# Engineered for Income with **Built-in Risk Protection**





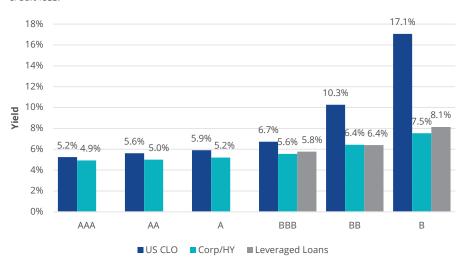




Actively managed ETFs, sub-advised by PineBridge Investments, seeking capital preservation and current income.

### Yield Pickup vs Corporate Bonds and Loans (as of 12/31/2024)

Higher yields versus similarly rated corporate bonds and loans with built-in protection against credit loss.



#### What is a CLO?

- Securitized pool of senior secured loans
- Multiple tranches of debt with different ratings and varying levels of subordination
- Cashflows paid sequentially starting with senior most tranches, while losses absorbed by junior most tranches first

# **PineBridge Investment Process**

Manager meetings

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to discuss style,

#### Re-Underwrite **CLO Manager** Risk Portfolio **Due Diligence** Monitoring Review outstanding Map CLO portfolio Ensure appropriate fit within portfolios **CLOs** to proprietary Credit Analysis Due diligence Diverification by Platform on team, vintage Collateral analysis: compensation, Ratings platform and Cashflow stress optimization within process testing and the capital stack downgrade/loss risk

 Discuss findings in sector and credit and secondary views Credit Committee. markets to Tier managers maximize risk/ accordingly return

minimization

- · Monitor early warnings of deteriorating credits with CLOspecific metrics
- Engage with the inhouse Bank Loan team to shape top-down views.

## PineBridge: Active, High Conviction **Investing**

With decades of investment experience and a history of managing money for sophisticated investors, PineBridge has USD 157 billion assets under management with more than 700 employees in 24 office locations in the world.

PineBridge has 20+ years of CLO market experience with a dedicated CLO tranche investment team supported by 15 credit analysts and a globally integrated team of leveraged loans, high yield and CLO investment professionals.

Source: JP Morgan, ICE Data Services and S&P as of 12/31/2024. US CLO refers to the rating versions of the J.P. Morgan Collateralized Loan Obligation Index (CLOIE), Corp/HY refers to the rating versions of ICE BofA US Corporate Index and ICE BofA US High Yield Index, and Leveraged Loans refers to J.P. Morgan Leveraged Loan Index. Leveraged loan yield represents yield modelled to a 3-year maturity. US CLO Yield to Worst represents yield to call for premium priced securities or to maturity when priced at a discount to par based on forward reference rates. . See index descriptions at the end of this document. Past performance is not indicative of future results. This is not an offer to buy or sell, or recommendation to buy or sell any of the securities mentioned

Relative value

analysis of primary

Fund Details (12/31/2024)	CLOI	CLOB
30-Day SEC Yield (%)	5.79	6.97
Gross Expense Ratio (%)*	0.40	0.45
Net Expense Ratio (%)*	0.40	0.45

\*Van Eck Associates Corporation (the "Adviser") will pay all expenses of the Funds, except for the fee payment under the investment management agreement, acquired fund fees and expenses, interest expense, offering costs, trading expenses, taxes and extraordinary expenses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Adviser has agreed to pay the offering costs until at least May 1, 2025 (CLOI) or May 1, 2026 (CLOB).

Total Return as of 12/31/2024		CLOI	CLOI's Benchmark	CLOB	CLOB's Benchmark
Fund Inception		6/21/2022		9/24/2024	
YTD*	NAV	8.14	8.31		
	Share Price	8.25			
1 Yr	NAV	8.14	8.31		
	Share Price	8.25			
3 Yr	NAV				
	Share Price				
5 Yr	NAV				
	Share Price				
10 Yr	NAV				
	Share Price				
Since Inception	NAV	8.22	8.51	2.88	2.85
	Share Price	8.22		2.91	

<sup>\*</sup>Returns less than one year are not annualized.

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CLOI's benchmark is the J.P. Morgan CLO Index (CLOIE) is comprised os US dollar denominated broadly-syndicated arbitrage US CLO debt.

CLOB's benchmark is the J.P. Morgan CLOIE Balanced Mezzanine Index which tracks broadly-syndicated, arbitrage US CLO debt rated AA to BB, comprised of 25% of each rating category.

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CLO: J.P. Morgan Collateralized Loan Obligation Index (CLOIE) is the first rules-based total return benchmark for broadly-syndicated, arbitrage US CLO debt that was launched in July 2014.

US IG: ICE BofA US Corporate Index (C0A0) tracks the performance of US dollar denominated investment grade corporate debt publicly issued in the US domestic market.

US HY: ICE BofA US High Yield Index (H0A0) tracks the performance of U.S. dollar-denominated below investment grade corporate debt publically issued in the US domestic market. Qualifying securities must have a below investment grade rating.

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