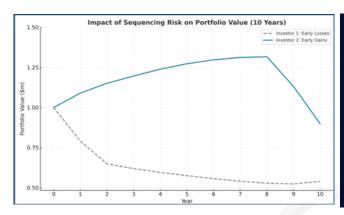


For lower risk investors who want financial peace of mind in all market conditions

Protection always: A structured path from accumulation to retirement through portfolio construction

Lower-risk retirees want peace of mind in all market conditions. Yet one of the most dangerous and overlooked threats is sequencing risk: the impact of early losses in retirement, when withdrawals magnify declines and recovery is limited. Traditional diversification often fails here — correlations rise in falling markets, and dollar-cost averaging is no longer available.





Full article: Sequencing risk: The Hidden Retirement Threat available at: https://www.gyrostat.com.au/news/ as published in Global Financial Markets Review.

Key points:

- Needs: Lower-risk investors, especially retirees, want peace of mind in all markets
- Problem: Sequencing risk losses early in retirement have lasting impact
- Solution: Diversify by market scenario: falling, volatile, stable, rising
- Proof: Absolute Return Income Equity Funds with protection always in place

Market corrections are inevitable and dangerous, but sequencing risk can be managed through scenario planning and by replacing part of a long-only allocation with absolute return income equity funds that carry permanent risk overlays.

Gyrostat Risk Managed Equity Fund Classes A & B have downside protection always in place, regular income, with returns in rising and falling markets including large market falls.

Our class A flagship fund has 3 key features:

- Lower risk than ASX 200 (source: FE Analytics)
 14-year track record no quarterly losses > 3%, 3 Yr max qtr loss -1.26%
- 2. A track record of increasing in value on major market falls
- 3. Absolute returns with a track record of increasing with market volatility

The leveraged Class B Units have a focus on greater returns and less risk protection.

These returns are non-correlated with the market providing portfolio diversification benefits such as lower risk, higher risk-adjusted returns, and reduced exposure to market shocks.

Our approach is for lower risk investors to replace a portion of their existing equities allocation with the applicable Gyrostat risk managed class.



Just look at how consistent and smooth the returns are over a 14-year track record.





And best of all, Gyrostat's strategy is designed to increase in value when share markets are falling. Gyrostat Class A performance compared with worst 5 quarters from the ASX accumulation index (since Fund inception December 2010).

| Period | ASX accumulation return | Gyrostat Class A return | |
|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Apr - Jun 2022 | -11.90% | + 8.70% | |
| Jan - Mar 2020 | -23.10% | + 9.22% | |
| Oct - Dec 2018 | -8.24% | + 4.18% | |
| Jul - Sep 2015 | -6.58% | -0.26% | |
| Jul - Sep 2011 | -8.17% | + 1.29% | |

Income: Class A pays a minimum quarterly cash distribution of BBSW3M + 3% (currently 6.61% pa); Class B minimum distribution of BBSW3M + 6% (currently 9.61%pa)

Diversify by market scenario in portfolio construction by blending investment approaches.

Diversification for All Market Scenarios

| Strategy | Key Attributes | Falling Market (Inc. Large Market Falls) | Volatile Market | Stable Market | Rising Market |
|---|--|---|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Diversify risk – Conservative/Growth Mix | Relies on correlation spread across asset classes | Unfavorable – Correlation often rises in crisis | Unfavorable – Capital losses | Favorable | Favorable |
| Occasional Protection via Predictions | Requires accurate timing to be effective | Unfavorable – Exposed if wrong | Unpredictable – Gains/Losses | Favorable | Favorable (May be Capped) |
| Protection Always in Place – Absolute Return (Gyrostat) | Non-correlated beta with embedded put protection; thrives on volatility | Very favorable (Class A), favorable (Class B) | Favorable (Class A), very favorable (Class B) | Less Favorable (Lower Return) | Favorable (Mitigated Upside) |

A comprehensive analysis is available in our Risk Managed Investing Guide: A structured path from accumulation to retirement https://www.gyrostat.com.au/news/risk-managed-investing/

Corporate presentation: https://www.gyrostat.com.au/news/gyrostat-risk-managed-equity-fund-corporate-presentation-at-30-september-2025/

We expand upon these themes in our regular contributions to Global Financial Market Review (GFMR). These articles are published at https://www.gyrostat.com.au/news/ and Gyrostat LinkedIn



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Gyrostat - Publications in Global Financial Market Review (GFMR)

Gyrostat November Outlook: The Rising Cost Of Doing Nothing

Date: Wednesday, 26 November 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-november-outlook-the-rising-cost-of-doing-nothing

This November, rising protection costs and elevated volatility serve as a clear reminder: retirees cannot afford accumulation-era thinking in a decumulation-era world.

Blending Managers - From Style Diversification To Scenario Diversification

Date: Monday, 10 November 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/blending-managers-from-style-diversification-to-scenario-diversification

Today's challenge is not simply to hold a variety of managers, but to ensure that each one performs a when markets change regime.

