

## The Advantage of Smaller Companies in a Flexible Balanced Fund

Smaller companies can make a big difference... especially with the Value Line Asset Allocation Fund (VLAAX/VLAIX).

The Fund holds a meaningful percentage of small- and mid-cap growth companies as compared to the large-cap biased Morningstar Moderate Allocation Category. These smaller company holdings have generally demonstrated growth in both earnings and stock price over a 10+ year period.

This key portfolio composition distinction has rewarded investors over numerous timeframes.

#### **The Bottom Line**

The Fund produced top quintile (20% or better) performance in the Morningstar Moderate Allocation Category for the past 1, 3, 5 and 10 year periods ended 3/31/16.

# 3 Key Advantages » Flexible Portfolio » Emphasis on Smaller Companies » Manager Continuity **Market Cap Breakdown** Value Line Morningstar **Asset Allocation Moderate Allocation** Fund **Funds Category** 41% 76% Small- and Mid-Cap Large-Cap Source: Morningstar as of 3/31/16

#### **Value Line Asset Allocation Fund Performance** (as of 3/31/16) **Average Annual Returns** 1 Year 3 Year 5 Year 10 Year 7.17% **Investor Class - VLAAX** 0.31% 8.57% 5.96% 7.20% Institutional Class - VLAIX1 0.40% 8.59% 5.97% 60/40 S&P 500/Barclays U.S. Agg Bond 8.09 8.46 1.85 6.17 Morningstar Mod. Allocation Cat. Avg. -2.85 5.22 5.88 4.95 Morningstar Cat. Rank (%) - VLAAX 11 15 4 17 934 856 744 504 # of Funds in Category Morningstar Return n/a Above Avg. High Above Avg.

Gross Expense Ratio: 1.19% (VLAAX), 0.94% (VLAIX)

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<sup>1</sup>Indicates Morningstar Extended Performance. Extended performance is an estimate based on the performance of the fund's oldest share class, adjusted for fees. The Inception Date of (VLAIX) is November 1, 2015.

The performance data quoted herein represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Market volatility can dramatically impact the fund's short term performance. Current performance may be lower or higher than figures shown. The investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. Past performance data through the most recent month end is available at vlfunds.com or by calling 800.243.2729. You should carefully consider investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of Value Line Mutual Funds before investing. This and other information can be found in the fund's prospectus and summary prospectus, which can be obtained free of charge from your investment representative, by calling 800.243.2729, or by clicking on the applicable fund at www.vlfunds.com. Please read it carefully before you invest or send money.

### Value Line Asset Allocation Fund

# Overall MORNINGTAR Rating

(Investor)
Among 856 Moderate
Allocation Funds
(as of 3/31/16)

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The Overall Morningstar Rating™ is based on risk adjusted returns, derived from a weighted average of the 3-, 5-, and 10-year Morningstar metrics.

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Manager Commentary



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#### **Fund Facts**

### Symbol

Investor VLAAX Institutional VLAIX

**Inception Dates** 

Investor 8/24/93
Institutional 11/1/15
Total Assets

\$311M

**Total Assets** 

(as of 3/31/16)

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The average annual returns shown above are historical and reflect changes in share price, reinvested dividends and are net of expenses. Investment results and the principal value of an investment will vary.

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There are risks associated with investing in small and mid cap stocks, which tend to be more volatile and less liquid than stocks of large companies, including the risk of price fluctuations.

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