XYRATEX LTD

Stock Fundamentals as of March 31, 2014				
Sabrient Rating	Hold			
Ticker	XRTX			
Market Cap Designation	Small-cap			
Market Capitalization (Millions)	\$364.7			
Price	\$13.24			
52-Week High/Low	\$13.52/9.77			
EPS (TTM)	\$-0.29			
P/E Ratio (TTM)	0.0			
Dividend Yield	2.3%			
S&P 500 P/E Ratio	19.2			
Price/Book Ratio	1.2			
Price/Sales Ratio	0.4			
30-Day Average Volume (Thousands)	324.5			
Beta	1.32			
Current Ratio	2.7			
Short Interest Ratio	N/A			
Shares Outstanding (Millions)	27.6			

Sabrient Ratings

Sabrient's Buy/Hold/Sell ratings are based on a combination of dynamic filters that determine which attributes of a stock are most predictive in the prevailing market and which stocks best reflect those attributes but are not yet rewarded.

Sabrient starts with an "extraction" process that uses the best performing filters to identify stocks having certain compelling attributes currently sought by the market. Then, a composite scoring process uses a weighted average of several key scores to quantify the relative likelihood of upside or downside price action. As a result, the Buy/Hold/Sell rating may, in certain cases, seem inconsistent with a simple average of the scores cited in this analysis.

A BUY rating means the stock is expected to outperform its relevant benchmark substantially over the next 6 months. A SELL rating means the stock is expected to underperform its relevant benchmark substantially over the next 6 months. A HOLD rating means the stock is expected to perform in line with its relevant benchmark over the next 6 months.

If a stock is rated HOLD, the investor should review the stock's history of Sabrient ratings to see if it has recently changed to HOLD from BUY or SELL. If so, this indicates one of the following: (1) there has been a significant change in the stock's fundamentals, (2) the stock is already appropriately rewarded or punished by the market, or (3) there simply has been some recent price consolidation that warrants attention. A reading of Sabrient's analysis should identify which it is.

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Sabrient's Market Cap Designations

Large Cap	> \$5.0 Billion
Mid Cap	\$1.0 - \$5.0 Billion
Small Cap	\$150 Million - \$1.0 Billion
Micro Cap	< \$150.0 Million

Report prepared on April 1, 2014 Page 1 Please see important disclaimer on page 4 of this report. XYRATEX LTD \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 Average Daily Volume in Millions 50-Day Moving Average May '13 Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan '14 Feb Mar

NASDAQ: XRTX

Industry: Computers Phones Household Electronics

Company Profile

Xyratex Ltd (Xyratex) is a provider of data storage technology, including modular solutions for the enterprise data storage industry and hard disk drive (HDD) capital equipment for the HDD industry. Xyratex operates in two segments: Networked Storage Solutions (NSS) and Storage Infrastructure (SI).

Earnings and Revenue Update: For the quarter ended August 31, 2013, Xyratex reported earnings of \$2.4 million or \$0.09 per share compared with \$2.9 million or \$0.11 per share for the prior quarter and \$7.7 million or \$0.29 per share for the same quarter one year ago. Revenues were \$217.3 million for the quarter ended August 31, 2013 compared with \$216.2 million for the prior quarter and \$275.7 million for the same quarter one year ago. Last twelve months' earnings were \$-0.29 per share compared with \$1.60 per share a year ago. Last twelve months' revenues were \$894.5 million compared with \$1.3 billion a year ago.

Sabrient Analysis

XRTX is rated a Hold because the stock lacks the most compelling growth characteristics being rewarded in today's market.

- Value: XRTX has a Sabrient Value Score of 41.2. Stocks with value scores in this range have traditionally underperformed the market. It would likely take a significant improvement in the earnings outlook or additional price weakness to spark interest from the traditional value investor.
- **Momentum:** The stock is below average with regard to momentum based on its Sabrient Momentum Score of 38.3. The score is a composite of price, earnings and group momentum.
- **Growth:** With regard to growth characteristics, XRTX ranks near the bottom of the market with a Sabrient Growth Score of 1.4.
- **Timeliness:** This stock has a Sabrient Timeliness Score of 45.2. This measures technical strength based on short-term and long-term price performance and long-term group strength.

