Four Seasons

Four Seasons-Moderate Conservative

September 2026

Investment Vehicle: Separately Managed Account, Portfolio Replication with Signals

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Strategy Overview

- The 4 Seasons-Moderate-Conservative Model is a tactical model that takes positions in S&P 500 based ETFs as well as Short-Term US Treasury ETFs to capture market movement for moderate conservative risk profile investors.
- A quantitative predicative model that aims to project the direction and volatility of the stock market, the strategy identifies both bullish/bearish bias.
- The Methodology projects high/low magnitude moves as well as market direction over the next one to sixty days.
- Utilizing the protective, speculative, and leveraged nature of equity options, the data tells a story of expected volatility and market direction.

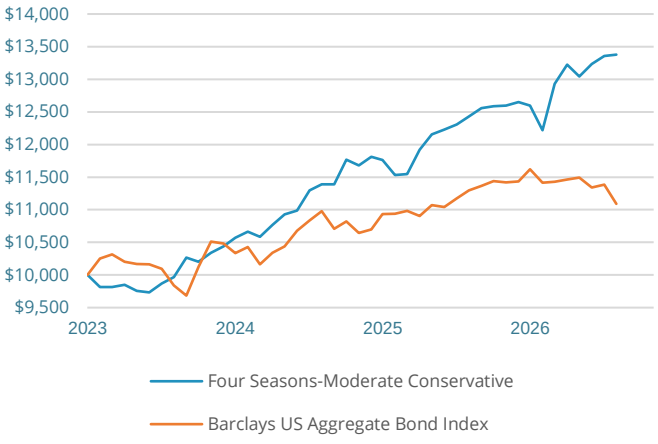
Methodology

- Derived by analyzing 19 separate options-based criteria, it determines the market is in one of the following "seasons":
  - Narrow Bull
  - Narrow Bear
  - Wide Bull
  - Wide Bear
- It dynamically rotates between a long market weighting of 35% the S&P 500 Index to a short market weighting of up to -15% of the S&P 500 Index.
- Uses a combination of long and short S&P 500 ETFs and short duration US Treasury ETFs.
- Easy to implement without the need for options or margin approval.

Performance Statistics

	ZEGA Investments	Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index
YTD Return	6.22%	-2.90%
Ann Return: 1 Year	7.62%	-1.84%
Annual Return ITD	8.46%	2.93%
Annualized Volatility	5.49%	5.51%
Sharpe Ratio	0.79	-0.32

Cumulative Growth (since inception)



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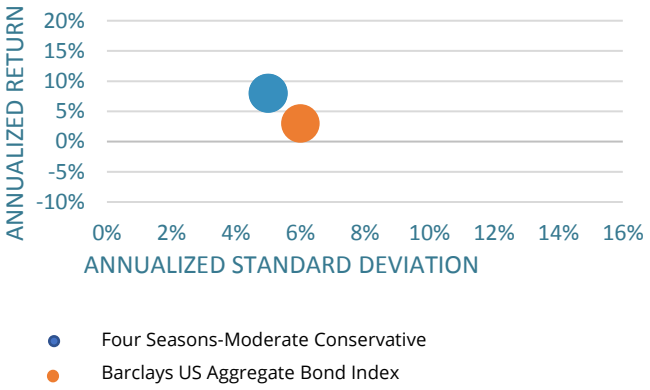
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Recommended Usage

- The ZEGA Four Seasons Conservative Strategy is designed for the conservative risk stock investor generally invested in more short duration US treasuries than stocks, but willing to increase stock exposure or introduce short exposure during periods of higher conviction.
- It is recommended as a holding that can replace a portion of US equity and bond exposure for a client.
- Strategy is best suited to a tax-advantaged account.

Risk vs. Return



Monthly Performance

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	YTD Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index
2023			-1.83%	0.00%	0.33%	-0.92%	-0.26%	1.42%	0.96%	3.02%	-0.65%	1.36%	**3.39%**	**5.11%**
2024	0.96%	1.26%	0.87%	-0.72%	1.71%	1.51%	0.56%	2.77%	0.84%	-0.01%	3.34%	-0.74%	**12.98%**	**1.27%**
2025	1.11%	-0.43%	-1.96%	0.16%	3.20%	1.98%	0.60%	0.64%	1.02%	1.02%	0.22%	0.08%	**7.82%**	**7.30%**
2026	0.46%	-0.44%	-2.99%	5.82%	2.25%	-1.35%	1.45%	0.95%	0.14%				**6.22%**	**-2.90%**

Strategy Risks & Disclosures

Note: Returns are expressed in US Dollars and calculated net of actual fees. Performance includes reinvestment of dividends and other earnings.
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