

# Vanguard Variable Insurance Funds Diversified Value Portfolio

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Prospectus

This prospectus contains financial data for the Portfolio through the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022.

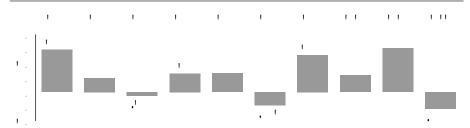
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similar to those of the Portfolio. The Portfolio's returns are net of its expenses but do not reflect additional fees and expenses that are deducted by the annuity or life insurance program through which you invest. If such fees and expenses were included in the calculation of the Portfolio's returns, the returns would be lower. Keep in mind that the Portfolio's past performance does not indicate how the Portfolio will perform in the future. Updated performance information is available on our website for Financial Advisors at ad so s. a g a d.co or by calling Vanguard toll-free at 800-522-5555.

# Annual Total Returns — Diversified Value Portfolio



# Portfolio Managers

George H. Davis, Jr., Executive Chairman and Portfolio Manager of Hotchkis and Wiley. He has co-managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2019.

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Henry Ross Seiden, Managing Director of Lazard. He has co-managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2022.

#### Tax Information

The Portfolio normally distributes its net investment income and net realized capital gains, if any, to its shareholders, which are the insurance company separate accounts that sponsor your variable annuity or variable life insurance contract. The tax consequences to you of your investment in the Portfolio depend on the provisions of the annuity or life insurance contract through which you invest. For more information on taxes, please refer to the prospectus of the annuity or life insurance contract through which Portfolio shares are offered.

# Payments to Financial Intermediaries

The Portfolio and its investment advisors do not pay financial intermediaries for sales of Portfolio shares.

# More on the Portfolio

This prospectus describes the principal risks you would face as an investor in this Portfolio. It is important to keep in mind one of the main principles of investing: generally, the higher the risk of losing money, the higher the potential reward. The reverse, also, is generally true: the lower the risk, the lower the potential reward. As you consider an investment in any mutual fund, you should take into account your personal tolerance for fluctuations in the securities markets. Look for this / symbol throughout the prospectus. It is used to mark detailed information about the m 0 0 1 126.421 symbol .8(k)100.7 (meth)22350.86(inu)-126.7 (meth)22350.86(inu)-12

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Portfolio's management, may change investment strategies or policies in the interest of shareholders without a shareholder vote, unless those strategies or

# Plain Talk About Growth Funds and Value Funds

Growth investing and value investing are two styles employed by stock-fund managers. Growth funds generally invest in stocks of companies believed to have above-average potential for growth in revenue, earnings, cash flow, or other similar criteria. These stocks typically have low dividend yields, if any, and above-average prices in relation to measures such as earnings and book value. Value funds typically invest in stocks whose prices are below average in relation to those measures; these stocks often have above-average dividend yields. Value stocks also may remain undervalued by the market for long periods of time. Growth and value stocks have historically produced similar long-term returns, though each category has periods when it outperforms the other.

Market disruptions can adversely affect local and global markets as well as normal market conditions and operations. Any such disruptions could have an adverse impact on the value of the Portfolio's investments and Portfolio performance.

# Security Selection

The Portfolio uses multiple investment advisors. Each advisor independently selects and maintains a portfolio of common stocks for the Portfolio. Each advisor employs active investment management methods, which means that securities are bought and sold according to the advisor's evaluations of companies and their financial prospects, the prices of the securities, and the stock market and the economy in general. Each advisor will sell a security when, in the view of the advisor, it is no longer as attractive as an alternative investment or if the advisor deems it to be in the best interest of the Portfolio. Different advisors may reach different conclusions on the same security.

Although each advisor uses a different process to select securities, each is committed to investing in large- and mid-cap stocks that, in the advisor's opinion, are undervalued. Undervalued stocks are generally those that are out of favor with investors and that the advisor believes are trading at prices that are below average in relation to measures such as earnings and book value. These stocks often have above-average dividend yields.

Hotch s a dW ey invests mainly in large-cap common stocks with value-oriented characteristics. The advisor follows a disciplined investment approach, focusing on investment parameters such as a company's tangible assets, sustainable cash flow, and potential for improving business performance.

