

## Playing

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As I write this, it is just after 9:00 PM; we've just had a fabulous take-out Thai dinner from our favourite Yaletown restaurant, [Urban Thai](#), Rick is about to have a bath (because he can) and we are settling in for our first overnighter at our condo. The dishwasher has just run through a cycle with no leaks, there is a load of laundry drying and another load in the washing machine (again no leaks) and the garburator is working perfectly. We are testing all the appliances to ensure there are no problems and going over everything in detail in case there are things needing attention. I suppose these are the joys of new condo ownership and they are all things we need to attend to as quickly as possible. With the exception of a scar on one kitchen cabinet door and a poorly hung cabinet near the kitchen sink, everything else is checking out quite nicely.

This is our first night in Yaletown; close to the active nightlife and the buzz of a busy city; quite

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a change for a couple of country bumpkins. This will be a good test for us to determine if city living will be a good fit for us. Compared to our cosy Moho, our 609 square foot condo is massive but of course we have no furniture in it which will certainly make a difference. After wandering through [IKEA](#) the other day we got plenty of ideas for making small spaces highly functional and we think we could quite enjoy hanging our hats in this neighbourhood.

Relax, it isn't our plan to stop rambling quite yet, but it is good to test the waters and find out if we'll be able to do it when the time comes. This is our "home" (the government likes us all to have a home) and it will be for the foreseeable future, we just aren't committed to rooting here forever.

Here is Monet content with Makai's un-inflated soccer ball that his Mom bought him yesterday.