

MARKET VECTORS ETF TRUST

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**SUPPLEMENT DATED APRIL 18, 2013 TO THE PROSPECTUS OF
MARKET VECTORS ETF TRUST**

Dated May 1, 2012

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING CHANGE IN INVESTMENT POLICY

This Supplement updates certain information contained in the above-dated Prospectus for Market Vectors ETF Trust (the "Trust") regarding the Market Vectors Africa Index ETF and Market Vectors Gulf States Index ETF (the "Funds"), each a series of the Trust. You may obtain copies of the Funds' Prospectus free of charge, upon request, by calling toll-free 1.888.MKT.VCTR or by visiting the Van Eck website at www.marketvectorsetfs.com.

The Board of Trustees of the Trust has approved a change to the Market Vectors Africa Index ETF's and Market Vectors Gulf States Index ETF's investment objectives of seeking to replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the price and yield performance of the Dow Jones Africa Titans 50 IndexSM and Dow Jones GCC Titans 40 IndexSM, respectively. Effective on or about June 21, 2013, the Market Vectors Africa Index ETF and Market Vectors Gulf States Index ETF will seek to replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the price and yield performance of the Market Vectors[®] GDP Africa Index (the "Africa Index") and Market Vectors[®] GDP GCC Index (the "GCC Index"), respectively. The Funds' investment objectives are not fundamental and may be changed by the Board of Trustees without shareholder approval upon 60 days prior written notice to shareholders.

Effective at the time of the investment objective change, the Market Vectors Africa Index ETF's current investment policy to normally invest at least 80% of its total assets in equity securities, which may include depositary receipts, of companies (i) domiciled in Africa, (ii) primarily listed on an exchange in Africa or (iii) that generate at least 50% of their revenues in Africa will be replaced with the following investment policy: the Market Vectors Africa Index ETF normally invests at least 80% of its total assets in securities that comprise the Market Vectors Africa Index ETF's benchmark index. The Africa Index is comprised of African companies. The Africa Index includes local listings of companies that are incorporated in Africa and offshore listings of companies incorporated outside of Africa but that generate at least 50% of their revenues (or, in certain circumstances, have at least 50% of their assets) in Africa. The weighting of each country in the Africa Index is determined by the size of its gross domestic product ("GDP") relative to the GDPs of the other countries represented in the Index.

Effective at the time of the investment objective change, the Market Vectors Gulf States Index ETF's current investment policy to normally invest at least 80% of its total assets in equity securities, which may include depositary receipts, of companies (i) belonging to the Gulf Cooperation Council (the "GCC"), (ii) primarily listed on an exchange in countries belonging to the GCC or (iii) that generate at least 50% of their revenues in countries belonging to the GCC will be replaced with the following investment policy: the Market Vectors Gulf States Index ETF normally invests at least 80% of its total assets in securities that comprise the Market Vectors Gulf States Index ETF's benchmark index. The GCC Index is comprised of GCC companies. The GCC Index includes local listings of companies that are incorporated in the GCC and offshore listings of companies incorporated outside of the GCC but that generate at least 50% of their revenues (or, in certain circumstances, have at least 50% of their assets) in the GCC. The weighting of each country in the GCC Index is determined by the size of its GDP relative to the GDPs of the other countries represented in the Index.

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STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF
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Dated May 1, 2012**

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