO, Portfolio Manager MS, BS, Boston College 27 years of industry experience.

# **Chief Investment Officer**



Chuck Clough Chairman & ClO BS, Boston College, MBA, University of Chicago 58 years of industry experience.

# About the Adviser

Clough Capital is a boutique asset manager specializing in crafting portfolios which seek to provide superior, risk-adjusted returns for our clients.

Our approach to investment management combines rigorous fundamental bottom-up company research, broad, long-term global investment themes and comprehensive risk management. Over our 25-year history of asset management, we have developed deep experience and specialty capabilities across a range of sectors and geographies.



Strategic

View

Identify attractive investment opportunities through

analysis of global investment

industry pricing power and earnings expansion

themes, credit cycles,

Sector Exposure				Market Capita	Market Capitalization Exposure		
	Long	Short	Net		Long	Short	Net
Communications	6.75%	-0.76%	5.99%	Large Cap	67.09%	-16.35%	50.75
Consumer Discretionary	15.84%	-10.38%	5.46%	Mid Cap	9.27%	-12.32%	-3.05%
Consumer Staples	10.11%	-1.02%	9.10%	Small cap	4.55%	-7.23%	-2.68%
Energy	12.52%	0.00%	12.52%				
Financials	7.93%	-3.81%	4.13%	Geographic E	xposure		
Healthcare	2.46%	-5.43%	-2.97%				N
ndustrials	8.49%	-5.12%	3.37%		Long	Short	Net
Materials	3.76%	0.00%	3.76%	North America	54.26%	-34.67%	19.59%
Real Estate	0.00%	-3.90%	-3.90%	Asia	12.57%	0.00%	12.57%
Redi Estate	0.00%			Western Europe	10.68%	-1.22%	9.46%
Technology	11.90%	-5.48%	6.41%	South & Central	3.41%	0.00%	3.41%
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Utilities	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	America			

Holdings subject to change. Calculated as a % of net assets and excludes cash positions. Large Cap includes equities with market capitalization greater than \$10 billion, Mid Cap includes equities with market capitalization between \$2 billion. and \$10 billion, and Small Cap includes equities with market capitalization less than \$2 billion.

	Long	Short	Net
North America	54.26%	-34.67%	19.59%
Asia	12.57%	0.00%	12.57%
Western Europe	10.68%	-1.22%	9.46%
South & Central America	3.41%	0.00%	3.41%

"We believe attractive investment returns can be achieved when key, proprietary insights into industry or economic trends are uncovered through our fundamental research process before the value of the relevant securities has been impacted by such information."

> -Chuck Clough, Jr., CFA Chairman, CIO

Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses of the ETF carefully before investing. This and other information are contained in the ETF's prospectus, which

may be obtained by visiting ww.cloughetfs.com or by calling 855-393-0559. Please read the prospectus carefully before you invest. This fact sheet is provided for informational purposes only and is not an offer to purchase to sell shares of the ETF. The ETF is a NYSE listed ETF and may trade at a price above or below the ETF's NAV.

Fundamental

Security Analysis

Broad investment mandate.

global perspective, identify

potential company-specific

catalysts

The ETF is distributed by Paralel Distributors LLC. Paralel Distributors LLC and Clough Capital Partners L.P. are not affiliated. Risk Factors

Investing involves risk. Principal loss is possible. The equity securities held in the portfolio may experience sudden, unpredictable drops in value or long periods of decline in value. This may occur because of factors that affect securities markets generally or factors affecting specific issuers, industries, or sectors in which the ETF invests.

Short Sales Risk: short selling involves the sale of securities borrowed from a third party. The short seller profits if the borrowed security's price declines. If a shorted security increases in value, a higher price must be paid to buy the stock back to cover the short sale, resulting in a loss. The ETF may incur expenses related to short selling, including compensation, interest or dividends, and transaction costs payable to the security lender, whether the price of the shorted security increases or decreases. The amount the ETF could lose on a short sale is theoretically unlimited. Short selling also involves counterparty risk, the risk associated with the third-party ceasing operations or failing to sell the security back.

Hedging Risk: options used by the ETF to reduce volatility and generate returns may not perform as intended. There can be no assurance that the ETF's option strategy will be effective. It may expose the ETF to losses, e.g., option premiums, to which it would not have otherwise been exposed. Further, the option strategy may not fully protect the ETF against declines in the value of its portfolio securities.

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The Morningstar Equity Hedged Category includes funds whose strategies use a variety of means to protect their equity exposure during times of market weakness. These funds may exchange equity risk for some other risk premium, such as volatility. They may also make opportunistic trades, like employing market-timing moves to exit the market altogether. These funds will typically have beta values to relevant benchmarks of less than 0.6. The ETF was categorized in the Morningstar Category of Equity Hedged by Morningstar. Morningstar assigns categories based on funds' average holdings statistics over the past three years. When necessary, Morningstar may change a category assignment based on recent changes to the portfolio.

For each fund with at least a three-year history, Morningstar calculates a Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup> based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a fund's monthly performance (including the effects of sales charges, loads, and redemption fees), placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of funds in each category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. (Each share class is counted as a fraction of one fund within this scale and rated separately, which may cause slight variations in the distribution percentages.) The Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup> for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five- and ten-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating™ metrics. BOND42