



# How to Create the Ultimate Entertainer's Kitchen

Are you a passionate entertainer known for your multi-course feasts? Here's how to create the ultimate entertainer's kitchen layout for the most memorable of dinner parties.

As an enthusiastic home chef who regularly entertains hungry hordes, you'll want an entertainer's kitchen that functions like a well-oiled machine. But just what is the perfect kitchen layout for entertaining? From well-utilised space to seamless functionality, the key design elements we explore below will help you create the ultimate entertainer's kitchen. Now go forth and make merry!

## Open plan layout

Legendary entertainers need the space to saunter through their kitchen with ease – topping up drinks, munching on some fresh bread and dips while chatting to friends and family. An open-plan design is perfect for this. And if your kitchen flows through to an outdoor entertaining space, so much the better! Entertainers with boxy or closed-in kitchen layouts may want to consider removing walls to open up the space if budget allows – it's that important.

## Island bench

What do the ultimate kitchen layouts for entertaining have in common? They all include an island bench. A kitchen island grants guests and family a front-row seat to your cheffing magic, while boosting valuable bench space and doubling as a dining table and bar. There really is no down side to incorporating an island bench into your kitchen design! Need help designing the perfect island bench? Check out our article [here](#).



## Incorporate durable materials

If you host friends and family frequently, then you know that after waving goodbye to your last guest, the last thing you feel like doing is spending the next few hours cleaning your kitchen before you're finally able to put your feet up and enjoy a night cap.

Cleaning up is never fun, but you can make the aftermath easier by choosing the right materials. Opt for durable, low-maintenance surfaces like porcelain tiles, engineered stone benchtops and stainless steel appliances. These materials are an entertainer's best friend. They're a breeze to clean, so you can spend less time worrying about the mess and more time enjoying yourself.

## Modern ovens with steam or microwave functionality

For passionate entertainers, having appliances that promote ease and convenience in the kitchen are worth the splurge.

An oven that also has steam or microwave functionality is something you must consider. Throw away your steamer, rice cooker and microwave because steam ovens do it all for you while also acting as a normal hot air oven. This means your kitchen will be less cluttered (perfect to impress guests).

[NEFF steam ovens](#) are great because they offer all your normal oven functions plus steam functions in one. They are German made with a four year warranty and come with the option to obtain a free cookbook to get your started.



## A cooktop with integrated ventilation (meaning no rangehood above required!)

You're looking to mingle effortlessly with your guests, so the last thing you want is bulky appliances getting in the way. The [NEFF Vented Cooktop](#) is the

ideal solution for an island bench setting with nothing overhead, with the rangehood and ventilation integrated into the flat cooktop – no overhead rangehood necessary! Alternatively, place the integrated cooktop and rangehood on a wall (considering the all-important ‘work triangle’ between the oven, sink and fridge) and include shelving overhead – perfect for displaying your collection of antique copper pots.



## Built-in coffee machine

The great thing about a [NEFF Coffee Machine](#) is that you can save all your friends and families favourite coffee orders under their name! Then simply find their name, press the start button and the machine will prepare their favourite sip.



## A warming drawer

Warming drawers are a nifty appliance used to warm up cups and plates so they're at an optimum temperature when you're ready to serve hot drinks and dishes. They also keep pre-cooked food at the right temperature if you're waiting on guests to arrive or in between courses. At NEFF [our built-in warming drawers](#) are designed to be installed with our ovens, and feature Push & Pull – one gentle touch opens and closes your drawer.



## Appliance with Wi-Fi capabilities

NEFF smart appliances are a suite of Wi-Fi-enabled kitchen appliances that can be managed remotely with our Home Connect app via your smartphone, tablet or voice control.

Dashed out to buy flowers for the dinner table? No problem – with smart appliances and intuitive controls, you can monitor and control your appliances no matter where you are. Preheat the oven. Start the coffee machine. Or let the oven send you notifications when dinner is ready. Entertaining just became a whole lot easier and more convenient.



## Invest in mood lighting

[Lighting](#) is integral for setting the scene and mood for intimate dinner parties and bigger celebrations. And with the right lighting, you can create the perfect ambience whatever vibe you want to create. Depending on the style and design of your kitchen, you could choose oversized pendants, chandeliers or cabinet lightings, to add impact. Or you could consider installing dimmable downlights, as they are great for illuminating and

softening the room when needed. LED strip lighting that runs along the base of the island and wall cabinets can also set the mood; you can even purchase ones that change colour.



Ready to use our different kitchen layout ideas to create your own dream entertainer's kitchen? Visit <https://theneffkitchen.com.au/> for more tips and inspiration.

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### **About NEFF**

NEFF is a German-engineered kitchen appliance brand, with a product range that includes ovens, cooktops, rangehoods, coffee machines and dishwashers—designed to make life in the kitchen a daily pleasure. For people who love to cook, NEFF gives you the tools to create meaningful connections, express your creativity and make memories. Because real life happens in the kitchen.

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