Gyrostat October Outlook: Beneath The Calm, The Cost Of Protection Rises

Date: Tuesday, 28 October 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-october-outlook-beneath-the-calm-the-cost-of-protection-rises

Even as global equity indices remain near record highs, the pricing of risk is shifting quietly beneath the surface.

The Behavioural Crossover: Why risk management fades when we need it most

Date: Thursday, 23 October 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-capital-management-why-risk-management-fades-when-we-need-it-most

Advisers now face a paradox: encouraging patience no longer works because patience is no longer protective. The solution must therefore move from behavioural coaching to structural risk design.

Solving the Nastiest Problem in Finance: Retirement Income and Sequencing Risk

Date: Wednesday, 8 Oct 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-capital-management-solving-the-nastiest-problem-in-finance



Explores Gyrostat's structural solution to the retirement income challenge – delivering stable income without sacrificing liquidity or capital preservation.

Gyrostat September Outlook: Tranquil Markets, Rising Case For Resilience

Date: Tuesday, 30 Sep 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-september-outlook-tranquil-markets-rising-case-for-resilience

Highlights the calm facade in markets and Gyrostat's case for maintaining resilient portfolio structures amid low volatility and narrowing risk premia.

Gyrostat Capital Management: A Structural Solution for Liquidity, Defence and Income

Date: Monday, 22 Sep 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-capital-management-a-structural-solution-for-liquidity-defence-and-income

Explores how structural portfolio design can provide investors with liquidity, downside defence, and income resilience in all market regimes.

Beyond Prediction: Portfolio Resilience in the Age of Al

Date: Wednesday, 03 Sep 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/beyond-prediction-portfolio-resilience-in-the-age-of-ai Explores how AI-driven forecasting models can fail during late-cycle, high-volatility regimes, and argues for resilience-focused portfolio design over predictive approaches.

Gyrostat August Outlook: Calm Endures, Yet Conviction For Protection Grows

Date: Tuesday, 26 Aug 2025

www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-august-outlook-calm-endures-yet-conviction-for-protection-grows

Volatility subdued and markets elevated; argues for proactive protection while costs remain low.

Flawed Foundations: Why Traditional Risk Assumptions Undermine Retirement Portfolios

Date: Wednesday, 13 Aug 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/flawed-foundations-why-traditional-risk-assumptions-undermine-retirement-portfolios

Challenges accumulation-era assumptions for retirees; advocates structured, risk-managed design.

Sequencing Risk: The Hidden Retirement Threat

Date: Friday, 01 Aug 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/sequencing-risk-the-hidden-retirement-threat-1

Explains sequencing risk and how absolute return equity income funds can defend against it.

Gyrostat July Outlook: A Calm That May Not Last

Date: Wednesday, 23 Jul 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-july-outlook-a-calm-that-may-not-last

Warns that low protection costs and rising complacency warrant risk-managed positioning.

Protection As A Portfolio Constant

Date: Tuesday, 01 Jul 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/protection-as-a-portfolio-constant-1

Why downside protection matters more in retirement; embeds resilience beyond traditional mixes.



Gyrostat Risk Managed Market Outlook: Uncertainty And Anticipated Volatility

Date: Friday, 13 Jun 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-risk-managed-market-outlook-uncertainty-and-anticipated-volatility

Highlights policy/market uncertainty and the value of protection when volatility is mispriced.

Protection Always: A Structured Path From Accumulation To Retirement

Date: Friday, 30 May 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/protection-always-a-structured-path-from-accumulation-to-retirement

Details the 'always-on' protection overlay and dynamic hedging approach ('behaves like a gyrostat').

Gyrostat Market Overview

Date: Wednesday, 14 May 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/gyrostat-market-overview-1

Argues for protection in low-volatility regimes; outlines macro stress arenas and risk cues.

Accumulation To Retirement Phase: Constructing Portfolios For Lower Risk Investors

Date: Wednesday, 07 May 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/markets/accumulation-to-retirement-phase-constructing-portfolios-for-lower-risk-investors

Designing portfolios for retirees; addresses SMILE threats and features needed for income stability.

A comprehensive analysis is available in our Risk Managed Investing Guide: A structured path from accumulation to retirement

https://www.gyrostat.com.au/news/risk-managed-investing/

Features & Press (GFMR)

Gyrostat Capital Management: Innovating Risk-Managed Portfolios For Australian Investors (Leaders InFocus)

Date: Wednesday, 02 Apr 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/leaders-infocus/gyrostat-capital-management-innovating-risk-managed-portfolios-for-australian-investors

Interview feature on Gyrostat's strategy, risk overlay, and recognition for innovation.

Gyrostat Capital Management Wins Most Innovative in Wealth Management Australia 2025 (Press Release)

Date: Tuesday, 18 Mar 2025

https://www.gfmreview.com/press-release/gyrostat-capital-management-wins-most-innovative-in-wealth-management-australia-2025

Award announcement recognising Gyrostat's leadership in risk-managed wealth strategies.