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iShares Buffer ETFs

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Buffers can help you stay invested in volatile markets

Buffer strategies use options to participate in the markets up to a cap, while seeking to provide a targeted level of downside protection. Consider buffer strategies for potential:

Market participation up to a cap



Seek to offer upside participation in the market, up to a pre-determined cap

Downside protection in buffer range



Seek to mitigate drawdowns and dampen volatility within a downside buffer range

Clearer outcomes



Seek clearer outcomes over a known period to stay invested in volatile markets

iShares ETFs provide efficient access to buffer strategies

iShares offers two buffer ETFs that seek to provide different quarterly downside buffer ranges on large cap equities.

iShares Large Cap Moderate Buffer ETF

IVVM
0.50%

Reference Asset: iShares Core S&P 500 ETF
Approximate Buffer Range: 0% to -5%
Hedge period: Quarterly
Starting cap: Approximately 4.58%*, resets each quarter based on market conditions

iShares Large Cap Deep Buffer ETF

IVVB
0.50%

Reference Asset: iShares Core S&P 500 ETF
Approximate Buffer Range: -5% to -20%
Hedge period: Quarterly
Starting cap: Approximately 6.66%*, resets each quarter based on market conditions

*Starting Caps are as of 4/1/2024, source: BlackRock. Expense ratios shown below the fund tickers.

Our buy-and-hold design can help you pursue your long-term goals

Whether aiming to guard against drawdowns, achieve retirement goals, or get more efficient with alternatives exposure, buffer ETFs can help over the long term.

Example Portfolio Use Cases:

Moderate Portfolio

Buffer ETFs can be used in a portfolio of core equities to help mitigate painful drawdowns and maintain some upside potential

Conservative Portfolio

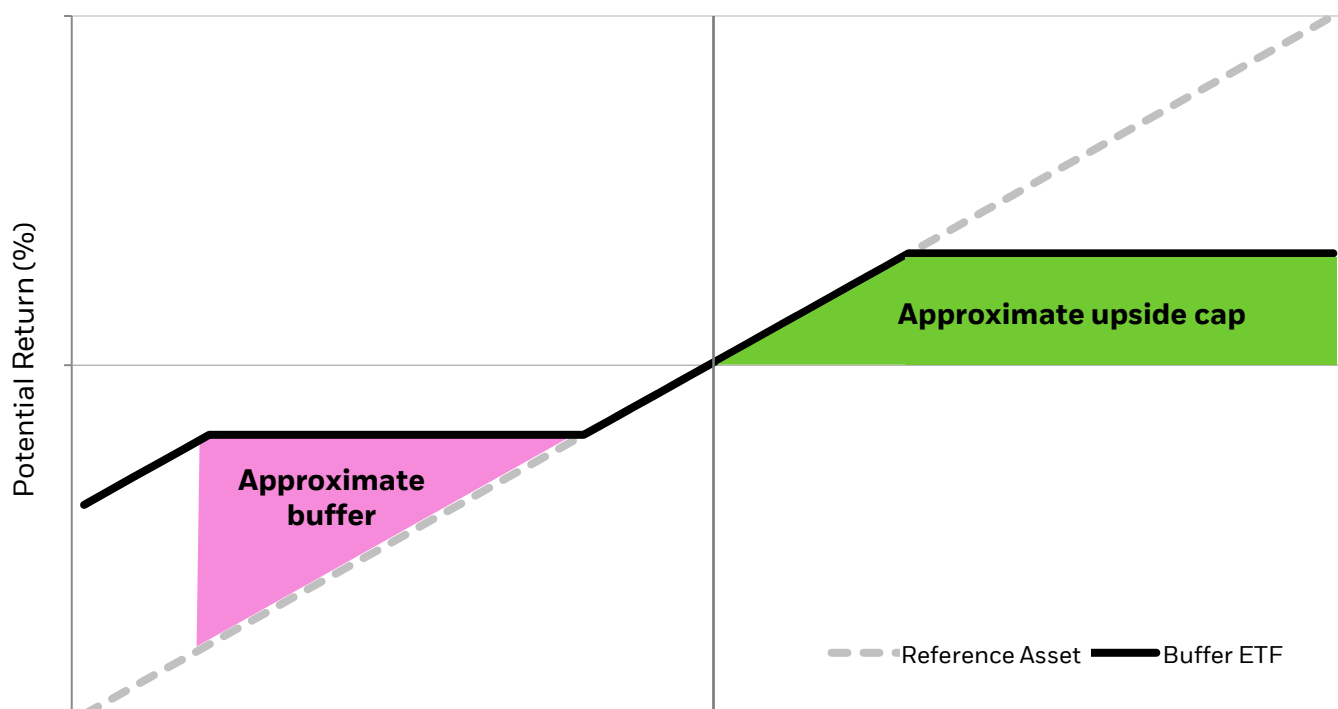
Buffer ETFs can be used in place of a portion of fixed income exposures to pursue more growth in a long retirement.

Portfolio with Alts

Consider for an alternatives portfolio to better manage liquidity, transparency and fees

Understanding the strategy

Each hedge period, active portfolio managers implement a series of options positions to target pre-determined downside buffer ranges, which is funded by forfeiting some upside potential.



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Approximate buffer	Approximate upside cap	Reference asset	Hedge period
The downside protection the funds seek to provide on losses in the underlying reference asset	The approximate upside limit on the price return of the underlying reference asset	The funds reference the price return of the iShares Core S&P 500 ETF (Ticker: IVV)	Each hedge period lasts approximately three months before transitioning to the next

Key considerations

Outcome-oriented: These strategies target downside buffer ranges rather than defined point-to-point returns - how options are rolled quarterly may impact exact downside buffer ranges

Capped upside: Buffer ETFs aim to mitigate downside losses, but they may limit potential upside beyond a cap. Caps may vary based on market conditions.

Path dependent: Depending on when an investor enters or exits their position in a buffer ETF, returns and buffer ranges may vary. As such, these products may be best suited as buy and hold investments. Each fund's product page on iShares.com will provide daily metrics such as remaining cap, remaining buffer, and other details to help investors make informed decisions regarding entry and/or exit.

Taxation: While the buffer ETFs seek to utilize tax management techniques where possible, these products are not expected to consistently achieve tax efficient outcomes and may result in capital gains distributions.

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