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Kristen Epich's
Favourite Summer Nibbles

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Best Small Spaces

**"I lived in
425 sq.ft.
and loved it!"**

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STORAGE WITH
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**EXPENSIVE BENCH
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**HOW TO DO "MINIMAL"
THE RIGHT WAY**



"I can't be in a space that feels cluttered; it affects my mood and productivity," Jonathon says. In his galley kitchen, a Martha Sturdy table (below) doubles as a dining surface and desk. Dry goods are stored in the condo's converted den (not shown), which he turned into a pantry and closet. "Useful storage makes my life feel more at ease."

JONATHON'S LESSONS LEARNED

Supersize Storage: "I have a 12-foot-long floor-to-ceiling closet. It looks like a panelled hallway, and it's a lifesaver. If I didn't have that, there's just no way I could possibly live in this space. It's my clothes and shoe storage, and kind of my 'junk drawer.'" Jonathon also lined the converted den with shelves.

Lay Low: To give the illusion of higher ceilings — and more space — Jonathon plays with proportion. "I like to keep everything really low: the bed, tables, sofas, art. Keep your furniture in proportion to your home."

Make the Cut: "In a small space, I need to thoughtfully edit things into and out of my life," Jonathon says. But that doesn't mean just adhering to a strict one-in, one-out rule. "I'll choose one side table instead of two big ones or select a tiny stool to keep a seating area feeling open."



The "good-day" cymbal was a gift from a friend, who told Jonathon, "If you have one, ring it"