

Naomi Ng & Sofie Buch Hoyer ~ Hong Kong's Sky Slums Highlight Wealth Gap



Hong Kong (CNN) January 2015. With an unrestricted, panoramic night view of the city's twinkling skyline and the breezy air right outside the front door, a 15th floor penthouse apartment ticks all the boxes for a million-dollar property in the heart of Hong Kong.

But there's a catch.

Fung, 59, who prefers not to divulge his full name, lives in an illegal rooftop slum — a 75-square-foot shack just big enough to host a bed, a cupboard, and everyday knick-knacks thrown pell-mell in the dusty room. The rent costs \$1,700 Hong Kong dollars (US\$220) a month.

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