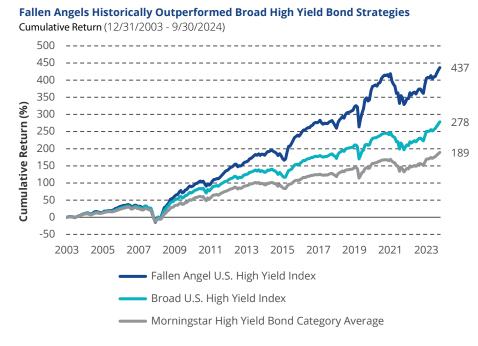
# Higher Quality High Yield



VanEck Fallen Angel High Yield Bond ETF

### Not All High Yield Bonds Are Created Equal

Originally issued as investment grade credit, fallen angels stand apart from original-issue high yield bonds. This has resulted in a higher quality, high yield bond strategy that historically outperformed the broad high yield bond market, including actively managed funds.



Source: ICE and Morningstar. Past performance is no guarantee of future performance. See important disclosures below.

### Potential to Capture Embedded Value

Fallen angel high yield bond outperformance can be attributed to an embedded value proposition that is not common to the original-issue high yield bond market.

Historically, fallen angels:

- Tend to be issued by larger, more established companies
- Have a higher rate of upgrades to investment grade<sup>3</sup>
- Offer a contrarian approach to invest in bonds exposed to heavy selling



#### What Are Fallen Angels?

Fallen angels are high yield bonds that were originally issued with investment grade credit ratings.

## ANGL

VanEck Fallen Angel High Yield Bond Index provides exposure to fallen angel bonds, which historically have had:

- Higher average credit quality<sup>1</sup>
- Outperformance 14 of 20 calendar years<sup>2</sup>
- Higher risk-adjusted returns than the broad high yield bond market<sup>2</sup>

Please see index descriptions and disclosures on the reverse side.

<sup>1</sup> Historically higher average credit quality than the broad high yield bond universe, as represented by ICE US Fallen Angel High Yield 10% Constrained Index and ICE BofA US High Yield Index. ICE BofA composite ratings are simple averages of various rating agencies.

<sup>2</sup> Source: ICE Data. Data as of 9/30/2024. Represented by the ICE US Fallen Angel High Yield 10% Constrained Index for fallen angel high yield corporate bonds and ICE BofA US High Yield Index for broad US High Yield corporate bonds. Outperformed 14 of 20 calendar years. Riskadjusted returns are measured by Sharpe ratio, which is a statistical measure of the excess return of a portfolio over a risk-free rate of return (as found with a U.S. Treasury security) per unit of the portfolio's standard deviation of returns.

<sup>3</sup> Source: ICE Data. Data as of 9/30/2024. Based on average upgrade rate since 12/31/2003.

Fallen Angel U.S. High Yield is represented by the ICE US Fallen Angel High Yield 10% Constrained Index (HOCF) and the Broad U.S. High Yield by ICE BofA High Yield Index (HOA0). Fallen Angel U.S. High Yield index data on and prior to February 28, 2020 reflects that of the ICE BofA US Fallen Angel High Yield Index (HOFA). From February 28, 2020 forward, the Fallen Angel U.S. High Yield index data reflects that of the Fund's underlying index, the ICE US Fallen Angel High Yield 10% Constrained Index (HOCF), and is not intended for third party use.

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Fund Details	ANGL
30-Day SEC Yield (%)	6.25
Gross Expense Ratio (%)*	0.25
Net Expense Ratio (%)*	0.25

\*Expenses are unitary fees. Van Eck Associates Corporation (the "Adviser") will pay all expenses of the Fund, except for the fee payment under the investment management agreement, acquired fund fees and expenses, interest expense, offering costs, trading expenses, taxes and extraordinary expenses.

Total Return (%) as of 9/3	30/2024	ANGL	H0CF**
YTD*	NAV	6.06	6.19
	Share Price	6.54	
1 Yr	NAV	14.95	15.12
	Share Price	15.52	
3 Yr	NAV	1.22	1.48
	Share Price	1.25	
5 Yr	NAV	5.22	5.67
	Share Price	5.18	
10 Yr	NAV	6.19	6.70
	Share Price	6.12	
Since Fund Inception 4/10/12	NAV	6.99	7.79
	Share Price	7.00	

\*Returns less than one year are not annualized.

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Index returns are not Fund returns and do not reflect any management fees or brokerage expenses. Certain indices may take into account withholding taxes. Investors can not invest directly in the Index. Index returns assume that dividends have been reinvested.

DEFINITIONS: ICE US Fallen Angel High Yield 10% Constrained Index (HOCF) is a subset of The ICE BofA US High Yield Index (HOA0), including securities that were rated investment grade at time of issuance. ICE BofA US High Yield Index (HOA0) is comprised of below-investment grade corporate bonds (based on the index providers proprietary composite of various agencies) denominated in U.S. dollars. The country of risk of qualifying issuers must be an FX-G10 member, a Western European nation, or a territory of the U.S. or a Western European nation. Morningstar High-Yield Bond Category is comprised of open-end mutual funds with an investment objective to seek returns via significant exposure to low quality bonds; those that are either unrated or rated by a major agency as BB or lower.

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