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Pre-Covid, the bachelor living in this flat would travel regularly to New York City for work. It's a place where he finds great inspiration connecting with his colleagues at company headquarters, and where he can enjoy the buzz and energy that surrounds.

With the desire to translate the vibe of a New York City hotel suite into his newly purchased HDB unit, he gave Right Angle Studio the rather tricky brief of making his flat "not look like one".

"The client wanted a haven where he could return to and relax comfortably," says Jay Liu, art director of Right Angle Studio. "The interiors are largely inspired by hotels in New York city, extending to the material palette and even the fragrance."

Currently, the home is scented with Jo Malone's Wild Fig & Cassis, which has been chosen by the owner himself.

"The two most important times in a day for scents is in the morning and the evening, right before and after work. They help to set the mood and also lift his weariness on those extra long days," says Jay.

The bachelor is an avid food lover, and cooking and entertaining gives him great pleasure; for him, it's a means to connect with friends and family, and strengthen bonds.

A key feature of this residence is its elongated kitchen. Unlike most compact HDB kitchen layouts, this one stretches across the main living space, thus dissolving the divide between living, dining and cooking. "It's a full-service and integrated kitchen," shares Alex Liu, Right Angle Studio's design director.

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