

# Small Cap Fund | JASCX

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## Fund Info

### Fund Statistics as of December 31, 2016

Ticker Symbol	JASCX
Cusip	470259508
Benchmark Index	Russell 2000® Index
No. Stocks in Portfolio	113
Assets	\$84.0 Mil.
Median Capitalization	\$1,130.2 Mil.
Price/Earnings	17.49
Price/Book	2.72
Beta <sup>^</sup>	0.81
Portfolio Turnover	57.00%

<sup>^</sup> A quantitative measure of volatility.

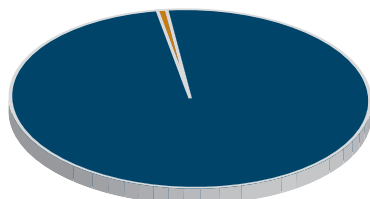
### Fund Operating Expenses Prospectus 11/01/2016

Management Fee	1.25%
Distribution (12b-1) Fee	0.25%
Other Expenses	0.00%
Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses	0.01%
<b>Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1.51%</b>

### Top Ten Equity Holdings as of October 31, 2016

Lydall Inc	5.80%
Orbotech Ltd	3.88%
National HealthCare Corp	3.71%
Vonage Holdings Corp	3.66%
Neenah Paper Inc	3.48%
Argo Group International Holdings Ltd	3.08%
Deluxe Corp	2.90%
Innospec Inc	2.72%
Cardtronics PLC	2.68%
Portland General Electric Co	2.54%

## Asset Allocation



■ Equity - 99.31% ■ Cash - 0.69%

As a % of total portfolio as of 12/31/16.

## Investment Objective

The James Small Cap Fund seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation by investing in small cap stocks.

## Investment Strategy & Process

The James Small Cap Fund invests primarily in common stocks of small capitalization companies, defined by JIR as companies with capitalizations at the time of purchase no larger than the stocks in the Russell 2000® Index, which is the benchmark index for this fund. The Russell 2000® Index is constructed to provide a comprehensive capitalization weighted small cap universe of stocks and is reconstituted annually. As of December 31, 2016, the stock with the maximum capitalization in the Russell 2000 Index had a capitalization of \$8.1 billion. The James Small Cap Fund is not indexed to the Russell 2000® and may hold securities not included in the index.

## Morningstar Rating™

**Overall Rating** ★★★★★  
**3 Year Rating** ★★★  
**5 Year Rating** ★★  
**10 Year Rating** ★★★★★

The Morningstar Star Rating™ for the James Small Cap Fund is based on risk-adjusted returns as of 12/31/16 in the small value category out of 347 funds overall and for the last 3 years, 308 in the last five years, and 195 in the last ten years.

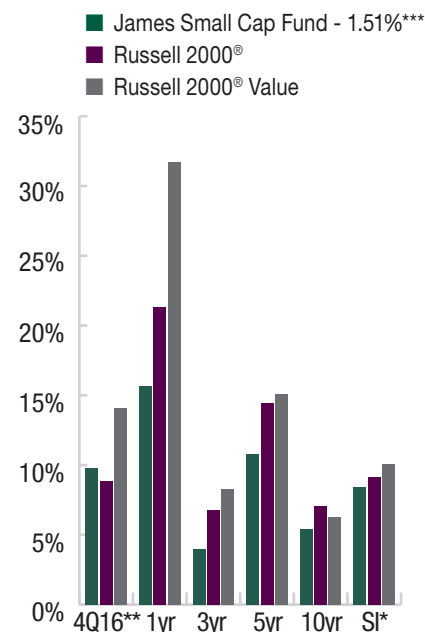
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## Performance as of December 31 2016

	4Q16**	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yr	SI*
<b>James Small Cap</b>	9.75%	15.63%	3.95%	10.78%	5.44%	8.40%
<b>Russell 2000®</b>	8.83%	21.31%	6.74%	14.46%	7.07%	9.15%
<b>Russell 2000® Value</b>	14.07%	31.74%	8.31%	15.07%	6.26%	10.09%

*Investors should consider the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses of the James Advantage Funds (the Funds) carefully before investing; this and other information about the Funds is in the prospectus, which can be obtained by calling 1-800-99-JAMES. Read the prospectus carefully before you invest. The performance data quoted represents past performance; past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and 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. The Fund's current performances may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Investors may obtain performance information current to the last month-end, within 7 business days, at www.jamesfunds.com. \*Since Inception 10/2/98 \*\*4th quarter numbers are not annualized. (All other number are average annual returns.) \*\*\*Indicates total annual fund operating expenses.*

