

# ALPS | Smith Core Plus Bond ETF

Ticker: SMTH

Fact Sheet as of March 31, 2025

## Performance as of 3/31/2025

Total Returns	1 M	3 M	YTD	1 Y	SI
NAV (Net Asset Value)	-0.04%	2.78%	2.78%	5.51%	7.15%
Market Price	-0.11%	2.65%	2.65%	5.67%	7.37%
Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index <sup>(1)</sup>	0.04%	2.78%	2.78%	4.88%	5.11%

## Calendar Year Performance

Total Returns	2024	YTD
NAV (Net Asset Value)	2.68%	2.78%
Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index	1.25%	2.78%

## Sector Allocations

Sector	Fund	Index
Corporate	33.69%	24.02%
Government	46.39%	48.68%
Securitized	15.96%	26.83%
Preferred Stock	2.31%	0.00%
Municipal	0.00%	0.48%
Cash & Equivalents	1.65%	0.00%

As of 3/31/2025, future holdings are subject to change

**Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance quoted. For current month-end performance call 1-866-759-5679 or visit [www.alpsfunds.com](http://www.alpsfunds.com). Performance includes reinvested distributions and capital gains.**

Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized.

Market Price is based on the midpoint of the bid/ask spread at 4 p.m. ET and does not represent the returns an investor would receive if shares were traded at other times.

<sup>(1)</sup> Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index: a broad-based benchmark that measures the investment grade, US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market. The index includes Treasuries, government-related and corporate securities, fixed-rate agency MBS, ABS and CMBS (agency and non-agency). One may not invest directly in an index.

<sup>(2)</sup> Years to Maturity: the period during which an investor will receive interest payments on the investment. When the bond reaches maturity, the investor is repaid its par, or face, value.

<sup>(3)</sup> Yield to Worst: a measure of the lowest possible yield that can be received on a bond that fully operates within the terms of its contract without defaulting.

<sup>(4)</sup> Yield to Maturity: the percentage rate of return for a bond assuming that the investor holds the asset until its maturity date. It is the sum of all of its remaining coupon payments. A bond's yield to maturity rises or falls depending on its market value and how many payments remain to be made.

## Investment Objective

The Fund seeks above average total return from a combination of current income and capital appreciation.

## Key Features

- **Active management**  
Seeks to outperform the market to deliver risk-adjusted returns and capital preservation.
- **Dynamic portfolio positioning**  
Defensive, neutral, opportunistic positioning for allocation flexibility.
- **Experienced investment team**  
Lends deep fixed income expertise.

## Portfolio Management

### Gibson Smith

Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager  
Veteran Portfolio Manager with 34 years investment experience

### Eric Bernum, CFA

Portfolio Manager  
21 years investment experience

Gibson Smith and Eric Bernum are Registered Representatives of ALPS Distributors, Inc.

## Fund Details

Ticker:	SMTH
Listing Exchange:	NYSE Arca
CUSIP:	00162Q346
Inception Date:	12/5/2023
Net Assets:	\$1.67B
Distributions Paid:	Monthly
Total Operating Expenses:	<b>0.59%</b>
NAV:	\$25.81
Shares Outstanding:	64,900,000
Effective Duration:	6.48 years
Years to Maturity: <sup>(2)</sup>	12.56
Yield to Worst: <sup>(3)</sup>	4.92
Yield to Maturity: <sup>(4)</sup>	4.97

## Role in Portfolio

### Core Portfolio Holding:

- Risk Adjusted Return – Generating returns utilizing bottom up fundamental analysis with a macro overlay. Introduces the potential for lower risk and greater returns than the Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index.
- Seeks capital preservation.
- Risk Diversification – Diversify the risk in your portfolio potentially presenting less volatility and lower correlations to equities.

## Partnership

### SS&C ALPS Advisors

Headquartered in Denver, CO, SS&C ALPS Advisors is an open architecture boutique investment manager offering portfolio building blocks, active insight and an unwavering drive to guide clients to investment outcomes across sustainable income, thematic and alternative growth strategies.

### Smith Capital Investors

Smith's investment-centric team averages 13+ years of experience, including previous rising rate environments. Their results are driven by a process with deep roots in fundamental research, complemented by quantitative validation and use of technology.

