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Model Wealth Portfolios



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Your unique needs and goals require a customized approach that considers your place in life today and where you're headed in the future. But customization isn't enough. The most successful investment strategies are also built on a consistent, disciplined process.

That's why I use the Model Wealth Portfolios investment platform to build a comprehensive investment strategy focused on your unique preferences and objectives. It offers a range of strategies and the ability to mix and match models for a portfolio that aligns with your risk tolerance, timeline, and goals.



COMBINING STRATEGIST EXPERTISE WITH ADVISOR EXPERIENCE

Model Wealth Portfolios is an investment platform that offers portfolios from a variety of professional money managers, each of whom provides a specialized philosophy, process, and market outlook.

These money managers follow well-defined, repeatable processes for building and managing portfolios. Some of these managers are institutional strategists who build portfolios for large foundations or endowment funds. In many cases, individual investors can only access these strategies by investing millions of dollars. With Model Wealth Portfolios, you get access to these institutional strategists through a starting investment minimum of just \$25,000 for most strategies, and \$10,000 for select strategies.

Based on your specific needs, I can combine up to three strategist models into one account for a diversified approach. If it makes sense for your specific situation, I have the option to create my own proprietary models from the ground up, using a mix of mutual funds and exchange-traded products.

I can also choose to combine my model with strategist models for a more tailored strategy. While some investment platforms offer only strategist models or advisor models, Model Wealth Portfolios allows me to choose which strategy to use—and combine strategies if your situation demands it. This means I can add unique strategist expertise to my own knowledge and experience.

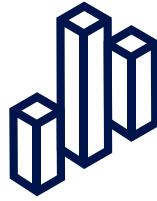
With this type of flexibility in model selection, I can create a strategy that aligns with your current life and future goals.



Flexibility to build a unique approach

Depending on your needs and objectives, I will use one of the following strategies:

- One strategist model
- Multiple strategist models
- One advisor-as-strategist model
- An advisor-as-strategist model combined with institutional strategist models



BUILDING YOUR PORTFOLIO

I use a repeatable, thoughtful process to determine the right strategy for you and your objectives.

1 Clarify your goals and timeline

The first step in building your Model Wealth Portfolios strategy is determining your financial goals and when you want to accomplish them.

I'll sit down with you to clarify what you hope to achieve from your investments, whether that's saving for a child's college education, working toward a large purchase, or planning for retirement. Together, we'll establish goals that will guide my strategy decisions.

2 Determine your risk tolerance

Once we know what you hope to accomplish, the next step is figuring out how you feel about investing. I'll spend time working with you to determine if you prefer a more conservative or aggressive approach, or somewhere in between.

WIDE RANGING INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Model Wealth Portfolios offers a range of professional money managers who maintain different investment philosophies and approaches:



3 Identify an investment style

Next, I'll work with you to determine which investment style is best for your specific goals and current market conditions. The two primary investment-style options are strategic and tactical.

Strategic investing allows you to stay fully invested in a steady asset allocation model using a traditional buy-and-hold investment philosophy. Your asset allocation would be based on the manager's long-term market outlook and wouldn't change much due to market fluctuations.

Tactical investing attempts to take advantage of short-term market fluctuations to find opportunities for larger gains. In this case, your asset allocation would be based on a shorter time frame and change more often as a result of the market's movements. Because more trading occurs in tactical investing, we'd have to consider the tax impact of this type of strategy. There's a wide variety of tactical investment management styles, which we'll discuss when it's time to look at the models best suited for you.

I can also choose to combine strategic and tactical models if it makes sense for you and your objectives.

4 Select your investment theme

The last major piece of the portfolio puzzle is your investment theme, which is the overall objective your portfolio will drive toward. Your goals, risk tolerance, and preferred investment style will help me determine the best theme for your portfolio. Model Wealth Portfolios portfolio themes are: core, income generation, risk aware, and complementary.

Your investment theme is the main objective I'll work toward when building your portfolio, as well as the benchmark I'll use to gauge the portfolio's ongoing success. Rather than comparing your account's performance with the financial markets, we'll examine whether or not your portfolio is tracking with its stated goal. For example, if you and I collectively determine we'll use a core investment theme—which has a goal of slowly growing your account over the long term rather than reaching for big spikes in account value in the short term—we'd expect to see a gradual increase in your account's value. Even if the market has large increases, it wouldn't make sense for your account to follow suit in this case.



Investment themes: your portfolio's destination

Core strategies are for clients whose focus is to accumulate assets over time to meet a specific goal. For example, to:

- Save for retirement
- Acquire a home
- Send a child to college

Income Generation strategies are for clients whose primary objective is to withdraw assets from their portfolio to manage current expenses without depleting their initial investment. For example, to:

- Support your current living requirements

Risk Aware strategies are for clients whose primary objective is the preservation of their accumulated assets. For example, if you:

- Get nervous about market volatility
- Would prefer to preserve what you have, rather than seeking high returns

Complementary strategies are for rounding out and supplementing your portfolio. For example, if we determine you need:

- Strategies to dial down or dial up the risk in your portfolio

There's no guarantee that the Model Wealth Portfolios portfolios will achieve their stated investment objectives. Investing involves risk, including loss of principal.



