



The fund received a 4-star Overall Morningstar Rating as of 12/31/18 among 363 funds in the Mid-Cap Value category (Y shares, based on risk-adjusted returns)



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Objective

The fund seeks long-term capital appreciation.

Morningstar category

Mid-Cap Value

Lipper category

Multi-Cap Growth

Fund symbols

Class A	PMVAX
Class B	PMVBX
Class C	PMPCX
Class M	PMCVX
Class R	PMVRX
Class R6	PNOTX
Class Y	PMVYX

Number of holdings

55

Net assets

\$336.43M

Dividend frequency

Annually

**Not FDIC insured
May lose value
No bank guarantee**

Putnam Sustainable Future Fund

Investing in growing companies solving sustainability challenges

Impact companies

The fund invests in growth companies that directly demonstrate positive impact in social, environmental, or economic development.

Active strategy

The managers utilize bottom-up research 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

Top ten holdings		Sector		● Fund	● Russell Midcap Growth Index
Salesforce.com	4.42%	Information technology	22.8%	31.6%	
BD Medical	4.39	Health care	20.6	14.7	
Unilever	3.80	Financials	13.3	6.6	
McCormick	3.68	Consumer discretionary	10.2	16.4	
Danaher	3.67	Consumer staples	8.7	3.4	
Everbridge	3.59	Materials	7.9	3.6	
Chipotle Mexican Grill	3.43	Industrials	7.3	15.9	
Novozymes	3.35	Communication services	4.2	4.0	
Adobe	3.27	Utilities	1.7	0.0	
Alphabet	3.11	Real estate	0.0	2.3	
		Energy	0.0	1.5	

Holdings represent 36.71% of the portfolio and will vary over time.

Cash and net other assets represent 3.3% of the portfolio.

Growth of a \$10,000 investment

The fund has returned an average of 9.1% annually since inception. Plotted on a logarithmic scale so that comparable percentage changes appear similar.



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Total expense ratio(Y shares)
0.82%**Market-cap breakdown**

Over \$95B	17.48%
\$22B-\$95B	25.96%
\$4.7B-\$22B	35.63%
\$1.5B-\$4.7B	13.94%
Less than \$1.5B	3.67%
Cash and other assets	3.31%

“Cash and other assets” includes cash, short-term securities, ETFs, bonds excluding convertible bonds, and other securities not able to be classified by market capitalization.

Beta

0.88

Price to earnings

21.21

Projected 5-yr EPS growth

12.77

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 street consensus estimates provided by IBES. **Beta** is defined as a fund’s sensitivity to market movements and is used to evaluate market related, or 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.

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Annual performance at net asset value (all distributions reinvested)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Y shares	39.6%	24.8%	-4.6%	16.4%	42.2%	11.0%	-4.1%	13.3%	11.0%	-6.8%
Russell Midcap Growth Index	46.3	26.4	-1.7	15.8	35.7	11.9	-0.2	7.3	25.3	-4.8
Russell 3000 Value - Russell Midcap Growth Linked Benchmark	19.8	16.2	-0.1	17.6	32.7	12.7	-4.1	18.4	13.2	-10.4

Annualized total return performance

Inception 4/2/02	Class Y shares	Russell Midcap Growth Index	Russell 3000 Value - Russell Midcap Growth Linked Benchmark
1 year	-6.78%	-4.75%	-10.41%
3 years	5.42	8.59	6.29
5 years	4.52	7.42	5.34
10 years	13.12	15.12	10.90
Life of fund	9.14	6.65	6.11

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Highlights of five-year performance periods (11/1/99-12/31/18)*

Best 5-year return	Best period end date	Worst 5-year return	Worst period end date	Average 5-year return	% of 5-year periods with positive returns	Number of positive 5-year periods	Number of negative 5-year periods
26.06%	3/31/14	-5.20%	3/31/09	9.58%	89%	51	6

*Based on annualized returns for quarterly rolling periods.

The Russell Midcap Growth Index is an unmanaged index of those companies in the Russell Midcap Index chosen for their growth orientation. The Russell 3000 Value - Russell Midcap Growth Linked Benchmark represents performance of the Russell 3000 Value Index through March 20, 2018 and performance of the Russell Midcap Growth Index thereafter. Frank Russell Company is the source and owner of the trademarks, service marks, and copyrights related to the Russell Indexes. Russell® is a trademark of Frank Russell Company. You cannot invest directly in an index.

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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. The fund’s sustainable investment strategy limits the types and number of investment opportunities available to the fund and, as a result, the fund may underperform other funds that do not have a sustainable focus. The fund’s environmental, social, and/or corporate governance (ESG) investment strategy may result in the fund investing in securities or industry sectors that underperform the market as a whole or underperform other funds screened for ESG standards. You can lose money by investing in the fund.

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