Laza d employs a relative value approach that seeks a combination of attractive valuation and high financial productivity. The process is research-driven, relying upon bottom-up stock analysis performed by the firm's global sector analysts.



The Portfolio is subject to manager risk, which is the chance that poor security selection will cause the Portfolio to underperform relevant benchmarks or other funds with a similar investment objective.

The ability of an advisor to purchase or dispose of certain Portfolio investments is or may be restricted or impaired because of limitations imposed by law, regulation, or by certain regulators or issuers. As a result, an advisor may be required to limit purchases or sell existing investments. If the Portfolio is required to limit its investment in a particular issuer, then the Portfolio may seek to obtain regulatory relief or ownership waivers. Other options the Portfolio may pursue include seeking to obtain economic exposure to that issuer through alternative means, such as through a derivative or through investment in a wholly owned subsidiary, both of which may be more costly than owning securities of the issuer directly. Ownership restrictions and limitations could result in unanticipated tax consequences to the Portfolio that may affect the amount, timing, and character of distributions to shareholders. See *Othe lest et Pocesa d R s s* for further information related to derivatives.

# Other Investment Policies and Risks

In addition to investing in undervalued common stocks, the Portfolio may make other kinds of investments to achieve its investment objective.

Although the Portfolio typically does not make significant investments in foreign securities, it reserves the right to invest up to 25% of its assets in foreign securities, which may include depositary receipts. Foreign securities may be traded on U.S. or foreign markets. To the extent that it owns foreign securities, the Portfolio is subject to country risk and currency risk. Co t y s is the chance that world events—such as political upheaval, financial troubles, or natural disasters—will adversely affect the value of securities issued by companies in foreign countries. In addition, the prices of foreign stocks and the prices of U.S. stocks have, at times, moved in opposite directions C e c y s is the chance that the value of a foreign investment, measured in U.S. dollars, will decrease because of unfavorable changes in currency exchange rates.

The Portfolio may invest, to a limited extent, in derivatives. Generally speaking, a derivative is a financial contract whose value is based on the value of a financial asset (such as a stock, a bond, or a currency), a physical asset (such as gold, oil, or wheat), a market index, or a reference rate. Investments in derivatives may subject the Portfolio to risks different from, and possibly greater than, those of

the investor has a history of frequent trading or if Vanguard determines that such purchase may negatively affect a fund's operation or performance.

 Certain Vanguard funds charge investors purchase and/or redemption fees on transactions.

You may purchase or sell Portfolio shares through a contract offered by an insurance company. When insurance companies establish omnibus accounts in the Portfolio for their clients, we cannot monitor the individual clients' trading activity. However, we review trading activity at the omnibus account level, and we look for activity that may indicate potential frequent trading or market-timing. If we detect suspicious trading activity, we will seek the assistance of the insurance company to investigate that trading activity and take appropriate action, including prohibiting additional purchases of Portfolio shares by a client. Insurance companies may apply frequent-trading policies that differ from one another. Please read the insurance company contract and program materials carefully to learn of any rules or fees that may apply.

See the accompanying prospectus for the annuity or insurance program through which Portfolio shares are offered for further details on transaction policies.

The Portfolio, in determining its net asset value, will use fair-value pricing when appropriate, as described in the *Sha e P ce* section. Fair-value pricing may reduce or eliminate the profitability of certain frequent-trading strategies.

Do not invest with Vanguard if you are a market-timer.

A precautionary note to investment companies: The Portfolio's shares are issued by a registered investment company, and therefore the acquisition of such shares by other investment companies and private funds is subject to the restrictions of Section 12(d)(1) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the 1940 Act). SEC Rule 12d1-4 under the 1940 Act permits registered investment companies to invest in other registered investment companies beyond the limits in Section 12(d)(1), subject to certain conditions, including that funds with different investment advisors must enter into a fund of funds investment agreement.

#### **Turnover Rate**

A mutual fund's turnover rate is a measure of its trading activity. The Portfolio may sell securities regardless of how long they have been held. The historical turnover rates for the Portfolio can be found in the Financial Highlights section of this prospectus. A turnover rate of 100%, for example, would mean that the Portfolio had sold and replaced securities valued at 100% of its net assets within

a one-year period. In general, the greater the turnover rate, the greater the impact transaction costs will have on a fund's return. Also, funds with high turnover rates may be more likely to generate capital gains, including short-term capital gains, that must be distributed to shareholders and will be taxable to shareholders investing through a taxable account.

