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Summary Prospectus

Vanguard Short Duration Bond ETF

Exchange-traded fund shares that are not individually redeemable and are listed on Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.

Vanguard Short Duration Bond ETF Shares (VSDB)

The Fund's statutory Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information dated January 28, 2026, as may be amended or supplemented, are incorporated into and made part of this Summary Prospectus by reference.

Before you invest, you may want to review the Fund's Prospectus, which contains more information about the Fund and its risks. You can find the Fund's Prospectus and other information about the Fund online at www.vanguard.com/prospectus and <https://personal.vanguard.com/us/literature/reports/ETFs>. You can also obtain this information at no cost by calling 866-499-8473 or by sending an email request to online@vanguard.com.

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has not approved or disapproved these securities or passed upon the adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Investment Objective

Vanguard Short Duration Bond ETF (the “Fund”) seeks to provide high current income while maintaining limited price volatility.

Fees and Expenses

The following tables describe the fees and expenses you may pay if you buy, hold, and sell shares of the Fund. **You may pay other fees, such as brokerage commissions and other fees to financial intermediaries, which are not reflected in the tables and example below.**

Shareholder Fees

(Fees paid directly from your investment)

Transaction Fee on Purchases and Sales	None*
Transaction Fee on Reinvested Dividends	None*

* None through Vanguard (Broker fees vary)

Annual Fund Operating Expenses

(Expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)

Management Fees	0.02%
12b-1 Distribution Fee	None
Other Expenses	0.13%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses ¹	0.15%

¹ The expense information shown in the table reflects estimated amounts for the current fiscal year.

Example

This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the Fund with the cost of investing in other funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the Fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods. The example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and that the Fund’s operating expenses remain the same.

1 Year	3 Years
\$15	\$48

This example does not include the brokerage commissions that you may pay to buy and sell shares of the Fund.

Portfolio Turnover

The Fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when Fund shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the Fund’s performance. During the fiscal period from April 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025, the Fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 110% of the average value of its portfolio.

Principal Investment Strategies

The Fund employs an active management approach, investing in bonds of various maturities, yields, and qualities. Under normal circumstances, the Fund invests at least 80% of its net assets, plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes, in bonds. For purposes of the 80% policy, bonds include fixed income securities such as corporate bonds; U.S. Treasury obligations and other U.S. government and agency securities; obligations issued or guaranteed by a foreign government or their agencies, instrumentalities, or political subdivisions; and asset-backed, mortgage-backed, and mortgage-related securities.

The Fund’s dollar-weighted average duration will normally range between 1 and 4 years. *Duration* is a measure of the price sensitivity of a bond or a bond fund to changes in interest rates. For example, if a bond has a duration of two years, its price would fall by approximately 2% when interest rates rise by 1%. On the other hand, the bond’s price would rise by approximately 2% when interest rates fall by 1%.

In general, the Fund purchases bonds with maturities of 90 days or more at the time of their issuance. The Fund’s dollar-weighted average maturity will normally range between 1 and 5 years but may be longer or shorter under certain market conditions, such as during periods of market stress. Due to the Fund’s holdings in asset-backed, mortgage-backed, and similar securities, its weighted average maturity may be approximate to the weighted average maturity of the cash flows in the securities it holds, given certain prepayment assumptions. This is also known as weighted average life.

The Fund may purchase bonds of any quality, including high- and medium-quality bonds, which are considered to be investment-grade by Moody’s or another independent rating agency (or, if unrated, are considered to be of comparable quality by the Fund’s advisor). With no more than 25% of its assets, the Fund also may invest in bonds rated below investment-grade, also referred to as high-yield securities or “junk” bonds.

The Fund may invest in bonds of non-U.S. issuers, including emerging market

countries. Although the Fund seeks to have the majority of its assets denominated in or hedged back to the U.S. dollar, it also may invest in foreign currency bonds on an unhedged basis. In an effort to manage the currency risk associated with investing in bonds denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, the Fund may seek to hedge some or all of its foreign currency exposure. To the extent that the Fund hedges its foreign currency exposure, it does so primarily through the use of foreign currency exchange forward contracts, which are a type of derivative.

