

# Asbury Ultra Conservative Portfolio



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Asbury Research models and portfolios were created by extensive quantitative backtesting of combinations of standard and proprietary indicators that measure a broad scope of data-driven market conditions including, but not limited to, asset flows, market volatility, standard deviation, and relative performance, all based on John Kosar's 40-plus year career in the financial markets

**The Asbury Ultra Conservative Portfolio is a blend of our CPM® Model (Correction Protection Model, 25%), SEAF® Model (Sector ETF Asset Flows, 25%), and cash equivalent short term bond fund (BIL, 50%).**

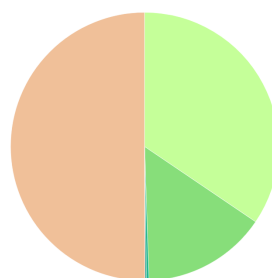
The **Correction Protection Model (CPM)** is a completely data-driven, dynamic stocks/bonds allocation model. It was designed to replace the traditional but outdated static stocks/bonds allocation (60/40, etc.) that completely disregards current market conditions. CPM utilizes six quantitative inputs to determine the daily internal health of the US stock market, objectively determining if investors should be adding or subtracting equity risk from portfolios. When the stock market is internally healthy according to CPM, the model is said to be on a "risk on" status and is fully invested in the SPDR S&P 500 Trust ETF (SPY). When the stock market is internally weak and vulnerable to a decline according to CPM, it is said to be on a "risk off" status and is completely out of SPY and fully invested in a short term US Treasuries ETF (BIL).

The **SEAF Model (SEAF®)** is a completely data-driven sector rotation model. SEAF is an acronym for Sector ETF Asset Flows. The SEAF Model was created to quantitatively identify long/overweight opportunities in US market sectors by "following the money" around the 11 Select Sector SPDR ETFs (which together comprise the S&P 500) in multiple time frames. The SEAF Model is always fully invested in the market, providing investors with a **dynamic alternative to the traditional buy-and-hold portion of a portfolio**.

The **cash equivalent short term bond fund** will generally correspond to the price and yield performance of a short term US Treasury Bill Index (currently BIL).

The **Asbury Ultra Conservative Portfolio** is a strategic blend of a short term credit risk-free US interest rate strategy, a dynamic stocks/bonds allocation model focused on risk aversion (CPM), and an alpha-generating sector rotation strategy (SEAF). Over the past five years, the Portfolio has produced backtested annual returns of approximately 10% or greater but with risk metrics (Standard Deviation, Beta, Maximum Drawdown) two to three times less than the S&P 500.

# Allocation



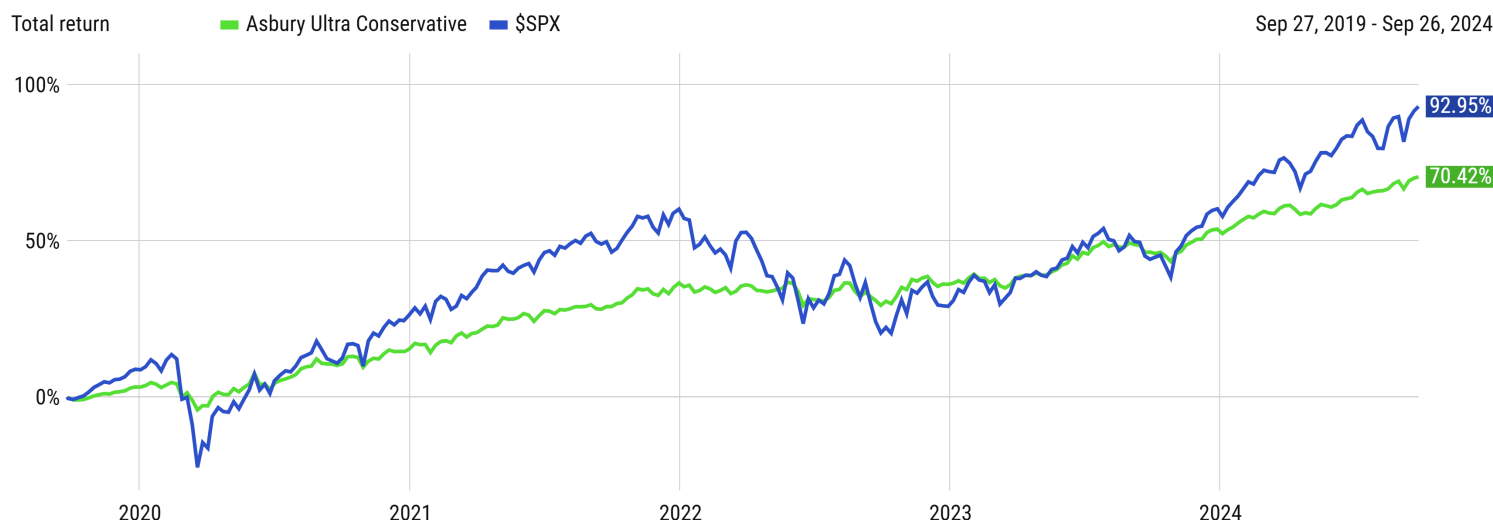
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Weight(%)

