

Kristal.AI VCC - Peregrine Fund - Class A

Monthly Performance Update (As of 30 April 2025)

Fund Summary

Minimum Subscription

50K USD / 50K SGD

Minimum Additional Subscription

25K USD / 25K SGD

Management Fee

2% p.a. accrued monthly

Performance fee

20% p.a on absolute return

Subscription / Redemption Frequency

Monthly

Subscription / Redemption Days

First business day of each month

Lock-In Period

None

Redemption Fee

None

Service Providers

Fund Manager

Kristal Advisors (SG) Pte. Ltd.

Portfolio Manager

Pranay Pankaj

Auditor

JBS Practice PAC

Administrator

NAV Fund Services (Singapore) Private Limited

Prime Broker

Interactive Brokers LLC

Share Classes

Share Class A - USD Share Class B - SGD

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Objective of the Fund -

The fund employs a disciplined, rules-based derivatives strategy with discretionary overlay to deliver consistent and high risk-adjusted returns across market cycles. It aims to generate positive returns regardless of market direction and has a no correlation with traditional market indices.

Offering Aims to Deliver



High risk adjusted returns irrespective of market conditions



Trading strategy designed to minimize the time to recover from drawdown



High liquidity

Investment Strategy



Market Neutral

Market neutral strategy maintaining delta neutrality at discreet interval of time on portfolio level



Volatility Bias

Time decay adds to the alpha generated from volatility risk premium



Directional Bias

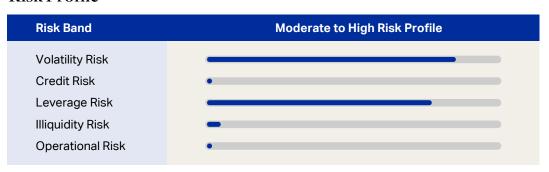
Discrete hedging of delta enables the portfolio tilt to gain slightly from directional bias



Option Strategies

Various strategies namely strangles/ straddles/ iron condors with dynamic adjustments

Risk Profile -



Risk & Return Statistics

Return Profile	Portfolio Returns	Bechmark (S&P500)
Since Inception (since 2019)	728.9%	121.1
Annualised Return (since 2019)	40.0%	13.7%
Annualised Return for 2023	27.4%	24.2%
Annualised Return for 2024	17.5%	23.3%
Annualised Return for 2025	-10.1%	-15.3%

Other Metrics SI	Portfolio	Bechmark (S&P500)
Max Drawdown	-21.5%	-20.0%
Sharpe Ratio	2.3	0.5
Sortino Ratio	2.2	0.6
Correlation with S&P 500	0.08	1
No. of Negative Months	17	27
Percentage of Positive Months	77.6%	64.5%
Percentage of Positive Rolling Quarters	89.2%	73.0%
No. of Rolling Quarters with Returns < -3%	4/74	17/73
3M Average Net Return / Rolling Quarter	9.1%	3.4%

^{*}All figures based on Net Returns after Fees (2% Fixed & 20% Performance)

*Sharpe & Sortino Ratio based on Gross Returns & Daily Volatility on annualised basis

$\bf ^*Portfolio\,Returns\,(Net)$

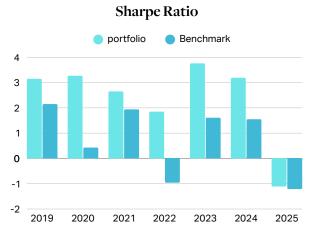
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annualised Yearly Return	Max DD	Annualised (Inception to EOP)	Sharpe Ratio**
2019	11.9%	8.0%	-0.4%	8.0%	-5.5%	3.5%	3.2%	2.4%	8.3%	5.7%	-0.3%	3.8%	59.4%	-5.5%	59.3%	3.2
2020	-3.7%	-18.5%	42.2%	14.2%	-1.2%	4.3%	7.8%	-0.7%	8.5%	4.0%	5.5%	11.2%	86.3%	-21.5%	72.3%	3.3
2021	6.2%	3.4%	4.3%	-0.6%	-0.8%	2.7%	-5.9%	6.6%	6.8%	5.6%	-1.0%	8.3%	40.5%	-5.9%	61.0%	2.7
2022	-9.5%	2.4%	10.0%	-13.6%	11.6%	4.0%	2.1%	11.7%	4.8%	1.7%	7.3%	5.5%	40.5%	-13.6%	55.6%	1.9
2023	1.5%	1.8%	2.7%	1.6%	2.0%	1.4%	3.3%	1.6%	1.3%	2.6%	2.7%	1.2%	27.4%	0.0%	49.5%	3.8
2024	-2.5%	2.6%	3.4%	-1.3%	1.1%	-1.0%	0.4%	0.6%	5.5%	3.6%	1.0%	2.1%	17.5%	-2.5%	43.6%	3.2
2025	0.9%	0.4%	1.1%	-6.17%									-11%	0.0%	40.0%	-1.1