In addition to foreign currency exchange forward contracts, the Fund may invest in derivatives such as fixed income futures contracts, fixed income options (including options on swaps), currency swaps, interest rate swaps, total return swaps, credit default swaps, or other derivatives. The Fund may enter into To Be Announced ("TBA") transactions or take short positions in TBA mortgage-backed securities.

Principal Risks

As with any investment, an investment in the Fund could lose money over any time period. The Fund's share price and total return may fluctuate, potentially within a wide range. The principal risks of investing in the Fund are summarized below. Each of the following risks could affect the Fund's performance:

- **General Market Risk.** The markets in which the Fund invests can be affected by a variety of factors. These factors, which can be real or perceived, may include economic, market, political, and regulatory conditions and developments as well as local, regional, or global events such as wars, military conflicts, natural disasters, and public health issues. In addition, investor sentiment and expectations regarding these factors can also impact the markets. Different parts of the market, including different industries and sectors as well as different types of securities, may react differently to factors that affect the market. These factors can contribute to market uncertainty, market volatility, and fluctuations in the value of the Fund's investments, thereby resulting in potential losses to the Fund over short or long periods.
- **Investing in Foreign Markets.** Foreign markets can perform differently than U.S. markets. World events could adversely affect the value and/or liquidity of securities of foreign companies or foreign issuers, potentially in ways that differ from impacts to U.S. companies or issuers. Further, global economies and financial markets are becoming increasingly interconnected, which increases the possibility that conditions in one country or region could adversely impact a different country or region. In addition, the rights and remedies associated with investments in a fund that invests in foreign securities may be different than a fund that invests in domestic securities. To the extent that the Fund invests a large portion of its assets in securities of issuers located primarily in one country or region, the Fund's performance may be hurt disproportionately by the poor performance of its investments in such country or region.

- **Investing in Emerging Markets.** Investments in emerging markets are subject to higher degrees of risk and volatility than investments in developed markets. Compared with developed markets, emerging markets can have greater custodial and operational risks; less developed legal, tax, regulatory, financial reporting, accounting, and recordkeeping systems; and greater political, social, and economic instability than developed markets. In addition, emerging markets generally have less efficient trading markets with lower overall liquidity and more volatile currency exchange rates. Each of these risks can cause losses to the Fund's investments and/or impact the Fund's performance.
- **Currency Risk.** The Fund is subject to the risk that foreign currency will perform differently than U.S. dollars and increase the potential loss to the Fund. Currency exchange rates may be volatile, move rapidly, and change as a result of changes in interest rates, inflation rates, government surpluses or deficits, and monetary policy or currency controls imposed by local governments or supranational entities such as the International Monetary Fund. Changes in currency exchange rates can affect the value of the Fund's holdings.
- **Currency Hedging.** The Fund may attempt to offset currency risk through a hedging strategy; however, by doing so, the Fund may not be able to capture gains that it could otherwise realize if it did not have a hedging strategy. It generally is not possible to perfectly hedge the risk posed by foreign currency exposure. Hedging transactions can increase transaction costs and subject the Fund to the risk that a counterparty is unable to fulfill its contractual obligation, in which case the Fund could be subject to additional loss.
- **Investing in Bond Markets.** The Fund may be impacted by the general condition of the bond markets and by factors that affect bonds and bond issuers. For example, as a general rule, bond prices and interest rates move in opposite directions. When interest rates rise, bond prices tend to fall, and when interest rates fall, bond prices tend to go up. Bond income also is affected by changes in interest rates. Interest rates can rise or fall for a number of reasons, including, but not limited to, central bank monetary policy, inflationary or deflationary pressures, and changes in general market and economic conditions. Changing interest rates, including, but not limited to, rates that fall below zero, could have unpredictable effects on the overall market and may expose the bond markets in particular to heightened volatility and potential illiquidity. The degree to which the Fund is impacted by certain bond market risks may vary based on factors disclosed in its principal investment strategies, such as the types of bonds in which it invests and the overall credit quality, average maturity, and/or average duration of its bond holdings.
- **Interest Rate Risk.** During periods of rising interest rates, bond prices overall may decline, which could result in a decline in the Fund's value. The prices of

longer-term bonds are more sensitive to changes in interest rates than the prices of shorter-term bonds.