*Additional Performance figures can be found at JamesFunds.com.*



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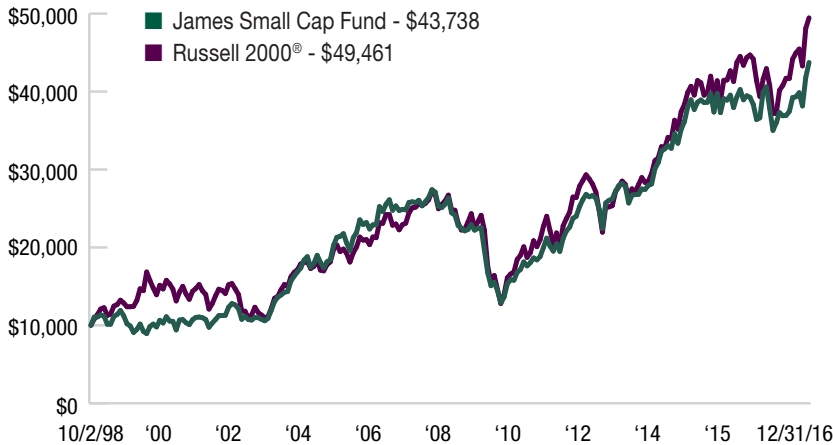
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## Growth of \$10,000 as of December 31, 2016



This performance is based on reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and does not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on any distributions or the redemption of Fund shares.

## JASCX Yearly Returns

1998*	13.14%
1999	-10.43%
2000	5.03%
2001	5.38%
2002	-2.40%
2003	53.64%
2004	26.18%
2005	7.51%
2006	12.49%
2007	-6.16%
2008	-35.70%
2009	20.04%
2010	27.24%
2011	10.43%
2012	7.35%
2013	38.38%
2014	1.54%
2015	-4.34%
2016	15.63%

\* Inception is 10/2/98

## Investment Committee

### Dr. Frank James, Ph.D

44 Years  
Founder and Chairman of James Investment Research  
Senior Advisor to the Investment Committee

### Barry R. James, CFA, CIC

30 Years  
President/CEO and Portfolio Manager with James Investment Research  
President of the James Advantage Funds

### Thomas L. Mangan, MBA, CMFC

22 Years  
Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager,  
VP and CFO of James Advantage Funds

### David W. James, CFA

36 Years  
Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager

### Ann M. Shaw, CFP

38 Years  
Chief Operating Officer and Portfolio Manager

### R. Brian Culpepper, MBA, CMFC

20 Years  
Vice President and Portfolio Manager

### Brian Shepardson, CFA, CIC

17 Years  
First Vice President and Portfolio Manager

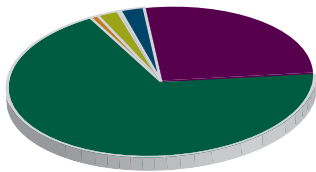
### Trent D. Dysert, CFA

10 years  
Portfolio Manager

### Matthew G. Watson, CFA, CPA

9 years  
Portfolio Manager

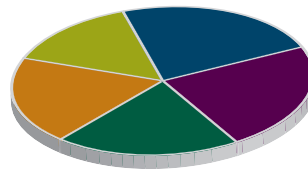
## Market Cap Breakout



(Less than \$250 mil)	2.50%
(\$250 - \$1,000 mil)	26.66%
(\$1,000 - \$4,000 mil)	67.71%
(\$4,000 - \$7,000 mil)	0.75%
(Greater than \$7,000 mil)	2.38%

As a % of total portfolio as of 12/31/16.

## Top 5 Sector Diversification



Consumer Non-Cyclical	17.82%
Technology	17.82%
Finance	15.38%
Basic Materials	15.03%
Utilities	10.93%

As a % of total portfolio as of 12/31/16.

For each fund with at least three-year history, Morningstar calculates a Morningstar Rating™ based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a fund's monthly performance (including the effects of sales charges, loads, and redemption fees), placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of the funds in each category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 4 stars, the next 35% receive 3 stars, and the next 22.5% receive 2 stars and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. (Each share class is counted as a fraction of one fund with the scale and rated separately, which may cause slight variations in the distribution percentages.)

As of 12/31/16, James Small Cap Fund was rated against the following numbers of U.S. domiciled Small Value funds over the following time periods: 347 funds in the last three years, 308 in the last five years, and 195 in the last ten years. With respect to these Small Value funds, the James Small Cap Fund received a Morningstar Rating™ of 2 stars for the three year period, 2 stars for the five year period, and 3 stars for the 10 year period.

Ratings are based on risk-adjusted return. The Overall Morningstar Rating for a fund is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its 3, 5 and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. (Overall and 3-years 347 funds)

Fund holdings and sector weightings are subject to change without notice. The average annual total returns assume reinvestment of income, dividends and capital gains distributions and reflect changes in net asset value. The principal value and investment return will vary with market conditions so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

\*\*\*\*The Russell 2000® Index is a widely recognized, unmanaged index comprised of the 2,000 smallest U.S. domiciled publicly-traded common stocks of the Russell 3000® Index, which represents approximately 8% of the total market capitalization of the Russell 3000® Index, an unmanaged index of the 3,000 largest U.S. domiciled publicly-traded common stocks by market capitalization. One cannot invest directly in an index.

Price/Earnings ratio is a valuation of a company's current share price compared to its per-share earnings.

Price/Book ratio is a ratio used to compare a stock's market value to its book value. It is calculated by dividing the current closing price of the stock by the latest quarter's book value per share.

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