Investing for consistency through durable growth themes

The managers of Putnam Large Cap Growth Fund combine a thematic approach with deep fundamental research to identify companies with durable growth prospects. This approach has earned the fund a 4-star Morningstar rating and consistent outperformance within its peer group.

Consistent outperformance versus peers
The fund has ranked in the top quartile of its peer group for every rolling 5-year period since 2021, based on month-end Morningstar percentiles.

Durable growth stocks
The fund’s managers seek businesses with the ability to grow at above-market rates and to sustain that growth in a variety of economic environments.

Theme-based fundamental research
The team analyzes global trends to identify themes that could drive sustained, multiyear growth for businesses.

The fund has consistently ranked in the top quartile of its peer group
Morningstar percentile rankings for rolling 5-year month-end periods

Source: Morningstar.
Growth themes that could drive sustained growth over a multiyear horizon

These are the themes as of 9/30/23. Themes will change over time.

We seek businesses that could become disruptors in their industries with innovative products and services, and significant growth potential.

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Total expense ratio: 0.67%
Data as of 9/30/23.

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Consider these risks before investing: Growth stocks may be more susceptible to earnings disappointments, and the market may not favor growth-style investing. The value of investments in the fund’s portfolio may fall or fail to rise over extended periods of time for a variety of reasons, including general economic, political, or financial market conditions; investor sentiment and market perceptions; government actions; geopolitical events or changes; and factors related to a specific issuer, geography, industry, or sector. These and other factors may lead to increased volatility and reduced liquidity in the fund’s portfolio holdings.

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. The fund may invest a significant portion of its assets in companies in the information technology sector. The information technology sector may be significantly affected by technological obsolescence or innovation, short product cycles, falling prices and profits, competitive pressures, and general market conditions. The fund is considered non-diversified and can invest a greater portion of its assets in securities of individual issuers than can a diversified fund. As a result, changes in the market value of a single investment could cause greater fluctuations in share price than would occur in a more diversified fund.

Our investment techniques, analyses, and judgments may not produce the outcome we intend. The investments we select for the fund may not perform as well as other securities that we do not select for the fund. We, or the fund’s other service providers, may experience disruptions or operating errors that could have a negative effect on the fund. You can lose money by investing in the fund.

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