- **Income Risk.** During periods of falling interest rates, the Fund's income may decline. The income paid by shorter-term bonds is subject to a higher degree of fluctuation than the income paid by longer-term bonds.
- **Credit Risk.** Credit risk refers to the chance that an issuer will default (fail to meet its credit obligations) or fail to make payments in a timely manner, which could result in a loss to the Fund. In addition, negative perceptions of an issuer's ability to make payments can cause the price of a security to decline. While all debt securities are subject to credit risk to some extent, those with higher credit quality ratings generally pose less credit risk than those with lower credit quality ratings.
- **Bond Liquidity Risk.** If the Fund is unable to sell a security at an advantageous time or price, its returns may be reduced. There may be limited trading in the secondary market for certain debt securities, which could make them more difficult to value or sell.
- **Call Risk.** Certain bonds held by the Fund may be callable. The issuer of a callable bond has the right to "call" (redeem) the bond before its maturity date. Calls on bonds held by the Fund would result in the Fund losing any price appreciation above the bond's call price. In addition, because bond calls occur more frequently during periods of falling interest rates, the Fund likely would be forced to reinvest the proceeds of any called bonds at a lower interest rate than that of the called bonds, resulting in a decline in the Fund's income and a potential loss in the value of the Fund's investments. Frequent bond calls and subsequent reinvestments of the proceeds also would increase the Fund's turnover rate.
- **Prepayment Risk.** Certain bonds are subject to risks associated with prepayment. Prepayment risk for callable bonds is described under **Call Risk**. With respect to mortgage-backed, asset-backed, and similar debt securities, prepayment typically refers to borrowers repaying their debt early (e.g., before the maturity date). Prepayment of bonds held by the Fund would result in the Fund losing any price appreciation above the amount repaid (or the bond's call price, in the case of callable bonds). In addition, because prepayments occur more frequently in low interest rate environments, the Fund likely would be forced to reinvest the proceeds from any prepayments at a lower interest rate than when the prepaid bonds were purchased, resulting in a decline in the Fund's income and a potential loss in the value of the Fund's investments. Frequent prepayments and subsequent reinvestment of the proceeds also would increase the Fund's turnover rate.
- **Extension Risk.** During periods of rising interest rates, certain bonds held by the Fund may be paid off substantially more slowly than originally anticipated. As a result, the value of the bonds may fall, resulting in a decline in the Fund's income and a potential loss in the value of the Fund's investments.

- **High-Yield Securities.** Bonds rated below investment-grade, also referred to as high-yield securities, are considered speculative with respect to the issuer's ability, or perceptions of the issuer's ability, to make timely principal and interest payments. They are more volatile, less liquid, and involve greater risk of default than investment-grade securities. Investing in high-yield securities could result in a loss of income and/or principal for the Fund.
- **Active Management.** The Fund is actively managed. The advisor's security selection and/or strategy execution could cause the Fund to underperform relevant securities markets or other funds with a similar investment objective.
- **Investing in Derivatives.** Investing in derivatives may present risks different from, and/or greater than, those associated with investing directly in stocks, bonds, or other types of investments. Derivatives could expose the Fund to increased volatility and/or significant loss. Certain derivatives have an inherent leverage component, providing the Fund exposure to a sizable position in an underlying asset with a relatively small upfront investment at the time the Fund enters into the derivatives position. For these derivatives, an adverse change in the value or price of the underlying asset could result in a loss substantially greater than the amount invested in the derivative itself. Some derivatives require the Fund to enter into a contract with a counterparty. If the counterparty is unable or unwilling to fulfill its contractual obligation, the Fund may experience a loss. A liquid market may not always exist for the Fund's derivatives positions. The Fund may be unable to sell or otherwise exit its derivatives position at desired times or prices, which could also result in a loss to the Fund. Some derivatives, particularly OTC derivatives, can be complex and often are valued subjectively. Valuation may be more difficult in times of market turmoil since many investors and market makers may be reluctant to purchase complex instruments or quote prices for them. Improper valuations can result in increased cash payment requirements to counterparties or a loss of value to the Fund.

