

# Downside Capture Analysis

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## VAN HULZEN COVERED CALL STRATEGY

### STRATEGY OBJECTIVE

The Strategy's investment objective is to seek total return with less volatility than equity markets in general.

### REASONS TO INVEST



### INVESTMENT STRATEGY

- Investing primarily in dividend-paying common stocks.
- Fundamental process for selecting stocks driven by a return-on-capital framework that provides for quality comparisons of companies across industries, sectors and geography.
- Generate a portfolio income of 6-8% through dividends and option income.
- Risk management: Tolerable-risk models, values-at risk models and stop loss procedures to manage portfolio risk.

### HOW TO INVEST

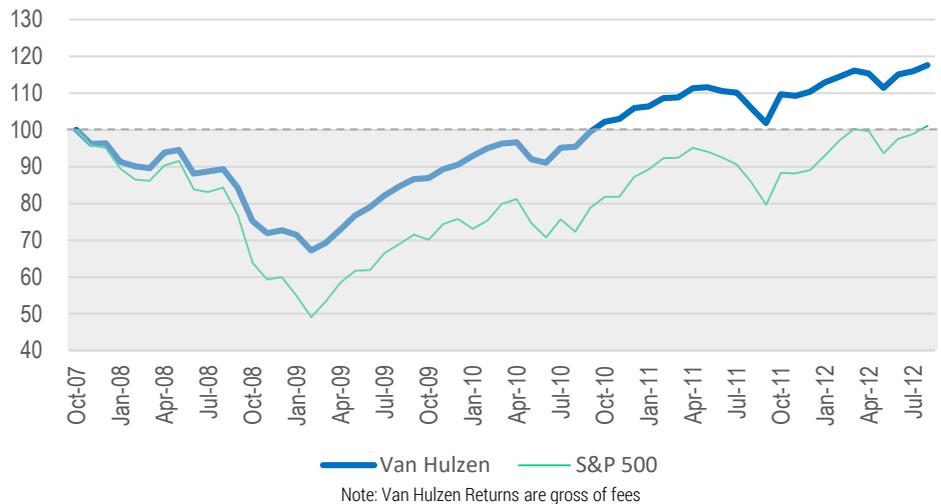
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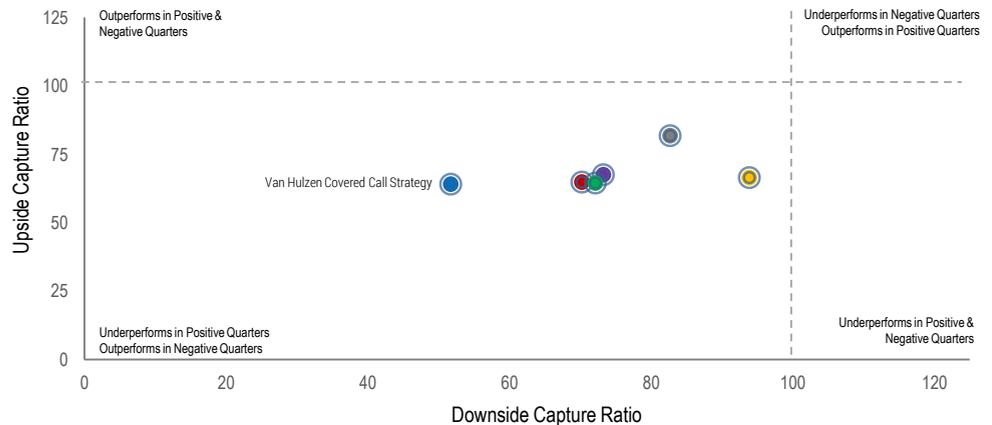
## How Did the Strategy Perform in 2008-2009?

It took **37 months** for the S&P 500 index to make up its losses from the 2008-09 stock market crash. The Van Hulzen Covered Call Strategy reached **break-even after 19 months**.



## Downside Capture Analysis

Most covered call managers have an upside capture ratio of 65-70%. However, downside capture ratios vary more widely. The Van Hulzen Covered Call Strategy has a strong downside capture ratio compared to other SMA managers.



	Upside Capture Ratio	Downside Capture Ratio
● Van Hulzen Covered Call Strategy	64.04	51.76
● Cullinan Associates DW	67.55	73.30
● Connors Investor Covered Call	81.72	82.71
● Griffin Asset GAM Covered Call Strategy	64.88	70.23
● Willingdon W. M. Covered Call	66.50	93.87
● Ziegler Capital FAMCO Covered Call	64.51	72.15

Risk benchmark used for this analysis: Russell 1000  
 Source: PSN Market Capture Analysis (7 years ending 6/30/2016)

# The Essentials of Covered Calls

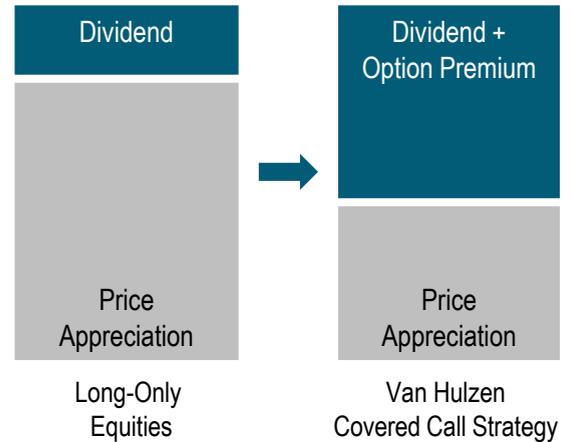
## A Brief Overview of Covered Calls

- A Covered Call Strategy invests in a long portfolio of stocks and covers its positions by selling call options. The net long position of a covered call strategy will by definition be smaller than that of the stock portfolio itself.
- By using a Covered Call Strategy, the goal is to exchange the uncertain upside potential of a stock price (beyond a certain pre-determined target price) for a certain amount of current period income.
- The Covered Call Strategy's goal in using covered calls is to outperform the market over the course of a business cycle. These strategies generally perform best in sideways or downward moving markets but may underperform when markets move dramatically higher.

## But Aren't Options Risky?

- Options have the potential to be risky. The option contracts that can get in the most trouble in a downturn (and therefore get the most press) are "naked puts." These are uncovered contracts that may require the seller to buy stocks at higher than market prices after a significant market drop. These positions can also run into liquidity issues, as option prices widen out during times of extreme volatility and can become more illiquid.
- Covered call strategies do not trade put contracts and therefore do not carry liquidity risk. In fact, call options are directionally short and will profit from a market decline, so there is no action necessary unless the manager decides to sell the stock and to close the calls out as well.

## Re-Shaping Total Return



## RISK CONSIDERATIONS:

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