



Koji the pocket Zebracorn

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Please meet Koji the pocket zebracorn, who is yet to grow his horn.

Like his cousin Kirika the pocket unicorn, Koji is special in his own magical way.

With stripes that are yet to fully form, the little zebracorn is a carefree creature off to unleash his curious ways.

I may be small, but my dreams are just as real as yours, he says.

“Don’t write me off just yet. Everyone has his own time to shine.”

Materials & Tools

2.5mm crochet hook

La Mia Linen Cotton (50g) in White, Brown, Nude, Blue and Pink

Black crochet thread

Black sewing thread

Darning needle

Sewing Needle

Scissors

Pins

Stitch markers

Polyester stuffing (50g)

Measurements

10-cm high x 14-cm wide

Skill Level

Intermediate

Stitches Used

Ch: chain

Sc: single crochet

Inc: increase

Inv dec: invisible decrease

Sts: stitches

Ss: slip stitch

*This pattern is written in US crochet terms.

Techniques Used

Adding chains to a piece that is crocheted in the spiral:

1. This technique is used to add parts that jut out from the original piece. We will use this technique to add Koji's body (extended from his neck).

Important Notes

1. For the tutorial pictures, I am using aran-weight cotton yarn and a 3mm hook, with stripes in a light grey colour and mane/tail in teal green.
2. Remember to match the size of your hook with the weight of your yarn. For me, a 2.5mm hook works best with DK-weight yarn and a 3mm hook, with aran-weight yarn. The size of your zebracorn will vary according to your hook/yarn used.
3. If you're planning to use the traditional black colour for the stripes, you may have to use a white strand of crochet thread to sew on the eyes in order for it to be seen. Or you may reposition the eyes elsewhere (Koji's eyes fall on his brown stripes).

Instructions

Head + Body

Starting with white yarn:

Round 1: Sc 6 in magic ring {6}.

Round 2: [Inc] around {12}.

Round 3: [Inc, sc 1] around {18}.

Round 4: [Inc, sc 2] around {24}.

Round 5: [Inc, sc 3] around {30}.

Rounds 6: Sc around {30}.

Change to brown yarn.

Rounds 7-8: Sc around {30}.

Change to white yarn.

Rounds 9-10: Sc around {30}.

Change to brown yarn.

Rounds 11-12: Sc around {30}.

Change to white yarn.

Round 13: Sc around {30}.

From here onwards, you will be crocheting the body.

Round 14: Sc in first st, then Ch 10. Sc in second ch from hook until end, ss onto the same st on the neck, sc in the next 29 sts {40}.

In the following, you will be crocheting on both sides of the chain and around the head/neck.

Change to brown yarn.



Round 15: Inc in the first st, sc in the next 48 sts {50}.

Round 16: Sc around {50}.

Change to white yarn.

Rounds 17-18: Sc around {50}.

Change to brown yarn.

Rounds 19-20: Sc around {50}.

Change to white yarn.



Rounds 21-22: Sc around {50}.

Change to brown yarn.

Round 23: Sc around {50}.

Start stuffing the head/neck.

Round 24: Inv dec, sc in the next 7 sts, inv dec, sc in the remaining 39 sts {48}.

Change to white yarn.

Round 25: [Inv dec, sc 6] around {42}.

Round 26: [Inv dec, sc 5] around {36}.

Change to brown yarn.

Round 27: [Inv dec, sc 4] around {32}.

Round 28: [Inv dec, sc 3] around {24}.

Stuff body firmly.

Change to white yarn.

Round 29: [Inv dec, sc 2] around {18}.

Round 30: [Inv dec, sc 1] around {12}.

Round 31: [Inv dec] around {6}.

Fasten off and weave in ends.



Snout

With brown yarn:

Round 1: Sc 6 in magic ring {6}.

Round 2: Inc around {12}.

Round 3: [Inc, sc 1] around {18}.

Round 4: [Inc, sc 2] around {24}.

Round 5: [Inc, sc 3] around {30}.

Round 6: [Inc, sc 4] around {36}.

Change to white yarn.

Rounds 7-13 (7 rounds altogether): Sc around {36}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Stuff firmly (you can also stuff more later while you're halfway sewing it onto the head/body).