# The Portfolio and Vanguard

The Portfolio is a member of The Vanguard Group, Inc. (Vanguard), a family of over 200 funds. All of the funds that are members of Vanguard (other than funds of funds) share in the expenses associated with administrative services and business operations, such as personnel, office space, and equipment.

Vanguard Marketing Corporation provides marketing services to the funds. Although fund shareholders do not pay sales commissions or 12b-1 distribution fees, each fund (other than a fund of funds) or each share class of a fund (in the case of a fund with multiple share classes) pays its allocated share of the Vanguard funds' marketing costs.

# Plain Talk About Vanguard's Unique Corporate Structure

Vanguard is owned jointly by the funds it oversees and thus indirectly by the shareholders in those funds. Most other mutual funds are operated by management companies that are owned by third parties—either public or private stockholders—and not by the funds they serve.

#### Investment Advisors

The Portfolio uses a multimanager approach. Each advisor independently manages its assigned portion of the Portfolio's assets, subject to the supervision and oversight of Vanguard and the Board. The Board designates the proportion of Portfolio assets to be managed by each advisor and may change these proportions at any time.

 Hotchkis and Wiley Capital Management, LLC, 601 South Figueroa Street, 39th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017, is an investment advisory firm founded in 1980. As of December 31, 2022, Hotchkis and Wiley managed approximately \$28.3 billion in assets. Hotchkis and Wiley has managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2019.  Lazard Asset Management LLC, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10112, is an investment management firm and wholly owned subsidiary of Lazard Freres
 Co., LLC. As of December 31, 2022, Lazard managed approximately \$184 billion in assets. Lazard has managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2019.

The Portfolio pays each of its investment advisors a base fee plus or minus a performance adjustment. The base fee, which is paid quarterly, is a percentage of average daily net assets managed by the advisor during the most recent fiscal quarter. The performance adjustment, also paid quarterly, is based on the cumulative total return of each advisor's portion of the Portfolio relative to that of the Russell 1000 Value Index (for Hotchkis and Wiley) or the S&P 500 Index (for Lazard), over the preceding 60-month period (a 36-month period for Lazard). When the performance adjustment is positive, the Portfolio's expenses increase; when it is negative, expenses decrease.

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, the aggregate advisory fee represented an effective annual rate of 0.12% of the Portfolio's average net assets before a performance-based increase of 0.01%.

Under the terms of an SEC exemption, the board of trustees of Vanguard Variable Insurance Funds may, without prior approval from shareholders, change the terms of an advisory agreement with a third-party investment advisor or hire a new third-party investment advisor—either as a replacement for an existing advisor or as an additional advisor. Any significant change in the Portfolio's advisory arrangements will be communicated to shareholders in writing. As the Portfolio's sponsor and overall manager, Vanguard may provide investment advisory services to the Portfolio at any time. Vanguard may also recommend to the board of trustees that an advisor be hired, terminated, or replaced or that the terms of an existing advisory agreement be revised. Vanguard Variable Insurance Funds has filed an application seeking a similar SEC exemption with respect to investment advisors that are wholly owned subsidiaries of Vanguard. If the exemption is granted, the Portfolio may rely on the new SEC relief.

For a discussion of why the Board approved the Portfolio's investment advisory agreements, see the most recent semiannual report to shareholders covering the fiscal period ended June 30.

The managers primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Portfolio are:

George H. Davis, Jr., Executive Chairman and Portfolio Manager of Hotchkis and Wiley. He has worked in investment management since 1983, has been with Hotchkis and Wiley since 1988, and has co-managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2019. Education: B.A. and M.B.A., Stanford University.

Scott McBride, CFA, Chief Executive Officer and Portfolio Manager of Hotchkis and Wiley. He has worked in investment management since joining Hotchkis and Wiley in 2001, has managed investment portfolios since 2004, and has co-managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2019. Education: B.A., Georgetown University; M.B.A., Columbia University.

Andrew Lacey, Deputy Chairman of Lazard. He has worked in investment management for Lazard since 1995 and has co-managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2019. Education: B.A., Wesleyan University; M.B.A., Columbia University.

