A crocheted zebra with a mane

This small sitting zebra with a mane is crocheted from 100% cotton yarn using a No. 3 crochet hook. The zebra is filled with polyester stuffing.

Head

Begin with black cotton yarn
1:        6 dc in a magic ring **(6)**
2:        2 dc in each crochet stitch **(12)**
3:        *1 dc, 2 dc in the next crochet stitch* **(18)**
4-5:   1 dc **(18)**
6:        *4 dc, 2 dc together* **(15)**
*Change to white cotton yarn and crochet alternately two **(2)** rounds white and two **(2)** rounds black.*
7:        1 dc **(15)**
8:        *4 dc, 2 dc in the next crochet stitch* **(18)**
9:        1 dc **(18)**
10:       *2 dc, 2 dc in the next crochet stitch* **(24)**
11-14:   1 dc **(24)**
15:       *2 dc, 2 dc tog* **(18)**
16:       *1 dc, 2 dc tog* **(12)**
Fill the head with polyester stuffing
17:       *2 dc tog* **(6)**
Break the yarn, sew tog the small hole and secure the end of the yarn.

Body

*Begin with white cotton yarn and then crochet alternately two **(2)** rounds black and two rounds white.*
1:        6 dc in a magic ring **(6)**
2:        2 dc in each crochet stitch **(12)**
3:        1 dc **(12)**
4:        *1 dc, 2 dc in the next crochet stitch* **(18)**
5-6:   1 dc **(18)**
7:        *2 dc, 2 dc in the next crochet stitch* **(24)**
8-11:   1 dc **(24)**
12:       *2 dc, 2 dc tog* **(18)**
13:       *1 dc, 2 dc tog* **(12)**
Fill the body with polyester stuffing
14:       *2 dc tog* **(6)**
Break the yarn, sew together the small hole and secure the end of the yarn. Sew the head onto the body.

Front leg x 2

Begin with black cotton yarn
1:        6 dc in a magic ring **(6)**
2:        2 dc in each crochet stitch **(12)**
3:        1 dc in the back loop **(12)**
4:        1 dc **(12)**
Change to white cotton yarn
5-6:   1 dc **(12)**
Change to black cotton yarn
7:        1 dc **(12)**
Break the yarn and fill the legs with a bit of polyester stuffing. Sew the front legs onto the body.

Hind leg x 2

Begin with black cotton yarn
1:        6 dc in a magic ring **(6)**
2:        2 dc in each crochet stitch **(12)**
3:        1 dc in the back loop **(12)**
4:        1 dc **(12)**
Change to white cotton yarn
5-6:   1 dc **(12)**
Change to black cotton yarn
7-8:   1 dc **(12)**
Break the yarn and fill the legs with a bit of polyester stuffing. Sew the hind legs onto the body.

Eye x 2 (white)

1:        6 dc in a magic ring **(6)**
2:        2 dc in each crochet stitch **(12)**
Break the yarn and sew the eyes onto the head

Pupil x 2 (black)

1:        6 dc in a magi ring **(6)**

Ear x 2

Begin with white cotton yarn
Cast 4 chain stitches, turn

1st round:
Skip the 1st cs, 2 bt inthe next cs, 1 hdc in the next cs, 2 dc in the last cs. Turn 180 degrees and crochet around the 3 cs : 1 dc in the 1st cs (the same cs from before with 2 dc), 1 hdc in the next cs, 3 bt in the last cs **(10)**.
Change to black cotton yarn

2nd round:
2 dc in the next 2 crochet stitches, 1 dc i n the next 2 crochet stitches, 2 dc in the next 2 crochet stitches, 1 dc in the next 2 crochet stitches, 2 dc in the next 2 crochet stitches. Finish with 1 ss in the first crochet stitch from the 2nd round **(16)**.

Break the yarn and sew the pupils onto the eyes.

Tail

Twist a tail from 2 pieces of black cotton yarn. Double over the yarn and tie a knot at the end. Trim the tail and sew it onto the back of the body.

Secure any loose threads.

Sew lots of black pieces of cotton yarn onto the head for the mane and trim the mane to a suitable length.