

# **Sprott Nickel Miners ETF**

As of December 31, 2024

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**Sprott Nickel Miners ETF (Nasdag: NIKL)** is the only ETF to provide focused exposure to the nickel miners that supply a critical material for the batteries that store clean energy and support the electric vehicle revolution. **NIKL** seeks to provide investment results that, before fees and expenses, correspond generally to the total return performance of the Nasdag Sprott Nickel Miners™ Index (NSNIKL™). The Index is designed to track the performance of a selection of global securities in the nickel industry, including nickel producers, developers and explorers.

^ Based on Morningstar's universe of Natural Resources Sector Equity ETFs as of 12/31/2024.

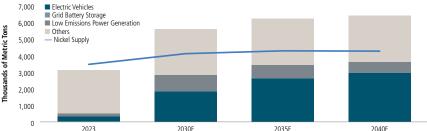
#### **Key Points**

- 1. Pure-Play<sup>†</sup> Nickel ETF The only U.S.-listed ETF focused on nickel mining companies providing a critical material necessary to meet the rising global demand for batteries and energy storage along with continuing demand for stainless steel.
- 2. Essential to Energy Storage Nickel offers high energy density, making it critical to smaller batteries needed for hybrid and electric vehicles (EVs) and nickel-zinc (NiZn) batteries, which are in demand as space-saving power backups for AI data centers.
- **3. Required for Efficient Electric Vehicles** With the recent discovery that adding more nickel to EV batteries increases their drivable range, the energy transition-related demand for this critical mineral may increase nearly 7 times by 2040, relative to 2023. \*\*\*
- **4. Well-Positioned Companies** Companies upstream in the supply chain may be well-positioned to benefit from the increased investment in nickel necessary to meet the rising global demand for energy and energy storage.
- <sup>†</sup> The term "pure-play" relates directly to the exposure that the Fund has to the total universe of investable, publicly listed securities in the investment strategy.

<sup>++</sup> Source: The Nickel Institute, March 2023.

\*\*Source: "Global Critical Minerals Outlook 2024", International Energy Agency (IEA), May 2024. Data shown for Net Zero Emissions Scenario.

# Nickel Supply and Demand Imbalance Likely to Invert



Source: "Global Critical Minerals Outlook 2024", International Energy Agency (IEA), May 2024. Demand is based on a net-zero scenario, i.e., global net-zero emissions by 2050 to meet the goals of the Paris Agreement. Included for illustrative purposes only.

## Performance: Average Annual Total Returns\* (%)

| QUARTER END AS OF 12/31/2024                         | 1 MO  | 3 MO   | YTD    | 1 YR   | S.I. <sup>1</sup> |
|--|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Sprott Nickel Miners ETF (Net Asset Value)           | -5.71 | -19.81 | -20.73 | -20.73 | -21.72            |
| Sprott Nickel Miners ETF (Market Price) <sup>2</sup> | -6.84 | -18.86 | -21.73 | -21.73 | -21.84            |
| Nasdaq Sprott Nickel Miners™ Index (Benchmark)³      | -5.78 | -19.88 | -20.23 | -20.23 | -21.19            |
| MSCI All Country World Index <sup>3</sup>            | -2.37 | -0.99  | 17.49  | 17.49  | 19.84             |

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than actual data quoted. Call 1.888.622.1813 or visit www.sprottetfs.com for current month end performance. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

Inception Date: 3/21/2023.

#### **ETF Details**

| Ticker            | NIKL           |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Underlying Index  | NSNIKL™        |
| Index Rebalancing | Semi-Annually  |
| Listing Exchange  | Nasdaq®        |
| CUSIP             | 85208P600      |
| ISIN              | US85208P6007   |
| Fund Inception    | March 21, 2023 |
| Fund AUM          | \$8.6 million  |
|                   |                |

#### Fees and Expenses

(as of the most recent prospectus<sup>††</sup>)

| Management Fee |  | , | 0.75% |
|----------------|--|---|-------|
| Other Expenses |  |   | 0.00% |

### **Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses**

0.75%

<sup>††</sup> Reflects Total Annual Operating Expenses as outlined in the most recent prospectus. For the services the Adviser (Sprott Asset Management USA, Inc.) provides to the Fund, the Adviser is entitled to receive an annual advisory fee from the Fund calculated daily and paid monthly at an annual rate of 0.75% of net assets.