Henry Ross Seiden , Managing Director of Lazard. He has worked in investment management since 2006, has been with Lazard since 2010, has managed investment portfolios since 2015, and has co-managed a portion of the Portfolio since 2022. Education: B.B.A., University of Michigan.

The Portfolio's *State et of Add to al fo at o* provides information about each portfolio manager's compensation, other accounts under management, and ownership of shares of the Portfolio.

#### Taxes

The Portfolio normally distributes its net investment income and net realized short-term or long-term capital gains, if any, to its shareholders, which are the insurance company separate accounts that fund your variable annuity or variable life insurance contract. From time to time, the Portfolio may also make distributions that are treated as a return of capital. The tax consequences to you of your investment in the Portfolio depend on the provisions of the annuity or life insurance contract through which you invest; please refer to the prospectus of such contract for more information.

The Portfolio intends to operate in such a manner that a separate account investing only in Portfolio shares will result in the variable annuity and variable life insurance contracts supported by that account receiving favorable tax treatment. This favorable treatment means that you generally will not be taxed on Portfolio distributions or proceeds on dispositions of Portfolio shares received by the

separate account funding your contract. In order to qualify for this favorable treatment, the insurance company separate accounts that invest in the Portfolio must satisfy certain requirements. If a Portfolio funding your contract does not meet such requirements, your contract could lose its favorable tax treatment and income and gain allocable to your contract could be taxable to you. Also, if the IRS were to determine that contract holders have an impermissible level of control over the investments funding their contracts, your contract could lose its favorable tax treatment and income and gain allocable to your contract could be taxable currently to you. Please see the Portfolio's *State e t of Add t o a for more information*.

### Share Price

Share price, also known as  $\ et\ asset\ a\ e\ (NAV)$ , is calculated as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), generally 4 p.m., Eastern time, on each day that the NYSE is open for business (a business day). In the rare event the NYSE experiences unanticipated disruptions and is unavailable at the close of the trading  $.9(S)0(E).uo\ satiso277.8(and)-277.8(is)]TJ\ T*Ws wrs$ 

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including institutional money market fund shares, held by a portfolio are based on the NAVs of the shares. The values of any ETF shares or closed-end fund shares held by a portfolio are based on the market value of the shares.

A portfolio also will use fair-value pricing if the value of a security it holds has been materially affected by events occurring before the portfolio's pricing time but after the close of the principal exchange or market on which the security is traded. This most commonly occurs with foreign securities, which may trade on foreign exchanges that close many hours before the portfolio's pricing time. Intervening events might be company-specific (e.g., earnings report, merger announcement) or country-specific or regional/global (e.g., natural disaster, economic or political news, interest rate change, act of terrorism). Intervening events include price movements in U.S. markets that exceed a specified threshold or that are otherwise deemed to affect the value of foreign securities.

Fair-value pricing may be used for domestic securities—for example, if (1) trading in a security is halted and does not resume before the portfolio's pricing time or a security does not trade in the course of a day and (2) the portfolio holds enough of the security that its price could affect the portfolio's NAV.

Fair-value prices are determined by Vanguard according to procedures adopted by the board of trustees. When fair-value pricing is employed, the prices of securities used by a portfolio to calculate the NAV may differ from quoted or published prices for the same securities.

The Portfolio has authorized certain financial intermediaries and their designees, and may, from time to time, authorize certain fund of funds for which Vanguard serves as the investment advisor (Vanguard Funds of Funds), to accept orders to buy or sell fund shares on its behalf. The Portfolio will be deemed to receive an order when accepted by the financial intermediary, its designee, or one of the NAV.

# Financial Highlights

Financial highlights information is intended to help you understand a fund's performance for the past five years (or, if shorter, its period of operations). Certain information reflects financial results for a single fund share. Total return represents the rate that an investor would have earned or lost each period on an investment in a fund or share class (assuming reinvestment of all distributions). This information has been obtained from the financial statements audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, whose report, along with fund financial statements, is included in a fund's most recent annual report to shareholders. You may obtain a free copy of a fund's latest annual or semiannual report, which is available upon request.