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Current Sabrient Scores Compared with Industry and Relevant Benchmark

Very High

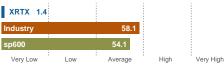
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These Sabrient scores compare various aspects of XYRATEX LTD with its industry and relevant benchmarks. The scores are percentile rankings from 0 to 99.9. Higher scores are better. We use a weighted average of several key scores to quantify the relative likelihood of upside or downside price action. Therefore, the Sabrient rating may seem inconsistent with a simple average of the scores cited in this analysis.

Growth Score: 1.4



Value Score: 41.2

XRTX	41.2			
Industry	:	58.3		
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Very Low	Low	Average	: High	:

Momentum Score: 38.3

XRTX	38.3		
Industry	:	64	4.9
sp600	:	52.3	
Very Low	Low	Average	High

Earnings Score: 31.8

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XRTX	31.8			
Industry		57.4		
sp600	·	46.9		
Very Low	Low	Average	High	: Very High

Balance Sheet Score: 84.9

XRTX					:	8	4.9
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Fundamental Score: 36.7

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XRTX	36.7			
Industry			66.3	
sp600		53.8		
Very Low	Low	Average	: High	Very High

Timeliness Score: 45.2

Industry 50.3 sp600 55.2	XRTX	45.2
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Low

The Sabrient Timeliness Score is an assessment of a stock's short and long-term price strength as determined by various chart-based indicators and measures of group momentum and relative price performance. With a Sabrient Timeliness Score of 45.2, Xyratex is marginally lower than the average of its industry group, which carries a

Peer Analysis

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This table compares XRTX with other similar-sized companies in the same industry group, focusing on Sabrient's growth, momentum and value scores, which represent the three main investing styles. The Peer Analysis chart compares XRTX's 2-year total return with the average 2-year total return of these companies.

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-75%	2013		2014

Average

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lod	Company	Growth Score	Momentum Score	Value Score	Market Cap.(M)
X	XYRATEX LTD	1.4	38.3	41.2	\$364.7
IR	Immersion	46.7	74.2	81.1	\$0.0
1	Quantum	18.4	61.4	47.0	\$0.0
	Silicon Graphics International Corp.	21.8	74.5	58.3	\$0.0
L	SKULLCANDY INC	35.6	81.0	6.0	\$0.0
L	CONTROL4 CORP	90.3	80.7	14.2	\$0.0
M	VIOLIN MEMORY INC	63.9	73.9	72.0	\$0.0

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growth, revenue and sales growth, projected cash flow, analyst activity, and changes in earnings estimates, each over various time periods. The higher the score, the better the combined performance of these key measures. With a Sabrient Growth Score of 1.4, Xyratex is dramatically lower than the average of its industry group, which has a Sabrient Growth Score of 58.1. The Sabrient Value Score measures the relationship between a company's stock price

The Sabrient Growth Score reflects a company's historical and projected earnings

and its intrinsic value, as indicated by earnings and balance sheet attributes, with an emphasis on earnings. Also considered are cash flow measures and fundamental valuation ratios. With a Sabrient Value Score of 41.2, Xyratex is moderately lower than the average of its industry group, which has a Sabrient Value Score of 58.3.

The Sabrient Momentum Score measures a company's earnings and price momentum, evenly weighted, and augmented by group strength, money flow, and relative volume. Core technical factors include current price relative to periodic highs and moving averages. With a Sabrient Momentum Score of 38.3, Xyratex is considerably lower than the average of its industry group, which carries a Sabrient Momentum Score of 64.9.

The Sabrient Earnings Score assesses a company's overall earnings performance and projected outlook. Time periods include an average look-back of three years with an emphasis on the past four quarters and a forward look of one to five years. With a Sabrient Earnings Score of 31.8, Xyratex is considerably lower than the average of its industry group, which has a Sabrient Earnings Score of 57.4.

The Sabrient Balance Sheet Score measures a company's liquidity and debt issues, as well as receivables and inventory quality. This score is used to assess relative risk associated with a stock: the lower the score, most likely the higher the inherent risk. With a Sabrient Balance Sheet Score of 84.9, Xyratex is marginally higher than the average of its industry group, which carries a Sabrient Balance Sheet Score of 79.7.

The Sabrient Fundamental Score is the broad measure of a company's financial health, including its balance sheet, cash flow, revenue, and earnings quality. With a Sabrient Fundamental Score of 36.7, Xyratex is considerably lower than the average of its industry group, which carries a Sabrient Fundamental Score of 66.3.

