Ticker: SDOG

ALPS Sector Dividend Dogs ETF VALUE, INCOME, DIVERSIFICATION

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SDOG provides the potential opportunity to capture above-market returns and high dividend income in a disciplined, diversified and transparent structure.



alpsfunds.com 1-866-759-5679 Value and dividend strategies tend to have unintentional sector biases, creating issues with diversification.

When choosing a factor-based ETF, investors face a tradeoff between factor exposure and diversification.



For illustrative purposes only.

Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment losses.

We believe investors should not have to choose between dividend yield & diversification. Analysis shows that it is possible to find both value & income in every sector of the market by isolating screens on a sector-by-sector basis.

ALPS Sector Dividend Dogs ETF (SDOG)

- High dividend yield relative to US Large-Cap Dividend Indices
- Alpha potential through deep value screening
- Diversification at the stock & sector levels

Start with a Dividend-Rich Universe

Starting with the SNR 500 means that SDOG draws from the 500 largest US equities with a history of attractive dividend actions.



Exhibit 1: Favorable Dividend Actions

Note: Non-SNR 500 issues consists of US listed common stock shares not in the SNR 500, excluding Real Estate Investment Trusts. Percentages shown indicate the rate of favorable actions for issues within each group. Source: Morningstar, 12/31/2014-12/31/2024

Finding Dividend Yield in All Corners of the Market

Dividend yield is a proven factor to screen for value, and we believe isolating the screen on a sector-by-sector basis helps to identify value and equity income opportunities across all sectors of the market in a high conviction manner.



Exhibit 2: Dividend Yield as a Value Screen Price-to-Earnings Ratios by Dividend Yield Grouping

> Note: Top/Bottom 50 Yielders are the 50 stocks in the SNR 500 Index with the highest/lowest dividend yields as of the given date.

Source: Bloomberg L.P., as of 12/31/2024

Over the past 10 years, the SNR 500's Top 50 Yielders have exhibited, on average, lower price-to-earnings ratios compared to the Bottom 50 Yielders.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Equal Sector Weighting Methodology Enhances Diversification & Increases Opportunities



Equal weight methodology at both the stock and sector levels allows for participation in all market rallies, and also has the potential to lower volatility when larger sectors perform poorly.

Disciplined Rebalancing Reinforces the Integrity of the Portfolio

Rebalancing quarterly and reconstituting annually keeps the fund true to its objectives, allowing the mean reversion story to continue to play out each quarter.



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\$10,000 Hypothetical Investment



The chart above represents the total return historical performance of a hypothetical investment of \$10,000 in the Fund over the life of the Fund. Performance calculations are as of the end of each month. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** This chart does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

Fund Details

Ticker:	SDOG
Underlying Index:	SDOGX
Listing Exchange:	NYSE Arca
CUSIP:	00162Q858
Inception Date:	6/29/2012
Distributions Paid:	Quarterly
Most Recent Distribution*:	\$0.5484
Total Operating Expenses:	0.36%
NAV:	\$58.10
Trailing Twelve Month Yield^:	3.74%
30-Day SEC Yield^^:	3.87%
30-Day SEC Yield (Unsubsidized):	3.87%

- Distribution paid on 3/25/2025
 Trailing Twelve Month Yield: refers to the percentage of income a portfolio has returned to investors over the last 12 months.
- ** 30-Day SEC Yield: reflects the dividends and interest earned during the period, after the deduction of the Fund's expenses.

Investment Objective

The Fund seeks investment results that replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the performance of the S-Network Sector Dividend Dogs Index (SDOGX).

Performance as of 3/31/2025

	Cumulative				Annualized					
Total Returns	1 M	3 M	YTD	SI ¹	1 Y	3 Y	5 Y	10 Y	SI ¹	
NAV (Net Asset Value)	-1.29%	3.74%	3.74%	277.20%	11.89%	6.08%	17.77%	8.65%	10.97%	
Market Price	-1.27%	3.72%	3.72%	277.26%	11.93%	6.05%	17.76%	8.65%	10.97%	
S-Network Sector Dividend Dogs Index - TR	-1.26%	3.84%	3.84%	298.25%	12.36%	6.41%	18.21%	9.10%	11.44%	
S&P 500 Index - TR	-5.63%	-4.27%	-4.27%	422.90%	8.25%	9.06%	18.59%	12.50%	13.85%	

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. Performance includes reinvested distributions and capital gains.

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.

Fund inception date: 6/29/2012

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.

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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.

The Fund is subject to the additional risks associated with concentrating its investments in companies in the market sector.

Diversification does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment losses.

The Fund employs a "passive management" - or indexing - investment approach and seeks investment results that correspond (before fees and expenses) generally to the performance of its underlying index. Unlike many investment companies, the Fund is not "actively" managed. Therefore, it would not necessarily sell or buy a security unless that security is removed from or added to the underlying index, respectively.

Alpha: a measure of performance on a risk-adjusted basis; often considered the active return on an investment, the ratio gauges the performance of an investment against a market index used as a benchmark.

Dividend Yield: a financial ratio that shows how much a company pays out in dividends each year relative to its share price.

Dogs of the Dow Theory: an investment strategy which proposes that an investor annually select for investment the ten Dow Jones Industrial Average stocks whose dividend is the highest fraction of their price.

Price/Earnings (P/E) Ratio: a valuation ratio of a company's current share price compared to its per-share earnings.

S-Network Sector Dividend Dogs Index (SDOGX): a rules-based index intended to give investors a means of tracking the overall performance of the highest dividend paying stocks in the S-Network US Equity WR Large-Cap 500 Index (SNR 500) on a sector-by-sector basis. The SNR 500 includes the 500 largest US stocks by market capitalization.

S&P 500 Index: widely regarded as the best single gauge of large-cap US equities. The index includes 500 leading companies and covers approximately 80% of available market capitalization.

One may not invest directly in an index.

ALPS Advisors, Inc., registered investment adviser with the SEC, is the investment adviser to the Fund. ALPS Advisors, Inc. is affiliated with ALPS Portfolio Solutions Distributor, Inc.

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