Yields and total returns presented for the Portfolio are net of the Portfolio's operating expenses, but they do not take into account charges and expenses attributable to the annuity or life insurance program through which you invest. The expenses of the annuity or life insurance program reduce the returns and yields you ultimately receive, so you should bear those expenses in mind when evaluating the performance of the Portfolio and when comparing the yields and returns of the Portfolio with those of other mutual funds.

Vanguard Diversified Value Portfolio	Year Ended December 31,						
For a Share Outstanding Throughout Each Period	202	2 2	2021	202	20 2	2019	2018
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$17.45	\$13.74	. \$	16.45	\$14.33	\$	17.04
Investment Operations							
Net Investment Income <sup>1</sup>	.204	ļ .	183	.209	9 .	364	.412
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	(2.03	4) 3	3.940	.13	33 3	.135	(1.872)
Total from Investment Operations	(1.830	) 4.	123	.342	2 3.4	499	(1.460)
Distributions							
Dividends from Net Investment Income	(.181	) (.	174)	(.409	9) (.	462)	(.423)
Distributions from Realized Capital Gains	(1.42	9) (	.239	) (2.64	13)	(.917	(.827)
Total Distributions	(1.610	)) (.	413)	(3.05	2) (1	.379)	(1.250)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$14.01	\$17.4	5 ;	\$13.74	\$16.4	5 \$	14.33
Total Return	-11.49%	30.4	7%	11.78%	25.7	0%	-9.12%
Ratios/Supplemental Data							
Net Assets, End of Period (Millions)	\$1,070	\$1,	229	\$95	1 \$	974	\$887
Ratio of Total Expenses to Average Net Assets <sup>2</sup>	0.29%	0.2	8%	0.28%	0.24	1%	0.25%
Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets	1.38%	1.14	1%	1.70%	2.39	%	2.58%
Portfolio Turnover Rate	25%	5 2	5%	34%	11	7%	18%

<sup>1</sup> Calculated based on average shares outstanding.

<sup>2</sup> Includes performance-based investment advisory fee increases (decreases) of 0.01%, 0.01%, 0.00%, (0.03%).

# General Information

This Portfolio of Vanguard Variable Insurance Funds offers its shares to insurance companies to fund both annuity and life insurance contracts. Because of differences in tax treatment or other considerations, the best interests of various contract owners participating in the Portfolio might at some time be in conflict. The Board will monitor for any material conflicts and determine what action, if any, should be taken.

If the Board determines that continued offering of shares would be detrimental to the best interests of the Portfolio's shareholders, the Portfolio may suspend the offering of shares for a period of time. If the Board determines that a specific purchase acceptance would be detrimental to the best interests of the Portfolio's shareholders (for example, because of the size of the purchase request or a history of frequent trading by the investor), the Portfolio may reject such a purchase request.

If you wish to redeem money from the Portfolio, please refer to the instructions provided in the accompanying prospectus for the annuity or life insurance program. Shares of the Portfolio may be redeemed on any business day that the NYSE is open for trading. The redemption price of shares will be at the next-determined NAV per share. Redemption proceeds generally will be wired to the administrator within one business day following receipt of the redemption request, but no later than seven business days. Contract owners will receive their redemption checks from the administrator.

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money (subject to certain regulatory conditions and if available under board-approved procedures) through an interfund lending facility; through a bank line-of-credit, including a joint committed credit facility; or through an uncommitted line-of-credit from Vanguard in order to meet redemption requests.

# Shareholder Rights

The Portfolio's Agreement and Declaration of Trust, as amended, requires a shareholder bringing a derivative action on behalf of Vanguard Variable Insurance Funds (the Trust) that is subject to a pre-suit demand to collectively hold at least 10% of the outstanding shares of the Trust or at least 10% of the outstanding shares of the series or class to which the demand relates and to undertake to reimburse the Trust for the expense of any counsel or advisors used when considering the merits of the demand in the event that the board of trustees determines not to bring such action. In each case, these requirements do not apply to claims arising under the federal securities laws to the extent that any such federal securities laws, rules, or regulations do not permit such application.

# Glossary of Investment Terms

Capital Gains Distributions. Payments to portfolio shareholders of gains realized on securities that a portfolio has sold at a profit, minus any realized losses.

Cash Equivalent Investments. Cash deposits, short-term bank deposits, and

Mutual Fund.	An investment company that pools the money of many people	

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