How-To Build a Bench Featuring Bluff Wall

You’ve spent a long time making your back yard the perfect place to relax, now, you and your guests can sit and take in the view. A bench is a great way to make it happen. So build your own bench, no stone cutting required, with these easy steps.

**SUPPLIES LIST:**
- 72 Bluff Wall Blocks
- 8 Caps – 12” x 12”
- 6 4x4 Posts (cut to a 6 ft. length)
- 1 2x6 Posts (cut into 2x18 in. sections)
- Tape Measure
- Shovel
- Level
- Compacting Material
- Rubber Mallet
- Construction Adhesive
- Drill
- 2.5 inch screws

**STYLE TIP:** Using Wood Stain on boards, choose a color that matches surrounding design elements to help integrate your bench into your outdoor living space.

1. **Use a Tape Measure** to find the right place and length for your bench.
2. Build on a level, well compacted base; using a Shovel and Compacting Material and Level, or on an existing patio.
3. Choose a length for your slats that will become the seating of Bench.
   **TIP:** For example- pick up 6 4x4 Posts (cut to a 6 ft. length) and 1 2x6 Board (cut into 2x18 in. sections)
4. Place layers, 6 blocks each, using Construction Adhesive between each layer.
   **TIP:** Lay blocks so finished end is visible at each corner, centered behind the marker blocks.
5. Using the 4x4 posts to properly space, build 2 columns, 4 layers each.
6. Then, switch to a 4 block pattern to build the final 3 layers. These layers will align to the outside of columns to create the ledge needed for seating.
   **Tip:** Make sure to stagger each set you don’t repeat any face styles. Keep the joints offset and the pattern random.
7. Then, using more Adhesive, place the Caps on the column.
8. Glue your boards onto the seat ledges of columns.
9. Using a Drill and 2.5 inch screws, affix the sections of trimmed wood to the bottom of the boards to prevent sliding.