Sabrient Timeliness Score of 50.3.

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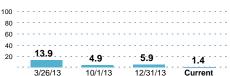
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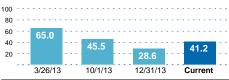
Historical Sabrient Scores

The recent histories of key Sabrient scores provide insight into the stock's trends -- whether they are increasing or decreasing in strength in a particular area or simply holding steady. The Sabrient scores are percentile rankings from 0 to 99.9, with higher scores better. Keep in mind that Sabrient ratings may seem inconsistent with a simple average of these key scores because a weighted average of several key scores is used to quantify the relative likelihood of upside or downside price action.

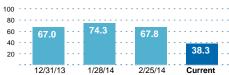
Growth Score: 1.4



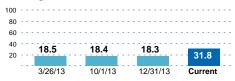




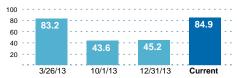
Momentum Score: 38.3



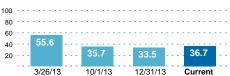
Earnings Score: 31.8



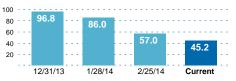
Balance Sheet Score: 84.9



Fundamental Score: 36.7



Timeliness Score: 45.2



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• **Best Performing Filters:** To determine the likelihood of near-term performance, Sabrient builds and backtests "Smart Filters" to establish which caps, styles and attributes are drawing a premium in today's market. Currently, the three most predictive filters for the relevant segment are:

GARP Filter: The GARP Filter is a proxy for growth at a reasonable price (GARP). A high score indicates a reasonable price for the growth potential; a low score suggests the growth potential may be overpriced. During the past three months, the filter has shown a substantial premium to its small-cap benchmark. XRTX scores 60.6 for this filter.

Consistency Filter: The Consistency Filter measures various earnings trends, along with short-term revenue growth. High scores are given to stocks that exhibit a smooth expansion in earnings and notable short-term revenue growth. The filter is currently among Sabrient's best performers in the small-cap segment. XRTX scores 6.2 for this filter.

Group Momentum Filter: The Group Momentum Filter measures industry group performance in multiple periods with an emphasis on the last three months and serves as a proxy for broader market sentiment toward a group or niche. Backtesting shows that the filter has earned a significant premium to its small-cap benchmark over the past three months. XRTX scores 87.3 for this filter.

In summary, XRTX is rated a Hold because it could not generate a Buy signal in Sabrient's dynamic filtering process. This analysis should be considered in light of the recent behavior of the market, discussed below.

What the Market Wants: November 2012

To read this week's "What the Market Wants" go to the Sabrient Blog at www.sabrient.com/blog/

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About Sabrient

Sabrient Systems is an independent research firm providing statistical analysis of a company's fundamental data to investment professionals. We use a computer-driven, quantitative methodology to identify stocks that appear poised to outperform or underperform the market.





The Sabrient methodology was developed by an experienced research team led by David Brown, a former NASA scientist and retired CEO of Telescan and designer of its premier stock search program, ProSearch. The research team employs a scientific approach to the creation and testing of multi-factor filters. Each filter targets a key area of traditional stock analysis, including value, growth, momentum, fundamentals, earnings, balance sheet, and group strength. Using an adaptive process, filters are continually tested and monitored to ensure that only the best performing filters are at work.

Sabrient's ratings begin with an extraction process in which each of the few best-performing filters scans the universe of equities to identify stocks having certain compelling attributes sought, but not sufficiently rewarded, by the current market. Then, a composite scoring system employs a broader set of "weighting" filters to rank the extracted stocks. To support individual investors, Sabrient uses the same sophisticated methodology to provide individual stock reports on a universe of approximately 5,600 stocks.

Sabrient regularly tests the performance of its stock selections, using its primary list of published rankings and statistical techniques it believes appropriate. These recommendations have consistently outperformed relevant benchmarks across a broad range of investing styles, market caps, time frames and market conditions, demonstrating the robustness of Sabrient's proprietary methodology. While past performance is no guarantee of future results, Sabrient believes it can maintain its strong performance through its rigorous, scientific approach to filter construction and ongoing backtesting within a dynamic and adaptive composite scoring system.

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