Putnam Sustainable Leaders Fund

Investing in growing companies committed to sustainable practices

Committed companies
The fund invests in growth companies with the goal of delivering positive financial and ESG performance.

Active strategy
The managers utilize a bottom-up research approach to identify companies with attractive sustainability, fundamental, and valuation characteristics.

Veteran team
A dedicated sustainable investing team is backed by Putnam's equity research and quantitative/risk analysis groups.

Fundamental investment research determines top holdings and sector weightings

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<th>Top ten holdings</th>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>Fund</th>
<th>Russell 3000 Growth Index</th>
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<td>Microsoft</td>
<td>Information technology</td>
<td>33.5%</td>
<td>32.0%</td>
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<td>Visa</td>
<td>Consumer discretionary</td>
<td>15.0</td>
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<td>Alphabet</td>
<td>Health care</td>
<td>12.5</td>
<td>14.2</td>
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<td>Amazon</td>
<td>Materials</td>
<td>7.7</td>
<td>1.9</td>
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<td>Adobe</td>
<td>Financials</td>
<td>7.6</td>
<td>4.5</td>
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<td>Danaher</td>
<td>Consumer staples</td>
<td>7.2</td>
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<td>Unilever</td>
<td>Industrials</td>
<td>6.8</td>
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<td>Apple</td>
<td>Communication services</td>
<td>4.2</td>
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<td>Novozymes</td>
<td>Utilities</td>
<td>1.8</td>
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<td>BD Medical</td>
<td>Energy</td>
<td>0.0</td>
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<td>Real estate</td>
<td>0.0</td>
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Holdings represent 36.72% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

Growth of a $10,000 investment
The fund has returned an average of 11.9% annually since inception.

Current performance may be lower or higher than the quoted past performance, which cannot guarantee future results. Share price, principal value, and return will vary, and you may have a gain or a loss when you sell your shares. Performance of class Y shares assumes reinvestment of distributions and does not account for taxes. Class Y shares, available to investors through an asset-based fee program or for institutional clients, are sold without an initial sales charge and have no CDSC. Performance for class Y shares before their inception are derived from the historical performance of class A shares (inception 8/31/90), which have not been adjusted for the lower expenses; had they, returns would have been higher. For the most recent month-end performance, please visit putnam.com.
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**Annual performance at net asset value (all distributions reinvested)**

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<td><strong>Y shares</strong></td>
<td>19.6%</td>
<td>-4.8%</td>
<td>17.0%</td>
<td>36.6%</td>
<td>13.6%</td>
<td>-0.2%</td>
<td>7.9%</td>
<td>29.4%</td>
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<td>17.6</td>
<td>2.2</td>
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<td>34.2</td>
<td>12.4</td>
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**Annualized total return performance**

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<td>1 year</td>
<td>12.76%</td>
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<td>3 years</td>
<td>18.31%</td>
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<td>5 years</td>
<td>12.55%</td>
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<td>10 years</td>
<td>16.64%</td>
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<td>Life of fund</td>
<td>11.93%</td>
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Because the dollar amount of the monthly performance fee adjustment is based on the fund’s average assets during the rolling performance period, the amount of any dollar adjustment as a percentage of a fund’s current assets could exceed the “maximum annualized performance adjustment rates.” Performance fee adjustments will not commence until a fund has been operating under a shareholder-approved management contract with a performance fee adjustment for at least 12 months.

**Earnings per share (EPS)** is found by taking the net income and dividing it by the basic or diluted number of shares outstanding, as reported. You can also take “expected” earnings for the current year or for future years to calculate other P/E ratios. The price-earnings ratio of a firm’s common stock is calculated as the current stock price divided by projected earnings per share for the coming year. The projections used are based on long-term studies provided by IBES. Beta is defined as a fund’s sensitivity to market movements and is used to evaluate market-related, systematic risk. It is a historical measure of the variability of return earned by an investment portfolio. Risk statistics are measured using a 5-year regression analysis. For funds with shorter track records, since Inception analysis is used. Because the dollar amount of the monthly performance fee adjustment is based on the fund’s average assets during the rolling performance period, the amount of any dollar adjustment as a percentage of a fund’s current assets could exceed the “maximum annualized performance adjustment rates.” Performance fee adjustments will not commence until a fund has been operating under a shareholder-approved management contract with a performance fee adjustment for at least 12 months.

Not all share classes are available on all platforms.

Consider these risks before investing: Stock values may fall or fail to rise over time for several reasons, including general financial market conditions, changing market perceptions, changes in government intervention in the financial markets, and factors related to a specific issuer, industry or sector. These and other factors may lead to increased volatility and reduced liquidity in the fund’s portfolio holdings. Growth stocks may be more susceptible to earnings disappointments, and the market may not favor growth-style investing. Investments in small and/or midsize companies increase the risk of greater price fluctuations. International investing involves currency, economic, and political risks. Emerging-market securities have illiquidity and volatility risks. The fund’s investment strategy of investing in companies that exhibit a commitment to sustainable business practices may result in the fund investing in securities or industry sectors that underperform the market as a whole or underperform other funds that do not invest with a sustainable focus. From time to time, the fund may invest a significant portion of its assets in companies in one or more related industries or sectors, which would make the fund more vulnerable to adverse developments affecting those industries or sectors. In evaluating an investment opportunity, we may make investment decisions based on information and data that is incomplete or inaccurate. Due to changes in the products or services of the companies in which the fund invests, the fund may temporarily hold securities that are inconsistent with its sustainable investment criteria. You can lose money by investing in the fund.

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