Cheeks

Make 2 with pink yarn:

Round 1: Sc 6 in magic ring {6}.

Clean fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.



Ears

Make 2 with brown yarn:

Round 1: Sc 7 in magic ring {7}.

Round 2: Sc around {7}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Flatten piece and give one of the sides a little pinch to shape it into an ear.



Mane

With blue yarn:

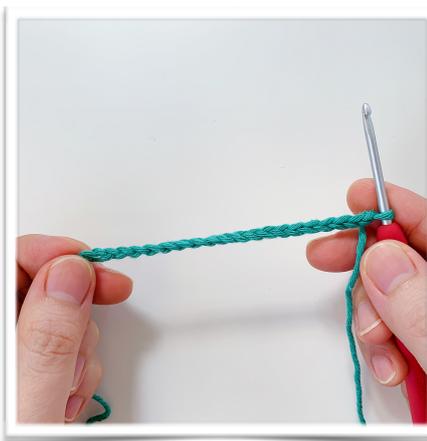
Ch 20.

Row 1: Inc in second ch from hook, sc across until the end {20}.

Row 2: Ch 1, turn. Sc in the next 19 sts, inc in the last st {21}.

Row 3: Ch 1, turn. Inc the first st, sc across until the end {22}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.



Legs

Make 4 starting with brown yarn:

Round 1: Sc 7 in magic ring {7}.

Round 2: Sc around {7}.

Change to white yarn.

Rounds 3-4: Sc around {7}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

* No stuffing is required for the legs.



Tail

With blue yarn:

Round 1: Sc 3 in magic ring {3}.

Round 2: Inc around {6}.

Round 3: [Inc, sc 1] around {9}.

Rounds 4-12 (9 rounds altogether): Sc around {9}.

Fasten off and leave a long end for sewing.

Flatten piece.

* No stuffing is required for the tail.

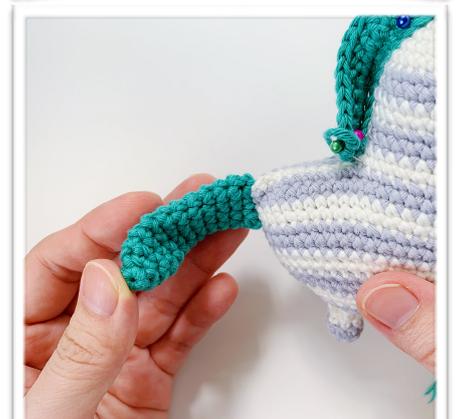
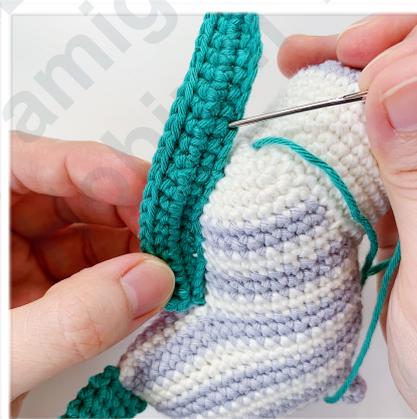


Assembly

1. Pin all the pieces in place to have a general idea of where their positions are and if you are happy with them.



2. Sew snout onto the side of the head (it should point in the opposite direction of the body) approximately from Round 1 at the top. The snout should look like it's pointing a little upwards. At this point, your zebracorn might look a little like a Dodo bird :)
3. Sew on mane at the top of the head – it should be “standing” on its edges. The start of the mane should be positioned at around Round 9 of the snout.
4. Sew on ears. Position them approximately on Round 4 of the head/body. The inner part of the ear should be facing out towards you.
5. Position the tail vertically on the “bum” area of Koji. Sew on tail. Bend the tail slightly to give it a little shape.



6. Sew on legs. Make sure their positions allow your zebracorn to stand upright.
7. Using black crochet thread and a darning needle, sew a horizontal backstitch for the eyelids, about 2 sts long, below Round 8 of the head/body, about one stitch away from the snout.
8. Add on some eyelashes with black sewing thread – make 2 spaced-out vertical stitches along the eyelids.
9. Sew on cheeks below the eyes. Then please say hello to your little zebracorn!







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I hope you enjoyed making Koji the pocket zebracorn! Tag me on your makes @amigurumei and #amigurumei on Instagram :)

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