### Portfolio Characteristics<sup>‡</sup>

(as of 12/31/2024)

| Number of Issuers                           | 23       |
|---|----------|
| Market Cap (millions)                       | \$19,495 |
| Weighted Avg. Company Market Cap (millions) | \$1,613  |
| Market Cap Breakdown                        |          |
| Large (>\$10B)                              | 0.00%    |
| Medium (\$2 – \$10B)                        | 57.60%   |
| Small (<\$2B)                               | 42.40%   |
| Material Weightings***                      |          |
| Nickel Equities                             | 84.33%   |
| Other                                       | 15.67%   |

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Reflects equities classified by Sprott Asset Management.

#### Company Domicile Breakdown<sup>‡</sup> (as of 12/31/2024)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup>Excludes cash.

<sup>\*</sup> Returns less than one year are not annualized.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Market Price is based on the midpoint of the bid/ask spread at 4 p.m. ET and does not represent the returns an investor would receive if shares were traded at other times.

<sup>3</sup> The Nasdaq Sprott Nickel Miners<sup>TM</sup> Index (NSNIKL<sup>TM</sup>) was co-developed by Nasdaq<sup>®</sup> (the "Index Provider") and Sprott Asset Management LP (the "Sponsor"). The Index Provider and Sponsor co-developed the methodology for determining the securities to be included in the Index and the Index Provider is responsible for its displaying the securities to be included in the Index Provider.

maintenance of the Index. The Sponsor will provide certain services in connection with the Index including contributing inputs in connection with the eligibility and process to determine the initial selection and ongoing composition of the Index constituents. The MSCI All Country World Index (MSCI ACWI) includes stocks from 23 developed countries and 24 emerging markets, covering approximately 85% of the global investable equity opportunity set. One cannot invest directly in an index.



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# Sprott Nickel Miners ETF Holdings<sup>‡</sup> (as of 12/31/2024)

| -   |        |         |
|---|--------|---------|
| COMPANY                                   | TICKER | WEIGHT* |
| Nickel Industries Limited                 | NIC    | 21.99%  |
| PT Merdeka Battery Materials Tbk          | MBMA   | 14.67%  |
| IGO Limited                               | IGO    | 7.25%   |
| Nickel Asia Corporation                   | NIKL   | 5.96%   |
| Lifezone Metals Limited                   | LZM    | 4.88%   |
| PT Vale Indonesia Tbk                     | INCO   | 4.82%   |
| Power Nickel Inc.                         | PNPN   | 4.51%   |
| PT Trimegah Bangun Persada Tbk.           | NCKL   | 4.48%   |
| PT Aneka Tambang Tbk                      | ANTM   | 4.39%   |
| Eramet SA                                 | ERA    | 4.03%   |
| Magna Mining Inc.                         | NICU   | 4.01%   |
| Canada Nickel Company Inc.                | CNC    | 3.46%   |
| Xinjiang Xinxin Mining Industry Co., Ltd. | 3833   | 2.65%   |
| Centaurus Metals Limited                  | CTM    | 2.60%   |
| Talon Metals Corp.                        | TLO    | 1.65%   |
| Premium Resources Ltd.                    | PREM   | 1.64%   |
| PT PAM Mineral Tbk                        | NICL   | 1.61%   |
| Sherritt International Corporation        | S      | 1.48%   |

| COMPANY                           | TICKER | WEIGHT* |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Global Ferronickel Holdings, Inc. | FNI    | 1.47%   |
| PT Adhi Kartiko Pratama Tbk       | NICE   | 0.90%   |
| EV Nickel Inc.                    | EVNI   | 0.76%   |
| Raiden Resources Limited          | RDN    | 0.75%   |
| Panoramic Resources Limited       | PAN    | 0.04%   |

<sup>‡</sup>Excludes cash.

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<sup>\*</sup>Source: Bloomberg as of 12/31/2024, subject to change.

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