

# TWOSOME HOUSE

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## Project Credits

Client: Private  
Program: Residential, Single Family Dwelling  
Location: Etobicoke, GTA, Canada

Structure: Steel, Concrete, and Wood Framing  
Lot Area: 1570 m<sup>2</sup> (16900 sqft)  
Size (GFA): 540 m<sup>2</sup> (5800 sqft)

Design: 2016  
Completion: Fall 2019

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Mechanical: Noor Design Inc.  
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Twosome House is a spatial dichotomy, organizing its large space into two—the private/servant versus the public/served—based on a central axis. Volumetrically, the house comprises two distinct blocks, rectangular and cubic, representing the private/servant and the public/served respectively, joined by a slightly recessed entry block. The cubic block is further defined dichotomously by the secondary axis perpendicular to the main one, expressed rigidly by a triple-height concrete wall. To the north of this dividing line are rooms and facilities catering services, while to its south are the large, brightly lit gathering spaces such as the double-height living room on the ground floor. The staircase, wrapping around this concrete monument, freely transitions between these two opposite realms. This modern scheme contextualizes itself through scale and natural light. The two-volume configuration breaks down the scale of the house to that of its surroundings.