◇ US stocks large cap	34.5
◇ US stocks mid cap	15
◆ US stocks small cap	0.3
◆ Non US stocks	0.2
◆ Unclassified stocks	-
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◇ US bonds investment grade	-
◇ US bonds high yield	-
◇ US bonds inflation protected	-
◇ Non US bonds	-
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◇ Alternative	-
◇ Cash & equivalents	50
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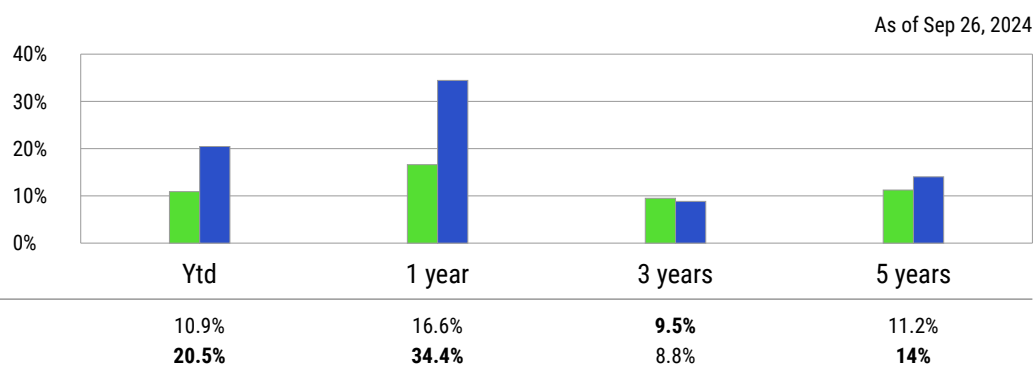
Cash & equivalents comprises money market holdings, and fixed-income securities with maturity of less than 90 days. Alternative comprises commodity, precious metals and alternative funds.

# Performance

## Cumulative returns 5y



## Periodic Returns



Periodic returns for periods longer than one year are annualized.

## Assumptions

	Advisory fee	Rebalancing
Asbury Ultra Conservative	0%	Yearly

## Key Stats

	Current yield	Fund expense ratio
Asbury Ultra Conservative	3.5%	0.11%
\$SPX	-	0%

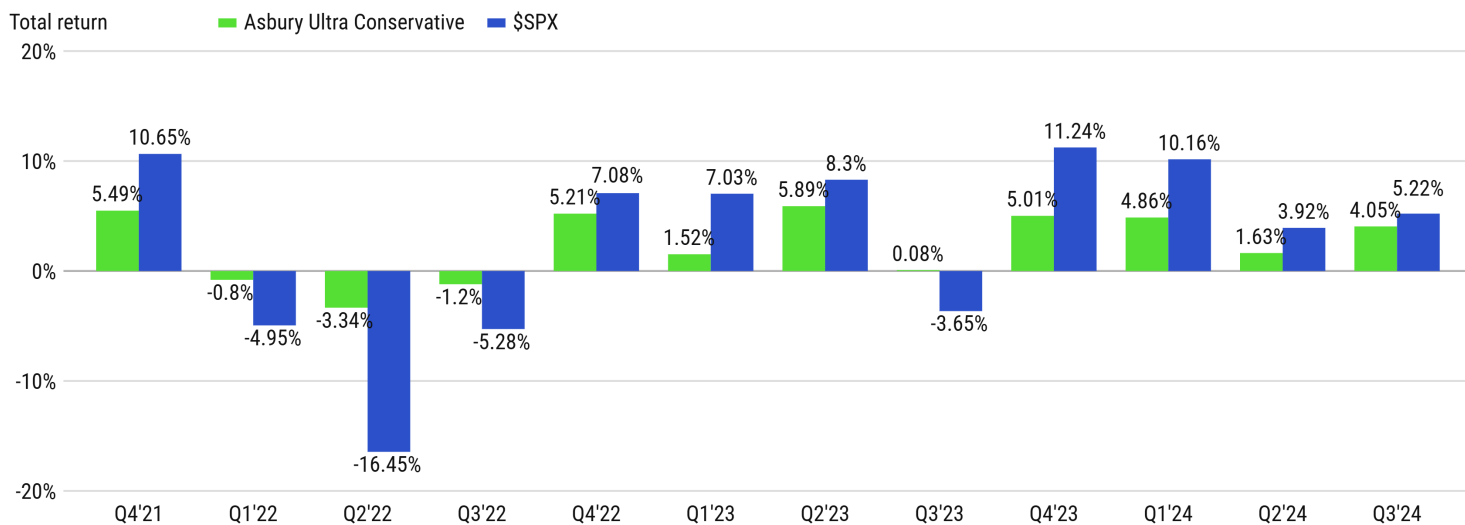
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## Risk metrics