## Fund Yields

30-Day SEC Yield <sup>(1)</sup>	30-Day SEC Yield (Unsubsidized) <sup>(2)</sup>	Trailing Twelve Month Yield <sup>(3)</sup>
4.69%	4.69%	4.64%

<sup>(1)</sup> 30-Day SEC Yield: reflects the dividends and interest earned during the period, after the deduction of the Fund's expenses.

<sup>(2)</sup> 30-Day SEC Yield (Unsubsidized): reflects the dividends and interest earned during the period, after the deduction of the Fund's expenses, excluding fee waivers.

<sup>(3)</sup> Trailing Twelve Month Yield: refers to the percentage of income a portfolio has returned to investors over the last 12 months. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

## Credit Quality

Rating	Fund	Index
AAA	—	3.07%
AA	63.40%	68.52%
A	5.48%	11.33%
BBB	24.04%	11.46%
BB	6.07%	0.67%
B	1.02%	—
NR	—	4.95%

Credit Quality is a measure of the credit worthiness and risk of a bond or portfolio, based on the issuer's financial condition. AAA/Aaa is highest and D is lowest. If applicable, the Pre-Refunded/Agency category includes bonds which are secured by US Government Securities and therefore are deemed high-quality investment-grade by the Advisor. If applicable, the Not Rated category includes bonds that are not rated by a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization.

Composite Rating Source: Bloomberg L.P., ratings presented are a blend of a security's Moody's, S&P, Fitch and DBRS ratings. The rating agencies are evenly weighted when calculating the composite. Ratings presented may differ when viewed on an agency-by-agency basis.

## Top 10 Holdings

U.S. Treasury Note 4.125% 10/31/2029	5.20%
U.S. Treasury Bond 4.125% 08/15/2044	4.41%
U.S. Treasury Bond 4.25% 11/15/2034	4.27%
U.S. Treasury Note 3.50% 09/30/2029	3.63%
U.S. Treasury Note 4.25% 01/31/2030	3.25%
U.S. Treasury Bond 4.625% 02/15/2055	3.24%
U.S. Treasury Note 4.125% 11/30/2029	3.19%
U.S. Treasury Bond 4.50% 11/15/2054	2.65%
United States Treasury Inflation Indexed Bonds 2.125% 01/15/2035	2.29%
United States Treasury Bond 3.875% 08/15/2034	2.21%

Source: Bloomberg L.P., as of 3/31/2025, subject to change

## Important Disclosures & Definitions

**An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing. This material must be preceded or accompanied by the prospectus. Read the prospectus carefully before investing.**

Shares of ETFs are bought and sold at market price (not NAV) and are not individually redeemable.

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is no guarantee of future results; current performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted.

All investments are subject to risks, including the loss of money and the possible loss of the entire principal amount invested. Additional information regarding the risks of this investment is available in the prospectus.

A rise in interest rates typically causes bond prices to fall. The longer the duration of the bonds held by a fund, the more sensitive it will likely be to interest rate fluctuations. Duration measures the weighted average term to maturity of a bond's expected cash flows. Duration also represents the approximate percentage change that the price of a bond would experience for a 1% change in yield. For example: the price of a bond with a duration of 5 years would change approximately 5% for a 1% change in yield. The price of a bond with a duration of 10 years would be expected to decline by approximately 10% if its yield was to rise by +1%. Bond yields tend to fluctuate in response to changes in market levels of interest rates. Generally, if interest rates rise, a bond's

yield will also rise in response; the duration of the bond will determine how much the price of the bond will change in response to the change in yield.

The Fund's investments in fixed-income securities and positions in fixed-income derivatives may decline in value because of changes in interest rates. As nominal interest rates rise, the value of fixed-income securities and any long positions in fixed-income derivatives held by the Fund are likely to decrease, whereas the value of its short positions in fixed-income derivatives is likely to increase.

Overall securities market risks may affect the value of individual instruments in which the Fund invests. Factors such as domestic and foreign economic growth and market conditions, interest rate levels, and political events affect the securities and derivatives markets. When the value of the Fund's investments goes down, your investment in the Fund decreases in value and you could lose money.

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