QUARTERLY FUND REVIEW | As of September 30, 2023 **3Q23**

CRDT | Simplify Opportunistic Income ETF

FUND OVERVIEW

The Simplify Opportunistic Income ETF (CRDT) seeks to provide current income, with long-term capital appreciation as a secondary objective. CRDT is an actively managed opportunistic credit strategy focused on security selection within high-yield, investment grade, and distressed debt. By deploying a multi-step investment process that combines macroeconomic, quantitative, and fundamental research, the fund seeks to generate alpha that diversifies the traditional investment portfolio.

The strategy is sub-advised by Asterozoa Capital, an alternatives manager focused on opportunistic investing across the capital structure while minimizing risks/correlations through portfolio construction and hedging.

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

CRDT generated a 3Q return of 2.27% via successful positioning across high yield corporates, distressed debt, and preferreds. The portfolio was also nicely balanced by a defensive US yield curve steepener that boosted returns. The bottoms-up selection process of diversified debt across maturities focused on undervalued corporates and structured debt with high cashflow yields, along with equities with attractive upside potential, to outperform the broader HY index by over 1.75%. Positions with the greatest contribution to performance included ETFs with curve steepening exposure and negative correlation to overall equity market performance, alongside select European and Latin American corporate issuers which had experienced significant widening in spreads.

Looking ahead, the fund intends to broaden into additional macro-driven trading strategies across fixed-income sectors including mortgages and credit derivatives to complement the undervalued corporate positions.

Performance as of 09/30/23 | Inception Date: 06/26/23

	CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN				ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURN	
	3 Mo	**6 Mo**	**YTD**	**Since Inception**	**1 Year**	**Since Inception**
NAV	2.27%	—	—	2.32%	—	—
Market Price	2.32%	—	—	2.24%	—	—
ICE BofA US High Yield Index 4PM	0.53%	—	—	1.31%	—	—

The performance data quoted represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. In addition, investment returns and the principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. For performance data current to the most recent month-end, please call (855) 772-8488 or go to https://www.simplify.us/etfs.

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FUND DETAILS as of 09/30/23

TOP TEN HOLDINGS*

POSITION	ALLOCATION
B 12/21/23 Govt	26.22%
SFRM4 Comdty	23.64%
SFRZ3 Comdty	23.57%
TUA	6.16%
OCSL	6.07%
AGGH	4.87%
B 11/09/23 Govt	4.00%
OCTL 2022-1A R1 Mtge	3.22%
SEDG 0 09/15/25 Corp	2.51%
TII 1 1/4 04/15/28 Govt	2.35%
Cash	-0.41%

*Holdings are subject to change without notice.

Gross Expense Ratio	0.95%
Net Expense Ratio**	0.50%
SEC 30-Day Yield	6.54%
SEC 30-Day Yield Unsubsidized	6.08%

**The Fund's adviser has contractually agreed to waive, until one year from the Fund launch, its management fees and/or pay or absorb the Fund's expenses to 0.50% of the Fund's average daily net assets.

DEFINITIONS

Alpha: An investment strategy's ability to beat the market or its "edge." Alpha is thus also often referred to as "excess return" or the "abnormal rate of return" in relation to a benchmark, when adjusted for risk.

Investment Grade: Refers to the quality of a company's credit and must be rated at 'BBB' or higher by Standard and Poor's or Moody's. Credit quality does not refer to the fund itself.

Market Price: The current price at which shares are bought and sold. Market returns are based upon the last trade price.

NAV: The dollar value of a single share, based on the value of the underlying assets of the fund minus its liabilities, divided by the number of shares outstanding. Calculated at the end of each business day.

Options: An option is a contract that gives the buyer the right to either buy (in the case of a call option) or sell (in the case of a put option) an underlying asset at a pre-determined price ("strike") by a specific date ("expiry"). An "outright" is another name for a single option leg. A "spread" is when options are bought at one strike and an equal amount of options are sold at a different strike, all at the same expiry.

Preferreds: Stocks that are issued with a fixed par value and pay dividends based on a percentage of that par, usually at a fixed rate.

SEC 30-Day Yield: The yield is calculated with a standardized formula and represents net investment income earned by a fund over a 30-day period, expressed as an annual percentage rate based on the fund's share price. The yield includes the effect of any fee waivers and/or reimbursements. Without waivers, yields would be reduced. This is also referred to as the "standardized yield", "30-Day Yield" and "Current Yield". The unsubsidized SEC 30-Day Yield does not reflect the effect of any fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Investors should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses of Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) before investing. To obtain an ETF's prospectus containing this and other important information, please call (855) 772-8488, or visit SimplifyETFs.com. Please read the prospectus carefully before you invest.

An investment in the fund involves risk, including possible loss of principal.

The fund is actively-managed is subject to the risk that the strategy may not produce the intended results. The fund is new and has
a limited operating history to evaluate. The Fund invests in ETFs (Exchange-Traded Funds) and entails higher expenses than if invested into the underlying ETF directly. The lower the credit quality, the more volatile performance will be. When junk bonds sell off, the lowest-rated bonds are typically hit hardest known as blow up risk. Likewise, the riskiest bonds typically rise fastest in a bull market however these investments that don't have a credit rating are typically the most volatile, hard to price and the least liquid.

The use of derivative instruments involves risks different from, or possibly greater than, the risks associated with investing directly in securities and other traditional investments. These risks include (i) the risk that the counterparty to a derivative transaction may not fulfill its contractual obligations; (ii) risk of mispricing or improper valuation; and (iii) the risk that changes in the value of the derivative may not correlate perfectly with the underlying asset, rate, or index. Derivative prices are highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially during a short period of time. The use of leverage by the Fund, such as borrowing money to purchase securities or the use of options, will cause the Fund to incur additional expenses and magnify the Fund’s gains or losses. The Fund's investment in fixed income securities is subject to credit risk (the debtor may default) and prepayment risk (an obligation paid early) which could cause its share price and total return to be reduced. Typically, as interest rates rise the value of bond prices will decline and the fund could lose value.

While the option overlay is intended to improve the Fund’s performance, there is no guarantee that it will do so. Utilizing an option overlay strategy involves the risk that as the buyer of a put or call option, the Fund risks losing the entire premium invested in the option if the Fund does not exercise the option. Also, securities and options traded in over-the-counter markets may trade less frequently and in limited volumes and thus exhibit more volatility and liquidity risk.

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