Derivatives may not perform as intended, which may result in losses to the Fund. For example, derivatives used for hedging or as a substitute for a portfolio instrument may not provide the expected benefits, particularly during adverse market conditions. The use of derivatives is also subject to legal risk, which includes the risk of loss resulting from insufficient or unenforceable contractual documentation, insufficient capacity or authority of the Fund's counterparty, and operational risk, which includes documentation or settlement issues, system failures, inadequate controls, and human error.

- **ETF Share Trading.** The Fund's ETF shares are listed for trading on Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. and individual investors may only buy and sell them on the secondary market at market prices. Although it is expected that the market price of an ETF share typically will approximate its net asset value (NAV), there may be times when the market price of an ETF share and its NAV differ significantly. Disruptions to creation and redemption transactions, the existence of significant market volatility, or potential lack of an active

trading market for ETF shares (including through a trading halt), as well as other factors, may result in ETF shares trading significantly above (at a premium) or below (at a discount) the Fund's NAV or the intraday value of the Fund's holdings. Thus, you may pay more or less than NAV when you buy ETF shares on the secondary market, and you may receive more or less than NAV when you sell those shares.

- **Authorized Participants.** Only Authorized Participants may engage in creation or redemption transactions directly with the Fund. The Fund has a limited number of financial institutions that may act as Authorized Participants. The Fund's Authorized Participants are not obligated to engage in creation or redemption transactions. To the extent that the Fund's Authorized Participants are unable to or choose not to proceed with creation and/or redemption transactions with respect to the Fund and no other Authorized Participants step forward to engage in creation or redemption transactions with the Fund, the Fund's ETF shares may trade at a discount to NAV and possibly face trading halts and/or delisting.

An investment in the Fund is not a deposit of a bank and is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency.

Annual Total Returns

The Fund has not been in operation long enough to report a full calendar-year return. Performance information is available on our website at vanguard.com/performance.

Investment Advisor

The Vanguard Group, Inc. (Vanguard) through its wholly owned subsidiary, Vanguard Capital Management (VCM). VCM exercises portfolio management responsibilities for the Fund.

Portfolio Managers

Arvind Narayanan, CFA, Principal of Vanguard and Senior Portfolio Manager at VCM. He has co-managed the Fund since its inception in March 2025.

Thanh Nguyen, CFA, Portfolio Manager at VCM. She has co-managed the Fund since its inception in March 2025.

Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares

ETF shares may only be bought and sold in the secondary market through a brokerage firm. The price you pay or receive for ETF shares will be the prevailing market price, which may be more (premium) or less (discount) than the NAV of the shares. The brokerage firm may charge you a commission to execute the transaction. Unless imposed by your brokerage firm, there is no minimum dollar amount you must invest and no minimum number of shares you

must buy. ETF shares cannot be directly purchased from or redeemed with the Fund, except by certain authorized broker-dealers. These broker-dealers may purchase and redeem ETF shares only in large blocks known as creation units, typically in exchange for baskets of securities.

An investor may incur costs attributable to the difference between the highest price a buyer is willing to pay to purchase ETF shares (bid) and the lowest price a seller is willing to accept for ETF shares (ask) when buying or selling shares in the secondary market (bid-ask spread). Recent information, including information on the Fund's NAV, market price, premiums and discounts, and bid-ask spreads, is available online at *vanguard.com*.

Tax Information

The Fund's distributions may be taxable as ordinary income or capital gains. If you are investing through a tax-advantaged account, such as an IRA or an employer-sponsored retirement or savings plan, special tax rules apply. You should consult your own tax advisor with respect to any particular U.S. or non-U.S. tax consequences of your investment in the Fund.

Payments to Financial Intermediaries

The Fund and its advisor do not pay financial intermediaries for sales of Fund shares.

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