Directions for making a “Fancy” stacking Paw Pad with wooden blocks

Each Paw Pad is actually 3 blocks of wood that are stacked on top of one another. They are fixed in place with Velcro between them. As the puppy progresses through the training, the blocks are removed one at a time until they eventually go away. The shelf liner is placed on the floor. The platform is placed on the shelf liner so it will not move when the puppy is on it.

Materials
• Wood: (3) one foot sections of a 2x6 board (buy a longer 2x6 board and cut into one foot sections)
• Velcro: Self Adhesive (Sticky Back), 3/4in wide, 14in long (comes packaged in an 18in strip)
• Duct Tape: Enough to cover the (3) 2x6 boards. Duct Tape comes in rolls and sheets. For this project you can use four sheets and finish each pad with a matching roll.
• Shelf Liner: Sold in rolls. Cut in 12x12 sections to place under the platform when in use.

Directions
• Sand the ends of each one foot board. Make sure there is nothing sharp enough to poke through the Duck Tape or poke the puppy’s feet.

• Cover each board with the decorative tape you have chosen.

• Place the Velcro sections on the board where you are thinking of placing them. Make sure all have the same side of Velcro surface up (the hook or the loop). It doesn’t matter which is up—just that they are all the same so they can easily be re-stacked together.
• Take the first (bottom) board and place two Velcro sections on the top of the board. Place one at each end of the board about 1 inch from the long edges and 1 inch from the short edge. When you are comfortable with the placement, pull the backing off the Velcro and stick it to the block on both ends. You should still have the backing on the Velcro that is facing up.

• Number the boards with a permanent marker (1,2,3) from the top down so the Velcro on one board lines up with the Velcro on board next to it.

• Take the second (middle) board and set in on top of the first board. When you know how you want it placed, carefully remove the backing from both strips of the Velcro on the top of the first board. Place the second board on top of the first board and firmly push down in the area of the Velcro. Now both boards should be stuck together with the Velcro. Don’t take them apart yet; the glue needs to set.

• Follow the directions above to place the Velcro on the top of the second board and finally to the bottom of the third (top) board.

• Leave all three boards together for at least 24 hours to allow the glue to set.

• The final step is to place the 12x12 piece of shelf liner under the Paw Pad to keep it from moving when in use.