I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas

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INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 / [G] / [G]

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas

[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do

[D7] Don't want a doll, no dinky Tinker Toy

I [A] want a hippopotamus to play with and en-[D7]joy

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas

I [G] don't think Santa Claus will mind, do [D] you?

He [D7] won't have to use, our dirty chimney flue

Just [A] bring him through the front door that's the easy thing to [D7] do

I can [G7] see me now on [C] Christmas morning

[G7] Creeping down the [C] stairs

Oh what [D7] joy and what surprise when I [G] open up my eyes

To see a [A7] hippo hero [D] standing [D7] there

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas

[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do

[D7] No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses

[A] I only like, hippopota-[D]muses

And [A] hippopota-[D7]muses like me [G] too

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas

[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do

[D7] Mom says the hippo, would eat me up but then

[A] Teacher says a hippo is a vegetari-[D7]an

I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas [G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do

There's [D7] lots of room for him in our two-car garage

I'd [A] feed him there and wash him there and give him his mas-[D7]sage

I can **[G7]** see me now on **[C]** Christmas morning

[G7] Creeping down the [C] stairs

Oh what **[D7]** joy and what surprise when I **[G]** open up my eyes

To see a [A7] hippo hero [D] standing [D7] there

I **[G]** want a hippopotamus for Christmas

[G] Only a hippopotamus will [D] do

[D7] No crocodiles or rhinoceros-se-ses

[A] I only like, hippopota-[D7]mu-se-ses

And [A] hippopota-[D7] muses like me [G] too! [G] \downarrow [D7] \downarrow [G] \downarrow

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