



# BetaShares Australian Dividend Harvester (ASX: HVST) December 2018

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**Objective:** Provide investors with exposure to large capitalisation Australian shares along with regular franked dividend income, paid monthly, that is at least double the income yield of the broad Australian sharemarket on an annual basis. In addition, the Fund aims to reduce the volatility of the equity investment returns and defend against losses in declining markets.

Sector Concentrations	HVST	S&P/ASX 50
Consumer Discretionary	5.8%	4.2%
Materials	24.2%	16.7%
Financials	29.7%	38.5%
Utilities	1.9%	2.0%
Consumer Staples	5.4%	5.3%
Industrials	7.4%	6.8%
Health Care	8.3%	9.6%
Energy	5.0%	5.7%
Information Technology	2.0%	0.7%
Communication Services	3.2%	2.9%
Real Estate	7.1%	7.6%

Top 10 Exposures	
BHP	13.5%
CBA	7.6%
WBC	5.2%
CSL	5.1%
ANZ	4.2%
NAB	3.9%
WOW	2.3%
WES	2.2%
MQG	2.1%
TLS	2.0%

Fund Inception Date (29 Oct 2014)	HVST	S&P/ASX 50*	Difference
12 Month Net Yield*	10.9%	4.8%	↑ 6.0%
12 Month Gross Yield (Est.)*	14.3%	6.7%	↑ 7.6%
12 Month Annual Volatility*	9.1%	10.9%	↓ 16.9%
Total Cash Distributed (per unit since inception)	\$8.709	n/a	n/a
Number of Distributions	49	n/a	n/a

\*12 month trailing

Net Asset Value	
NAV per unit (30 Nov)	\$14.50
NAV per unit (31 Dec)	\$14.43

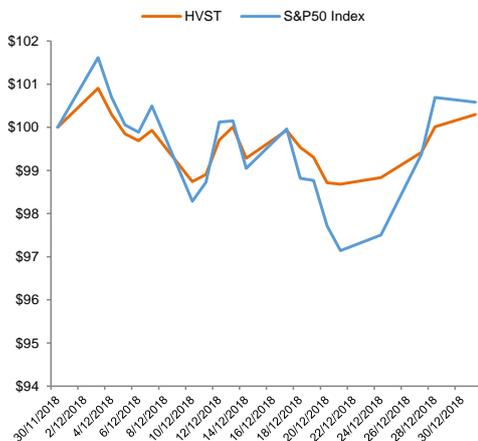
Distributions	
Ex-Distribution Date	03 Dec
Distribution (per unit)	\$0.112
Est. Franking Credits (p.u.)*	\$0.043
Net Yield for Period	0.77%

1 Month Realised Volatility	
HVST	9.4%
S&P/ASX 50	17.1%

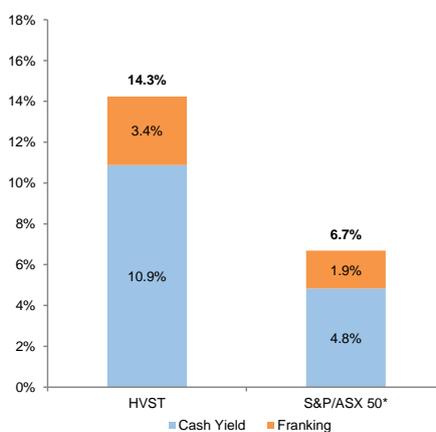
Monthly Total Returns 31-Dec-18	
HVST	0.30%
S&P/ASX 50	0.58%

Risk Management Level for the Month	
Minimum	33.7%
Maximum	44.4%

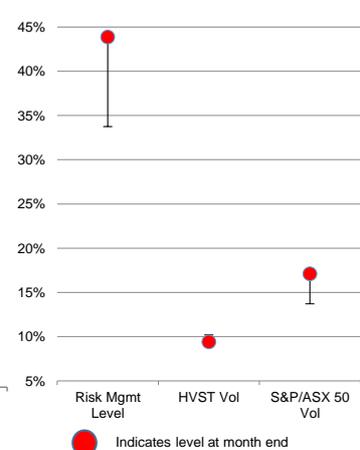
## Total Return



## Income



## Risk and Volatility



## Commentary: (as at December 31, 2018)

Higher market volatility and concerns over soft growth expectations continued to put pressure on global market performance. Investors fled to safe haven assets such as gold (+5.05%) which had its best December performance since the global financial crisis. The materials sector (largely Australian gold miners) benefitted from the rise in gold prices and returned 5.33% for the month, whereas the broad Australian equity market remained slightly negative at -0.12% (as measured by the S&P/ASX 200 Index).

For the month of December both HVST and the S&P/ASX 50 Index were positive. HVST returned 0.30%, whilst the S&P/ASX 50 Index returned 0.58%. HVST's stock portfolio largely held the broad ASX top 300 securities and, in addition, an overweight position in BHP following a successful stock buyback and special dividend announcement for January 2019. Despite BHP's strong performance during the month (+11.53%), the S&P/ASX 50 Index outperformed the S&P/ASX200 Index (by +0.70%), meaning that the performance of HVST was -0.28% compared to the S&P/ASX50. HVST continued to increase its Risk Management Protection Level from 34% to 44% amid higher market volatility. Over the month, the risk management position contributed 0.14% to the return of HVST. Volatility of HVST was 9.4%, significantly lower than the S&P/ASX50 at 17.1% at month end. The maximum drawdowns over the period were 2.1% and 4.1% respectively.

A cash distribution of \$0.112 per unit or 0.77% distribution yield was paid in December.

Source: BetaShares, Bloomberg

\*This is an estimate only for this distribution period. The final amount will be determined as at the end of the financial year and may differ materially from the estimate due to various factors, including changes in the number of units on issue.

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