

FEATURED STOCK



CPJ

Caribbean Producers Limited (CPJ),
Opening price— \$14.45
Price to book— 4.61 times;
P/E— 12.72 times

Week to Date: 6%

Month to Date: -39

Quarter to Date: 10%

Our weekly pick features a stock currently held in the Mayberry Managed Equity Portfolio (MMEP). For more information on the MMEP, please contact your investment advisor today.

This week's stock pick is Caribbean Producers Jamaica Limited (CPJ). CPJ's principal activities include the wholesale and distribution of food and beverages, the distribution of non-food supplies and the manufacture and distribution of fresh juices and meats.

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Management noted, "The Group has strategically been focused on diversification of revenue streams with further investment in our stores and additional product lines for local consumption. The company continues to upgrade infrastructure, including our fleet, in anticipation of growth and to improve our service. We look forward to the opening of the CPJ Market Drax Hall outlet in midsummer of 2022. Our newly renovated and expanded CPJ market in Montego-Bay is now completed and has been well received. CPJ has also begun the work of enhancing the foodservice product line in the CPJ Market in Kingston."

CPJ (as at Friday May 27, 2022) was trading at 4.61 times its book value with a P/E of 12.72 times.