 $Months\ in\ highlighted\ cells\ (April\ 2023\ and\ Aug\ 2024)\ not\ traded\ for\ full\ month\ due\ to\ transition\ time.$

$Portfolio\,Returns\,vs\,Benchmark\,(S\&P500)$

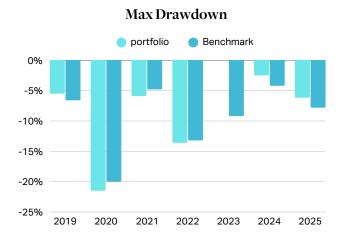


Sharpe Ratio & Max Drawdown





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Commentary for the Month

We began April on a strong footing, with the portfolio gaining approximately 1% in the first three trading days. However, events took a sharp turn when, after market close on April 2nd, the Trump administration unexpectedly announced a new round of tariffs. The surprise announcement triggered a swift and severe market reaction: on April 3rd, the S&P 500 fell sharply by 4.5%.

Anticipating elevated volatility, we had already positioned defensively and managed to post a gain of 0.75% that day. The index touched 5387—a level that represented a 10% correction from recent highs and served as both a technical and psychological support. The orderly nature of this decline reinforced our assessment, prompting us to initiate PUT structures with strikes at 5200 and 4800, expecting stabilization or a rebound near these levels.

However, on Friday, April 5th, the market plunged an additional 6.5%, catching us off guard. The aforementioned PUT positions began to suffer, not just from adverse delta exposure but also from sharply increasing gamma risk as the index continued its rapid descent. This led to a daily loss of 3% for the portfolio.

Volatility spiked, with short-term implied vols approaching 40. Given our modest leverage (approximately 1.5x), we chose to carry the positions into Monday, April 7th, expecting some mean reversion around the psychologically important 5000 level. We also believed the sharp move on Friday had been exacerbated by derivatives expiry, and a partial reversal was plausible.

Unfortunately, the weekend brought no reassuring statements from the administration. As trading resumed on Monday, S&P futures dropped another 5%. With the market near critical levels and showing no signs of recovery after the first few hours of trading, we made the decision to exit our positions, limiting further downside. This resulted in a 4% loss for the day, in line with our risk management discipline, which aims to cap daily losses at 3.5%.

While painful, the overall drawdown was relatively contained considering the market had declined nearly 12% over three sessions. Notably, by the time the market opened on Monday at 9:30 AM EST, a short-term bottom had formed, but since we had already exited, we were unable to benefit from the ensuing bounce.

On Tuesday, April 8th, the portfolio saw a minor recovery as volatility surged past 50. Despite continued firm messaging from the White House indicating no reversal on tariffs, we adopted a conservative stance. The portfolio was restructured to benefit from a market environment unlikely to see daily swings exceeding 5%.

By Wednesday, April 9th, our positioning was aligned well. By early afternoon (1:30 PM EST), we were up more than 1.5% on the day and expected to build on that gain. However, in a sudden reversal, news broke that the administration would roll back the tariffs. The S&P 500 rallied violently, jumping over 5% within minutes. The velocity of the move left little time to react, resulting in a 2.5% loss on the day.

In the following week, markets remained volatile but range-bound between 5200 and 5400. We adapted by deploying hedged downside structures, allowing us to recover a portion of earlier losses. In the penultimate week of the month, volatility began to taper as markets appeared to move past the initial shock. The S&P 500 surged nearly 7% during this period, while our portfolio remained largely flat, as our focus remained on capital preservation. Gains resumed in the final week of April.

From the month's lows, the portfolio recovered approximately 4% in the last two and a half weeks. The S&P 500 now sits around 5560. With the tariff episode largely priced in, we are approaching markets with heightened caution, emphasizing consistency and risk-managed returns.

While a monthly drawdown of over 5% is difficult from investment point of view, it remains within the fund's expected risk-return parameters. The last time when we encountered a similar episode in April 2022 and not only recovered but ended that year with robust gains. Our experience navigating such volatility gives us confidence and clarity as we look forward.

Our strategy focuses on trading the S&P 500 index precisely to avoid idiosyncratic risks. However, over looking at the episodes of the past two months, market movements have been increasingly dictated by sudden political announcements rather than macroeconomic fundamentals. While such events initially trigger strong reactions, markets tend to adjust over the medium term, reverting to more rational behavior as the noise dissipates.

We acknowledge that performance so far this year may appear underwhelming in isolation. However, April's extraordinary volatility has skewed short-term results. Based on our positioning and the evolving market context, we believe the coming months offer a strong opportunity to regain our trajectory.

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