As of Sep 26, 2024

	Ytd	1 year	3 years	5 years
<b>Risk (standard deviation)</b>				
Asbury Ultra Conservative	4.6%	5.7%	7%	6.9%
\$SPX	12.4%	12.4%	17.7%	18.2%
<b>Alpha</b>				
Asbury Ultra Conservative	2.1%	-1.2%	2.7%	3.9%
\$SPX	-1%	-1.1%	-1.6%	-1.6%
<b>Beta</b>				
Asbury Ultra Conservative	0.32	0.44	0.36	0.35
\$SPX	1.00	0.99	1.00	1.00
<b>Sharpe ratio</b>				
Asbury Ultra Conservative	2.29	1.87	0.85	1.26
\$SPX	1.86	2.09	0.42	0.69
<b>Maximum drawdown</b>				
Asbury Ultra Conservative	-1.9%	-2.5%	-5.9%	-9.3%
\$SPX	-8.5%	-8.5%	-25.4%	-33.9%

The benchmark used to calculate alpha, beta is: S&P 500 Index TR

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The use of margin leverage enhances the overall risk of investment gain and loss to the client's investment portfolio. For example, investors are able to control \$2 of a security for \$1. So if the price of a security rises by \$1, the investor earns a 100% return on their investment. Conversely, if the security declines by \$.50, then the investor loses 50% of their investment.

The use of margin leverage entails borrowing, which results in additional interest costs to the investor.

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**INDEXES AND BENCHMARKS**

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S&P 500 Index TR: Measures the performance of 500 widely held, large-capitalization US stocks.

Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index: Measures the U.S. bond market and covers all major types of bonds, including taxable corporate bonds, treasury bonds, and municipal

bonds.

S&P 500 Index Price: Measures the performance of 500 widely held, large-capitalization US stocks.

## DEFINITIONS

Alpha: the excess return of the investment over the benchmark, after adjusting for risk. A positive value implies that the investment has performed better than expected, relatively to its risk. The benchmark used for alpha calculation in this report is the S&P500 Index Total Return.

Beta: the volatility of the investment compared to the volatility of the benchmark. A value lower than 1 indicates that the investment is less volatile than the benchmark. A value greater than 1 indicates a higher volatility. The benchmark used for beta calculation in this report is the S&P500 Index Total Return.

Current yield: the total distributions paid from the portfolio positions over 12 trailing months, divided by the total market price of the portfolio positions.

Fund expense ratio: for investment funds, the expense ratio as reported in the fund's prospectus.

Maximum drawdown: the largest percent retrenchment from an investment's peak value to the investment's valley value for a given period.

Risk (Standard Deviation): a measure of dispersion of returns around their historical average. The higher the standard deviation, the more widely the investment's returns vary over time.

Sharpe ratio: compares the investment return against the risk-free return (US Treasury Bill), after adjusting for risk. The greater the Sharpe ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance.

Yield 12-month: the sum of distributions from the asset(s) over 12 trailing months, divided by the current market price of the asset(s).

Yield SEC: the annualized yield based on the 30-day period ending on the last day of previous month.

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