Advisor model build process

When I build models, I go through a three-step process:

1. Researching mutual funds and exchange-traded products, putting them through a rigorous due diligence process, and selecting those that line up with my investment philosophy and fulfill my due diligence requirements
2. Reviewing each fund's risk level
3. Using selected funds to build a model that blends investments to provide a diversified approach and aims to accomplish the portfolio's overall goal and theme

This model could make up your entire portfolio, or I may use it as one piece of the pie that makes up your portfolio's whole.

5 Select or build strategies

These four puzzle pieces—goal, risk tolerance, style, and theme—are the foundational pieces I'll use to narrow down the strategists and models that will work for you. I will research the strategists and models that fit with your preferences and objectives, and select those I think are appropriate for your situation and have tracked well with their stated account goals.

If I believe my own models would make more sense for you and match better with your goals than a strategist model, I may use one of my own models (see the *Advisor model build process* to the left for more details on my approach).

Although one model may be most effective for you, I can also choose to combine multiple models to provide additional diversification and create the optimal portfolio for you. If you have any specific requests or needs that call for it, I can customize your portfolio further by adding models that focus on providing tax management, access to nontraditional investment strategies, additional income, or socially responsible investments. The end result will be a portfolio customized for you and designed to work toward your individual goals.

6 Set allocation

After I've selected the models I'll be using in your portfolio, I'll determine the percentage of your portfolio each model will represent. For example, if I use two models, one may represent 60% of your portfolio, and the other 40%. Within each of these models are diversified investments—so you get diversification on top of diversification.

There's no guarantee that a diversified portfolio will enhance overall returns or outperform a nondiversified portfolio. Diversification doesn't protect against market risk.



YOUR MONEY MANAGEMENT TEAM: WORKING TOGETHER FOR YOU

My responsibilities as your advisor

- Providing personal consultation and ongoing advice
- Selecting appropriate strategists and models, and combining them for the most optimal portfolio
- If I'm building your models: selecting individual securities and combining them to create a diversified portfolio
- Monitoring your plan, strategists, and model performance on an ongoing basis
- Leveraging my knowledge of markets, asset allocation, and portfolio construction to ensure the strategists and models we use are working for you
- Reporting performance

The strategists' responsibilities

- Researching and selecting securities for the strategist model portfolios
- Monitoring the portfolios to ensure they're staying in line with the stated objectives





I'll research the strategists, their methods, knowledge, and practices to select the right ones for you.



WHY MODEL WEALTH PORTFOLIOS?

A team at your back

Model Wealth Portfolios allows me to be the “manager of the managers” and combine strategists in an optimal way to help you pursue your goals. Rather than having one or two advisors building your portfolio, you'll have an entire team of experienced, knowledgeable money managers working to build and implement strategies that address your goals. You'll have access to the knowledge of individuals studying the market and its products every day. In turn, I'll research the strategists, their methods, knowledge, and practices to select the right ones for you. I also have the option to add in one of my own models.



High-level service

By working with the Model Wealth Portfolios strategists, I can spend the time necessary to look at your situation, needs, and goals from a holistic perspective. As the director of your financial strategy, I can focus my energy on you and provide you the services you need and want to work toward your goals. I'll apply my knowledge to manager selection and monitoring, and focus on providing you a true wealth management approach.

Working together

Partnering with money managers means I can work alongside you to determine the appropriate strategy for your unique situation. We'll work as a team to help you work toward your financial goals.

Institutional access

Using Model Wealth Portfolios means we can work with the products and asset classes used by institutional firms and ultra-high-net-worth individuals. We'll also have access to investment vehicles like boutique mutual funds and exchange-traded products.

Automated services

You'll get access to important features like rebalancing and tax-loss harvesting. Over time, your portfolio may drift from its intended allocation due to market movements, so the money managers will monitor your account to ensure it's rebalanced to stay within the risk profile we select together. Tax harvesting allows us to sell securities at a loss if needed to offset capital gains and potentially reduce your tax impact.

The tax-loss harvesting and other tax strategies discussed shouldn't be interpreted as tax advice, and there's no representation that such strategies will result in any particular tax consequence. Clients should consult with their personal tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of investing.

There is no assurance that Model Wealth Portfolios are suitable for all investors or will yield positive outcomes. The purchase of certain securities may be required to effect some of the strategies. Investing involves risks including possible loss of principal.



DISCIPLINED PROCESS, EXPERIENCED MANAGERS—**FOCUSED ON YOU**

With my assistance and guidance, Model Wealth Portfolios can help you work toward achieving your goals through an asset management strategy that provides a disciplined investment process backed by comprehensive resources and experienced strategists.

📞 **To learn more, get in touch with me today!**



With Model Wealth Portfolios, I can help you pursue your goals and design the future you've always envisioned.





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