Marcellus MeritorQ

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Some timeless principles for successful investing



Buy Good Companies

- High return on capital
- Solid financial condition
- Clean accounts

At prices below intrinsic value

- Discount to intrinsic value compared to rest of the market
- Intrinsic value based on free cash flow

Mitigate human biases

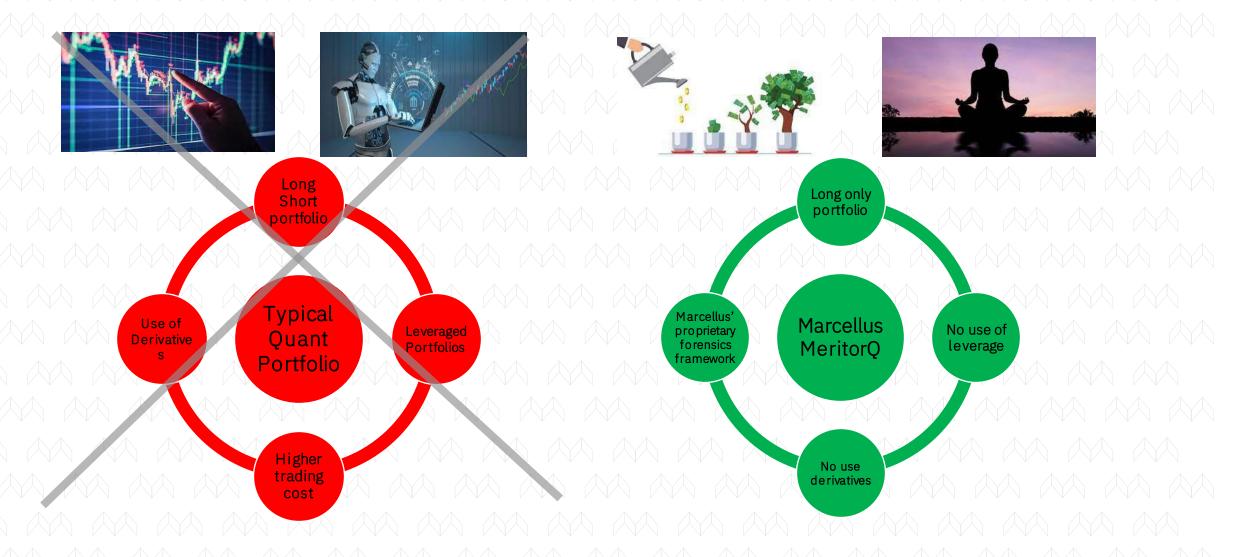
- Avoid behavioural biases
- Process over discretion*

^{*}Except where Marcellus has concerns over governance issues in selected stocks.



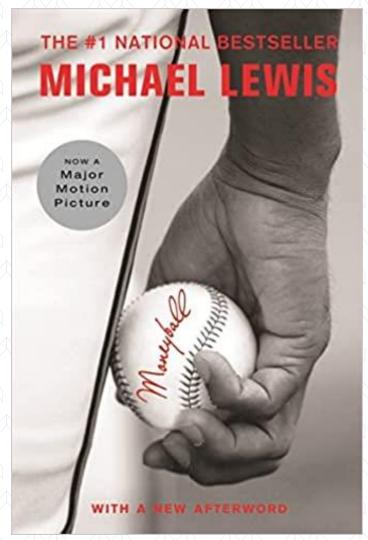
MeritorQ sticks to good investing principles





Michael Lewis' bestseller contains lessons for investors





Source: Moneyball by Michael Lewis
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Moneyball approach in baseball

Data and statistics to select players instead of scouts; avoid subjectivity

Select players who are relatively under priced versus their skill

Focus on building team of players who can win matches instead of team of superstars

Not afraid to exchange players if better fit is available

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Rules based portfolio construction basis company fundamentals

Select quality companies which are relatively undervalued versus rest of the market

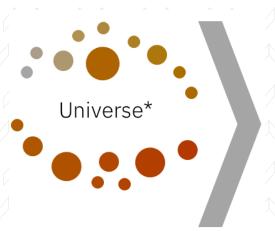
Focus on portfolio which delivers better risk adjusted returns instead of individual stocks

Refresh portfolio semi-annually to include undervalued companies



Marcellus' forensic framework combined with rules based approach





Companies in Large, mid and small cap segment* Screening

- Accounting red flags based on Marcellus' forensic accounting framework
- Low financial leverage#
- Consistent profitability

Selection

Select top stocks by composite rank based on

- Profitability
- Value

Position sizing





- Basis va metric
- Quarterly rebalanced

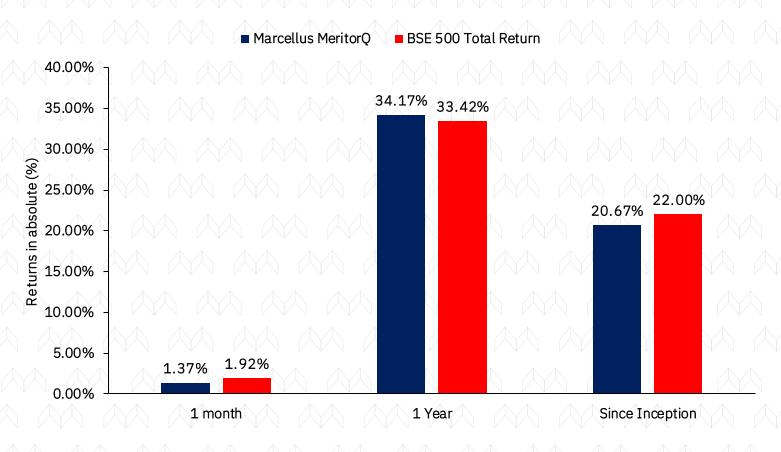
Source: Marcellus Investment Managers.
*Life insurance companies not considered

#For debt-equity screening - Financials (Lenders & Non-lenders are considered separately)

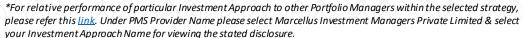


MeritorQ PMS Live performance vs. BSE 500 total return index (till 31st January 2024)*





Source: Marcellus Investment Managers. Note: (i) Portfolio inception date is November 15, 2022. (ii) Returns as of January 31,2024. (iii) Performance data is net of fixed fees and expenses charged on a quarterly basis, the effect of the same has been incorporated up to December 31, 2023. Performance data is not verified either by Securities and Exchange Board of India or U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. (iv) Total returns index considered for BSE500 above.





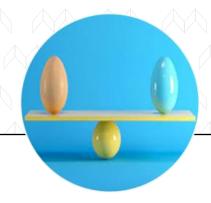
Closing thoughts





Diversification

- Diversified exposure to uncorrelated factors like value and quality
- Possibility to capture performance from smaller companies. No market cap bias



Periodic Rebalancing

- Semi annual portfolio rebalancing and review according to rules
- Ensures portfolio is aligned to investment objectives
- Balance between portfolio churn and picking up undervalued stocks regularly



Rules based

- Method and portfolio construction tested across
 ~16 years of history
- Investment process over discretion*
- No portfolio manager risk
- Final portfolio and rules are actively monitored to ensure alignment with investment objectives

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Fee Structure



Fixed Fee: 2.0% p.a.

Minimum investment: INR 50 lacs

- We also have an STP (Systematic Transfer Plan) plan using which clients can stagger their investment in tranches spread over 5 months:
 https://marcellus.helpscoutdocs.com/article/96-stp
- Existing Investors have the option to save and invest regularly in Marcellus Funds through Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) :- https://marcellus.helpscoutdocs.com/article/100-systematic-investment-plansipfags

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